

Congregational Announcements: May 1, 2022



ST. PAUL'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL
HOWARDS GROVE, WI

Pastor Adam Bode - Pastor Aaron Mueller - Principal Chad Marohn - Staff Minister Luther Curia

| This Week at a Glance: | |
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| Date | Service, Bible Study, and Class Times |
| Saturday, April 30 | 3:00 p.m. Examination Service |
| Sunday, May 1 | Worship Services: 8:00 & 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Confirmation Service Click here for 8:00 livestream link Click here for 11:00 livestream link |
| | NO Family Bible Hour |
| Monday, May 2 | 6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship |
| | 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice |
| Tuesday, May 3 | 6:00 p.m. BIC |
| | 7:00 p.m. Adult Open Gym *ages 12+* |
| Wednesday, May 4 | 8:30 a.m. Moms Bible Study |
| | 8:45 a.m. Romans Bible Study |
| | 9:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Playdate |
| | 4:15 p.m. Public School Catechism |
| | 6:30 p.m. Church Council |
| Thursday, May 5 | 6:30 p.m. Connecting Sinai to Calvary Bible Study |
| Friday, May 6 | 6:00 p.m. 4K/K End of the Year Program |

- Did You Know?** 2022 marks the 160th anniversary of our St. Paul's congregation! In commemoration of this memorable milestone for our church, we will be sharing interesting facts about our church's history in each week's bulletin until a special anniversary service in fall. **Confirmation Albums, beginning with the Confirmands of 1895** are out on display in the library. We encourage you to take a look!
- Joint Ascension Service** - On May 26 at 6:30 pm, there will be a joint Ascension service for St. Paul's (Howards Grove), Calvary (Sheboygan), and St. John's / St. Peter's (Cleveland). The service will be hosted by SJSP in Cleveland (1251 W. Washington Ave). Children from the Sunday Schools and Day School will be

singing an anthem. The offering for the service will go toward a mission project. All are welcome to stay after the service for ice cream and fellowship.

3. **SAVE THE DATE** - St. Paul's will celebrate its 160th anniversary on September 18th in both Sunday services. We have lined up Rev. Tom Unke (our former pastor) to preach that day. More details to come!
4. **Sunday Bible Study** - resumes today continuing in the Roles of Men and Women with respect to service in the church. Come and join us in the gymnasium in between the Sunday services.
5. **Family Dance Party** - The Activities committee is planning a fun activity for your family Friday, May 13! Schedule: 6:00-7:00 Pizza served (and dancing); 7:00-7:30 Dance-off (optional) for \$50 PRIZE; 7:30-8:00 Snacks and more dancing/fellowship

COST: freewill offering collection

SPECTATORS WELCOME!

We'll have the gym set up for the occasion, with lights and awesome family-appropriate tunes! Dance-Off (OPTIONAL): Sign up your crew (1-5 people) and come prepared to show off your skills for a chance to win the \$50 grand prize! (The dance doesn't need to be more than 30 seconds long.) Register [ONLINE](#) or in the member room by MAY 11 to help the committee plan for the event. Contact Luther Curia with any questions. luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org 920.287.8575

6. **Ukraine Support** - If you would like to make a monetary donation to help our brothers and sisters in Ukraine during this time, you can place an envelope in one of the offering boxes, or drop it off in the church office. Please write 'Ukraine' on your envelope, and we will make sure your donation will be sent to the Synod. We will be collecting donations through at least the end of the month. You can also go to this website and do a direct online donation. <https://community.wels.net/page.aspx?pid=365> If you do this, make sure to designate "Ukraine" in the drop down box near the bottom of the page. Most importantly, please keep the country of Ukraine in your prayers, asking our Heavenly Father to keep them safe during this time of war, and bring this conflict to a quick resolution.
7. **Mr. Andy Dais** made a decision on his call to St. Paul that will be announced today.
8. **Constitution Considerations** - At our April 24 Voters meeting, our congregation confirmed the adoption of the new MLHS Constitution & Bylaws, which had been approved by the Federation delegates earlier this year. Our voters also adopted our updated St. Paul's Constitution & Bylaws. Electronic or paper copies of the new documents will be available upon request from our office.
9. **Meditations Subscriptions** - There are sheets printed in the Member Room to renew or receive your Meditations for the first time. Please fill out the form and include your payment in an envelope. Place the envelope in the marked drawer in the Member Room. Put your envelope only in this location to make sure it is accounted for. If you buy a copy of meditations from the Member Room instead of paying for the yearly subscription, please note that the price is now \$5.00 per copy.
10. **Recapping Announcements from Last Week:**
 - a. The Capital Campaign Committee deeply thanks God's people for their generosity. We have exceeded the \$500,000 level! Please continue to support this as able since it will offset the mortgage or help with unexpected costs. [One way mentioned is by extending pledges into the future]. Praise the Lord! Please see Corey Schroeder for questions. [As a side, we are blessed to have several people working on grant writing behind the scenes. We have applied for at least 18 grants from local and state wide entities. For most of them we won't hear back until later in the year.]
 - b. As announced last Sunday, cash on hand and pledges is at \$2,050,000. There is an update already to this amount. A donor last week made official a gift for next year of \$150,000! That puts cash and pledged amounts at \$2.2 million!

- c. The Finance Committee has engaged a bank for our mortgage. It is Oostburg Bank. We were approved this past week for the full amount of our loan. We are not able to lock in an interest rate until we have a property appraisal, which is scheduled for six weeks out. Please speak with Jim Van Alstine for questions.
- d. The Building Committee has finalized plans for the building outline. These will be ready for display next Sunday, May 8. Please contact Larry Jaeger for questions.
- e. Not announced last week, our IT and Interior Decorating Committees began meeting separately. The IT Committee is led by Dan Rehbein. The Interior Decorating Committee is led by Larry Jaeger.