

# CELEBRATE *Grace*



ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
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# Welcome to St. Paul's!

A special welcome to our guests and visitors!

Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. (Psalm 32:1) During the season of Lent, we are blessed to follow Jesus to the cross and see how he has forgiven our sins by his sufferings and death. We are so thankful to share in that blessedness with you at St. Paul's. Our mission is to Grow in Christ and to go with Christ.

Thank you for joining us!



We at St. Paul's share a common belief that Jesus is our Savior from sin and is the Lord of our lives. Our faith is based on God's Word, which is revealed in the Bible. We want to share this great news with as many people as possible, because we know that Jesus lived, died, and rose from death to save all people!



## WORSHIP DURING THESE TIMES

All pews are open for seating. Face coverings are optional - up to the individual. Please feel free to use the Bibles/Hymnals in the racks. Hand sanitizer is available in the narthex. There are bulletins available in the narthex or from an usher. Please keep or discard them at the end of worship. Offerings can be placed in the marked boxes in the narthex.

## ADDITIONAL WORSHIP INFORMATION

On our website you will find previous and current links for our worship services, bulletins, and announcements. We livestream the 8:00 a.m. service every Sunday. We can also make a copy of our worship on a DVD for you. In order to ensure cleanliness, you do not need to return the DVD. Please consider a small monetary donation (\$2) to cover the cost of it.

## BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Join us after first service, at 9:15 a.m., for our Family Bible Hour. We have Sunday school for 4K-8th grade and Adult Bible Class. Childcare is offered during the Adult Bible Class. There are other Bible Study Opportunities during the week. Contact one of our Pastors for more information.

## COMMUNION

We offer Communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month as well as those following Monday evenings. Because God says that Communion is an expression of unity (1 Cor.10:16-17), we practice close communion, inviting up to the Lord's Table those who have explored and established unity with us on the basis of God's Word. Please speak to a pastor if you have questions about our practice.

## FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN

*Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." ~Matthew 19:14*

There are changing tables located in BOTH the women's and men's school bathrooms. Near the entrance of the church, there are children's quiet bags with pictures, books, and a sketch tablet. If you use them, please put them back after the service. Based on Scriptural examples and developmental evidence, parents at St. Paul's worship with their young children. We encourage members to reserve the back few pews for families with small children. We have a nursery room located just off the narthex. There is a speaker in there so you can still hear and take part in the worship service. Please feel free to use this room for your child(ren), including a place to nurse.

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St. Paul's Lutheran Church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (The WELS) and was founded in 1862. We have our Lutheran elementary school (4K-grade 8) on site and are part of a federation of churches to support our own high school, Manitowoc Lutheran High School.

**Today's Worship Focus:** Last Sunday we were taught to turn to the Lord in repentance no matter the earthly circumstances. This week we need to see this is no power play on behalf of God (the way the world works). This is *grace's* power play – that the incredible love of our Father may be brought to bear to sinners for Jesus' sake and prodigal people restored to the family of God.

**Communion Preparation** *Christian Questions to prepare our hearts for communion are found on pp. 295-296 in the hymnal. Prayer: Lord Jesus, you have invited me to come and receive your holy Sacrament. I believe that in the bread and wine you give me your true body and blood to eat and drink. Forgive my sins and nourish my faith through this precious meal. I long for the comfort that comes with your promises; I yearn for the assurance of your faithful love. Bless me now as I receive you by faith.*

## Today Your Mercy Calls Us

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*Stand*

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

## Confession

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

**Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Almighty and merciful Father,**

**we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.**

**We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts.**

**We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.**

**We have done those things that we should not have done,**

**and we have not done those things that we should have done.**

**Have mercy on us, Lord!**

**Spare us, forgive us, and restore us,**

**according to your promises in Christ Jesus.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

## Absolution

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Glory to God in the Highest

*Tune: WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN*

1 To God on high be glo - ry and peace to all the earth,  
2 O Lamb of God ex - alt - ed, you take all sin a - way;

for God has shown his fa - vor in Je - sus' ho - ly birth!  
ex - tend to us your mer - cy and hear us as we pray.

Al - mighty - y God and Fa - ther, our hum - ble thanks we bring;  
With God the Ho - ly Spir - it, at God the Fa - ther's throne,

we wor - ship you, we bless you, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
you reign, O Christ, for - ev - er, for you are Lord a - lone!

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## THE WORD

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Almighty God, our heavenly Father, your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, you receive us as your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge your merciful goodness, give thanks for all your

benefits, and serve you in willing obedience; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

## **First Reading**

*Isaiah 12*

<sup>1</sup>In that day you will say:

“I will praise you, LORD.

Although you were angry with me,  
your anger has turned away  
and you have comforted me.

<sup>2</sup>Surely God is my salvation;

I will trust and not be afraid.

The LORD, the LORD himself, is my strength and my defense;  
he has become my salvation.”

<sup>3</sup>With joy you will draw water  
from the wells of salvation.

<sup>4</sup>In that day you will say:

“Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name;  
make known among the nations what he has done,  
and proclaim that his name is exalted.

<sup>5</sup>Sing to the LORD, for he has done glorious things;  
let this be known to all the world.

<sup>6</sup>Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion,  
for great is the Holy One of Israel among you.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Anthem**

*Sung by Small Group*

## *Your Mercy Washes Over Me*

Your mercy flows like a mighty, rolling river, rushing all around me, flooding my soul. I am surrounded by your glory, astounded by your love for me. Your wondrous grace amazes, your forgiveness sets me free.

*Refrain:* Your mercy washes over me, the healing tide from Calvary, that rolls throughout eternity. Your mercy washes over me.

My soul was dry, like a parched and barren desert, longing for refreshment from the heavens above. I cried for fountains of your blessing, like mountain streams caressing me, and showers of forgiveness soon became a cleansing sea. *Refrain*

## **Second Reading**

*Romans 8:1–10*

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup>because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup>For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup>in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

<sup>5</sup>Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. <sup>6</sup>The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup>The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. <sup>8</sup>Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God.

<sup>9</sup>You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. <sup>10</sup>But if Christ is in you,

then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## Gospel Acclamation

*Luke 15:10*

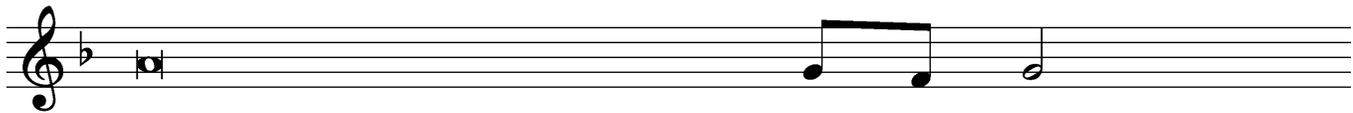


*Refrain*



Glo - ry, praise, and hon - or to you, Lord Je - sus Christ.

*Tone*



There is rejoicing in the presence of the an - gels of God

*Refrain*



over one sinner

who re - pents.

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## Gospel

*Luke 15:1–3, 11–32*

<sup>1</sup>Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. <sup>2</sup>But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, “This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

<sup>3</sup>Then Jesus told them this parable:

<sup>11</sup>Jesus continued: “There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup>The younger one said to his father, ‘Father, give me my share of the estate.’ So he divided his property between them.

<sup>13</sup>“Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. <sup>14</sup>After he

had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup>So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. <sup>16</sup>He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything.

<sup>17</sup>“When he came to his senses, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! <sup>18</sup>I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. <sup>19</sup>I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.’ <sup>20</sup>So he got up and went to his father.

“But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.

<sup>21</sup>“The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’

<sup>22</sup>“But the father said to his servants, ‘Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. <sup>23</sup>Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. <sup>24</sup>For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ So they began to celebrate.

<sup>25</sup>“Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup>So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. <sup>27</sup>‘Your brother has come,’ he replied, ‘and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.’

<sup>28</sup>“The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. <sup>29</sup>But he answered his father, ‘Look! All these years I’ve been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup>But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!’

<sup>31</sup>“ ‘My son,’ the father said, ‘you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. <sup>32</sup>But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ ”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

## **Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is,  
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,**

**who in unity with the Father and the Son**

**is worshiped and glorified,**

who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Be seated*

## Amazing Grace

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## Sermon

*Luke 15*

*Do You Deserve Another Chance with God?*

*Stand*

## Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

## THE SACRAMENT

### Preface

The Lord be with you.  
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.  
We lift them up to the Lord.

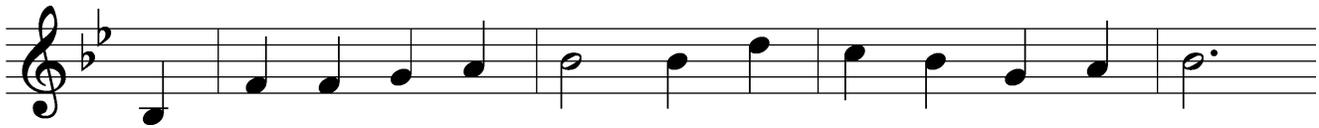
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

## Proper Preface

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree, would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

## Holy, Holy, Holy

Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN



1 Sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts on high,  
2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How blest is Christ our King,



your ev - er - last - ing glo - ry fills earth and sea and sky."  
who died as our Re - deem - er, e - ter - nal life to bring!



Our voic - es cry, "Ho - san - na!" Lord, hear our hum - ble plea:  
How blest are you, Lord Je - sus, now com - ing in God's name!



in mer - cy, come and save us; in love, come set us free.  
"Ho - san - na in the high - est!" our grate - ful hearts pro - claim.

## Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Amen.**

## O Christ, Lamb of God

*Tune: GOTTLOB, ES GEHT NUNMEHR ZU ENDE*



1 O Lamb of God, once lift - ed high up - on a  
2 O Lamb of God, your sac - ri - fice has can - celled



cross to bleed and die, in per - fect love you  
sin, has paid its price; your per - fect love will



took our place— be - stow on us your sav - ing grace.  
nev - er cease— have mer - cy, Lord, and grant us peace.

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*Be seated*

**Distribution** *St. Paul's invites up to Communion instructed and confirmed members of this congregation and the Wisconsin Synod (WELS). If you are visiting us and are not a member of either, we would love to have you join us - just after we have established a shared faith in Jesus with you on the basis of God's Word. Please speak with one of our pastors after the service so we can make this happen.*

# Jesus Comes Today with Healing

CW 668

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*Stand*

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
**his mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

**Amen.**

*Be seated.*

# The First Song of Isaiah

CW 810

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*SERVING JESUS WITH HEARTS OF LOVE:*

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**USHERS:** 8:00 a.m.- Peter Hahn, Ray Nasgovitz, Paul Nasgovitz, Gary Bauer, Dan Kuether.  
10:30 a.m. Dennis Eirich, Wally Gierach, Dan Stange, Bill Mass, Aaron Mass.

**OFFERING: 3/20 & 3/21: \$12,612 (WEEKLY BUDGET GOAL: \$16,300).**

**ADDITIONAL \$12,409 WAS RECEIVED FOR GROWING FORWARD.**

**\$435 FOR THE UKRAINE MISSIONS. \$20 IN MEMORY OF BRENDA STOELB .**

**CHURCH ATTENDANCE: 3/20 8:00 A.M. – 190. 10:30 A.M. – 134. 3/21 MONDAY NIGHT – 27.**

**MIDWEEK LENT WORSHIP: 192.**

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*Online giving options available*

In thanks to our gracious Lord and his gift of forgiveness in Jesus, we bring to him a generous portion of all we have received from him. Offerings for the Lord's work may be placed in one of the designated boxes in the narthex today. They may also be mailed in, dropped off in the office, or given online.



*In our prayers this week...*

1. Chad Marohn, who received another call to serve as principal at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Fort Atkinson.
2. Marlene Koeser, whose health has been in decline the past couple weeks.

**This Week at a Glance:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Service, Bible Study, and Class Times</b>
<b>Sunday, March 27</b>	<b>Worship Services: 8:00 &amp; 10:30 a.m.</b> <b><u><a href="#">Link to Online Weekend Worship Services</a></u></b>
	<b>9:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour</b>
<b>Monday, March 28</b>	<b>5:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting</b>
	<b>6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship</b>
	<b>7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice</b>
<b>Tuesday, March 29</b>	<b>6:30 p.m. Elders</b>
	<b>7:00 p.m. Adult Open Gym</b> <b>*ages 12+*</b>
<b>Wednesday, March 30</b>	<b>8:30 a.m. Moms Bible Study</b>
	<b>8:45 a.m. Bible Study</b>
	<b>9:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Playdate</b>
	<b>5:15 p.m. Lenten Meal (Sloppy Joes)</b>
	<b>6:30 p.m. Midweek Lent Worship</b>
<b>Thursday, March 31</b>	<b>NO Connecting Sinai to Calvary Bible Study</b>
	<b>6:30 p.m. St. Paul's Forensics</b>

- 1. Sunday Bible Study** - Today's Bible study is led by Pastor Mueller on the subject of the biblical roles of women and men. Can you explain them? Why do only men do ushering at our church? Can we have a female PTF president/chair? Why do we have a Ladies Aid and not a Men's Aid? We look to Scripture for God's wisdom! Today's lesson finishes last week's material and addresses this topic in the marriage setting.
- 2. New Bible Information Class** has started for those new to the faith or renewing the Christian faith. We meet on Tuesdays starting at 6:30pm in the commons/lunchroom. For those who were interested but couldn't attend this one, the church staff is planning the next class to start April 19th, exact time yet TBD.
- 3. We just finished a Bible information class and at least ten people are** requesting membership with us! You should see these people/families pictured with a brief biography on the bulletin board in the narthex over the next 6 weeks.
- 4. Lent Wednesday Services** continue for the next 2 weeks at 6:30 pm. Our theme is "The Crucial Hours," looking at key words and moments from the account of Jesus' passion that demonstrate the completeness of his saving work for us, the depth of his love for us, and the strength of his union with us. For these services, our pastors will be rotating pulpits with the other WELS pastors in our Sheboygan River Circuit.
- 5. Greg and Dawn Johnson informed our congregation** on Wednesday last week that they have each returned their calls to Zion in Egg Harbor, WI. They will remain at St. Paul's and continue in their work among us. May the Lord bless them!
- 6. Mr. Marohn Call:** This past weekend our principal received a call to serve at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Fort Atkinson as their school's principal. Please reach out to Mr. Marohn with any ministry feedback and keep the Marohn family in your prayers.
- 7. 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.

- 8. Registration** for Preschool and Kindergarten is open! You can register through the St Paul's School website or Click on the links to register for the 2022-2023 School Year. Kindergarten Registration Link - Preschool Registration Link.
- 9. Holy Week Services:** Please mark your calendar for these worship opportunities in mid-April:

**Palm Sunday** 4/10 & 4/11

8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School sings both services.

Monday Night @ 6:00 p.m.

**Maundy Thursday** 4/14 @ 6:30 p.m.

**Good Friday** 4/15

1:00 p.m. 4K-8th Sings

6:30 p.m.

**Easter Sunday** 4/17 Adult Choir Sings

7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.

No Monday Night Worship

- 10. Easter Egg Hunt:** The Stewardship committee is planning a fun activity for your kids this Easter! **Date:** Saturday, April 16 **Schedule:** 9:30 arrival & Easter Egg Hunt (ages 1-8); 10:00 Activities/Scavenger Hunt (ages 9-13)/Pictures. The younger children will search for Easter eggs around St. Paul's property. The older children will answer some trivia questions and follow a map to hidden "treasure" on our church/school campus. There will also be snacks, coloring pages, activities, a short movie, and a photo opportunity with the Easter Bunny. If the weather is bad, the younger kids will do their hunt in the gym. Register ONLINE (<https://forms.gle/NuRqPcRjgehyaDWy7>) or IN THE MEMBER ROOM to help the committee plan for the event. Contact Luther Curia with any questions: [luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org](mailto:luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org); 920.287.8575
- 11. The Pioneer Pinocar Derby** has been postponed to Sunday, April 3rd @ 1:00 p.m.. Please contact Mike Heilman with any questions.
- 12. Constitution Considerations** - At our April 24 Voters meeting, the agenda will include the approval of *two* different Constitution and Bylaws. One of them is for St. Paul's. Over the past two years, a committee combed through our current documents and suggested updates. These have been through the Elders and Council and approval is now being sought by the voters. The other one is for

Manitowoc Lutheran High School. The delegates approved it in their February meeting, and now it has been sent to federation congregations for the final step in the approval process. Copies of these documents can be obtained in the member room or the office. Changes are highlighted in side-by-side format. A summary of proposed changes for our St. Paul's Constitution & Bylaws is found on the final page of that packet.

**13. Easter Sunday Flowers** - We are approaching the Easter season and would like to adorn our sanctuary with spring plants on Easter Day. A printout of the plants available will be displayed on a table in the Narthex starting on March 20th. If you would like to purchase a plant in memory of a loved one, it will be printed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday. If you care to help beautify our church, please sign up and make checks payable to Altar Guild. All plants will be tagged with your name and taken care of until pick-up. You can pick-up your plant after the LAST service on Easter Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact Eillen Perronne at 920-838-4307.

**14. Youth Rally Update** – This year we have a great group of over 20 people signed up for the WELS International Youth Rally in Knoxville, TN. This is a tremendous opportunity for our teens to learn and grow in the Word, and share that experience with thousands of other teens from all around the world! This trip does come at a cost. For a group this size, our expenses will be over \$10,000. Most of the expense will be the responsibility of the families attending, but if you would be interested in supporting the Youth Group financially there are a couple of ways coming up. First we will be hosting a Lent Dinner on Wednesday April 6<sup>th</sup>. Second we will be hosting a light breakfast between services on Easter Sunday. At both of those events we will be collecting donations, with 100% of the proceeds going to help offset the costs of the Youth Rally. Lastly if you would like to drop off a gift at the office, please just label it “Youth Group”. For any questions, please contact Mike Leahy.