

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS -03/10/19

Family Bible Hour This Morning - Our members Jake and Heather Lambrecht are heading to China (with their 4 children) through the Friends of China program. They will leave this August. In light of this, Micah and Kayla Ricke will be coming to present on mission work in China. They have a combined six years of experience sharing the Gospel in the most populated country on earth. They worked with the same organization (Friends of China) that the Lambrechts will be. Please join us today to see how God's Kingdom is bigger than politics and how he uses broken people to do great things. Monetary donations received at our Easter breakfast this year will be sent in support of this effort.

Divine Calls - On February 24, St. Paul's extended a call to Miss Cassie Krug to serve as our Kindergarten teacher. Miss Krug is currently teaching at Lord of Life Lutheran School in Friendswood, TX.

We are thankful that Miss Krug would consider serving with us at St. Paul's. Please keep her in your prayers as she begins her deliberations. Feel free to reach out to her with words of encouragement as you are able.

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The voters also extended a call to Mrs. Sarah Mueller to teach part time at the 7-8th grade level next year.

Feel free to offer advice and encouragement for her at: sarah.mueller@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.

Lenten Wednesdays - Jesus reminds us, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." Our theme for this year's Lenten rotation is "Three Words of Truth". Each week we will focus on a memorable and important three-word phrase from Jesus' passion that impresses his truth on our hearts. This week's theme is "Love One Another," from John 13:31-35. Services are at 6:30 pm.

The Stewardship Committee has planned a congregational event to see a Milwaukee Admirals hockey game on Saturday March 16th at 6 pm. We would carpool from the church lot and plan to leave around 4 pm. We have 40 tickets reserved for this event. An email came with a registration link. Tickets are \$17. (It is also Ryan Ellis bobblehead night.)

Memorial Money Used - Pastor Bode's table and chairs for his office were purchased from the Richard Pieper memorial fund and a donation from the Ladies Aid.

Mindful Moms - Here's what's coming for March. PLEASE NOTE: For the remainder of the winter months we will meet for playdates and childcare in the Gathering Space/Narthex instead of the gym.

March 13 Bible Study

March 20 Bible Study

March 27 Open play in the gym! (Spring Break)

Easter Flowers - It is time to start thinking about spring and Easter. Last year our sanctuary was decorated with plants purchased by our congregation members. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex along with the prices for each type of flower. You can also purchase one in memory of a loved one and it will be printed in the Easter bulletin. Eileen Perronne will also be around to answer any questions you may have, you can also call Eileen with any questions (920-838-4307).

During the month of March we are collecting jars of peanut butter for the Sheboygan food pantry (at their request). Bring any jars to the office and we will take care of it from there. Thank you!

Summer Culinary Camp! - St. Paul's member Gale Litt [at right] teaches culinary classes at Plymouth High School. She has agreed to teach a summer week long baking camp at St. Paul's for any children entering into 6th through 8th grades. The dates are June 24th through 28th, 9 am to 11 am. There will only be room for 12 students! The cost will be \$25 per student to enroll. A registration link will be sent out to the congregation soon. The week of classes will look like this:



Monday: Snack in a mug - granola, mac n' cheese, pudding, pizza, egg mug muffin

Tuesday: Homemade s'mores - graham cracker dough, make marshmallows; parfaits

Wednesday: Enjoy s'mores, prepare ice cream base

Thursday: Prepare yeast bread dough, make homemade jam

Friday: Shape bread, proof and bake; rainbow smoothies

For questions please contact Gale Litt at church (or Pastor Mueller if it's not a baking question).

Trap league starting - If anyone is interested in joining the newly created St. Paul's Trap League please contact Karl Leverenz (920-946-5017) or Andy Sprenger (920-912-0477).

The Trustees have been diligently searching for quality equipment to purchase to honor the Windows to Ministry campaign direction. After a demonstration of products at our site, we finalized our order. Two weeks ago arrived our gym floor scrubber to maintain our gym floor. Utilizing this machine will save on waxing costs and extend the life of our floor. It takes about 45 minutes to clean the gym with it. The size of the machine is perfect to fit inside our janitor's closet as well as be tucked away for storage. Because we were able to find a great machine at a great price, we were able to also purchase a commercial vacuum which allows us to vacuum the school hallway in less than...3 minutes! That is no exaggeration. The vacuum has saved our janitor well over an hour each night since it has arrived. Even with that purchase there was enough left over to buy a quality vacuum more for spot usage in our classrooms.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU to EVERYONE that helped with or attended our St. Paul's Silent Saturday!

What a fun afternoon with church and school families and their guests. This has been our most successful silent auction so far, thanks to God and his people who donated around \$11,000! We still have a few more to collect. We are so thankful for each and every donation that will help us better the academic resources and technology at our school!

Healthy Marriage Weekend - On September 20-21, there will be a marriage getaway at the Grace Center in Milwaukee. You and your spouse will be equipped to know and maintain a healthy marriage with the One who made you his own and calls you his Bride. Led by WELS Pastor Randy Hunter. More information can be found at cad.welsrc.net/healthy-marriage-milwaukee-wi.