



Mothers' Day
Sunday, May 10th

**Join Us @ St. Paul
 to honor all women.**

Gifts for ladies.
 Photo - Op for taking
 family photos.

**INVITE YOUR
 WHOLE FAMILY !**



TUESDAY, JUNE 2ND
6:00 – 8:00PM
@ ST. PAUL

Pastor Paul will bless all bicycles, motorcycles, scooters, and wheeled things, praying for safety over those who ride in the summer months.

There will be bike safety instruction for all, by the Amherst Police Bicycle Squad. Gifts for riders from local businesses. Decorate your ride for summer. A Bike Parade led by Amherst Police Bicycle Officers. And build-your-own ice cream sundae to top off the night.
Free. All invited.

St. Paul Lutheran Church & Preschool

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 Sunday Worship Services: 9:30 AM

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Welcome to St. Paul!

We're glad you're here! Whether this is your first visit or you're a St. Paul veteran, we hope you sense our "welcome mat" is out and you'll consider joining us again soon any Sunday at 9:30AM right here. Please fill out a white "Communication Card" found in front of you in the pew rack, and place it in the offering plate later. And about the offering ... don't feel obligated to participate in giving because we – and God – are really glad you are here as our guest!

Ushers are standing by to assist you in locating a seat, directing you to restrooms, coat racks, and to our nursery.

Nursery is available for children ages 3 and under. An usher will be happy to direct you to our Nursery where parents may care for infants, and rambunctious toddlers will find a place to be ... themselves.

Worshippers who wish to receive Holy Communion are encouraged to thoroughly read the announcement in this bulletin explaining what Communion reception is all about.

IN TODAY'S WORSHIP Could it be that God's concern is not to remove our earthly problems like sickness, but that He can work through them to bring blessings much, much bigger than we ever foresaw? The disciples saw Jesus' suffering and death as complete tragedy. They expected Jesus to bring a new earthly kingdom. Jesus appeared to them in the evening of Easter Sunday opening their understanding of God's remedy for this world. God does not remove problems like suffering and death – even for Jesus – but through them He brings His solution: repentance and forgiveness of sins through Jesus Christ!

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: Faithful God, I give thanks for Your abundant blessings. I my worship today give me sincerity to admit my sin to You, and give me Your grace, as You never give up on me, but call me Your child once again. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

Greeting Card Making! Tap into your artistic skills you didn't know you had in you. Learn to stamp, cut, and paste to make beautiful greeting cards on **Thursday, April 30th @ 6:30 pm at St. Paul.** We always make some for the shut-ins of the congregation. Please join us. We have a lot of fun! No experience necessary. Just a heart for serving.

Survey Invitation – Shepherding God's Church Together

As we look toward the future of our church buildings and facilities, we invite every member to share their vision and hopes. Scripture reminds us that we are called to be faithful shepherds of God's flock (1 Peter 5:2), caring for the church entrusted to us. If you have not yet completed a survey, please take a moment to do so—your voice is important. We welcome comments from everyone, and your insight will help guide our shared path forward.

LIFE OF OUR SAVIOR IN STAINED GLASS – Thanks to many generous donors St. Paul has gathered the funds for four stained glass windows! The first window, depicting Christ's birth, is being constructed by the artist studio, and The Board of Directors has moved to get contracts written and signed for three additional windows. Praise God! Only 2 windows left! If you want to participate, an information brochure is at the Information Counter detailing the plan to replace the worn out side windows in the sanctuary with beautiful stained glass that tells the story of our salvation.

This Week For The Lord	Looking Ahead One Week
4/19 Holy Communion / Kids Church 9:30 AM G.I.F.T Bible Study 10:45 AM	4/26 Worship / Kids Church 9:30 AM G.I.F.T Bible Study 10:45 AM
4/21 Seasoned Saints 10 AM Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM	4/28 Seasoned Saints 10 AM Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM
4/25 Preschool - Luau with my lady 9 AM Mission Action Council 9 AM @ St. Paul Parsonage	4/29 Preschool Chapel 11:45 AM 4/30 Preschool Chapel 11:45 AM Greeting Card Making 6:30 PM

Serving in God's House:

Pastor	Rev. Paul Werner
Organist	Owen Reyda
Reader	Sandy Long
Greeters	Mike & Debbie Smith
Altar Guild	Fran Draga, Debbie Smith
Sound	Mike Warnock, Tina Muska
Head Usher	Ron Fisher
Ushers	Dan Streza, Chuck Draga, Bob Kemmerle



PLUG IN TO A BIBLE STUDY GROUP

GROW IN FAITH TOGETHER – Join us today or any Sunday, 10:45 AM to 11:45AM • Bible Study • Discussion • Fellowship Join us upstairs after the worship service.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study @ 10AM. Join us this Tuesday. You'll meet some friends, find encouragement, enjoy home-baked cookies, and grow in faith. We wonder whether the people long ago will keep God central in their lives as they go through the wilderness. That's the same thing we all wonder about our lives today. We meet in the upper level. You don't have to be a Bible scholar. Everyone is welcome!

Women's Bible Study Group – Tuesday @ 6:30 PM in St. Paul's parsonage, next door. You'll make wonderful friends, grow in faith, and engage in caring lively discussion about living everyday as a Christian and woman.

Blood Donation Help save lives—sign up today to donate blood! Every donation makes a difference for patients in need. Quick, easy, and safe—your generosity matters. Join our community of heroes and make an impact. We are currently gauging interest; once enough members sign up, we will schedule a date for the blood drive. (Invite family and friends to join you) Sign-up form is in the Narthex/Lobby

St. Paul Mission Action Council -- Leaders of St. Paul's groups, teams, and ministries, and any members are encouraged to join us for the Ministry Action Council, Saturday, April 25th, 9AM - 11:30AM. We will clarify St. Paul's vision for the future, build up leaders, coordinate plans and events, develop a year calendar of goals and events, collaborate / build synergy between groups, teams, ministries. Your pay is Free coffee, juice, donuts, fruit. We will meet this month in St. Paul's Parsonage (house). Join us.

Trip to the Arc Encounter & Creation Museum – We are starting to plan a trip next Fall to the Arc Exhibit and the Creation Museum, in Williamstown, Kentucky. The life-size replica of Noah's Arc is an amazing experience to tour! The 3 day trip includes bus transportation, 2 night's lodging, all meals, and tickets to the Arc and Creation Museum. Cost is \$660 per person. St Paul's Fellowship Team wants to know if enough people are interest to book the trip and set the dates. If you're interested, please sign up on the Information counter. Signing up is not a commitment, just showing interest in going.



“The Lord is Near to all who Call on HIM.” Psalm 148:18

Prayer Requests this Week

Please pray for **Marybeth** Hixon, sister-in-law of Lynn Jiovanazzo, who will receive a kidney for transplant this week, and for her daughter kidney donor Madeline, that all goes well; pray for **Brenda Hamilton** for her aneurysm surgery coming soon; pray for **Sheryl Gregg** as she goes through radiation and chemotherapy for her cancer, and she begins the transition to permanently live with her daughter in Findley, OH; pray for **Milo Hambleton**, a 4 yr. old boy with bone marrow cancer; as he goes through chemotherapy prior to marrow transplant surgery.

Pray for **Edna Klenz** as she goes thru radiation therapy for a tumor; **Barb Deja** who is being treated for cancer; **Mike McHugh** as he continues a long battle with leukemia; **Brian Holmes** as his leukemia has returned; **Jeff Rahrig** who is in treatment for cancer; **Karen**, niece of Diane Lamoreaux, and **Donna Napolitano**, sister of Diane Lamoreaux who are both going through cancer treatments; **Jerry Camera**, a relative of Sally Krause, with bladder cancer; **Jeanne Camera**, a niece of Sally Krause, who has cancer; **Nancy Dau**, in treatment for cancer; **Zack**, a friend of Cyndi Kemery, who has cancer; **Tracy**, who has cancer and is receiving radiation; **Jim Williams** who has cancer; **Lorie**, Cyndi Kemery's cousin, who has non-Hodgkins Lymphoma; **Paxton Roby** with cancer.

Pray for those who have on-going chronic illnesses or are home-bound: **Janice Ingersol, Ruth Williams, Don Lamoreaux, Ruth Murdy, Jack & Marilyn Green, Phyllis Darakis, John Harden, Joanie Fahrney, Ron Klein.**

Pray for **the James family**, on the sudden death of Matt James, a neighbor on Central Drive.

Pray for military personnel serving their country at home and overseas. Pray for God to help them turn to Him in times of need, for honor in serving and safe homecomings.

Pray for those celebrating birthdays: **Sue Werner, Allison Wulfoop, Ken Wulfoop.**