

St. Paul's Messenger

A monthly newsletter for friends and family

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EVENTS

April 6	Maundy Thursday
April 7	Good Friday
April 9	Easter Sunday
April 19	Ladies Lunch Bunch
April 29	Maple Fest Challenge
April 30	Confirmation Sunday

Attendance

March 5	55
March 12	68
March 19	103
March 26	85

Thank you to Bob & Sandy Schreiner for sponsoring the April newsletter.

A MESSAGE FROM COUNCIL PRESIDENT VAL BACH

Happy spring, everyone (it's kind of tough to say that out loud as I stare at the mounds of snow still in my yard). The good news is it has to melt eventually, doesn't it?

Here is a quick update on what's going on within the church and our collaborative efforts with Our Saviour's. Pastor Bob Giese, who has filled in for pulpit supply on occasion here at St. Paul's and Our Saviour's, has agreed to serve as the Interim Administrative Pastor for St. Paul's, Our Saviour's (Holway) and Trinity Lutheran (Unity) until the call of a pastor at any congregation. Pastor Bob's role will include the following:

- Provide special services for the congregation when needed
- Assist with worship planning and scheduling of pulpit supply
- Administer the sacraments when presiding at worship
- Provide pastoral care to members and visit members as necessary
- Provide pastoral support for meetings, activities and organizations when needed

Council and Transition team members met with Pastor Randy Olson of the Northwest Synod on Sunday, March 19th, to review the Ministry Site Profile (MSP). The MSP will be presented for final review and approval by Council within the next week. Once approved, the MSP will be uploaded to the Synod website along with Our Saviour's. Both congregations will elect members to form the Call Committee and we will then be ready to begin the formal call process. Please contact any member of Council if you are interested in being a member of the Call Committee.

In addition, Council will be selecting three members for the Joint Parish Council to serve together with three members of Our Saviour's congregation. This group will meet regularly to monitor the Joint Parish Agreement and address any needs or concerns. We are looking for at least one non-Council member to serve on the Joint Parish Council so if you are interested, please reach out to a member of Council.

Pastor Randy commented on how he noticed the high level of energy amongst the St. Paul's congregation on Sunday and how great it was to see the youth involved in the message. Great job to everyone involved!

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I overheard a few of the confirmation students talking before the service and there was definitely excitement in their voices (even though it may have been nervous excitement).

As I write today's message, it happens to be World Down Syndrome Day. Down syndrome occurs when an individual has an extra partial (or whole) copy of chromosome 21. It is not yet known why this syndrome occurs, but Down syndrome has always been a part of the human condition. It exists in all regions across the globe and commonly results in variable effects on learning styles, physical characteristics and health. So, today, me and my family are celebrating our special grand-daughter who has Down Syndrome. I pray that more of the world continues to accept children and adults who have Down Syndrome. God's grace and blessings are so important to all of us.

God's Work, Our Hands.

Easter Message from Bishop Laurie Skow-Anderson April 2023

Matthew 28 After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it... the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said... go quickly and tell his disciples."

Dear Northwest Synod of Wisconsin,

Join me and that great cloud of witnesses this Easter in the acclamation:

Christ is Risen,
He is Risen indeed, Alleluia!



The gospel reading for this Easter is from the book of Matthew. Matthew is the only gospel writer that records an **earthquake** on Easter morning. The women arrive at the tomb and are greeted by an earthquake, an angel rolling back the stone, and the news that their Lord and Savior wasn't there, **JESUS HAD BEEN RAISED FROM THE DEAD**. What? The women were filled with shock and fear. The aftershocks of this earthquake are still felt. The news that death doesn't win and is defeated by the power of God in Christ Jesus continues to shock and amaze us.

What if we imagined Easter not as a lovely spring ritual filled with pastel-colored eggs and candy but as the violent earthquake that it is? Few living in the Midwest have experienced an earthquake. A pastor born in California remembers her mother putting rubber bands on the kitchen cupboard handles so the china dishes wouldn't fall out when there was an earthquake. When has a death of a loved one shaken the foundation of your world? When have you realized how fragile life can be? Christ's resurrection from the dead, his victory over sin, death, and the devil shakes up everything. It is the good news that can even shake us loose from our grief.

What if we experienced Easter as a violent earthquake more like a fresh egg dropped to the floor than one hard-boiled and beautifully decorated? What if the Easter Earthquake shakes us awake, shakes everything out of the cupboards and closets so we are forced to do spring cleaning and decide what to put back and what to throw out? What if we get rid of stuff that doesn't work and give more space to what's important? What is really important? What is God's will for you? What are our Easter priorities?

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What if this year the Easter Earthquake cracks open and rolls away the stone from our hearts, shakes loose old ideas, breaks down rock-hard prejudices, and opens us up to new ways to love our neighbor and to share this amazing good news that Jesus lives? What new life might rise up from the rubble? What new relationships might develop? Like a chick struggles to break free of the egg’s shell, new beginnings are rarely easy, but they are worth it.

The good news is that Christ’s resurrection from the dead and his victory over death is good news even to those who have experienced a literal shifting of tectonic plates beneath the earth. On February 6, 2023, a 7.8 magnitude earthquake hit Turkey and Syria leaving over 50,000 people dead and hundreds of thousands more wounded, displaced, or homeless. More than 10,000 aftershocks have been felt since February 6 leading to more deaths, fear, and trauma. The aftershocks will continue for a long time.

This Easter, in response to the earthquake that opened the tomb and to the good news that Jesus has been raised from the dead, I encourage you to give a gift to the Lutheran Disaster Response to help the victims of the Earthquake in Turkey and Syria. Here is a link to help you do that. <https://community.elca.org/middle-east-crisis?ga=2.89763675.1129066314.1679579365-256581953.1608055964>

Suddenly there was a great earthquake...

In Christ,

Bishop Laurie Skow-Anderson



Palm Sunday	9:00 a.m.	St. Paul’s
Maundy Thursday, April 6	6:15 p.m.	Our Saviour’s
Good Friday, April 7	6:00 p.m.	St. Paul’s
Easter Sunday, April 9	9:00 a.m.	St. Paul’s

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

The Mobile Food Pantry served 65 households on March 16.



- 48 individuals ages 0-17
- 58 individuals ages 18-59
- 67 individuals ages 60+

29 individuals visited the pantry for the 1st time
2,132 pounds of food distributed

The next Mobile Food Pantry will be on Thursday, April 20.

Volunteers meet at 1:00 p.m.
Distribution begins at 4:00 p.m.

If you would like to help sponsor the food pantry, simply make out your check to St. Paul’s Lutheran Church and include “food pantry” in the memo line. Business and individual sponsors are welcome.

Thank you to Gary Jensen for sponsoring the March 2023 Mobile Food Pantry.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday school children have been learning about the Bible stories: A Storm and The Holy Week/Easter. We have also been practicing a song called "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me" that we will sing with the adult choir on April 30th during the service.

When learning about storms the children realized that storms can be scary, but God wants us to know we do not have to be afraid. We need to listen to him as he is always with us; helping us and leading us.

For Holy Week/Easter the children did a science experiment on light. Finding out that when Jesus died the sky was dark, but light God shows to us through many colors we see in our world and the rainbow! We are also talking about the importance of Easter and why Jesus died for us.



Looking ahead, the Sunday school children will not have Sunday School on April 9th. Please celebrate Easter Sunday with your family.



CONFIRMATION

We have had the pleasure of working with 15 remarkable kids this year for confirmation. It has been very exciting seeing how each have grown in Christ in his or her own special way. We all have different paths in life to follow but we also have to be aware and nurture all of our church community. Reflecting back on the accomplishments each of these kids were involved with helping our church grow through ushering, communion assistants and the skits were such a blessing. Each and every one of us have to embrace our younger members. As a member of our church community, how will you support them in the future? We will confirm eight new members on April 30; please come and show your support and find out how to mentor them for the future of our church.

Faithfully submitted by
Kim and Leon Gasek along with all the volunteers

Confirmation service - April 30, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

LADIES LUNCH BUNCH

When: Wednesday, April 19

Time: 11:15 a.m.

Location: Cindy's Bar and Grill
W7958 State Highway 64
Medford, WI

For more information, contact
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Easter Lilies



Laura Leary	In memory of Dan Leary
Craig & Lynn Glamann	In memory of loved ones
Jeff & Dawn Harder	In memory of James Kasper & Virginia Harder
LaVern Scheithauer	In memory of my husband Bob
Lynette Pernsteiner	In memory of family
Tim & Sally Lemke	In memory of family
Mark Temme	In memory of family
Randy & Heidi Haynes	

CHOIR NEWS

Choir rehearsal will be on:

April 9 at 8:10 a.m.
sing at 9:00 a.m. service

April 16 at 9:10
practice with Sunday School

April 30 at 8:10 a.m.
sing at 9:00 a.m. service



NEEDLES FOR NEEDS QUILTING GROUP

This month has really flown by - and we have lots of quilts to show for it. We have now made 118 Lutheran World Relief quilts for 2023. We would normally be just starting these quilts the first week of April, but we had to switch gears a bit until we figure out what our partners in the Homeless Veteran Quilt ministry need. Wanda and Rita have made some quilts for the apartments that some homeless veterans have been moved into. We are waiting to hear how many of these will be needed.

Thank you to everyone who has been bringing in donations of denim and sheets - we are so grateful that you're thinking of us as you clean out closets this spring! We are still in need of full size and larger cotton and cotton/poly flat sheets if you come across any in your closets or in garage sales that are starting to pop up.

We are still meeting from 9-2 every Tuesday if you'd like to join us for an hour or the whole day. We'd love to have your help!

God's work, Our hands.
Tonya Albers

COMFORT QUILTS

Do you know that St. Paul's has 2 quilting groups? They are Needles for Needs and Comfort Quilts.

There are 4 ladies in the Comfort Quilts group that work from home. We buy 98% of our fabrics and backing. We rely on monetary donations and donated fabrics to help us out. This brings me to another item of interest. When talking with friends and relatives that would like to make a monetary donation for quilting, please tell them that we have 2 quilting groups.

If you know of anyone who needs a quilt for a child, man or women, please reach out to us as we don't always hear those in silence.

Happy Blessed Easter
For HE will rise... Alleluia
Chris Konieczny
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A Meditation Moment

Courtesy of the Kuse Farm Museum and
Nature Preserve webpage

<http://www.kusemuseum-naturepreserve.org>

Common Dandelion (*Taraxacum officinale*)



Common Dandelions Blooming in a Field
--- and the street of the city is pure gold.
Revelation 21:21b (NRSV)

Ordinary and Extraordinary Views

In the book of Revelation, the streets of heaven are poetically described as made of pure gold transparent as glass. Often we think of eternity as in the future rather than as a part of our daily lives. NOW is part of eternity. God is with us and in love has created great beauty to enjoy. We can gaze in awe at a meadow covered with dandelions and see a carpet of gold.

If you are a teacher or a parent who has been presented with a golden bouquet of dandelions by a delighted child, then you have been given the gift of seeing the ordinary in an extraordinary way. Nearly all of us can look again and again at the very ordinary dandelion and learn something new and different with each experience.

Heavenly Father,
Help me today to see beauty and wonder in the very ordinary things and very familiar people in my life. Let me not take them for granted. Help me see them not as “weeds or enemies”, but as part of your intricate and marvelous universe. Help me to approach the ordinary things and people in my environment through the eyes of a little child looking at some of their beauty for the first time. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

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MEDFORD LION’S MAPLE FEST CHALLENGE

The Lion’s Maple Fest pedal tractor pull will be on April 29th at 12:00 p.m. at the Simek Center. This is a big kid and adult pedal tractor timed course event. The Methodist Church has challenged Holy Rosary Catholic Church and St. Paul’s Lutheran to participate in this event. Each team will take 5, 7, or 9 members, the exact number to be yet determined. One of those members will be the driver, the others will be the peddlers. The tractor is an old Farmall that has had the motor removed and a pedaling apparatus installed to power the tractor. Each team will be timed on the set course, the best time winning. If you are interested, please contact your church office.

Bill Breneman, Chair of Maple Fest Pedal Tractor Contest

Special thanks to Randy Haynes, Jon Rau, and Mike Rau, for changing lights in the sanctuary. They had to use 4 levels of scaffolding to reach the lights.



THANK YOU TO . . .

Kathy Higgins for making Lenten communion bread.

The confirmation students and their families for helping lead the church services this year.

Deb Bender for taking photos during special church service events.

Dave Koester for taking the confirmation photos.

Thank you to everyone that attended and enjoyed the St. Valentine's Fun Day!

There were well over 100 people in attendance.

Special thanks to:

- Heidi Bower and Mike Kesling for setting up and helping everyone be a CUPID for a little bit as we shot arrows at the heart!
- Nestle (Tombstone Pizza) for donating pizzas (Heidi Haynes for setting this up and delivering them).
- Craig & Tara Krug (BS Bar) for donating funds for the bouncy house to be here and thanks for the use of their tables.
- Monica Halopka from Huey's Hideaway for her flexibility in us picking up the bouncy house.
- Karli Jopp, Art teacher at MASH for reaching out to her students to get volunteers to do some Face Painting.
- Veronica Mathews and Lorien Kautzer, students at MASH, that donated their time and talents to make amazing FACES and designs on many faces.
- Adam Krug, Bruce Krug, and Jim Grant for cleaning the bus garage and setting up (and taking down) the bouncy house.
- Amie Marzinske for bringing nachos and cheese dip.
- Heidi Bower and Juanita Krug for making yummy sugar cookies and Juanita for bringing a cheese tray.
- Kaci Klemm for donating Valentine cupcakes.
- Heidi Bower, Meagan Neitzel, and Jason Borman for their FIN project. We can't wait to see the finished product.
- Juanita Krug for working the Puzzle table – we didn't get everyone to return their piece but WOW – what an amazing turnout to be a “complete group of God's children.”
- All our “carnie” workers: Josh Krug, Josey Krug, Andrew Krug, Nikki Worden, Brynlee Klemm, Casey Nernberger, Brenda Nernberger, Mike Kesling, Carol Lekies, Liselle Weiler, Lauren Stark, Michelle Stender, and Amanda Cynor.
- Midwest Amusements for donating some stuffed animals.
- Jason Borman, Craig Krug, and Nancie Adams for cooking pizzas and serving everyone.
- Sunday school teachers at both Our Saviour's and St. Paul's for handing out tickets and encouraging the children to attend.
- EVERYONE that offered to help in any way, pitched in where needed (Kathy Hackbarth for blowing up balloons), helped put tables and chairs away and expressed their gratitude on a job well done.

If I missed someone, it was not intentional, please forgive me.

Door prizes (Beautiful prints by artist Greg Olsen) were won by Echo Buehler and Emmett Machon. Congratulations!

If we can get a few kids to say they attended a Church event and had FUN, our goal has been accomplished. **Church, family and fun can go together!**

God's blessing!

Barb Krug

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2023

April 2 Craig Glamann
Owen Preuss

April 3 Megan Anderson
Colt Bucki
Felicia Carter

April 4 Pamela Catron
Randall Hall
Trevor Shore
Nathan Sislo

April 5 Carissa Carter
Susan Moretz
Charles Peterson Sr.
Tukker Schreiner

April 6 Bonnie Habermeyer
Sarah Tlusty

April 7 Avery Frappier
Carol Jochimesen
Leslie Konrad

April 8 Aubree Jensen

April 9 Milo Bowers
Mandy Coyle
Ellie Harder
Liz Nuernberger
Ryan Pilgrim

April 10 Katy Cipar
Evelyn Haase

April 11 Shawn Brandt
Treyton Pilgrim

April 12 Morgan Lavin

April 13 Eric Seidl

April 14 Eli Nuernberger

April 15 Nancy Corley
Loris Fox
Wayne Korenuk

April 16 Matthew Haase

April 17 Vanessa Nicpon
Duane Schwarz

April 18 Aleta Huotari
Addison Krug

April 19 Leon Gasek
Mike Poetzl
Joy Ryskoski

April 20 Parker Schield

April 21 Kathleen Higgins
Nathan Levenhagen

April 22 Xaiver Clark
Tenley Meissner

April 23 Ryan Alexander
Ashley Sackmann

April 24 Noah Frahmman
Betty Holbach
Corey Huotari
Sandy Lukewich

April 25 Patrick Bradley
Sandra Bradley
Jelaine Carstensen
Luke Sherman

April 26 Raeyah Hall
Dylan Kraemer
Susan Young

April 28 Croixson Homeyer
Sally Lemke
Archyr Peterson

April 29 Janet Brost
Dan Thiede

April 30 Trevor Brehm
Emma Faber
Emma Leech

Anniversaries

April 6 Sandra & Patrick Bradley

April 12 Kimberly & Dennis Patterson

April 17 Jayne & Mark Wanka

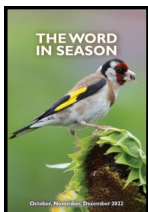
April 20 Steven & Lori Eisch

April 23 Sandra & Robert Schreiner

April 26 Susan & David Young

April 28 Nancy & Ken Corley

April 30 Deb & Rick Berry
Julie & Cory Tlusty



Daily Devotionals

St. Paul's offers free devotional books to assist you with your daily meditations.



April 21, 2023



Please contact the church office if your contact information has changed.

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Council Meeting Minutes – March 8, 2023

Council Members: Leon Gasek, Dan Higgins, Kathy Hackbarth, Sally Lemke, Marie Koerner and Gail Heurung.

Absent: Carrie Zirngible, Dave Hruby, Heidi Haynes and Val Bach.

Guests: Nancy Jones, Tina Dassow and Lynette Pernsteiner

Call the meeting to order: Meeting called to order at 6:48 pm By Leon Gasek

Opening prayer: Leon Gasek

Adoption of Agenda: Motion by Dan, second by Marie.

Motion to record/approve Council Minutes from February 8, 2023: Motion by Gail, second by Dan.

Business:

Reports:

Treasurer – Thrivent funds were applied to the mortgage as voted on at the annual meeting. However, they are not reflected as yet on the statement. Will see the drop in next month's report. Short discussion on what point do we start really working to pay off the mortgage. The treasurer was asked to remove the Giving Tree account as it is no longer viable.

Financial Secretary – nothing to report.

Audit Committee – Lynette Pernsteiner, representing her and Steve Danen, reported that the audit was clean. They reviewed the General Fund, Events Fund, Script Fund, and the Needles for Needs funds. Also reviewed the payroll information and the Icon/Quick Books information and was happy to report that all went well. Mary Brost continues to enter the ICON information and is doing a great job. She reminded us that there should be payment approval for any major purchases. Also discussed being on top of who needs W9's and who needs to be given 1099's. Discussed make sure there is a backup of records kept off site for protection should we have a fire, etc. The backup is stored in the fireproof cabinet. Nancy will look at the cost of a cloud backup. 2021 contribution envelopes can now be destroyed – usually we keep last year and current year for backup. Steve also reviewed the insurance limits, and we are good. Lynette gave a signed copy of the audit to Leon and a copy has been given to Nancy. Thank you to Lynette and Steve for their work on the audit.

Motion by Gail, second by Sally to accept the reports.

Worship Team Update – Maundy Thursday will be at Our Savior's and Good Friday will be held at St. Paul's. One service on Easter Sunday.

Membership Update – Val needs to look over the narrative and the list (there were some she wanted to personally contact), then the list needs to be divided up among the council for contacting.

Sunday School/ Confirmation/VBS – Sunday school is off for Easter. The last Sunday for Sunday School is set for May 7. Nothing on VBS as yet. Confirmation interviews are going on.

Synod Assembly – This year it is set for April 29th from 8:30 to 4:00 at Rice Lake. Those that have attended in the past recommend attending if you are able. Let Nancy know if you can go.

Background checks – Ken Coyer worked with Nancy and we are all set now. We do the basic background check if someone is working with the children. The background checks that have been done on the teachers at the school are honored and a new one is not needed here. Discussion on how long we honor them. As they are fairly inexpensive, we will go with them on an annual basis going forward. Nancy Jones is maintaining a spreadsheet of the background checks completed.

Contact list for Church alarms – Leon and Dan currently. Still working on getting a couple of keys that are needed. Dan is still compiling a list of who to call when and working with Clem on getting some of that information.

Custodial position – Dawn Kasper Harder has accepted the position. Her background check and payroll information are being finalized.

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Insurance Claim Update – A check was received from Church Mutual. Now we need to get going on getting the work done (before spring and everyone is busier). Leon will talk with Val upon her return and see what we need to do to get that going. A discussion, on what if anything, we can do ourselves or what we do not feel needs to be done. Reminder that our depreciation amount on the claim is good only if we are fixed to the standards.

Benevolence Form and Commitment – With Tina's assistance and the budget figures, the form that needs to be submitted to the Synod on our benevolence intentions was completed. Nancy will fill in the form and get it to the Synod.

Faithful Innovations Network Update – They are scheduled to meet March 9. More directions to come. They are currently compiling the data collected.

Script Distribution for 2022 Funds – After a discussion of worthwhile places to use the funds, the council decided that \$1000 would go to the mortgage, \$323 would go to Beds for Christ and \$1000 would go to the Community Mission With Jesus. Motion by Marie, second by Kathy.

Multi-point Parish Discussion – After discussion, it was determined that we should try to meet with Our Saviour's to make sure we are all in agreement. Leon will have Val contact Barb. One item we feel needs to be addressed is the timing of church services. Upon speaking to worship leaders, they feel that it not feasible to think that 8:15 and 9:15 will work. More discussion is needed on that point. Our agreement starts on May 1 so we need to make sure we have everything settled.

The agreement with Pastor Bob to act as Administrative Interim Pastor that was discussed at the February meeting with him, receiving \$200 monthly for his services was discussed. A motion by Gail, seconded by Dan to retain Pastor Bob.

Meeting with Pastor Randy – just a reminder that the council will meet with Pastor Randy after church on the 19th to discuss the MSP (Ministry Site Profile).

Misc – nothing further to discuss.

Adjourn - Motion by Marie, second by Sally to adjourn at 9:00 pm

Next Meeting – Wednesday, April 12 at 6:00 pm

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

WELCOME TO THE NEWEST MEMBERS OF ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



On Sunday, February 26, 2023, we welcomed 8 new members into our church family. Those individuals are:

Shannon Williams, Seth Williams, Trisha Williams, Pat Hovi, Chris Finkler, and Stephanie Brecke-Born

Not pictured: Dave Bach and Sharon Dering

TREASURER'S REPORT

	2023		2022		YTD % of Change
	February	YTD	February	YTD	
General Giving	9,683	21,749	9,429	18,661	16.5%
Mortgage Giving	1,795	4,690	1,680	3,530	32.9%
Total Giving	11,478	26,439	11,109	22,191	19.1%
General Expenses	4,618	15,225	8,993	13,069	16.5%
Mortgage Expense	2,782	5,564	2,782	5,564	0.0%
Total Expenses	7,400	20,789	11,775	18,633	11.6%
Net Surplus (Deficit)	\$4,078	\$5,650	(\$666)	\$3,559	
Designated Giving	4,422	9,441	6,416	10,262	-8.0%
Designated Expenses	15,606	20,221	6,140	9,960	103.0%
Net Designated Income	(11,184)	(10,780)	276	302	
Net Combined Income (Deficit)	(\$7,106)	(\$5,130)	(\$390)	\$3,861	

Bank Accounts - As of:	2/28/23	YTD Change	2/28/22	Comments
<u>General Checking</u>	\$117,151	\$5,978	\$83,879	
<u>Designated Funds in Checking</u>		\$0		
Building Maintenance	6,071	\$998	2,287	
Comfort Quilts	516	(\$229)	755	
Designated Memorials	2,878	\$0	2,218	
Fair Trade Sales	493	(\$30)	701	
Mortgage Fund	0	\$0	1,093	
Thrivent Choice	0	(\$11,279)	8,930	
Mobile Food Pantry	6,114	(\$540)	4,378	
Sunday School	1,077	(\$380)	1,510	
Youth Group	11,315	\$275	10,327	
Total Funds in Checking	\$145,615	(\$5,207)	\$116,078	
<u>Other Accounts</u>				
Events/Fund Raiser Acct	3,322	3	3,032	
Needs for Needs Acct	2,371	(738)	2,584	
Scrip Acct	7,490	1,527	7,073	
Taylor County Giving Tree		0		
Total Other Accounts	\$13,183	\$792	\$12,689	
Total - All Accounts	\$158,799	-\$4,415	\$128,768	
PPP Loan Balance	\$0	\$0		Loan forgiven 3/15/21
Mortgage Balance	\$140,132	-\$10,545	\$205,513	

St. Paul's Giving Options

Mail your check to St. Paul's Lutheran Church,
321 N. Park Ave., Medford, WI 54451

Simply Giving contributions are deducted from your
checking or savings account.

Giving via St. Paul's Website

E-Giving Download the app "GivePlus Church"



SCRIP cards make great gifts for weddings, graduations, or other special occasions. A portion of each gift card purchase enables St. Paul's to do ministry. Check with the SCRIP counter on Sunday morning or call the office and someone will help you.

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Mission Statement:

Saved and strengthened by Christ, we proclaim God's love through worship, education, and service to our congregation, community, and the world.

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Additional Information

Sunday Service: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Please read the prayer list in the weekly service. If there is someone that needs to be added or removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office at 715-748-4909 or send an email to: stpaulslutheranmedford@gmail.com

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Palm Sunday 9:00 Worship / Communion 9:00 a.m. Sunday School	3 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts	4 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs Work Day	5 Joint Parish Meeting	6 6:15 p.m. Maundy Thursday service at Our Saviour's Lutheran, Holway	7 6:00: p.m. Good Friday Service at St. Paul's Lutheran 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting	8
9 Easter 8:10 a.m. Choir rehearsal / performance 9:00 Worship / Communion No Sunday School	10	11 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs Work Day	12	13 FIN	14 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting	15 8:30 a.m. Chequamegon Conference Spring Rally at Trinity Lutheran in Loyal
16 9:00 Worship / Communion 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:10 a.m. Choir to rehearse with Sunday School	17 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts	18 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs Work Day	19 11:15 a.m. Ladies Lunch Bunch	20 1:00-5:00 p.m. Mobile Food Pantry	21 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting Newsletter Deadline	22
23 9:00 Worship / Communion 9:00 a.m. Sunday School	24	25 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs Work Day	26	27	28	29 8:30 a.m. Synod Assembly Rice Lake 12:00 p.m. Maple Fest Pedal Tractor Church Challenge
30 Confirmation 8:10 a.m. Choir rehearsal / performance 9:00 Worship / Communion 9:00 a.m. Sunday School	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Sunday, April 30 Suicide Support Group 6:00 p.m. </div>					

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