

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY**

I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth"

3 John 1:4

**FROM PASTOR MARC'S DESK**

We concluded the Healing Names of Jesus series. Here are the list of names we covered in this series: The Good Shepherd / Lion of Judah / Friend / Lord of the Sabbath / I AM / Bread of Life / The Rock. It takes all of these names and more to describe who God is and what he does for us. God brings healing, hope and strength to our lives.

David says, "The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold" (Psalm 18:2). Because of this he gave himself to the Lord.

Will you give yourself to the Lord, who is your rock and strength? Will you give yourself to the God who will show up for you in your time of need? Are there any names that spoke to you in this series or in the book "The Healing Names of Jesus?"

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## ELDER & DEACON NEWS

**Monthly Prayer Guide** - Elders recognize the importance of prayer in the life of the individual as well as the church. We believe that praying for selected topics each month will result in a unified prayer experience for all. Therefore, each month a prayer guide will be prepared and made available. Tentatively, the following schedule will be followed:

- June – VBS, Youth Mission Trip, Children’s Ministry
- July – Missionaries
- August – Together St. Louis
- September – The New Church Year
- October – Shut-ins
- November – Thanksgiving
- December – Advent
- January – Annual Meeting, Election of new Elders, Appointment of Deacons

**Contemporary Worship Service** - Elders discussed the possibility of conducting a contemporary worship service on a regular or occasional basis. More about this in the future. If you would be interested in such services, contact a member of the Elder Board and share your opinion.

Youth from **Bethel Lutheran Church of Wisconsin** will be traveling to a youth retreat and requested to use our facilities overnight on June 21 -22. The Elders approved this request.

**All Nations St. Louis** (Matt Clark, leader) Marco van Raalten requested use of our facilities for an All Nations course (see info below). The Elders approved this request.

**Prayer with the Elders** - All are invited to participate on June 29 at 9:00 a.m.

## EQUIP TO ENGAGE COURSE

All Nations St. Louis is presenting a 4 week course. This course is not just for St. Paul’s, but for the entire Body of Christ.

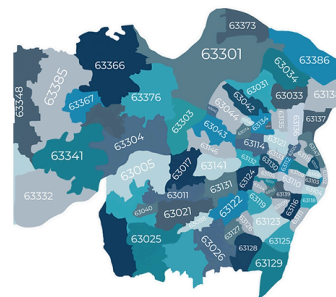
**St. Paul’s Church --- July 2, 9, 16, 23 --- 6:30 - 8 p.m.**

Course details can be found on their website: <https://www.allnations-stl.org/nettraining>

We have thousands of immigrant neighbors in our immediate neighborhood. This course is designed to give the St. Paul’s congregation, plus participants from other churches, the tools to help love God and love our neighbors, with a specific focus on reaching out to those of different ethnic backgrounds.

There will be a booth in the Welcome Center with information on the course and a sign-up sheet. Because St. Paul’s is providing our building, St Paul’s attendees are offered a discounted rate of \$25/person. Payment is due on July 9th, during the first session of the course. For more information, contact Marco van Raalten.

This is a first step on a journey to see our church love our neighbors - as set forth in our AIM: Love God, Love your Neighbor, Love the Lost. We hope you will consider attending.



## NEW MEMBERS CLASS

For four Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour, individuals who were interested in learning more about St. Paul's Church with the possibility of becoming members met in the Upper Room. They discovered more about St. Paul's – who we are, what we believe, where we have come from, and how to get involved. Each participant was asked to complete a Membership Application and a Spiritual Gift Survey. Over the four weeks, numerous leaders presented various aspects of St. Paul's:

- Pastor Marc - Evangelical Free Church of America Statement of Faith
- David Pollmann - History of St. Paul's
- Susan Musselman - Outreach activities
- Bob Schalk - Governance
- Barbara van Dyk - Missions
- Larry Smith - Worship/Music
- Lisa Stahlhut - Children's Ministry
- Elizabeth Thomas - Women's Ministry
- Lynn May, Judy Pfeiffer - Service
- Dave Smith - Men's Ministry



On the last day of class, pairs of Elders interviewed groups of two or three participants, and these nine individuals were officially welcomed into membership of St. Paul's during the worship service on May 12! Their pictures will show up in the online directory soon.



New members pictured above, front row from left to right:  
Andrew and Amanda Roby (Vincent & Maddison) --- Jill Manestar  
Connie Bock --- Richard and Cheryl Emery --- Crystal and Paul Feiner  
(Kathy Ryan not pictured)

Welcome to each of you! We are humbled and delighted that you have chosen to worship, fellowship, and serve with us here at St. Paul's.



## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

**Women's Fellowship** - Join us June 12 at 11:30 a.m. for our monthly meeting. Ladies should bring their own lunch. Our focus will be Gateway Metro.

- Marco van Raalten is the recipient of our Thank Offering this year.
- Thank you to everyone who gathered 1541 diapers and baby items for Nurses for Newborns!
- Thank you to the Mother Daughter Banquet planning committee, caterer, entertainment (Barbara Kay as Katharina Luther) and servers that made this a special evening for the ladies.



**YarnWorks** - Summer would be a great time to learn how to knit or crochet! The ladies will be meeting on Thursday, June 13, 1-3 pm. at the Schnellbacher's home at 2619 White Manor Ct. to work on prayer shawls plus other items for those in need. If you would like to work on projects at home, please call Sieglinde at 314-210-0065.





## CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRY

JAM is taking a summer break. Thanks to all the volunteers, both in the kitchen as well as those helping with JAM time. Have a great summer! We look forward to seeing you all next fall.

With Sunday School dismissed for the summer, be sure to check the Welcome Center for a bag with your child's name on it on the first Sunday of each month this summer. This is a way to help your child know that their church family is thinking of them and remind them of some special Bible stories.

**Kids Church** will be meeting this summer to continue the learning adventure. Check the weekly bulletin for any schedule changes.



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**SCUBA**  
diving into friendship with God  
**VBS**  
JUNE 24-28 6-8 PM / 5:30 FAMILY DINNER

**TO REGISTER:  
USE QR CODE BELOW  
OR VISIT  
WWW.STPAULSFREE.ORG**



**VBS is coming, June 24 - 28**, with an underwater theme called Scuba – Diving into Friendship with God. At Scuba VBS, kids will dive deep into an amazing undersea adventure where they'll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. We will begin each evening with a free family dinner at 5:30 pm and will end promptly at 8:00 pm. Please visit [stpaulsfree.org](http://stpaulsfree.org) to register your kids (4 years old thru 5th grade).

We will need many volunteers to help during the week, so please contact Lisa Stahlhut at [lisa\\_stahlhut@yahoo.com](mailto:lisa_stahlhut@yahoo.com) if you can help. We will also need help constructing the backdrops prior to the week of VBS. Please consider helping to make this week a success for our children.

## YOUTH MISSION TRIP

St. Paul's Youth will be sending 10 youth and 3 adults to Maumee, Ohio, near Cleveland, for a Group mission trip from June 16 - 22.



At Group work camps, our youth will join hundreds of teenagers from youth groups across the country to repair and transform homes while deepening their faith and building new relationships with peers and youth leaders. They will stay at a local school as they interact, share meals together, and participate in worship and teaching in morning and evening programs.

St. Paul's is being asked to take a gift along to support the community after we have gone. They have asked us to supply diapers and/or home paper products to be given to families in need in Maumee. We will have a collection box in the Welcome Center for donations.

## UPCOMING EVENTS



## Wednesday Worship

June 19th 6:30 P.M.

Join us for a time of music and prayer.  
Contact Letitia Wong for more information.

## RUMMAGE SALE

### Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 3, 2024

The Rummage Sale is a marvelous outreach to our community while also providing funds for various ministries of St. Paul's. We have jobs throughout the week prior to the sale and need many hands on the day of the sale to assist customers and clean up. Contact Judy Pfeiffer, Susan Pollmann, Lisa Stahlhut or Nicole Youngquist if you want to volunteer.

**Donations** can be dropped off at the bus garage on June 2 and July 7 (10:45AM), and at the church the week prior to the sale.





## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### Anniversaries

06/01 Michael & Sharon McGauly (61)  
 06/03 Conway & Letitia Wong (24)  
 06/11 Larry & Susan Jackson (47)  
 06/16 Donald & Susan Andrews (45)  
 06/19 Robert & Mary Vass (53)  
 06/23 John & Melissa Shehan (6)

06/25 Jerry & Faye Eichholz (58)  
 06/29 Kelly & Vicky Schjenken (50)  
 06/30 Michael & Tammy Davis (34)  
 06/30 James & Martha Miller (63)  
 07/03 Kenneth & Kristine Williamson (11)  
 07/05 Kurt & Barbara van Dyk (55)



### Birthdays

06/01 Roger Lindstrom  
 06/02 Elaine Gabler  
 06/05 Easton Hohmann  
 06/05 Bill Mueller  
 06/10 Susan Andrews  
 06/12 Joyce Erselius  
 06/13 Kenneth Russell  
 06/14 Tim Dahl  
 06/14 Traci Steo

06/14 Danielle Walter  
 06/15 Craig Caesar  
 06/16 Chuck Caesar  
 06/17 Greg Wyne  
 06/19 Dwight Holmon  
 06/19 Barbara van Dyk  
 06/21 Jennifer Bensing  
 06/21 Kristine Immekus  
 06/21 Douglas Teare

06/22 Julie Hohmann  
 06/23 Gary Oliver  
 06/24 Mary Vass  
 06/26 Cassandra Williamson  
 07/01 Phyllis Bauer  
 07/01 Marlene Buescher  
 07/01 Maria del Cid  
 07/01 Grace van Raalten

## MEMORIALS

**Scott Linder Schurwan**, 72, passed away Monday, May 14th, 2024, following a long-term illness. He leaves his wife of 13 years Elizabeth (Dinan) Schurwan; three daughters, Shelley Johnson, Kelley Schurwan, and Helen Rowlett; three sons, Brian Soehngen (Linda), Jasper Williams (Stephanie), and Stuart Kirk; and three grandchildren, Brittany, Katie, Nora, and Matthew.

After completing his Bachelors of Science at Washington University in Civil Engineering, Scott spent most of his career at Alpine-Illinois Tool Works where he engineered commercial roofing systems. Scott was a passionate bowler, and enjoyed historical and genealogical research, presidential history, and the history of state capitol buildings. Scott was an extremely serious coin collector. He also enjoyed contra dancing, physical fitness, gardening, and feeding the birds. He was a classic movie buff, especially the early horror films. Scott was also active in church life, as a church leader and Sunday school teacher. He loved his family, including the family pets.

## UPCOMING MISSIONARY VISITS

Several of our supported missionaries will be visiting during the ABF hour (10:30 a.m. Sunday).

- June 2 - Brad Wos, Multicultural Director, EFCA Central District  
Brad will also have the sermon during the worship service.
- June 30 - Ryan Irwin, Dutchtown Outreach
- July 7 - Craig & LaDonna Smith, Tribal Rescue Missions
- July 21 - Allan and Cindy Pavey, France
- August 11 - Mark & Mary Esther Penner, Japanese Sign Language Interpreters
- August 18 - Marco Van Raalten, Gateway Metro St. Louis

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Sundays

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.

Mondays - Church Office Closed

Tuesdays

Quilters and Project Linus 9:30 a.m.  
Prayer & Care Meeting 1:30 p.m.

6/2 Brad Wos Preaching 9:30am  
6/3 Quilts of Valor 9am  
6/3 Missions Team 7pm  
6/10 Deacon / Elder Meetings  
6/12 Women's Fellowship 11:30am  
6/13 YarnWorks 1pm  
6/16 Youth Mission Trip (thru 6/22)  
6/17 White Cross 9:30am  
6/24 VBS 5:30 (thru 6/28)  
6/29 Pray with the Elders 9am  
6/30 Missionary - Ryan Irwin 11am