

St. Paul Lutheran Church

May 2023



**Thank you to our Youth for serving Easter Breakfast!
Alleluia! He Is Risen!**

Worship at St. Paul

May 7 St. Paul Lutheran -9:00 am

May 14 St. Paul Lutheran -9:00 am

Reception for the Seniors after worship.

St. John's Lutheran —11:00 am

May 21 St. Paul Lutheran —9:00 am

May 28 St. Paul Lutheran —9:00 am

St. John's Lutheran—11:00 am

Congregation News



This Month's Birthdays

Ethan Viet	May 1
Sue Anderson	May 2
Bryce Claypool	May 7
Mary Marquard	May 8
Mary Ann Velasquez	May 8
Larry Spear	May 10
George Wright	May 12
Blake Heilskov	May 14
Lori Sly	May 18
Mike Goodwin	May 18
Tom Brolsma	May 21
Rick Mast	May 23
Liam Heilskov	May 23
Peyton Kofoot	May 26
Kara Pralle	May 26
Kris Pralle	May 26
Kyle Pralle	May 26
Dale Blau	May 28

CELEBRATING AN Anniversary



Alan & Lori Sly	May 9
Marcus & Robyn Kofoot	May 21
Max and Kara Koster	May 21
Randy & Pam DeVries	May 23
Jose & Mary Ann Velasquez	May 28
Clarence and Agnes Moore	May 31



Terry Wheeler, Justin Mejia, Arvin Stadtlander, Gary and Curtis Askew, Steve Sandvig, John Sandvig, Verna Humburg, Nancy Knipfel, Bob Fink, Michael Norman (son of Sheena English), Janet Kohls, Grant and Nicole Woodley, and the Call Committee Process.



Congratulations to Tanner and Sarah Miller on the birth of their baby girl. Ethel Juhl Miller was born on April 14. She was welcomed home by her siblings: Sophie, Omer and Opal. Great grandparents are Terry and Karen Wheeler. Babies are a blessing!

We continue to remember those that are members of our congregation. Please reach out with a visit, phone call, or note to church family to let them know we miss them and care about them.

Participating in Worship:

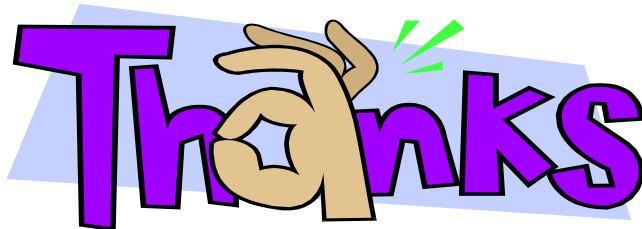
Date	Reader	Coffee Hour	Greeters	Ushers for May
May 7	Anthony Karanu	Peyton and Max Kofoot and Jo Coonley	Mike and Nadine Goodwin	Al Larsen Don Latham Kent Morton Bob Swanson
May 14	Sam Showalter	Senior Recognition Board of Youth	Larry and Charlene Richtsmeier	
May 21	Sam Showalter	Juliette Koch & NEED	Larry and Charlene Richtsmeier	
May 28	Peyton Kofoot	The Church Council	Kent and Mari Cramer	

Coffee hour There are new coffee hour schedules out in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to meet the Youth in the congregation, this is a great way to do that.

Radio Broadcast If you would like to sponsor a radio broadcast in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a birthday or anniversary, the cost is \$40.00 There is a sign up sheet in the Fellowship Hall.

Stewardship Report

	Giving
April 2	\$ 6,096.00
April 9	\$ 4,932.00
April 16	\$ 1,405.00
April 23	\$ 2,395.50
April 30	N/A
Total	\$14,828.00



Thrivent Choice Dollars -
Thank you to everyone who designated
their Thrivent Choice Dollars to
St. Paul last month.

The total amount given was \$ 473.00

Hosanna! Palm Sunday!

Burrito the donkey leads our Palm Sunday parade!



Children's Bible Study



Photo above: The Children enjoy a Last Supper meal.

Photo below: The Easter Egg Hunt



Wednesday night Children's Bible Study is on Summer Break. All classes have been canceled for May. Please plan to attend Vacation Bible School!



Vacation Bible School
July 25, 26 & 27
More details are coming soon!



Congratulations Class of 2023!



Katie Hilton

After graduation, Katie plans on attending NIACC this fall and then transfer to ISU for Elementary Education. Katie has had a very full schedule during her high school years participating in choir, band, speech, drama, softball, volleyball, manager for basketball and track. Highlights include making Honor Society as a junior, being selected to perform Musical Theatre at individual All State speech as a senior, serving student council for three years as well as class president her junior year and co-treasurer her senior year. Thank you for supporting Katie throughout her journey, she cherishes the relationships that have come from our congregation.



Anthony Karanu

Anthony will be returning to Kenya following graduation and hopes to attend college, majoring in aeronautical engineering. While at Hampton-Dumont CAL, he has been active in cross-country, basketball, and soccer. He enjoys volunteering, FCA, and cheering on his favorite soccer teams!



Bryce Pralle

While at HD-CAL Bryce was active in Drama, Softball stats, TRIO, Track and Field, Key Club, Yearbook, Volleyball, Bulldog café and Homecoming Court.

She also is a lifeguard at the Hampton pool and Wellness Center, a server at the Hampton Country Club and enjoys spending time with her friends and family. After graduation she plans to attend Kirkwood College and is undecided on her major but is looking at something in the health field.

The Seniors will be recognized at coffee hour after worship, May 14!

St. Paul Lutheran Church
Monthly Council Meeting
April 19, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Mari Cramer. Those in attendance were: Mari Cramer, Shelley Hilton, Steph Korth, Jay VanWert, Robyn Kofoot, Kent Cramer, Paul Krull, Patrick Sietsema, Jane Crawford and Charlene Richtsmeier.

Secretary's Report: Motion to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2023 meeting was made by Paul, seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report was reviewed. Motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Pat, seconded. Motion carried.

Board Reports:

Call Committee: Robyn is still in contact with Pastor Liz each week. Nothing new to report.

Education: Robyn-Wednesday night worship for the children will continue until the week of Mother's Day.

Life and Growth: The shelter at Harriman's Park has been reserved for a potluck and service on August 20th. Service will be at 10:00.

Property and Management: Kent and Patrick – 1) There was a sewer backup on Sunday (April 16th). The blockage was not in the church but a block away. A room in the basement needed to be professionally cleaned. The city is to cover this expense. 2) The backyard of the parsonage needs to be cleaned up. Youth may be able to help with raking and picking up rocks.

Stewardship: Jay – The memorial fund was discussed listing possible things the funds could be used for.

Worship and Music: Paul – 1) Marian Foster-Thomas will be baptized April 30th. 2) Graduates will be honored May 14th. 3) Supply pastors secured through the middle of June.

Youth: Shelley – Youth served Easter breakfast to 50-60 people. On May 14th will serve cupcakes.

WELCA: Quilts have been delivered. The three graduating seniors will receive a quilt.

Old Business: A bid has been received for a new projector. Decision tabled until next month.

New Business: 1) The rental procedures were reviewed. 2) No one will attend the NE Iowa Synod Assembly. 3) Thank you was received from the family of Pastor Keith Tomlinson. 4) Servant Keeper Simply Giving needs to be updated. Decision tabled until next month.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer. Moved by Paul to adjourn the meeting, seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:50

Next Meeting will be May 17th.

Respectfully submitted:

Charlene Richtsmeier

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Living in God's amazing grace

We are called through baptism to be a welcoming community of faith, grounded in worship and prayer, so that we may grow in Christ-like forgiveness and love.

Marked with the cross of Christ forever, we are claimed, gathered, and sent for the sake of the world.