#### **Scripture Readings**

May 7	Fifth Sunday of Easter	Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60	Psalm 146	1 Pet. 2:2-10	John 14:1-14
May 14	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Acts 17:16-31	Psalm 66:8- 20	1 Pet. 3:13-22	John 14:15-21
May 21	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Acts 1:12-26	Psalm 68:1- 10	1 Pet. 4:12-19; 5:6-11	John 17:1-11



#### **GOD'S LIVING WATER VBS 2023**

Tuesday, May 30, 2023 to Friday, June 2, 2023

Please check the table in the hallway to sign up to volunteer to help with VBS and/or to donate items for snacks.

Registration forms are available for those who do not want to sign up online.

There is a T-Shirt order form for those who would like to purchase a shirt for \$12.00 (deadline to order a shirt is May 8th)

Any questions ask Kelly Holte - 785-632-7514

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The 33rd Anniversary of "Saints Alive After 55"
"I Love to Tell the Story - Leaving a Faith Legacy - What Will I Leave Behind"
July 16 - 17, 2023,

Christ the King Lutheran Church - 111 West Magnolia Road, Salina, KS - Deadline to register is June 30, 2023.

There is more information on the bulletin boards.

If you would like a registration form contact the church office.

Saturday Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM

Confirmation - 9:00 AM

Family Education - 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM

Monday Men's Bible Study - 7:00 PM
Wednesday Bulletin Deadline - Noon

**Next Saturday** Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM **Next Sunday** Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM

HS Senior Recognition - 9:00 AM

Family Education - 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM

## Welcome

to

### St. Paul Lutheran Church

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The risen Lord Jesus alone is "the way, and the truth, and the life," and we come "to the Father" only through Him (John 14:6). God is thus "glorified in the Son," and those who believe in Him will do the works of Christ because He goes to the Father for us (John 14:12–14). Stephen, "a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 6:5) and "doing great wonders and signs among the people" (Acts 6:8), did the works of Christ. When he was falsely accused and put to death, he "gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God" (Acts 7:55). Fixing his hope there, he commended his spirit to the Lord Jesus and prayed for his murderers. In the same way, all the baptized are called to follow the example of Christ Jesus by faith. Though He was "rejected by men" in the sight of God, He is "chosen and precious" (1 Peter 2:4). He is the chief cornerstone of the Father's "spiritual house," and we are built upon Him as "living stones" (1 Peter 2:5).

RADIO BROADCAST this week is sponsored by Mike & Mary Brown In Celebration of their Wedding Anniversary.
The cost to sponsor a broadcast is \$40.00.
A book is in the Narthex to sign-up for dates.

**WELCOME** to our guests and congregation! We are glad you are here! Thank you for joining us for worship and please feel free to join us again!

# Fifth Sunday of Easter Hymn #s - 726, 689, 687, 631, 644, 575, 685 SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Organist Sat. Connie Paronto / Sun. Gary Fredrickson

**Ushers** Brett Ohlde, Kirk Hammel, Brad Dieckmann, Nicholas Lehman

**Live Stream** Jarrett Wachsnicht

Communion AssistantBrad Dieckmann, Steve JordanAcolyteMcKennon Lehman, Janae WohlerAltar GuildMelissa Baxter, Rita Wollenberg

**Fellowship** Jordan's

#### FAMILY EDUCATION - 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM

Preschool - Kindergarten - meet in Preschool Room (Basement)

1st Grade - 3rd Grade - meet in Tree Room (West Wing)

4th Grade - 6th Grade - meet in Puzzle Room (West Wing)

7th Grade - 12th Grade - meet in Conference Room (West Wing)

**Adult** - meet in Fellowship Hall (Basement)

Weekly Attendance	Sat	Sun	Total
April 22 & 23	26	96	123
April 29 & 30	27	115	142

Family Education Attendance	Total
April 23	30
April 30	33

A congregational meeting is planned for June 25 at 10:30am. President Panzer from the Kansas District plans to be with us to help clarify the options for an additional professional church worker at St. Paul. (This date is the earliest available date that is workable for all the parties involved.) Currently under consideration are calling a Vicar, a Director of Christian Education or an Associate Pastor. Questions, ideas and concerns should be expressed to Pastor Tessaro, Craig Parry, Chairman of the Lay Ministers, or Matt Baxter, President of the congregation. Please plan to attend this important meeting. After adequate discussion a paper ballot will be taken to help determine the future direction of St. Paul regarding a second worker.

Please pray for God's direction in this process!

We are looking for sponsors for the Radio Broadcast. The following months still have one opening each:
August 6, October 22, & November 5.
Please see the sign-up book located in the Narthex

to choose your week to sponsor for the cost of \$40.
You can sponsor in celebration of, in memory of, or in honor of someone or something special in your life to give thanks to God!

Summer Sunday School
is looking for the following donations:
Random small beads/buttons
Croquet sets (to borrow for one week)
These items can be dropped off in the
office or the library SS room.
Thank you for your generosity!

# IN OUR PRAYERS Congregational Members

Remembering our shut-ins: Bonnie VonLehe, Jack Wilder-Advena; Velma Lang, Irma Burger, Darlene Obenland-Presbyterian Manor; Betty Sump-Leonardville Nursing Home; Julie Hillman-Linn Nursing Home; Cedric Pfaff-Well Springs of Westmoreland.

Health concerns: Mary Ann Mall, Stan Ohlde, Loyde Hager, Georgie Dierking, Janet Thurlow, Kay Osthoff, Larry Rakowsky, Cliff Noffsinger, Ann Worley, Dee Noffsinger, and Jackie Ponton.

Our outreach programs: Small Group Ministry, St. Paul Preschool, Radio Ministry, LWML Friendship Circle, and our Youth groups.

#### **Larger Community Members**

Healing: Vi Waters (relative of Deanna Rundle), Pam Everett, Preborn son of Josh & Jesika Campbell, Jimmy Carlson, Sharon Schweitzer, Patty Trautwein, Holt Hammeke, Larry Wallace, Jr., Lois Nash, Elizabeth Wischer, Lee, Melissa Dunn, Darlene Miller, Scot Richter, Darla Wilder, Gail Habluetzel, Linda Zurlein, Staci Stratman, Lon Gallup, Megan Loberg, Brody Reed, Rachelle Smith, Joe Parrlli, Taylor James, Sheila McGrew, Donald, Sandy Wohler, Marla Forsyth, Grant & Grace Goodin, Connie Winter, Kerri Brown, Ethan, Dan Gott, Luke, and Ella Turner.

Military: Enrique, Zane, Liam, Cooper,

Michael, and Evan.

**Sorrow**: Family & friends of Jack Parnell

#### Mission Efforts beyond St. Paul

LeadaChild; For the Sake of the Church; Lutheran Bible Translators; Lutheran Heritage Foundation; KansaSEED Deaf Ministry; Lutheran Hour Ministries; North Central Kansas LCMS Outreach

<u>Please remember to inform the church office</u> <u>when the person for whom you requested</u> prayer should be removed from the prayer list.

# Lighthouse is in need of the following items:

Canned soup
Canned fruit
Canned pork and beans
Canned meat, such a chicken and tuna
SpaghettiOs
Instant meals such as hamburger helper
Rice
Noodles
Canned beans

There are totes located in the Narthex to drop the items in.

Peanut butter

Canned vegetables

VBS is collecting pennies for science and craft projects. If you would like to donate some pennies, please place them in the well on the VBS table.

Looking for volunteers to sign-up to do
Fellowship Host on Sunday
Mornings as we need one
more for the month of May.
There is a sign-up sheet in the
Narthex for those who would like to
volunteer. Any questions talk to
Gene Ferguson or Pastor Tessaro.
Thank you!