

# The Epistle

## Holy Week

### April 9 Palm Sunday Services

8:00am & 10:30am

#### Phase 1 Dedication Sunday

There will be a dedication of our new facilities during both services. A celebration lunch will follow the late service. There are several ways you can reserve your spot for this event. Please email [Caolyn@nbstpaul.org](mailto:Caolyn@nbstpaul.org), call 830-625-9191 or come by the office, visit [www.nbstpaul.org](http://www.nbstpaul.org), or fill out a card on Sunday mornings so that we might have an accurate head count.



### April 13 Maundy Thursday Services

Noon at St. Martin

6:30pm at St. Paul

"During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him." John 13: 2-5

*If you would like to try this example of servanthood, bring a friend or family member and come to the Narthex between 6:00 and 6:25 before the Maundy Thursday service.*



### April 14 Good Friday Service

6:30pm

### April 16 Easter Service

Sunrise 6:30am

8:00am

10:30am



**Please join us in the fellowship hall from 7:00 to 10:00 for Easter Breakfast.  
Looking forward to seeing you there for fellowship and good food!  
Congregational Life Board**

*Chip Reynolds, Pastor*



For the last year we have been looking to the future. We moved out of our offices in anticipation of the renovation starting. We waited anxiously for the rain to stop so concrete could be poured. We watched the process move forward looking ahead to the day we could move back into our newly renovated building. Our eyes have been looking ahead to the next phase...the next great thing...the next step.

With this in mind, it should be an easy transition then to look forward in our ministry. Right?

Strategic planning for ministry is essential in the ministry of the church.

This month, at least two boards discussed issues in the church that affect how we approach and do ministry. This is quite important for two reasons:

Growth, both physical, but more importantly spiritual, stagnant if we don't look to the future.

No process is perfect and we can always use a tweak to become more efficient and more effective.

This is the administrative side of ministry that people very rarely see. Yet it is very important that we understand that we must be actively involved in the process and looking at how to make the process better.

So, it is a matter of living in the present, looking to the future, and realizing that change is an inevitability that we must be prepared for these changes. We have to find that balance between tradition (which can be vitally important as well) and modernity. We must learn to meet people where they are in this world and figure out how to bring the age-old truth of the Gospel to them in a meaningful way. This is the task that lays, before us as a congregation.

It is also the task that, if ignored, can be the death of any congregation. Stagnation will lead to complacency. Complacency will never be a component of growth in the kingdom of God.

Look to the future and look for ways to engage ministry like you have never done it before. This will bring life to our congregation but more importantly it will bring light to a dark world.

In His arms.

PC



## **Easter Egg Hunt** **Saturday, April 15th**

Meet in the fellowship hall at 10:00am.  
We will need donations of candy only; no eggs needed.



*Paul Owens, Senior Pastor***His Witnesses**

After his resurrection, Jesus commissions us with this promise: *“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my **witnesses** in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”* Acts 1.8.

Since Jesus has defined you and me as **his witnesses**, it’s probably important and helpful for us to consider the first witnesses to his resurrection:

*“Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. <sup>2</sup> So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.”* John 20.1-2

His first three witnesses are a woman and two men... confused followers who even though they run about quickly are yet slow to believe Jesus.

Each of them is a mixed bag of quick and slow, faithful and doubting, saint and sinner. Peter had his bacon saved by Jesus grabbing him by his own hand when he was sinking... and yet on that night of Jesus’ arrest, Peter denied ever knowing him. The “other disciple” was beloved by Jesus, he was present at the last supper, present at the crucifixion, and now present at the empty tomb, he is even the author of the Gospel of John... yet he confesses how slow he was to understand and believe. And Mary Magdalene: she had been right with the other women at his crucifixion, near enough to the cross to smell his blood and sweat and hear his breathing. She, too, had heard his promise to rise again... but she is sure it’s not true. “Someone has snatched his body” she says twice (John 20.2,13).

His first witnesses are **slow to believe**, but by the time Jesus is done with them he will have direct, intimate conversation with each of them – he will even call Mary by name – and they will be his witnesses... to the end of the earth. If you believe as I do that Jesus tells the truth and does not lie, then how about that:

- Slow believers like you and me are his witnesses
- Plenty of our neighbors are slow to believe as well... and Jesus sends you and me to them as **his witnesses**.

Your life, your experiences, your actions, your relationships, and your words all compose your **witness to Jesus**. One more thing: the risen Jesus did not allow Mary to stay there and hold onto him (John 20.17). Instead, he sent her out to tell others☺.

His witnesses... out we go.

Pastor Paul



## No Sunday School Easter Morning

There will be no Sunday School on Easter Sunday. There will be two Sand Story Presentations at 9:15am & 9:45am in room 210.



# March Fun at St Paul



## *April 2017 Youth Calendar*

- Wed. April 5      6:30pm – Worship service  
7:15-8:00pm – small groups meet for middle school and high school youth  
7:00pm – Butter Braids arrive for distribution to congregation
- Sun. Apr. 9      Palm Sunday
- Wed. April 12    NO Worship service, NO lesson, NO small groups – Possibly BINGO at Kirkwood – high school only
- Thurs. Apr. 13   MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
- Fri. Apr. 14      GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE
- Sun. Apr. 16      EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES – Congreg. Life will have breakfast
- Wed. Apr. 19    6:15pm – middle school, high school and CLIMB start back up
- Sun. Apr. 23    SERVICE PROJECT – 1:00-3:00pm - Trash pick-up with TxDOT.  
All 6th-12th grade youth and families are invited to help clean up our Texas roads. Please meet in the Youth Room right after 2nd service. Lunch will be provided for the participants. After trash pick-up everyone will be treated to dessert. We expect to return to church around 3:00pm for parents to pick up.
- Wed. Apr. 26    6:15pm – middle school and high school lesson



### Accepting payments for Camp Eagle 2017 & Mission New Braunfels 2017 NOW!

Pay with cash, check or online.



**PAYING WITH CASH** - put cash in an envelope and label it with event name and student name, seal it and place in offering plate on Sunday or take to church office during normal business hours.

**PAYING WITH CHECK** - make payable to SPLC and notate in memo Camp Eagle 2017 or Mission New Braunfels 2017 and student's name. Place in offering plate on Sunday or take to the church office during normal business hours.

**PAYING ONLINE** - follow the steps below:

- Go to [www.nbstpaul.org](http://www.nbstpaul.org)
- Click on Resources (at top of page towards right hand side)
- Click Giving Options
- Click on maroon box "Click Here to Give Online"
- You can either register and create a password to be able to give again quickly in the future or you can click on "Quick Give".
- There is an amount box and to the right of the amount box is a drop down menu – pick "Camp" or "Mission New Braunfels".
- There is another box that states "Additional Information or Comments, please state your child's name there and "Camp Eagle 2017" or "Mission New Braunfels", so that our Bookkeeper has complete clarification.
- You can then pay by e-check, debit or credit card.

***Music Ministry - Jody Noblett Director of Music & Creative Arts***

- Children:** Cherub Choir (3yrs - 2nd Gr.) 10:10 a.m. Sunday - Jody Noblett  
 Alleluia Choir (3rd - 6th Gr.) 9:15 a.m. Sunday - Jody Noblett
- Youth:** Mimes practice as needed - Diana Clayburne  
 Puppets practice as needed - Jody Noblett
- Adults:** Covenant Band 6:00 p.m. Wednesday - Jody Noblett  
 Sanctuary Choir 7:00 p.m. Wednesday - Jody Noblett



***Ministry Partners***

- Quilters** - Meet every Tuesday 9:00 a.m. in Rm. 212 to sew quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Contact Betty Pankau
- Prayer Blankets** - Meet as needed to crochet prayer blankets for the sick. Contact Dorothy Nehring
- Bereavement Ministry** - Meet as needed to provide receptions for funeral/memorial services. Contact Carol Schorn
- Eucharistic Ministry** - Give communion to shut-ins monthly. Contact Carolyn Zunker
- Hospital Visitors Ministry** - Visit members in the hospital. Contact Ola Fischer
- Prayer Ministry** - Contact Carolyn Zunker
- Friday Morning Prayer** - Contact Roylene Haggard or Gloria Jung
- Kitchen Angels** - Provide meals as needed for those coming home from the hospital. Contact Emily Harborth
- Master Craftsmen** - All men of St. Paul - First Wednesday, 7:30 am. Contact Harold Voges

***Fellowship Ministry***

- Breaking Bread Groups** - meet monthly in people's homes. Contact Dotty Collins
- Bridge Friends** - meet the 1st & 3rd Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. at New Braunfels Senior Citizens Center. Contact Karen Krieg
- Mah Jongg Friends** - meet the 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. Contact Shirley Stamets at 620-1731 for location.
- Out to Eat Friends** - meet on the 2nd Friday at 5:00 p.m. Contact Sue & Larry Schwab
- Domino Friends** - meet the 4th Saturday at 6:00 p.m. Contact Janice & Larry Phillips





They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship... They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God ... and the Lord added to their numbers daily those who were being saved. Acts 2:42, 46-47



**Most frequently heard comment at Breaking Bread Dinners?**

***"I didn't know that about you!"*** *Discovering the stories that make us unique is the best part (and maybe dessert too!).*

**Here's how it works:** Starting again in March, host homes (we'll define the groups) will offer the main dish and guests (+ kids) will bring side dishes to break bread together. For approximately an hour and a half, we'll do two of our favorite things--eat and talk--to get better acquainted. We'll meet in March, April, May and June with the same group. In July we'll form new groups and start again. We pray you'll take this opportunity to connect with your church family and build new, lasting relationships. Each group governs itself on meeting dates, host homes and menu. It's all about fellowship!

Spring into action to get better acquainted with your fellow treasures in earthly vessels! Join the fun by contacting Dotty Collins at 830-629-5129, [Dotty@postofficerealty.com](mailto:Dotty@postofficerealty.com), or call the church office at 830-625-9191 for you who have been active in the program, just give me your names and any email changes.



## Vacation Bible June 12-16, 2017

Come join the fun as we discover how we are lovingly crafted by God. VBS is for ages 3 years through completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade. We need tons of volunteers and would love for you to be a part of making this memorable week special.

**Volunteer Meeting:** April 2 immediately following 2<sup>nd</sup> service.

Registration opens April 2.

## THE HOME STRETCH

### *Phase 1A Nearly Complete*

We're in the home stretch now. The general contractor is putting the final touches on the project and we should be cleared to occupy the building in April. We're planning a celebration for Sunday, April 9. That's Palm Sunday. We're having a luncheon for our church family right after the late service. It's catered by Bill Miller and will be a free-will offering.

The three-year Capital Campaign is coming to an end in April. At the end of March we had about \$885,000 in gifts toward the campaign. It seems so close to a million dollars. Wouldn't it be great if we were blessed with another \$115,000? It would certainly put our church in great shape for a manageable monthly payment.

God has certainly blessed us with a revitalized facility. Please pray for the successful completion to the project and a strong finish to the Capital Campaign.

God's Peace,  
Bryan Baese  
Construction Communication Committee Chair



## April Flowers



*April 2*

*April 9*

*April 16*

*April 23*

*April 30*

*Open*

*Benny & Carol Schumann  
Melvin & Betty Pankau*

*David & Andrea Holmgreen*

*Melford & Laverne Georg*

*Open*



To Our St. Paul Church Family,

Our family is so grateful for the outpouring of “Christian Love” from our church family. We were so blessed to have all the prayers, cards, flowers, phone calls, and visits from you. The beautiful prayer blanket and Communion given to Raymond the last months of his life were so special to him. You were a major source of comfort during his long struggle with health issues. Thank you so much for always making us feel remembered and loved.



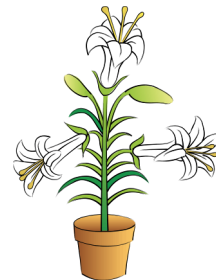
Blessing, Mary & the Family of Raymond Gass

### *Our Sympathy to*

Mary Gass on the death of her husband, Raymond.

Tara Kohlenberg on the death of her father, Gary Voigt.

Chris Markulin on the death of her father, Andy Campbell.



### **KITCHEN ANGELS MINISTRY**

Kitchen Angels Ministry needs your help! Please consider joining this service group that provides meals for people in our congregation coming home from the hospital. Contact Emily Harborth at (830) 609-7912 for more information.



## **HOSPITALIZATION NOTICES**

This is just a reminder to all members to notify the church office when you or a loved one is in the hospital. This is especially important if in Resolute New Braunfels. We have a team of hospital visitors who would love to pay you a visit, as well as include you in our prayers. They will also offer Holy Communion to the patient and family, as requested. Thank you for your cooperation.



## Congregation at Study

### Sunday Morning - 9:15 am

#### Birth through 12th Grade

The Nursery through 5th grade will be studying the Spark Activate Faith Series. The curriculum follows the lectionary calendar.

**Nursery Children** - led by Cassie Mueller, meet in the Butterfly Room.

**3 years – 4 years** - led by Nancy Schlather and Kristin Haas, meet in the Monkey Room.

**5 years – Kindergarten** - led by Azeneth Knudson and Cheryl Koepp, meet in the Gecko Room.

**1st Graders – 2nd Graders** - led by Tracy Granado, meet in Room 208.

**3rd Graders – 4th Graders** - led by Jill Kreuzler and Kristee Wirebaugh, meet in Room 204.

**5th Graders** - led by Kelly King, meet in Room 203.



**The 6th Grade through 12th will be studying “The Gospel Project”.**

**It is a three year program that starts with Genesis and goes to Revelation.**

**6th Graders** - meet in Room 223.

**7th Graders – 8th Graders** - led by Joe Wilson, meet in Room 224.

**9th Graders – 12th Graders** - led by Pastor Chip Reynolds & Steve Chapman, meet in the Youth Room upstairs.

**Nursery available in the Butterfly Room from 7:45 – 11:45am**

#### Adult Classes

**Men’s Bible Study**, led by Tex Brown, is taking books of the Bible and going through them one chapter at a time. They meet downstairs in the Zebra Classroom.

**Study of the Lectionary**, led by Teeta Bahr, is based on the study of the weekly texts. This class is open to all and meets downstairs in the Sacristy.

**Study of God’s Word**, led by Lanelle Rudolph, is on a study journey from Genesis to Revelation. This multi-generational group meets in the Chapel.

**Women’s Bible Study**, led by Vicki Holmig, is studying a nine session video-driven study on 1<sup>st</sup> Peter called, “A Living Hope in Christ”. They share the leader’s role and meet upstairs in Room 201.

**Mary and Martha Class**, led by Sharon Schroeder, is a group of women that meet together to study and provide friendship and support. They are studying a video-driven study - He Chose the Nails by Max Lucado - a study for the weeks leading up to Easter. They meet upstairs in Room 220.

**Men’s Class**, led by Brian Taylor, is studying the Book of Luke. They meet upstairs in Room 210.

**Partners in Faith**, led by David and Liz Doss.



### Weekdays

**Family Night Wednesdays 6:15 – 8:00**

**Kindergarten – 5th Graders** - CLIMB, led by Tracy Granado, Kelly King, Kay Magness, and Isaiah Granado. The theme is “Treasure Seekers” where kids discover who God is. They will be in Rooms 203, 204, & 209.

**6th, 7th, and 8th Graders** - led by Pastor Chip Reynolds, will be in Confirmation. They will be learning about the Ten Commandments. They will meet in Rooms 225 & 226.

**9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th** - They will meet in the Youth Room.

**Women’s Bible Studies** - God’s Wisdom for a Mother’s Heart led by Jenny Campbell in Rm 220 & Gideon Your Weakness God’s Strength led by Ola Fischer in the Chapel.

**Mens Bible Study** - led by Brian Taylor.

### Monthly

#### Third Thursday of the Month

**SPICE** - led by Lanelle Rudolph in her home at 6:00 p.m., is a women’s group that studies a different book of the Bible each year from the God’s Word for Today Series. They are studying 1st & 2nd Thessalonians in 2017.

April 2017

## *The Report Card - Karisha Neely Director*

Have You Heard? St. Paul Lutheran Preschool has a program called “St. Paul Readers” and you can be a reader, too. We began sharing about this program in August, of 2016, and now at least 3 days a week we have a wonderful, gracious volunteer read to our precious children. This Is Awesome! God is good! These creative, talented, and new faces have helped our program to grow and we are thankful.

Just recently, we had a gentleman, Mr. Steve, who reads on Tuesdays to two classes. He really gives them his all. Mr. Steve doesn't just read, he acts out books, ask questions and SINGS songs. Hearing Mr. Steve through our hallways is a joy.

### 1 Thessalonians 5:18

Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

### Psalms 30:12

That my glory may sing your praise and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever!



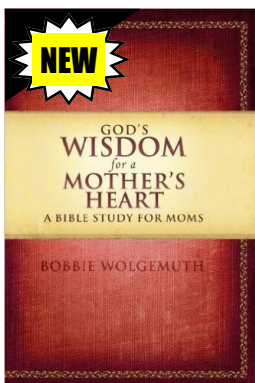
St. Paul Nursery is available on Sunday mornings for both services and during the Bible study hour. Also, the nursery will be available during Wednesday evening choir practice and Bible study from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

## Call for Leadership Nominating Committee Update

The Nominating Committee of St. Paul Lutheran Church is charged through its' continuing resolution to "diligently and prayerfully seek out candidates possessing the gifts of leadership and service in Christ's body." As such, beginning in October 2016 three prayer services were held inviting members of the congregation to join them in asking the Lord to raise up faithful, spiritually-gifted and mature leaders for our congregation. Through this process, members' names are being presented to the committee, and the committee is conducting conversational sessions with those members.

At the congregational meeting on June 25th, leaders for the following positions will be elected: Congregation President; Congregation Vice President; Directors for these Boards--- Congregational Life, Personnel, Property, Public Relations, and Stewardship; Delegate to Lutheran association conventions. If you feel a calling for congregational leadership, please come forth by May 28th---a deadline specified by the Bylaws. You may do so by contacting the chairperson of the Nominating Committee: Mr. Chuck Knudson at [cknudson@bigmpestcontrol.com](mailto:cknudson@bigmpestcontrol.com) or at 830-237-7009.

### Bible Study Options for Women Wednesdays Evenings



#### Mom's Bible Study starting Wednesday nights!!

Come join us for a Mom's Bible Study while your kids are in Climb, Confirmation, or Senior High Youth Group. Nursery is also provided for your littlest ones. We will gather in the upstairs room across from the new bathrooms. Please buy God's Wisdom for a Mother's Heart by Bobbie Wolgemuth. (about \$10 at Amazon.com) We will start chapter one on April 19 and meet for 5 weeks until May 17th. Please contact Jenny Campbell by phone or text at 830-708-6457 with any questions.

#### Women's Wednesday Evening Bible Study

Ola Fischer leads the Wednesday Night Bible Study which begins the study "Gideon: Your weakness. God's strength" on April 19. The location will be announced later; but to reserve your student study guide (\$13.00 payable to Ola Fischer) or for more information, contact Ola at [mnofischer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mnofischer@sbcglobal.net) or 210-215-9460.



### Phase 1 Capital Campaign Update:

To date we have received \$885,414 toward Phase 1 of our facility expansion and renovation. Praise God; we are so grateful! By the end of April, our target is to receive \$114,586 more, for a total of \$1 million in gifts. This would put us in great shape with a conservative monthly payment on our loan. Please pray and consider giving.

April 2017



Dear Friends at St. Paul Lutheran,

Thank you so much for continuing with Family Promise of Greater New Braunfels in our mission to end family homelessness in our community. Through the generosity of supporters like you, we have been able to help 28 families triumph over homelessness to move with their children into stable homes!

Blessings!

Jan  
FPGNB



## *Gilead's Hope Cambodia*

2016 Year-End Report

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your generous contributions in 2016 which allowed us to help many poor Cambodian patients. Our major expenses continue to be open-heart surgeries for rheumatic heart disease, requiring valve replacement or repair at a cost of \$3,500 for one valve, and \$4,500 for two valves. Seven patients received life with this operation and are eternally grateful to all of you. There are still hundreds of young people in Cambodia with rheumatic heart disease. Most cannot afford the operation, and so they die. The more funds we receive, the more patients can undergo this life saving cardiac surgery.

We treated more than 60 other patients with diverse diseases including lupus nephritis, myasthenia gravis (MG), kidney stones, cervical spine stabilization, nephrotic syndrome, and aplastic anemia. The cost is less than \$1,000 each. These patients had no hope for medications or a procedure without your contributions. I wish you could be present as they receive treatment and improve, constantly thanking me for your funds giving them life.

Your contributions are tax deductible. All donations are used for patient care, none for administration. Donations for 2017 can be made to:

Gilead's Hope  
c/o Fred Matthews, CPA  
167 S. Seguin Ave., #B  
New Braunfels, TX 78130

Or online: [www.gileadshope.org](http://www.gileadshope.org)

*"Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who are of the household of*



Min Mom, Age 31. Mitral Valve Replaced, \$3,500



Kong Chanmao,  
Lupus, \$500

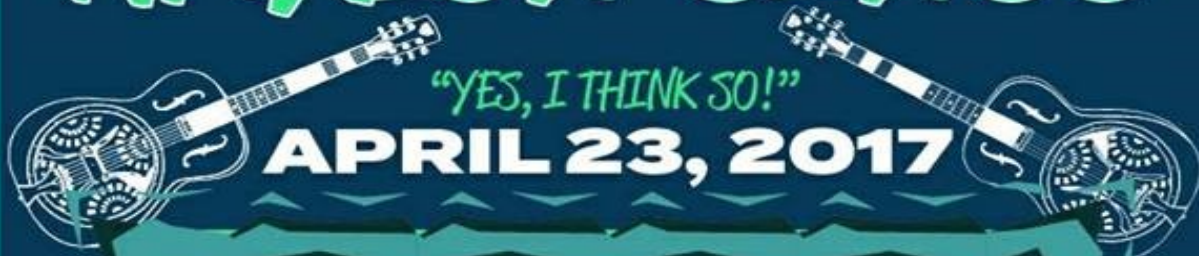


Kep Chhroeung,  
Kidney Stone  
\$650



Bou Saran, Age 35. Open Heart Surgery  
Mitral Valve Repair,  
Aortic Valve Replaced, \$4,500

Warriors For Waylon  
presents  
**WAYLON CINCO**



**THE 5TH ANNUAL  
WAYLON GRUENE MALONE  
THROWDOWN MUSIC BENEFIT**

BARBEQUE AUCTIONS BOUNCE HOUSE

RIVER ROAD ICEHOUSE  NEW BRAUNFELS, TEXAS

Waylon is an 8 year old member of St. Paul who has Neuroblastoma.

## *Board Reports*

### *Board of Christian Ed - Sue Schwab - 830-237-0749*

Tuesday, March 7, 2017

- Budget was passed out. Nursery was discussed- will continue on Sundays (7:45-11:45) and on Wednesdays through May 17 (6:00-8:00)
- The First Communion Faith Stepping Stone, taught by Jill Kreuzler, will run from March 12-April 9, with communion on April 13.
- Sunday School attendance was discussed with the attendance up during FPU and New Disciples Class and it goes back down when the classes are over.
- The board would like to see Children's Choir from 1st grade-5th grade removed from the Sunday morning hour. Will discuss with Jody and Worship Board.
- Saturday, April 15th, there will be an Easter Egg Hunt at 10:00. We will need donations of candy only; no eggs. There will be no Sunday School on Easter Sunday. There will be two Sand Story Presentations at 9:15 & 9:45.
- CLIMB will begin again on April 19-May 17. There will also be Confirmation, High School, Brian Taylor's Class, Ola Fischer's Class, and a new class by Jenny Campbell.
- Summer events were discussed. Details to follow.

### *Board of Congregational Life - Emily Harborth - 830-609-7912*

The Congregational Life Board did not meet in March.

### *Board of Evangelism - Paul Henfey - 210-383-6101*

The Evangelism Board did not meet in March.

### *Board of Personnel- Chip Franck - 830-214-0366*

Personnel Board continues to work primarily on compliance review issues -- including corporate documents and financial procedures.

### *Board of Preschool - Nancy Schlather - 830-609-8344*

- The board agreed upon starting the process of evaluating the preschool both internally and externally.
- The board and staff drafted a parent survey to go out on April 3rd to all parents of the preschool. Our goal is to gather information on what the preschool does well and what needs to be improved upon.
- The board drafted a staff survey to go out on April 3rd to all staff members of the preschool. Our goal is to gather information on what the preschool does well and what needs to be improved upon.
- Pastor Paul visited to share ideas on the change in culture and how that might look at the preschool. We also looked at engaging our preschool families.
- The board is going to find ways to help bring more families to the church. The preschool is a wealth of families that do not attend church.
- The board also began the discussion of a "purposeful" fundraiser.

### *Board of Property- Danny Zunker - 830-221-7673*

- Added mulch to the playground.
- Purchased more tables and chairs for the new fellowship hall.
- Purchased interior and exterior mats for new entrances on new addition.

### *Board of Public Relations - Phil Moore - 830-832-6067*

The Public Relations Board did not meet in March.

**Board of Stewardship – Arlen Pietsch- 830-625-2152**

The Stewardship Board did not meet in February. It has completed the brief presentations about our benevolence partners at Sunday morning services. A vote was taken at our January meeting to disburse the remaining 2016 discretionary benevolence funds to LCMC, Family Promise and Gilead's Hope (Cambodia Mission).

**Board of Worship – Rod Mueller -**

The Lord has given us a beautiful foretaste of Spring. We are all looking forward to an inspirational Lenten series at our Wednesday and Sunday Services. The Worship Board looks forward to sharing this time with all of y'all. In this season of renewal and rebirth, listen if God is poking you to join one of the many groups that serve and worship Him through donating your time as a volunteer. We have many opportunities to serve as communion support, altar guild, ushers, greeters, media and Lay ministers. Prayerfully consider where your talents are most needed and volunteer. Contact me or Carolyn Zunker in the office for more information. We all celebrate the Risen Lord together. Thank you, Rod Mueller.

**Board of Youth and Family - Alison Setser - 210-722-8065**

The Youth and Family Board did not meet in March. However, we continue to work on Mission New Braunfels, Camp Eagle and April and May events. For more information on the April events, please see the April calendar under Youth News in this month's Epistle.

**Memorial Committee Report**

April 2017

Memorials during the month of January, 2017, were given in memory of the following people: Eddie Burrows, Roy and Teresa Duelm, Kay Engel, Bob Gatz, Mavis Greif, Dwight Kanz, Mildred Neumen and Constance Zoboroski.

Memorials during the month of February, 2017, were given in memory of the following people: Daryl Acker, Carol Byrne, Roy and Teresa Duelm, Kay Engel, Wanda Garrett, Jan Jochech, Mildred Neumen, David Schumann, Kenneth Stolte and Zachary Williams

No purchases were made by the committee this month.

**DID YOU KNOW???**

Not only can you put your offering in the plate on Sunday morning, but you can also give a gift electronically by E-CHECK or DEBIT CARD! To give electronically, see Giving Options under Resources at [www.nbstpaul.org](http://www.nbstpaul.org).



Check us out on the web!

[www.nbstpaul.org](http://www.nbstpaul.org)

# April 2017 Service Calendar

		Sun., April 2	Wed., April 5	Sun., April 9	Thurs., April 13	Fri., April 14	Sun., April 16	Sun., April 23	Sun., April 30
<b>Altar Guild</b> Vicki Hollmig		Ann Stollewerk & Molly Knudson							
<b>Lay Minister</b> Fred Terry		BJ Hageman	Jerry Hamilton	Fred Terry	Rodger Johnson	Rodger Johnson	6:30 Ken Wunderlich 8:00 Paul Finley 10:30 Chris Markulin	Jerry Hamilton	Lanelle Rudolph
<b>Scripture Readers</b> Margaret Warncke	8:00	Presley Wirebaugh	Youth	Harold Voges	Leslie Wellbrock	Karen Mims	6:30 John Magness 8:00 Kristee Wirebaugh	Stewart Wirebaugh	Kay Magness
	10:30	David Doss		Jason Lear			Eric Schmidt	Ola Fischer	Jerry Hamilton
<b>Ushers</b> Ed Berich	8:00	Team 8 Melviin Pankau	Team 10 Victor Granado	Team 10 Victor Granado	Team 10 Victor Granado	Team 9 Joe Setser	6:30 & 8:00 Team 12 Ed Berich	Team 12 Ed Berich	Team 14 Reno Engel
	10:30	Team 7 Wayne Graybill		Team 9 Joe Setser			Team 11 Ralph Behrend	Team 11 Ralph Behrend	Team 13 Bob Warnecke
<b>Acolytes</b>	8:00	<a href="#">signupgenius</a>		<a href="#">signupgenius</a>			<a href="#">signupgenius</a>	<a href="#">signupgenius</a>	<a href="#">signupgenius</a>
	10:30	<a href="#">signupgenius</a>		Alize Martinez & Josiah Granado			Keene Kreusler	Keene Kreusler	Alize Martinez & Josiah Granado
<b>Audio Tech</b> Greg Schlather	8:00 & 10:30	David Wagner		Paul Luckemeyer			James Walls	Paul Luckemeyer	Paul Luckemeyer
<b>Visual Tech</b> Greg Schlather	8:00	Greg Schlather		Joe Clayburne			Rod Mueller	Joe Clayburne	Joe Clayburne
	10:30	Rodger Johnson		Joe Clayburne			Rod Mueller	Joe Clayburne	Joe Clayburne
<b>Communion Preparers</b> Pixie Hageman	8:00	Karen & Mary Ann Woody					6:30 Arlen & Josephine Pietsch 8:00 Danny & Carolyn Zunker		
	10:30	Sandy Paulos & Jenna Kieke					Malcolm & Ola Fischer		
<b>Communion Servers</b> Pixie Hageman	8:00	Gail Krueger & Cindy Wilson					Pat & Kathy Quade, Ken & Martha Joyce, Anne Blankinship, Sharon Schroeder, Nancy Becker, & Roxanne Duelm		
	10:30	Dwayne & Cheryl Koepp					John & Kay Magness, Korvan & Jill Kreusler, Fred Terry, Sandi Owens, Jenna Kieke, & Marilyn Paliani		
<b>Greeters</b> Liz Doss	8:00	Fritz & Cora Jane Welsch		Shirley Wilson & Donna Kiser			Stewart & Kristee Wirebaugh	Karen & Mary Ann Woody	Ken & Mary Wunderlich
	10:30	Gary & M'Lissa Steel		Paul & Georgia Tadlock			Brian & Betty Taylor	Brad & Carol Thompson	Jeff & Virgie VanKleef
<b>Friendly Visitors</b> Ann Stollewerk		Fred Terry					Nolan & Erna Dietert		Dan & Becky Krueger
<b>Coffee Crew</b> Carolyn Zunker		The Zunker Family		Oran & Nelrose Koepp			Easter Breakfast	Brian Taylor Family	Nolan & Erna Dietert
<b>Pew Pals</b> Tracy Granado		Dale & Julie Goos		Granado's & Kelly King			Team Quade	Team Slocum	Team Faulkner
<b>Hospital Visitors</b> Ola Fischer		Malcolm & Ola Fischer		Pat & Kathy Quade			Dotty Collins & Kathy Lamon	Nancy Becker	Malcolm & Ola Fischer



\*\*\*\*\*Sundays\*\*\*\*\*  
**8:00am Traditional Service** **9:30am Covenant Choir**  
**9:15am Sunday School** **10:00am Cherub Choir**  
**Alleluia Choir** **10:30am Informal Service**

# April 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 ***See Above***	3 1:30pm Staff Meeting 6:30pm Youth & Family Bd 6:30pm Preschool Bd	4 9:00am Quilters 9:00am Memorial Comm 6:00pm Christian Ed. 6:30pm TNT's	5 7:30am Mastercraftsmen 6:30pm Lenten Service 7:15pm Yth Small Groups 7:00pm Choir	6 6:00pm Congregational Life Bd	7 7:00am Prayer Group	8
9 <b>PALM SUNDAY</b> ***See Above*** 11:30am Phase 1 Dedication	10 1:30pm Staff Meeting 5:00pm Personnel Bd 6:30pm Public Relations Bd	11 9:00am Quilters 4:00pm Executive Comm 6:30pm Property Bd 6:30pm TNT's	12 3:00pm Kirkwood Devotions 7:00pm Choir	13 12:00pm Maundy Thursday Service (St. Martin) 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Service	14 7:00am Prayer Group 6:30pm Good Friday Service	15 <b>10:00am Easter Egg Hunt</b>
16 <b>EASTER</b> 6:30am Sunrise Service 8:00am Service 9:15am Sand Stories 9:45am Sand Stories 10:30am Service	17 <b>Office Closed</b>	18 9:00am Quilters 6:30pm TNT's 7:00pm Evangelism Bd	19 3:00pm Eden Home Devo 6:15pm Family Night 7:00pm Choir	20 10:00am Crocheters 6:00pm SPICE	21 7:00am Prayer Group 5:00pm Eat Out Friends	22 6:00pm Domino Friends
23 ***See Above***	24 1:30pm Staff Meeting 7:00pm Council Meeting	25 9:00am Quilters 6:30pm TNT's 7:00pm Stewardship Bd	26 6:15pm Family Night 7:00pm Choir	27 4:30pm St. Martin Comm	28 7:00am Prayer Group	29
30 ***See Above***						

**April 2017**

Senior Pastor - Rev. Paul Owens - [pastorpaul@nbstpaul.org](mailto:pastorpaul@nbstpaul.org)  
Pastor - Rev. Charles "Chip" Reynolds - [pastorchip@nbstpaul.org](mailto:pastorchip@nbstpaul.org).  
Church Administrator - Lanelle Rudolph - [lanelle@nbstpaul.org](mailto:lanelle@nbstpaul.org)  
Administrative Assistant - Jennifer Burrows - [jennifer@nbstpaul.org](mailto:jennifer@nbstpaul.org)  
Administrative Assistant - Carolyn Zunker - [carolyn@nbstpaul.org](mailto:carolyn@nbstpaul.org)  
Bookkeeper/Controller - Stacy Garcia - [stacy@nbstpaul.org](mailto:stacy@nbstpaul.org)  
Director of Music & Creative Arts - Jody Noblett - [jody@nbstpaul.org](mailto:jody@nbstpaul.org)  
Director of the Preschool - Karisha Neely - [karisha@nbstpaul.org](mailto:karisha@nbstpaul.org)  
Maintenance - Jason Crofford  
Organist - Ann Brown  
CHURCH OFFICE (830) 625-9191  
PRESCHOOL (830) 625-2044  
FAX (830) 620-7715  
[www.nbstpaul.org](http://www.nbstpaul.org)



*As a Christ-centered, Gospel-driven Congregation, we are called by our Lord Jesus to go and make disciples of all nations. We will be a congregation that engages people in order to help families follow Jesus.*

- \* Promote a culture of family ... supporting home prayer & Bible study with parents as key teachers
- \* Increase weekly worship \* Maintain trust & confidence in leadership \* Raise up the next generation of leaders



Non Profit Organ.  
U.S. Postage Pd.  
Permit #90  
New Braunfels, TX 78130

MEMBER LCMC

