

The Epistle

Please welcome our newest Disciples!

We welcomed 29 New Disciple members into our church family with a hearty breakfast on March 10th. Now we prepare to host another New Disciple Class beginning April 28, ending in late May. Be sure to welcome these visitors and these new members as they find their way around SPLC. We are so blessed that they made St. Paul their church home.



Fran Hussong

Fran was born in Minnesota and lived in Arizona and Alaska before moving to Texas. She has three adult sons - all Texas born. Fran enjoys the outdoors and stays busy with outdoor activities and multiple fixer-upper projects.



Kerry & Linda Kahlich

Kerry and Linda are both native Texans. Kerry is originally from Westhoff, Texas and Linda is from Alice, Texas. They have two adult sons (and one daughter-in-law) and two grandsons. Both are retired and enjoy spending time with their grandchildren.



Kurt & Amy Cantrell, Alex & Lucas

The Cantrells have lived in Seguin for the past 15 years. Kurt is a manager at the Toyota Motor Company in San Antonio. Amy is a Licensed Professional Counselor at South Texas Pregnancy Care Center. They have two sons, Alex 13 and Lucas 10. As a family, they enjoy playing games together.



Margie Robinson

Margie was born and raised in Taylor, Texas. After several years living in McKinney, Margie moved back to New Braunfels last June. She has three adult children, nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild. In addition to spending time with her grandchildren, Margie enjoys sewing, baking and crafts.



Mike & Rita Hansen

Mike and Rita recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. After living their entire married life in San Antonio, they moved to New Braunfels about a year ago. They have two sons and seven grandchildren. Among their favorite activities are watching their grandchildren compete in sports events, scuba diving, and traveling with friends.



June Steinbring

June is a retired secretary from Fort Sam Houston ISD. She has two adult children, one son and one daughter. June's hobbies and interests include exercising, trying new recipes, refinishing furniture and watching TBN.

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 our outreach and mission presence outside our walls* Strive for excellence in spiritual leadership



Charles Briesemeister

Charles was born in Seguin, Texas and has been a Lutheran all his life. Charles has two sons, one daughter and four grandchildren. He is now retired but had a career in the field of Human Resources. Charles' hobbies include woodworking, gardening, fishing and shooting sports.



Reid & Barbara Thorburn

Reid and Barbara were married in Ft. Worth, Texas and have four grown children. Reid is semi-retired and Barbara is a self-employed, part-time Registered Nurse.



Sean & Christina Collins, Kylee

Sean and Christina met at the Schreiner University in Kerrville and married in 2010. Sean teaches freshman chemistry at ACC in Kyle and South Austin. Christina is a former elementary music teacher who is now a stay-at-home mom. Sean enjoys sci-fi, fantasy stories and video games. Christina likes to do crafting, reading and singing. Their 4-year-old daughter Kylee wants to be a dancer.



**Steven & Stephanie Robbins
Sarah and Samuel**

Steven and Stephanie met at Texas Lutheran University and have been married almost 22 years. They have two children. Their daughter Sarah is age 13 and son Samuel is age 11. Steven is a music teacher at an elementary school and Stephanie is a first-grade teacher. Family time includes outdoor activities and camping.



Clay & Cindy Pfluger, Chloe

Clay and Cindy moved from Houston to New Braunfels last year to be closer to family. They have two daughters. Chloe is age 8 and in the 3rd grade. Courtney, Clay and Cindy's adult daughter, lives in Houston. Clay is a manager for Waste Management of Texas and Cindy is an infant teacher at New Braunfels Academy. They like to attend the Farmer's Market on weekends, drive up River Road and watch football.



Jon & Darlene Kjoller

Jon and Darlene were married in St. Paul Lutheran Church in 1987. Jon is now retired but was a curator for the Institute of Texan Culture in San Antonio. Before meeting Jon, Darlene was an elementary school teacher for the Christian Academy in New Braunfels. They have a combined family of four children and eight grandchildren. Jon's hobbies are collecting military items, woodworking, painting/sculpture and tending plants. Darlene enjoys reading, yard work and dancing.



Robert & Jamie Harris

Kenneth, Nathan, Samuel, Isaac & Jacob
Robert and Jamie moved to New Braunfels eight years ago. Robert is an employee at Martin Marietta and Jamie is a full-time homemaker. They are parents to five boys; Kenny 15, Nathan 12, Isaac 10, Samuel 6 and Jacob 3. As a family they enjoy sports and camping.



Jody Noblett & Jennifer Taylor

Jody and Jennifer will be married in early May at St. Paul. Jody is the Fine Arts Director of Music Programs at North East Independent School District and is our Director of Creative Arts here at St. Paul. Jennifer works in Accounts Payable for Sanchez Oil and Gas.

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Buck & Debbie Schott



Paul Owens, Senior Pastor

Who Is This Man?

Jesus has a way of attracting commandment breakers. Consider the first people who show up at his tomb: Mary Magdalene, Peter, and John; each of them a sinner in their own right. Mary Magdalene was the first one at his tomb. He had cast seven demons out of her; until he did that for her, she had not used his name rightly and she hadn't shown up at the synagogue for worship in months.

Peter: he was impatient, angry. He had drawn the sword and shed another man's blood to protect the Savior who needed no protecting. And within hours of that sin, Peter had committed worse: he had denied even knowing Jesus.

John: he took pride in his status as "the beloved disciple," quietly, he considered himself above the rest. Yet even Mr. Beloved Disciple forsook Jesus and fled that night... and then locked himself in a room, fearing for his own bacon.

None of these Commandment breakers took Jesus at his word: they all showed up early that morning looking for and fully expecting a corpse, a dead Jesus. But they got a BIG surprise ☺.

Every commandment breaker is beloved to this man. Religious people despised him for this. "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?" they protested. "And when Jesus heard it, he said to them, 'I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.'" (Mark 2:16-17). Jesus forgave those three and he has plenty of forgiveness for you as well. To forgive sinners and give them a whole new life is, after all, the whole reason this man came among us.

He is for you.



Tex Brown, Interim President

The time change has occurred and Spring is here! Wow almost 30 new members joined our body of believers in taking the Great Commission into our community this past week. It is very exciting to see so many new folks joining us in ministry at St. Paul.

The Men's Round Up series kicked off again. April is a MUST attend as a great speaker, Jerry Leachman, from Washington DC will be here with us.....Jerry played for Bear Bryant at University of Alabama and then was the Chaplain for the Washington Redskins when Coach Joe Gibbs led them to the World Championship. Tickets are available now at: Krausescafe.com. Don't miss this event on April 16 and bring a friend. Ladies Retreat is also at the end of this month so get signed up and don't miss joining other ladies of our church in a great weekend of fellowship and fun. Sorry men, this one is not for you!!

Lenten services and dinners have started and what a great series we are hearing on the Ten Commandments! Be sure you attend both Sunday and Wednesday services to hear the full impact of this sermon series. Holy Week will soon be here and what an awesome time to reflect on our Lord's sacrifice for our salvation. Of course, services on Palm Sunday, Maunday Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday! It is a special week in the lives of all who follow Christ.

Lenten Worship Schedule



Sundays at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.
 Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. (dinner at 5:30 p.m.)
 Maundy Thursday, April 18 Noon at St. Martin and 6:30 p.m. at St. Paul
 Good Friday, April 19 at 6:30 p.m.
 Easter Sunday, April 21 at sunrise (6:30 a.m.), 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.



Mission Moment

by Pastor Bryce Formwalt
 Director of Mission Growth

To read Pastor Bryce's latest article in its entirety, please go to:

<http://www.lcmctexas.org/mission-moment>

For current events and information, please visit www.nbstpaul.org.

Women's Retreat

Join the ladies of St. Paul **April 26-28** for a great weekend of:

Fellowship, worship, music, food, crafts, nature walks,
horseback riding, birding, and hula hooping



Registration available ONLINE ONLY
at www.nbstpaul.org

\$60 for full retreat; \$30 for Saturday only

For questions, please contact:
vickihollmig.com (830) 625-1840 or
cherylintaos@gmail.com (575) 770-4332



April 4 - Elwin & Priscilla Koehler

April 14 - Melvin & Betty Pankau/
Carol Schuman

April 21 - Mike & Tara Kohlenberg

April 28 - Open

Feeling Called to Serve?

At the congregational meeting in June, leaders for the following positions will be elected: President, Vice President and Directors of the following boards; Evangelism, Children's Ministry, Personnel, Stewardship, Property, and Congregational Life. We will also be electing delegates and alternates to attend the LCMC Annual Gathering and the LCMC Texas District Gathering.

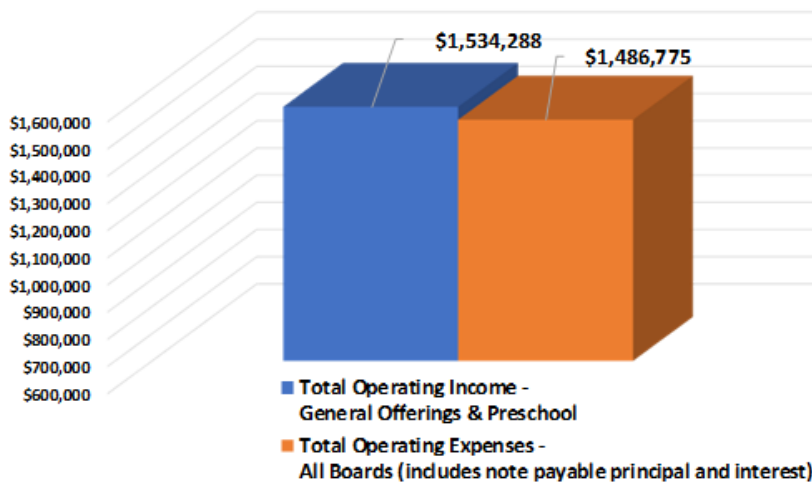
If you feel called to participate in congregational leadership or would like to nominate a member for a leadership position, please contact the Chair of the Nominating Committee, Stewart Wirebaugh at wirebaughs@aol.com or (830) 609-8784, or any member of the nominating committee; Harvey Haas, Rod Mueller, Liz Doss, Jill Kreisler, or Roxanne Ware.

Easter Egg Hunt

Please join us for an Easter egg hunt April 20th at 10:00 a.m. in the Courtyard. Children's Ministry is requesting donations of candy, plastic eggs, and/or stuffed plastic eggs. The church middle and high school youth will be stuffing the eggs on Wednesday, April 10th, so donations should be turned in to the Church office no later than Monday, April 8th. Thank you for your assistance in this fun event for the little ones!



Income Versus Expenses
as of December 31, 2018



Building Note Update

Because of generous gifts to the building fund in 2018, St. Paul was able to make additional building loan principal payments totaling \$96,291! Thank you for helping pay down the building note!

Slumber Falls

Register NOW for 3 fun-filled days in a beautiful outdoor setting at Slumber Falls Camp in New Braunfels, (3610 River Road). Campers enjoy sharing Bible stories, swimming, crafting, playing games, and making new friends! Slumber Falls Day Camp is for children completing grades 2-5 by May 2019. Register online at nbstpaul.org/faithformation/children/UnderConstruction. Cost is \$50.00 per camper.



Thank You!

Thank you staff and church family for the prayers, visits, cards, and words of encouragement during my mom's, Carolyn Jones, illness and death. We are deeply grateful for the kindness and compassion you extended to our family during this difficult time.- Stacy Garcia and Family

Thank you for the cards, phone calls, and continued prayers after Kailey's surgery! We are so blessed to be a part of the St. Paul family! A special thanks to Pastor Paul for praying with us and being with us during Kailey's surgery.- Love, Dwayne, Cheryl, and Kailey.

April 2019						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	April Fool's Day 1	2	3	4	5	6
		9:00am Quilters 9:30am Crafters 11:00am Preschool Chapel 6:30pm TNT's	7:30am Mastercraftsmen 11:00am Staff Meeting ***see below***	1:00pm Bridge 6:00pm Cong. Life	7:00am Prayer Group	
COMMUNION 7 ***see below*** 9:15am Communion Stepping Stone FPU 11:30am F3 Youth 4:00pm Nominating Com.	8	9	10	11	12	13
	5:00pm Personnel Bd. 6:00pm Finance Com.	9:00am Quilters 9:30am Crafters 11:00am Preschool Chapel 4:00pm Executive Com. 6:30pm Property Bd. TNT's	11:00am Staff Meeting 1:30pm Daytime Dominoes ***see below***	2:00pm Our Place Memory Cafe	7:00am Prayer Group 5:00pm Eat Out Friends	
Palm Sunday 14 ***see below*** 8:00am F3 Adult 9:15am Communion Stepping Stone 11:30am F3 Children 4:00pm Nominating Com.	15	16	17	Maundy Thursday 18 12:00pm Worship at St. Martin 1:00pm Bridge 6:30pm Worship at St. Paul 7:00pm Evangelism Bd.	Good Friday 19 7:00am Prayer Group 6:30pm Worship	20 10:00am Easter Egg Hunt
	7:00pm Council	9:00am Quilters 9:30am Crafters 11:00am Preschool Chapel 6:30pm TNT's	11:00am Staff Meeting 3:00pm Eden Home Dev. NO WEDNESDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES			
Easter (COMMUNION) 21 6:30am Sunrise Service 7-9:00am Easter Breakfast ***see below***	22	23	24	25	26	27
		9:00am Quilters 9:30am Crafters 11:00am Preschool Chapel 6:30pm TNT's Worship Bd. Stewardship Bd.	11:00am Staff Meeting 1:30pm Daytime Dominoes 3:00pm Kirkwood Dev. REGULAR WEDNESDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES RESUME	10:00am SPICE 4:30pm St. Martin Com.	7:00am Prayer Group WOMEN'S RETREAT	6:00pm Domino Friends WOMEN'S RETREAT
28 ***see below*** 9:15am New Disciple Class 4:00pm Nominating Com. WOMEN'S RETREAT	29	30				
		9:00am Quilters 9:30am Crafters 11:00am Preschool Chapel 6:30pm TNT's				

*****Sundays*****
8:00 am Traditional Service
9:15 am Bible Study Hour
9:30 am Covenant Band
10:30 am Informal Service

*****Wednesdays*****
5:30pm Bldg. Comm.; Lent Dinner
6:00pm CLIMB; Bells
6:30pm Lent Worship Service
7:30pm Choir; Open Gym

April 2019 Service Calendar

		Wed., April 3	Sunday, April 7	Wed., April 10	Palm Sunday April 14	Maundy Thurs. April 18	Good Friday April 19	Easter Sunday April 21	Sunday, April 28
Ann Stollework, Molly Knudson									
Altar Guild Vicki Hollmig				Rodger Johnson	Rodger Johnson	Rod Mueller	Rod Mueller	6:30 - Jerry Hamilton 8:00 - Chris Markulin 10:30 - Fred Terry	Jerry Hamilton
Lay Minister Fred Terry		Paul Finley	Paul Finley	Hanna Lear	Craig Hollmig Barbara Johnson			6:30 - Leslie Wellbrock 8:00 - Pat Quade 10:30 - Fred Terry	Erna Dietert Susan Syamken
Scripture Readers Leslie Wellbrock	8:00 10:30	Cameron Ikels	Kathy Quade Ola Fischer		Victor Granado	Victor Granado	Joe Setser	6:30 & 8:00 - Victor Granado 10:30 - Joe Setser	Ed Berich Ralph Behrend
Us'ers Ed Berich	8:00 10:30	Larry Phillips	Larry Phillips Wayne Graybill	Wayne Graybill	Joe Setser				
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Audio Tech Greg Schlather	8:00 10:30	David Wagner	Paul Luekemeyer	Mark Sohn	Mark Sohn	Christian Reynolds	Paul Luekemeyer	Christian Reynolds	David Wagner
Video Tech Greg Schlather	8:00 10:30	Rod Mueller	Greg Schlather Rodger Johnson	Joe Clayburne	Lorrie Cook	Greg Schlather	Greg Schlather	Greg Schlather Rodger Johnson	Joe Clayburne
Communion Preparers Lydia Baese	8:00 10:30		Mary Ann Woody/ Karen Woody Georgia Tadlock/ Lydia Baese			Pat & Kathy Quade		6:30 - John & Kay Magness 8:00 - Danny & Carolyn Zunker 10:30 - Pixie Hageman/Lydia Baese	
Communion Servers Lydia Baese	8:00 10:30		Roxy Duclm/ Gail Krueger Minnie Altum/ Jeannie Anderson			Rodger & Barbara Johnson		8:00 - Fred Terry, Susan Kanz, Pat & Kathy Quade, Stewart & Kristee Wirebaugh (Mereditth Nyman & Chris Markulin) 10:30 - Korvan & Jill Kreusler, Dwayne & Cheryl Koopp, Larry & Sue Schwab (Marilyn Paliani & Sandi Owens)	
Greeters Nancy Becker	8:00 10:30		Carolyn & Mackenzey Zunker Dan & Becky Krueger		James & Michelle Martin Jason & Lynn Lear			Harvey & Erna Haas Paul & Sherri Luckemeyer	Craig Hollmig/ Brett Davis John & Kay Magness
Friendly Visitors Dan Krueger			Craig & Vicki Hollmig		Dean & Erika Braune			Dean & Erika Braune	Mark & Mindi Wing
Coffee Crew Cindy Orsak			George & Letty Gracia		Danny & Carolyn Zunker			Janice Vader, Harvey & Erna Haas	Glen & Leslie Wellbrock
Pew Pals Hildy Slocum			The Quade Team		Hildy Slocum Team			Willi Faulkner Team	Dina Dornburg
Hospital Visitors Nancy Becker			Dotty Collins/ Kathy Lamom		Nancy Becker			Pat & Kathy Quade	Dotty Collins/ Kathy Lamom

Preschool Ministry

God created us to be in a relationship with Him and in relationships with people here on earth. He wants us to have friends, and He wants us to be a good friend. In fact, He wants it so much, God sent His one and only Son, Jesus, to show us how to be a good friend and make a way for us to be friends with Him forever. Friendships are a big part of preschoolers' lives. Through these first relationships, they are learning how to be a friend, have fun with friends, get along with friends, problem-solve with friends, resolve conflict with friends, and above all, love friends. Our scripture memory verse for the month of April is "A friend loves at all times" Proverbs 17:17. This month, we hope our preschoolers will learn that Jesus is their friend—the best friend they will ever have. If our preschoolers finish this month knowing that Jesus wants to be their friend forever, that is a huge win! That will make it a very Happy Easter!

Roar VBS --- Planning the "Mane" Event



Register Now and Volunteer!

At Roar VBS, June 24-28, kids will discover that even though life gets wild, God is good. Roar VBS will be a great week filled with incredible Bible learning experiences, science gizmos, team building games and great Bible songs. Registration is open for ages 4 through 5th grade. Registration is now open and available on the church website.

We are looking for volunteers to lead Bible Adventures, Imagination Station, music, games, preschool craft and play and the nursery. We also need group leaders to guide participants through the whole experience. Whether you can lead an activity or group, help with decorations, join us for the day or week, we need you!

For more information or to volunteer, contact Kimberly Wunderlich at vbs@nbstpaul.org.

St Paul Youth News

Wednesday, April 10

Butter Braid distribution. Please come see us in the Fellowship Hall to pick up your order starting at 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 23

BINGO @ Kirkwood

- We are collecting Easter candy for the church Easter egg hunt. Please drop donations in the bin located in the foyer.
- Camp registration! Don't forget, registration is on the church website for Camp Eagle (July 2-7) and Mission New Braunfels (July 15-19).



Mark your calendars
Wednesday, May 1

6:00 p.m. Youth night @ Landa Park!
Details to follow.

Let There Be Light

Jerry and Stacy Kramer (Love for the Least missionaries) are asking for donations of solar lights and water purifiers for widows and orphans in East Africa and Northern Iraq.

In 2011, the Kramer's encountered a village of orphans and widows. Widows in remote W. Kenya were selling their bodies to pay for kerosene so their children could study at night and had to collect sticks to make fires to boil water. Hope was lost. There was only a small handful of Believers among them. A simple gift of a Bible, a solar light, and a water purifier changed their lives overnight. No more struggling to get kerosene! No more boiling dirty water! The Kingdom of God came upon this devastated community.

Now, the Kramers' are doing it again with the Yezidi widows and orphans from ISIS in Iraq. Their suffering is beyond tragic with over four years in tents falling apart and only six hours of electricity a day. If you would like to donate a solar light, a water filter system, or the book of Psalms in their language, go to www.lovefortheleast.org and click on the "Let There Be Light" tab.



April 2019

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Director of Music & Creative Arts - Jody Noblett - jody@nbstpaul.org
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Please join us on Sunday mornings for worship and the Bible study hour:
Traditional Worship 8:00 a.m.; Bible study hour 9:15-10:15 a.m.; Informal Worship 10:30 a.m.



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