

# Our Journey



June 2023

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*"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."* 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Prayer is such an incredible gift.

This past week, a member of the congregation was telling me about a friend of hers who had been recently diagnosed with some major issues. This member told her friend, "You will be my red light prayer."

I must have looked puzzled as I had never heard about a 'red light prayer'. She explained that another friend of hers had shared with her years ago about 'red light prayers'. Any time you are stopped at a red light prayer, take the opportunity to offer up a prayer. (And you don't even need to close your eyes.)



What a great idea and one that I am starting to do myself. I worked with a pastor who when he would ride his exercycle in the morning, he would use that time to pray.

To pray; at any time or any where. It doesn't have to be an elaborate prayer, you don't have to close your eyes or fold your hands. You don't even need to speak it out loud. God just encourages us to pray for others, to pray for yourself, to pray for our community, to pray for our country, to pray for our world.

Pray!

In Christ +

*Pastor Cindy*

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St. Paul's Mission Statement:  
*Go in peace, devoted to faith, hope and love.*



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Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

The March minutes have been approved at the April Church Council meeting. A quorum was present.

The financial report was given – it was noted that we continue to be in good shape.

The organ repair information was updated, noting that the company that will fix the organ has had some supply chain issues. Parts are definitely on order. The repairs will take a week (Monday thru Friday.)

St. Paul's membership changes were approved. This information included deaths, transfers in, and new members.

All ministries are working to get brochures and signs ready for the upcoming Ministry Fair.

Benevolence budget amounts for 2023/2024 were discussed. After much discussion, the Finance Committee will look at increasing each program we give to a one percent raise. These numbers will be brought back to Council.

The Spirit Alive Lease Extension was discussed, noting they have one last listening meeting, and then they will be prepared to move forward. Phase Two will start the beginning of April.

Each of the committee gave their reports.

It was noted that Council will start signing up two/three times a year for Coffee Hour.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Complete council minutes are available in the church office in the binder on the counter. Additional copies are available for the taking in the Narthex, in a pocket file, on the nursery windows, near the council members' pictures.

## Church Council Members

### President/Multi-media/ Staff Support

Matthew Johnson, 815-321-3043

### Vice President/Memorials

Marilyn Jensen, 262-694-3490

### Secretary/Stewardship

Nancy Granger, 262-300-9180

### Treasurer/Finance

Jim Janda, 262-948-1792

### Christian Ed

Megan Ernst, 262-960-5755

### Property

Dean Knutson, 262-914-5772

### Multi-Media

Gordon Johnson, 262-553-9724

### Outreach

Janet Hogan, 262-652-9415

### Evangelism

Jerry Plunkett, 262-818-3834

### Worship and Music

Ken Wiele, 262-331-3344



## Operating Update

April Income	\$ 34,068
April Expenses	\$ 24,660
YTD Income	\$293,416
YTD Expenses	\$252,315

### CPR TRAINING

St. Paul's is hosting a CPR training from 8:00 a.m. until noon, Saturday, July 15. With CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) training, you can help save someone's life if he/she stops breathing or their heart stops. The cost of the training is \$50, which will be covered for St. Paul's members. To register, please see the sign up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board.

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### FLOWER BED HELP

Do you like to have a little dirt on your hands? Do you want to enjoy fellowship, outdoors. Are you able to work occasionally in the two flower beds at church? Well – St. Paul's has just the ticket for you! We are in need of anyone who would like to help out around church in the flower beds. This is just a question of helping to plant as well as to water the beds, pulling some weeds, tidying up around the church outdoors. There is a hose available as well as watering cans for you. Sandi Ferrari is looking for folks who would like to help out. Please see the sign up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board and with questions, contact Sandi at 262-551-0111 to get answers and to make plans to help out.

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### TRIMMING BUSHES

Property Committee would appreciate your consideration to sign up for an area to trim bushes, pull weeds, collect/dispose of garbage, etc. The first actions should be completed by mid-June, with follow up throughout the summer and in to fall. Bring your own supplies for cutting/trimming/etc. Weeds, garbage, etc., can be put into the garbage cans at the rear of our building, with brush/limbs, etc., put on the compost pile to the west of our garage, where they will be disposed of.

Please email Jon Tetting at [littlerock1@yahoo.com](mailto:littlerock1@yahoo.com) if you are willing to assist in these tasks. If you are a past volunteer and would like to keep your area please let Jon know that also.

The list of volunteers for 2023 and the assignments and duties will be forwarded quickly so work can begin.

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### CRAFTING RETREAT

Save the dates! The evening of Friday, July 21 and the day of Saturday, July 22 join others for a crafting retreat here at St. Paul's. Bring your craft but sleep in your own bed! More to follow in the July newsletter.

# BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND MORE

## Birthdays

- 1** Kathryn Falcon
- 2** Patricia Herstedt  
Savannah Herstedt
- 3** Susan Rose
- 4** Lucas Becker
- 5** Carly Sowma  
Caroline Titel  
Donald Van Besien
- 7** Susan Maxey
- 8** Greyson Malsack  
June Ristau  
Joe Szabo
- 9** Marva Tetting  
Polly Waara
- 10** Bonnie Knoedler
- 11** Jeanne Brush  
Linda Gotsche  
Nancy Granger  
Brian Hogan  
John Slye
- 12** Ellen Brookhouse  
Hannah Peterson
- 14** Maggie Dahlberg
- 16** Pam Whyte
- 19** Ken Wiele
- 20** Nathan Miller  
Aleigha Robbins
- 21** Bradley Becker
- 22** John Aasen  
Hannah Knutson
- 23** Susan Herstedt  
Kevin Mifflin  
Pat Milock  
Ashley Smith  
David White
- 25** Zachary Johnson
- 27** Judy Fulghum  
Paul Klemp  
Morrey LaBelle  
Gary Olson
- 28** Kim Cochran
- 29** Karen Ginter  
Lynne Ingham  
Matthew Johnson

## Anniversaries

- 4** David & Kathleen White  
Karen & Richard Lund
- 5** Karolyn & Ron Danielson
- 10** Nick & Donna Gorr
- 11** Julie & Jeff Peterson
- 13** Dianne & James Ballard
- 24** June & Michael Ristau
- 25** Paul & Bonnie Schulz
- 29** Mark & Janet Rendler
- 30** Lisa & Greg Glista

**Please notify** the church office:

- When you or a loved one has entered the hospital. The hospitals do not always contact us.
- When you move or have a change in telephone number or email address.

### Worship Schedule

5:00 p.m. Saturday  
Worship with Coffee and Fellowship after service

9:00 a.m. Sunday  
Worship with Coffee and Fellowship after service

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Pastor's Hours:  
8:00 a.m./Noon  
Monday thru Thursday

Secretary's Office:  
8:00 a.m./Noon  
Monday thru Thursday

### Please Note:

Names of people celebrating birthdays in the week ahead are read out loud as we celebrate another year and gift of grace bestowed upon us by almighty God.

## Our Sympathy To

Chris White and family and friends on the recent passing of Chris' husband James.

## New Members

Bruce and Cheryl  
Hannah  
3426 - 87 Place  
Kenosha 53142-2505  
262-694-0244

J. R. Buzzell  
2553 Lincoln Road  
Kenosha 53143  
262-220-0313

## New Contact Information

Nathan Miller and  
Emma Blankenship  
1600 - 60 Street,  
Apt. 10  
Kenosha 53140

Lisa Hewitt and  
Mary Billings  
2536 - 18 Street,  
Apt. 31  
Kenosha 53140-4652

# St. Paul's Calendar of Events June 2023

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<b>1</b> 8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study 6:00 p.m. NAMI Board 6:00 p.m. SA Band	<b>2</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>3</b> 5:00 p.m. Worship
<b>4</b> 9:00 a.m. Worship Noon SA in Sanctuary	<b>5</b> 8:30 a.m. Hall in use 6:00 p.m. Southport Quilters 6:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Group	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Outreach Committee 6:00 p.m. NAMI 6:30 p.m. Council/ZOOM ONLY	<b>9</b> OFFICE CLOSED  Lifeline in Hall	<b>10</b> 5:00 p.m. Worship
<b>11</b> 9:00 a.m. Worship	<b>12</b> 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 6:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Group	<b>13</b> 5:00 p.m. Ladies Night Out	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study 10:30 am. Bible Study 1:00 p.m. SA Book Club	<b>16</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>17</b> 5:00 p.m. Worship
<b>18</b> 9:00 a.m. Worship	<b>19</b> 9:00 a.m. Cover Girls 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 6:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Group	<b>20</b> 4:45 p.m. Evangelism 5:30 p.m. Christian Ed 6:30 p.m. Worship and Music	<b>21</b> 6:00 p.m. SALT 6:00 p.m. National Night Out Meeting	<b>22</b> 8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study 6:00 p.m. NAMI	<b>23</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>24</b> 5:00 p.m. Worship
<b>25</b> 9:00 a.m. Worship Noon SA Bi-Annual Meeting	<b>26</b> 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 5:30 p.m. VBS 6:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Group	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study	<b>30</b> OFFICE CLOSED	

SERVING SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 2023					
	3-4	10-11	17-18	24-25	
Assisting Minister					
5:00 p.m.	Matthew Johnson	Nicole Harris	Heather Miles	Matt Werve	
9:00 a.m.	Matthew Johnson	Marie Persinger	John Aasen	Lukus Verbeten	
Lectors					
5:00 p.m.	Heather Miles	MerriLee Unrath	Cathy Mossman	John Whyte	
9:00 a.m.	Bernie Vash	Gene Brookhouse	Jan Anderson	Bernie Vash	
Greeters					
5:00 p.m.	Karen Strangberg	Mick and June Ristau	Pat Demos	Gordy and Pat Johnson	
9:00 a.m.	Sandra Ferrari	Gene and Ellen Brookhouse	Sue Dishno	Morrey LaBelle	
Ushers					
5:00 p.m.	Mark and Nancy Granger	Jim and Andrea Janda	Jim and Andrea Janda	Mark and Nancy Granger	
9:00 a.m.	Bob and Sandi Cisler	Jon and Marva Tetting	Bob and Sandi Cisler	Jon and Marva Tetting	
Communion Assistants					
5:00 p.m.	Karen Strangberg Kathy Falcon	John Aasen	Tim and Nicole Harris	John Aasen Kathy Falcon	
9:00 a.m.	Marie Persinger Pam Mitchell	Gary Olson Linda Smith	Susie Puett Pam Mitchell	Gary Olson Linda Smith	
Coffee Hour					
5:00 p.m.	Mark and Nancy Granger	Tim and Nicole Harris	Matt and Shari Werve	Gordy and Pat Johnson	
9:00 a.m.	Lyn Stevens	Jon and Marva Tetting	Sandi Ferrari	Matt and Shari Werve	
Counters					
	Matthew Johnson Pam Mitchel	Bruce Anderson Bob DeYoung	Pat Demos Bob DeYoung	Bruce Anderson Pam Mitchell	

If there are any changes to be made to this schedule,  
Please see Olga in the office, 262-694-3101, or Pat Demos, 262-945-0158.  
Please do not make the changes directly to the schedule posted in the church office.  
Thank you.

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## LITTLE LIBRARY

We now have a Sharing Library, located in the Oechler Room on the west wall. Let's help each other in our faith/life journey. Leave a book, if you think it's worth sharing. Take a book, if you think you would benefit. No need to 'check it out'....just enjoy.

The Sharing Library also has DVDs as well as puzzles. Again, all are there to enjoy.

Please do not use this area as a 'dumping grounds.' If you have items that are not suitable for a church Sharing Library, please do not leave them here. The Goodwill Store is located on 75 Street, and St. Vincent de Paul is located on 30<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

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## LADIES LUNCH/DINNER

The next ladies lunch/dinner get together will be held on Tuesday, June 13, 5:00 p.m. at the Boat House, 4917 Seventh Avenue. Please see the sign up sheet on the Narthex Bulletin Board. Questions? Contact Jan Anderson, 262-884-4336.

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## Summer Sermon Series: Bible Studies I Remember from Sunday School

This summer, we'll take a look at some of the Bible stories that I remember hearing in Sunday School. From Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego to David and Goliath and a whole lot of great stories in between, I hope you will come and hear!

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## RUMMAGE SALE



FRIDAY, AUGUST 18<sup>TH</sup>

AND

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19<sup>TH</sup>



We will be accepting items for the rummage sale

**STARTING on Tuesday August 8, 2023**

Start looking thru your Treasures!

Contact Kathy Falcon for questions:

Phone or Text: 262-945-1392,

em ail: [kfalcon@wi.rr.com](mailto:kfalcon@wi.rr.com)

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## ANOTHER HYMN STUDY IS COMING!

- WHEN:** Four Thursday mornings: June 15, July 6, July 20, August 3 - 10:30 a.m.
- WHERE:** In person or on Zoom
- WHAT:** We will look mostly at hymn texts and how they were influenced by the Bible or other sources. We will talk a little about each author's life and the story that inspired the hymn. We will also learn about the hymn tunes.
- We will use the ELW and the Bible. After learning about each hymn, we will listen to examples from YouTube.
- You do NOT have to sing or read aloud to talk, if you do NOT want. You do NOT need to know about music. Just join in on these Thursday mornings and enjoy.
- WHO'S LEADING THE STUDY:** Karen Gosselin, 262-484-9762. Please let her now so that you can be included on the Zoom link, should you need.)
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**Let's Be Healthy Together!**



### **Men's health is a family matter.**

This is why Saint Paul's Lutheran Church of Kenosha is hosting Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings on Friday, June 9, 2023. The screenings provided focus on vascular disease, a leading cause of illness and disability among men.

Screenings are fast, painless and affordable. Three key tests check for blocked carotid arteries, an irregular heart rhythm called atrial fibrillation, and high blood pressure, which are the three leading risk factors for stroke.

Other tests check for abdominal aortic aneurysms and hardening of the arteries in the legs. A bone density screening to assess osteoporosis risk is also offered and is appropriate for both men and women. Many events also offer blood tests, including cholesterol, glucose and c-reactive protein screenings, as well as take-home colon cancer early detection tests.

For more information regarding the screenings or to schedule an appointment, call **1-844-591-7160** or go to <https://llsa.social/HC> or **text** the word **circle** to **216-279-1607**. Pre-registration is required.



**30-YEAR ANNIVERSARY!**



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**SUMMER CONCERT SERIES 2023**

**FREE CONCERTS: JUNE 8 – AUGUST 10 • THURSDAYS: NOON – 1PM**



**JUNE 8**

Hand Bells  
Corynn Latta & Isaiah Kitts  
The Brass Knuckles

**JUNE 15**

Mark Paffrath  
SilverMusic Flute Ensemble  
Ami Bouterse, Alejandro, Lucas &  
Evelyn Alumbrosos

**JUNE 22**

Spirit of Racine Music Makers  
Monte Bedford & Fumi Nakayama  
Corporate Downsizing Quartet

**JUNE 29**

Jazz & Urban Sketchers  
Nolan Boehner  
Jillian Bruss Ensemble

**JULY 6**

Wayne Wildman  
Suzanne Geoffrey & Lydia Morency  
Carolyn Wehner

**JULY 13**

Zachary Scot Johnson  
Nancy Maio & Gare Hofstad  
Mike Bishop - Elvis

**JULY 20**

Ann Heide, Darlene Rivest & Terri Seitz  
Dolce Consonant Flute Choir  
Rocky Rose

**JULY 27**

Alexandra Nechyporenko  
Sharon Adel, Kimberly Chapman &  
Kristina Beier  
Amy Maack & Doug Clum

**AUGUST 3**

Darlene Rivest & Anna Kojovic-Frod  
High Winds & Keyboard  
Jill Jensen & Jack Grassel

**AUGUST 10**

Nicholas Renkosik  
Cello Quartet  
Lynda Schlitz Ensemble

*Season Finale Concert*

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 18 AT 7PM**

Randy, Beth & Charlotte Bush, Choral Arts Society

**TICKETS \$10 – ON SALE MAY 15**

**NOONTIME CONCERT FREEWILL OFFERINGS WILL BENEFIT:**  
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## DIAKONIA NEWS

Our main text for Christian Ethics class was ETHICS IN THE COMMUNITY OF PROMISE: FAITH, FORMATION, AND DECISION by James Childs. We also used Luther's Small Catechism and the Bible in our discussions.

Christian ethic begins with the gift of God in Jesus Christ. Grace is our motivation. Each decision we make is an expression of grace at work in and through us. As Christians we trust that God is with us throughout our struggles to make decisions. The goal of Christian ethic is to actively pursue our values for the good of our neighbor, our society, our world, and ourselves. Examples of these values include: life, wholeness, peace, equality among all, unity, community, joy, and freedom from sin and evil.

Childs explains that the Sermon on the Mount and the Beatitudes in Matthew 5 are part of Jesus' proclamation of the kingdom or reign of God. Because of Jesus' victory over sin and death, we are "blessed" with new possibilities as we are formed in love. Our ethical decisions help us to witness to the love of God in the gospel of Jesus Christ. We may not make the right decision at times, but we do the best we can on this earth, where we and our circumstances are "not yet" perfect as they will be in eternity.

Our ethical solutions to issues need to be based on both the law or rules (The Ten Commandments) and "what's going on" in the minds and feelings of everyone involved in the decision. Facts are not always simple or straightforward, because facts can be interpreted differently. Feelings of love are highly subjective. Childs tells us that facts can be our guide, but must be "in dialogue" with love. How do we accomplish this balance? I will try to explain that next month.

Karen Gosselin

# NAMI Kenosha County

National Alliance on Mental Illness

www.namikenosha.org • 262-652-3606

## Communicating with Someone in Crisis Who Has a Psychiatric Illness

DO  
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### **SLOW DOWN**

### **GIVE THEM SPACE**

Don't make them feel trapped.

**BE CALM.** Express support and concern.

**SPEAK SLOWLY AND SOFTLY,  
USE SHORT, SIMPLE SENTENCES.**

**AVOID** sudden or quick movements

**BE HELPFUL.** Respond to basic needs

Be low Key. "We are all here to help."

**GIVE FIRM, CLEAR DIRECTIONS;**

One person should talk to the person.

**RESPOND TO DELUSIONS OR**

**HALLUCINATIONS** by talking about  
the person's feelings rather than what he  
or she is saying.

**LISTEN** to their story.

**EXPLAIN POLICY,**  
especially if handcuffed.

DON'T  
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**TAKE CONTROL** if you don't have to.  
**ARGUE** or reason with psychotic thinking.

**STARE** at the person

**CONFUSE THE PERSON.**

One person should interact with the person.

Others should keep their distance.

Ask casual observers to leave.

Follow through with directions or commands.

**TOUCH** the person unless necessary.

For people with mental illnesses it may  
cause fear and lead to violence.

**SHOUT.**

**GIVE THEM MULTIPLE CHOICES.**

This can increase the person's confusion.

**DECEIVE** the person. Dishonesty increases

fear and suspicion; the person will likely  
remember it in any subsequent contact.

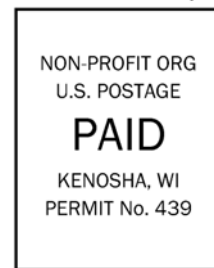
**DON'T ARREST A PERSON FOR  
MENTALLY ILL BEHAVIOR NOT  
CRIMINAL IN NATURE.**

**JOIN** into behavior related to the person's  
mental illness.

If a person has to be restrained, immediately  
raise him/her from prone into sitting position,  
monitor vital signs, and call for medical aid.

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## Proverbs 15:3

<sup>3</sup> The eyes of the LORD are in every place,  
keeping watch on the evil and the good.

The eyes of the Lord



### **WEATHER-RELATED CANCELLATIONS**

of church activities (choirs and committee meetings) will follow  
Kenosha Unified school closings.

Announcement will appear on Milwaukee channels NBC and ABC.

Worship services will be a separate decision. Decision will be made by 6:00 a.m., or earlier.

Please call the church office when in doubt for worship closings: 694-3101.

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Articles or information for the newsletter should be submitted to the church office electronically by the 15th of the month.

(Bulletin deadline is Tuesdays 8:00 a.m.)

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The home page of our website, [www.stpaulskenosha.org](http://www.stpaulskenosha.org), has a link to the current newsletter as well as to the current calendar.