

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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JULY & AUGUST 2021

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
just over a month ago, our schools finished out another school year. The school books and supplies were packed away for the summer. And I imagine our kids all looked forward to a summer without having to learn anything. Perhaps you remember that feeling yourself. But as God's children, we are encouraged to continue the teaching and to continue learning. Moses had quite a bit to say about this. Multiple times in the book of Deuteronomy we can hear Moses encouraging the people to teach what they have learned with words like,

"You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise." - Deut. 6:7

I love how he encourages these things to be taught not just at home, but when traveling as well. Almost as if he is telling us not to take a vacation from God's Word, but to study and teach it constantly.

Moses doesn't restrict the encouragement to teach to just our children though he includes our grand-children and ourselves as well. Earlier in Deuteronomy we read,

"Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life.

Make them known to your children and your children's children" - Deut. 4:9

Moses tells us, "don't you forget and as you remember, teach it to your children and your children's children." God's Word is such an important message for us to share that we should never take a break from it. We should constantly be studying it, learning it, taking it to heart. I've always loved the way the Collect for the Word in our hymnal puts it. We should,

"read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest" the Word of God.

God provides us with all sorts of opportunities to talk about these things. As family visits for vacation take the opportunity to talk about your faith. If you travel and are out of town for a weekend, check out the LC-MS website at <https://locator.lcms.org/church> to find a church near where you are vacationing.

All that being said, we can't talk about summer vacation and teaching God's Word without talking about Vacation Bible School. VBS provides us with a unique opportunity to share God's good news with the little children just as Jesus bid His disciples do in Matthew 19, where we read,

"but Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." - Matt. 19:14

As Jesus states, "to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." We have a responsibility to pass on God's Word, to share His good news, because His kingdom belongs to these children too. And just as Moses encouraged us to share God's Word with our children and our grand-children, Jesus encourages us to bring the little ones to Him as well.

St Paul in writing to Timothy about all that Timothy had learned and had to teach as well, writes,

"For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all people, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things." - 1 Tim. 4:10-11

Because of the hope we have, we work to share the good news, to command and teach these things to God's children as well.

So this summer I encourage you to consider how you can help to pass on what you have learned. When you're having a cook out with the family you could recall how Jesus had a cookout on the beach with His disciples

after the resurrection. You can encourage your children and grand-children to take part in VBS. You can even take part in it yourself and be a part of sharing God's good news with His beloved little children. But no matter what, I ask that you keep our children, our VBS, and our church in your prayers that God's love may continue to be shared through us.

In Christ,
Pastor Nathan Peitsch

DRIVE UP COMMUNION

On Monday, July 5th & 19th, August 2nd & 16th there will be drive-up communion from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the back-parking lot.

2021 SPECIAL MISSION PROJECTS

This year are special mission project is The Grulkes', Lutheran Bible Translators.

If you would like to give to special missions, please write the check to St. Paul's Lutheran Church and mark (Special Missions) on your envelope or on the check memo.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS

On Thursday, July 8th, Elders will meet at 6:30 p.m., on Tuesday, July 13th, Council will meet at 8:00 p.m. The Voter's meeting will be Sunday, July 18th after the worship service.

CATECHISM

Catechism students and parents there will be a catechism information meeting on Wednesday, August 25 at 6:00 p.m.

Mission Central – Visiting Missionaries 2021

LCMS World Mission 40718 Highway E16 Mapleton, IA 51034 712-882-1029 Gary Thies (gary.thies@lcms.org) www.missioncentral.us

- July 18, 2021 – Rev. J.P. Cima and family, Cambodia – 10:30 am
- July 31, 2021 – Nathaniel and Emma Jensen – Germany – 1:00 pm
- August 21, 2021 – Rev. David Baker family – Asia – 6:00 pm

DISTRICT YOUTH GATHERINGS

2021 IDW JR YOUTH GATHERING



OCTOBER 23-24

Sheraton – West Des Moines

Cost - \$ 150

Registration information will be mailed in August.



November 19-21

Holiday Inn at the Airport - Des Moines

Cost - \$235

Registration information will be mailed in August.

GOOD SHEPHERD HOUR

This program is a ½ hour worship service heard on Sioux City, KSCJ, 1360 AM, at 8:00 am.

MAIN STREET LIVING

Main Street Living is a television ministry of the Lutheran churches of Missouri-Synod and of the Iowa West District. The worship service is on Sundays at 10 am on channel 9 KCAU, the ABC Network from Sioux City.

NEWSLETTER SPONSORS

The newsletter this month is sponsored in honor of cancer patients & their families.

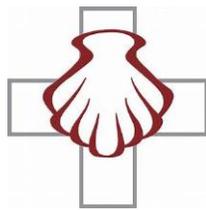
Please contact the office if you'd like to sponsor the newsletter. The cost is \$37.

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS FOR JULY/AUG.

We are listing Baptismal birthdays to remember and celebrate the day we were adopted into the family of God through the washing of the Holy Spirit. Those having Baptismal birthdays are:

July Baptismal Birthdays:

Lyle Kelm	1
Bette Amunson	2
Kellen Anderson, Debra Nutt,	7
James Thies	
Teagyn Greder	10
Deanne Hanson	11
Henry Kelm	12
Nathan Mohr	13
Nina Hull	16
Doris Thompson, Jase BeBout	17
Raylyn Kelm	18
Phillip Hinds	20
Elizabeth Jones	21
Brook (Bretthauer) Shufflebarger	22
Terri Mohr	23
Derek Meadows, Nicholas Meadows,	26
Jasmine Schaffer	
Dorothy Gust	29
Kenneth Amunson, Gordon Carritt,	30
Brittany Christiansen	



August Baptismal Birthdays:

Larry Meadows, Theodore Nutt	1
Thomas Sorensen	2
Ashley Ewoldt, Macie Rubida	3
Bill Creese	6
Ramona Pithan	7
Pastor Nathan Peitsch	8
Brock Nelson, Melissa Josephsen	10
Jeanette Urwiler	14
Shawn Goslar	15

Terry Watke	16
Tadd Eneboe, Christopher Thies	17
Michael Mordhorst	18
Kristal Mordhorst	19
Henry Buschmann Jr.	23
Jacquelin Marth, Joyce Mordhorst,	25
Harvey Thies, Henry Mohr	
Tanis Watke	26
Katie Schaffer	27
John Greder, Brynn Leitz	28
Karen Koch, Judy Meadows	29
Jerod Thies	30
Becky Mordhorst	31

PLEASE GIVE US A CALL

- before going to the hospital
- birth of your baby
- death in the family
- making wedding plans
- address and name changes
- private communion

"THY STRONG WORD"

Thy Strong Word is a 5 min. daily devotional message given by LC-MS pastorsIt is aired at 6:25 a.m., Mon.-Sat. on KDSN, FM107.1

July 5-10	Rev. Josh Keinath Zion, Denison
July 12-17	Rev. Merle Mahnken Immanuel, Schleswig
July 19-24	Rev. Chad Trunkhill Our Savior/Bethlehem
July 26-31	Rev. Richard Merrill Multi-Point, Charter Oak
Aug. 2-7	Rev. Nathan Peitsch St. Paul's, Ute
Aug. 9-14	Rev. Mark Kluzek St. John, Kiron/Faith, Deloit
Aug. 16-21	Rev. Josh Keinath Zion, Denison
Aug. 23-28	Rev. Merle Mahnken Immanuel, Schleswig
Aug. 30-Sept. 4	Rev. Chad Trunkhill Our Savior/Bethlehem

VBS 2021

St. Paul's Lutheran Church - Ute, Iowa

July 12th - 15th

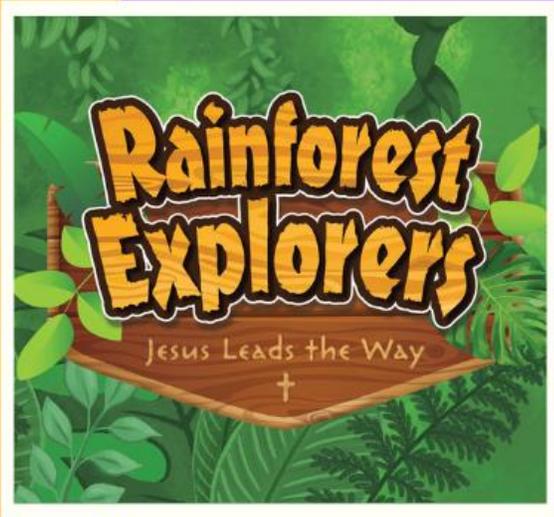
6pm-8pm at Church

Light Snack Served at 5:45

July 16th

Family Picnic 6pm at

City Park



**REGISTRATION
COMING SOON**

Please pass the word and welcome any kids from age 3 through 6th grades.

If you would like to help one day to all days ----group leader/crafts/instructor/games/food/etc., please call the church office, pastor, Megan Peitsch or Rick Knuth.