



"IT'S NOT ABOUT WHAT GOD
GIVES TO YOU, IT'S ABOUT
HOW YOU HANDLE WHAT GOD
GIVES TO YOU"

~UNKNOWN

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'Family'

*"You're no longer strangers or outsiders. You belong here,
with as much right to the name Christian as anyone.*

*God is building a home. He's using us all—
irrespective of how we got here—in what He is building."*

Ephesians 2:19 MSG

Mark 4: C.I.A. – Christ In Action

More or Less

Welcome to St. Paul!

We always thank God for all of you and pray for you constantly.

~ 1-Thessalonians 1:2

Leader: God is good!

Congregation: All the time and I am a witness!

Opening Song “The Blessing”

Prayer

Welcome /Announcements

Proverbs 9:10-11 ESV

¹⁰ The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom,
and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

¹¹ For by me your days will be multiplied,
and years will be added to your life.

Gospel Reading **Mark 4:21-34 NLT**

Parable of the Lamp

²¹ Then Jesus asked them, “Would anyone light a lamp and then put it under a basket or under a bed? Of course not! A lamp is placed on a stand, where its light will shine. ²² For everything that is hidden will eventually be brought into the open, and every secret will be brought to light. ²³ Anyone with ears to hear should listen and understand.” ²⁴ Then he added, “Pay close attention to what you hear. The closer you listen, the more understanding you will be given—and you will receive even more. ²⁵ To those who listen to my teaching, more understanding will be given. But for those who are not listening, even what little understanding they have will be taken away from them.”

Parable of the Growing Seed

²⁶ Jesus also said, “The Kingdom of God is like a farmer who scatters seed on the ground. ²⁷ Night and day, while he’s asleep or awake, the seed sprouts and grows, but he does not understand how it happens. ²⁸ The earth produces the crops on its own. First a leaf blade pushes through, then the heads of wheat are formed, and finally the grain ripens. ²⁹ And as soon as the grain is ready, the farmer comes and harvests it with a sickle, for the harvest time has come.”

Parable of the Mustard Seed

³⁰ Jesus said, “How can I describe the Kingdom of God? What story should I use to illustrate it? ³¹ It is like a mustard seed planted in the ground. It is the smallest of all seeds, ³² but it becomes the largest of all garden plants; it grows long branches, and birds can make nests in its shade.”

³³ Jesus used many similar stories and illustrations to teach the people as much as they could understand. ³⁴ In fact, in his public ministry he never taught without using parables; but afterward, when he was alone with his disciples, he explained everything to them.

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to You, O Christ

Children’s Message Laurie Lentz

Message “More or Less”

Worship Song “Blessed Assurance”

Prayers / The Lord’s Prayer

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Confession & Words of Assurance

P: Most Merciful God,

C: I confess my sins to You. I have sinned against You in thought, word and deed by what I have done and by what I have left undone. I have not loved You with my whole heart; I have not loved my neighbor as myself. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on me. Forgive me, renew me, and lead me, so that I may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Holy Name. Amen.

Holy Communion

Communion will be by continuous table for those who want to come up.

*Others may take communion at their seat by individual cup available at the entrance. Cups at continuous table are filled with **wine (red)** or **grape juice (white)**.*

We welcome all believers in Jesus Christ who are baptized into Him. We usually commune children from fifth grade on. Other children will receive a blessing.

Distribution Music: “Seek Ye First”

..... “Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”

..... “Lead Me to the Cross”

Closing Song **Doxology**

Benediction

A: Choose this day whom you will serve.

C: As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

Postlude

Serving Today

Minister Pastor Beverly Kelling
Ushers Mark Nester & Johnette Dixon
Lector Kim Anderwald
Acolytes Wesley & Clayton Nickols
Music Ministry Coordinator, Vocals & Violinist Jeanette Rath
Pianist Rhiannon Lynn
Guitarists Jody Jacobs & Rob Norris
Organist Grace Reed
Drummer Rick Brickles
Vocals Becky Burton, Shulee Norris & David Hersberger

Altar flowers are given by Debbie Whitehead in loving memory of her late husband Hilton Whitehead and their 40th Wedding Anniversary.

Sanctuary Lamp shines brightly in celebration of Kaden Lentz's birthday given in love by the Lentz Family.

Responsibilities – March 17th :

Flowers: Tim & Joann Neuman **Sanctuary Lamp:** Lentz Family

Ushers: Deb Cleary & Jay Reed **Lector:** Dianne Bradley

Acolytes: Mackenzie Collins & Claire Bowman



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“And never stop praying.”~ 1Thessalonians 5:17

Healing & Comfort:

Bobby Klein, Matt Hook, Margaret Reus, Buffie Rogge, Sharon Becksted, Chris Porter, Patricia Welch, George Brucks, Jean Krenmueller, Dorothy Wells, Rene Ortiz, Henry Nietenhoefer, Helen Ann Jones, Cindy Sprenger, Ailyn Fernandez, Doug Newtwich, Maricella Frausto, Lance Brucks, Morris Faseler & Jim Thompson

Homebound and Nursing Homes:

Brian Boehle, Marian Lindeburg, Gladys Feller, Kathy Feller, Elaine Eccles.

Active Military:

Ben Rath, Rebecca Bryant, Patrick Graff, Riley Lynch, Collin Bezely, Clayton Reed, Jimmy “Sawyer” Rhodes, Ethan Kammer, Andy Lynch, Larry & Teresa Sullivan, Heath Runnels, Sean Constante & Jessie Philip.

This Week’s Birthdays:

Beth Lewis, Ollie Hershberger, Alex Contreras, Morris Faseler, Lynda Halbardier, Addison Halbardier and Steve Carrigan.

***Please help us to update, if we need to add or remove someone from the lists above please contact the office.**

**“COME AS YOU ARE”
6pm Worship Service**

March 13th – Derlin Hennig

March 20th – Laurie Lentz

March 27th - TBA

Prayer Ministry

Email– Don Krumrey: dkrum45@att.net

Contact: Don Krumrey (830-741-9991)

Shirley Krumrey (830-931-4311)

Prayer offered at the end of service



**Are you interested in
becoming a part of our
church family?
Contact Pastor Beverly
or call the church office.**

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL

Sunday, March 10th

9:00am Worship

10:00 Fellowship

10:30 Sunday School

2:00pm Nursing Home

4:30pm Emmaus Gathering

@ Somerset MC

Monday, March 11th

1:30pm-3pm Friends In Faith

6:00pm Women's Bible Study

6:00pm Bible Journaling

Tuesday, March 12th

7:00am Prayer Warriors

Wednesday, March 13th

9:30am Tacking Quilters

6:00pm Lenten Worship Service

Soup & Sandwich Fellowship

7:00pm Bible Study (A/C)

David Hershberger

Thursday, March 14th

Office Closed

Highschool BSF

1:00 pm Hand Quilters

Friday, March 15th

Saturday, March 16th

Sunday, March 17th

9:00am Worship

10:00 Fellowship

10:30 Sunday School



Welcome
to Our
Church
Family

St. Paul Lutheran Women will be collecting plastic grocery bags for a special project. Please hang on to yours and drop them off in the box in the Annex or in the Church office. Thank You!



Richard George 'Dickie' Mangold, 85 of La Coste, TX passed away on March 4, 2024. Dickie is the husband of Carol Schmidt Mangold. Visitation is Tuesday, March 12, 2024, from 4pm-7pm at Tondre-Guinn funeral home. The funeral will be at 10am on Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at Zion Lutheran Church. Interment will follow at Zion Lutheran Cemetery in Castroville. We extend our condolences and prayers to the family and friends of Dickie Mangold.

Welcome our newest members
Michael and Trudy Williams!!
We are excited to have you join our
family here at St. Paul!

Mark 4: More or Less

*Does our life shine so others can seek God and live for Him?
Even when we can't see, God is at work.*

To be in the Kingdom of God is to be part of a
Kingdom that _____,
with a King Who _____.

Light – Jesus _____

Lamp – _____ of Christ

Secret – _____; _____

God will _____ to us as we have
_____ to _____ & _____.

While we _____, we are not _____,
but _____.

Do not _____ small beginnings.

Do not _____ small beginnings.

A _____ disciple: _____,
_____, _____ & _____.

*'But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness,
and all these things will be added to you.'* **Matthew 6:33**