

"DEFEND YOUR BELIEFS

*with courtesy &
compassion*

BUT DEFEND THEM"

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Seeing God in 2020 with 20/20 Vision

**Can You Defend Your
Faith?**

Welcome to St. Paul!

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

~ 1-Thessalonians 1:2

Welcome

Opening Song “Who Am I?”

Opening Prayer

Psalm 18:1-3 (NLT)

¹ I love you, Lord;

You are my strength.

² The Lord is my Rock, my Fortress, and my Savior;

my God is my Rock, in whom I find protection.

He is my Shield, the power that saves me,

and my place of safety.

³ I called on the Lord, who is worthy of praise,

and He saved me from my enemies.

Ecclesiastes 6:9-11 (NCV)

⁹ It is better to see what you have than to want more. Wanting more is useless—like chasing the wind. ¹⁰ Whatever happens was planned long ago. Everyone knows what people are like. No one can argue with God, who is stronger than anyone. ¹¹ The more you say, the more useless it is. What good does it do?

Jude 1-4 (NLT)

¹ This letter is from Jude, a slave of Jesus Christ and a brother of James. I am writing to all who have been called by God the Father, who loves you and keeps you safe in the care of Jesus Christ. ² May God give you more and more mercy, peace, and love. ³ Dear friends, I had been eagerly planning to write to you about the salvation we all share. But now I find that I must write about something else, urging you to defend the faith that God has entrusted once for all time to his holy people. ⁴ I say this because some ungodly people have wormed their way into your churches, saying that God’s marvelous grace allows us to live immoral lives. The condemnation of such people was recorded long ago, for they have denied our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ.

Luke 12:8-12 (NLT)

⁸“I tell you the truth, everyone who acknowledges me publicly here on earth, the Son of Man will also acknowledge in the presence of God’s angels. ⁹ But anyone who denies me here on earth will be denied before God’s angels. ¹⁰ Anyone who speaks against the Son of Man can be forgiven, but anyone who blasphemes the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven. ¹¹ “And when you are brought to trial in the synagogues and before rulers and authorities, don’t worry about how to defend yourself or what to say, ¹² for the Holy Spirit will teach you at that time what needs to be said.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Children’s Message..... **Laurie Lentz**

Message..... **“Can You Defend Your Faith?”**

Worship Song..... **“I The Lord of Sea & Sky”**

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

Holy Communion

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

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

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Serving Today:

Presiding Minister..... Pastor Beverly Kelling
Ushers..... Missy Solbrig, Geoff Weimer & Nelson Reus
Lector..... Westley Halbardier
Guitarist..... Jody Jacobs
Pianist..... Rhiannon Smith

Altar flowers are given by Chuck & Lynda Halbardier in praise & celebration of their St Paul Church Family.

The Sanctuary Lamp shines brightly for God’s Glory.

Prayer Ministry

Email Prayer Ministry – Don Krumrey: dkrum45@att.net

One – on – One Prayer – offered at the end of service

Contact: Don Krumrey (830-741-9991), Shirley Krumrey (830-931-4311)

Kathy Carrigan (830-363-7510)



“And never stop praying.”

~ 1Thessalonians 5:17

Healing & Comfort:

Euona Rathjen, Elaine Eccles, Mark Reus, Bill Bryant, Sharon Autrey,
John Tarleton, Virgil Krenmueller, Pastor Paul Senff, Floyd & Doris Saathoff,
Doug Nentwich, Kim Zinsmeyer, Nancy Hunt, Morris Faseler, Lynda Hook,
Matthew Hook, Larry Borgens & Dorothy Wells.

Homebound and Nursing Homes:

Brian Boehle, Mabel Jackson, Bert Barrett, Marian Lindeburg,
Lucille Moss, Virginia Jenkins, Ottalie Schmidt,
Mary Beyer, Virginia Heiligman & Bernice Lehmborg

Active Military:

Sean Stewart, Larry & Teresa Sullivan, Adriel Schoenhals, Kelly Mueller,
John Howerton, Rebecca Bryant, Patrick Green, Riley Lynch,
Collin Bezely, Briana Jernigan, Kephren Adams, Kendle Adams, Clayton Reed,
Les & Rachel Armstrong, Hunter Portis, Desiree (Warner) Pointer,

Joshua Fair, Heath Runnels & Ethan Kammer

Birthdays this week:

Craig Luedke, Hannah Guenther, Lauren Guenther, Jason Molitor, Jaynelle Reed,
Brian Boehle, Keith Solbrig, Sandy Porter, Nikolaus Barlow, Michael Beard,
Mark Kelling & Wesley Berger



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“Come As You Are”

May 20th – Beverly Kelling
May 27th – Coach Ratliff
June 3rd – Pat Cleary



Sunday, May 17th

Titus 1:5-9

Monday, May 18th

1 Peter 3:13-22

1 Peter 4:7-14

Tuesday, May 19th

Ephesians 5:6-14

2 Corinthians 10:1-5

Wednesday, May 20th

Psalms 119:41-48

Thursday, May 21st

2 Timothy 2:1-5

2 Timothy 3:10-17

Friday, May 22nd

2 Timothy 4:1-8

Saturday, May 23rd

Matthew 5:11-16

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(St Paul Lutheran Church Hondo TX)



Honoring our Seniors of St Paul
Class of 2020



Brenda Hernandez

Graduating from Medina Valley High School
She will be attending A&M Corpus Christi.
Brenda plans on majoring in Biology.



Abby Neuman

Graduating from Hondo High School
She will be attending Texas A&M, College Station.
Abby plans on majoring in Animal Science
on the PreVet Track.



Taylor Neuman

Graduating from Hondo High School
She will be attending Texas A&M, College Station.
Taylor plans on majoring in Kinesiology with a
concentration in Basic Exercise Physiology.

Can You Defend Your Faith?

Question: "Why do you believe what you believe?"

Know: It's the duty of every genuine believer to fight for the faith.

- I. _____ is religious with a belief in the _____, _____ & _____ of life.

"Everyone knows what people are like..." Ecclesiastes 6:10

- II. "The faith," is the _____ of Jesus Christ & His _____.

"I must write about something else, urging you to defend the faith that God has entrusted once for all time to His holy people." Jude 3

- III. A _____ with God, a strong _____, a sense of being called to _____, & _____ for the future.

"I am writing to all who have been called by God the Father, who loves you & keeps you safe in the care of Jesus Christ." Jude 1

- IV. Build _____ up in the faith; _____ in the Holy Spirit, _____ in God's love while _____.

"I love you, Lord; You are my strength." Psalm 118:1

- V. _____ to those who are faltering & _____ from the fire of judgment.

"He is my shield, the power that saves me, & my place of safety." Psalm 118:3

Keeper: God has called me out of unbelief. So I know that He loves me & will keep me from falling."

