

St. Paul Lutheran Church

JUNE 2024

“The Red Brick Church on Ave M”

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St. Paul Staff

Senior Pastor: Beverly Kelling

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Musicians

Guitarist: Jody Jacobs, Ben Rath, Rob Norris

Pianist: Rhiannon Smith

Organist: Grace Reed

Drums: Rick Brickles & Jacob Kelling

Vocals: David Hershberger, Becky Burton,
Shulee Norris & Jeanette Rath

Violinist: Jeanette Rath

Services

Sunday, 9:00am

Wednesday, 6:00pm

“Come As You Are” Contemporary Worship Service

Church Website: (stpaulhondo.org)

Facebook page: (St Paul Lutheran Church Hondo)

YouTube: (St Paul Lutheran Church Hondo TX)

Current and past Sunday services can be found here.

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How to Pray For Your Church VBS Program

blog by *Jody Brosilma VBS Executive Editor/ Champion w/Group Publishing*

Invite God to Create a Powerful Week of Ministry

Currently, my Facebook feed is a flurry of photos from my VBS friends in ministry, sharing their incredible decorations. VBS Directors are the most creative people on the planet! Who else can make a theme come to life using only pool noodles, cups, scrap lumber, and leftover paint? We'd never forget to prepare the *physical* space for VBS, so let's give the same attention to the spiritual space.

Talk to God—and *listen* to Him—about *His* plans for that week of ministry. Lay our worries at the feet of Jesus.

Invite Jesus to be part of the fun and excitement.

Here are a few specific ways to pray for VBS, inviting God to make this a powerful week of ministry.

Pray for open hearts. In Matthew 13, Jesus shares the story of a farmer scattering seeds. The seeds that fell on good soil thrived, producing a harvest beyond the farmer's wildest dreams! Ask God to begin preparing kids' hearts, softening them and opening them to take in the "seeds" of God's Word.

Pray for relationships. When VBS kids build friendships with other kids and loving adults, it creates an open door for them to begin or deepen their friendship with Jesus. Go through your registration list and "pray" the name of each child, asking God to bring a special, surprising friendship into that child's life during VBS.

Thank God for families. Parents or caregivers are usually the ones who get kids in the door of your program. They've signed kids up and will likely be bringing them each day. Thank God for sending each family your way! Thank God for parents, grandparents, or even babysitters who love him and want kids to know and love Him, too.

Pray for wise staff members. Crew Leaders or small group leaders hear a lot about what kids are going through, what's on their minds, how they're struggling, and what worries they have. Ask God to pour His wisdom into your leaders as they interact with kids, giving them the right words and actions to reflect the heart of God.

Listen. Spend several minutes in silence, listening for the plans God has for your VBS. His plans may be a little different from yours! Maybe you want huge numbers...but God just wants a certain person to be there. You may have visions of everything running perfectly...but God is going to do amazing things through "imperfect" circumstances. Rest in God's hands, and give your program to Him.

Prayer is just as important as flashy posters, a dazzling stage, or all the bells and whistles. Take time to make prayer part of your prep...then get ready to see what God has in store!



The Red Brick Church on Ave M

'Have you read the whole Bible?'

This was the question a Sunday school student asked me years ago. I had to answer honestly 'no.' Why hadn't I? When I say I believe the Bible, don't I at least need to know what it says? After all the Bible is 'the inspired word of God' (2 Timothy 3:16). In being honest with that student (& myself) I wrote a list of all the books of the Bible & started the task (& joy) of reading them one at a time. **Coming this June**, we will have a Bible book 'chart' for you so you can keep track of the books of the Bible & start reading. **Hosea 4:6 tells us 'My people perish for lack of knowledge.'** In this age of mis-information, dis-information & down-right lies, we need to read God's Word; it is truth & life. God tells us: **'My word that comes from My mouth will not return to Me empty, but it will accomplish what I please & will prosper in what I send it to do.'** **Isaiah 55:11.** So even when you don't understand it all, it will have purpose. If you need a Bible translation that fits you, come see me & we'll explore that together. Dive in!

In thinking about fathers in the Bible:

As we observe Father's Day this month I started thinking about dads in the Bible. My initial inspiring dad has always been Joseph, the husband of Mary & the earthly father of Jesus. Joseph stood by Mary when many others would have walked away. He's still one of my favorites. But in the days we are living in, the dad that claims the top spot for me is Noah. We are told Genesis 6 **'...In his generation, Noah was a man righteous and wholehearted; Noah walked with God.'** This says a lot about Noah, because 'his generation' grieved the LORD's heart; 'his generation' had hearts that were only evil all the time; full of violence & corruption. And yet, Noah 'Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD.' God told Noah: Build an ark.

So excited to Welcome to our
St. Paul Family **Curt & Jacalyn Erickson**
Please greet them when you see them!

He did. It took 120 years to complete! In this time, the world thought Noah was crazy ... until God's rain (reign) of judgment began to fall. But here's the HUGE blessing for this dad ... **HIS FAMILY WAS IN THE BOAT WITH HIM!**

Among the ridicule of the world & the long & labor intensive God-given task, Noah led his family well. And they were spared from God's judgment. Only 8, Noah, his wife, his 3 sons & their wives were saved. Men we are all living in violent & corrupt days. The world attacks, ridicules & disrespects men of faith who obey God, take a stand & lead their families well. If I may.... take the hits & continue to lead your family in faith by following Jesus Christ. Your family needs you & so do all of us in Christ.

The Gospel of Mark ~ C.I.A. – Christ In Action

June 2: "Crumbs & Spit"

Psalm 146:5-8

Mark 7:24-37

June 9: "Satisfied in a Wasteland"

Psalm 23:1-3

Isaiah 49:8-10

Mark 8:1-10

***Nursing Home Service**

June 16: "Arguing with Jesus"

Psalm 119:73-76

1 John 5:19-20

Mark 8:11-21

*** Father's Day**

June 23: "Confessing Jesus"

Psalm 31:14-19

Mark 8:22-30

June 30: "Saving Your Life"

Psalm 86:10-12

Mark 8:31- 9:1

***Youth Service**

*** Beverly off**

In Christ & with fierce love, Beverly <///>

RESPONSIBILITIES

Date	June 2nd	June 9th	June 16 th (Father's Day)	June 23rd	June 30th
Altar Flowers	Pam Bailey	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Sanctuary Lamp	OPEN	Joey & Lanell Decker	OPEN	Lentz Family	Johnette Dixon
Head Ushers	Wayne Scholtz Roberta Hennig	Stuart Franke Lynda Halbardier	Robin Green Pam Westbrook	Mark Nester Johnette Dixon	Youth Sunday
Lectors	Cece Weimer	Paulette Pyron	Sandy Faseler	Debbie Whitehead	Youth Sunday
Acolytes	Emma Callis Easton Beard	Kinslee Anderwald Easton Hennessey	Emma Callis Claire Bowman	Bella Contreras Adele Cortez	Laura & Trey Denman
Altar Guild	Janice Wright & Becky Scott				

Please sign up for Flowers & Sanctuary Lamp, charts are in the Education Building. If you would like for the church to order the flowers, they are \$60.00 please contact the office. Sponsoring the lamp is \$4.00.

BIRTHDAYS

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| 6/01 April Barr | 6/15 Michael Neuman |
| 6/02 Freddy Graff
Kathy Feller
Matthew Gilmer
Stetson Schueling | 6/16 Joshua Wolff
Chloe Cowan
Tony Westbrook |
| 6/03 Witten Reus | 6/17 Willa Graff
Linda Gerdes |
| 6/04 Sandy Faseler | 6/20 Joel Moss
Bella Contreras |
| 6/06 Pam Bailey
Mason Barr
Taylor Zipp
Augie Schueling III
Lauren Billings | 6/22 Tina Christiansen
Clair Boultinghouse
Sonya Dupont |
| 6/07 Ivey Smith
David Cowan
Jennifer Cowan
Trey Denman
Martin Soliz
Tynlee Greenwalt
Samantha Barnet | 6/23 Deb Cleary |
| 6/10 Easton Hennessey | 6/25 Jeff Slusser
Heather Uriegas |
| 6/12 Kallie Brucks | 6/26 Karla Dylla
Ellie Gear
Wade Rogge |
| 6/14 Clyde Schuehle
Anna Weimer | 6/28 Kolten Lentz
Mallory Matthews
Gracie Navarro |
| | 6/29 George Freelen
Linda Baxter |



Happy birthday!

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit

Romans 15:13



June 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 9:00am Worship 10:00am Fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School	3 Cornerstone 10am-2pm 5:30pm-7pm Embrace Life 6:00pm Journaling Study 7:00pm Men's Bible Study	4 7:00am Prayer Warriors	5 9am Tacking Quilters "Come As You Are" 6pm Worship Service 7pm Camp Eagle Meeting 7:00pm Bible Study	6 Office Closed 1pm Hand Quilters VBS POOL PARTY Time -TBD	7	8
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 9AM ~ 12PM						
9 9:00am Worship 10:00am Fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School 2:00pm Nursing Home	10 Cornerstone 10am-2pm Friends In Faith 1:30-3:00pm 5:30-7pm Embrace Life 6:00pm Journaling Study	11 7:00am Prayer Warriors	12 9am Tacking Quilters Come As You Are" 6pm Worship Service 7:00pm Bible Study	13 Office Closed 1pm Hand Quilters	14 Newsletter Deadline	15
16  Father's Day 9:00am Worship 10:00am Fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School	17 Cornerstone 10am-2pm 5:30-7pm Embrace Life 6:00pm Journaling Study 7:00pm Men's Bible Study	18 7:00am Prayer Warriors 7:00pm Council Meeting	19 9am Tacking Quilters "Come As You Are" 6pm Worship Service 7:00pm Bible Study	20 Office Closed 1pm Hand Quilters	21	22
23 9:00am Worship 10:00am Fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School	24 Cornerstone 10am-2pm No Friends In Faith 5:30-7pm Embrace Life 6:00pm Journaling Study	25 7:00am Prayer Warriors	26 9am Tacking Quilters Come As You Are" 6pm Worship Service 7:00pm Bible Study	27 Office Closed 1pm Hand Quilters 7pm Band of Brothers Meeting	28	29
MARK & PASTOR BEVERLY OUT						
30 Youth Sunday 9:00am Worship 10:00am Fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School						
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faith
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Youth and Children of St. Paul



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Changes are coming to Sunday School this coming Fall for grades 1st-4th. We are going to try 3- 15 minute rotations to include the Bible Lesson, a hands on project, and music. A fun new twist!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Never too early to start planning for VBS....Monday, June 3rd to Friday, June 7th from 9 am to Noon. We will have our VBS Pool Party Celebration on Thursday, June 6th 7pm-10pm. Contact Carrie if you would like to volunteer. Our theme this year will be Star Wars.

St. Paul Children & Youth will be having a Pizza Night @ Dominos on Thursday, June 6th from 5-8 pm. Bring pizza to the VBS Pool Party. We will receive 20% of all the sales when you mention **St. Paul Lutheran** when you order. Thank you in advance for your support. This is for the Hondo Location only.

Bible Study Opportunities end in May

Watch the bulletin and watch your texts....Youth will continue for the 1st/3rd Wednesdays of the month.

The Youth will be leading Worship on Sunday, June 30th. Stay tuned for practices and planning.

AND LET US NOT GROW WEARY
of doing good
FOR IN DUE SEASON
WE WILL REAP
IF WE DO NOT GIVE UP.
GALATIANS 6:9

Raffle

Congratulations to Kathy Carrigan for winning the quilt raffle and Stella Molleda for winning the canvas print.

Congratulations and best wishes to our graduating seniors. May God continue to guide and bless you. Cambry Reus, Cooper Molitor, Danica Lopez, and Haiden Wiley.

Welcome to Jacob Kelling.....
Jacob will be helping with the Youth on Sunday mornings as well as on Wednesday evenings. His enthusiasm, energy, and love for Jesus is a great addition to our 2 other amazing volunteers Pat and Johnette.

Congratulations



SCAR FORCE

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

THE REAL SAGA. THE TRUE FORCE.

A long time ago, in a galaxy very nearby, an epic saga began. From Genesis to Revelation, kids will discover that they are part of the greatest saga of all time. Through amazing activities, games, snacks, crafts, music, out of this world characters, and great Bible training, kids will see how they fit into the epic saga that is portrayed in God's Word, and they will train to join the great battle as Jesus Disciples (J-DIS). The Real Saga is the Bible. The Real Force is Jesus!



St. Paul Lutheran Church - 1303 Ave M
Vacation Bible School
4 yr. olds to completed 6th grade
Monday, June 3rd - Friday, June 7th
9 am to Noon

Thank you to the Endowment Committee for your generosity to the graduating seniors as well as the college students as they continue their education. Ya'll are a blessing.



Sunday School (10:30am-11:15am)

3yr old-12th grade:

3-5 yr. old's–LLB– Annette Kammer / Lynda Hook

1st & 2nd – LLB - Jennifer Molitor /Sarah Reus

3rd & 4th – LLB – Becky Burton / Laurie Lentz

5th & 6th – Ed. Bldg. - Geoff Weimer

7th-12th grades- (AC Upper Rooms) –

Pat Cleary/Johnette Dixon

Adult Small Groups:

Study of Hebrews

led by Bob Mayne (O.W.L.S., Act. Center)

“Come and See” led by Ron Sprenger
(Lion’s Den, Legacy Life Bldg.)

“Studying the Books of the Bible”
led by Rod Prewitt (Turtle Room, Ed. Bldg.)

“1 Corinthians” (YAK Class Rm, Ed. Bldg.)

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

Healing & Comfort:

Larry Stewart, Bobby Klein, Morris Faseler, Chris Porter, Margaret Reus, Buffie Rogge, Matthew Hook, Renee Ortiz, Henry Nietenhoefer, Lance Brucks, George Brucks, Diane Cooper, Sandi Schweers, Helen Ann Jones, Sharon Becksted, Ailyn Fernandez, Doug Newtwich, Maricella Frausto, Joleen Neuman, Patricia Welch, Jim Thompson, Bill Reus.

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

Active Military:

Larry & Teresa Sullivan, Adriel Schoenhals, Joshua Fair, Rebecca Bryant, Patrick Green, Andy Lynch, Chelsea Lynch, Riley Lynch, Briana Jernigan, Marc Proctor, Kephren Adams, Kendle Adams, Clayton Reed, Les Armstrong, Kelly Driskill, Desiree (Warner) Pointer, Ethan Kammer, Heath Runnels, Collin Bezely, Jessie Philip, Rachel Morgan, Sean Constante, & Jimmy Sawyer Rhodes. Thank you Lord for our military.

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Children/Youth Bible Study Opportunities

SUMMER BREAK, will resume in the fall

Kinder-3rd Grade: 2nd & 4th Wednesdays

4th-6th Grade: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays

Thursday High School Junior/Senior Lunch Bible Study

11:10am -11:45pm - see the church calendar for dates

SUMMERTIME - CHECK THE SCHEDULE FOR DATES

Youth – 7th to 12th grade every 1st & 3rd

Wednesday 7 to 8:15 pm

following Come As You Are Service.

Weekday Bible Study Opportunities:

First and Third Mondays at 7 PM

Men’s Bible Study (LLB) led by Don Krumrey

Second and Fourth Mondays 1:30pm-3:00pm

Friends In Faith (Education Building) led by Pastor Beverly

Mondays at 6 PM

Women’s Bible Study (Education Building)

Journaling & Illustration led by Roberta Hennig (Edu.Blg.)

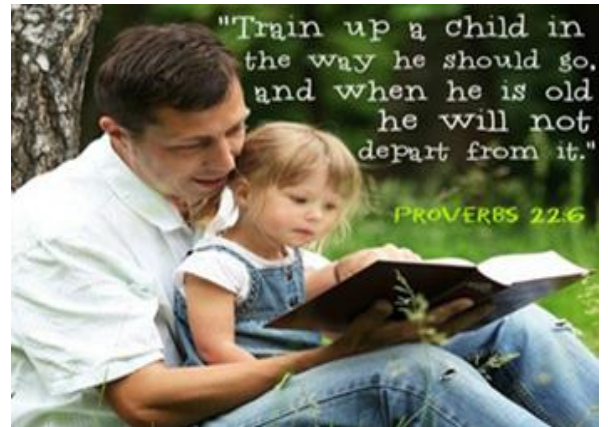
Wednesday at 7pm (Following CAYA)

Through the Bible teaching, studying about prophesy and much that has yet to be fulfilled. Currently in Zephaniah. Led by David Hershberger (Activity Center – In class next to the kitchen).

Thursday at 10am

Topical Study led by Cynthia Nester (LLB)

The Josiah Manifesto beginning June 13th



HERE AT ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

“COME AS YOU ARE”

6pm Worship Service

June 5th – Lessons from VBS

June 12th – Bill Gray

June 19th – Deb Gray

June 26th – Mark Nester

Prayer Ministry

Email– 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)



Embrace Life Classes at St Paul

St Paul has launched a new ministry/small group called Embrace Life. The Embrace Life curriculum and program are the next step in the Embrace Grace program for single moms. You don't have to have gone through the Embrace Grace program to join Embrace Life. Through the Embrace Life group, you will learn spiritual and practical ways to help you navigate your way through life while using the Holy Spirit as your compass. Classes are Mondays, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

To sign up, go to EMBRACEGRACE.COM.

Please feel free to contact Deb Cleary at
(210) 542-7563 (texting preferred) with any questions.

Please welcome our newest St. Paul family members

Curt & Jacalyn Erickson (left)

and

James & Karen Flores (right)

We are excited to have you joining us here!



We will begin a topical study
The Josiah Manifesto:
The Ancient Mystery & Guide for
the End Times

this the latest book by *New York Times* bestselling author
Rabbi Jonathan Cahn.

Jonathan Cahn opens up the
stunning mysteries behind world-
changing events of recent times
and a hidden message about
what lies ahead.

Study will begin on Thursday,
June 13th @ 10am.

This will be every Thursday
morning at 10am for
approximately 8wks

Contact Cynthia Nester for more
details 210-862-0038.

**We invite you to send an encouraging word to
our nursing home members and homebound.**

Community Care Nursing Home

2001 Avenue E Hondo, TX 78861

Brian Boehle Marian Lindeburg

Castroville Nursing Home

913 US-90, Castroville, TX 78009

Mario Salazar

Shut-Ins (call office for address)

Gladys Feller Kathy Feller

Cindy Sprenger Elaine Eccles

Pye Haass

This month's
offering:
Kairos Ministry

SENIORS 2024



Danica Lopez plans on acquiring an associate's degree from South West Texas Junior College, upon completion she plans on attending Cosmetology School.



Cambry Reus plans to attend Texas A&M University in the fall to study Animal Science.



Cooper plans to attend Tarleton State University for 1 year and transfer to Texas A&M University. Majoring in Agricultural Economics - Hoping to be a future leader in the agricultural industry. Thank you to St. Paul Lutheran Church Family for all of the guidance you provided. I am grateful for Pastor Beverly, my Sunday School Teachers, and Youth Leaders for helping to build my faith and my foundation in Christ.

Haiden E Wiley is planning on attending Texas Tech University and then transferring to Texas Tech University Health Science Center for a degree in Speech Language Pathology. Her plan is to begin working in a clinic setting after completing her degree and then transfer into the school setting and work with children and be the One Act Play sponsor as well.





Mission Moment

by Pastor Bryce Formwalt
Director of Mission Growth



What is *LOVE WORKS* All About?

You might have noticed the black and yellow promotional material that we've been sending out for a few months promoting LOVE WORKS. You might be asking, "What in the world are they talking about?" If you have, well I'm glad you asked. If you have not been curious, well I hope you are interested now! LOVE WORKS is our theme for the 15th Annual LCMC Texas District Gathering this summer, July 26-27 at Zion in Kerrville. The theme this year was born out of the story of the Good Samaritan in Luke chapter 10. Our District Council selected this as the biblical foundation for our Gathering to focus our attention on our call to love God and our neighbors.

We are excited to welcome Greg and Susan Finke to be our keynote speakers. Greg is a Lutheran pastor, author, speaker, and leadership coach who, along with his wife, Susan, has dedicated his ministry to helping the church rediscover the art of loving neighbors with the love of Jesus. Greg has authored three *Joining Jesus* books, with his wife Susan co-authoring their most recent book, *Joining Jesus as a Family*.

It was Greg who suggested the title LOVE WORKS for two particular reasons. First, we read in Ephesians 2:8-10, *For you are saved by grace through faith, and this is not from yourselves; it is God's gift—not from works, so that no one can boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared ahead of time for us to do.* Therefore, while our good works will never save us nor prosper us with blessings from God, we are saved for good works and are called to love the works that God created us for. Second, in his work with congregations and leaders, Greg is more convinced than ever that LOVE *actually* WORKS to share the Good News of Jesus with our neighbors and to see lives and communities transformed by the in-breaking of the Kingdom of God as Christ dwells among us.

I am thrilled to once again listen and learn from Greg and Susan Finke. Even more than that, I cannot wait to see what the Lord will do as people from across our association are impacted by this Gathering! I want to personally invite you to attend. If you have never been to one of our Gatherings before, I am confident that you will be abundantly blessed by the worship, fellowship, education, and inspiration that you will experience. If you are veteran attendee, then you already know how great these Gatherings are and we welcome you to join us again. Looking forward to seeing you in Kerrville! #LoveWorks2024

Learn more and register online: www.lcmctexas.org/annual-gathering. Register by June 30 and save!

Pastor Bryce Formwalt is the Director of Mission Growth for LCMC Texas District and Program Director of Harvest Workers, an online ministry training program (learn more at www.harvestworkers.net). Residing in Georgetown, Pastor Bryce is available to coach congregations on mission. Please contact him with any questions or comments: 512-942-7776 or bryce@lcmctexas.org.

2024 LCMC Texas District Annual Gathering



LOVE WORKS

LUKE 10:27



July 26 - 27, 2024

Zion Lutheran Church
Kerrville, Texas

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

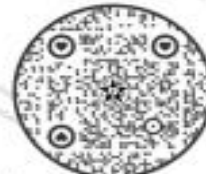
Greg & Susan Finke
Authors of the *Joining Jesus* Book Series

FEATURING:

18 Breakouts to Choose From
Designated Youth Track
20+ Exhibitors
Great Food & Worship

TICKETS:

Adult - \$75 thru 6/30 | \$100 after
Under 21 - 50% off



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