

St. Paul Lutheran Church

SEPTEMBER 2024

“The Red Brick Church on Ave M”

1303 Avenue M; P.O. Box 58 Hondo, TX 78861

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Office Hours: Mon.- Wed. 9am-4pm;

closed on Thursday; Fri. 9am-3pm

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St. Paul Staff

Senior Pastor: Beverly Kelling

Youth Ministry: Jacob Kelling

Children & Family Ministry: Laurie Lentz

Office Secretary: Joann Neuman

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MDO Director: Annette Kammer

Music Ministry Coordinator: Jeanette Rath

Musicians

Guitarist: Jody Jacobs & Ben Rath

Organist: Grace Reed

Drums: Rick Brickles & Jacob Kelling

Vocals: David Hershberger, Becky Burton,

Lilly Bendele, Jenny Bowman & 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.

2024 Council Members

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It has been said that the Jewish sages associated the covenant name of God, *Yahweh* (יהוה -YHWH), with breath. The idea is that the name itself, when pronounced, is the sound of breathing: the two syllables of the name correspond to the intake and outtake of a single breath. In this way, the theory goes, our breaths evoke the name of God. A naturally voiced inhalation sounds like “Yah,” and a voiced exhalation sounds like “Weh.” Thus, with every breath we take, we are speaking God’s name. He breathed into us the breath of life ([Genesis 2:7](#)), and we still retain that breath.

According to the view that with every breath we say the name of *Yahweh*, we constantly have God’s name on our lips. Consciously or unconsciously, speaking the name of God is the one thing we do every minute of our lives. “In his hand is the life of every creature and the breath of all mankind” ([Job 12:10](#)). “In him we live and move and have our being” ([Acts 17:28](#)).

When the natural act of breathing is viewed in this light, the name of God is everywhere. Atheists and agnostics acknowledge Him constantly. A baby’s first cry is a calling out to God. The sighs of a sufferer are wordless appeals to the God who hears. And when we cease speaking God’s name, we die.

The breath that *Yahweh* breathed into Adam’s nostrils gave him life and set the course for the whole human race to speak of God when respiring ([Genesis 2:7](#)). When Jesus breathed on His disciples, imparting peace, forgiveness, and the Holy Spirit all at once, He was, in effect, speaking God’s name ([John 20:21–23](#)). In our quietest moments, in the ease and constancy of breathing, we are reminded of God’s life



The Red Brick Church on Ave M

GOD IS ON THE MOVE!

Isaiah 43:16-19 - International Children's Bible

¹⁶ This is what the Lord says. He is the one who made a road through the sea. Even through rough waters He made a path for His people.

¹⁷ He is the one who defeated the chariots & horses. He defeated the mighty armies.

They fell together, & they will never rise again.

They were destroyed as a flame is put out.

¹⁸ The Lord says, "Forget what happened before. Do not think about the past.

¹⁹ **Look at the new thing I am going to do.**

It is already happening. Don't you see it?

I will make a road in the desert.

I will make rivers in the dry land.

God is on the move; making a road in the desert & giving His life-giving, life-changing water to His people In the month of August TEN PEOPLE were baptized as part of their commitment to Jesus Christ our Redeemer & Savior!! All Glory to God!



Through the Word is the Bible App & **The Bible Recap** is the Podcast recently shared. Check them out & share with me other apps & podcasts you have found reliable & helpful.

Warning!!!

The 'Brick Bible' targets kids who like Legos – **stay away!** It's deceptive & slants the Truth



Welcome to our Newest Member
Lynn Almeida ~ We're so grateful
God added you to our St. Paul Family!

Please join me in welcoming & praying for
Jacob Kelling our new **Youth Director**
as he leads our amazing youth & faithful
youth team in the love & truth of Jesus Christ.
GOD is on the MOVE!!

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

September 1: "He's Calling You"

Psalm 20:1-5

Romans 8:28-31

Mark 10:46-52

September 8: "Blessed is the One Who Comes"

Psalm 118:24-27

Zechariah 9:9-10

Mark 11:1-11

* **First Communion**

* **Nursery Re-Opens**

* **New Sunday School Format Begins**

* **Nursing Home Service 2:00**

September 15: "Withered Trees & Moving Mountains"

Psalm 36:5-6, 7-8

Mark 11:12-33

* **Confirmation 2-6p**

September 22: "Wicked Ways"

Psalm 118:21-24

Mark 12:1-12

September 29:

* **Youth Service**

* **Beverly Off**

**Note: I will be off September 25-29

My prayer has been that I (we) can keep up & not get in
God's way with all that He is doing in & through us!
May we receive with awe & fear His grace & mercy.

In Christ, Beverly <///><

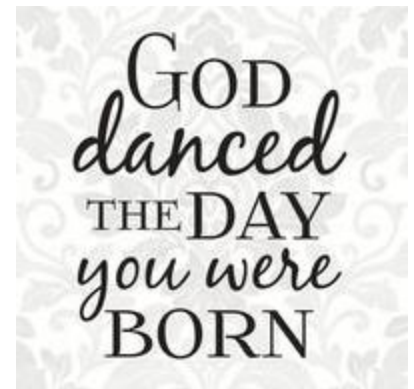
RESPONSIBILITIES

Date	September 1 st	September 8 th	September 15 th	September 22 nd	September 29 th
Altar Flowers	Paul & Faye Honig	OPEN	Pastor Chuck & Carol DeHaven	Joey & Lanell Decker	Paul & Pat Ott
Sanctuary Lamp	OPEN	Tim & Joann Neuman	Tim & Joann Neuman	Joann Neuman	Westley, Ashley & Amy
Head Ushers	Johnette Dixon Mark Nester	Deb Cleary Jay Reed	Wayne Scholtz Roberta Hennig	Lynda Halbardier Stuart Franke	Pam Westbrook Robin Green
Lectors	Bob Mayne	Johnette Dixon	Lee Ann McReynolds	Pam Westbrook	Youth Sunday
Acolytes	Bella Contreras Adele Cortez	Laura & Trey Denman	Laken Deleon Witten Reus	Brooklyn Saathoff Clayton Nickols	MJ Neuman Brice Terrill
Altar Guild	Jean Saathoff & Jenny Lessing				

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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|---|---|
| 09/01 George Brucks
David Jones
Patrick Weimer
Carol DeHaven | 09/16 Jules Cowan
Will Winchester
Summer Anaya |
| 09/02 Terri Stewart | 09/18 Garrett Scott |
| 09/03 Ty Longoria | 09/19 Onnie Saathoff
John Moye
Dylan Neuman |
| 09/04 Howard Saathoff
Scott Saathoff
Blaire Terrill | 09/20 Colton Wiemers
John Massengale |
| 09/06 Melody Torres | 09/21 Reagan Lee |
| 09/08 Grayson Constante
Jeanette Rath | 09/22 Tammy Neuman |
| 09/09 Chelsea Sprenger
Chase Lee
Velvet Diles | 09/23 Betty Ann Prewitt
Caylee Moye
Kayleigh Torres
Timothy Neuman
Lynn Almeida |
| 09/10 August Schueling
Julianna Barnet | 09/25 Travis Hay |
| 09/11 Troy Haass | 09/26 Tony Callis |
| 09/12 Augie Neuman | 09/27 Cora Baxter |
| 09/13 Vicky Anaya | 09/28 Carol Barlow
Bobby Kammer |
| 09/14 David Jacobs | 09/30 Jennifer Lessing |
| 09/15 Penny Soliz
Aliyah Pina
Pat Lusk | |



September 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00am Worship 10:00am Fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School	2 Labor Day Office Closed 7:00pm Men's Bible Study	3 7:00am Prayer Warriors MDO Begins 5:30pm-7pm Embrace Life	4 9am Tacking Quilters Youth BSF Lunch "Come As You Are" 6pm Worship Service Youth following CAYA 7:00nm Bible Study	5 Office Closed	6	7
8 First Communion Sunday 9:00am Worship 10:00am Fellowship 10:30 Sunday School 2pm Nursing Home Grandparent's Day	9 Cornerstone 10am-2pm 1:30-3pm Friends In Faith 5:30-7pm Embrace Life 6:00pm Journaling Study	10 7:00am Prayer Warriors 5:30pm-7pm Embrace Life	11 9am Tacking Quilters 9:30 Adult BSF Restarts Youth BSF Lunch "Come As You Are" 6pm Worship Service 7:00am Bible	12 Office Closed 5:30pm-7pm Embrace Life	13 Newsletter Deadline	14
15 9:00am Worship 10:00am Fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School 2pm - 6pm Confirmation	16 Cornerstone 10am-2pm 5:30pm-7pm Embrace Life 6:00pm Journaling Study 7:00pm Men's Bible Study	17 7:00am Prayer Warriors 5:30pm-7pm Embrace Life 7:00pm Council Meeting	18 9am Tacking Quilters 9:30 Adult BSF Youth BSF Lunch Come As You Are" 6pm Worship Service Youth following CAYA 7:00pm Bible Study	19 Office Closed 5:30pm-7pm Embrace Life	20	21
22 9:00am Worship 10:00am Fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School	23 Cornerstone 10am-2pm 1:30-3pm Friends In Faith 5:30-7pm Embrace Life 6:00pm Journaling Study	24 7:00am Prayer Warriors 5:30pm-7pm Embrace Life	25 9am Tacking Quilters 9:30 Adult BSF Youth BSF Lunch Come As You Are" 6pm Worship Service 7:00pm Bible Study	26 Office Closed 5:30pm-7pm Embrace Life 7pm Band of Brothers Meeting	27	28
29 Youth Sunday 9:00am Worship 10:00am Fellowship 10:30 am Sunday School	30 Cornerstone 10am-2pm 5:30-7pm Embrace Life 6:00pm Journaling Study		PASTOR BEVERLY OUT			
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Youth and Children of St. Paul

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Welcome Jacob Kelling, who has been officially hired as the Youth Director at St. Paul Lutheran! We are beyond excited for his energy, new ideas, his excitement, and his love for the Lord.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Confirmation Dates
 Sept. 15th
 Oct 20th
 Nov. 17th
 Dec 15th
 Jan 19th (Frio)
 Feb 16th
 March 16th
 April 27th
Confirmation Sunday

Youth Led Worship
 5th Sunday - September 29th
 Come help lead worship on this special Sunday. Contact Jacob We will start planning during Sunday School - Ya'll Come !,



Upcoming Important Dates

Sept. 2nd -Office is Closed
 Sept. 8th - First Communion
 Oct 20th - Annual Meeting
 Oct. 27th Fall Festival
 Oct. 31st - Halloween Event
 Nov.23rd - Breakfast with Santa (Christmas in God's Country)
 Dec.4th - Christmas Program Rehearsal 5 pm
 Dec. 11th - Christmas Program/3rd graders receive their Bibles
 Feb 23-27th Rummage Sale Drop off
 Feb 28 & Mar 1st - Rummage Sale
 March 5th - Ash Wednesday - Soup & Sandwiches begin
 April 13th - Palm Sunday/Easter Egg Hunt
 April 27th - Confirmation Sunday
 May 18th - Senior Sunday / Baccalaureate
 June 9-13th - VBS
 July 14-19th - Camp Eagle

Don't just ATTEND your Church
 LOVE YOUR CHURCH.
 SERVE. GIVE. JOIN.
 WORSHIP. ENGAGE!

Bible Study Opportunities
 Youth will continue for the 1st/3rd Wednesdays of the month. Bible Study Lunches will start back on Wed, Aug21st.

After School Bible Studies will begin in September- 4-6th will be 1st & 3rd - K-3rd will be 2nd & 4th from 4 to 5:15 pm

Good luck to all our youth and children we are participating in Fall sports and activities. A good verse to live by - "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

If anyone is interested in being in charge of a church float for the Christmas In God's Country Parade please contact the church office.



September 8th - Kicks off our NEW exciting Sunday School Program

St. Paul Children & Youth will be having a Pizza Night @ Dominos Please watch the church bulletin for the exact date. Thank you in advance for your support. This is for the Hondo Location only.

PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE

Breakfast with Santa
 November 23rd, Saturday | 9 am - Noon
 St. Paul Lutheran Activity Center
 1303 Ave M - Hondo, TX
 \$5.00 per person - Includes breakfast & crafts - bring your own camera for Santa pictures



New Sunday School Program starting Sept. 8th - 10:30 - 11:15 am in Legacy Life- 3 - 15 minute rotations

	Lesson	Activity	Song
3yo - k	Brief Background Read Bible Story Theme Word Bible Rhyme Picture Page and questions Prayer of the Day	Craft or game Memory work	Song
1 st - 2 nd	Brief Background Read Bible Story Theme Word Bible Rhyme Listening to God's Word Prayer of the Day	Craft or game Memory work	Song
3 rd - 4 th	Brief Background Read Bible Story Theme Word Bible Rhyme Study Text Questions Prayer of the Day	Craft or game Memory work	Song



JESUS THE WAY
JOHN 14:6
 THE TRUTH THE LIFE

Camp Eagle 2025

The dates have been set- July 14-19th The cost will stay the same HW - \$725 and Group Camp - \$549 St. Paul will continue to help with the cost if you volunteer. Contact Laurie if you are interested in attending in 2025. You can email or text me.

Sunday School (10:30am-11:15am) 3yr old-12th grade:



3-5 yr. old's--LLB-- Rotations
1st & 2nd -- LLB - Rotations
3rd & 4th -- LLB -- Rotations
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, Myron Saathoff, Chris Porter, Margaret Reus, Buffie Rogge, Matthew Hook, Lynda Hook, Henry Nietenhoefer, George Brucks, Diane Cooper, Sandi Schweers, Helen Ann Jones, Sharon Becksted, Cindy Sprenger, Debbie Whitehead, Ailyn Fernandez, Doug Newtwich, Maricella Frausto, Joleen Neuman, Patricia Welch, Mason Rodriguez, Sabrina Drake & Susan Bendele.

***(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, 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, Rachel Morgan, Sean Constante, Dylan Neuman & Jimmy Sawyer Rhodes. Thank you Lord for our military.

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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

Journaling – Roberta Hennig (Education Bldg -turtle Room)

Wednesday at 7pm (Following CAYA)

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

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)

Children/Youth Bible Study Opportunities

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

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

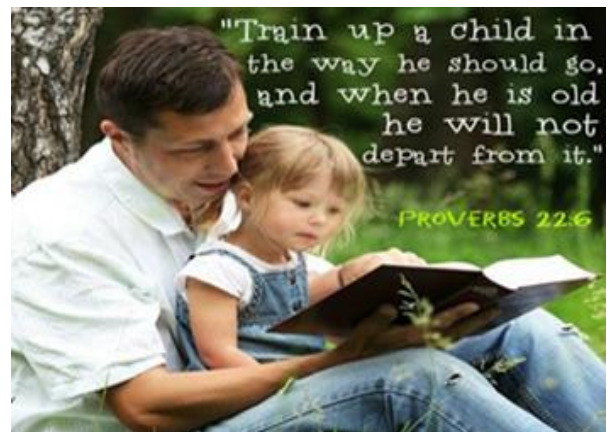
Wednesday High School Lunch Bible Study

11:38am -12:18pm - see the church calendar for dates

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

Wednesday 7 to 8:15 pm

following Come As You Are Service.



HERE AT ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH



Friendly reminder to those awarded the 2024 scholarships please bring your required documents to the financial secretary to receive your scholarship check.

St Paul Lutheran Church
Shepherd's Flock MDO is
accepting registration
for children 9mos - 5yrs old
for the 2024 - 2025 year.

"COME AS YOU ARE" 6pm Worship Service

September 4th – Robin Green

September 11th – OPEN

September 18th – OPEN

September 25th - OPEN

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



**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR**

Mark Your Calendar

October 20th – Annual Church Meeting following Service

October 27th – Reformation Sunday with Fall Festival to follow

Congratulations to
Grace-Ann Uriegas
Naomi Carbajal Clayton
Nickols & Easton
Hennessey on their
baptism last month and
to those who chose to
re-dedicate their lives to Jesus. What a
wonderful testament of faith!
We pray and stand with you as your church
family on this journey.
Blessings!



Join us September 15th during fellowship to celebrate
the 60th Wedding Anniversary of
Rev. Dr. Charles DeHaven and Carol DeHaven with
cake in the Activity Center.

September Special Offering – Bluebonnet Children’s Center



Bluebonnet Children’s Center (BCC)

... is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit who houses the only Children’s Advocacy Center (CAC) and CASA Center serving the Medina, Real, and Uvalde Counties. We also offer courtesy services to surrounding counties. Established in 2001, BCC conducts forensic interviews for children experiencing abuse and neglect, provides counseling and therapy (no waiting list), and advocates for children in the foster care system through CASA. Other services include victim advocacy, crime victims’ compensation assistance, community education classes, awareness programs, and basic needs to victims through our multiple resource connections. Our Rainbow Room is an emergency resource room, stocked with clothing, infant/toddler food and diapers, hygiene items, and school supplies. Since May 24, 2022, BCC in Uvalde has provided trauma-focused therapy to surviving Robb Elementary Campus schoolchildren and the victims’ families through The Robb Initiative Program.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIFE OF A CHILD ... by volunteering or donating to BCC. All donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowable by law.

TRAININGS OFFERED:

- How to Recognize and Report Child Abuse
- CASA Volunteer Training (30 hours pre-service training).

Memorials July 2024

Dorothy Fowler

Kevin & Tina Christiansen

Frances Graff Mills

George & Evelyn Brucks

Tom Rothe

Morris & Sandy Fasler
George & Evelyn Brucks
Phillip & Janice Wright
Joyce Krenmueller
Henry & Sherrill Nester

Endowment Fund	\$	280.00
Youth Ministry	\$	40.00
Total Memorials	\$	320.00



Texas District

Mission Moment

by Pastor Bryce Formwalt
Director of Mission Growth



HARVEST
WORKERS

Too Busy NOT to Pray

I don't know about you, but I am tired. I'm not the kind of tired that can be managed by an extra hour or two of sleep. Rather I am talking about the rhythms of a full and busy life where there are simply not enough hours in the day, days in the week, or weeks in the month to get everything done. The day-to-day activities of life, even life in ministry, can result in a weariness that can steal our joy of living the life that we are so busy living that we really aren't actually living! Have you ever felt this way?

As I think about my weariness and the endless "To Do" lists, I recall a conversation I had with my mom 20 years ago. She had called me just to chat and I didn't really have the time. I told her I was busy, and she asked what I had going on that day. I rattled off all the things I had to get done and she replied: "Oh, my! You are busy. It sounds like you probably need to pray." I was frustrated with her: "Mom, I don't have time to pray!" As soon as I said it, I realized how foolish I was. My mother answered, "Bryce, listen to yourself. You're a pastor! You are too busy NOT to pray!"

As was often the case, my mom was right. No matter how busy I am or how much is on my calendar, my "To Do" list pales in comparison to Jesus': there were always more sick people to heal, more demons to cast out, more sins to forgive, more disciples to teach, and more towns to visit. Remarkably, Jesus never seemed to be in a hurry and yet made an impact everywhere he went.

In Luke 5:14-15, we read this about Jesus: *But the news about him spread even more, and large crowds would come together to hear him and to be healed of their sicknesses. Yet he often withdrew to deserted places and prayed.* No matter what demands of ministry Jesus faced, he regularly retreated for quiet time with his Father in heaven. Do I really think I don't need this in my life?

Once again, I must come to terms with the ways that I fall short of what I think I should be as a follower of Jesus, as a husband and a father, and as a pastor. In the busyness of my life, I need to remember that I am too busy not to pray. I long to live an unhurried and yet impactful life like Jesus did. And that means I need to regularly withdraw for prayer and fellowship with God. Whenever I do, God restores my soul and fills me up to continue to carry out the work he created me for. I invite you to join me in this and expect that we will be amazed at all the Lord accomplishes in us and through us.

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.

August 16, 2024

THANK YOU!

St. Paul Lutheran Church
P.O. Box 58
Hondo, TX 78361

Dear Friends at St. Paul Lutheran Church,

On behalf of the children we serve at Bluebonnet Children's Advocacy Center, I wish to express our sincere appreciation for your generous gift of \$500.00 (Check #14395), which we received to support our work.

Our mission is to lessen the trauma and improve the response to young victims of child abuse and neglect. I deeply appreciate your trust in our ability and commitment to fulfill this mission.

Please know that this gift will support our successful programs to assist our community's most vulnerable — our children — and help them find a better quality of life and a brighter, safer future.

Thank YOU and YOUR congregation for helping us help the children in crisis!

Sincerely,



Edward Gentry,
Executive Director

Thank you for your generosity! Your contribution have made a significant impact, ensuring the success of local educators.

We appreciate the pens that you gifted to the new teachers and we thank you for your invaluable partnership and dedication to making a difference in our community. We are truly grateful for your continued support!

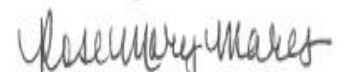
- Hondo Area Chamber of Commerce

Dear St. Paul Family,

Thank you so much for providing a delicious breakfast spread for our new staff. They were all very appreciative of your generosity and kindness and felt very welcomed!

We are most grateful for your support!

Blessings,



Dear faithful friends at St. Paul Lutheran,

Thank you for your recent check representing the July Envelope offering and July Sunday School offering. We accept these gifts with great joy, knowing you are with us in our efforts to help people in difficult circumstances in our area. We pray your families are blessed in the new school year.

Gratefully, Diane Cosgrove Executive Director
Restore Reproductive Health

Dear friends at St. Paul Lutheran,
We were delighted to receive your Mission Support gift in the mail this week! Thank you so very much for your unfailing dedication and generosity to Restore Reproductive Health and our mommas & babies!

May God continue to bless you and yours, as you partner with us in our efforts.

Gratefully,
Diane Cosgrove
Executive Director