

# HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

8:30 am and 11 am

May 27, 2018



A God beyond Words

## AS WE GATHER

You may be surprised that the word *Trinity* never appears in the Bible. This does not mean, however, that the doctrine, or teaching, of the Trinity is wrong. While the *word* Trinity is not seen in Scripture, we certainly **see the work of the Trinity** there. From creation to today's Old Testament Reading, from Jesus' Baptism to His Great Commission, we see the Trinity at work time and time again. On this Holy Trinity Sunday, we celebrate that our Lord is the triune God—one God in three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We try to put this mystery of the Trinity into human words through song and in creeds, but we recognize that mere words fall short of describing our truly awesome God. In awe and wonder of the Holy Trinity, we simply join with the seraphim in singing, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!" (Isaiah 6:3).

**Organ Prelude**

**All Glory Be to God on High**

**J.S. Bach**

**WELCOME – Pastor Christopher Fairbairn**

**RINGING OF THE BELL**

## 11 AM Here I Am to Worship

## 506 Glory Be to God the Father



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to  
 2 Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each  
 4 Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal! Thus the choir of



God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:  
 spot and stain; Glo - ry be to Him who bought us,  
 an - gels sings; Hon - or, rich - es, pow'r, do - min - ion!



Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,  
 Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,  
 Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings. Glo - ry,



glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!  
 glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!  
 glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

## (11 AM) BAPTISM of Beck Bela Schmoock

(The Lord's Prayer is on p.12, Apostle's Creed p. 15)

## INVOCATION

Pastor:: In the name of the Father—

**People: Holy!**

Pastor:: and of the ✠ Son—

**People: Holy!**

Pastor:: and of the Holy Spirit—

**People: Holy!**

Pastor:: Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

**People: God in three Persons, blessed Trinity! Amen.**

**OPENING SENTENCES**     *John 3:16*

Pastor:: For God so loved the world,

**People: that He gave His only Son,**

Pastor:: that whoever believes in Him

**People: should not perish but have eternal life.**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**     *1 Thessalonians 5:23–24*

Pastor:: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ.

**People: Amen.**

Pastor:: Let us with true hearts confess together that we, through sinful thoughts, careless words, and loveless deeds, have transgressed God's righteous Law and deserve His punishment now and eternally.

**People: Almighty God, merciful Father, we acknowledge our sinful nature and repent of our sins in thought and in word and in deed. For the sake of Jesus, grant us Your forgiveness so that, as Your redeemed people, we be fit places for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit and serve You in time and in eternity.**

Pastor:: "Behold . . . your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for." Jesus has atoned for your sin. Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. This great gift of grace is freely given and certain, in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor:: Let us pray. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty,

**People: You are the one true God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Work through Your Church, through the preached word and sacraments, that many would be baptized and come to know, confess and worship You, the eternal Trinity; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**FIRST READING** *Acts 2:14a, 22–36* (“God has made Him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”)

### Peter Preaches to the Crowd

Reader: <sup>14</sup> Then Peter stepped forward with the eleven other apostles and shouted to the crowd, “Listen carefully, all of you, fellow Jews and residents of Jerusalem! Make no mistake about this.

<sup>22</sup> “People of Israel, listen! God publicly endorsed Jesus the Nazarene by doing powerful miracles, wonders, and signs through him, as you well know. <sup>23</sup> But God knew what would happen, and his prearranged plan was carried out when Jesus was betrayed. With the help of lawless Gentiles, you nailed him to a cross and killed him.

**People: <sup>24</sup> But God released him from the horrors of death and raised him back to life, for death could not keep him in its grip. <sup>25</sup> King David said this about him:**

**‘I see that the Lord is always with me.**

**I will not be shaken, for he is right beside me.**

**<sup>26</sup> No wonder my heart is glad,  
and my tongue shouts his praises!  
My body rests in hope.**

Reader: <sup>27</sup> For you will not leave my soul among the dead or allow your Holy One to rot in the grave. <sup>28</sup> You have shown me the way of life, and you will fill me with the joy of your presence.'

<sup>29</sup> "Dear brothers, think about this! You can be sure that the patriarch David wasn't referring to himself, for he died and was buried, and his tomb is still here among us. <sup>30</sup> But he was a prophet, and he knew God had promised with an oath that one of David's own descendants would sit on his throne. <sup>31</sup> David was looking into the future and speaking of the Messiah's resurrection. He was saying that God would not leave him among the dead or allow his body to rot in the grave.

**People:** <sup>32</sup> "God raised Jesus from the dead, and we are all witnesses of this. <sup>33</sup> Now he is exalted to the place of highest honor in heaven, at God's right hand. And the Father, as he had promised, gave him the Holy Spirit to pour out upon us, just as you see and hear today. <sup>34</sup> For David himself never ascended into heaven, yet he said,

'The Lord said to my Lord,  
 "Sit in the place of honor at my right hand  
<sup>35</sup> until I humble your enemies,  
 making them a footstool under your feet.'"

Reader: <sup>36</sup> "So let everyone in Israel know for certain that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, to be both Lord and Messiah!"

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**HOLY GOSPEL** John 3:1-17 (*The Father gave His Son out of love for the world.*)

Reader: Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him,

**People: Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him.**

Reader: Jesus answered him, truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.

**People: How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?**

Reader: Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, "You must be born again." The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.

**People: How can these things be?**

Reader: Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? Truly, truly, I say to you, We speak of what We know, and bear witness to what We have seen, but you do not receive Our testimony. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except He who descended from heaven, the Son of Man.

And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE****"The Greatest Trophy"****CREED** *Athanasian Creed (Part 1)*

Pastor: As an expression of our faith, we confess the words of the Athanasian Creed, the longest and most recent of the three Ecumenical Creeds of the Church.



**People: Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith. Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.**

Pastor: And the catholic faith is this, that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance. For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another. But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.

Elder: Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit: the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated; the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite; the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.

**People: And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal, just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinities, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.**

Pastor: In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty; and yet there are not three Almighty's, but one Almighty.

Elder: So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God; and yet there are not three Gods, but one God. So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord; and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.



**People: Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.**

Pastor: The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone. The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone. The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.

Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

Elder: And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another; but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.

**People: Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.**



## 11 AM Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

## 602 The Gifts Christ Freely Gives



1 The gifts Christ free - ly gives He gives to you and me  
 2 The gifts flow from the font Where He calls us His own;  
 3 The gifts of grace and peace From ab - so - lu - tion flow;  
 4 The gifts are there each day The ho - ly Word is read;



To be His Church, His bride, His cho - sen, saved and free!  
 New life He gives that makes Us His and His a - lone.  
 The pas - tor's words are Christ's For us to trust and know.  
 God's chil - dren lis - ten, hear, Re - ceive, and they are fed.



Saints blest with these rich gifts Are chil - dren who pro - claim  
 Here He for - gives our sins With wa - ter and His Word;  
 For - give - ness that we need Is grant - ed to us there;  
 Christ fills them with Him - self, Blest words that give them life,



That they were won by Christ And cling to His strong name.  
 The tri - une God Him - self Gives pow'r to call Him Lord.  
 The Lord of mer - cy sends Us forth in His blest care.  
 Re - stor - ing and re - fresh - ing Them for this world's strife.

**MESSAGE** – Pastor Christopher Fairbairn

*What is the power and significance of the Trinity in your life?*

*Are there any consequences if we "get the Trinity wrong" in defining it?*

**CREED**     *Athanasian Creed (Part 2)*

Pastor: We continue and conclude the confession of our faith today with the second part of the Athanasian Creed.

**People: But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.**

Pastor: He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages; and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age: perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh; equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.

**People: Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:**

Elder: one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God; one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.

Pastor: For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ, who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead, ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

Elder: At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds. And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.

**People: This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.**

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor:: As we recognize the Holy Trinity, we come before our heavenly Father as we pray in the name of the Son, in a faith sustained by the Holy Spirit.

Father in heaven, we listen as Your voice quakes and Your glory thunders majesty. As the heavenly host bow down in praise to You, make our worship also pleasing in Your sight. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;

**People: the whole earth is full of His glory!**

Pastor:: Father in heaven, we listen as Your voice teaches and gives light to darkened eyes. Your Son teaches us that You loved the world so much that You sent Your only-begotten Son to be born, to live a perfect life, to die, and to rise. Grant us joy in believing this message of rescue. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;

**People: the whole earth is full of His glory!**

Pastor:: Father in heaven, we listen as Your voice strengthens us and sets our tongues ablaze with truth. As we await Your Son's return, empower us to share the Good News of Christ with young and old. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;

**People: the whole earth is full of His glory!**

Pastor:: Father in heaven, we listen to Your voice proclaim us forgiven, and we anticipate the day when we will see You sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, as we enter Your nearer presence. Keep us firm in the faith as we anticipate the awe of heaven. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;

**People: the whole earth is full of His glory!**

Pastor:: Father in heaven, to You alone be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

**We invite you to fill out our Friendship Card** during the offering which is found on the back of the pew. Please pass your card to the center aisle and leave in pew.

**At the Offering**

**8:30 AM**

**We All Believe in One True God**

**F. Zachow**

**11 AM**

**Glorious Day**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

Pastor:: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**People: Amen.**

## THE INVITATIONS

**11 AM Your Name**

### RECESSIONAL HYMN 507 Holy, Holy, Holy

1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

**Organ Postlude**

**"Nicaea"**

**C. Callahan**

May We Help You? Anyone who desires special private prayer with the Pastor may do so by remaining in the sanctuary until all worshippers have departed. At that time, come forward and speak with the Pastor.

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## 11 AM Contemporary Songs

### Here I Am to Worship Michael W. Smith

Light of the World  
You stepped down into darkness  
Open my eyes  
Let me see  
Beauty that made  
This heart adore You  
Hope of a life  
Spent with You

Here I am to worship  
Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that You're my God  
You're altogether lovely  
Altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days  
Oh, so highly exalted  
Glorious in Heaven above  
Humbly You came  
To the earth You created  
All for love's sake became poor

Here I am to worship  
Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that You're my God  
You're altogether lovely

Altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me

I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross  
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Here I am to worship  
Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that You're my God  
You're altogether lovely  
Altogether worthy  
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### Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone) Chris Tomlin

Amazing grace  
How sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost, but now I'm found  
Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

My chains are gone  
I've been set free

My God, my Savior has ransomed me  
 And like a flood His mercy reigns  
 Unending love, Amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me  
 His word my hope secures  
 He will my shield and portion be  
 As long as life endures

My chains are gone  
 I've been set free  
 My God, my Savior has ransomed me  
 And like a flood His mercy reigns  
 Unending love, Amazing grace

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow  
 The sun forbear to shine  
 But God, Who called me here below  
 Will be forever mine  
 Will be forever mine  
 You are forever mine

### **Glorious Day Casting Crowns**

One day when Heaven was filled with His praises  
 One day when sin was as black as could be  
 Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin  
 Dwelt among men, my example is He  
 Word became flesh and the light shined among us  
 His glory revealed

Living, He loved me  
 Dying, He saved me  
 Buried, He carried my sins far away  
 Rising, He justified freely forever  
 One day He's coming  
 Oh glorious day, oh glorious day

One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain  
 One day they nailed Him to die on a tree  
 Suffering anguish, despised and rejected  
 Bearing our sins, my Redeemer is He  
 Hands that healed nations, stretched out on a tree  
 And took the nails for me

Living, He loved me  
 Dying, He saved me  
 Buried, He carried my sins far away  
 Rising, He justified freely forever  
 One day He's coming  
 Oh glorious day, oh glorious day

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer  
 One day the stone rolled away from the door  
 Then He arose, over death He had conquered  
 Now He's ascended, my Lord evermore  
 Death could not hold Him, the grave could not keep  
 Him  
 From rising again

Living, He loved me  
 Dying, He saved me  
 Buried, He carried my sins far away  
 Rising, He justified freely forever  
 One day He's coming  
 Oh glorious day, oh glorious day

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming  
 One day the skies with His glories will shine  
 Wonderful day, my Beloved One, bringing  
 My Savior, Jesus, is mine

Living, He loved me  
 Dying, He saved me  
 Buried, He carried my sins far away



Rising, He justified freely forever  
 One day He's coming  
 Oh glorious day, oh glorious day

**Your Name**  
**Phillips, Craig & Dean**

As morning dawns and evening fades  
 You inspire songs of praise  
 That rise from earth to touch Your heart  
 And glorify Your Name

Your Name is a strong and mighty tower  
 Your Name is a shelter like no other  
 Your Name, let the nations sing it louder  
 'Cause nothing has the power to save, but Your  
 Name

Jesus, in Your Name we pray  
 Come and fill our hearts today

Lord, give us strength to live for You  
 And glorify Your Name

Your Name is a strong and mighty tower  
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## **THE APOSTLES CREED (For the 11 AM Baptism)**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come 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.**

**WHERE WE SERVE**

<i>Preacher/Officiant</i>	<i>Pastor Christopher Fairbairn</i>		
<i>Deacon</i>	<i>Deacon Jim Frusti</i>		
<i>Music Director</i>	<i>Jesse Torres-Palasiq</i>		
<i>Family Life Director</i>	<i>Jeanette Koch</i>		
<i>Organist</i>	8:30am	<i>Marty Giltinan</i>	
<i>Readers</i>	8:30am	<i>Jeff Shapiro</i>	
	11:00am	<i>Laraine Washer</i>	
<i>Elder</i>	8:30am	<i>Richard Johnson</i>	
	11:00am	<i>Chris Englert</i>	
<i>Ushers</i>	8:30am	<i>Larry Schlanser</i>	<i>Charleen Hill</i>
		<i>Gary Sixt</i>	<i>John Hasse</i>
		<i>Bob McGuigan</i>	<i>Pat McGuigan</i>
	11:00am	<i>Christian Krauter</i>	<i>Jeanette Koch</i>
<i>Coffee Hour</i>	<i>Women In Christ</i>		
<i>Acolyte</i>	8:30am	<i>Peter Goodman</i>	
	11:00am	<i>Sophia Barkoot</i>	
<i>Welcome Center</i>	8:30am	<i>Sue Poole</i>	
	11:00am	<i>Dottie Siefker</i>	
<i>Greeters</i>	8:30am	<i>Schlanser Family</i>	
	11:00am	<i>Baumgarten Family</i>	
<i>Tech Crew</i>	8:30am	<i>Nancy Berg</i>	
	11:00am	<i>Patrick Baker</i>	
<i>Counters</i>	<i>David Tischler</i>	<i>Shibu George</i>	
<i>Altar Society</i>	<i>Nancy Berg</i>	<i>Marlene Shoebridge</i>	
	<i>Dottie Siefker</i>		
<i>Nursery</i>	8:30am	<i>Kristy Howard</i>	
	11:00am	<i>Doug Towner</i>	

Sun May 27	● 8:30 – 9:30am	Worship
	● 9:45 – 10:45am	Bible study and Sunday School
	● 11am – 12pm	Worship
	● 6:30 – 7:30pm	AA MTG Parish Hall
Mon May 28	● All day	OFFICE CLOSED
	● 11am – 1pm	Scouts Meeting (after parade) Gym
Thu May 31	● 6:30 – 7:30pm	Handbells
	● 7 – 8pm	Always Basketball Gym Rental
	● 7:30 – 8:30pm	Choir Church
Fri Jun 1	● 7:30 – 9pm	AA MTG Church Parish Hall
Sun Jun 3	● 8:30 – 9:30am	Worship with Communion
	● 9:45 – 10:45am	Bible study and Sunday School
	● 11am – 12pm	Worship with Communion
	● 5:30 – 7:30pm	VOTERS MEETING church parish hall
	● 6:30 – 7:30pm	AA MTG Parish Hall

**Remember Our Shut-ins**

**Norman Kleiner**  
 16100 N. Haggerty Rd.  
 Plymouth, MI 48170  
 734-420-4000  
 \*Sunrise of Northville

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Today's flowers are:

One vase in memory of our brother Ron Baggett from his four sisters.

One case in memory of Glenn Barnier, father and grandfather of John and Pam, John Joseph and Jackson Hughes.

Please arrange to pick up your flowers after the Monday 7pm service.

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Audio recording of the sermons and bulletins (church and school calendars) are now posted online every week @stpaulnorthville.org

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**FREE FREE FREE** – Now that I have your attention – follow the church and school on Instagram – Follow the church at stpaullutherannorthville and the school at stpaulschoolnorthville

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Attendance Last week :

5/20/2018–	8:30am – 104	5/23/2018 Wednesday Ladies' Bible Study - 14
	11:00am – 89 = 193	5/20/2018 Sunday Bible Study- 32
5/21/2018	7pm = 11	5/19/2018 Saturday Men's Bible Study - 6

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Donations needed each week for Church and School – \$9,808

Received week of 5/20/18 for Church and School \$(Envelopes plus loose plate) \$7,812

School Income - \$840

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St. Paul's "Moose on the Loose" VBS is coming up real soon on June 18<sup>th</sup> through 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will be putting on a Puppet Show as part of the VBS program. The script is written for 5 puppet characters. So, if you are interested in being involved with the 2018 VBS puppet skit, please let me know. (Karin Kemnitz [karinhelga@peoplepc.com](mailto:karinhelga@peoplepc.com)) Since the puppet skit is in the "Opening" portion of VBS, the puppetry can be done in conjunction with volunteering for one of the other rotational stations. Our puppet stage is already set-up in the center Parish Hall closet room. We will begin practicing the skit and creating the required props that go along with the puppet skit in the following week. For those of you that are young – coloring pages that will be used as props will be put in the Wiggle Bags. I will be asking some of the St. Paul teachers if some of their students can create either insect or fish props for VBS as well.

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Today we celebrate the baptism of Beck Bela Schmoock. Beck is the son of Bruce and Cari Schmoock. Beck's sponsor's are Jeanette Koch, Dorothy Betts and Sebastian Villa. As God writes Beck's name in the book of life let us all pray that this new relationship that has begun today will be lived, explored and discovered throughout Beck's life.

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### **The May 16th Family of God mission meal went very well thanks to the many volunteers from St**

**Paul's.** Janet Wisner did the shopping as well as cooked and made extra brownies; Nancy Berg browned the meat the day ahead; Mary Lewis coordinated the brownie bakers who were herself, Bernice Baggett, Marilyn Breuhan, Chris Henning, and Shirley Mapes. Doing food preparations were Kim Johnson, Linda Johnson, Sue Mai, Pat McGuigan, Doris Oltersdorf and Barbara Hoffmeier. A special thanks to Mike Stewart who contributed our paper products and a case of fruit. Also, to John Hasse for making a generous contribution to help our funding of this outreach program. Michele and Tom Benson, Claudia and Mike Williamson and Barbara drove down to Detroit to serve the meal of Shepherd's Pie (with veggies), Coleslaw, Brownies, Bananas, Apples and Punch. Twelve casseroles were made and about 70 people were served with plenty for seconds and take-out meals. The worship and praise service afterward with Vicar Tyler Cronkright was very inspiring and about two dozen people attended that. Among those that are prayed for are family members who have drug and alcohol addictions, those who are sick and with cancer, those needing a job and money to feed their families, and for the Pastor:s of the mission itself. Please remember to pray for the Family of God and our brothers and sisters in

Christ who need our help. "Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another." 1 John 4:11.  
 FUNERAL LUNCHEON- volunteers needed. I'd like to compile a list of volunteers to call. Please call Jan Paver @ 248-349-8850 to be added to the list. Also need a list of "Costco Members" to call if we need certain items donated.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CORNER - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL 5-27-18 - SUNDAY SCHOOL PARTY 6-3-18**

*Sunday School Teacher Appreciation* will be held on June 3 during coffee hour in the parish hall. We hope that the congregation will join us in recognizing our volunteer teachers. These individuals are instrumental in sharing the Word of God with our children. Every Sunday they meet with their group of children and deliver a meaningful Bible lesson. Please help us honor Sue Poole, Christine Haverkate, Mary Lewis, Chris Henning, Bob McGuigan, Debbie Jenter, Kristen Goodman. David Tischler, Grace Horalek, Jeanette Koch and Jacob Fairbairn.

*Vacation Bible School* is right around the corner, June 18-22, 9 am. -12 pm. This community service outreach program generally hosts about 100 children, ages 4-12. We are delighted to be able to host this program again this year. As many of you know, VBS takes many volunteers to make it a successful event. We need help with crafts, decorations, snacks, games, bible stories and supervision of the children as they rotate among the various stations. We are hopeful that you will find it in your heart to assist in some capacity. Please contact anyone on the VBS committee and let us know what area you would like to help: Jeanette Koch (coordinator), Sue Poole, Claudia Williamson, Kristen Goodman and Pat McGuigan. We gladly accept teenagers in our volunteer pool. Get ready for "Camp Moose on the Loose."

**Graduation Recognition Sunday:** June 10 we will be recognizing our St. Paul members who are graduating from high school or college. If you, or your graduate, would like to be included please give us a picture of the graduate along with the school they are graduating from. If you are graduating from high school, also tell us where you will be going to college or what your plans are after graduation. If you are graduating from college, tell us what your degree is in and future plans. Please turn these in to the church office by May 31.

The Board of Social Ministry provides meals for our members that have a need. We agree that there are people in need all around us, and a small gesture like giving a meal can be a blessing both to giver and receiver. We are currently updating our list and looking for volunteers that would like to provide an occasional meal. If you are able to do this, please send an e-mail to Carol Kandah , ckandah@yahoo.com.

## VBS MEETING

THERE WILL BE A VBS MEETING ON

WEDNESDAY MAY 30 @ 5 PM FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

WE WILL DISCUSS THE SCHEDULE, LESSON PLANS AND WHAT SUPPLIES WE STILL NEED FOR EACH GROUP AND WHAT DECORATIONS WE WILL NEED TO ORDER TO HAVE A SUCCESSFUL VBS

## THANK YOU BOARD OF CHRISTIAN ED

**IT'S A GRAND OL' FLAG!** This is the theme for this year's 4th of July parade. The Board of Evangelism is seeking volunteers and design ideas. I want to believe we have some creative people in our congregation that can help come up with an idea and some energetic enthusiastic doers that can put an idea together. Maybe if you are in a small group Bible study, your group would like a project or you have some friends that need a good worthwhile project; let our board know of your interest. The parade will be Wednesday, July 4th at 10:00am. Board members are Nancy Berg, Barbara Hoffmeier, Pat McGuigan, Pat Melton, George Miller, Sue Poole, Nancy Schlanser and Shelby Wright.

## ☺ NICE NOTE FROM OUR MAIL CARRIER

To  
The members  
of this church.  
I'm impressed and  
amazed how you show  
the love of Christ daily  
to your community. To a man  
during Christmas time giving him  
a coat and shoes and on yesterday  
I wanted your prayer portal  
magazine. Your church  
which belongs to God  
is effective because  
you show the  
love of Christ  
daily in your  
community.

We live by faith, not by sight.  
II CORINTHIANS 5:7 NIV

I'm so grateful to  
God to know people  
such as you. I  
thank you for the  
Prayer Portal magazine.  
I could not wait until  
July to begin to read it  
I started the day you  
gave it to me, which  
was Monday May 18.

I love you guys your  
Lady Mail Carrier most of  
time on Route 49

Lanette

May God continue to bless  
the works of your hands ☺

**Concordia Lutheran School, Redford and Farmington Hills, is looking for a part time administrator for school year 2018-19. The school includes grades kindergarten through eight on two campuses: elementary grades are at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Farmington Hills, and middle school grades are at Hosanna Tabor Lutheran Church, Redford. Standard administrative duties would be the main requirement; time and specific duties will be discussed at interview. Interested persons should contact Concordia at 313-937-2233.**

The Board of Evangelism is collecting flip flops and tennis shoes for the Detroit Street Ministry that Margo is involved with every Sunday afternoon. All collections will be matched by the Board of Evangelism. The sizes that we need are a few mediums, large and x-large flip flops (Margo says they can cut them down). Tennis shoes men sizes 10 and 12, women sizes a few 8 mostly 9 and 10. If men tennis shoes are less expensive, you can get some smaller sizes like 8 and 9 for the ladies, they will wear them as well. While you are shopping want to pick up some deodorant it is highly needed most times especially as the hot summer sun starts to appear. Margo invites anyone who would like to go down with her on Sunday afternoon to join her. They set up tables and feed those that come lunch.