

THE PURIFICATION OF MARY AND THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD

11:00 AM

February 2, 2020



HOPE was born, HOPE is enough!

AS WE GATHER

Simeon and Anna rejoiced when Mary and Joseph brought week-old Jesus to the temple. He was physical proof that God was keeping His promises made centuries ago. Firstborn males had to be consecrated to God because He had spared them at the time of the exodus.

As they beheld Jesus in the temple, they were overcome with joy and proclaimed the good news of God's redemption and salvation. Jesus came into our world as light and peace. As you listen and sing of God's salvation this day, may you be filled with the joy and peace that filled Simeon and Anna.

Prelude: Blessings of Abraham (Praise Team)

WELCOME – Pastor

RINGING OF THE BELL

Awsome God

Our God, is an awesome God,
He reigns from heaven above
With wisdom pow'r and love.
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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: How lovely is Your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

People: Blessed are those who dwell in Your house, ever singing Your praise!

Pastor: For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

People: I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

Pastor: For the Lord God is a sun and shield.

People: The Lord bestows favor and honor.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: The Lord indeed bestows His favor and honor upon us, but we take His favor and honor for granted. We place our trust in ourselves instead of in God. Our actions are for our own glory, not God's. We are inconsiderate of our neighbors and too often neglect to gather for worship. But we come before our heavenly Father, seeking His favor and honor and forgiveness.

Pastor: Heavenly Father,

People: we confess that we have sought our own way, not Your way. We have failed to open our doors and our lives to neighbors in need. We have chosen the tents of the wicked rather than Your house, but we are here seeking Your forgiveness. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive our sins. Restore us as Your beloved people.

Pastor: When Mary and Joseph brought the infant Jesus to the temple for His presentation, a man named Simeon took Jesus in his arms and proclaimed that he had beheld God's salvation. This Jesus is our salvation. He has died and is risen for you, and He forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. The Lord bestows favor and honor. We are forgiven in Christ.

Here I am to Worship

Light of the world You stepped down
into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore You.
Hope of a life spent with You.

Chorus

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 this earth You
created
All for love's sake became poor.

Chorus

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 the cross.
I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon the cross.

Chorus

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Here I am to bow down,
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EPISTLE *Hebrews 2:14–18*

(Since Jesus suffers and is tempted as we are,
He is able to help us through all things.)

¹⁴ Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵ and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. ¹⁶ For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. ¹⁷ Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of

God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. ¹⁸ For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 2:22-40 (*Jesus is presented at the Temple.*)

Reader: ²² Then it was time for their purification offering, as required by the law of Moses after the birth of a child; so his parents took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. ²³ The law of the Lord says, "If a woman's first child is a boy, he must be dedicated to the Lord." ²⁴ So they offered the sacrifice required in the law of the Lord—"either a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

²⁵ At that time there was a man in Jerusalem named Simeon. He was righteous and devout and was eagerly waiting for the Messiah to come and rescue Israel. The Holy Spirit was upon him ²⁶ and had revealed to him that he would not die until he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷ That day the Spirit led him to the Temple. So when Mary and Joseph came to present the baby Jesus to the Lord as the law required, ²⁸ Simeon was there. He took the child in his arms and praised God, saying,

People: ²⁹ **"Sovereign Lord, now let your servant die in peace, as you have promised.**
³⁰ **I have seen your salvation,**
³¹ **which you have prepared for all people.**
³² **He is a light to reveal God to the nations,**
and he is the glory of your people Israel!"



Reader: ³³ Jesus' parents were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them, and he said to Mary, the baby's mother,

People: “This child is destined to cause many in Israel to fall, but he will be a joy to many others. He has been sent as a sign from God, but many will oppose him. ³⁵ As a result, the deepest thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your very soul.”

Reader: ³⁶ Anna, a prophet, was also there in the Temple. She was the daughter of Phanuel from the tribe of Asher, and she was very old. Her husband died when they had been married only seven years. ³⁷ Then she lived as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the Temple but stayed there day and night, worshiping God with fasting and prayer. ³⁸ She came along just as Simeon was talking with Mary and Joseph, and she began praising God. She talked about the child to everyone who had been waiting expectantly for God to rescue Jerusalem.

³⁹ When Jesus’ parents had fulfilled all the requirements of the law of the Lord, they returned home to Nazareth in Galilee. ⁴⁰ There the child grew up healthy and strong. He was filled with wisdom, and God’s favor was on him.

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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



THE APOSTLES CREED

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.

Blessings of Abraham.

I am the Lord who health thee.
 Oh that you only trust in Me
 You are the seed my faith receive
 The blessings of Abraham
 The blessings of Abraham

Whatever you are / Wherever you go,
 Whatever you touch anointed to grow
 You are the seed by faith receive
 The blessings of Abraham
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MESSAGE – Pastor Christopher Fairbairn

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, let us pray for the Church throughout the world, that the Word of the Lord dwell richly in us, so that we may shine Christ's light in all of creation. God of salvation,

People: hear us who have seen Your glory.

Pastor: For people in all parts of the world, that all may be delivered from warfare, oppression, and violence, and live in the peace and safety God intends for all of His creatures. God of salvation,

People: hear us who have seen Your glory.

Pastor: For those who are sick, facing surgery, or convalescing, that their sickness may be turned to health, and that all sufferers may turn to You in their time of need. God of salvation,

People: hear us who have seen Your glory.

Pastor: For guests in worship today, that together as we sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, we may all know the joy of our salvation in Jesus Christ. God of eternal rescue,

People: hear us who have seen Your glory.

Pastor: For those who serve in the worship and music ministry of this congregation, we give thanks. Guide us all to appreciate their leading us in giving thanks and praise to You in song. God whom we praise and adore,

People: hear us who have seen Your glory.

Pastor: For those who have gone before us in faith and have died, for Simeon and Anna, we give thanks. Bring us with them when our course on earth is fulfilled to that place of never-ending praise. God of salvation,

People: hear us who have seen Your glory.

Pastor: Basking in the glory and light of Your salvation for us, we entrust all for whom we pray to You, gracious Father, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

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: Going Home (-Paul Ventimiglia)

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Please see our communion policy stated on the inside front cover.

THE DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION WINE: For those who may not be able to take regular wine, we offer non-alcoholic wine, which is the light colored wine in the center of the communion tray.

++ We offer *Gluten-free* wafers upon request. ++

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all—
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid—
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine—
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death—
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home—
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand."

Thy Word

Chorus

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

Verse 1

When I feel afraid
And I think I've lost my way
Still You're there right beside me
Nothing will I fear
As long as You are near
Please be near me to the end

Chorus

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And a light unto my path
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

Verse 2

I will not forget
Your love for me and yet
My heart forever is wandering
Jesus be my guide
And hold me to Your side
I will love You to the end

Chorus

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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have sent Jesus to be our light and our salvation. We implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us in this Sacrament and grant us Your peace now and in our final hour; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

People: Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE INVITATIONS

Your Grace is Enough

Great is Your faithfulness, oh God
You wrestle with the sinner's heart
You lead us by still waters
And to mercy
And nothing can keep us apart

Chorus

So remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise
Oh God

Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me

Great is Your love and justice God
You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song
Of Your salvation
And all Your people sing along

Chorus

So remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise
Oh God

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Your grace is enough for me

Postlude

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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WHERE WE SERVE

Preacher

Pastor Jim Frusti

Officiant

Pastor Christopher Fairbairn

Music Director/Organist

Paul Ventimiglia

Elder

Mark Baumgarten

Acolyte

Ryan Nordbeck

Family Life Director

Jeanette Koch

Ushers

Mark Baumgarten Craig Miller

Altar Society

*Michelle Doerfer Beth Foor
Chris Henning*

Tech Team

Shibu George

Greeter

Baumgarten Family

Counters

*George Foor Frank Newman
Jan Greulich Gail Horalek*

Welcome Center

Patrick Baker

Remember Our Shut-ins

Donna Thomas

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BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS DUE TUESDAY NOON

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

2	FEB, SUN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 8:30am – 12:30pm ● 8:30 – 9:30am ● 9:45 – 10:45am ● 10 – 11am ● 11am – 12pm ● 1 – 5pm ● 6 – 8pm 	<p>NO RENTALS ON CAMPUS</p> <p>Worship with Communion</p> <p>Bible study Parish Hall</p> <p>Mission Trip Meeting room #3 school</p> <p>Worship with Communion</p> <p>Kovalak Rental ph parish hall</p> <p>Sunday Night AA Big Book</p>
3	FEB, MON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 4 – 6pm ● 5 – 8pm ● 6 – 7pm ● 7 – 8pm ● 7 – 8pm 	<p>Bible Quizzing parish hall</p> <p>OLV Gym Rental gym</p> <p>Board of Trustees room #5</p> <p>Bd. of Christian Ed. church office</p> <p>Board of Social Ministry parish hall</p>
4	FEB, TUE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1 – 2pm ● 5 – 8pm ● 6 – 7pm 	<p>Staff Meeting School Office</p> <p>OLV Gym Rental gym</p> <p>Board of Elders Parish Hall</p>
5	FEB, WED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 9:30 – 11am ● 5 – 8pm 	<p>Women's Bible Study church parish hall</p> <p>OLV Gym Rental gym</p>
6	FEB, THU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 4 – 6pm ● 5 – 8pm ● 5 – 8pm ● 5:30 – 6:30pm ● 6:30 – 7:30pm ● 7 – 8:30pm ● 7:30 – 8:30pm 	<p>Bible Quizzing parish hall</p> <p>Family of God Ladies Dinner and Bible Study</p> <p>OLV Gym Rental gym</p> <p>Hanbells church hallway</p> <p>Choir church parish hall</p> <p>Scouts Rooms #4 & #5</p> <p>Praise Team Practice church</p>

7	FEB, FRI	●	4 – 5:30pm	OLV-gym rental gym
		●	7:30 – 9pm	AA MTG Church Parish Hall
8	FEB, SAT	●	10am – 12pm	Motor City Model Club Room #3

Attendance Last week :

Sunday 1.26.20 - 8:30am - 98

11:00am - 188 = 286

Sunday Bible Study - 34

Bible Study and Small Group Opportunities –

SUNDAYS: Join us for bible study and fellowship @ 9:45am in the church Parish Hall.

WEDNESDAY'S: Women's Bible Study 9:30 - 11:00 Church Parish Hall

SATURDAYS: Men's Bible Study – Every second and fourth Saturday @ 9:30am – Parish Hall.

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

Received week of 1.19.2020 for Church (Envelopes plus loose plate) \$16,945.70



School Income - \$12,114.58

Today's flowers are:

*In memory of Dwight Lewis and in honor of Mary Lewis
from Russ and Ann Kelly.*

Please arrange to pick up your flowers after the 11am Sunday Service.

Puerto Rico MISSION TRIP: April 4th to 11th: Bible Studies and Team Meetings have begun on Sunday's, 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. in Room 3 of St Paul School. We have ten people "going" on the trip but everyone is invited to attend these informational meetings. Thank you to those who are "sending" the team with your prayers and financial support. You can write a check to St Paul Lutheran Church and on the Memo Line put "2020 Mission Trip." We hope to still raise half of the expenses through our fundraising efforts with the Chili-Cook-off and BINGO coming up next Saturday. We hope to see you there!

We've begun another year with our service to the FAMILY OF GOD in Southwest Detroit. We will take meals down the first Thursday's and the third Wednesday's of the month. If you would like to volunteer or contribute to these causes, please contact Sue Poole #248.904.9080 for the Women's Groups on Thursday's, or Barbara Hoffmeier #248.756.3035 for the family meals on Wednesday's. We're especially asking for those of you who are Thrivent Financial Members and could help us out with applying for the \$250. Action Grants. Those resources will benefit us by purchasing supplies that are needed every month. Our expenses for 2019 were \$2,061.62 with 130 servings each of the twelve months. You can do the math: 1,560 meals, \$1.32 a meal. Thank you Janet Wisner for being our SUPER SHOPPER! That doesn't include the donated items, such as BROWNIES from many of you and some food donated this year by the Balavenderan family of the school. We appreciate the many contributors and give God thanks and praise.

January 15th the Wednesday evening meal was served at the Family of God. When we arrived with the food, we commented on the small size of the group that evening. Then we started serving and when things started to slow down and we looked up, most of the tables were filled and all the food was gone. Feed them and they will come! All in all, 120 meals were served which included seconds and 19 take out meals. The pulled pork sandwiches were a big hit and many comments were made about it being their favorite meal. Thank you to the volunteers who served: Chris Dempster, Dawn Englert, Will Hoffmeier, Rich Mai and Pat McGuigan. Thank you to the cooks: Nancy Berg-Crenshaw, Marilyn Edick, Barbara & Will Hoffmeier, Kim Johnson, Linda Johnson, Sue Mai, Doris Oltersdorf and Janet Wisner (who had a surprise birthday celebration with her cooks-in-the-kitchen.) And thank you to the brownie bakers: Bernice Baggett, Marilyn Edick, Kathy Hoener, Shirley Mapes, Kathy Verseman (and coordinator, Mary Lewis.) Our next meal will be February 19th with Ruth Fisher as our brownie coordinator.

Back to back DONE - check!!! Thank you church family, you helped us do it. Barbara's team went down on Wednesday and our team went Thursday last week. A great big thank you to our casserole makers Jeanette Koch, Peggy Kremer, Gretchen Hasse, Bill & Jan Kovalak, Ruth Fisher and Sue Poole all of them were eaten. Nancy Berg supplied the sour cream and Carole Crete the salsa and chips (many comments about how good that salsa was). Katy Baetz-Matthews ran out and bought some clementines for our fresh fruit and Cindy Kivel chased me down to sign up to bring banana's, thank you. Bill & Jan also provided our drinks for us this week and Chris Henning and Lisa Fairbairn home made chocolate chip cookies and brownies, always a favorite. Chris Dempster purchased our plates. Pat McGuigan, Pat Melton and Sue went down as servers a bit thrown off by our exit Springwell being closed but thanks to Pat's GPS we found our way and were right on time. We served 60 people and a group of 15 stayed for Bible study and a special treat, they got to exfoliate there hands with a sugar rub, they loved how soft they were after. The study was back to the parts of the body, we were on legs and Susan Hill shared scriptures of running. Run to WIN!!



Chili Cook off and Bingo Party

Fun, Food and Prizes

When - Saturday, February 8, 2020 7-9 PM

\$5.00 per person, or \$20.00 per family.

Tickets available at the door.

\$1.00 Bingo Cards

Western wear, get out your cowboy boots and hat!

All proceeds to support the 2020 Mission Trip to Puerto Rico. Thank you for your support.

ALLEN TERRACE BINGO time is coming sooner this month. Our regular day of BINGO at Allen Terrace is ASH Wednesday. We know a lot of us attend worship service that Wednesday so we have moved the date to February 5 at 7:00 pm. Please join us for our evening. We could use cookies, brownies, rice krispie treats, cupcakes etc. if you have time to make them. We also could use 2 liters of ginger ale regular, 1 seven up regular, 1 diet coke. We can always use small prizes such as a pack of cookies, candy bar, jello or pudding cups, note pads, cards etc.. Women in Christ is supplying our coverall prizes, \$5.00 Kroger gift card. Thank you for your support. We hope you can join us for a fun evening at Allen Terrace. Sue Poole 248.904.9080

FOREVER YOUNG



"THE MAN IN BLACK"

JOHNNY CASH MUSIC

by

Blues Guitarist, CARL HENRY

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY, 20, 2020

FREE NOON TIME CONCERT @ Livonia Civic Center Library

12:15 – 1:00

1:30 LUNCH at MAMA MIA'S

Plymouth Rd. & Inkster

Sign up at Christ Our Savior welcome center or call:

Barb Karowich 734-480-1644

Linda Waara 734-525-0191

Our Pastor's daughters have found "THE ONE" and wedding plans are being completed. Pastor Jim & Karen's daughter, Sarah will be married to Nolan McNalley, March 7, 2020. Pastor Chris and Lisa's daughter, Emily will be married to Jarod Fenske, July 3, 2020. We are planning Bridal Showers for both girls, Sarah's will be February 16 and Emily's March 22 (save the date). For Sarah's we are planning a luncheon in the Parish Hall at 1:00 pm on Sunday, February 16, all the ladies of the congregation are invited to join us please RSVP by February 9 to Sue Poole (248) 904-9080 or smvpoole@comcast.net. If you are unable to attend but would like to contribute toward a gift, Jan Paver will be collecting the money for us. Sarah is registered at Target if you would like to purchase something special for her or a gift card. We want to encourage everyone to write out either a favorite recipe, encouraging scripture, some good advice or a story. Karin Kemnitz will prepare a notebook for her to keep all these treasures. We look forward to your help in making this a very special time for Sarah and give her a congregation hug

The Council of Lutheran Women (CLW) will hold their 56th annual luncheon on March 17, 2020 at Burton Manor in Livonia, beginning promptly at 11:15 am.. Tickets are \$29.00 and reservations must be made in advance, men and women attend this luncheon, all are welcome.. I will be happy to coordinate purchasing the tickets for those that would like to pre-pay. Reservations can be made after January 17th. The speaker is Dr. Paul Maier, Professor, Historian, author, and past Vice President of the LCMS. Please let me know if you are interested in attending, Sue Poole 248.904.9080 or smvpoole@comcast.net.

For the month of January, Women in Christ would like to highlight LWML Grant 7, Restoring Hope for Detroit Children and Families—Camp Restore Detroit. Working with Mt. Cavalry Lutheran Church, Camp Restore provides housing and meals for visiting volunteer mission teams. These teams serve throughout the community by cleaning properties, boarding up vacant houses, and providing caring support to those who live there. Mt. Cavalry has also established outreach services to neighborhood children, including the development of two adjacent lots into a playground and a bike path. Detroit's Green Light program helps to keep the property secure with cameras mounted around the facility. The security system also shows the neighborhood that the church is a safe place of refuge. Recently a young boy who had been stabbed by a family member came to the church for help, and a young woman who was caught in a lifestyle of prostitution sought the friendship of a visiting mission team. God's mercy and grace will continue to be shared as you give to support this 2019-2021 LWML Grant. January is one of four months in which MITE boxes are collected. Please place your filled MITE box in the large MITE box in the narthex. Thank you for your generous support in the past.

Lent Dinners will be here before you know it! Have your group or Board sign up to host a dinner before 7pm Worship! We have two slots open- call the church office if you would like to take it! 248-349-3140.

2/26/2020 - (Ash Wednesday) VBS

3/4/2020 - Board of Evangelism

3/11/ 2020 - OPEN

3/18/2020 - Board of Social Ministry

3/25-2020 - Board of Elders

4/1/2020 - OPEN



Last week we learned how God helps us with all our troubles. We hear about how a big army was coming to destroy King Jehoshaphat, but he wasn't afraid because he knew God would protect them and God did just that. Like Jehoshaphat we face difficult battles today, but we know Jesus is beside us to help us conquered them all.

This Sunday we are finding out how "marvelous" Jesus is. We will learn about all of the marvelous deeds He did throughout history, the one's He doing today and tomorrow.

Sunday School will sing @ 11 am on Feb 9th



Bring a friend and have some fun!!!



Bring your favorite board game!!

When: Saturday Feb 15 @ 5 PM to 8pm

Who: 6th grade to 12th grader

Where: Parish Hall

Cost: FREE FREE FREE

Pizza, Popcorn and drinks provided



We all experience challenges in life—times when we could benefit from the support of a caring Christian friend. Pastors will always be on the front lines of care, especially during times of crisis. But there are always many more needs for ongoing, one-to-one care than pastors can effectively meet by themselves. Stephen Ministry provides a biblical solution—equipping God’s people for ministry. Gifted lay people are trained to

support and extend the care that pastors continue to provide. Stephen Ministers reach out with God’s love to people who are hurting—both congregation members and nonmembers alike. A **Stephen Ministry program** provides the emotional and spiritual care we need when faced with a crisis or difficulty. The Board of Elders would like to bring such a program to St. Paul.

We are looking for a few people to attend a half-day introductory workshop which allows the attendees to experience a sample of Stephen Minister training and learn how our church can begin a Stephen Ministry. The Introductory Workshop features three sessions: Ministering to Those Experiencing Grief, an Introduction to Stephen Ministry, and How to Care in a Distinctively Christian Way. The workshop meets **March 14, 2020, in Toledo, Ohio**. If you are at all interested, why not take time to attend the workshop!!

Please let Linda Johnson or one of the Pastors know if you are interested.

Attention - St. Paul Pack 201 wants to CHALLENGE you to a race!



This event is open to all church and school families and friends, boys and girls. If you have never built a pinewood derby car – NO Problem come build one with us! Have one on the shelf from past years? Bring it!

We are building cars in the Gym Sunday 1/26 after late service. Cars are ~ \$5/ a piece.

Race day is planned for Saturday Feb 8th from 4pm.

Please RSVP if possible so that we can coordinate Food & extra Cars. Please see Tom Norton or Mark Robinson with any questions. Thanks!

Lent / Holy Week Schedule 2020

2/26/2020 – Lent Dinner 5:30pm –

2/26/2020 - Lent Worship – 7pm – Ash Wednesday

3/4/2020 – Lent 12 noon service (lunch following)

3/4/2020 – Lent Dinner 5:30pm – Lent Worship – 7pm

3/11/2020 – Lent 12 noon service (lunch following)

3/11/2020 – Lent Dinner 5:30pm – Lent Worship – 7pm

3/18/2020 – Lent 12 noon service (lunch following)

3/18/2020 – Lent Dinner 5:30pm – Lent Worship – 7pm

3/25/2020 – Lent 12 noon service (lunch following)

3/25/2020 – Lent Dinner 5:30pm – Lent Worship – 7pm

4/1/2020 – Lent 12 noon service (lunch following)

4/1/2020 – Lent Dinner 5:30pm – Lent Worship – 7pm

4/5/2020 – Palm Sunday Worship – 10am

4/9/2020 – Maundy Thursday Worship – 7pm

4/10/2020 – Good Friday Worship – 1pm with Holy Communion and 7pm

4/12/2020 – Easter Sunday Worship – 8:30am and 11am

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