ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WEST POINT, NE
August 1, 2021

FROM THE ELDERS:
July 30, 2021

Rev. Jason Hoerth has declined our call to be our Pastor here at St. Paul. The call committee will continue the call process. A voter's meeting will be scheduled when the committee is prepared to present another candidate. Please watch for further updates and keep the committee, St. Paul congregation and this process in your prayers.

Bible Class is held Sundays at 9:15 am in the church sanctuary, led by Justin Miller.
No Coffee and Fellowship at this time. It will be held again at a later date.

Worship services are held Sunday mornings at 10:30 am. Holy Communion is the First and Third Sundays of the month**.**
Services are on the projection screens only. Hymnals and Fellowship pads have been returned to the pews. We ask that you sign the pad and pass it to others in your pew as you greet them. Anyone wishing to be contacted by the pastor, or join our congregation is asked to supply their contact information.
At this time, we have removed our COVID recommendations. If you are uncomfortable worshiping in person, we welcome you to continue to view our services on our website, facebook, and the West Point cable channel 11 (Monday Mornings at 10 am).

Pew pads have been cleaned and returned to the pews. To keep these looking nice, *we ask that you refrain from bringing food or drink into the church sanctuary (with the exception of baby bottles or dry cereal snacks for young children.)*

We are celebrating St. Paul's 150th anniversary this year, in combination with Oktoberfest, Sunday, October 3, at the Nielsen Center. Volunteers are urgently needed to help plan this celebration. Please contact the church office or Larry Abrahams if you are willing to help.

A Beacon Message is sent out in case of changes to our worship services. If you do not receive the Beacon messages, please call the church office to have your cell phone number and/or email added to the list.
An e-mail bulletin is available. If you have not received this, please call the church office to update your email address.

I will say to the LORD
"My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."
Psalm 91:2 (ESV)

God Bless you all,
St. Paul Board of Elders
Larry Abrahams, Mark Groth, DJ Weddle, David Hughes, Chris Schiller, Mark Johnson

It's a blessing to be able to watch the service online, on our website and You Tube. Offerings are used to help make this online service possible and to continue the work of the church and school. If you cannot worship in person, please continue to give your tithes and offerings, that we can continue the work of spreading the Good News of the Gospel.
Offerings can be mailed to St. Paul Lutheran Church, 434 N. Lincoln St., West Point, NE 68788. dropped off in the mailbox at the south door of the church, or use "*Simply Giving".* Thank You.

"SIMPLY GIVING": your offerings go directly from your bank account to our St. Paul Lutheran Church and School account. Please call the church office to set this up. Have your bank account number and routing number when you call. Your donations can be given weekly, monthly, or bi-monthly, and you will receive a giving statement.
Thank You to those who have continued to support the church and school with offerings, and to those who have generously given extra during this time.

Services at St. Paul Lutheran Church
Sundays, 10:30 am.
Holy Communion is the First and Third Sundays of the month.

Our Sunday Service,
airs each week on Monday morning,
10 am, on cable channel 11.

Due to time restrictions, the broadcast Sunday mornings at 11:30 am on KTIC FM 107.9 and AM840 is the service from the previous week.

Our service is shown online on our website:
www.stpaulwp.org

BROADCASTS ON
AM 840 and FM 107.9
The Lutheran Hour, Sundays at 11 am.
St. Paul Broadcast, Sundays at 11:30 am.

This week's Lutheran Hour Broadcast
and St. Paul Broadcast
are given to the Glory of God.

To Sponsor a Lutheran Hour or St. Paul radio broadcast
Please contact the church office at 402-372-2111.
Cost is $40 per broadcast.

Daily Chapel:
each morning at approximately 9:45 am
on AM 840 and 11:50 am on FM 107.9.
Cost is $81 per week. Please make checks payable to Daily Chapel.
Checks may be sent to St. Paul Lutheran Church office.

“THE LUTHERAN HOUR”
August 1
"Blowing in the Wind"
Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus
"Archives August" begins with a classic message from Pastor Ken Klaus
in which he contrasts popularly-held urban legends
with the unchanging truth of God's Word.
(Ephesians 4:14-16)

“THE LUTHERAN HOUR”
August 8
"Seeing The Savior Sore"
Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer
"Archives August".
Jesus got upset when religious people
got in the way of those He wanted to reach.
(Ephesians 4:26)

“THE LUTHERAN HOUR”
August 15
"A Sunny Place for Shady People"
Guest Speaker: Dr. Oswald Hoffmann "Archives August".
The life of a notorious saint shows how the grace of God
makes the Church a sunny place for shady people.
(Ephesians 5:8)

Children’s Church is held the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Following the Apostle’s Creed, children ages 3 through 6th grade are invited to the church basement for Bible lessons and activities.

Needed: Men and women help with funeral lunches. Duties include calling or accepting calls (from those donating salads and desserts), making coffee, serving food, and clean up. Please contact the church office to have your name put on the list of volunteers. Thank You.

Volunteers needed to help with School Clean Up, Thursday, August 5, 6:00 to 8:30 pm. Hot dogs served at 6 pm, help clean up inside and outside of the school (pull weeds, general overall cleaning inside, etc.) and swimming at the West Point pool follows. Everyone is invited to help.

Register Now! St. Paul Lutheran School. 402-372-2355.
2021-2022 school year begins Tuesday, August 17.

Applications are being accepted for Kingdom Kids helpers. Kingdom Kids is held during the school year, 3:30 to 6 pm after school. Contact Miranda Evert at 402-372-7540 for an application.

Donations are being accepted in the church office for the purchase of Village Pie Maker pies for the fair stand. Pies are $10 each. Volunteers are needed to help bake the pies, beginning, Wed. August 11. To help, please contact the church office at 402-372-2111 or email stpaulwp@q.com. Homemade pies are also accepted during the fair.

St. Paul Lutheran School 4 person Golf Scramble: Sunday, August 29 at Indian Trails. Men's-Women's-Mixed Flights. 10:15 am registration, 11 am shotgun start. Entry Fee: $200 per team/$50 per player. Cart rental is extra. Fee includes lunch, supper 18 holes golf, free range balls, pin prizes, flight prizes. Contact Monte Haase (402-380-1308, mjhaase@hotmail.com) or Rebecca Weborg (402-922-1393, stpaulgolfwp@gmail.com) to register. Proceeds benefit St. Paul Lutheran School scholarship fund, assist with technology updates, and help provide a Christian education for grades Prescyhool-8th grade.

Please help support our St. Paul Ministries by working a shift in the fair stand if possible. Sign up online, on the sheets at the back of church, or call the church office. Thanks for your support.

BECOME A TUITION ANGEL

The Tuition Angel program gathers funds to help parents who desire a Christian education for their children, but struggle to afford it. You can help a family with all or some of their tuition costs. Though tuition rates are below the actual cost to educate a student, for many middle and low income families, that amount is out of reach. You can help with a one time donation, or monthly donation in whatever amount you choose. Please call the school office at 372-2355 to learn more.

Missionary Support: To financially support Jana Inglehart (Dominican Republic) or Ruth Maita(pronounced Ma-th-ia) (Puerto Rico) donations can be sent to Mission Central, 40718 Hwy E 16, Mapleton, IA 51034. Designate name in the memo line.
To support Josh Lange & family, (Asia) donations can be sent to Mission of Christ Network, PO Box 533 Concordia, MO 64020. Designate name in the memo line.

Giving a Cup of Cold Water

During Jesus' last three years on earth, He spent much time nourishing and teaching His disciples. Only when they were prepared to go out into the world to preach, teach, and heal did He send them. Leaving without provisions, the disciples were totally dependent upon those whom the Lord would send them for their support. The disciples relied upon the power of the Gospel to move the hearts of their listeners who would willingly provide for their needs. They were to travel light and trust in the Lord.

In Matthew 6:40-42 Jesus, referring to His disciples, said, *"He who receives you receives Me, and he who receives Me receives the One who sent Me. Anyone who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and anyone who receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man's reward. And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is My disciple, I tell you the truth, he will certainly not lose his reward."* Jesus told His disciples that whoever gives to you is also giving to Him. Although support today doesn't fund the work of the 12 original disciples, we assist the spreading of the Gospel by supporting today's disciples and missionaries around the world. As we provide for church workers locally and abroad in the name of Jesus, we are serving the Lord Himself.

As we express our Christian faith through our giving and serving, God is pleased. God notices every act of compassion and kindness that we express. In the verse above, He refers to even the simple gesture of giving a cup of cold water to a thirsty person. Through our faith, we are empowered to do acts of service. When we act in response to the Lord and not for recognition, God will bless us. Having already been assured of salvation by God's grace through faith, blessings such as peace, contentment, patience, and hope are added rewards.

Only a small number of people make their living as full-time church workers, but we all are given the privilege and opportunity to be Christ's ambassadors. May God bless us all as we work to further His kingdom.

E-MAIL BULLETIN AVAILABLE.

If you have not received this, please call the church office and update your email address.
402-372-2111

If you have not signed up to be included in our Church and/or School Messaging system, please call the church office at 402-372-2111. With your cell phone number and/or email, we can keep you updated on cancellations, Church or School events and special messages.

AMAZON SMILE: St. Paul Church and School can benefit from your online Amazon Shopping. Amazon donates a percentage of each order directly back to the Charity YOU choose to Support. Go to: **Smile.amazon.com**—Select—**St Paul Church and School** (West Point, NE 68788) This can be done from both the App or Online.

Please Save: Best Choice bar codes, and Pizza Ranch Wagon Wheels for St. Paul Lutheran School.

Download the Box Top App, choose our school, city & state, snap a pic of your receipt and Done!

Use your time and talents! Be a Lector, Video Tech, Audio Tech or Projectionist for our worship services, or serve as a Wedding Coordinator for weddings. Training is provided. Contact the church office at 372-2111.