



JUNE

St. Paul News

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Spending Your Summer with Jesus

By Pastor Neil Wehmas

Well, the summer is here, and it is in full swing. School is out. The weather is nicer. People are traveling around the country. With a schedule full of happenings and activities, it can be difficult to keep connected to one's faith. So, here are a few tips for keeping your spiritual disciplines going.

- 1) Of course, attend worship. This month, we are moving our evening worship services to Sunday. This will give many of you a chance to attend worship, and still spend much of the weekend at the lakes or elsewhere.
In the event you are unable to attend church here, find a church nearby. Visit www.lcms.org/ and use the "Find a Church" tab under "locators". You will hopefully be able to find a church within your area.
- 2) Read your Bible, perhaps you might make use of a good devotional. You might consider downloading the "InPrayer" app by CPH from the app store. It offers a digital subscription to Portals of Prayer and Treasury of Daily Prayer.
While you are sitting on the beach, eating breakfast, or another time of your day, take that time to be in the word. Let it form you and shape you.
- 3) Listen to or read a good book. Here at St. Paul, we are regularly advertising books of the month. The book of the month for June is "The Magician's Nephew". It is the first part of the Chronicles of Narnia series. There are many other excellent books out there to dig into, and learn and grow in one's faith.
- 4) Listen to a good podcast or find a good YouTube channel. Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller has a great series on YouTube answering and talking about questions of the faith. Issues Etc. is a great podcast for growing in the faith as well. KFUEO also has a great collection of podcasts.
- 5) Listen to some good Christian music (even sing them on your own). Whether that be a good popular Christian music radio station, or if you are looking for hymns "Lutheran Public Radio" has sacred music playing 24-hours a day.
- 6) Find a Bible Study or a group to study the Bible. Whether this be at church or elsewhere. Find a community with whom you can grow on a more personal level.
- 7) If you have kids, consider sending them to Camp. Camp Okoboji, Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca, Camp Luther, and Camp Omega are all within 5-hours of Ida Grove. They can have fun, and grow in their faith.

The summer can be hectic. While we may take many vacations from work and school, do not take a vacation from your faith. Remain connected to God's word and have a most blessed summer.

CHURCH NEWS



STARTING IN JUNE
Sunday Schedule
Worship @9:00am & 5:00pm
No Saturday Service



COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS for June is personal care items: **bathsoap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo and conditioner, etc.**, You can place your donation in the shopping cart in the Narthex. All items are appreciated as well, as they can always use donations. The Community Basket is open on Thursdays (except 3rd Thursday), from 2:30-5:30PM. **The mobile food pantry will be on June 20 from 4:30-5:30PM, at the United Methodist Church in Holstein.**

CHRIST & CINEMA (Movie Night) on Wednesday nights is still on hold til we get our system that goes to the projectors fixed. We will keep you posted and watch the weekly bulletin for more details.

HOSPITALIZATION REMINDER : if you are admitted to any hospital please let us know or have a family member or a friend let Pastor Neil or the church office know, so we know you are there to visit, or would just want prayers from Pastor.

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP Coffee & Fellowship on Sunday mornings is now on summer break until September.

WEDNESDAY EARLY MORNING BIBLE CLASS meets at 7:00AM Zimmy's

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS meets from 9:30-10:30AM in the Conference Room in the lower level.

THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY: MORE THAN BREAD BIBLE STUDY AT SUBWAY is on summer break until September.

SUNDAY MORNING HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH in the youth room from 10:15AM

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASS join us in the Fellowship Hall 10:15AM



LWML LADIES BIBLE STUDY FOR JUNE

RUTH (2) will meet on June 6 at Zimmy's at noon and meet at the church for Bible Study at 1:00PM.. Linda will be BSL. We had 10 present for our May meeting.

LOIS (3) will meet on June 6 in the Conference Room at 1:30PM. Mary will be BSL and Marilyn will be hostess. We had 8 present for our May meeting.

EUNICE (10) will meet on June 6 at Willowdale Nursing Home, Battle Creek at 3:00PM. Joan will be hostess and Karen will be BSL. We had 4 members present for our May meeting

JOHANNA(12) will meet on June 6 at 6:30PM, at Marlene Zobel's home. Cecile will be BSL. We had 6 present for our May meeting. ** please note location change**

LWML MITEBOX CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2024

At the November 2023 meeting of the LWML Executive Board a decision was made about how the LWML Mite box contributions for 2024 would be distributed.

The Executive Board decided to designate the funds from each quarter would go to the National LWML Mission projects and local mission projects in our community. The distribution of each quarter's funds will be one-fourth to the National LWML Missions and three-fourths of each quarter's contributions would go to local missions.

For 2024 the local mission distribution will be as follows:

1st Quarter will be supporting the Ida Grove Ambulance

2nd Quarter will be supporting the Community Basket

3rd Quarter will be supporting the Ida Grove Fire Department

4th Quarter will be supporting the Ida Grove Orphan Grain Train

Your coins will make a difference on the national level as well as in Ida Grove in 2024! Please drop your coins in the large Mite Box located in the Narthex whenever you visit our church!





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Birthdays

June 2 Jackie Zobel
 June 4 Jaxson Bogue
 Trisha Hoffman
 June 7 Billy Carnine
 June 10 LaJune Godbersen
 Aleece Hoffman
 June 11 Sam Devitt
 Dylan Ehrig
 Charlie Lockwood
 June 12 Emersyn Carnine
 Dillon Osborn
 June 15 Caleb Reitz
 Ethan Reitz
 June 19 Gracelyn Miesner
 Kevin Zobel

June 21 Lincoln Carnine
 June 22 April Reitz
 Jason Schable
 June 23 Brent Christiansen
 Butch Ehrig
 Jared Iversen
 Rod Schneider
 June 24 Olivia Devitt
 Bernie Krager
 Gayleen Lovett
 Janice Nelson
 June 26 Troy Bennigsdorf
 Jerry Wiertsema
 June 27 Margaret Greenwald
 Jack Miller-West
 Barbara Wessel
 June 28 Evan Larsen
 June 29 Taylor Schable
 June 30 Whitney Johnson
 Ron Thies



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Anniversaries

June 1 Christopher and Lindsey Straus
 June 3 Tony and Ruth Bennett
 Aaron and Jennifer Hoffman
 June 4 Judd and Kim Schreiber
 June 9 Austin and Katey Fritz
 Gailen and Pam Wessel
 June 12 Jeff and Kristy Gilbert
 June 13 Keith and Kelly Hoffman
 June 15 Ric and Janelle Moser
 June 16 Aaron and Melissa Lockwood
 June 17 J.R. and Erica Miller
 June 19 Brian and Lisa Christiansen
 June 21 Dustin and Megan Ackerman
 Alvin and Mary Corbin
 Carl and Ellen Schable
 June 23 Curtis and Haley Miesner
 June 25 Mark and Jaclyn Bogue

 Doug and Mary Clough
 June 26 Bruce and Beverly Godbersen
 Jared and Allyson Iversen
 June 27 John and Renae Brookbank
 Tom and Kristi German
 June 28 John and Janet Brinkman
 June 30 Dan and Jackie Hoffman
 Verdean and Linda Kruse



HYMN SING SUNDAYS "Every second Sunday of the month, we will sing some of your favorite hymns. Put your choices for hymns to sing in the box in the Narthex, and they will be used as part of the worship services during the second Sunday of the month."

ASK THE PASTOR – LAST SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH"Have questions to ask Pastor Wehmas? He will attempt answer a few questions as part of the services, during the last Sunday of the month. Submit your questions in the box in the Narthex."

UPDATING INFORMATION: we always ask to update our records with any new addresses, even if its been within 6 months – year, any changes in phone numbers, etc.to make sure we have all correct information of birthdates and anniversaries. Also if you would not like your birthday or anniversary publicized in the weekly bulletin or the monthly newsletter please let the church office know. stpaulidagrove@gmail.com or 712-364-2918

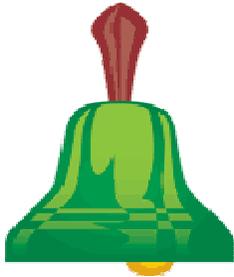
MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS AND CALENDAR are always available to be picked up at the church in the narthex. If you would like to view online our website is www.stpaulig.org If you would like it emailed to you please contact the church office, email us or fill out the “update our information form” Copies of the form to update information is available on the Welcome center and can be placed in the wooden offering box

DON'T BE ROOT – BOUND

As a new gardener, Jan Riggerbach used to treat bedding plants with extreme care, setting them into soil without disturbing the roots. Eventually she learned that rough — even ruthless — treatment is better in the long run.

“If the plant has been growing in its pot so long that the roots are circling the bottom, I jab my finger into the bottom of the soil and pull down to untangle the roots,” Riggerbach wrote in her gardening column. “If the whole pot is filled with circling roots, I have to be merciless. I don’t worry if I break some of the roots. That’s better than allowing the roots to continue to circle when the plants are growing in the garden.”

In the same way, it’s easy to grow complacent and inward-focused in our walk with God. But bunched-up roots can’t reach out for sustenance. So for maximum faith growth, dare to let God shake you up from time to time!



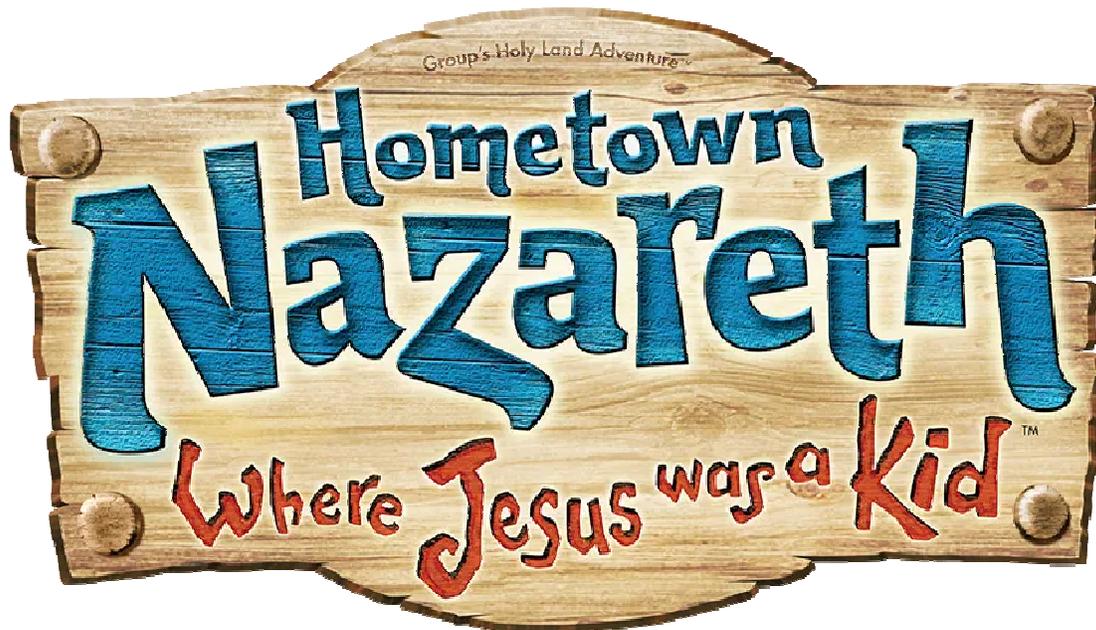
CHRISTIAN SYMBOL

BELL — A bell symbolizes the call to worship, reflected in the ringing of bells in many churches to announce or open a service. A bell also symbolizes the proclamation of the Gospel to the world: hence, the ringing of church bells at the close of some services as worshipers depart to spread Christ’s good news in their daily lives.



A PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

Dear heavenly Father, we come as your children to praise you for putting us in our family — and in our church family. Thank you for the love and nourishment we receive from the people in whose presence you’ve placed us. We confess our need for your guidance in our families and congregation. Please grant us harmony in our homes and church body. In all situations, help us show love, patience and respect for one another. In your name we pray. Amen.



VBS

June 17-20, 2024 10:00AM-12:00PM

St. Paul Lutheran Church

100 7th St. Ida Grove

Completed

4 year old preschool - 5th grades

Registration QR code below

