

## **St. Paul Evangelical (Gospel Centered) Lutheran Church**

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS)

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### **WE WELCOME YOU IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST!**

Thank you for worshiping with us today. We pray that the Word of God you hear draws you closer to your Savior. Please sign our guest register (located in the entryway) and join us again. If you would like more information about our church please ask to speak to an elder or the pastor after the service. If you need a hearing device, please ask the greeter for assistance.

*\*\*We ask that you please silence your cell phone prior to the service\*\**

### **Easter Festival, April 1, 2018**

**Focus:** Christ is risen! Hallelujah!

**Liturgy:** Page 26, Service of Word and Sacrament

**Psalm:** 118, page 108 in the front of the hymnal

**Hymns:** 157, 156, 152 and 149 (NOTE: the SS children will sing in place of O Lord, Our Lord on page 28 in the front of the hymnal. Also, Ashley Gunderson will sing verses 4, 5 & 6 of hymn 152; the congregation will sing verses 1, 2, 3, 7 & 8)

**Offering Hymn:** 154 v 5

**Scripture Lessons:** Isaiah 25: 6-9; 1 Corinthians 15: 19-26; John 20: 1-18

**Today's Message:** John 20: 1-18

**Sermon Theme:** Only Jesus Can Roll Away Stones

Our visitors will be relieved to know that we do not wish to impose our beliefs on you. The Lord's Supper is intended only for those who have been instructed and believe what Scripture teaches us about it and who have expressed their full agreement with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod and our congregation. This is the Godly and Scriptural practice called "Close Communion". As you have not had the opportunity to publicly express your fellowship with us, please observe our Communion practice and speak with the Pastor if you wish to receive this Sacrament. We'd be glad to help you come to appreciate a "close" relationship with your Lord, with us, and with our synod.

- **Organist:** Thank you to Doreen Romadka
- **Last Week's Attendance:** Worship 50; Sunday School 6; Bible Study 5;
- **In our prayers:** Rebecca Cryan, Carol Luft, Marsha Graf, Bob Jacobs, Rev. John Zickuhr

### **News and Announcements**

- ❖ **Worship: 9:00 am; Sunday School: 10:15 am**
- ❖ **Thank you to the Sunday School and to Ashley and Riley Gunderson for their special music during our service this morning!**
- ❖ **A call has been extended to Rev. Paul Micheel, currently serving Holy Cross Lutheran Church of Daggett, MI and St. Mark Lutheran Church of Wallace, MI. Please continue to keep Rev. Micheel in your prayers as he deliberates on our call as well as the call to his current congregations.**
- ❖ **Thank you for helping to beautify our church for our Easter celebration. Please take them home with you today.**
- ❖ **Pastor Lon Kuether from Zion Lutheran Church in Crete has agreed to be our vacancy pastor. In case of an emergency he can be reached at 708-672-8171 or email at [pastorkuether@zioncrete.org](mailto:pastorkuether@zioncrete.org).**
- ❖ **Copies of the April Forward in Christ are available in the narthex**
- ❖ **Our 1<sup>st</sup> fellowship event will be "rock painting" on Apr. 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Please join in the fun!**
- ❖ **The 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our church is next year and planning needs to begin this year for a successful celebration. If you would like to be on the planning committee of this important event, please sign up on the table in the narthex.**
- ❖ **If you would like to keep in touch with Pastor & Mrs. Kuschel, their address is 8851 S. Chesapeake Ct., Oak Creek, WI 53154 and their phone number is 414-571-7144.**
- ❖ **The LWMS Chicago Area Circuit 2018 Spring Rally will be held on Sat. April 14, 2018 at Resurrection Lutheran Church in Aurora, IL. This year's theme will be "Gospel in God's Garden". For more information, please see the sign posted on the bulletin board in the narthex.**