

The St. Paul Lutheran News

St. Paul Lutheran Church is called to be an Inviting, Christ Centered Spiritually Growing and Community Serving Church where we are led by love to implement Jesus' teachings.

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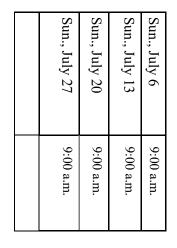


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JULY Worship Schedule

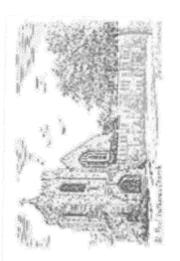


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Church Office Hours

St. Paul Lutheran Church 617 St. Lawrence Avenue Beloit, WI 53511



JULY 2025 ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

In-Person & Online Worship

Livestreaming worship with St. Paul available on Facebook & YouTube

SUNDAY	Mon	Tue	WED	THU	Fri	Sat
		1 5:30 p.m- Worship & Music Meeting	2 Noon-Soup Lunch	3	4 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	5
6 9:00 a.m. Worship- In Person & Online Coffee Hour Immediately following 11:00 a.m. Worship at San	7 1:00 p.m- Ruth Circle 7:00-8:45 p.m Boy Scouts	8	9 Noon-Soup Lunch 5:30 p.m Council Meeting	10	11	12
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20 9:00 a.m. Worship -In Person & Online Coffee Hour immediately following 11:00 a.m. Worship at San José	21 6:30-Women's Bible Study 7:00-8:45 p.m Boy Scouts	22	23 Noon– Soup Lunch	24 Noon-OWLS	25	26
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St. Paul Lutheran Church JULY Celebrations!

<u>BIRTHDAYS</u>

Xander Murry 7/1
David Frank 7/3
Sammi Crall 7/4
Audrey Winchester 7/5
Cameron Bland 7/10
Dick Spreitzer 7/10
Gerald Nicholson 7/19
Marge Kline 7/21
Charlie Hallmark 7/23
Jim Leppla 7/24
Konner Giddley 7/28



<u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>

Paul Weeden 7/29

Rick and Charlie Hallmark 7/3 Martha and Greg Stolze 7/9 Jamie and Arthur Gurholt 7/20 Jen and Chad Murry 7/22





Thank You.

Rog and I had great help in getting our dead trees back to Home Depot and getting a truck load of new healthy new ones! Many thanks to Rick and Charlie for transporting them to Home Depot and getting new ones. Also, Thanks to Zac and Nick Filbach for coming with shovels to dig nice large holes for replanting and to Chad Baker from T.E.A.M. Tree Service for replanting. Great Team work St. Paul.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Martha Stolze is re-forming the Personnel Committee. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please reach out to Martha at mastolze1465@gmail.com or at 630-827-9409. Thanks in advance for considering serving in this way.

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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.



Dear Church,

On Pentecost, I introduced a summer theme to *Slow Down and Rest Up*. We need to rest in the Spirit so that her holy wisdom seeps deep into our souls. How are you doing with this? I want to hear from you about your experiences of *slowing down and resting up*. I'd also love to receive photos of the flame or prayer card you received on Pentecost "in the wild."

Slowing down and resting up is challenging for me, too. Like you, I have a work ethic that calls for commitment and showing up and so I struggle to limit myself to do what I'm able instead of doing everything. As your Bridge Pastor, I serve you part time at St. Paul. Part time pastoring is new for me but God is growing me because of it. I'm learning things about keeping boundaries that will serve me for a lifetime.

Being a part-time Pastor means that I'm not fulltime during the week nor am I full time as your worship leader. I will lead worship at St. Paul three out of four Sundays per month. The Council will arrange other worship leaders in my absence, which will be the second Sunday of the month.

Honestly, this is hard for me to do. I know you'd gladly have me every Sunday, but I need to learn to keep the boundaries of what I am able to do. Therefore, I'm slowing down and resting up.

See? I told you God was growing me. I'm thankful for it, too.

With the love of Jesus, Pastor Amy

2024 Caritas Summary

Caritas measures the community impact of our services by maintaining a database of the number of households served daily. We also know the ages of every individual served.

In 2024 we know the following:

- -2.229 different households were served
- -5,359 different individuals were served
 - -1,380 were children
- -120 Unhoused High School students were served
- -About 600,000 pounds of food were distributed
- -Based on the U.S. Census Bureau, of the number of households in Beloit and the Beloit Township,
- Caritas served almost one in ten households in 2024. Consider the impact if Caritas didn't exist in our community. The consequences would be painful.

In 2024, Caritas did serve more people and households than in 2023 due to the following conditions:
-Inflation

Increases from 2023:

- -13% for different households served
- -10.5% for number of different individuals served
- -20% in the amount of food distributed
 - -This was good news for our neighbors

Additional information:

- -13,216 visits to Caritas
 - -Each household received an average of 45.4 pounds of food per visit
- -On a monthly basis
 - -From January to December there was a 25% increase in the number of households served
 - -During the same period visits increased 31%

2025 in an unknown, and yet Caritas is here to provide improved food security for many.

If you have any questions, please call Max at 608-362-4403

Newsletter

Just a note to remind everyone that the deadline to submit items for the March newsletter is Friday, July 18th.

Thank you and God's Blessings.



The Church Office will be closed Friday, July 4th in observance Of Independence Day! Happy 4th of July!!!! God's Blessings.

PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Terry (Billie Kenitzer's brother);

Chuck F.; Axel A.; Carol M.; Michelle C.; Marge K.; Marilyn F.;

Patricia E.; Will S.; Kathy P.; Anne S.; Colin C.; Patrick S.; Linda M.; Amber V. (Judelle & Ray Murphy's daughter);

Kristina (Pat Baker's granddaughter); **Ray O.** (Chet Organ's brother); **Juelane** (Mark Mueller's sister);

Kyle & Kim R. (Marge Kline's grandson & his wife);

Craig (Chet Organ's nieces' fiancé); Charlie H.;

Jeanette and Carl B.; Sheri H.; The Neitzel family;

all those who have been affected by COVID-19 and other illnesses; all those affected by the violence in our nation and around the world. all those who seek shelter; and friends and family in the military.

Please let us know if you have any additions to or removals from the prayer list.





SOUP LUNCH

Soup Lunch attendance for the month of <u>June</u> was 252.

Please mark any financial donations for "Soup Lunch." We are also in need of gas station and food gift cards (Subway, McDonald's, etc.).

You can **help support our Soup Lunch ministry** by mailing your donations to:

St. Paul Lutheran Church, 617 St. Lawrence Ave., Beloit, WI 53511 or by going to: https://tithe.ly/give?c=531526





SOUP LUNCH BUNCH

Thank you to all our volunteers and donations of food that serve our community each week! We couldn't do it with out you!







DESIGNATED MISSION OUTREACH

JULY LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES

LSS remains on the front lines of addressing the well-being of vulnerable populations, including homeless individuals, the elderly, children and adults living with mental illness or active drug and alcohol addiction and more.

LSS provides a strong support system, treatment services, intensive counseling and home health visits on a daily basis. Without the staff and the services they provide, the impact can be life-threatening.

MINISTERS OF WORSHIP - JULY

Date	Time	Council	Assisting Minister	Reader	Communion Assistant	Tech / Livestream	PowerPoint
6	9:00 a.m	Jean Neitzel	Sharyn Pann	Jean Neitzel	Jackie Ueland	Murry Hughes-	Ken Harris
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13 <i>C</i>	9:00 a.m. OFFEE HOU	Ken Harris R SPONSORED B	Marilyn Harris Y: SOUP LUNC	Carole Spreitzer TH; Welcoming	Glenda Liptow COMMITTEE: DAY	Murry- Hughes	Jan Knutson KIE UELAND
20	9:00 a.m.	Jane Carr	Jean Neitzel	Melanie Schneider	Karen Moe	Hughes- Murry Team	Chuck Hughes
Coffee Hour Sponsored by: CHET & DENISE ORGAN; Welcoming Committee: Chet Organ/Sharyn Pann							
27	9:00 a.m.	Martha Stolze	Jane Carr	Carol Josh	Sharyn Pann	Hughes- Murry	Ken Harris
Coffee Hour Sponsored by: KEN & MARILYN HARRIS; Welcoming Committee: ROGER NEITZEL/CAROLE SPREITZER							
ALTAR GUILD: Kathy Pohl, Donna Blum or Denise Organ							

Want to connect with Pastor Amy? You can reach her at revamythegood@gmail.com. She's here two days a week: always in Wednesday + a floating day.

JULY Soup Lunch Menu

- 2-Lasagna Soup
- 9– Scalloped Potatoes with Ham
- 16- Tomato Bisque
- 23 Chili
- 30– Chicken Noodle Soup



Remember Caritas when you are out and about shopping.

God's Blessings to all!

Action Plan Meeting

An action plan meeting has been scheduled. This is a continuation of the Listening session we had with the Synod and San Jose back in December. Pastor Walter from our Synod will be leading this meeting. The meeting will be held on Thursday, July 17 at 6:00p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please plan on attending to support our neighbors and keep in prayer all whom these decisions of our nation affect. God's Peace.

Let's have a Summer of Giving

We are resurrecting the Loose Change Jar after receiving suggestions by several congregation members to help support our Care Closet Program.

The Care Closet provides things such as McDonalds food cards, gas cards and bus passes. We also partner with the "Youth2Youth 4 Change" that routinely donates sleeping bags, tents, laundry packets and personal care items.

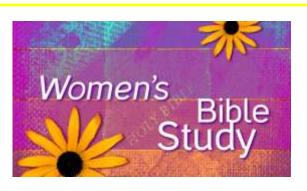
People in our community have fallen on hard times and many of the things in our care closet are given out regularly. We record all the items that we give out by name of the person, and we limit the number that each person can receive to make it fair for everybody.

We are re-starting the **Sunday Loose Change Jar** program in June to run for the summer. Look for the container in the back of church. We are happy to help you recycle your loose change each week.

Jan Knutson, Kathy Pohl, and Donna Blum

St. Paul Lutheran Church Council Members

President	Jean Neitzel	608-362-8324	
Vice-President	Chet Organ	608-751-8020	
Secretary	Jane Carr	608-436-0868	
Treasurer	Ken Harris	608-365-6871	
Worship	Melanie Schneider	608-436-6336	
FAITH Formation	Tori Carr	608-436-9397	
	Martha Stolze		



"CHOSEN" video series and discussion is the ongoing topic at this time.

Monday, July 21, 6:30-8:00 p.m. We meet in Michael's Chapel.

ALL ARE
WELCOME!
Reach out to
Katie Hassenfelt
for more info.