

**THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S**  
**April 6-12**

**Sunday**

**Exodus 12 (Daily Bible Reading)**

**Judges 6-8 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

**9:00am Worship Service**

10:30am Adult Bible Study – Meeting Room/Bible Basics-Education Bldg

10:30am Sunday School/Confirmation/High School & Beyond-Education Bldg

11:45am Rejoicing Ringers Practice

**Monday**

**John 19 (Daily Bible Reading)**

**Judges 9-10 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

12:30pm Prayer Shawl

**Tuesday**

**Revelation 22 (Daily Bible Reading)**

**Judges 11-12 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

Noon Ladies Aid

2:00pm Sunrise Service

6:00pm Grief Share

6:00pm Adult Handbell

7:00pm Sr Choir

**Wednesday**

**Revelation 12 (Daily Bible Reading)**

**Judges 13-16 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

9:30am Bible Study

**11:00am Midweek Lent Service w/lunch to follow**

7:00pm Midweek Lent Bible Study

**Thursday**

**Isaiah 53 (Daily Bible Reading)**

**Judges 17-19 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

8:30am-Noon SSHS (FH)

9:00am Quilting

7:00pm Council Meeting

**Friday**

**John 20 (Daily Bible Reading)**

**Judges 20-21 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

Noon 4-H Meets

**Saturday**

**Psalms 99 (Daily Bible Reading)**

**Ruth 1-2 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

7:00am Men's Bible Study – The Titus Ten

8:30-11:00am Food Pantry



# **ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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***“Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it!” Luke 11:28***

## **THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT STEPHEN MINISTRY SUNDAY**

**Sunday, April 6, 2025**

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Old Testament Reading     Isaiah 43:16-21   p.768

Epistle Reading             Philippians 3:4-14   p.1249

Holy Gospel Reading        Luke 20:9-20   p.1118

**Altar Flowers** are given in thanks and praise to God.

### **SERVING THIS WEEK**

Elder – George Kraus

Acolyte – Savannah Golf

Ushers- Randy & Kathy Dahlman

Pianist – Carol Schoeling

Praise Team - Jim McEnroe, Cheryl Ruger, Kathy & Don Smith,  
Matt Schulz & Pete Whalen

Tech Team – Mitch Troester, Paul & Logan Szymanski & Jack Fleming

Altar Guild – Judy Johnson & Angie Lyke

Offerings Counters – Joan Mohler & Dennis Schmeckpeper

Sacred Grounds Hosts – The Troester Family

**Ladies Aid- Women in Mission** - please join us **Tuesday, April 8th at noon** in the narthex. Please bring an appetizer to share.

**Lent Midweek Worship & Bible Study – Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> Worship at 11:00am** (in person & Livestream) with a lunch after the service at Noon and Bible Study at 7:00pm (in person & on Zoom). Our theme is *"Return to the Lord –Return to the Kingdom of God"* and corresponds with the Adult Lenten Devotions. You can find the service at any time by going to our St. Paul Facebook page.

**College Ministry** - We will be hosting **our last adoption event for the school year next Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>**. You can support this ministry through the "Other" line on your offering envelope, to help cover the cost of materials, treats, and postage.

**Adult Handbell & Senior Choir practice for Easter are on Tuesdays.** Adult Handbell practice is at 6:00pm & Sr Choir practice is at 7:00pm. Questions, contact Pam Reinke at 708-334-2550.

**Good Friday Worship Service** – If you would like to be a reader for either the Noon or 7:00pm worship, please sign up on the info table.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **1975-2025 Matteson Historical Society** – Invites you to the 50th Anniversary Open House - Celebrate with us, tour our exhibits and enjoy light refreshments. **Sunday, April 12th from 1:00pm-3:00pm** – Matteson Historical Museum, 813 School Avenue, Matteson IL.
- **Board Game Night – Tuesday, April 15th – 7:00-9:00pm** – Bring your favorite board game. Snacks will be provided
- **Faith & Film Night – Saturday, April 26th at 7:00pm featuring the film “Whiplash”**. It is a fantastic film and should lead to a great discussion, but it does contain some tense situations and abusive language. Check out IMBD for more information on the film.
- **40 Years of Prison Ministry – Deaconess Lori Wilbert - On Sunday, May 4 at 2:00 pm** we will host a celebration of 40 years of prison ministry for Deaconess Lori, who is retiring now. Along with our members, other congregations and individuals who have supported Lori, will be present to hear about Lori's work these past 40 years, as well as stories, pictures and mementos of those years, including our involvement here at St. Paul. We will have refreshments and a time to mingle with Lori and others, along with a short worship service of thanks and praise to God.

**Mary & Ed Schmidtke** would like to thank everyone for all of their cards, prayers and phone calls while they were both recovering. Ed & Mary truly appreciate it.

**Thank you** to all who made noise last Sunday. **\$318.65 was generously collected for St. Matthew’s Church & Soup Kitchen.** That’s a lot of noise!

**Support the Troops** - With Memorial Day soon coming in May, please consider writing some thank you notes, letters or have your children or grandchildren color drawings of thanks to our troops. It would also be great if we could fill the blue bin under the military table with individually wrapped goodies such as: granola bars, crackers, cookies, trail mix, nuts, beef jerky, hard candy, gum, mints, or single drink mix, no chocolate please. Some thank you cards, etc. can be found on the military table for your use. Thank you.

IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS  
THIS WEEK

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St. Paul Matteson – Summit

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Building Fund

Mission

\$8,852

\$577

\$327

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Discretionary Fund-\$25; Scholarship Fund-\$225; St Matthews-\$95; Troops Care Packages-\$10; Youth Ministries-\$20; St Paul Alaska Mission Trip-\$850; Sacred Grounds-\$55; Quilting-\$40; National Youth Gathering-\$175; Prayer Shawl-\$80; Alaska Mission Trip Fundraiser-Portillo’s-\$100; LCC-\$150; LCMS Mercy Ministry-\$30; Lent-\$1,040; Lent Midweek Meals-\$58

**MARY’S CORNER**

Hello April, April the month of rebirth, regrowth and renewal. A month that means winter has made its way out and beautiful spring will show it face shortly. As God renews the earth why not make April a time to turn over a new leaf and renew your life; to become a more loving and caring person to everyone you know or meet. Enjoy your April!