

St. Paul's Epistle

June 4, 2023

Note From The Pastor



When you read this the girls and I will be in Korea or Japan. I didn't get to see them in Korea because of covid, so they will be my eager tour guides through a country they fell in love with. The added bonus will be a quick flight over to Japan. The hard part of the trip will be the separation from El who understandably doesn't like us to go away for even a short time. She will be in good hands and told she is loved multiple times a day while we are gone.

Trips with family and friends are always fun but it does seem that someone often gets left out. Then when people start to talk about their experience together especially in a foreign land, they may be excited to hear about your experience but wish they were with you on the adventure.

El is a good traveler as long as she is very close to me. Even putting gas in the care is traumatic for her although she can see me through the window.

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Pastor con't.

When the girls were little, Sarah usually sat on the side where the gas cap was and I would play a game while filling up the tank.

I would touch the window with my finger and she would touch the exact spot on the other side. I, of course, would try to trick her by moving my finger quickly to another spot. It was fun.

Rachel was on the other side of the car and missed out on this interaction though I would often try the same maneuver on her side of the car.

We don't always have the same journey but one part of wherever we are is a constant. That is our walk with God. It doesn't matter where on the planet we are standing, at any given moment we are connected by a loving God that says we are special.

For the last couple of years after covid during the benediction we hold hands with no one being alone. That connection is more than symbolic. We are described as on in Christ and we show that by reaching out to those around us. Whether you are home or traveling this summer, know that you are never alone in the journey. Pjh

Special thanks to all who were involved in the making of Batman the Musical so much fun.

Congratulations to Reagan Barnard who will be confirmed on Pentecost.

May Altar Guild

8:30 Chris Heidt
11:00 Donna Wall/Dottie Kraft

Communion Assistants

8:30	11:00
Sherill Martin	Pat Sparks
John Martin	Toni Hadden

Lectors

	8:30	11:00
June 4	Lisa Gnann	Dave Fulton
June 11	Charlie Schafer	???
June 18	Kelley Cale	Becky Truluck
June 25	Bill Wiggins	Chuck McCallar

Volunteers Needed

Altar Guild - help set communion up before both services. If you are interested, please contact Becky Truluck at 912-655-6196.

Lectors/Communion Assistants (8:30 or 11:00) – anyone interested please contact Janet Gnann @ 912-656-5771

Ushers (8:30 or 11:00) – anyone interested please contact Ricky Neville @ (912)355-1601

Acolytes & Crucifers (8:30 or 11:00) – interested youth should contact Debra Barnard at 912-228-0200

Minutes of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church
Congregational Council Meeting of May 18, 2023

Council Members Present: Christian Flathman, Andy Foose, Toni Hadden, Lisa Neville, Pat Sparks, Drew Schwalbe, Mickie Waldhauer, and Bill Wiggins. Also present was Pastor Hartmann. Absent: Chuck McCallar and Donald Martin. Bill Wiggins opened the meeting at 6:02 and Pat Sparks gave the Devotion. April meeting Minutes were approved via email and submitted for Epistle publication.

Pastor's Report: Report attached. Highlights include visitations in homes, hospitals, and nursing homes. Also conducted funeral for Dana Tyson and Martha's sister in Chicago. **Graduates will be recognized on May 21st. Ragan Barnard selected May 28th, Pentecost, for her Rite of Confirmation as she is the only candidate. **Will be in vacation June 5th-16th with girls with Korea and Japan. There will be no Communion on June 11th. **Pastor announced that Batman: The Musical performance will be on Friday June 2nd at 7:00 pm and Sunday, June 4th at 1:00 with a catered lunch.

Director of Music: In Donald's absence Bill reported Choir has completed a robust Easter and Spring. Will maintain robes throughout June and into early July. Choir practice will end Memorial Day weekend and not begin again until August.

Treasurer: Bill reported per Donald's report: To date bank balance of \$21,402 in checking at Bank of America. Church operations savings account after expenditures last month or so for minor repairs, minor organ work, and additional minor church maintenance projects sitting right about \$29,500. **Air-conditioning major maintenance \$84,500 has been paid in full. Still have some miscellaneous Air Conditioning bills for other issues in the church building. Church endowment accounts still 1.26 million unchanged. Of which I am maintaining a \$295,000 reserve cash balance for emergencies. Gymnasium roofing maintenance completed yesterday \$900. **Day Care balances:** operation account \$32,664; savings \$80,203. Daycare attendance is still in the low 70s with additions to come mid to late summer.

Property: Toni Hadden reported that a defibrillator for gym has arrived and will have it installed. A defibrillator will be ordered for Hoffner Hall. Curbing on 31st Street has been repaired.

Social Ministry: Bill thanked Pat Sparks and Mickie Waldhauer for coordinating Sidewalk Tea honoring Mother's after each church service on May 7th. Tea was well attended. **Bill announced that the St Paul's will have a mini VBS for children currently at Safe Shelter on June 27th at 9:00 at Skidaway Island Aquarium with WELCA supporting.

Old Business: Bill reported that a Presbyterian church has donated \$500 to our Food Pantry effort.

New Business: Bill announced that Council would not meet in July.

There being no further Business meeting adjourned at 6:25 P.M with Pastor giving a Prayer. Minutes taken and respectfully submitted by Lisa B. Neville, Secretary



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Where's Robin?" THE MUSICAL

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SUNDAY, JUNE 4TH AT 1PM

CONGREGATIONAL CATERED LUNCH

AT 12:00 PM BY BARNES RESTAURANT

WELCA

The June Circle meeting will be held June 7th at the home of Bill Wiggins. They will meet at Kroger on Diamond Causeway at 5:45 and then travel together to the Wiggins' home where Bill will provide a meal.

WELCA is collecting funds to purchase materials for the quilts and PACK during the months of June and July.

Sympathy

Our Christian love and sympathy are extended the family of Kay Robb who passed away Saturday, May 20th.

Prayer Requests

Our Prayers are requested for: Brett Allen, Kevin Boatright, Ronnie & Delores Boatright, Angie Briggs, Florence Brown, Tom Brown, Jean Camp, Jennifer & Rob Campbell, Virginia Huber, Don Kennedy, Shirley Kennedy, John I. Lanier, Ann Lariscy, George Martin Sr., Joan Martin, Rita Monson, Leonora Reid, Al Schunemann, Kay Sellman, Terry Sheldahl, Isabelle Shearouse, Zoe Shinall, Mary Sikes, Charlie Smith, Marilyn Stemsrud, Barbara & Tim Tyson, John Waldhauer, and Melissa Waller.

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JULY 18TH AT 6PM

**A TUESDAY EVENING BBQ & MUSIC
WITH OUR OWN
SARAH POOLE & RYAN TAITO...**

IN HOFFNER HALL



SPRING & SUMMER EVENTS



MAY 2023

**SUNDAY MAY 7TH ... AFTER
EACH SERVICE
A "SIDEWALK" TEA
HONORING OUR MOTHERS &
DAUGHTERS**

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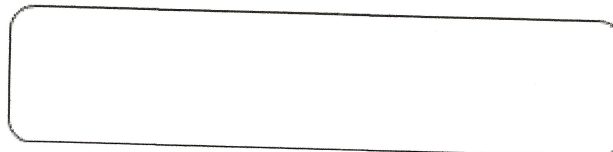
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<u>STATISTICS</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	
04/30/2023	8:30 A	37
	11:00 A	45
05/07/2023	8:30 A	37
	11:00 A	52
05/14/2023	8:30 A	39
	11:00 A	62
05/21/2023	8:30 A	33
	11:00 A	53

<u>STEWARDSHIP</u>	<u>OFFERING</u>	
04/30/2023	Current	\$ 2,139.00
	Invest in St. Paul's	350.00
05/07/2023	Current	\$ 10,964.00
	Invest in St. Paul's	150.00
05/14/2023	Current	\$ 5,131.00
	Invest in St. Paul's	350.00
05/21/2023	Current	\$ 9,267.00
	Invest in St. Paul's	25.00

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June 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Happy Birthday Mary Sykes 6/14 Shirley Boyles 6/27 Shirley Kennedy 6/30				1 9:00 A Work Crew 9:00 A Craft Group	2 7:00 P Holy Cow Batman Musical	3
4 Holy Trinity 8:30 A Holy Communion 9:45 A Sunday School 11:00 A Holy Communion 12:00 P Luncheon 1:00 P Holy Cow Batman Musical	5	6	7 6:00 P Circle #19 @ Bill Wiggins home	8 9:00 A Work Crew 9:00 A Craft Group	9 12:00 Noon Etc./Wayfarers	10 * Articles for the Epistle must be in the Church Office to make the mail-out by the following Wednesday.
11 Pentecost 2 8:30 A Lessons & Hymns 9:45 A Sunday School 11:00 A Lesson & Hymns	12	13	14 10:00 A Bible Study	15 9:00 A Work Crew 9:00 A Craft Group 5:30 P Exec. Comm 6:00 P Church Council	16	17
18 Pentecost 3 8:30 A Holy Communion 9:45 A Sunday School 11:00 A Holy Communion	19	20	21 10:00 A Bible Study	22 9:00 A Work Crew 9:00 A Craft Group	23 *Epistle Deadline	24
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