

## May-June 2021



### Build Your House on Jesus the Rock

Matthew 7:24-25 Anyone who hears and obeys these teachings of mine is like a wise person who built a house on solid rock. Rain poured down, rivers flooded, and winds beat against that house. But it did not fall, because it was built on solid rock.

As I write this letter, the church is undergoing a major renovation. The wall which has been crumbling for the past several years is being rebuilt. It has been demolished and a new two-tier wall is taking

its place. Sidewalks and new steps are included in this renovation. It is amazing to watch this construction. New footings are put in to support the wall. Concrete is being poured for steps. The front of the church is being built on a solid foundation so that rain and flooding will not destroy it.

#### God calls us to build our lives on the solid foundation of Jesus Christ.

To do that we may need to demolish the old crumbling walls of our hearts. We might need to tear down the habits that keep us from being spiritually healthy. Is there bitterness that needs to be uprooted from our hearts. Have we harbored resentments and unforgiveness? Do we get offended easily causing us unnecessary pain? Do we have a critical and judgmental attitude towards others? Has gossip become a way of communication for us? Has hate or racism consumed us? Do we use our tongue to discourage others?

Just as the crumbling wall in front of our church needs to be demolished to make way for a new foundation; each of us needs to take an honest look at our lives and demolish the parts that are destructive. We need to build our lives on Jesus the Rock. Let us build on lives on the scriptural foundation of love, grace, mercy, forgiveness, humility, kindness, goodness and self-control. Pastor Deb Day 2





Day 10

We are so excited to be back worshipping in person. At St. Paul's, we will continue follow CDC Guidelines for inperson worship. Masks are required and are available if you need one. Please make sure your mask covers both your nose and mouth. We will practice social distancing. If you are feeling ill, please stay home.

If you are not yet comfortable with joining us for in-person worship, Zion UCC continues to broadcast their Sunday morning worship service on KCHK radio (www.kchkradio.net, 95.5 FM or 1350 AM) on Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

Our sympathies to the families of Doris Wigand who passed away on Wednesday, March 31st . Services for Doris were held on Saturday, April 3rd. Laura Mediger who passed away on Saturday, April 10th. Services for Laura where held on Friday, April 16th.	Graduates Congratulations to Hailey Ehlers who is graduating this year from Le-Sueur Henderson High School on May 30th. We will honor Hailey during our worship service on that day. We wish Hailey much success in all of her future plans.			
SUNDAY SCHOOL	Vacation			
May 2nd and May 9th will be the final two days of Sunday School. We will be painting flower pots on May 2nd to give to our mothers on Mother's Day. Thank you to Pastor Deb for teaching Sunday School this past year with the help of assistant teacher Sharon Ban.	Pastor Deb will be on vacation starting Monday, May 31st to Tuesday, June 8th. Pastor Deb will be back in the office Wednesday, June 9th. Pastor Diane Goulson will be our guest pastor on Sunday June 6th.			
Easter Sunrise Service Thank you to Jared Graff and Jeff Christ for providing the music for our Easter Sunrise Service. Praise be to God for the talent of these two individuals.	Family members of Joan Heinz have requested money from her memorial be used to purchase new hymnals. Anyone interested in helping look for a new hymnal please contact Pastor Deb.			
Those who Serve: Flower Committee: <u>May/June</u> JoAnne Mar- Ellie Fabel	Sympathy Committee: <u>March, April, May</u> Glenna Fries Lois Dvorak RuthAnn Buck Margaret Ceminsky June/July/August Sharon Ban MaryAnn Tesch			

Lyla Smith JoAnne Martens

#### Spring Brunch

St. Paul's Drive Through Brunch was held on Sunday, March 28th from 10–12.

We want to thank everyone for supporting this annual Spring fundraiser, your generosity was greatly appreciated! Our profit after expenses was \$2,672.06. We served approximately 160 carry outs.

A special thank you to Ellie Fabel for donating the sausages, Tom and LaDonna Bender for securing a \$250 Thrivent Financial donation and Michael Foods of Gaylord for the egg product. HENDERSON AREA FOOD SHARE Drive-by FOOD DISTRIBUTION Sponsored by community members and churches NEED HELP MAKING ENDS MEET? MINNESOTA NEW COUNTRY SCHOOL 210 Main Street, Henderson

> Thursday, May 20th—Centennial Thursday, June 17th—St.Paul's 4:00 pm—till food lasts

Thank you from Sibley County Foodshare for the financial contribution of \$330.00.

St Paul's Women's Guild April 8, 2021

Those in attendance were Lyla Smith, Carol Reiter, Mary Ann Tesch, Linda Duzan Sharon Ban and Ruth Ann Buck.

Carol called the meeting to order, we read Our Purpose.

Carol gave the minutes from our March meeting.

Mary Ann gave the treasurer's report, we have a balance of \$1688.06.

#### **Old Business**

We made up 60 Easter Baskets which were taken to the Sibley County Food Share in Gaylord.

#### **New Business**

It was brought to our attention that some of the Bibles are getting to look ragged, they are paper backed and were bought in 1988. We volunteered to repair them on April 21<sup>st</sup>, at 1:00 PM.

Meeting was adjourned.

Linda presented a very interesting program, one of the readings was What Nationality was Jesus. She also shared some possible tour ideas for the Guild.

Sharon shared an art project that she finds relaxing and has offered to order some kits so that we can work on them at our June meeting. Sounds like a good project

Mary Ann served a very delicious lunch.

Secretary,

Ruth Ann Buck

Our next meeting will be May 6<sup>th</sup> at 2:00, Mary Ann has the program and Pastor Deb is the hostess. See you all there.

### Raffle

Anita Tiegs has generously donated a beautiful quilt to be raffled off as a fund raiser for our church. We will be selling raffle tickets each week at the Classic Car Roll In. We will need 1 to 2 people each week to sell tickets. You can sign up at church. Help support this fund raiser by stopping by and buying raffle tickets!



Minutes from the Church Council meetings and financial reports will be available in the back of the church. If you are unable to pick up a copy please let us know and we can mail a copy to you.

Prayer Corner Hospitalized: Home from the hospital: In Our Prayers: Karla Maurer, Mary Martens, Lucy Reiman, Terri Kroehler, JoAnne Martens, Audrey Glamm, Larry McConnell, Shawn Brenke Homebound: Gaylord Pauline Woehler – Oak Terrace Nursing Home Le Sueur Ed Nye – Ridgeview Le Sueur Nursing Home Carmen Wigand—Oak Terrace Arline Karels—Oak Terrace

At Home Anita Tiegs



Danielle Rice	5/1
Jody Hornaman	5/10
Kayla Champagne	5/11
Jacqueline McConnell	5/11
Chance Wigand	5/12
Carmen Wigand	5/13
Frederick Braun	5/15
Reed Creighton	5/15
Henry Hanna-Dyb	5/15
Roger Pivec	5/18
Eileen Brandt	5/20
Donald Adams	5/23
Andrew Tesch	5/23
Hailey Ehlers	5/25
Amanda Meierbachtol	5/25
MaryAnn Tesch	5/27
Ruth Dvorak	5/29
Cameron Braun	5/31
Ron Schroeder	5/31

## **TECHNOLOGY SURVEY**

During this time of social distancing and confinement we are looking for ways to stay in contact with the members of St. Paul's. Please answer a few questions to help us determine the best options to reach out to you.

- 1. Do you have access to the internet? Yes No
- 2. Do you have email? Yes No
- 3. Would you like to receive weekly email Church News Briefs? Yes No

Email address:

Please return to the church office or email to stpauls1867@outlook.com



Sandi Anderson	6/2
Maxine Petzel	6/2
Owen Fries	6/3
Lyla Smith	6/3
Lois Schroeder	6/4
Philip Champagne	6/10
Lauren Hanna-Dyb	6/10
Hannah Oestreich	6/10
Brooke Hornaman	6/11
Beverly Stueber	6/11
Mandy Pivec	6/15
Don Meierbachtol	6/20
Larry McConnell	6/23
Diane Todnem	6/24
Crystal Fries	6/25
Tim Hornaman	6/27
Abigail Fries	6/28
Larry Von Lehe	6/28

# May 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2 Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m.	3	4	5 Confirmation 6:00 p.m.	6 Women's Guild 2:00 p.m.	7	8
9 Last Day of Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Mothers Day	10	11	12 Confirmation Last Day 6:00 p.m.	13	14	15
16 Worship 9:30 a.m.	17	18 Church Council 6:30 p.m.	19	20 Food Distribution MNCS 4:00 p.m.	21	22
23 Worship 9:30 a.m.	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Worship 9:30 a.m. Graduation Sunday	31 Memorial Day Pastor Deb on Vacation					

# June 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Classic Car Roll In 4:30 Pastor	<b>2</b> Deb	3 Women's Guild 2:00 p.m.	<b>4</b> Vacation	5
6 Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Pastor Diane Goulson Pastor	7 Deb	8 Classic Car Roll In 4:30 Vacation	9	10	11	12
13 Worship Service 9:30 a.m.	14	<b>15</b> Classic Car Roll In 4:30 Church Council 6:30 p.m.	16	17	18	19
20 Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Father's Day	21	22 Classic Car Roll In 4:30	23	24	25	26
27 Worship Service 9:30 a.m.	28	<b>29</b> Classic Car Roll In 4:30	30			

# **2021 Church Council**

President:	Eleanor Hanna-Dyb
Vice President:	Larry Wigand
Secretary:	Sandi Braun Ziemer
Building & Grounds	Marvin Petzel, Daniel Dyb, Jeff Steinborn, Jake Creighton
Worship	Cheri Mattson, Ruth Ann Buck, JoAnne Martens
Membership	Carol Reiter, Tammy Meyer, Sharon Ban
Christian Education	Lynnsay McCormick, Sydnie Graff, Crystal Creighton
Witness & Mission	Glenna Fries, Brianna Petzel, Mary Ann Tesch
Budget & Finance	Irene Doerr, John Meierbachtol, Larry Wigand, Deb Boettcher
Pastor Relations	Arden Kroehler, Arlene Busse, Mary Ann Marquardt

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