



*Partners in Faith*

September 2023

**St Paul Lutheran Church in Phillipsburg**  
2739 Phillipsburg Church Rd, Brenham TX 77833  
9am worship

**St James Lutheran Church in New Wehdem**  
10362 New Wehdem Rd Brenham TX 77833  
979-836-2795  
10:30am worship

**Pastor Lawrence Bade will lead us in worship and respond to pastoral care as our supply pastor until an interim is found.**

# The Joyful Noise

United in Grace. Serving in Love.

## Shared Ministry

Pastor Tracey Schultz, bishop's associate for the call process in the Gulf Coast Synod, met the St. Paul/St James congregations after a joint worship service on August 27. She outlined the process for the calling of our new pastor, inviting us to prayerfully remember that God's timing is of utmost concern in this time of transition.

One key element in this process is securing an interim pastor to provide continuing pastoral leadership. The Synod has no one to recommend at this time. I have agreed to be a supply pastor until an interim is found. That means I will be available to lead Sunday morning worship services and respond to pastoral needs.

The next step, either immediately or after an interim is in place is the formation of a call committee. As the councils move to form this committee, they will be looking for folks who prayerfully feel led to serve in this way - folks who are open-minded, discerning, confident in their ability to lead and willing to communicate with others, as appropriate, throughout the process.

In preparation for the calling of a pastor they will put together a Ministry Site Profile - a kind of resume for the congregation - seeking feedback from members of the congregation as they do so. That Profile is sent to the Synod and the search for candidates to interview begins.

Please continue to keep our congregations and their leaders in your prayers as we go through this transition together.

Lawrence Bade

## WE WORSHIP WITH PASTOR EVAN ON HIS LAST SUNDAY WITH OUR SHARED MINISTRY



During Pastor Evan's last service at St. James he mentioned that at his first service at St. James he baptized Georgia Freitag. He told us how nervous he was and that he left out part of the baptism liturgy. But in God's eye Georgia was baptized and made His child even with part of the liturgy missing.

During the Children's Sermon on August 6, Pastor Evan made the sign of the cross on each child's forehead. And Georgia was there to receive this special blessing!

Pastor Evan has accepted a call to be the pastor at Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Columbus, Ohio.

*God be with you Pastor Evan until we meet again!*

*St. James gave Pastor Evan a picture of the Church and Sunday School as a memento of his time here. Thanks to Justin Buenger for taking the photo and Phyllis Weiss for having it framed.*



Several Women of the Church along with some of our young people and Pastor Evan met in August at St. James FLC to make nine fleece tied blankets that will be donated to CPS. These blankets will be given to children who enter the Child Protective Services System. A blanket can provide comfort and support for these children.

**Thank you to all who helped make these blankets and to Sandy Teufel for getting money from Thrivent to purchase the fleece for the blankets!**

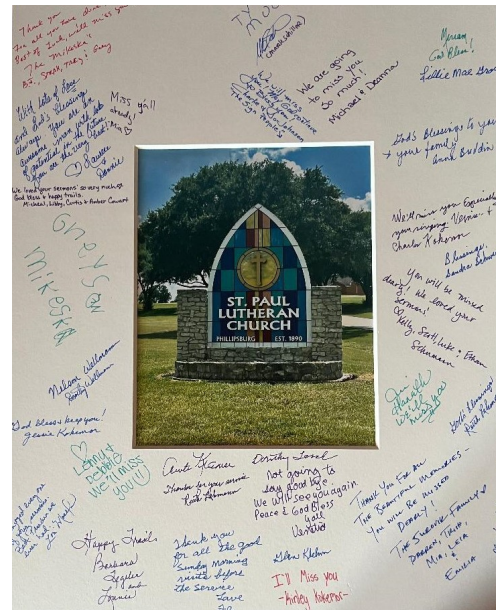
# GOD'S BLESSINGS and PEACE TO YOU, and SEE YOU LATER



**Cross...**On Pastor Evan's last Sunday, he was gifted a special cross; made from the kitchen cabinet fronts when the fellowship hall kitchen was remodeled. Charlie and JoAnn Johnson designed the cross inscribed "Love your friends in Christ, St Paul Phillipsburg, TX" on the front and "Go in Peace, Serve the Lord" on the back.



**Farewell Gathering** pics include Pastor Evan, Katharine, Jay & Kai, cake and picture that everyone had the opportunity to express their goodbyes.



## 80 Personal Care Kits Assembled



Thank you to all who contributed recently toward the purchase of items for Personal Care kits for Lutheran World Relief. On August 3 a group met to assemble the kits which will be shipped to LWR later this year and then distributed to folks in need all over the world.

Special thanks to Sharon Winkelmann for getting Thrivent funds to purchase items for kits.

## THANK YOU FOR VBS DONATIONS

Thank you for your very generous gift of 450 various food items to Bread Partner of Washington County from your Shared Ministry VBS.

Through your donation we were able to serve 2200+ individuals in the month of July alone.

Together we are making a difference! Your commitment and loyalty to our mission is deeply gratifying to us, and we hope it is the same for you.

With deepest gratitude, and warmest wishes,

*Michael Pareya, Bread Partners of Washington County*

# ST JAMES NEW WEHDEM UPDATES

## BIDS DUE SEPTEMBER 15

Job descriptions and bid sheets for church lawn care, janitor, cemetery maintenance, and Germania cemetery maintenance are on the back table in church. Please return your bid to the church office or to a council person by September 15.

## MEMORIALS

### In Memory of Treyce Tiemann

K & M Grocery Friends & Employees-Ronnie & Glenda Neutzler

Julian & Geneva Martin

Fredericka DeBerry

Marty Martin

Mildred & Odis Haynes

Bobby & Bonnie Pieper

Gary & Phyllis Weiss

Knellen Quinteros & Family

Daniel & Gayle Engeling

**THE HANNAH CIRCLE** will meet on September 6 at 5:30pm to make plans for the remainder of the year. Phyllis, Darla, and Margaret will serve as hostesses.

***Everyone is invited to attend.***

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** —Watch for details later for how to participate in this program. You may want to purchase school supplies early as sales are on presently. Sharon Winkelmann is the coordinator for Operation Christmas Child.

## THANK YOU

- Thank you, each and every one of you, for everything you have done for us—far, far beyond what we ever expected or dared to hope. We are writing this with gladness in our hearts and tears in our eyes. We have lost a lot, but we know that God will lead us through. *Jessica, Tristan, & Amy Teufel*
- Thank you to Joan & Kate Buenger and Emily Luetge for some of the pictures included in this newsletter and to Joan for her assistance with the written articles!

# ST PAUL PHILLIPSBURG UPDATES

## CHURCH SECRETARY POSITION-

Are you interested in being the next church secretary? Donna will be resigning in the near future. If so, please contact ...

Venetia Schiller @ 979-885-8989

Pastor Lawrence Bade  
@ 979-277-8872

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES** needed for Lutheran World Relief school kits...  
70 count spiral composition books

**LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF**  
items needed are...

27x52 dark bath towels

**PASTORAL CARE...**Pastor Bade will respond to pastoral care as our supply pastor until an interim is found. If needed, please call Donna @ 713-816-6980 or Pastor Bade @ 979-277-8872

## A PRAYER FOR RAIN IN TEXAS

Dear God, we cry to You to send rains to the parched lands of Texas. Lord, the rains have been withheld and our fields are becoming like a dust bowl and Lord, there is not a single cloud in the sky. And yet, You are God and You are the one who poured out rain on the land, when Elijah prayed. Like Elijah, we come to You Lord, and pray that You would send clouds with an abundance of rain, for the land is dying and we are in great need.

Lord, our hope is in You and our trust is in You. Without You Lord, we could not survive in this land and we know and acknowledge this fact, and so we cry out together for You to hear our prayers for rains to drench the earth and bring new life to a land that is thirsty and arid.

Forgive us Lord, for the times that we have not thanked You for Your ongoing provision, but do not hold that to our account, for You have promised to send water to the earth in due season and so we look to You Lord, we look to You, for our hope is in You alone, for we have no one to help us apart from You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Source: <https://prayer.knowing-jesus.com/prayer/>

**DORCAS CIRCLE** met on August 15th with Florence, Anna, Ruth, Vernice, Dorothy W, Jessie, Dorothy T and Sandra attending. We took inventory of all the LWR supplies and worked on health kits. Also, some tacking and sewing of quilts was done.

In Bible Study, Anna led with the opening prayer. The study was titled "Salvation Now - Christians as bringers of health." The author of the study acknowledges that women are not usually accepted as equals in society, but women are representative of God and are called to do God's work. In Jesus turning the water into wine, Mary is the catalyst for Jesus doing his miracle. Jesus stressed health, healing and wholeness to the world using all people equally as His instruments.

Anna called the meeting to order. Jessie read the minutes and gave the treasurer's report. Vernice was the August hostess. Next meeting is September 19th and we will continue working on LWR supplies and quilting with Anita as hostess.

Respectfully, Jessie

# September 2023

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>
<b>3</b> St. Paul— 9:00am I/O St. James—10:30am I/O	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Hannath C James FLO
<b>10</b> St. Paul— 9:00am I/O Congregational Meeting to elect Charlie as VP-10:00 am St. James—10:30am I/O	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>17</b> St. Paul— 9:00am I/O St. James—10:30am I/O St. James Sunday School 9:30am St. James Donuts & Fellowship 9:30am	<b>18</b> Leadership Night—both church councils at St Paul 6pm start	<b>19</b> LWR supplies & Quilting, 10:00 am Dorcas Circle Bible Study @ 3:00 pm	<b>20</b> NEW DE
<b>24</b> St. Paul— 9:00am I/O St. James—10:30am I/O	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>



<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
Circle at St. C 5:30pm	<b>7</b> Men's Breakfast at St. James FLC 7:30am	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> St. James FLC Winkelman
SLETTER ADLINE	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> St Paul Fellowship Hall Reserved, DKG 8am-1pm

## St. Paul Phillipsburg Worship Assistants

	September 3	September 10	September 17	September 24
<b>Reader</b>	Amber Cowart	Barbara Tegeler	Lonnie Tegeler	JoAnn Johnson
<b>Organist</b>	Donna Lankford	Donna Lankford	Beth Appel	Donna Lankford
<b>Ushers</b>	B J & Stephanie Mikeska, Florence Klehm	Mark & Venetia Schiller	Carl & Carey Kokemor	Anna Breddin Jessie Kokemor
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Anna Breddin Venetia Schiller	Jessie Kokemor Laci Tesch	Jessie Kokemor Laci Tesch	Sandra Schwenke Deanna Callahan
<b>Altar Flowers</b>	Ruth Lehmann in memory of Lenard	Brad & Donna Lankford in honor of Vernice Kokemor, Tanner Holley & Mia Surovik's bday	Jessie Kokemor in honor of Michael & Christine's Anniversary	Anita Kramer in memory of her parent's Anniversary

## St. James New Wehdem Worship Assistants

	September 3	September 10	September 17	September 24
<b>Reader</b>				Kay Sander
<b>Organist</b>	Fredericka DeBerry			
<b>Flowers</b>				
<b>Ushers + Greeters</b>	Julian & Geneva Martin, A. J. & Jodie McReynolds, Kenneth & Denise Neumann			
<b>Council</b>	Jeff Wright			



## **WELCOME THROUGH HOLY BAPTISM**

**August 6**

**Camryn Claire  
Hohlt, daughter of  
John & Brianna  
Hohlt**

**Lexi Roy  
Liebscher,  
daughter of Kyle &  
Lacey Liebscher**



### **Treyce Alan Tiemann**

Treyce Alan Tiemann, 50, of Brenham passed away on July 31, 2023 in Fort Worth, TX. His funeral service was at St. James on August 9 with burial in the church cemetery. Treyce was born on April 17, 1973 in Brenham, TX to parents Elton Lonnie Tiemann and Linda Lou Morgan Tiemann. He was baptized on July 18, 1973 by Pastor Laird Engle and confirmed on April 26, 1987 by Pastor Robert Sauer. His confirmation verse was I Corinthians 10:31, "Whether therefore ye eat or drink or whatsoever ye do, do all to the Glory of God." He graduated from Brenham High School in 1991, received an Associate's Degree from Blinn College in 1993, and a Bachelor of Science Degree in 1997 from North Texas University, where he was a member of Phi Delta Fraternity. He was employed as a loan officer.

Treyce is survived by his mother, Linda Tiemann; son, Treyce Elton Tiemann of Fort Worth; sister, Brooke Tiemann of Brenham; brother, Lon Tiemann of Houston. Aunts & uncles, Geneva & Julian Martin, Peggy Tiemann, Charles & Mary Morgan and his very special pug, Ace.

# Council Notes

## St. Paul Phillipsburg Council

Met August 21 with Lonnie, B J, Stephanie, Deanna and Sherry present. Pastor Bade reviewed August 27th joint worship with both councils and led in prayer. Council was called to order by B J in Venetia's absence.

- Minutes and financial reports were presented and approved
- Cam Discussed both completed and continuing buildings and grounds projects
- Stephanie presented ideas for upcoming fall event; anyone interested in helping and/or sharing activity ideas see Stephanie
- Fall work day for church to be determined later
- Dates to remember:  
9/10-Brief congregational meeting to elect Charlie as Council VP  
10/29-5th Sunday, possible shared worship with Rise Against Hunger

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer led by B J.

Respectfully submitted, Sherry Mosley-Council Secretary

July income \$ ; expenses \$

### St. Paul Council

Venetia Schiller, *President*

VP , *volunteer needed*

Sherry Mosley, *Secretary*

Lonnie Tegeler, *Treasurer*

Deanna Callahan,  
*Financial Secretary*

B J Mikeska, *Bldg/Grounds*

Stephanie Mikeska,  
*Congregational Life/*

*Shared Ministry*  
Charlie Johnson, *Memorials*

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## St. James New Wehdem Council

Council Meeting at St. Paul's August 21, 2023

Present: Kamie, Jeff, Darla, Kelly, John, Lauren, Pam, Pastor Bade

- Set Congregational Meeting date for October 22 after 10:30am worship
- Discussed God's Work Our Hands Project
- Discussed contract bids which will be due September 15
- Discussed Fall gathering-to be decided
- Discussed Safety Deposit Box at Brenham National Bank
- Looking for ways to provide better communications for the congregation. Potentially using calls or texts for reminders, updates, etc.
- Accepted recommendation from Endowment Committee to invest funds from one institution to another in order to receive the best interest rate.

The next meeting will be on September 18 at St. Paul's Phillipsburg

### St. James Council

Kamie Krueger, *President*

Jeff Wright, *VP*

Pam Herrmann, *Secretary*

Kelly Frank, *Treasurer*

Darla Winkelmann, *Asst.  
Treasurer*

John Hohlt, *Bldg /  
Grounds*

Lauren Sinclair, *Shared  
Ministry Representative*

## **DONATIONS TO DISASTER RESPONSE**

Multiple wildfires have devastated portions of the Hawaiian Island of Maui. Lutheran Disaster Response is coordinating with the Pacifica Synod and other partners to assess the needs of people impacted by the wildfires, providing immediate needs and recovery.

Lutheran Disaster Response is committed to accompanying recovering communities in the years ahead.

Monetary gifts can be sent to:

Lutheran Disaster Response  
P O Box 1809  
Merrifield, VA 22116-8009

## **ALL OF US TOGETHER!**

**Many members of our congregations help to see that our church services run smoothly on Sundays and we appreciate all you do.**

**As we wait for a new pastor to lead our congregations, we all need to continue to pitch in and do what is needed. If you see a job that needs to be done, please volunteer to help!**

**THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING  
AND ALL YOU DO!**

## **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

***St. Paul 9:00am***

***St James 10:30am***

September 3 Time After

Pentecost Jeremiah 15:15-21, Ps 26:1-8, Romans 12:9-21, Matthew 16:21-28 Sacrificial love is described by Paul when he urges us to associate with the lowly and not repay evil with evil.

September 10 Time After

Pentecost Ezekiel 33:7-11, Ps 119:33-40, Romans 13:8-14, Matthew 18:15-20 Conflict is a part of relationships and life in community. We gather in the name of Christ, assured that He is present among us with gifts of peace and reconciliation.

September 17 Time After

Pentecost Genesis 50:15-21, Ps 103:8-13, Romans 14:1-12, Matthew 18:21-35 When we hear the words of forgiveness in worship, we are renewed in baptism to be signs of reconciliation in the world.

September 24 Time After

Pentecost God is gracious and merciful, abounding in steadfast love. In baptism we receive the grace of God that is freely given to all. As Martin Luther wrote, in the presence of God's mercy we are all beggars.

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## *Bread Partners Items in September*

**St. James:** Canned Fruits  
**St. Paul:** cans of soup- goal of 50 items!

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## *Prayer Concerns*

**St. Paul Members:** Wilfred Neumann, Dorothy Krause, Brenda Blum, Will Hartnett, Catherine Gardiner, Austin Schiller, Brad Lankford, Lillie Mae Gross

**St. James Members:** Calvin Braun, Terry Druschke, Janet Mills, Alietha Mae Richter, Florence Rinn, Floreen Schulze, Erline Sommerfeld, Lincoln Tiemann, Margaret Tiemann, Nelda Wilke

**Family and Friends:** Shirley Benjamin, Jeri Bentke, Tammy Buro, Janet Crane, Patsy Dannhaus, Melanie DeAeth, Tammy Glaesmann, Mildred Huebel, Kathy Kasper, Maureen King, Michael King, Dennis Mauney, Marilyn Petrich, Bradley Rinn, Tracy Schiller, Anne Schindehette, James Lee, Craig Stickley, Wayne Cole Wellmann, Janae Wittner

**Military:** Tristan Plaisance, Jenna Schiller

### **Sympathies to:**

- Family & Friends of Treyce Tiemann
- Family & Friends of Marjorie Draehn, mother of Patrick Draehn

### **ST JAMES BIRTHDAYS**

9-1 Bradley Hanath  
9-1 Weston Garling  
9-3 Cindy Lorenz  
9-4 Julie Inman  
9-4 Troy Hanath  
9-5 Kase Braun, Jr.  
9-9 Lawrence Bade  
9-9 Julie Adams  
9-10 Betty Bowden  
9-11 Erich Weiss  
9-12 Tara Winkelmann  
9-14 Linda Tiemann  
9-14 Robert Harris  
9-16 Donald Winkelmann  
9-18 Ashley McReynolds  
9-20 Debbie Tiemann  
9-22 Wesley Winkelmann  
9-23 Elwood Dannhaus  
9-23 Kase Braun  
9-24 Troy Hanath  
9-24 Emily Luetge  
9-26 Phyllis Weiss  
9-26 Emma Hinton  
9-27 Ella Wilson  
9-28 Gavin Tiemann  
9-29 Floreen Schulze  
9-29 May Dell Kuhlmann  
9-29 Mildred Haynes

### **ST PAUL ANNIVERSARIES**

09-01-63 Donnie&Laurece Maresh  
09-12-08 Andy & Christie Gurka  
09-15-07 Michael&Christine Skala  
09-20-03 Justin & Laci Tesch

### **ST JAMES ANNIVERSARIES**

9-1 Steven & Lauren Sinclair  
9-4 Robert & Becky Winkelmann  
9-15 Wesley & Erica Winkelmann  
9-16 Zachary & Julie Inman  
9-25 Cody & Nichole DuVall

### **ST PAUL BIRTHDAYS**

2 Laci Tesch  
3 Grant Lischka  
5 Christie Gurka  
7 Manda Tuttle  
7 Jaylen Tesch  
9 Tanner Vacha  
13 Kinley Kokemor  
13 JoAnn Johnson  
18 Dorothy Lee Tesch  
19 Andy Gurka  
20 Scott Mosley  
21 Anna Breddin  
24 Vernice Kokemor  
25 Adelynn Kay Callahan  
26 Mia Surovik

### **SHARED MINISTRY STAFF**

Ministers *all the members of St. Paul and St. James*  
Donna Lankford donna@sjsplutheran.org (St Paul)  
Donna's Cell: 713-816-6980  
Tanya Rosenbaum tanya@sjsplutheran.org (St James),  
in office Wed and Thurs 8-2p

St Paul Office: *use Donna's cell above*

St. James Office: 979-836-2795

Return Address: 2739 Phillipsburg Church Rd, Brenham TX 77833

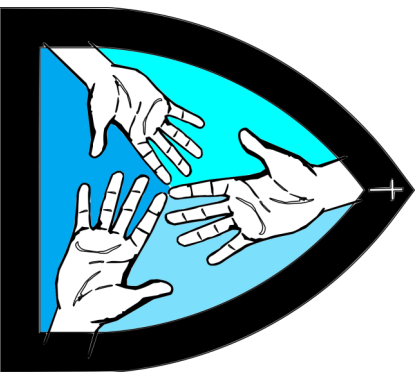
**Welcome to worship!**

9am at St Paul

10:30am at St James

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