



Partners in Faith

May 2021

St Paul Lutheran Church in
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St James Lutheran Church in
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The Joyful Noise

United in Grace. Serving in Love.

Shared Ministry Updates

1. Fifth Sunday of the Month Shared Worship

There are usually around four 5th Sundays of the month each year—we would like to use these as a chance to worship together. Our first opportunity is May 30—we'll worship together at St Paul at 9am.

2. Men's Breakfast is back!

Our first reunion will be Thursday May 6, at 7am at Smitty's on Hwy 290

3. **Wear RED** on Pentecost Sunday—May 23rd.

4. Communion Changes in Worship

Starting in May, we'll have 2 options at each church for receiving communion. You can continue with the pre-made container in your pew, or you can process to the front as in the past. PE and volunteers will be masked and sanitize hands.

5. Other upcoming dates to know:

- Sunday June 20th—Shared Country Western Service @ St James, 10:30am
- VBS: July 11-15th (Sunday after church, M-Th 5:30—7:30pm)

NEXT MEAL FUNDRAISER FOR HOLY LAND TRIP: Sunday, May 9

Give mom a break from cooking on Mother's Day

MENU: Chicken fried chicken, squash casserole, broccoli and rice casserole and gravy on the side

Please call/text Robert (979-472-1961) or Becky (979-472-0683) by the Wednesday before (5/5) to place your order.

Cost is a free will donation.
Funds go to help reduce common costs for our January trip.



A Holy Land Pilgrimage: 10 Days in Galilee, Bethlehem, and Jerusalem - January 6-17, 2022

Next Meeting: June 27th, 11:40am, SJ FLC

ST. PAUL FISH FRY DETAILS

1. DATE/TIME—Saturday May 8, 5p—7p

2. The drive thru to pick up food will be on the south side of our buildings.



3. Volunteers—
please park on the north side (by the cook shed / playground)

4. THANK YOU to
organizers, bakers,
ticket purchasers, and
all who have donated
time and energy for
this event.



Pastor's Column

By Evan Cameron, pastor



Joy Endurance


One of the common assignments in our bible classes at seminary was a project called a “word study.” This phrase brought out the same kind of groan elicited by the term “book report” in elementary school.

Here’s the basic idea: the professor would assign each student one particular word in Greek from a bible passage, and it was our job to research the various roots of the word, how it could be translated in different ways, etc etc. I was an English major in college, so I always secretly liked these kinds of project, even though my Greek knowledge was and is extremely limited.

One of my final classes was a week-long intensive on the book of Romans, and for our word study, I was assigned the Greek verb for rejoice (*chairō*), from the famous and easy to remember verse of Romans 12:12—“Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.” I was surprised and delighted to learn that the noun “grace” (*charis*) comes from the very same root as rejoice. To know grace—to know the message of Easter resurrection—cannot be separated from rejoicing! There is a third English word that shares the same root of grace and rejoice, and it likely won’t surprise you: charity (*chairiti*).

I imagine most of us think of rejoicing, grace, and charity as three separate things. One is a happy state of mind, one is a churchy word at the heart of Lutheran faith and theology, and one is how we describe acts of generosity. Yet how interesting it is to think about these words together – *rejoicing often follows acts of charity...a giving heart comes naturally from experiencing God’s grace....knowing grace brings joy!....Joy sparks the will to want to give generously...and the cycle continues.*

I find these words remarkable as we continue to move through the Easter season. We gather with joy and laughter and singing as the church that exists in a world that is far from perfect. Yet our faith has a rich hope about it—not bland optimism, not a happy-go-lucky vibe, but true “hope that does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.” (Romans 5:5)

Pastor Evan 

VBS 2021—Learning about the Lord's Prayer on God's Rocky Railway

DATES: JULY 11-15

**LOCATION: St James, except for
Thursday (send off at Brenham Gun and
Rod Club pool /pavilion**

**OTHER INFO—each day will include a
meal, lesson, games, music, and crafts**

**CONTACT Pastor Evan, Carey Kokemor,
or Joan Buenger if you would like to
volunteer in some capacity**

**Registration details will be in the June
newsletter.**



KWHI Services Ongoing

We will continue our Sunday 1:00pm worship on KWHI,
both AM (1280) and FM (101.7).

Services can also be streamed live on the KWHI app
and online—<https://kwhi.com/>

Thanks to all who have given to support this new outreach ministry! It is
becoming a healthy evangelism tool for us.

Also: please note that all sermons are available for a couple months on our
website: www.sjsplutheran.org/sermons

ST JAMES NEW WEHDEM UPDATES

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The next gathering for St. James Sunday School will be on May 9 in the FLC beginning at 9:30am. After a short lesson, they will be making Mother's Day Cards to hand out in church. If you would like to provide snacks, please let Phyllis, Kim or Joan know. They hope to see you all then!

THANK YOU

Thank you to all who donated food items on Easter Sunday for Bread Partners!! The decorated bags created by our Sunday School students were filled! Thanks also to Kay Sander for delivering the bags to Bread Partners!

MEMORIALS

In Memory of Gladys Stein

Mildred & Odis Haynes
Erline Sommerfeld

In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Jones

Bruce & Cheryl Buenger & Family

In Memory of LeeRoy Winkelmann, Sharon Jasinski O'Malley, Ellen Henske

Linda Tiemann & Family

In Memory of Bennie Hanath

Charlie & Nancy Sommer

THANK YOU FOR DIRECTING THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS TO ST. JAMES

Elwood Dannhaus

Daniel & Gayle Engeling

Lance Engeling

Jenny Henske

Delano Klausmeyer

Erline Sommerfeld

Rudy & Linda Tiemann

Donald & Sharon Winkelmann

ST PAUL PHILLIPSBURG UPDATES

FISH FRY DRIVE THRU ONLY on MAY 8th, 5pm-7pm

Raffle tickets (32 great prizes!) will be sold until the day of the Fish Fry
@ \$5 each or 5/\$20.

Desserts (cakes, pies, etc) will be available to purchase at the drive thru line

RACHEL'S DAY is May 2nd. Donations for CASA for Kids are being collected again this year; items especially needed are:

- Diapers
- Wipes
- Twin sheet sets
- Gift cards

THANKS to Carey Kokemor for making the Easter Egg Hunt a success!

DORCAS CIRCLE met on April 20th. Quilters were Ruth, Dorothy W, Dorothy T, Anita, Sandra, Jessie and Anna. The Bible Study was session 4 of "Journeys with Angels". Angels can tell us the doors of life are open. Anna led the study.

Anna called the meeting to order. Jessie read the minutes and gave the treasurer's report with a balance of \$246.30. Half of offerings go to the national WELCA. For Rachel's Day, we will be collecting diapers, wipes, twin sheets and gift cards for CASA for Kids starting May 2 through the end of the month. We continue to collect items for personal care kits-20x40 to 52x27" bath towels, bath size soaps, adult toothbrushes, comb and metal nail clippers which are much needed. Florence was hostess; Sandra will be hostess at our next meeting on May 18th.

MEMORIALS...

In memory of Otto Krause

Shooting Club

In memory of Rudy Kunkel

Mark & Wendy Lamp

Brad & Donna Lankford

In memory of Ruby Koehn

Mark & Venetia Schiller

CONGRATULATIONS to Alayni Glaesmann Blum who will graduate from Texas A&M on May 19th with a Bachelors of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies K-6. Her proud husband is Kevin Blum. She is the daughter of Steven and Tammy Glaesmann, grand daughter of Florence and the late Wilburn "Shorty" Klehm and Kay and Herbert Glaesmann, Jr.

May 2021

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>W</i>
<p>2 St. Paul—8:30am I/O St. James— 10:30am I/O</p> <p>Confirmation after worship 1:00pm KHWI Radio Service</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 Zoom Bibl</p>
<p>9 St. Paul—9:00am I/O St. James— 10:30am I/O 9:30am Sunday School at St. James Fundraiser Meal at St. James 1:00pm KHWI Radio Service</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 Zoom Bibl</p>
<p>16 St. Paul—9:00am I/O St. James— 10:30am I/O Confirmation after worship 1:00pm KWHI Radio Service</p>	<p>17 Leadership Night—both church councils, at St James 6pm start</p>	<p>18 St. Paul Dorcas Circle LWR Quilting, 10 am Bible Study, 3 pm</p>	<p>19 Zoom Bibl</p>
<p>23 PENTECOST SUNDAY</p> <p>St. Paul—9:00am I/O St. James— 10:30am I/O 1:00pm KWHI Radio Service</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>30 SHARED WORSHIP 9am @ St Paul 1:00pm KWHI Radio Service</p>	<p>31</p>		

<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
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e Study—7pm	6 Men's Breakfast at Smitty's—7am	7	8 St. Paul's Fish Fry 5-7pm
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	27	28	29
Pastor Evan on vacation thru 5/31			

St. Paul Phillipsburg Worship Assistants

	May 2	May 9	May 16	May 23	May 30
Reader	Anna Breddin	Donna Lankford	Barbara Tegeler	Lonnie Tegeler	JoAnn Johnson
Organist	Donna Lankford	Beth Appel	Donna Lankford	Beth Appel	Donna Lankford
Ushers	Charlie&JoAnn Johnson, Lonnie&Barbara Tegeler	BJ & Stephanie Mikeska, Dorothy Wellmann	Lenny&Debbie Krause, Michael & DeannaCallahan	Cheryl Gaskamp, Lori Moehlmann, Florence Klehm	Mark & Venetia Schiller, Carl & Carey Kokemor
Altar Guild	Deanna Callahan, Sandra Schwenke	Ruth Lehmann Florence Klehm	Ruth Lehmann Florence Klehm	Dorothy Wellmann, Sherry Mosley	Dorothy Wellmann, Sherry Mosley
Altar Flowers	Charles & Vernice Kokemor in honor of grandchildren	Justin & Laci Tesch	Nelson/Dorothy Wellmann in honor of Brad Poole&Sydney Schmidt bday	Brad & Donna Lankford	Anita Kramer in memory of grandmother, Annie Zander

St. James New Wehdem Worship Assistants

	May 2	May 9	May 16	May 23	May 30
Reader	Sharon Winkelmann	Kay Sander	Betty Bowden		Shared Ministry Worship at Phillipsburg
Organist	Phyllis Weiss	Fredericka DeBerry	Cheryl Buenger	Fredericka DeBerry	
Altar Flowers	Joseph & Anna Tallerine			Julian & Geneva Martin 57th Anniversary Piano Bruce & Cheryl Buenger Ella & Livi Birthdays	
Ushers + Greeters	Bobby & Bonnie Pieper, Joel & Chelsea Quinteros, Knellen Quinteros, Art & Laverne Remmert, Blake Sander, Brett & Krista Sander				

The Life and Times of Shared Ministry

St Paul—like many Texas churches—has a tradition of decorating a cross on Easter with fresh flowers.



St James traditionally collects paper bags of groceries for Easter, gathering them around an outdoor cross, before taking them to Bread Partners

Both churches enjoyed egg hunts, too.



Council Notes

St. Paul Phillipsburg Council

Council met on 4/19 at New Wehdem. Anna, Dorothy, Jessie, Vernice, Lenny, and Carey were in attendance.

- Mia Surovik presented power point presentation for playground to earn her "silver award". Council accepted and support the presentation.
- Pastor presented his April written report, read a story concerning empathy and led Council in prayer.
- Lenny reported that Glasco had treated the lawn for grass burrs. A bid from Four Seasons was accepted for \$1,200 for the large flower bed maintenance. Bid from Texas Hydro for \$400 was accepted to pressure wash the white brick.
- Anna read a thank you note from the Synod for our offerings
- Treasurer reported a balance of \$58,855.42.

Meeting was adjourned and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Vernice Kokemor

March income was \$11,294.57 (includes Lent offerings, \$1,000 camp donation, extra Lutherhill donation, cemetery donation and a \$511 Thrivent grant).
March expenses were \$7,375.47.

St. Paul Council

Anna Breddin, *President*
Charlie Johnson, *VP*
Vernice Kokemor, *Secretary*
Jessie Kokemor, *Treasurer*
Dorothy Wellmann,
Financial Secretary
Trish Surovik, *Parish Ed*
Lori Moehlmann, *Memorials*
Lenny Krause, *Bldg /*
Grounds
Carey Kokemor,
Congregational Life/Shared
Ministry

St. James New Wehdem Council

Met on April 19. Present were Kamie Krueger, Becky Winkelmann, Kate Buenger, Jessica Thayne, Joseph Tallarine.

- Worship getting back to "normal" communion options discussed.
- Pastor Evan was able to visit members in the assisted living communities to share communion with them.
- Pastor planned time away May 26-May 31.
- Still searching for a vice-president.
- Return of Sunday School for the first class in April was a success with around 20 children in attendance.
- Discussed VBS with Katharine leading music and not sure what VBS meals will be. Also discussed confirmation camp.
- Treasurer's report shows that PPP loan has been forgiven as of November 2020 and getting documentation for that.
- Getting bids to replace FLC countertops. Will present them to congregation.
- Discussed outdoor worship during the summer months which were very enjoyable for all.

St. James Council

Kamie Krueger, *President*
VP needed
Jessica Thayne, *Secretary*
Becky Winkelmann, *Treasurer*
Kate Buenger, *Asst. Treasurer*
David Bartay
Bldg / Grounds
Joe Tallarine, *Shared Ministry*
Representative

Thanks to all who showed up and helped with our April bike ride at St James!



SUNDAY WORSHIP

St Paul 9:00am

St. James 10:30am

May 2 | 5th Sunday of Easter
Acts 8:26-40; Ps 22:25-31; 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8 Christ the vine and we the branches are alive in each other. As the vine brings food to the branches, Christ feeds us at his table to bear fruit for the world.

May 9 | 6th Sunday of Easter
Acts 10:44-48; Ps 98; 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17 Christ shares the image of friendship. The Greeks believed that true friends are willing to die for each other.

May 16 | 7th Sunday of Easter
Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Ps 1; 1 John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19 Jesus' desire is that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. This is the work of the Spirit.

May 23 | Pentecost Sunday
Acts 2:1-21; Ps 104; Romans 8:22-27; John 15, 16 Guided by the truth revealed by the Spirit, we join together in worship and disperse to share Christ's love.

May 30 | Holy Trinity Sunday
Is. 6:1-8; Ps 29; Romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17 God is the triune God. When we pray as Jesus did, the Spirit prays within us, creating between us and God the same relationship Jesus has with the one who sent him.

Bread Partners Item in May

St. James: Soap, Shampoo, Toothpaste

St. Paul: Pasta or instant potatoes (drop off at church) - goal of 50 items!

Prayer Concerns

St. Paul Members: Wilfred Neumann, Dorothy Krause, Jean Thompson, Brenda Blum, Will Hartnett, Miriam Bixler

St. James Members: Larry Dierking, Sally Dierking, Laura Fieseler, Janet Mills, Elsie Pieper, Floreen Schulze, Erline Sommerfeld, John Teufel, Chris, Amy, & Lincoln Tiemann, Treyce Tiemann, Margaret Tiemann, Nelda Wilke

Family and Friends: Tina Schwartz Ahasan, her husband Ron and their children Joshua, Aliyah and Henry; Alison Auckland, Jeri Bentke, Michael DeBerry, Winston Dietrich, Hank Duvall, Gabriel Fuentes, Ginnie & Donald Gaskamp, Tammy Glaesmann, Gloria Hanath, David Kiemsteadt, Charles Kolwes, Becky Meador, Todd Minifee, Gladys Oakley, Marilyn Petrich, Bobby Ritter, Collin Smith, Donald Sander, Pat Stelter, Leonard, Jamie Stokes, Shannon Wellmann, Ramona Kunkel, Gladys Grawunder, Levon Bradley, and Family & Friends of Gladys Stein, Bennie Hanath, Hildegard Brinkmeyer,

Military: Tristan Plaisance, Jenna Schiller

SYMPATHIES TO GLADYS STEIN FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Gladys Wensel Stein, aged 91, passed away March 31, 2021. She was baptized, confirmed and married at St. James. She is survived by her son Jerry Stein. No services were held.

SYMPATHIES TO BENNIE HANATH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

(Father of Troy and Bradley Hanath)

SYMPATHIES TO HILDEGARD BRINKMEYER FAMILY AND FRIENDS

(Grandmother of Rachael Schramm)

ST PAUL ANNIVERSARIES

05-19-90 Mark & Venetia Schiller
05-28-83 Larry Joe & Jackie Powell

ST JAMES ANNIVERSARIES

5-4 Joseph & Anna Tallerine
5-12 Joshua & Megan Schneider
5-23 Julian & Geneva Martin
5-30 Russell & Susie Honerkamp

ST PAUL BIRTHDAYS

07 Carey Kokemor
13 Justin Tesch
16 Greyson Mikeska
19 Miriam Bixler
24 Edwin Breddin, Jr
27 Alfred Lampe, Jr
27 Dustin Reichwein
30 Cole Tesch
31 Matthew Callahan
31 Scott Hilman

ST JAMES BIRTHDAYS

5-1 Theresa Dierking
5-2 Nancy Sommer
5-3 Caroline Ordner
5-10 Ronald Schaper
5-13 Joshua Schneider
5-15 Cheryl Buenger
5-15 Elana Garling
5-16 Tyler Winkelmann
5-17 Kate Buenger
5-18 Lance Engeling
5-18 Sam Wilson
5-21 Wyatt Braun
5-21 Joel Quinteros
5-22 Margaret Moyers
5-24 Cassidy Green
5-25 Ava Jaffe
5-27 Kerby Krueger
5-27 Krista Sander
5-27 Jake Schaper
5-28 Ryan Quinton
5-29 Brody Hicks

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 Thur 8-2p

Pastor Evan Cameron pastorevan@sjsplutheran.org

Pastor Office Hours: Tuesday 9a-12p at St. Paul

Mon & Wed: 9am -12:30pm at St. James

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

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Welcome to worship!

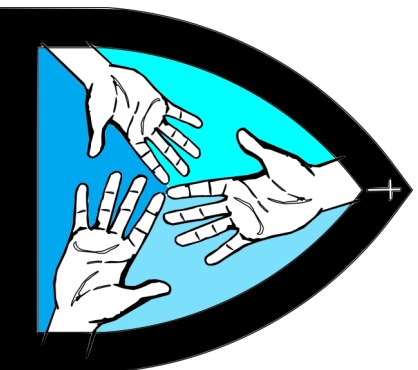
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9am at St Paul

10:30am at St James

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