



Partners in Faith

August 2022

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

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

The Joyful Noise

United in Grace. Serving in Love.

THANK YOU VBS VOLUNTEERS!

We had a monumental week in July serving our youth. Beyond the fun of swimming / crafting / playing with a fake burning bush, VBS is also a true celebration of what shared ministry looks like together. It takes a village to pull it off—thanks to all who joined us.

More pictures inside!





Cross Trails Ministry

From July 17-22, Trey Mikeska (St Paul), Jack Buenger (St James), and Storm Feldman (St Paul Shelby) joined Pastor Evan and others at Camp Chrysalis in Kerrville for Extreme Adventures week.

Activities included:

- **Morning and Evening worship every day**
- **High Ropes (Ziplining, giant swing, wild wozy, rock wall)**
- **Fishing and creek time**
- **Hiking the bluff and sleeping in the tree-house**
- **Bible study every day**
- **KP duty**
- **Low Ropes teambuilding + Gaga ball**
- **Kayaking day trip**
- **“Congo Time”**
- **Planning and leading a full camp worship**
- **They choose to not do pottery, crafts, “spa day” and snorkeling**



Our campers express a giant thank you to our churches for sponsoring 50% of camp costs! They can't wait to go back next year with more campers.

Confirmation classes will start again in September—all incoming 6th graders are invited to join us!



Pastor's Column

By Evan Cameron, *pastor*



It's Been a Busy Month!

I'm writing this at the end of a July that was a really rich 'month plus' of ministry. We baptized two new saints and said goodbye to a saint at New Wehdem, sparked faith in 60+ kiddos during shared VBS, hiked the hills with confirmands at Chrysalis. We had our shared country western service and fun big Father's Day worships.


Traditionally, the summer time in congregations is a bit slower, but we've been thriving these past weeks. For the first time at both churches since March 2020, we have returned consistently to our pre-covid worship numbers.

I hope you've felt the fulfillment I have from our ministry lately. It's not just the attendance lift (though it helps). It's not just the big program weeks (though they help, too). Even though the heat makes us all feel lethargic, I've felt an energy lift the last couple months in my own spiritual life. God is at work, clearly, in all of us.

A wise colleague once told me to never forget that the front windshield is much, much bigger than the rear view mirrors. Her point: God is always pulling us into an expansive future, rich in opportunity. Right now, as we approach 5 years together as shared ministry partners, our future is bright here. We have leaders from multiple generations, many children engaged in faith formation, and a healthy financial present with four endowments now in place for our future.

Jesus says it another way: "the harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few! Pray for more laborers to be sent into the harvest."

Will you come join us in the garden fields? There's a great opportunity coming up in late August—details on next page!

Pastor Evan 

RISE AGAINST HUNGER RETURNS AUGUST 28!

We had a multitude of volunteers join us in September 2019 for a meal-packing event with Rise Against Hunger. We've wanted to repeat this event for a long time...and now we're going to!

**Join us for a shared worship + meal packing
at St James New Wehdem on Sunday, August 28th.**

Worship: 9am

Meal Packing: 10am

Please sign up online: <http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/stjames2022>

**We'll put together 10,000 meals in about an hour*



ST JAMES NEW WEHDEM UPDATES

Women's Salad August 9 in Family Life Center.

Please join us on August 9th for a Salad Supper in the St. James FLC. We will begin at 6:00pm to enjoy our favorite salads. Please bring a salad to share and a guest.

After the meal, we will have Audrau Winkelmann as our guest speaker. Audrau is a Librarian and Coordinator of Student Learning resources for the Heart of Texas Foundation, Inc. The mission of this foundation is to take the gospel of Jesus Christ into the darkest of places in our Texas prisons. Their vision is to provide the Texas Field Ministers Program as a service opportunity to long-term inmates in the Texas State Prison System. This is accomplished by educating prison inmates who are then dispersed to other prisons as field ministers. Please join us so you can learn more about this very interesting and needed ministry.

A free-will offering will be received for the foundation. If you would like to learn more background, please go the Heart of Texas Foundation website.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF PROJECTS

Thanks to Sharon Winkelmann for getting \$250 from Thrivent to purchase Personal Care Kits.

In August we will be collecting money for school supplies. Please make a donation so we can take advantage of the sales. If you would like to purchase school supplies a kit includes: 4 of 70 sheet notebooks, 1 box 16 or 24 crayons, 1pencil sharpener, 1 ruler, 1 bunt scissor, 5 unsharpened pencils , 1 eraser

Donuts and Fellowship on third Sunday of each month from 9:30 to 10:30am in Family Life Center.

Come enjoy time together August 21.

Operation Christmas Child Project

It's not too early to begin purchasing school supplies when they are on sale at special prices. We will collect the Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child items in November.

MEMORIALS

In Memory of Marjorie Conway

Nathan & Darla Winkelmann

ST PAUL PHILLIPSBURG UPDATES

SCHOOL SUPPLIES needed and on sale now for Lutheran World Relief school kits

70 count spiral composition books

12 inch/30 centimeter ruler

Pencil sharpener

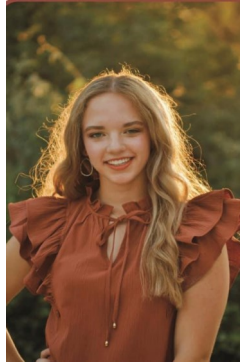
Blunt scissors

2-1/2' erasers

#2 pencils w/ erasers

Black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)

Box of 16 or 24 crayons



Jaylen Tesch is running for Austin Co Fair Queen, October 7th-16th. Give her a call @ 979-251-1300 to purchase a season pass @ \$40 or Fun pass @ \$125

She is sponsored by Austin County 4H

THANK YOU to ALL VBS helpers, volunteers and students...

- to the cookie bakers: Sherry Mosley, Carey Kokemor, JoAnn Johnson, Dorothy Wellmann, Florence Klehm, Donna Lankford, Vernice Kokemor & Jessie Kokemor
- to the adults that helped with the students: Carey Kokemor & Stephanie Mikeska
- to the students and youth helpers: Trey & Greyson Mikeska, Mia, Leia & Emelia Surovik, Kinley & Emmy Kokemor, Libby Cowart, Katherine Skala
- to our SP visitors: the Schumann Family and the Jessie Mikeska family
- for your special support: Darren & Trish Surovik and Sandra Schwenke
- to Tuesday's kitchen helpers: Dorothy, Stephanie, Florence, Venetia, Carey, Jessie
- to church council members who provided food on Monday

DORCAS CIRCLE met on July 19th for quilting and Bible Study. Attending were Dorothy W, Dorothy T, Anna, Sandra, Vernice and Jessie.

Anna opened the Bible Study with prayer. The session was "crafted in Christ-cutting and piecing". The author uses quilting as a metaphor for life. We cut the fabric of our lives and piece blocks of our identities together. Jesus helps us construct our lives into something as beautiful and warm as any quilt. Our lives are made up of many pieces-some good, some not as good.

Our next meeting is August 16th with quilting at 10 am and Bible Study at 3:00 pm. Please continue to collect LWR school kit supplies. Vernice will be the hostess. Jessie was the July hostess. Everyone is welcome!

Respectfully, Jessie Kokemor

August 2022

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>W</i>
	1	2	3
7 St. Paul— 9:00am I/O St. James—10:30am I/O 1:00pm KWHI Radio Service	8	9 Women’s Salad Supper at St. James FLC 6:00pm	10
14 St. Paul— 9:00am I/O St. James—10:30am I/O St. James Sunday School 9:30am 1:00pm KWHI Radio Service	15 Leadership Night—both church councils at St Paul 6pm start	16 LWR Quilting @ 10:00 am Dorcas Circle Bible Study @ 3:00 pm	17
21 St. Paul— 9:00am I/O St. James—10:30am I/O St. James Donuts & Fellowship FLC 9:30-10:30am 1:00pm KWHI Radio Service	22	23	24 NEWSLET
28 Shared Worship 9am at St James GWOH Project— 10am meal packing with Rise Against Hunger 1:00pm KWHI Radio Service	29	30	31

<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
	4 Men's Breakfast—7:30am at St James FLC	5	6 St. James FLC— Bockhorn St. Paul Fellowship Hall reserved, DKG 8 am—1 pm
	11	12	13
	18	19	20 St. James FLC—Tallerine
ENTER DEADLINE	25	26	27

St. Paul Phillipsburg Worship Assistants

	August 7	August 14	August 21	August 28
Reader	Lonnie Tegeler	JoAnn Johnson	Jessie Kokemor	SHARED
Organist	Beth Appel	Donna Lankford	Donna Lankford	9am WORSHIP
Ushers	Charlie & JoAnn Johnson, Lonnie & Barbara Tegeler	The Lischka Family & Florence Klehm	Cheryl Gaskamp, Lori Moehlmann, Glen Klehm	AT
Altar Guild	Deanna Callahan Sandra Schwenke	Dorothy Wellmann Sherry Mosley	Dorothy Wellmann Sherry Mosley	ST JAMES
Altar Flowers	Brenda Blum in honor of Jessie's birthday	Nelson & Dorothy Wellmann		

St. James New Wehdem Worship Assistants

	August 7	August 14	August 21	August 28
Reader				
Organist	Phyllis Weiss	Fredericka DeBerry	Phyllis Weiss	Fredericka DeBerry
Flowers	Thayne Anniversary	Joseph & Anna Tallerine Katy 1st birthday	Bruce & Cheryl Anniver- sary	In Memory of Leeland Rinn
Ushers + Greeters	Joel & Chelsea Quinteros, Knellen Quinteros, Brett & Krista Sander, Erwin & Kay Sander			
Council	Kate Buenger			

The Life and Times of Shared Ministry

Some photos below—top left : Katharine, Mia, Abby, and Ella led music all week; top right—crafts from Megan went great!; bottom right—remembering our baptisms; bottom left—Gun and Rod pool party.



Council Notes

St. Paul Phillipsburg Council

Met July 25th with Pastor Evan, Charlie, Venetia, Dorothy, Lenny and Sherry. Pastor gave a devotion and his report. Both VBS and Camp Chrysalis were big successes this year. The Holy Land trip is still on schedule for this fall and both councils were encouraged to begin thinking about work projects for this year's God's Work, Our Hands Sunday.

- June minutes were presented and approved
- Charlie and Dorothy gave financial reports
- Lenny gave the Building and Grounds report
- Discussed hiring attorney for denied claim on Educational Building
- Council voted to purchase a smart TV with movable stand to be used for digital displays
- Semi Annual Congregational Meeting scheduled for November 13, 2022

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer led by Charlie.

Respectfully submitted, Sherry Mosley

St. Paul Council

Charlie Johnson, *President*

Venetia Schiller, *VP*

Sherry Mosley, *Secretary*

Lonnie Tegeler, *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 July 25 at St. Paul Phillipsburg.
- Please look for full minutes of meeting in back of church later because of council meeting being held late this month.
- We welcome Kamie Krueger to the council. She has stepped in to serve as our Vice-President. Welcome, Kamie!
- We decided to repeat our meal packing event of Rise Against Hunger. It will be held on August 28 at St. James FLC.
- Next meeting of council will be on August 15 at St. Paul Phillipsburg.

St. James Council

Joseph Tallerine, *President*

Kamie Krueger, *VP*

Jessica Thayne, *Secretary*

Kate Buenger, *Treasurer*

Kelly Frank, *Asst. Treasurer*

John Hohlt, *Bldg /
Grounds*

Lauren Sinclair, *Shared
Ministry Representative*



SOME FAST FACTS:

- \$85 FUNDS 1 BOX OF MEALS
- 1 BOX OF MEALS CAN FEED 1 CHILD FOR A FULL SCHOOL YEAR
- WE WILL PUT TOGETHER AROUND 46 BOXES ON AUGUST 28TH
- *THIS IS A GREAT PROJECT FOR ALL AGES— CHILDREN ARE ABLE TO HELP TOO!*

SUNDAY WORSHIP

St. Paul 9:00am

St James 10:30am

August 7 Time After Pentecost
Genesis 15:1-6, Ps 33:12-22,
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16, Luke 12:32-
40 Jesus says, “It is your
Father’s good pleasure to give
you the kingdom.” It is God’s
promise to us. Faith, God’s
baptismal gift, trusts the
promises of God Have no fear.

August 14 Time After
Pentecost Jeremiah 23:23-29, Ps
82, Hebrews 11:39—12:2, Luke
12:49-56 The word of God is a
refining fire. Jesus is the great
divide in human history. He
invites our undivided attention
and devotion. Today we are
surrounded by a great “cloud of
witnesses.” in word and
communion we are invited to
look to Jesus, “the pioneer and
perfector of our faith.”

August 21 Time After
Pentecost Isaiah 58:9-14, Ps 103:1
-8, Hebrews 12:18-29, Luke 13:10-
17 Remember the Sabbath day.
Call the Sabbath a delight. This
is the Lord’s day and our Lord
will feed us, forgive us, help and
heal us. Rejoice!

August 28 Time After Pentecost
Proverbs 25:6-7, Ps 112, Hebrews
13:1-8, 15-16, Luke 14:1, 7-14
Invited and inviting—that is the
nature of the church. By God’s
grace in baptism we have a place
at Christ’s banquet table. When
humility and love continue
among us, the church can be
more inviting still.

Bread Partners Items in August

St. James: Cake Mix and Frosting

St. Paul: canned vegetables - goal of 50 items!

Prayer Concerns

St. Paul Members: Wilfred Neumann, Dorothy Krause, Brenda Blum, Will Hartnett, Catherine Gardiner, Dorothy Tesch, Ruth Lehmann, Charles Kokemor, Doris Barnes, Florence Klehm

St. James Members: Cheryl Buenger, Joy & Terry Druschke, Donnie Henske, Carolyn Loesch, Oranell Loesch, Janet Mills, Elsie Pieper, Erwin Sander, Ronnie Schaper, Floreen Schulze, Family of Charlie Sommer, Erlene Sommerfeld, John Teufel, Chris, Amy, & Lincoln Tiemann, Margaret Tiemann, Nelda Wilke, Melvin Winkelmann

Family and Friends: Donna Acousta, Jeri Bentke, Michael DeBerry, W T Byler, Winston Dietrich, Tammy Glaesmann, Denise Greene, Pat Hogan, Mildred Huebel, Janet Jackson, Keith Korth, Michael Korth, Charlotte Leissner, Dennis Mauney, Becky Meador, Marilyn Petrich, Xavier Rogers, Roy Schmidt, Mack Snider, Pat Stelter, Diane Winkelmann, Donna Burton, Travis Maher

Military: Tristan Plaisance, Jenna Schiller, Anthony Funk



Charlie "Charlie Boy" Martin Sommer, 86, of Brenham, TX died on July 9, 2022. He was born to Gilbert & Rosa Lee (Randermann) Sommer on March 5, 1936 in Washington County. After graduating from Brenham High School in 1954, Charlie went to work for Shell Oil Company. He worked in Oil Exploration and retired in 1992 after 37 years of exemplary service. He also served with honor in the Texas National Guard and The United States Army Reserve. On November 1, 1958, Charlie married Nancy (Robison) Sommer in Mount Pleasant, Texas. They enjoyed 63 years of marriage and were blessed with two children. Charlie is survived by his wife, Nancy Sommer. Children & their spouses Sylvia & Blake Woodall and Don & Cindy Sommer. Grandchildren Dayne & Erica Sommer, Katie Sommer and Hailey Holcomb; great grandchild, Aston Hampton. His sisters include Earline Moody, Peggy Tiemann and Debbie (Ralph) Tiemann. Services were held at St. James on July 15 with burial in church cemetery.

ST JAMES BIRTHDAYS

8- 1 Lincoln Tiemann
8-5 Charles Goeke
8-5 Amy Tiemann
8-6 Terri Johnson
8-7 Kinsley DeFord
8-9 Tyler Fishbeck
8-11 Savannah Bartay
8-11 Hunter Wagner
8-16 Kathryn Tallerine
8-17 Denise Neumann
8-18 Shelby Olson
8-18 Amy Teufel
8-19 Margaret Bartay
8-20 James Herrmann
8-21 Ralph Tiemann
8-23 Vivienne Freitag
8-24 Janet Mills
8-24 Austin Hanath
8-25 Cindy Schaper
8-25 Ronnie Bockhorn
8-29 Aislin Schaper
8-30 Ronald Bartay
8-30 Shelby Hanath
8-31 Wyatt Tiemann

ST JAMES ANNIVERSARIES

8-2 Odis & Mildred Haynes
8-3 Charles & Vickie Goeke
8-4 Donald & Sharon Winkelmann
8-4 Eric & Jessica Thayne
8-5 William & Kristy Collier
8-10 Bruce & Cheryl Buenger
8-20 Butch & Cindy Lorenz
8-20 David & Margaret Bartay
8-29 Donnie & Jenny Henske

ST PAUL BIRTHDAYS

01 Emmy Kokemor
03 Lori Reichwein
07 Michael Callahan
08 Sandra Schwenke
08 Seth Klehm
09 Jessie Evelyn Hartnett
11 Taylor Boeker
11 Levi Dean Tuttle
21 Al Mueller
24 Michael Cowart
25 Brenda Blum
26 Barbara Tegeler
29 Lelani Howren
29 Charlie Kokemor
30 Michael Breddin

ST PAUL ANNIVERSARIES

8-05-72 Ed & Anna Breddin
8-08-15 Jared & Katie Moehlmann
8-10-85 Lenny & Debbie Krause
8-12-00 Darren & Trish Surovik
8-20-71 Barry & Gina Mikeska
8-31-16 Charlie & Olivia Kokemor

THANK YOU!

Nancy Sommer and family want to express a huge, heartfelt thank you to the congregation and staff of St. James during the loss of our beloved Charlie Sommer. Thank you to Pastor Evan for a touching and meaningful service and your calm and steady pastoral care.

Special thanks to Fredericka DeBerry for the gift of touching music and thank you to Darla Winkelmann's funeral group 3 for the beautiful meal and ministry to our family after the service. Thank you for all the cards, food, thoughts, flowers, memorials and prayers and to everyone behind the scenes who supported our family in ways we will never know, we appreciate your love and care.

God bless you.

SHARED MINISTRY STAFF

Ministers	<i>all the members of St. Paul and St. James</i>
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
Pastor Evan Cameron	pastorevan@sjsplutheran.org

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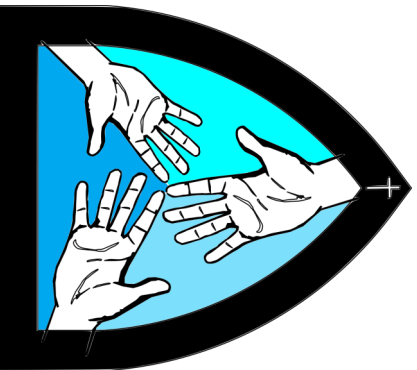
Welcome to worship!

9am at St Paul

10:30am at St James

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