

E-Letter April 21, 2020
St. Paul's Lutheran Church

"EXTENDING CHRIST'S LOVE TO YOU"

"Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, *and* into his courts with praise, be thankful unto him, *and* bless his name. For the LORD *is* good; his mercy *is* everlasting; and his truth *endureth* to all generations." Psalm 100:4-5 (KJV)

CHURCH SERVICES AND ALL EVENTS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED through May 4th. The worship services are available on-line. See links below.

Pastor Schwanke recorded the worship for last Sunday, April 19 (Acts 5:29-42, 1 Peter 1:3-9, John 20:19-31). The Order of Service to follow along was at the end of last week's e-letter on April 16. The video can be viewed at this link:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H_IHIIN_zFk

For video and/or audio on-line worship go to the church website at www.stpaulswatertown.org To hear an audio version, click on the Resource tab, then select Sermons from the drop-down menu, then click on the date of the sermon you want to listen to. Also, the videos of the worship services are on Facebook and YouTube. There is a link on the front page of our website www.stpaulswatertown.org to the videos that are on Facebook.

CONTRIBUTIONS: Thank you to those who have chosen to mail in their contributions and/or dropped them off and put them in the red basket by the office window. The St. Paul's Lutheran Church's mailing address is P O Box 697 Watertown. MN 55388.

F.Y.I. Our average monthly giving for the first quarter (January, February, March) was \$33,200.00. Voters passed a budget commitment of \$44,600.00 per month.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, April 22 Office open 9 to 4

Pastor Don's Office hours 1 to 4

Thursday, April 23 Office open 9 to 2 (next e-letter)

Friday, April 24 Office open 9 to 2

Tuesday, April 28 Office open 9 to 2

Pastor Don is available 24/7 at 952.457.0093.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday May 10 Confirmation

Sunday May 17 Installation of Rev George Morris

E-LETTER NEXT THURSDAY will include the reports from the various ministries of St. Paul's. We are including this information because we cannot meet as a voter's assembly that was scheduled for this Sunday, April 26 due to the C19.

LIFE QUOTES LUTHERANS FOR LIFE: April 26 "God transformed Paul's life, and Paul used whatever talents he already had in the service of God and others. Glorifying God and spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ, Paul understood—by the grace of God—the newfound purpose and direction of his life. If God can do these kinds of wondrous works in the lives of others, why can't He do them in yours? The answer: He can." *Rev. Leroy Johnson – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

LCMS STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY: April 26 – Third Sunday of Easter 1 Peter 1:18-19 – "Knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot." We have been ransomed – bought back from the slavery into which we were born. We do not belong to ourselves, or to the devil, or to the world. We belong to Jesus. Therefore, we live our lives not in accordance with our own wisdom but in line with God's Word.

DAILY DEVOTIONS: Christ Victorious in Victoria has a wonderful Daily Devotions available on you-tube called 10:25 (from Hebrews 10:25) see the link at
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bx1uyfNLpuU>

DAILY DEVOTIONS AND BIBLE STUDIES are also available at LCMS Radio at <https://www.kfuo.org/>

Pastor Andrix is available 24/7. The church number is routed to Pastor Don's cell phone when the church office is not open

ORDER YOUR SCRIP: You can still place an order at the church office. Forms are on the ledge. We will notify you when your order comes in.

CHURCH SECURITY

St. Paul's Lutheran Church is looking for a few more people to volunteer to join the new St. Paul's Security Team. Areas to be discussed will include discrete overseeing of services and other church events (i.e. funerals, weddings, etc.) with the intention of supplying safety, security, first responder type duties, evacuations, etc.

This new program is being introduced and supported by the Carver County Sheriff's Department.

For more information please contact Jeff Lueck at 612.221.5528 or email Jeff@professionalsprinkler.net

PRAYER CHAIN

If you would like to be placed on the confidential Prayer Chain for additional prayer, please call Judy Hoogland at 952.955.2124 or 612.554.4795. This ministry is for you to use!

Please take the time to call a fellow member especially if you suspect they have no email. Help each other to stay connected and informed.

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Preaching Assistant: Rev. Gerald Schwanke - 1-320-282-9838