~NOTES AND NEWS~ St. Paul Lutheran Church, August 3, 2025

WELCOME: A warm welcome to all worshipers on this Eighth Sunday After Pentecost. Empowered by our Lord's Spirit, we continue to run the race of faith! This is an important "training stop" along the way as together we grow in faith and worship our loving Lord Jesus. We thank the Lord for your presence with us today.

COMMUNION IN THE PEW: If it has become necessary for you to have communion brought to you in the pew, please notify the pastor or an Elder. We are pleased to assist you in receiving this great blessing on a regular basis.

Servant Role	8/03	8/03
	8:30 am	11:00 am
Elder/Greeter	Dave Hoard	Bob Smith
Ushers	Koehlers	Smiths

Attendance: 256

Offering: \$7,719.00 **Needed** \$8,642.37

- Dear loved ones,
 - I thank you for the beautiful celebration of my retirement from St. Paul Lutheran Church. I felt your love and appreciation. Believe me, I also love and appreciate you all. First, thanks to all who participated in and attended the Sunday worship service. The music was beautiful and meaningful. We all thanked God for giving us our time together for these many years. Second, for the beautiful reception and fellowship afterward. It's always great to share a meal and celebrate. Many thanks to everyone who planned and worked to make that such a wonderful gathering. My visiting family all said the same, that it was truly well-done. Third, Ruth and I are especially grateful for all of your kind words and cards, your advice and thoughts, and your hugs. We read every single card and appreciate your feelings. We feel the same. Yes, there have been tears on our part, too. Your kind and generous gifts are a wonderful blessing for which we are truly thankful; we know these are gifts from the heart. We love you all and thank God for all of the ways you have enriched our lives with God's love.

Pastor and Ruth Steele

- **NO WEDNESDAY SERVICES**: During the time that we will be using a Vacancy Pastor, from July 30 September 3, there will be no Wednesday Services.
- <u>JOY GROUP</u>: Trip to Deckerville is rescheduled for August 8 due to extreme heat. See the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for more information.

- **FORGE**: Our Men's group, FORGE, will be meeting on **August 16 at 5 PM**. Come enjoy a time of faith, food, and fellowship!
- <u>JOY GROUP:</u> Will go to Caseville to tour the **Historical Society of** Caseville's Museum on Thursday, August 21. See the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for more information.
- <u>GAME NIGHT</u>: On <u>Sunday</u>, <u>August 31</u>, we will have a <u>Game Night</u> here at St. Paul from <u>5-8 PM</u>. Feel free to bring your favorite board and card games, or come learn a new one. We will have games for all ages and pizza for dinner! Be sure to sign up!
- <u>NEW WEBSITE</u>: Our new website is up! Yay! It's at the same address as before – www.stpaulcaro.org – check it out.
- **LAY READERS:** Would you like to line up the Lay Readers for each week? It's not hard. Let Lynn know lynn@stpaulcaro.org or 989-673-4214 ext. 3.
- **KEY AUDIT:** Starting this year, we will be doing an annual key audit to make sure our Key Agreement Sheet is accurate. **If you have a key to the Sunday School and/or the church building**, and have not yet been contacted by Ray, Eric, or Lynn, please contact Lynn at lynn@stpaulcaro.org or 989-673-4214 ext. 3 and let me know which keys you have. Thank you!
- **FELLOWSHIP PAD:** Visitors & Members please sign the Fellowship Pad. Visitors, please include your address. If you do not have a church home, are interested in joining our church family, or would like information about St. Paul, please speak with Pastor Steele, an Elder, or an usher, who will be happy to assist you.
- <u>NEW CARDS</u>: We have switched vendors for our cards. All cards in the card case are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 all mix or match. Please only take one envelope per card. THERE IS A BOX TO PUT YOUR MONEY IN ON TOP OF THE CARD CASE.
- **LOST AND FOUND:** There are 2 coats/jackets and 1 sweatshirt hanging on the first coatrack. If you are missing one of these, please check there.
- TRUTH, GOODNESS & BEAUTY... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL, and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent topics include: Did Martin Luther Add Books to the Bible?, The Scopes Monkey Trial, Lutherans & Life Issues, The Obergefell Ruling & the Redefinition of Marriage & Family, Conspiracy Theories, and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app, and a podcast provider.

<u>August 3 - 10</u>

Sunday, August 3	8:30 am – Contemporary Worship with Communion	
Isaiah 26:3	11:00 am - Traditional Worship with Communion	
Monday, August 4	Church Office will be closing early	
Matthew 5:9		
Tuesday, August 5	8:30 am – Quilters	
Romans 5:1		
Wednesday, August 6	NO Worship Service	
Colossians 3:15		
Thursday, August 7		
Psalm 34:14		
Friday, August 8		
2 Thessalonians 3:16		
Saturday, August 9		
Isaiah 54:10		
Sunday, August 10	8:30 am - Traditional Worship with Communion	
Romans 12:18	11:00 am – Traditional Worship with Communion	

NEXT WEEK...

Servant Role	8/10	8/10		
	8:30 am	11:00 am		
Elder/Greeter	Nick McCreedy	Gary Zick		
Ushers	Koehlers	Smiths		

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WEBSITE QR CODE: St. Paul

ONLINE GIVING CODE:

