



The Epistle

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February 2018

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Sunday Schedule

Worship Services 8:30AM & 10:45AM
Holy Communion Every Sunday at both services
Adult Christian Education 9:40AM
Sunday School 9:40AM

****One Worship Service, Sunday, February 18 at 9:30am in the CFC for our Celebration Party for the end of our bible study series, Walking with God in the Desert****

St. Paul Lutheran Staff

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Lenten Schedule

It feels like we just got done with getting the Christmas decorations taken down and we're talking about the start of the Lenten season. Yet, believe it or not, February 14th, Valentine's Day, is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. Our first mid-week worship services begin. I cannot urge you and your whole family enough to come and experience the season of Lent at St. Paul with your brothers and sisters in faith.

"Not as I will, but as you will," Jesus prayed to His Father the night before He went to the cross for our salvation. And that is our prayer as well this Lent as we seek to do God's will in our lives, as we draw near to the observance of Christ's suffering, death and resurrection during Holy Week. Hopefully this important time in the church year has taken on even a more special meaning following our Spiritual campaign "Walking With God in the Desert." Each of our mid-week services focuses on a different aspect of God's will at work among us. The stories of biblical characters will be used to give us insightful guidance to following our Lord more nearly day by day.

Mid-Week Lenten Worship

February 14th — 12:00 noon & 7:00 pm

Abraham and Isaac reveal God's Will & God's Promise

By faith, Abraham trusted the will of God when He promised that a son would be born to him. God's will was done when that son, Isaac, was born and God's will was done when His Son Jesus came into the world to redeem His people.

February 21 — 7:00 pm

Moses reveals God's Will & My Inadequacy

At first, Moses did not think he could free the Israelites from slavery in Egypt. But God worked through him to set His people free. In Lent we remember that God sent His Son to do His will and set all people free from the slavery of sin.

February 28 — 7:00 pm

David reveals God's Will & My Dreams

Anointed by God to rule in Israel, King David was called by God to shepherd his people, but often failed to live up to God's will for him. We welcome the Good Shepherd into our lives who fulfills God's will perfectly to gather His wandering sheep into the sheepfold of heaven.

Check out our March Epistle for the mid-week services in March.



Disciples of St. Paul,

Thank you to everyone who came to our congregational meeting on January 21st. It was a short, but very important meeting. The proposed budget for 2018 was approved with little discussion. I want to thank the Budget Committee (Jim Walker, Patti Johnson, Mike Gurganus, and Greg Snell) and our Treasurer, Kelly Schumaker, for all their hard work in the budget process. It was great to be able to have a proposed budget that was less than the year prior. Also, finishing last year with income more than expenses is a blessing. Thanks to all the disciples of St. Paul whose commitment and generosity made that possible.

The continuation of giving The Bread of Life during Communion for our youth prior to their Confirmation was also approved. There was much discussion with excellent points raised.

This meeting also marked the completion of their terms on the Council for Don Bragg, Shawn Sande, and Libye Nuernberg. Their hard work for the past three years is greatly appreciated. We also welcomed our newly elected Council members: Greg Snell, Vincent Freiburger and Dick Weitzel.

Let's make 2018 another great year as we continue to work together as disciples of St. Paul Lutheran Church: Loving God, Loving Others and Serving All.

In Christ,

Russ Griffith
Council President



Help Us...Tackle Hunger!

Sunday, February 4, the children and youth of St. Paul will be collecting non-perishable food items and money, before and after both of the worship services. All of the food and money collected will go to Provisions, our local food pantry.

To help with the excitement of Souper Bowl, we encourage everyone to wear their favorite jersey or sports attire to church on Sunday.

We are in need of children and youth to help with this event. We need children & youth who will collect canned goods and money before and after the worship services. If you are able to help, please contact Andy Cave at stpaulout612@gvtc.com.

WATOTO CHILDREN'S CHOIR ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

7:00PM—FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2018

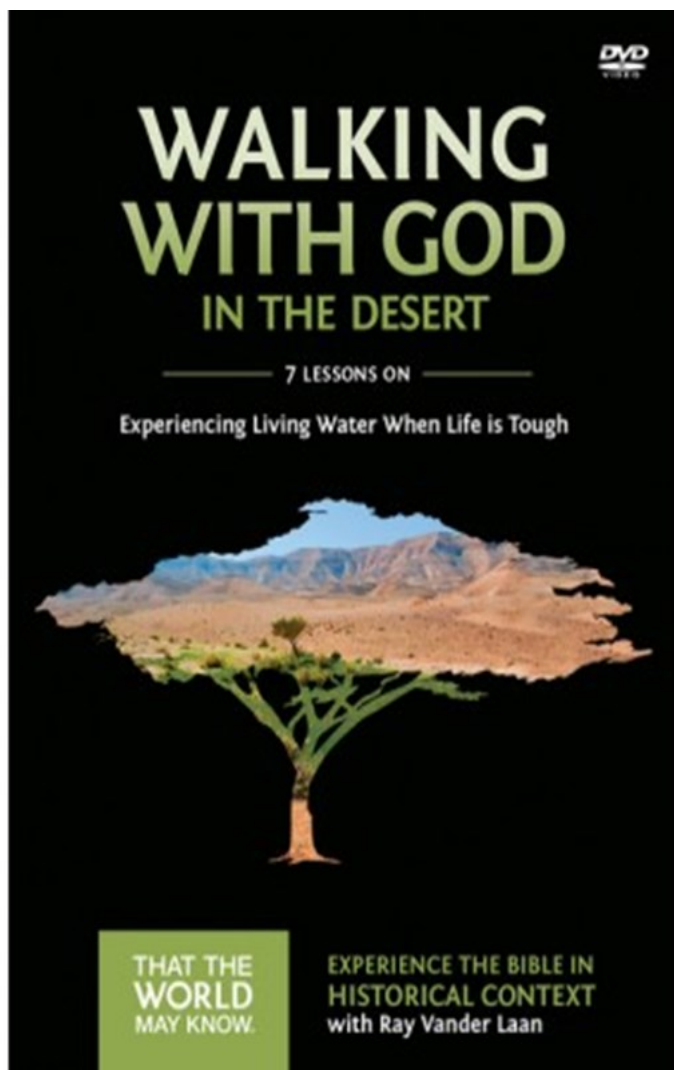
FREE ADMISSION (free-will offering taken)

Host homes are needed to house 1-2 children and their caretaker for the night of the concert. If you are interested in helping out with this, please contact the church office at 830-980-2813 or stpaulbt@gvtc.com



A VIBRANT WORSHIP EXPERIENCE
THE SOUND OF A TRANSFORMED GENERATION
FROM A FAMILY OF ORPHANS





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JOIN US FOR OUR CELEBRATION PARTY SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Everyone is Invited!!

Join us on Sunday, February 18 after our one worship service in the CFC at 9:30am for our Celebration Potluck that will finish out our Walking with God in the Desert Bible Study. All are welcome!! If you didn't attend one of the bible studies, that OK...we want you to come and enjoy a meal of brisket with sides and desserts. All that we are asking is those attending, to bring either a side dish or dessert to share. The brisket, tea, water & lemonade will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

Did you know that you can give electronically to St. Paul every month? You can set up to have automatic withdrawals from your checking or savings account. It's very easy to do and you won't have to worry about remembering your offering or dealing with offering envelopes! If you are interested, please fill out the form below, submit it to the office and you start this month! If you have any questions, please contact Sherry Schneider at 830-980-2813 or via email at stpaulbt@gvtc.com.



**AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT FOR AUTOMATED CHURCH GIVING
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Company Name: St Paul Lutheran Church, Bulverde, TX

I/We hereby authorize St Paul Lutheran Church, Bulverde, TX, hereinafter called **COMPANY**, to initiate debit entries to my/our _____ Checking Account _____ Savings Account (select one) indicated below at the depository financial institution named _____ below, hereafter called **DEPOSITORY**, and to debit the same to such account. I/We acknowledge that the origination of ACH transactions to my/our account must comply with the provisions of U.S. Law.

Please attach a voided check to this form.

Depository

Name _____

Depository

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Depository

Routing Number _____

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Account

Number _____

Amount of each debit: \$ _____

Frequency of

Debits: _____

(Debits are done twice a month on the 4th & 17th; or once a month on the 4th or 17th)

I want my deposit to be distributed in the following manner: _____

(i.e., budget, building fund, a specific fund such as Memorial Fund, etc.)

Email: _____

(An email will be sent out to notify you when the first transaction will occur)

This authorization is to remain in full force and effect until COMPANY has received written notification from me/us of its termination in such time and in such manner as to afford COMPANY and DEPOSITORY a reasonable opportunity to act on it.

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

NOTE: DEBIT AUTHORIZATIONS MUST PROVIDE THAT THE RECEIVER MAY REVOKE THE AUTHORIZATION ONLY BY NOTIFYING THE ORIGINATOR IN THE MANNER SPECIFIED IN THE AUTHORIZATION.



Texas District

Mission Moment

by Pastor Bryce Formwalt
Director of Mission Growth

Helping Others Answer the Call

It's been said that the greatest days in your life are the day you were born and the day you figured out why. Indeed, one of the most significant discoveries you can make is discovering what God has created you for.

I was reminded of this recently as we studied the first reading for the second Sunday after Epiphany. In 1 Samuel 3 we read of how Samuel discovered his calling. Three times the boy Samuel heard the voice of God calling and three times the boy ran to his master Eli as he assumed it was Eli who was calling him. When it happened a third time, Eli realized the voice calling the boy must be God's. So he instructed Samuel to go back and when he heard the voice call to him again, simply say "Speak, for your servant is listening."

This lesson serves as an excellent reminder that not only are we to seek to discover our own calling from God, but also help others to hear and answer their calls too. As Eli mentored Samuel in the faith and helped him to hear and recognize the call of God, all God's faithful are called to help mentor and guide others, especially those who are younger, to discover how God is calling them to live and to serve.

All across the Texas District congregation members are concerned about the future of the church. And there is good reason for concern as they look around and see aging pastors and congregations, dwindling youth and children's programs, and little movement among young people in preparation for Christian ministry. But instead of wringing our hands there is something that each of us can and should be doing. Maybe a significant part of our own calling is helping others discover theirs. Maybe we are called to be Elis to invest in young Samuels... or Pauls to invest in young Timothys.

Inevitably the question will be asked: How? How does an older person meaningfully engage in the faith development of a younger person? The key is to get back to the basics of living out our faith in community. The Christian faith compels us to engage with others around us no matter what age, race, or socio-economic status they are. Let's join Jesus on his mission and get to know our neighbors again, especially those who are younger or different. Love them like Jesus would, without judgement or shame, but pure, grace-filled kindness and love that can communicate across every social barrier we think might be there. And most of all, when the time is right and one comes to you seeking guidance, like Eli you can point him or her to God and teach him or her to say with an open heart, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."

Pastor Bryce Formwalt is the Director of Mission Growth for the LCMC Texas District. Residing in Georgetown, Pastor Bryce is available to coach congregations on mission. Feel free to contact him with any questions or comments: 512-942-7776 or bryce@lcmctexas.org. Like us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/lcmctexas



The Adult Christian Education (ACE) Schedule for February 2018

Sunday ACE classes meet at 9:40AM. Pastor Lee's Thursday Bible Study Classes will continue in February with comparing the Gospels at 8:00AM, 10:00AM and 6:30PM.

Sunday ACE Classes meet at 9:40am:

(Our leaders are dedicated and well qualified disciples that spend much time preparing for the classes. Please plan to attend at least one class of your choice.)

Class is led by Jeff Smith and meets in the ACE (Portable) Building

We are beginning a study looking at God's blessings, studying various scriptures. Great opportunity to count our Blessings.



Class is led by Dean & Kathy Krueger and meets in the Luther Room

Dean and Kathy facilitate the study topic "John the Baptist, the Man and His Story." Who was this strange man who was already filled with the Holy Spirit while in his mother's womb? Why didn't he dress in imported robes like other spiritual leaders in Jerusalem? Was he orphaned early in his life due to the deaths of his elderly parents? Who taught him the Hebrew Bible and told him Jesus was the Messiah? Why did a non-Christian like Josephus include John in his Jewish history books? Join this class to learn from Scripture while considering the work and legend of John the Baptizer. There is an empty seat waiting for YOU. Each Sunday's lesson will stand on its own, so if you miss a week, don't hesitate to return. Bibles and all materials are provided.

Class is led by Mike Scott and meets in the Choir Room

WHAT'S YOUR MISSION? God gave the assignment to His people thousands of years ago: to bring "lost sheep" back into the love and safety of His kingdom. He said to become a "Kingdom of Priests," and put God on display to show the world what He is like. It's still our task today. In this thirteenth volume of the That the World May Know ® film series, you'll glimpse the urgency and rewards of welcoming the strangers and prodigals the Lord longs to embrace. Discover the mission that can give your life - and the lives of those around you - greater meaning than you ever imagined. Join renowned teacher and historian Ray Vander Laan as he guides you through the lands of the Bible. In each lesson, Vander Laan illuminates the historical, geographical, and cultural context of the sacred Scriptures. Filmed on location in the Middle East and elsewhere, the That the World May Know ® film series will transform your understanding of God and challenge you to be a true follower of Jesus.

Class is led by Ingrid Lingle and meets in the Office Area Workroom

We are continuing our study on "The Parables of Jesus." Everyone bring your Bibles!

Weekday ACE Class:

The MONDAY class is led by Connie Osborn and meets in the choir room from 9:00-11:00am.

We will continue WALKING WITH GOD by Ray Vander Laan, Volume 12. This study ends on Monday, February 12. We will begin Volume 13 ISRAEL'S MISSION on Monday, February 26. What's your mission? God gave an assignment to His people thousands of years ago; Bring "lost sheep" back into the love and safety of His kingdom. It's still our task today. In this study you will glimpse the urgency and rewards of welcoming the strangers and prodigals the Lord longs to embrace. Discover the mission that can give your life and the lives of those around you greater meaning than you ever imagined. Please contact Connie Osborn at hoppingfrog50@yahoo.com or 830-885-7592 if you desire to join our study so a book can be ordered for you.



Prayer Warriors

...are continually praying for you according to God's will in all circumstances through Jesus Christ.
1 Thessalonians 5:17

A LOOK AT MOMENTS IN AND OUT OF THE DESERT

Just enough at that moment...As we engage in studying **Walking With God in the Desert**, are there some bible passages speaking and reminding you of desert stories in your own personal journey of faith? We now have the blessing of sharing with others, who are coming alongside in this study, perspectives and gleanings of first hand desert experiences.

We are learning that God continues in His lovingkindness to lead His children in and out of the desert to teach and commune with them. Faithfully, He keeps His promises of His presence, protection and provision just as He did for the Israelites. Have you ever met someone who said *"I would not want a re-do on a past trial/suffering, but what I do know is, I got to know Jesus and His Presence in a new way, and I wouldn't trade that for anything."*? Did you ever wonder, if your circumstances and trials are just a coincidence, or could they have an ultimate purpose in God's plan for shalom for you and others in the crossroads of your life?

God created and loves all people, and desires for all to know and trust His One and Only Son, Jesus. God has a paternity test. **Yet, to all who received Him, to those who believed in His Name, He gave the right to become children of God. John 1:12.** Be assured that God hears, and His heart is deeply touched by the cries of of His children. **Being heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in His sufferings in order that we may also share in His glory. Romans 8:17.** Could it be said, that we can not separate the glory of knowing Jesus from the privilege of suffering with Him?

In our desert times we travel the paths walked by past saints, with Jesus alongside. **Your path led through the sea, your way through the mighty waters, though your footprints were not seen. Psalm 77:19** How thrilling to have thought of the Israelites "wandering" around through the desert, yet at the same time know that truly God's children's steps are always providentially directed by the Good Shepherd. How encouraging being reminded that Jesus is our Great High Priest and He is the fulfillment of all of God's promises. How delightful it is coming across those scriptures giving light to Jesus, the Groom and His treasured Bride in the desert.

Fellow dusty disciple, I pray you continue to experience joy-filled shalom as you journey through the unknown difficult, dangerous desert paths, scorching heat, floods, wadis, welcoming shade trees, and the surprising beauty of the harsh landscape with a rich knowing (*yada*) of a lion's fierce hunger (*hagahhh*) and thirst for Righteousness, God Himself!

If we claim to be in Him, we must walk as Jesus walked. 1 John 2:6

**In Christ,
Stella Ross**

In our Prayers...

Carson Barnes
Seth Permenter
Carmen Rittimann
Douglas Klabunde
Andi Anderson
Kathryn Kuhl
Richard Bell
Krista, Trace & Cristian Bragg
Clifford Mincemoyer
Dorothy Crouch

Stefan Greenwell
Jim Brainard & Deb Ehler
Liz Joseph
Cassidy Peek
Sasha Zinsmeister
Rudi Easterling & Family
The Russell Family
Cameron Abbott
Rachel George
Mike & Rita Bywater
Kathryn Hering

Virgil Peterson
Channel Williams
Julie Sutton
Barbara Krueger
Nida Fischer
Elizabeth Rogers
Marian Hull
James McNeill
Donny Tinsley
Bob Winship
Jordan Campbell
Chris Kimmell

Jerry Barnes
Mark & Debra Harder
Helmut Kleve
Shirley Remmert
Ruth Lytle
Grace Kaepffel
Jimmy Cox
Debra Saur & Family
Lauren & Spencer
Wilson



PRAYER REQUESTS

We love to know your prayers and continued concerns. The prayer warriors are always in prayer!

Please contact Lucy Walker or the church office for your prayer requests: lwalkerblui@gvvc.com or stpaulbt@gvvc.com.

Prayer Warriors: Pastor Harder, Pastor Ofsdahl, Lucy Walker, Cindy 'Boo' Peek, Lynn Rosenfeld, Sharon Knibbe, Dagi Fischer, Stella Ross, Gloria Krueger, Marjorie Rothchild, Connie Osborn and Janice Walker.



Children's Ministry

February 2018 Newsletter



Minions



The Melodic Minions will practice on Monday, February 5 at 5:30pm. Dinner will be provided so parents please plan to stay. We will sing on Sunday, February 11 at both services. Please contact Andy at stpaulyouth612@gvtc.com to RSVP for dinner.

Sunday School



We will have Sunday school on February 4, 11 & 25. Sunday, February 18 there will be one service at 9:30am in the CFC with our Walking with God in the Desert Celebration to follow. So **NO** Sunday School that morning. If you have questions, please contact Cari Anne Whitehead at carianne915@gmail.com.



Come and join us February 9th, as we welcome the Watoto Children's Choir for an evening of song, dance and worship. The performance starts at 7:00pm and will last about an hour and 15 minutes. Light refreshments will be served afterwards. The event is free, but there will be a free-will offering collected. Contact Andy Cave for more information at stpaulyouth612@gvtc.com.

As we continue our search for a Children's Minister in 2018, we need to start thinking about Vacation Bible School for 2018. We will need a team to help lead and organize VBS this year. If you are interested, please contact the church office at 830-980-2813 or by email at stpaulbt@gvtc.com.



Be like an Acacia tree in the Desert

Have deep roots in CHRIST to protect you from the wadis of this world.



Contact the Youth Minister if you have any questions.

Andy Cave

stpaulyouth612@gvtc.com

830-980-2813

FEBRUARY YOUTH NEWS!!!

Sunday School in February

Sunday School will take place on the following dates.

February 4, 11, & 25.

No Sunday School on February 18 due to one service for the Celebration Sunday of "Walking With God In The Desert."

Walking With God In The Desert Bible Study For Youth!!!

Our final youth study will take place on

Wednesday, February 7 from 7:30-9pm in the CFC.

Youth Praise Band

Sunday, February 18 — After the 9:30am service, we will have the Celebration Sunday in the CFC. Our rehearsal will take place as soon as the potluck ends.

Sunday, February 25 — Youth will lead Worship at the 10:45am service.

Confirmation in February

Confirmation Retreat will take place on Saturday, February 3 from 8:30am-2:30pm. Breakfast and lunch are provided. Parents are encouraged to attend.

Confirmation will take place on the following days from 9:40-10:35am in the Sanctuary.

February 4, 11, & 25.

Dinner & Devotion

Sunday, February 11— This one will take place at the Whitehead's home. Dinner & Devotion will take place from 6:30-8pm. Youth will be fed with a delicious meal and the Word of God!

Watoto Children's Concert

Friday, February 9 — I am looking for youth to help out with the serving of dinner to the Ugandan children in the group. I also need youth helpers to usher, operate the merchandise tables, and to help with the tear down of the CFC afterwards. Youth will be needed from 4pm until 10pm on this day. Service hours will be issued to all who help. The youth will have a great time helping at this event. The actual concert starts at 7pm. Please let me know if your child is interested in helping!

Wild Wednesday

Regular Wild Wednesday will be back into action on **Wednesday, February 28**. It will take place in the CFC immediately following our mid-week Lenten service.

St. Paul
Christian Day
School News

February News

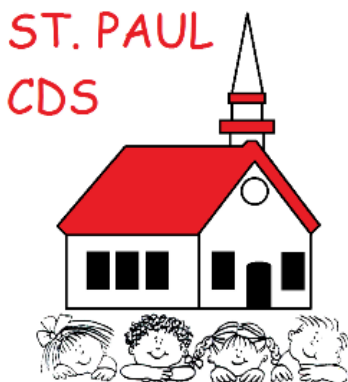
February is here and none too soon, the stores have us all set to bring in Valentine's Day. We will have our Valentine's Day parties on February 13th and 14th, we have so much love to share with our classmates. Before that, on February 12th we will spotlight dental awareness month with our 3-5 year olds. Dr. Austin Garrison, with Garrison Family Dental, will come in to talk about the importance of good dental hygiene with our kiddos. Capital of Texas Zoo always pays us a visit in February as well, we have yet to set that date but look forward to seeing them as always. Lastly, we will celebrate San Antonio style with our in-house rodeo celebration on February 21st and 22nd. This comes complete with a ranch style meal, branding the cow, and lassoing the bull to complete the experience.

Registration for the 2018-2019 school year will be held this month. Families that are currently enrolled will have the opportunity to register beginning Monday February 12th at 9:00 a.m. Open registration will begin Tuesday February 20th also at 9:00 a.m., doors will open at 8:30 a.m. The first day of school will be Tuesday September 4th. If you or someone you know would like more information, we would be happy to give you a tour and discuss our school program with you. Both 2 day and 4 day slots will be available. Our hours of operation are Monday-Thursday 9:00am to 2:00pm.

Parents wishing to enroll their child(ren) are encouraged to call 830-980-6771 to set up a tour of the facility or to register your child. Thank you for considering St. Paul Lutheran Christian Day School for your child's early childhood education!

Blessings,

Sandy Kantorak
Day School Director
stpaulcnds@gvtc.com





St. Paul Christian Day School
Fundraiser Night

Chicken Express
(on 46)

Thursday, Feb. 8th
4pm-8pm

All orders benefit CDS!

No Coupon needed



Questions?

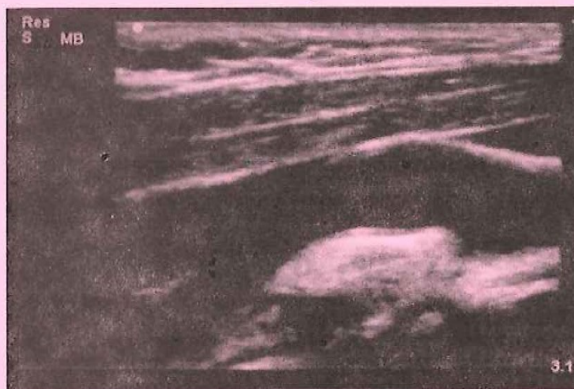
Contact Sandy Kantorak, Director, at
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Take a step toward staying

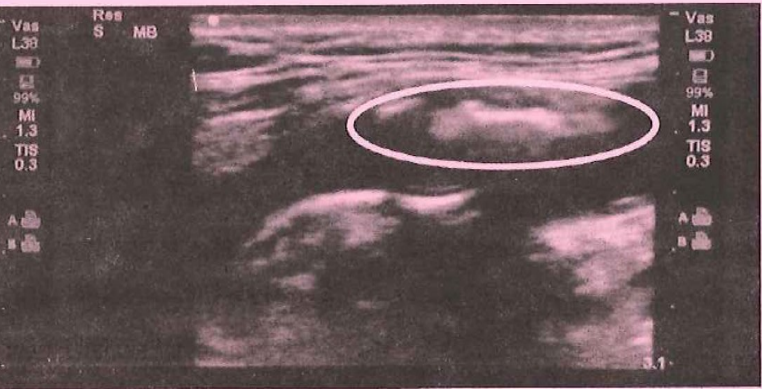
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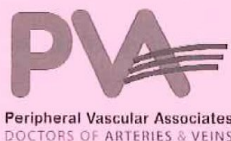
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*Key Risk Factors include Age 55+, High Blood Pressure, High Cholesterol, Diabetes, Obesity, tobacco usage, family history of CVD or stroke

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Where: Bulverde - St Paul Lutheran Church
Sponsored By: Peripheral Vascular Associates, PA
When: Friday, February 16, 2018
Pre-registration is required. Call: 1-888-653-6450

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Bulverde/Spring Branch Pregnancy Care Center

17080 Hwy 46 West, Suite #113
(In the Faithville Shopping Center)
830-885-2277 (office)
830-446-9245 (text)

www.bulverdepregnancy.org

Hours: Tues 10AM-7PM; Th/Fri 10AM-4:00PM

Kim Barton, Director of Operations



The BSBPCC is in need of diaper bags to fill and baby items for the parents and families who earn them as they complete parenting classes. We also provide layettes to newborns and their families who are participating in our services. Below is a list of items we are most in need of at this time. *Please note that we have added infant/toddler Bibles to the list.

Wish List:

Crib Sheets

Bath Towel Sets

Plastic Utensil Sets

*Infant/Toddler Bibles

New/*Gently Used* Clothing Size 12 months –3T

New/*Gently Used* Shoes Size Newborn to 10

Items may be placed in the bassinet in the Narthex or taken by BSBPCC at the address listed above. There are brochures in the bassinet for anyone who would like more information...please take one.

Thank you for your generosity!

Our Annual Fundraising Celebration

Thursday, March 8, 2018

at

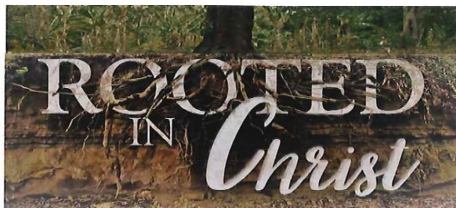
Bulverde Baptist Church

1331 Bulverde Road, Bulverde, TX

Seating at 6pm, Dinner & Program from 6:30-8:00

RSVP at bsbpcc-celebration2018.eventbrite.com

or to 830-885-2471 by March 1



Event and Dinner are complimentary
Please consider hosting a table of 8.
An opportunity to give to support BSBPCC
financially will be given.
Adults only, please, as seating is limited

Bulverde/Spring Branch Pregnancy Care Center
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Featured guest speaker

Dr. Frederick Brown is the retired
Co-Director of the Ob/Gyn Services in the CHRISTUS
Santa Rosa Family Medicine Residency Program
and a pioneer in ultrasound during pregnancy.

This year, the 45th anniversary of Roe v. Wade,
he will share how medical technology has changed
to support what we all know –
that God creates human life at conception.

*Please join us at this free event
to hear Dr. Brown's story.*

www.bulverdepregnancy.org

Announcements



If you have ever considered learning to play handbells or if you have played before and would like to again, we would love to have you! Even if you can't read music, that's okay, you can still learn to play handbells. The thought is there

would be practice once a week and perform regularly at worship services. We are trying to schedule a practice night right now. Watch your February bulletins for more information. If you are interested, please contact the church office at 830-980-2813 or stpaulbt@qvtc.com.

Honoring Our Elders

February 16, 2018, a long time St. Paul Elder Disciple will celebrate her 94th birthday.

Mildred Bartels

7900 US Hwy. 281 North
Spring Branch, TX 78070

February 23, 2018, a long time St. Paul Elder Disciple will celebrate her 90th birthday.

Lillian Mayer

3780 FM 1863
Bulverde, TX 78163

Please join in the celebration of this Elder's birthday by honoring him with a birthday card! Sign your name and member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, if you do not know him personally.



You might not be aware, but Pastor Lee has a weekly BLOG on the St. Paul church website at redroofchurch.org. He tries to blend a little humor with a little spiritual insight. It isn't very "PC", but it might give something to think about for the week. Why not check out the church website and see for yourself.

Our Thursday Bible Study classes in February meet at their regular times at 8:00 & 10:00am and 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. We are still very much involved in our study of comparing the gospels. The preliminary groundwork has been laid. Now, we begin to look in earnest at the topics that will give us the chance to really compare the ways each of the gospels make their point.



In February we'll explore the ways they convey the story of God's Son coming into the world. The other topics for the month will be discipleship, servanthood, and the beginning of the parables, as class discussion directs. We hope you'll join us in our exploration of the good news.

If you haven't come to one of our classes before, you are most welcome to check it out.



Confirmation Retreat on Human Sexuality is scheduled for Saturday, February 2 from 8:30am to 2:30pm in the fellowship hall. Breakfast and lunch will be provided and parents are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions, please see Andy Cave or Pastor Lee.



Remember, starting Ash Wednesday, February 14th, you are invited to join your fellow disciples of St. Paul in the CFC at 6:00 pm for our Lenten Soup & Sandwich Supper. It's a great time to gather as a community of believers and share in fellowship prior to our evening worship service. There's always plenty to eat, the conversation relaxing and friendly, and what better way to get ready for coming together in God's house for worship.

We'll be looking to see you on Wednesday evenings in Lent beginning Valentine's Day, February 14th.

Lenten Supper Schedule:

Feb. 14—Council & Adult Education

Feb. 21—Youth & Sunday School

Feb. 28—Worship, Altar Guild & Banners

March 7—Men's Life

March 14—Choir, Gospel Group & Adult Praise Team

March 21—WOW & Ladies BUNCO Group

Announcements



With a number of conflicts and some lousy weather, we had to first postpone and then cancel our January meeting. In February, we'll come together as the men of St. Paul on our regular day, the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm, at the Knibbe Ranch hall. We sure hope you can make it.

Besides our regular great meal and fellowship, our devotional will focus on missions. Recently our youth have had a great mission experience that they shared with the congregation on January 21st. We've got work started on a Guatemala mission trip and who knows what else.

The one question that has periodically been asked makes me wonder if we really understand what Christian missions is all about. That's the topic for Pastor Lee's devotional "What is Missions?"

So, mark your calendar for Men's Life on Tuesday, February 20, 6:00 pm at the Knibbe Ranch. Bring a friend.

TIRED AND RETIRED BUNCH

Our next Tired and Retired gathering will be on Wednesday, February 28 from 10am-2pm. We have a potluck meal, so please bring a dish to share. Join us for an afternoon of fun, food and fellowship.



The Red Roof Readers celebrated their sixth-year anniversary and have begun enjoying new books and fellowship for 2018. We would love for you to come and be a part of this lively group. Our book we will share

and review is Beneath A Scarlet Sky by Mark Sullivan. This awe-inspiring book is based on a true story of a forgotten hero during Italy's darkest times of WW II. The hero of this story teaches us lessons of courage and resilience when it is most needed. We meet always on the second Tuesday of the month at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come and join us on 13th for fun, food, and fellowship, even if you have not read the book, we welcome you to become a part of the Red Roof Readers!



January Meeting—BUNCO Night!!!

Thank you to Elaine Lenz and Kathy Branaum for hosting & preparing the wonderful food! It was amazing!



Upcoming Events:

- **Monday, February 19 at 4:30pm in the fellowship hall**—Planning Meeting
- **Monday, February 19 at 6:30pm**—Praise & Painting led by Karen Williams with a potluck meal.
- **Monday, March 19 at 6:30pm**—Baby Shower for the Bulverde Spring Branch Pregnancy Care Center. We will have Speakers and food will be provided.
- **Friday, April 13 and Saturday, April 14**—Women's Retreat at St. Paul in the CFC. The theme will be the 23rd Psalm.
- **Monday, April 16 at 6:30pm**—Movie Night
- **Saturday, May 5**—Style Show and Luncheon



WOW Fundraiser

Wash Tub Savings Books
\$15.00 each

Retail Value of \$34.99

Includes coupons for:

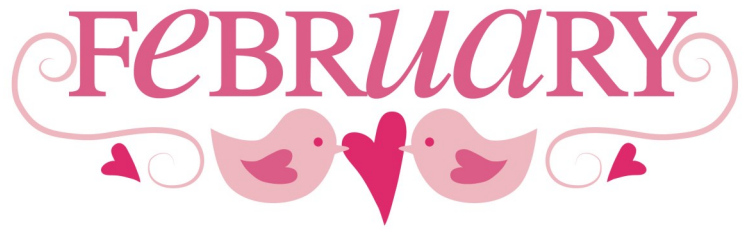
(1) - Free Full Service Gleam Wash

(3) - \$5.00 Off Coupons

(1) - \$10.00 Off Detail Coupon

Available for sale in the church office or the first Sunday of each month after both services. They make great gifts!

Discipleship Commitments



	<u>February 4</u>	<u>February 11</u>	<u>February 18</u>	<u>February 25</u>	
Ushers 8:30	Vince & Sue Freiburger	Vince & Sue Freiburger	Vince & Sue Freiburger	Vince & Sue Freiburger	
Ushers 10:45	We need ushers for this service. Please see the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the CFC.				
Communion Assistants 8:30	Doug & Connie Osborn	Doug & Connie Osborn	Doug & Connie Osborn	Doug & Connie Osborn	
Communion Assistants 10:45	Jere & Bonnie Kimmell	Jere & Bonnie Kimmell	Jere & Bonnie Kimmell	Jere & Bonnie Kimmell	
Fellowship	Randy & Nida Fischer	We need volunteers for fellowship. Remember...if no one is signed up, we won't have donuts!			
Worship Assistant 8:30	Judy Wemmert	Jim Vantine	Larry Bodoczy	Sharon Knibbe	
Altar Guild 8:30	Ingrid Lingle Anita Botcher	Ingrid Lingle Anita Botcher	Ingrid Lingle Anita Botcher	Ingrid Lingle Anita Botcher	
Altar Guild 10:45	Judi Sims Libye Nuernberg	Judi Sims Libye Nuernberg	Judi Sims Libye Nuernberg	Judi Sims Libye Nuernberg	
Altar Flowers	Denny & Lynn Rosenfeld	Bill & Charlene Tapp			

Love God!

Love Others!

Serve All!

February Birthdays

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| 2 | Natalie Irving | 18 | Harryette Coon |
| | Molly McConnell | | Donald Ofsdahl |
| 4 | Kathy Bowie | 19 | Addie Scott |
| | Cheryl Cockerham | 21 | Jackie Matthys |
| | Amanda Schwanenberg | 22 | Grayson Smith |
| | Bonnie Scott | 23 | Lillian Mayer |
| 6 | Callee Bodoczy | 24 | Madison McClellan |
| | Janet Walker | 25 | Conner Reeh |
| 7 | Liz Flessner | | Debbie Schmalz |
| | Paityn Vandersteen | 26 | Barbara Robertson |
| | Karen Williams | | Miriam Walker |
| 8 | Dwayne Robertson | 27 | Olivia Miller |
| 9 | Andrew White | 28 | Fred Coon III |
| 10 | Weslea Miller | | |
| 11 | Kay Herrera | | |
| | Jim Walker | | |
| 12 | Reva Laumer | | |
| 13 | Jane Harrell | | |
| | Joe Ramos | | |
| 14 | Mike Gurganus | | |
| 15 | Emmett Dobbins | | |
| | Lisa Neubauer | | |
| | Julie Saboe | | |
| 16 | Mildred Bartels | | |
| | Laurie Laubach | | |
| | Armando Orozco | | |
| 17 | Emery Gass | | |
| | Wyatt Krause | | |
| | Cory Winkler | | |



February Anniversaries

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| 9 | Jim & Lucy Walker |
| 12 | Paul & Marguerite Macke |
| | Dick & Carol An Weitzel |
| 20 | Don & Mary Bragg |
| 21 | Snookie & Shirley Moore |
| 26 | Chuck & Sharon Knibbe |
| 28 | John & Irene Pendleton |



FEBRUARY

2018

Color Key:

Education Ministry Evangelism Stewardship Fellowship Worship

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Monday & Friday 9:00am to Noon Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9am to 4pm</p>				<p>1 Bible Study 8 & 10am CDS 9am-2pm Gospel Group 5:00pm Choir Practice 6:15pm Bible Study 6:30pm Praise Team 7:30pm</p> 	<p>2 Bulverde Networking Group 8:30-10:30am Church office closed at noon Los Ninos Weekend Meals 2pm CFC Rental all day</p>	<p>3 Confirmation Retreat 8:30am to 2:30pm (Fellowship Hall)</p>
<p>4 Traditional Worship 8:30am in the Sanctuary Sunday school, Confirmation & ACE Classes 9:40-10:35am Contemporary Worship 10:45am in the CFC Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday—bring your food or money donations to church!</p> 	<p>5 WWG Bible Study 9am CDS 9am-2pm Church office closed at noon Melodic Minions Practice & Dinner 5:30pm</p> 	<p>6 Threads of Love 9am-12pm CDS 9am-2pm CDS Chapel 9:30am WWG Bible Study 10am Staff Mtg. 10:30am</p>	<p>7 Threads of Love 9am-12pm CDS 9am-2pm CDS Chapel 9:30am BUNCO 12:00-2:00pm Choir Host Home Mtg. 6:15pm Youth WWG Bible Study 7:30-9:00pm</p> 	<p>8 Bible Study 8 & 10am CDS 9am-2pm Gospel Group 5:00pm Choir Practice 6:15pm Bible Study 6:30pm Praise Team 7:30pm</p> 	<p>9 Bulverde Networking Group 8:30-10:30am Church office closed at noon Los Ninos Weekend Meals 2pm Watoto Children's Choir Worship Experience 7pm</p>	10
<p>11 Traditional Worship 8:30am in the Sanctuary Sunday school, Confirmation & ACE Classes 9:40-10:35am Contemporary Worship 10:45am in the CFC Youth Dinner & Devotion 6:30pm @ the Whiteheads</p> 	<p>12 CDS 9am-2pm WWG Bible Study 9am Banner Committee 9:30am Church office closed at noon Red Roof Readers 6pm</p> 	<p>13 Threads of Love 9am-12pm CDS 9am-2pm CDS Chapel 9:30am WWG Bible Study 10am Staff Mtg. 10:30am Prayer Shawls 1pm Council Meeting 5:30pm</p> 	<p>14 Threads of Love 9am-12pm CDS 9am-2pm CDS Chapel 9:30am Service 12pm Soup & Sandwich Supper 6pm Service 7pm Youth WWG Bible Study 7:30-9:00pm</p> 	<p>15 Bible Study 8 & 10am CDS 9am-2pm Gospel Group 5:00pm Choir Practice 6:15pm Bible Study 6:30pm Praise Team 7:30pm</p> 	<p>16 Life Line Screening 8:00am to 6pm (CFC) Bulverde Networking Group 8:30-10:30am Church office closed at noon Los Ninos Weekend Meals 2pm</p>	17
<p>18 One Worship Service 9:30am in the CFC Walking with God in the Desert Celebration 11:00am in the CFC Youth Praise Team Practice 12:00pm</p> 	<p>19 Church office & CDS closed Prayer Team 11am WOW Planning Meeting 4:30pm WOW 6:30pm</p> 	<p>20 Threads of Love 9am-12pm CDS 9am-12pm CDS Chapel 9:30am Staff Mtg. 10:30am Men's Life 6:00pm <u>Deadline for March Epistle</u></p> 	<p>21 Threads of Love 9am-12pm CDS 9am-12pm CDS Chapel 9:30am Soup & Sandwich Supper 6pm Service 7pm</p>	<p>22 Bible Study 8 & 10am CDS 9am-12pm Gospel Group 5:00pm Choir Practice 6:15pm Bible Study 6:30pm</p>	<p>23 Bulverde Networking Group 8:30-10:30am Church office closed at noon Los Ninos Weekend Meals 2pm</p>	24
<p>25 Traditional Worship 8:30am in the Sanctuary Sunday school, Confirmation & ACE Classes 9:40-10:35am Contemporary Worship 10:45am in the CFC (YPT to lead worship)</p> 	<p>26 Women's Study 9am CDS 9am-2pm Church office closed at noon</p> 	<p>27 Threads of Love 9am-12pm CDS 9am-2pm Staff Mtg. 10:30am</p> 	<p>28 Threads of Love 9am-12pm CDS 9am-12pm Tired & Retired 10:00am-2:00pm Soup & Sandwich Supper 6pm Service 7pm Wild Wednesdays 7:30-9:00pm</p>	<p>Soup & Sandwich Suppers Schedule: 2/14—Council & ACE 2/21—Youth & Sunday School 2/28—Worship, Altar Guild & Banners</p>		
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