

# The St. Paul Messenger

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**Service Times:** Sunday 8:15 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
(2nd & 4th Sunday Communion)  
Monday 6:30 p.m. (2nd & 4th Communion)



## PASTOR'S ARTICLE

As many of you know, my family moved to a 25 acre farm last October. Many of you are intimately aware of that because you carried our stuff from Greenville to Manawa! Well, as this Minnesotan and his Iowan wife keep on becoming more and more Wisconsinite, one of our intentions with our hobby farm is to raise cows. It seems to us to be an excellent use of the land we have bought.

But so far, it is all talk. Sure, we have made some preparations and have some plans in the work and have gotten a lot of help along the way to get us closer to accomplishing this idea, but it is still just an idea that hopefully will happen someday.

Did you know I often hear about an idea that hopefully will happen someday? It is the intention of faithful and sincere Christians to read their Bible more. It is the intention to hold sacred the Word of God and gladly learn it. I hear, "I really ought to read my Bible more." Yes, we all ought to read our Bibles more. And this is not something that happens someday.

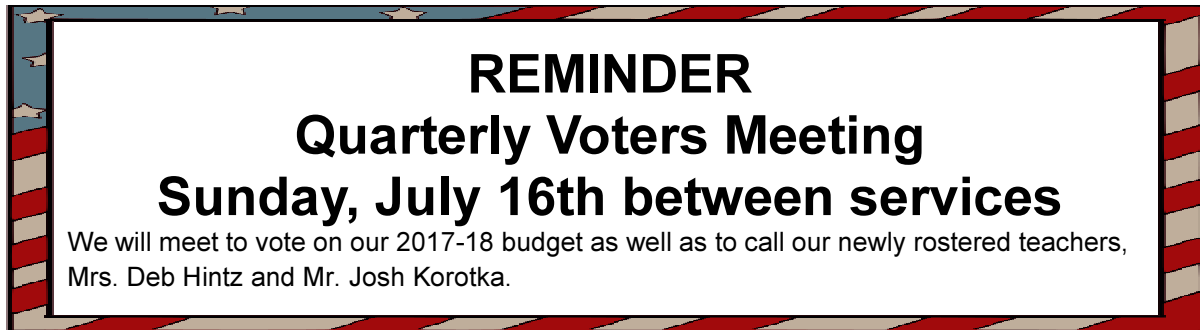
It happens today. That is what it takes: the simple act of doing it. And it really is a simple act. Please, do not make it more complicated than it is. In fact, learn from the cows! I say learn from the cows because when Psalm 1 talks about meditating on God's Word, it uses the same word for "meditate" that a farmer would use to describe what a cow does with her cud. What does a cow do with her cud? She chews on it for a long while, swallows it, regurgitates it, chews on it again, swallows it again, and maybe does that a few times. In the same way, a person ought to read God's Word, chew on it for a while, put it away in your mind, recall it, chew on it again, and maybe do that a few times. You see, you were not meant to read God's Word once and call it good. You were meant to read it again and again and think on it again and again and talk about it again and again. And all of that starts with picking it up (or opening the app on your phone) and reading a portion of it today.

Pastor Mazemke recently gave me credit for my faithfulness in studying God's Word. To a point, I will accept that credit. Like all of you, I am aware that I do not gladly learn it as much as I should. One lesson that has blessed me in my study of the Bible is the habit of reading a portion of Scripture over and over for a few months at a time. In fact, I have been reading Matthew for 6 months now, just 4 chapters per day. When I get to the end, I go back to the beginning. I like to think this is learning well from the cows and the faithfulness that God calls us to in gladly learning His Word.

Let us not be all talk when it comes to the things that we should do. I may never get cows at our beautiful home and that would be okay. But it would not be okay for us never to get around to the Word of Life God speaks to us.

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## **LADIES AID NEWS**

A small group of Ladies Aid members met on June 1st, 2017, in the school dining room. Betty called the meeting to order, and Jeanette gave the devotion, "What Prayer Can Do." It was an account of a woman's trip to the Emergency Room, and how her prayers had calmed her down. It was a reminder that all of us turn to prayer when we need reassurance that our Lord is protecting us. We ended the devotion by reciting "The Lord's Prayer."

Roll Call was taken and the secretary's & treasurer's reports were read. Yvonne reported that we don't have to go to the nursing home to play Bingo during the Summer months, as the 4-H clubs will be doing it. Our July meeting will be our potluck picnic at noon. Betty & Jeanette agreed to purchase the prizes for the card bingo.

We closed our meeting with the table prayer, and Jeanette served a delicious dessert.

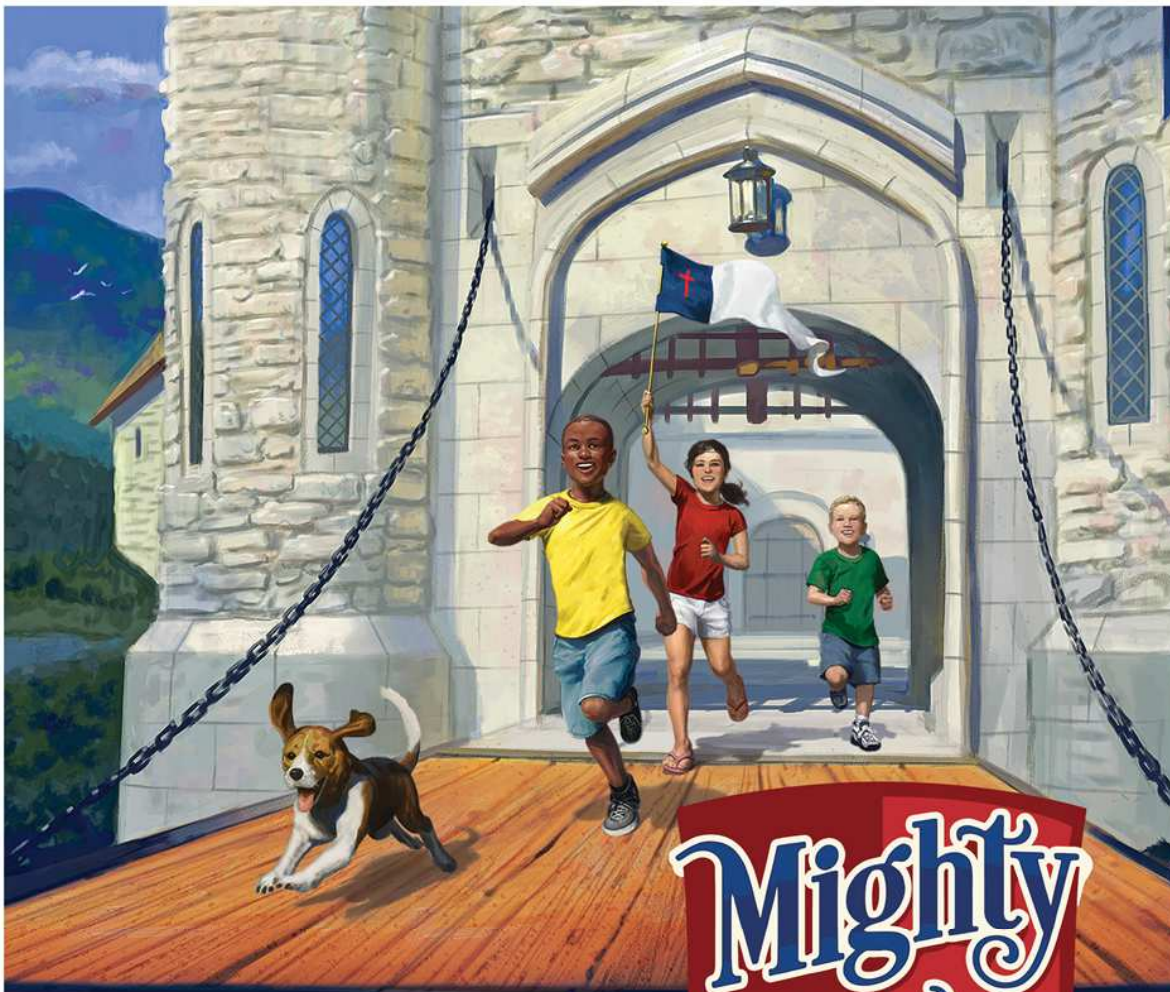


**Ladies Aid Potluck Picnic**  
**Thursday, July 6th at Noon**

## **SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**

Church office will be open Monday, Thursday, & Friday 8:00 a.m.-Noon.

**VBS**



**Sign up now  
and invite your friends!**

# Mighty Fortress

**In Jesus, the Victory Is Won!**

**Psalm 46:1,7**

1 God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

7 The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

# JULY 10-13, 2017

## 9 am - 11:30 am

**Registration is appreciated But not necessary. Call Church office for details.**

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## SCHOOL NEWS



The school theme for the 2017-2018 is **“Stand Firm”** from 1 Timothy 4:12. *Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity.*

The teachers selected this verse as our school year theme because of the strong message that God is sending to us through Paul. He is encouraging the young pastor Timothy to not let his age hold him back. Paul tells Timothy to set an example in all his actions. This is great advice for our students at St. Paul Lutheran School. Even though they are young, they can be examples of Jesus’s love in all elements of their lives.

### “Sponsor a Student”

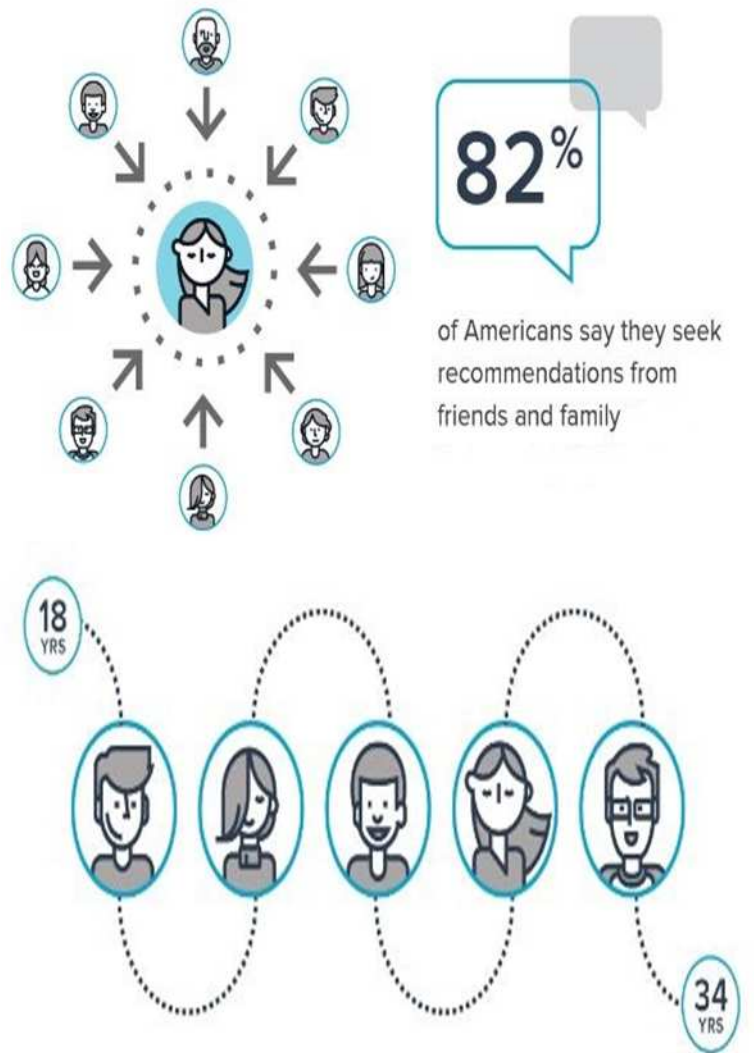
How do you support St. Paul Lutheran Church and School? Is your support found in regular church attendance? Do you attend the special functions at St. Paul? Do you attend bible study or help with Sunday School or VBS? Do you serve in a leadership role at St. Paul? Do you faithfully give to support the missions of St. Paul? The “Sponsor a Student” program will give congregational members a chance to assist the families and students of St. Paul in another way. Unlike financial aid, this program will simply allow a congregational member to sponsor a student without the paperwork of applying for financial aid. Members can sponsor a student for a month, a semester, or an entire year. The amount of contribution or commitment is decided by the sponsor. This commitment could range from \$50, a monthly payment, to \$875, a yearly payment. Donors would remain anonymous. During the 2016-2017 school year, over \$1000 was donated to the Sponsor A Student Program. Specially marked donations can be dropped off in the school or church office any time.

Please consider this program as a way to help a student receive a Christian Education at St. Paul Lutheran School. Anyone interested in donating to this worthy cause can bring donations to the school office.

Have you heard about all of the great things happening at St. Paul Lutheran Church and School? Tell someone else!



### Referrals are More Influential than We Think



Across a variety of industries, **92%** of 18-to-34 year-olds say they seek recommendations from friends and family

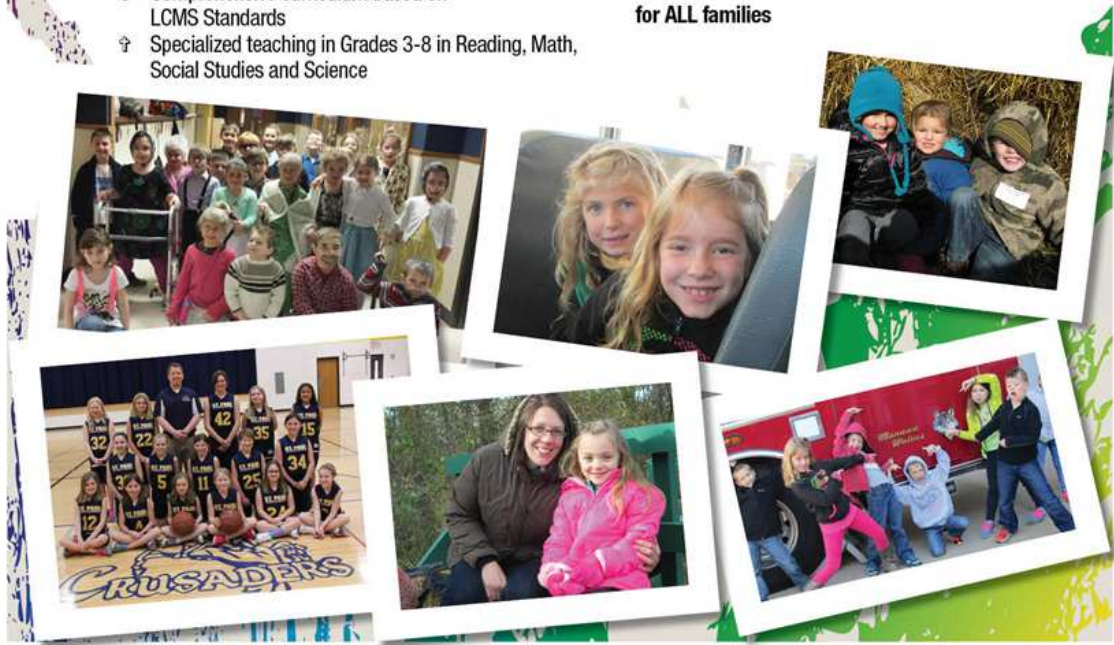


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Children in today's society are exposed to a moral climate that concerns many parents. St. Paul Lutheran School partners with families who are seeking an education rooted in Christian values. Our school prepares a child for life here on earth and in heaven by teaching them about God's love.

- ✦ A Christian education for children preschool (ages 3 and 4) through 8th grade
- ✦ A commitment to ongoing excellence in education
- ✦ Accredited school through National Lutheran School Accreditation since 1994
- ✦ Comprehensive curriculum based on LCMS Standards
- ✦ Specialized teaching in Grades 3-8 in Reading, Math, Social Studies and Science
- ✦ Low student to teacher ratio in every classroom
- ✦ 21st century technology integrated into classrooms and curriculum
- ✦ Competitive sports programs grades 3-8
- ✦ Secured campus
- ✦ **Affordable education and Financial Aid available for ALL families**







## **YOUTH GROUP NEWS**

Youth Group will meet sporadically throughout the summer months. Please friend me on FaceBook and or send me your cell number so I can text you.

We have a new youth group room! Yippee! We can all now fit comfortably in that room with our LARGE group!

I hope you are all having a great summer!

Thanks again to all the members who helped plant the garden and donated to the cross garden.

Youth group is always happy to have cases of soda donated. They are a thirsty crew!

Shell 920-538-3936



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## **TAPE MINISTRY**

If anyone would like a copy of the service to share with someone that couldn't make it to church and play on their own computer we now have several USB drives they can borrow. If you do not have a computer we have MP3 Players to borrow as well. Or If you have your own USB Drive just bring it in and someone will copy the service onto your drive for you. This is a good alternative to keep in spirit with the other believers of St. Paul when our busy schedules or sickness keep us from attending church. Also just the sermons are available to listen to online at the St. Paul website <http://www.stpaulmanawa.org> under the St Paul Lutheran Church- Sermons tabs.

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## **LWML NEWS**

The June 20th 2017 LWML meeting opened with the hymn "Almighty Father, Bless The Word". We then read the devotion " the Lord's Prayer For Missions". Our Bible study "Engage! Encourage! Equip! Enjoy! " told about Jesus and the Samaritan women. It told how Jesus' coming to Engage, Encourage, and equip sinners like the Samaritan women.

Our Service Projects for June were:

- 1). Pray for all fathers.
- 2). Save Stamps for Missions.
- 3). Pray for our Service men and women and their families.
- 4). Pray for our Pastors and the congregation.

Our next meeting will be July 18th, 2017  
with the Bible Study "Be Still And Know That I am God".



## **COMMUNION SHUT-IN SERVICE**

Thursday, July 20th at 2:00 p.m. This is a worshipful communion service in the sanctuary as well as fellowship with other members of St. Paul. We will be bringing the communion elements to the pews where you will be sitting (in every other row). After a brief communion worship service with Pastor Mazemke you will have an opportunity to enjoy a snack in the fellowship area. Everyone is welcome to come.

## **RODEO POPCORN STAND HELP NEEDED**



We are in need of volunteers for the Popcorn Stand at the Manawa Rodeo Shows on Thursday, June 29, Friday, June 30 & Saturday, July 1 (two shows)

Please call Christal Buch to volunteer  
715-340-2178

### **MENS CLUB BRAT FRY**

**Saturday, July 1st**

During & after Rodeo parade



Serving: brats, hamburgers, hot dogs & refreshments. Volunteers are needed to help set-up and take down. Contact Jim Zemple if you are able to help 596-3728 or just show up.

### **MENS CLUB PICNIC**

**Tuesday, August 8th**

The Men's Club Picnic will be held at Janice & Dave Miller's house (E5881 Blake Creek Road, Manawa) with a Garbage Can Dinner. Will be eating at 7:00 p.m. Please bring drinks & a lawn chair, can also bring a salad or dessert if you wish but not required.

## **GET SCRIP TODAY!**

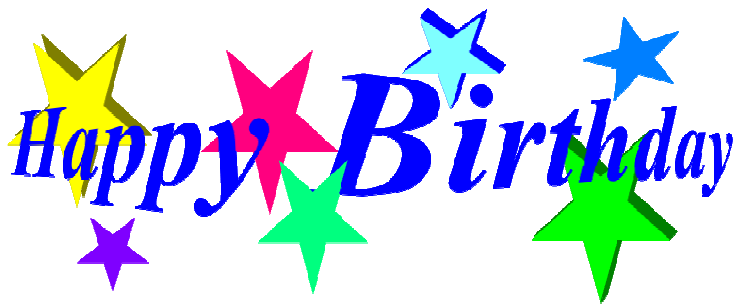
SCRIP cards are sold between services on Sundays in the fellowship room. You can also place orders by filling out an order form found by the bulletin board near the offices or by the fellowship sink. Orders can be placed in the boxes provided along with your check made payable to St. Paul Scrip, or brought to the church office. Orders will be placed around the 1st & 15th of each month and take about 4 days to receive them. Some cards are kept in stock and can be purchased Monday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 a.m.-Noon in the church office during the summer.

Thank you to everyone who has taken time to purchase SCRIP cards for your everyday purchases such as: prescriptions, gas & groceries.

For families enrolled in school July will be the last month to have % come off education fees for the 2017-2018 school year. Starting in August you can start saving on education fees for the 2018-2019 school year.

If you have any questions about SCRIP please ask Betty Klotzbuecher or Lori Hass.





**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

Ronald Koehler.....	7-1
Todd Bonikowske.....	7-2
Erik Fritz.....	7-2
Kenneth Rohde.....	7-2
Leighton Dunnihoo.....	7-3
Bracyn Hass.....	7-3
Walter Janke.....	7-3
Rebecca Ricker.....	7-4
Timothy Brunner.....	7-5
Mary Fradrich.....	7-5
Ronald Radke.....	7-5
Larry Rohde.....	7-5
Corey Beyer.....	7-6
Sheri Lettau.....	7-6
Peter Claussen.....	7-7
Andrew Drath.....	7-7
David Helgeson.....	7-7
Haley Ingersoll.....	7-7
Abby Peters.....	7-7
Courtney Smits.....	7-7
Ashley Spiegelberg.....	7-7
Brianne Diermeier.....	7-8
Ron Drath.....	7-8
Lois Glocke.....	7-8
Braxton Huebner.....	7-8
Wendy Nichols.....	7-8
Jamie Sanderfoot.....	7-8
Kelsey Behnke.....	7-9
Daniel Blum.....	7-9
Benjamin Gehrke.....	7-9
Julius Reichle.....	7-9
Brett Zielke.....	7-9
Margaret Bonikowske.....	7-10
Rachel Krueger.....	7-10

Joshua Seeger.....	7-10
Jack Sturm.....	7-10
Andrew Buchholz.....	7-11
Frank Jaeger.....	7-11
Jax Riesenbergs.....	7-12
Alaina Bonikowske.....	7-13
Bryan Lockman.....	7-13
Wendy Sztuczko.....	7-13
John Bartel.....	7-14
Christa Cupp.....	7-14
Aaron Delaney.....	7-14
Jill Timm.....	7-14
Hunter Peters.....	7-15
Betty Bonikowske.....	7-16
Anthony Drath.....	7-16
Tamara Johnson.....	7-16
George Meidam.....	7-16
Katie Schneiderwent.....	7-16
Gerald Bailey.....	7-17
Gloria Behnke.....	7-17
Marla Gerl.....	7-17
Evelyn Klotzbuecher.....	7-17
Jason Klotzbuecher.....	7-17
Rachel Beyer.....	7-18
Kris Heinz.....	7-18
Carol Glocke.....	7-19
Drew Meyer.....	7-19
Travis Radke.....	7-19
Chris Roenz.....	7-19
Julie Mehlberg.....	7-20
Kai Kreklow.....	7-21
Joel Bonikowske.....	7-22
Anthony Klotzbuecher.....	7-22
Lieca Secard.....	7-22
Lori Suehs.....	7-22
Troy Zielke.....	7-22
Lindsay Kassis.....	7-23
Brittany Osei.....	7-23
Jennifer Sturm.....	7-23

**July Birthdays Continued**

Matthew Sturm.....	7-23
Darci Vanden Heuvel .....	7-23
Truman Ingersoll.....	7-24
Bruce Scheller .....	7-24
Sharon Spiegelberg .....	7-24
Jason Jones .....	7-25
Brenna Lockman.....	7-25
Joshua Ort.....	7-25
Nancy Timm.....	7-25
Margaret Fahser .....	7-26
Suzanne Suehs .....	7-26
Richard Bonikowske .....	7-27
Tarra Buschke.....	7-27
Shirley Fuhs.....	7-27
Robbie Schneiderwent.....	7-27
Riley Buch .....	7-28
Allen Kriesel.....	7-28
Tylar Johnson .....	7-29
Alissa Suehs .....	7-29
Harley VanArk.....	7-29
James Zemple .....	7-29
Jacob Craig .....	7-30
John Diermeier .....	7-30
Timothy Dusel.....	7-31
Karen Helpap.....	7-31

**JULY ANNIVERSARIES**

Bruce & Dinah Herrmann .....	7-05-69
Jacob & Shauna Timm .....	7-06-10
John & Teri Suehs .....	7-10-82
Courtney & Ryan Smits .....	7-12-14
David & Kathy Pethke .....	7-14-79
Daniel & Rebecca Tellock.....	7-14-01
Bruce & Jennifer Scheller.....	7-15-95
Jason & Roberta Snyder .....	7-15-05
Gerald & Geraldine Hackbarth.....	7-16-77
Jason & Sheri Bailey .....	7-18-98
Dean & Wendy Beyer.....	7-18-09
Roy & Sue Suehs.....	7-18-92
James & Christine Hanna.....	7-19-97
Mark & Diane Koller .....	7-20-95
Dean & Pat Zander.....	7-21-62
Tristan & Jessica Drath .....	7-22-05
Ronald & Barbara Vaughan.....	7-23-60
Mike & Sue Lemke .....	7-24-65
Ronald & Marla Rieckmann.....	7-24-82
Scott & Tammy Arndt.....	7-25-92
Erik & Meagan Fritz.....	7-12-14
Donald & Betty Schamber .....	7-27-02
Ed & Kathy Flater .....	7-27-63
Kevin & Christal Buch.....	7-31-99
Randy & Lynn Steingraber .....	7-31-76

**WHY GO TO CHURCH**

If you're spiritually alive, you're going to love this! If you're spiritually dead, you won't want to read it. If you're spiritually curious, there is still hope!

A Church goer wrote a letter to the editor of a newspaper & complained that it made no sense to go to church every Sunday. 'I've gone for 30 years now,' he wrote, '& in that time I have heard something like 3,000 sermons, but for the life of me, I can't remember a single one of them. So, I think I'm wasting my time & the preachers & priests are wasting theirs by giving sermons at all.' This started a real controversy in the 'Letters to the Editor column. Much to the delight of the editor, it went on for weeks until someone wrote this clincher:

'I've been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But, for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals. But I do know this: They all nourished me & gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today.

Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!' When you are DOWN to nothing, God us UP to something! Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible & receives the impossible!

Thank God for our physical & our spiritual nourishment! IF YOU CANNOT SEE GOD IN ALL, YOU CANNOT SEE GOD AT ALL!