



Purpose Statement

Living Christ centered lives so we may love all, serve our community, and share the Word.

News for Sunday May 16

Join us For Worship

Sunday, May 16

We come to worship in the sanctuary to worship and praise God.
You are also invited to stay in your vehicle to listen to the service of 98.7 FM.
Communion and the bulletin will be brought to you.

Click [HERE](#) for the bulletin

Tri-Church Online Worship Services

Worship will be available at 9am on Sunday and any time after that:

<http://stpaulsterling.com/> & <https://stpaulsterling.us18.list-manage.com/track/click?u=f94d986cbc4c67a176723cace&id=eff197e4e9&e=2acc769427>

You can call the toll-free number 1-888-975-5536 and listen anytime.

To Watch Worship Click [HERE](#)

Bulletin Click [HERE](#)

We Remember in Prayer; those on our Home Visitation list and those on our prayer list: MacKenzie Gorman, Sophie DeWall, Brandon Beth, Lester Kroeger, Michael Harting, Joe Machan, Karen Ferch, Melinda Jones, Harold Julifs, Marcia Fields, Lucille Beyer, Cliff Miller, Viola Koster, Pam Sorrenson, Bill Duncan, and Ethel Warner.

Tri-Church Gardening Day at LOMC May 22 10am

Our Tri-Church congregations will have God's Work Our Hands events throughout the summer as an opportunity for fellowship and service. Our first event will be May 22 at 10am at LOMC. We will be gardening. Bring your green thumbs and gardening tools for a great morning in God's Creation.

Can you read in a language other than English?

For Pentecost worship Sunday May 23, we are looking for people to read the Pentecost story in multiple languages. You can read in any language you like, and don't have to be a fluent speaker. Call the church office or contact Pastor Makayla for details.

Summer Kick-Off at Pentecost Worship May 23

Sunday May 23 will be our summer kick off!

Join us to:

- Celebrate the Festival of Pentecost at Outdoor Worship
- Honor all Sunday School & Faith Formation Leaders during worship
- Fellowship with coffee and treats after worship
- Play games and outdoor activities for the whole family

Would you like to help make this event happen?

Contact the church office if you are willing to help with:

- Making treats/refreshments
- Setting up for coffee hour or outdoor worship
- Clean-up/tear down at noon.

CLEO (Church Ladies Eating Out) will start up again on Tuesday May 25th at 6 pm. We will gather at Badazz Pizza in Dixon. They are next to the Walmart area. There will be a sign up for those that want to attend outside the church kitchen. You order what you want, the wait staff will give us individual checks. Bring a friend if you like. On the sign up— let us know if you want to drive and if you are willing to take others with you. Beginning in June CLEO will meet the last Monday of the month. We am really looking forward to seeing you!

Pam Machan: 847-302-6772 Libby Schrader 815-626-0764

Coffee Fellowship volunteers needed! There is a sign-up sheet on the kiosk in the fellowship hall to provide individually wrapped food items, make and serve coffee. Coffee cups need to be single serve and they will be handed to each person.

Geraniums will be purchased again this year to decorate the altar on Pentecost Sunday, May 23. They will then be planted outside to help beautify the church. If you would like to donate toward this purchase, please indicate that to Sue and you can either drop off your donation or mail to the church.

Let's Feed Our Children

This year, all lunches for "**Feed the Children**" will be packed at Harvest Time Bible Church on Dixon Avenue. This starts Tuesday, June 1 and goes through Wednesday, August 11th. At least 10 volunteers are needed each Tuesday from 8 to 11 for assembly line packing of lunches that will provide food for 3 days. Lunches will be picked up by each site on Wednesdays following the packing for distribution. St Paul will only be picking up lunches that will be handed out at the church. If you would like to volunteer to help with packing on Tuesdays, please call Marty at United Way @ 815-625-7973. If you have questions or can possibly help on a Wednesday if needed, call Carolyn Duncan @ 815-625-7878.

Support for LGBTQ+ Community Members

At St. Paul we believe in serving our community, especially the most vulnerable.

Here is an announcement for those who need extra mental health support.

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) is offering a Connection Recovery Support Group specifically for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning, + (LGBTQ+) community. The group is a free, peer-led support group designed for any adult (18+) in the LGBTQ+ community who has a mental health condition. All meetings will be on Zoom and are confidential.

Register for Zoom link here:

Register at <https://namiillinois.org/online-support-group-registration-information/>

For more information, contact info@namiba.org

Blankets for April House

April House, a children's advocacy center in Morrison, IL is collecting new, unused blankets for children coming through the center. Children are able to take home with them their own blanket that can be very comforting to them. They appreciate NEW child-friendly blankets for any ages, including teens. Character blankets are very popular for our younger friends, and sherpa, print and tie blankets are suitable for our teens. Drop off your blankets with the church office. See Pam Machan for more details.

THIS WEEK

Monday – May 17

Good Neighbor Emergency Center Training – 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday – May 18

JUNE NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Good Neighbor Emergency Center – 9:00-11:30 a.m.

Thursday – May 20

Good Neighbor Emergency Center – 9:00-11:30 a.m.

Saturday – May 22

Tri-Church Gardening day at LOMC – 10:00 a.m.

Next Sunday – May 23

Pentecost Sunday – WEAR RED!

Tri-Church online Worship at 9:00 a.m.

Outdoor Worship at 10:00 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship following worship

Games & Outdoor activities for the whole family