

Talent-filled People!

Here's why God gives us gifts and abilities – that we may be equipped to serve others. The start of a new year offers us an opportune time to assess those gifts and see how we can use them for God's glory and the good of His people. The motivation to do this comes from the same One Who gave the gifts! Just as He was motivated by love for us to give us, not just our gifts, but His greatest gift, His Son, so we are motivated by love for Him to serve those He calls us to serve.

Jesus Loves Me Learning Center (JLMLC)

In this coming week, we are learning about Jairus' Daughter and remembering the Bible verse where Jesus says "Because I live, you also will live." We will study about energy, read and learn about quilts, have fun with music and artist Claude Monet.

Call 345-7707 or 507 508 2041 or email directorjlm@stpaulsnorthmankato.com to get more information about openings or volunteering or anything you might want to be involved in!!

Mobile Giving

Mobile Giving is an easy way to fulfill your need to give to the Lord. Using your smart phone, **text CROSSANDCROWN to 73256 or click on Access ACS on St. Paul's webpage.**

Sunday Morning Bible Classes

Today we will focus on "Joyful Generosity" in the Fireside Room. From our study of God's Word, we will learn how the good news of Christ Jesus brings a response of joy and generosity in our lives. The Adult Christ Light Bible Study will meet in the Heritage Room. Classes begin at **9:25 am**

Bible 101: Hope Grows

As you get to know God better, your hope will grow! This class will help you get to know God's heart and his Word better. Everyone is welcome to join for any class. This also is the class to attend if you are interested in membership at St. Paul's. This week we will look at the Church & Fellowship. Bible 101 meets on **Sundays from 9:15-10:15** in the sanctuary.

Family Visits with Pastor Nelson

Pastor Nelson would love to continue to meet with families from St. Paul's to get to know them better and learn how he can best serve as the Family Pastor. Please consider signing up for a 45-minute visit on the sign-up sheet in the church entryway.

JLMLC Custodial Position Opening

St. Paul's Lutheran Church is seeking applications for a part-time custodian at Jesus Loves Me Learning Center. This position is for 15 hours per week at \$11.75 per hour. Applications will be accepted through **Mon. Feb. 18th**. Stop in the church office for an application and position description. Contact Chris Selvey, Facility Supervisor, at 507-469-0550 or facility@stpaulsnorthmankato.com with questions.

Mid-week Lenten Meals

It's not too early to sign up to serve for a mid-week Lenten meal. The season of Lent begins on **March 6th**. These meals are a great way for your group to serve the St. Paul's extended family and raise money for your group through the freewill offerings. Contact the office to reserve a date you want to serve.

New 2 You Volunteers Needed

On the third Saturday of each month, St. Paul's congregation is asked to provide volunteers to help at New 2 You. **We need volunteers for Saturday, February 16th**. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the office.

Missing

The Altar Guild is missing a set of black vase liners. If you took flowers home, please return the liners at your earliest convenience. Thanks.

Win a \$20 scrip gift card!!!

There's no better time to get started (or continue) with St. Paul's scrip program! From February 3rd to March 3rd for every restaurant purchase/order you make, we're giving you a chance to win a \$20 scrip gift card. We have scrip on hand for about 20 restaurants in the Mankato area. Purchase/order your scrip today!

Youth Group Activity

Wed., Feb 13th, youth group kids will be dropped off and picked up at the Wow Zone. RSVP to Lisa Hayes – lisaahayes40@gmail.com. Wednesday night special is unlimited laser tag and bowling from 6-8pm. Cost=\$11.99 each. Food is optional as well.

RSLs Basketball Games

Mon., Feb. 11th vs Mt. Olive: Boys B – 5:00 pm; Boys A – 6:00. **Tues., Feb. 12th vs Mt. Olive:** Girls – 5:00 pm. The MLC Tournament begins **Friday, Feb. 15th**. See the bulletin insert with the brackets.

2019 MLC 24th Annual Volleyball Tournament

Come play volleyball and get acquainted with the MLC ministerial training school and its students--as well as the facilities! Men's: Sat., March 23rd--Contact Jesse Becker 507-519-0107. Women's: Sat., March 30th--Contact Kristan Becker 608-879-0671.

Deadline to sign up is 2/15/19.

Basketball at MVL

We have **FREE** tickets for the MVL boys' basketball game against Waterville-Elysian-Morristown High School on **Monday, February 25th**. Pick up your complimentary tickets in the church office.

Thrivent

Did you know that as a Thrivent member you are entitled to use \$500 a year *per member* towards a ministry event of your choice? If you are a Thrivent member and would like to donate your Thrivent Seed Money to the ministries here at St. Paul's, please let the church secretaries know.

In Need of Housing

A Bethany Seminary student, his wife and infant child are in need of housing in the Mankato area. If you know of anything available, please contact Chaplain Don Moldstad at Bethany Lutheran College, (507)344-7312, or by e-mail: donm@blc.edu.

MLC Wind Symphony

Whatever Things: A Sacred Concert for Wind Band on **Sunday, February 17th at 3:00 PM** in the Chapel of the Christ. Please join us for this concert of praise!

Position Opening

Martin Luther College is now accepting applications for a **Temporary/Summer Paint Crew Lead**. A comprehensive description of this position can be found at mlc-wels.edu/hr.