

He did not Spare

In the beginning, God gave, and He continues to give. God's character is to give. Our Heavenly Father loves us so much that He holds nothing back from us, either in this world or the one to come. *"He Who did not spare His own Son, but gave Him up for us all—how will He not also, along with Him, graciously give us all things?"* (Romans 8:32). To give and to keep on giving is the essential nature of God Who is love. As our faith grows and matures, we also become givers who, by God's grace, give freely and generously.

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.**

DOOR OFFERING after the 10:30 service. Please, consider a gift for our guest musicians today, Jonah and the Conquerors. We praise God for their talent.

Verse of the Month Bible Study - Today

Our Verse of the Month Bible Study under the theme "Friends to the Nth" is held the **3rd Sunday** of each month. Women's Group - led by Tiffany Ausdemore & Kelly Fleischer will meet in the Upstairs Commons and the Mixed Group - led by Pastor Knepprath will meet in the Fireside Room. Classes begin at 9:25 am.

Sunday Morning Bible Class

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 507-345-7049 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.

Men's Group

Our next St. Paul's Men's Group Fellowship will be on **Wed., Feb 20th at 7 pm** in the Fireside Room. For this fellowship, we will be having a chili feed and Cribbage tournament. Contact Dave Ausdemore (dtausdemore@gmail.com) for more information.

Easter for Kids! Now is the time to start prepping for our April 13th event. Look for a sign up in the back of church for all sorts of volunteer opportunities. There is also a box to drop candy (peanut free) by Mar. 20th.

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 20th is Beacon and All Seasons Arena night! Bring \$3 for skating and \$2 to rent skates. Kids should be dropped off and picked up from the Beacon Center (5:30 - 8pm). Pizza and snacks, devotion and update on Beacon Center activities with Pastor Nelson, and then walk to All Seasons Arena for open skate from 6:15-7:15. Walk back to Beacon Center for pick up. Dress warm and let's have fun!

RSLs Basketball Game

Tues., Feb. 19th @ Courtland: Boys B – 4:00 pm; Girls – 5:00; Boys A – 6:00.

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.

Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars® by March 31

Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have available Choice Dollars have until March 31, 2019, to direct them. Don't miss this opportunity to recommend that Thrivent Financial provide outreach funding to St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more. Or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.

New 2 You Disbursement

New 2 You has approved a disbursement of \$1,000 to our church from the profits made in the 4th quarter of 2018. Thank you to everyone for providing great donations, shopping our store or volunteering!!

BLC Concert Band Performance

Wed., Feb. 27 at 7 pm in Trinity Chapel - The concert is free and open to the public. A freewill donation will be received to help offset tour expenses.

MVL Pork Chop Dinner & Winter Band Concert

On **Sunday, March 3**, come over to MVL for good food and fun! The Booster Club is sponsoring a pork chop dinner, **10:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.** Freewill offerings will support Booster Club projects. The annual Winter Band Concert follows at 1:30 P.M., featuring the Symphonic Band and Jazz Ensemble.