



### Membership Updates:

#### Guidebook Update:

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### Upcoming Dates:

**May 31** Special Voter's Meeting  
**June 1** Summer Office Hours Begin  
**June 13** TL/AHG Flag Retirement Ceremony  
**June 16** Regular Voter's Meeting

### Mission of the Month

The Lutheran Hour on WJOB AM  
(June)

Media attention increases interest in Jesus.  
That gives us a unique window of opportunity to respond with the Good News that Jesus died for their sins, rose in victory, and invites them into His everlasting family.  
Your generosity makes that outreach possible.

### Thoughts on Stewardship:

Matthew 28:19-20 - "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." Behold the threefold Name of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We are baptized into this Name. We have been made a part of God's family. Now, we are called to live in harmony with our new family, to be godly and live in God's image. As God is loving, kind and generous, so are we all called to be.

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Church Office (Krystle): x100

School Office (Pam): x200

**There will be a special voter's meeting today, May 31** after church service to extend a call for a teacher. This will be a one item agenda.

**The church and Concordia Cemetery offices** will transition to summer hours beginning June 1. Office hours will be 8:00am - 1:00pm Monday-Thursday; closed Friday-Sunday.

**VBS is looking for the following donations for our week in Rome:**

- Solid colored flat bedsheets, curtains or tablecloths.
- Pop-up canopy tents (to borrow)
- Black sharpie markers
- Old men's size button down shirts
- Glossy magazines to cut up
- Postcard Postage Stamps
- Faux palm tree plants/faux tropical plants

Please drop these off in the box marked "VBS" by the Welcome Center. If you would like items returned to you, please clearly write your name and phone number and pin or tape it to the items.

**Fourth Grade Teacher-** We have offered the fourth-grade teacher position to Mr. Noah Venhuizen. Mr. Venhuizen graduated from Trinity Christian College this past December and is currently filling a variety of roles at Highland Christian School, both as a building sub and in their resource department. Mr. Venhuizen is excited to start his first year of full-time teaching next school year. Welcome, Mr. Venhuizen!

**Teachers Needed for Next School Year-** We're looking for a full-time middle school math/science teacher, a full-time middle school language arts/social studies teacher, a part-time art teacher, and a part time preschool teacher. Interested candidates should contact Mrs. Engel at [tengel@stplmunster.com](mailto:tengel@stplmunster.com) or 219-836-6270 x201.

**Lutheran SGO** - With your help we would love to increase our Lutheran SGO donor participation this year. We have approximately 20 consistent donors to the LSGO program, and it would be a huge blessing if we could get 20 more! And new donors can earn \$1 for \$1 match up to \$1,000! Your charitable donation, either personal or business, helps St. Paul's students through scholarships and you receive a 50% state tax credit. Visit [www.lutheransgo.org](http://www.lutheransgo.org) for more information or reach out to the school office at 219-836-6270 ex. 202.

**Enrollment Deadline Nearing for the 2026-27 School Year** - Do you have a friend or neighbor who may be interested in St. Paul's? Help us share what makes our school such a special place. We are a Nationally Accredited school offering a comprehensive curriculum that includes religion, fine arts, foreign language, and extracurricular sports. St. Paul's is an Indiana Choice Scholarship school and provides additional financial aid options for students in K-8th grade. Limited openings remain in Early Preschool (TOT) through 7th grade, and we look forward to welcoming many new families into our faith-based school community this fall. For more information, please contact the Admissions Office at 219-836-6270 ext. 202.

**Creative Carpet "Pay It Forward" Program** - If you are considering a flooring update, be sure to check out Creative Carpet & Flooring in Highland which gives back 3% of your purchase to St. Paul's. There are information flyers at the Welcome Center or contact the school office for more details.

Week of May 31, 2026

**The Nominating Committee** has posted a slate of potential board members for the 2026-2028 term on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions please contact a committee member: Mike Bergin, Karen Hott, Bob Jensen, Caroline Weller, Joe Yothment, Pastor Speckhard and Pastor Krebs.

**Doing some spring cleaning?** Before you head to Goodwill, if you have any empty baskets that you no longer use, please consider donating them for our auction that will be held in November. Baskets of all sizes are needed. They can be dropped off in the church or school office. Questions?? Contact Mary Meyer 260-223-3019 - Thank you for your support.

**Welcome, Mrs. Bozich!** Mrs. Elise Bozich will be joining St. Paul's as our part-time resource teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. Mrs. Bozich is a school parent, an active volunteer, a member of St. Paul's, a Valparaiso University graduate, and taught for seven years before raising her family. We're glad to have her join our team!

**Don't miss out on our Mackinac Island Trip** We have met our minimum number for the trip! There is still time to join our trip if you would like. Please contact the church office to get on the list! This trip is open to everyone—you do not have to be a member of the Next Chapter group to join.

**A Flag Retirement Ceremony** will be presented by Trial Life and American Heritage Girls Troops IN-1882 on Saturday, June 13 beginning at 9am at the gym entrance. The flag retirement ceremony is a dignified process to honor and dispose of worn or damaged American flags. It involves a formal ceremony with a color guard, prayers, and the flag being burned in a respectful manner. Worn flags are being collected now, and can be placed in the bin in the narthex or turned into the church office. For more info contact Mike Bergin or Caroline Weller.

**St. Paul's TOT (Time Out Together) program** for 2- and 3-year-olds returns this September, and registration is officially underway. We'd love to welcome you and your toddler into our community. This weekly, one-hour introduction to preschool is designed for toddlers and a caregiver. Join us **Tuesdays at 9:00 AM** as children enjoy circle-time activities, explore hands-on discovery centers, make new friends, and learn about the love of Jesus. Children must be **2 years old by August 1**. For full details, visit [www.stplmunster.com/tot](http://www.stplmunster.com/tot) or pick up an application at the Welcome Center.



*For the very latest information, please visit the website or call the church or school office (below). Requests for additions to announcements can be made through the church office email.*

**VBS** this year is going to look different this year! June 22-26 students ages 4 through rising 6th grade will be able to go back in time and visit the stalls in a Roman market, learn new songs and Bible stories, and sneak past the guards to visit Paul in prison! But it's going to be difficult to do it without YOU! Break up your monotonous summer by volunteering to dress up and lead music, decorate, staff a craft booth, teach Roman Numerals— the options are nearly endless — as we make faith building real for kids in the community this summer. Sign up NOW to get your spot for VBS: Rome— Paul & the Underground Church (9am-11:15am) at [STPLmunster.com/VBS](http://STPLmunster.com/VBS), or if you have questions, contact Holly Hill through the church office or [hhill@STPLmunster.com](mailto:hhill@STPLmunster.com) or Chrissy Conklin at [chrissyconklin@hotmail.com](mailto:chrissyconklin@hotmail.com)!

**Summer Cafe is going to be lit!** (The following announcement was translated by AI into the lingo of the younger, hipper crowd) This summer, the 20s & 30s Crew at St. Paul's is straight-up taking over Koinonia after Sunday service! Come for your fave brew, upscale cup lids, some fire Spotify playlists, good chats, iced herbals, and snacks from 10:30 - 11:30am. Check the SP Summer Cafe webpage (scan the qr code below) for all the vibes: vote for the next brew style, offer up a playlist, eyeball any surprise events, or sign-up for the hosting rotation. (Chill, we even wi-fied the "percolate" button on a remote app, lols.) And bonus, coffee will avail for the 8am Bible Study, too.) Fam is 100% welcome — let the littles roam free on the playground while we catch up and touch grass on the bench like the exhausted adults we are. Inside when it's crazy real, weather-wise— Jun 7 thru Aug 30! Tag a friend and pull up, we'd love to see you there!



### Prayer Window:

Kevin Baer, Melissa Bodamer, Marge Brauer, Catherine Burghardt, Bob Butler, Eric Clark, Jim Drews, Ray Hieber, Ron & Karen Millies, Kim Mullen, Denny Robbins, Ann Schmidt, Mary Ellen Simons, Diane Targatz, Judy Vajda, Dave Vogel, Judith Walther, Matt Wittkamp, and Marty Zimmer.

*Please contact the church office with updates.*