

# AUGUST BIRTHDAY'S

If we've missed listing your birthday, please call the church office.

<b>Birthdate:8/1</b> Pierce, Bradley Szerdi, Jeffrey	<b>Birthdate:8/11</b> Burch, Nicole Fortner, Billy Mitchell, Robert	McClatchey, Hayden Wlotkowski, Michael
<b>Birthdate:8/2</b> Donnellon, Rebecca Radabaugh, Jeanenne Turner, LeAndre', II Wood, Robert	<b>Birthdate:8/13</b> Hoth, Aimee	<b>Birthdate:8/23</b> Nieman, Tyler Petri, Nathan
<b>Birthdate:8/4</b> Beyerlein, Irvin Bock, Daniel Wetzel, Scott	<b>Birthdate:8/14</b> Paul, Greg	<b>Birthdate:8/24</b> Kienman, Vicki Martin, Chris
<b>Birthdate:8/5</b> Bryant, Nicole Gillespie, Daniel Rauvala, Brian Walsh, Jacquelin Woodruff, William	<b>Birthdate:8/15</b> Dowhan, Emmaline Ruszkowski, Carla	<b>Birthdate:8/25</b> Costakes, Karen Kienman, Benjamin Muse, Kaytlyn Walter, Robert
<b>Birthdate:8/7</b> Cahill, Mark Ciccione, Maria Hoppe, Hazel Say, Luke Seguin, Cindy	<b>Birthdate:8/16</b> Krzeminski, Vicki Mahler, Jared	<b>Birthdate:8/26</b> Owens, Amie
<b>Birthdate:8/8</b> Beardsley, David Bond, Carolyn Carter, Madison Walker, Jean	<b>Birthdate:8/17</b> Dumont, Renee Eller, Diane Martz, Ronni Supnick, Phyllis	<b>Birthdate:8/27</b> Mikhail, Daniel Petri, Kevin Storck, Don
<b>Birthdate:8/9</b> Becker, John Meerschaert, Aeden Mace, Sofia Postiff, Ashley	<b>Birthdate:8/18</b> Hessler, Anthony Wlotkowski, Meghan	<b>Birthdate:8/28</b> Clark, John
<b>Birthdate:8/10</b> Brewer, Richar Peludat, Arthur Wildner, Morgan	<b>Birthdate:8/19</b> Keller, Benjamin Parks, Clayton Smith, Zachariah Walsh, Sydney	<b>Birthdate:8/29</b> Leasia, Christopher McCracken, Margaret Stromback, Effie
	<b>Birthdate:8/20</b> Johnson, Alexis Ruszkowski, Stacy	<b>Birthdate:8/30</b> Hoemke, Kelsey Walsh, Wininfred
	<b>Birthdate:8/21</b> Wetzel, Shirley	<b>Birthdate:8/31</b> Fortney, Roger Meneghin, Susan Schultz, Michelle Ventrone, Jeremy
	<b>Birthdate:8/22</b> Anderson, Ruth Hammond, Alexander	



# PRAYERS

<b>Family and Friends</b>	Ed Poszwa Paul Poszwa Celeste Prudhomme Karen Raime Gloria Rice Mike Ridge Linda Scalzi Lloyd Schultz Ebony Sharpley Robert Stephens Bob Straub Mike Tom Brad Swegles Vanessa Ultzen Jean Watterson John Wallace Daniel Weber Judy Weller Leslie Wharton
<b>Military</b>	Thomas Herzberg John Hunter Brandon Newton Kristine Pate Jeremy Rudd Scott Rutledge Heidi Gerald Julius Gerald Rockey Sparks Aaron Zeile



## Meals Following Funeral/Memorial Services

For many years the Women's Guild has provided a meal following a funeral or memorial service, giving the bereaved family and friends the opportunity to spend time together. This meal was provided at no charge but by donations of the family as well as funds from Women's Guild fund-raisers. Due to changing times there are only a handful of Guild members able to work these meals or the fund-raiser activities. Because this is a vital service for our members, the Guild is asking for volunteers from the congregation to help serve these meals or by donating a cake or Jello salad. In addition to this the Guild is requesting from the bereaved families for a donation of \$4 per person to cover the cost of food. If a family would like to make their own arrangements with a caterer, the Guild would be happy to help serve and clean-up after the meal. Please contact, Betsy Fortner, 248-435-6774, Bev Limbaugh, 248-435-3589 or Clara Lichtenberg, 248-288-3325 if you are able to help.



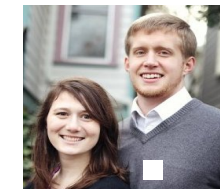
# The Masthead

St Paul Lutheran Church and School

AUGUST, 2011

## FROM OUR NEW VICAR

by Vicar Kirk Hulvey



Brothers and Sisters in Christ  
Pastor Jeremy Schultz  
St. Paul Lutheran Church  
202 E. Fifth Street  
Royal Oak, MI 48067

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ at St. Paul Lutheran Church, and Pastor Jeremy Schultz: Grace and peace to you through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! I am delighted to accept your call as Vicar at St. Paul Lutheran Church, starting on August 7, 2011. The position sounds both exciting and challenging. It was so wonderful to be welcomed after the Assignment Service by the Mahlers, the Schultzes, Pastor Schultz over the phone, and the entire Wednesday morning Bible study! I have heard marvelous things about St. Paul from your former Vicar, Todd Liefer, and I plan on talking more with him soon. I look forward to serving you, the people of God, at St. Paul and in the city of Royal Oak!

My wife, Courtney, and I are both from Washington, and are graduates of Concordia University in Portland, Oregon (2009). Courtney was born and raised in Vancouver, Washington, to her parents, David and JoAnn Eaton. Courtney has an older sister, Marlana. Courtney holds a degree in Elementary Education with a Lutheran School endorsement, and taught one year of first grade in the Seattle area while we were engaged during the 2009-2010 school year. She looks forward to being involved at St. Paul Lutheran School when and how she can. I was born in Kennewick, Washington, to my parents Russ and Kris Hulvey, and I was raised in the neighboring town of Richland. I have a twin brother named Kyle and an older brother named Matthew. I hold a degree in Theology with emphases in biblical languages and missiology. Courtney and I both enjoy vocal music and sang with our college choir all four years. We look forward to singing with the choir at St. Paul and supporting the music ministry in general.

We are incredibly excited for this vicarage opportunity! I look forward to learning from Pastor Schultz and gaining a variety of experiences as I serve your congregation. The Lord knows what He has in store for next year, and we pray prayers of thanksgiving that we will get to participate in His work with you! We look forward to meeting you all in August, getting to know you, and serving the Lord with you!

Sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Kirk and Courtney Hulvey  
Galatians 2:20

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## Ways to Serve the Music Ministry

by Greg Paul, Music Minister

Fall is upon us and time to crank up the music groups of St. Paul Church and School. Here are some ways you could be a part of this valuable and fun ministry.

### Ministry Groups to Join

#### **Chancel Choir**

The Chancel Choir generally sings SATB repertoire (some a cappella) and usually sings for the early, 8:15, more traditional worship. They rehearse weekly on Thursday evenings from 7:00 – 8:30 PM. Auditions are not necessary but being able to carry a tune is required. You do not need to read music, but you will develop that ability over time.

#### **St. Matthew Passion**

Every Passion Sunday the Chancel Choir and other interested singers presents the Passion According to St. Matthew by Heinrich Schuetz. There are two Saturday rehearsals dedicated solely to this as well as the beginnings of Chancel Choir rehearsals through out the winter and spring. Recordings and music are available for all the parts so you can learn a good deal of it on your own if you so desire.

#### **Men's Chorus**

The Men's Chorus generally sings TTBB, repertoire, usually a cappella. They usually rehearse on Thursday evenings from 8:30 to 9:00 PM following Chancel Choir rehearsal. We sing roughly once a month in the early, 8:15 worship.

#### **Bell Choir**

The Bell Choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM. The choir rings eleven ringers over three octaves of bells. Ability to read music is required, though for some it can be learned. There are often openings so let your interest be known. They ring roughly once a month for worship and have

some standing obligations outside the church, serving the community.

#### **Praise Group**

We could use interested people who are proficient on an instrument (guitar, keyboard, drums, bass, vocal) to join us in leading worship at St. Paul. We rehearse on Thursday evenings from 6:00 to 7:00 PM and on Sunday mornings at 9:30 ahead of 10:45 Worship.

#### **Instrumentalists**

Anybody proficient in playing an instrument, brass, string, woodwind, and willing to play for worship let me, Greg Paul, know so I can integrate you into our music ministry.

### Other Ways to Serve the Music Ministry

#### **ROCC**

Be liaison person for the Royal Oak Children's choir. Unlock and lock up for their rehearsals and concerts. Report to the Minister of Music for special needs. They currently rehearse Tuesday Evenings from about 5:30 to 8:00. They usually have three concerts per year: Fall (mid-November), Christmas (mid-December) and End-of-Year (mid-June). They are a great organization, great to work with. This brings the community to St. Paul.

#### **Suzuki**

Be liaison person for Suzuki Royal Oak, Institute of Music. They use our facilities for recitals (Friday, Saturday and Sundays) twice a year (fall and spring) and for their Faculty recital (top-notch music). Unlocking and locking up the church for these events is the pri-

mary responsibility.

#### **Music Secretary**

Pull music and place into folders, collect and file used music throughout the year. This is a great way to be a part of the choir if you don't want to sing.

#### **Jr. Chancel Choir Robe Person**

The day school choir is the Jr. Chancel Choir. Their tough on robes. Help is needed to launder and repair robes and help them place robes back in the closet after singing.

#### **Band Aids**

Anybody with band instrument skills to offer help to beginner band students in playing their instruments. Either during the school day as part of the band program or as a volunteer on a one-to-one basis with individuals as needed.

If any of these spark your interest please contact Greg Paul for more information.



## FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

### **Festival of the Arts at St. Paul**

Calling all artisans of our church. You don't have to be a professional. Anyone who does paintings, sculptures, glassworks, photography, pottery, acrylics, jewelry, watercolors, fibers, graphics, woodwork or any creative works of art and would be interested in showing your wares and being a part of this fun event, please contact the number below or sign up in the lobby. If we have enough interest we are planning to hold this event at the end of September. We need to start now to prepare for this. For a booth space application or for further information, please contact Vi Shooltz at 248-414-7156.

### **Lutheran Laymen's League 66th Annual Arcadia Retreat September 8—11, 2011**

Men of St. Paul...Join members of the Lutheran Laymen's League for a long weekend of recreation and fellowship, Golf, play softball, and enjoy the outdoor offerings of Michigan in the late summer. Bible study will be offered at various times throughout the weekend. Register using Camp Arcadia's downloadable registration form or pick up a form in the wall rack located in the lobby. During the closing worship at camp, the Lutheran Choralaires will be singing.

### **An Evening of Music, Inspiration and Faith**

The Great Lakes Region of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans is sponsoring the Summer Contemporary Christian Concert series at DTE Energy Music Theater. Members of Thrivent can purchase

tickets to either concert (listed below) at a discount price. All ticket prices included parking fees. Venue: Michael W. Smith with Third Day/Chris August on Sunday, August 14 at 7:00 pm or Tobymac with Peter Furler/Mandisa Jamie Grace on Sunday, September 18 at 7:00 pm. Tickets: Pavilion \$32 or \$20 and Lawn \$10. Order: RedeemOnlineNow.com use Event ID: Thrivent and Password: GreatLakes. Invite your family and friends. **Tickets for Non-Thrivent** members are available by Mike Rasmussen and Terry Brockmiller by contacting, 248-515-4605 or sign up in the lobby on Sunday.

### **What is God's Desire for the Jewish People?**

Has He forgotten them? Why don't they accept Jesus as their Messiah? What should we as Christians do? Come learn more about this with Rabbi Glenn Harris, Jewish believer in Jesus, who will give an overview of Romans 9-11. Held at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church in classroom 10 on August 7 from 10am-11:30am.

**Meet and Greet Invitation-** Attention friends and families of St. Paul. The Smyth family invites everyone to stop in for a casual open house and supper to meet Mr. & Mrs. Jacob and Monica (*nee* Smyth) Williams. Join them on August 17 from 5-8 pm in the church lounge. Jacob and Monica will be married on August 13 in small family ceremony at Camp Concordia but would like to share their joy with Monica's St. Paul family. Call Pat or Martha Smyth, 313-893-8170 or email them at

## GIFT'S TO OUR LORD Memorials & Gift Donations

### **St. Paul Lutheran Church**

In memory of doris Pierce by Shirley Wetzel

In memory of Lucille Lacey by M/M Thomas Lacey, Irma Pope

In memory of Herbert Huff by Dorothy Huff

### **Food Bank**

In memory of Doris Pierce by M/M Robert Merando, M/M Larry Williams

### **Ronald Koch Fund**

In memory of Lucille Lacey by Edwin Horvath, Margaret Horvath

### **School Scholarship Fund**

In memory of Tom Keller by Jeanette Till

### **CEF Debt Reduction Fund**

In memory of Tom Keller by Clara Lichtenberg

### **Pay-A-Bill**

In memory of Tom Keller by M/M Jerry Supnick

### **Needy Family Fund**

In memory of tom Keller by M/M Eric Pittman

### **School fund**

In memory of Doris Pierce by M/M Irv Beyerlein, M/M Eric Pittman

### **Garden Club Fund**

In memory of tom Keller by M/M Art Lentner

## DON'T SWEAT IT

By Art Steiber, Jr., Congregation President

"It's so HOT!" "I'm sweating." How many times have you said that in the last couple of weeks? In Michigan we're used to heat and humidity in July and August but this heat wave has been one for the record books.

In hot weather like this we may find it difficult just going through our normal daily routine. Walking outside for a period of time can be difficult. Some people have trouble breathing. We need to keep our air conditioner running around the clock which is expensive so we may cut back on other expenses. If we don't have air conditioning sleeping can be nearly impossible.

Even though this heat is not nearly as extreme as the heat or other challenges facing some people around the world, we often find ourselves complaining. It's easy to think our troubles are unique, or worse than someone else's. When in reality, our "challenges" are often simply an inconvenience. Yes, we do get true trials like job loss, health concerns, broken relationships and more. But are 95 degree heat or 12 inches

of snow the trials James speaks of in James 1: 2-3 when he writes: "Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness." Maybe for some people this heat is a trial and test of faith. If so, we know we can take these trials to God along with the "bigger" trails we face. For other people, this heat and similar inconveniences are just small stuff. Of course we can take the small stuff to God in prayer also. So, as the saying goes, "Don't sweat the small stuff."



## MINISTRY NEWS *Continued...*



**Church Nursery** We provide quality child care during our Sunday morning services and

Bible classes. The nursery is located down the hallway adjacent to the sanctuary. It is equipped with a closed circuit telecast of the worship service. This is for children infant to 4 years of age. We encourage parents of children using the nursery to sign up at least once a month and provide care for the children on that Sunday. We also encourage our high school aged youth to help out as well. Please contact Anne Sagan, 248-546-5228 for information.

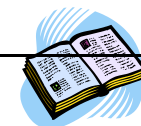
Help is needed!! To volunteer, please sign up on the calendar in the nursery. We are also looking for 7th and 8th grade students who would like to assist the volunteers. They can also sign up in the nursery. **Parents** of school children, you may get your **Time and Talent Hours** by helping in the nursery too. A sign up will be available at **School Registration on August 18**. For more information, contact Anne Sagan at [annesagan@yahoo.com](mailto:annesagan@yahoo.com) or 248.546.5228.

**Evangelism Collection**—The month of August we are collecting items for **School Supplies** for the

**St. Paul Lutheran School** program. Items needed are: Spiral Notebooks, blunt scissors, pencil sharpeners, 12" ruler with inches & centimeters, 2.5" eraser, 16 or 24 pack crayons. Items may be dropped off in the coatroom near pastor's office. Thank you.



## SCHOOL/YOUTH MINISTRY



### School Registration

for the school year 2011-2012, for Pre-school through 8th grade, will be on August 18 from 11 am to 2 pm and 6 pm to 9 pm in the church lounge. Please contact the school office 248-546-6555 for further information or visit us at [www.worshipdowntown.org](http://www.worshipdowntown.org).



**Back to School** will be on Monday, August 29 at 8:15 a.m. and will be a half day with school dismissing at 12:00 p.m. Welcome back students!

### Parent Teacher League Meeting

Our first PTL Meeting will be held on Monday, August 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the school gym.

### Market Day Patrons Attention

Market Day patrons, the pickup for your orders will be in the lounge on Thursday, August 11 at 3:00 p.m. Thank you for your support to the school!

### West Virginia Mission Trip Presentation

A recap of the youth mission trip to West Virginia will be presented on Sunday, August 7 in the worship services.

### Sunday School Rally Day

Kick-off of the new season for Sunday School will be held on Sunday, August 28 at 9:30 a.m. in the school gym. Fun for all youth grades Pre-school through 8th. Parents you may register your child that day for Sunday School.

### Attention all 3rd Grade Students of St. Paul

We encourage our families and their 3rd grade child to attend worship on Sunday, August 28. At this time we will present our the child with a personally engraved Bible. Please contact the church office with your child's full name and to let us know which service you will be attending. Thank you.

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**"The Viking"**

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our website

[www.worshipdowntown.org](http://www.worshipdowntown.org)

## MINISTRY NEWS

### Stewardship Ministry

The Fifth Commandment, "You shall not murder," reminds us to honor God's gift of life. God places a high value on life. He created life and He preserves it. Most importantly, He redeemed our lives in the suffering and death of Jesus Christ. We are entrusted with maintaining in our attitudes and actions the value God has placed on life.

### Missions for August

Our special mission offering for August is designated for Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. St. Paul

has benefited directly from the work of Concordia St. Louis, since its vicarage program brought us Vicar Trevor Sutton and his wife, Elizabeth. This month, our new vicar, Kirk Hulvey, and his wife will be with us from Concordia!

### Giving Ministry

#### Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving.

Our church offers this program which allows you to make donations on a scheduled automatic basis. It is convenient and provides donation consistency for your church. To set up, pick up a form in the lobby and fill it out and drop it off in the church

office. For questions, contact LeeAnne Millinger, 348-584-3128.

### Adult Information Membership Classes

These classes are designed to teach newcomers about the basics of the Christian faith from a distinctively Lutheran perspective. This 10 week course will cover such topics as, "The Bible", "The Ten Commandments", "Holy Baptism" and more. While many will take this class toward membership, the most important thing is developing a life-long love and pattern of worshipping Christ. Friends who are already members of another LCMS congregation are to contact their home church and request a "Letter of Transfer" to St. Paul. They are then encouraged (but not required) to take Pastor's Adult Information Class for refreshment through the Word and relationship building. Plan for these Fall classes. Our next class begins: September 11.