The monthly newsletter of Paynesville Lutheran Church

Point others to Jesus • Love generously and gracefully • Cultivate disciples

CELEBRATE EASTER
at Paynesville Luther an Church

Maundy Thursday (March 28)
6:00 PM Worship

Good Friday (March 29)
6:00 PM Worship

Easter Sunday (March 31)
6:00 AM Sunrise Worship
(service begins outdoors)
9:00 AM and 10:30 AM Worship
Once the worship space fills, we will be opening overflow spaces with in the church for all who would like to worship.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

THANK YOU!!!!

A great big thank you to all of those who have helped with our worship services during Lent and culminating with Holy Week! There are so many moving parts to these worships and your help has been priceless as we could not do it alone! We so appreciate every one of the musicians, altar guild members, tech booth members, ushers, communion assistants, readers and meal/fellowship preparers! Thank you for helping out in whatever way you did this season! If you missed your chance to assist with any of all of these great ministries of our congregation, please reach out and we will connect you with the appropriate people to get you started!



The women's Bible study group meets on the second Thursday of every month at 10:00 in the church Bible Study chapel. We use the Gather magazine Bible study, there are copies available for those who don't have one. We

hope you will join us on **Thursday**, April 11at 10:00am. All are welcome!

Plastic Recycling

As you may already know we are recycling plastic at PLC to help with the environment and to receive a beautiful bench for use on the grounds, a win win!. We have been blessed with many who are bringing in their plastic bag recycling – thank you and keep up the great work! If you are bringing in large quantities of plastic, it would be incredibly helpful if you could bag your plastic before coming to church and place those bags in the shed near the church garage. We are also looking for individuals who would be willing to transport bags of plastic to the drop off locations. If your interested contact the church office 320-243-3624.

Mission of the Month update

We are doing an on-going mission for 2024 to support those in our community who are in need of clothing. There is a table in the fellowship hall for collecting GENTLY used clothing for our Paynesville Community Center. (Clothing with stains, rips, missing buttons, broken zippers, etc. cannot be used. Thank you for checking the clothing you donate to make sure it fits the gently used category.) There is a high need now for men's clothing of all **MISSION** sizes. We hope we can keep this outreach project going MONTH throughout the year.



The Men's Bible study meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at PLC at 9:00am. Join us as we enjoy time together in Bible Study and fellowship.



Your support is essential to the mission and ministry of Paynesville Lutheran Church. Consistent giving is a help to this congregation as we plan for ministry expenses throughout the year. If you've found it challenging to give consistently, this may be an opportunity for you to

begin doing so. We thank you in advance for all your continued gifts, financial and otherwise. Please contact the church office for more information.

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April Birthday Blessings to...

- 1 Byron Fuchs, Dave Heitke, Paul Osborne, Geri Jacobson
- 2 Erin Smith
- 3 Sam Bungum
- 4 Derek Ludwig, Cole Woehler, Graham Michaelis
- 5 Josh Reinke, Orion Erickson
- 6 Randi Lehmkuhl, Bert Stanley
- 7 Kella Bugbee, Norah Meyer
- 8 Vi Bengtson, Donavan Mayer, Ronald Bengtson,
- 9 Kathy Block, Joseph Neuman, Ada Yarmon, Avianna Yarmon
- 10 Christopher Price, Lita Roeske
- 11 Betty Geiger, Tim Malling
- 12 Brenda Lehmkuhl, Rachel Hoppe, Makya Price, Larry Mathison, Thomas Scholten
- 13 Keith Haase
- 14 Stella Albright, Jim Kirschenman
- 17 Loren Meierhofer, Nancy Kjar
- 18 Josh Bungum, Doris Reid
- 19 Terry Skoglund
- 20 Julie Smith, Madison Kotschevar
- 21 Brooke Caldwell, Katlin Bennett
- 22 Heather Anderson, Nathan Rindahl
- 23 Noah Bruntlett, Laurie Nepsund, Nicole Bennett
- 24 Dave Jacobson, Logan Kleven, Ronan Lippert
- 25 Bev Aas, Keith Clementson, Sharon Johnson, Allan Solum, Jezmyn Rindahl, Gavin Diehm
- 26 Megan Reeck, Margaret Johnson
- 27 Arabella Bennett
- 28 Michael Armstrong, Jane Ringstad
- 29 Karlin Jacoby, Arlene Lindeman, Cooper Smith
- 30 Tracey Elfering, Joelle Haines, Lynne Jacobson

Meatball Supper and Silent Auction May 15, 2024

It's time to start thinking of the Meatball Supper and getting your items ready for the Silent Auction. Once again we looking for craft items and gift baskets for the Silent Auction. You can donate a gift basket or if you don't feel crafty enough to do that, you can donate your items and we'll put a baskets together for you. Please drop off items at the church during business hours or when you come to worship on Sunday's or Wednesday's. There will be a box available by

the church office for your donation. Please provide your name for the donation but you can remain anonymous too. Thank you for your help it making this a great event.





Theme for Summer Intensive June 2024:

How and Why We Sleep: Revelations in Rest.

Gustavus Academy for Faith, Science, and Ethics Preparing leaders who cultivate creative alliances between religion and science in order to ethically address contemporary challenges.

Can faith and science work together? YES!

At the Academy, we believe that we need BOTH faith and science to address the ethical issues of our time.

Students who attend the Gustavus Academy for Faith, Science, and Ethics explore the intersection of faith and science while diving into the ethical issues that define our decades. All Academy programs provide opportunities for students to discover how scientists and people of faith are working together to address some of the world's most pressing problems.

Who Can Register? Students who will have completed 9th-12th grade by June 2024.

Where: Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, MN (one hour south of Minneapolis and the MSP airport)

When: June 15-21, 2024 (Saturday to Friday)

What kinds of activities does the week include? To get an idea, you can view the program site, more information will be added to this site as we get closer to the summer.

How: Registration is currently open! Visit gustavus.edu/chaplain/academy/ for more information and to register.

Camp 2024

Do you have some questions? We have the answers!

What camp do we go to? We attend Camp House Bible camp just 45 minutes northeast of Duluth. Camp House is on Lake George and is one of the most beautiful places you will ever see! Lots of trails and woods to explore and an incredible lake to jump in after all the awesome games you'll play. There are also opportunities to attend Green Lake Bible Camp and Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp and more.

What do we get to do there? You will get to swim, use the boats paddle boards, kayaks, play games, eat great food, laugh a whole lot and be with all your friends and make new ones all while

learning some great stuff.

How do I sign up? To attend Camp House all you have to do to sign up is complete the registration form at http://www.paynesvillelutheran.org/camphouse.html its that simple! To register for one of the other camps, please visit the camp website for registration information.

More questions? Please ask us! We love talking about camp. Call us at: (320)243-3624 Email us at: office@paynesvillelutheran.org





PASSPORT

During Holy Week be sure to stop in the gathering area HOLY WEEK to pick up your Holy Week Passport book. Holy Week Passports will be available to the children on Palm Sunday. We will have things for them to do during all the services leading up to Easter Sunday (Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday). When you come to worship on Palm Sunday (March 24), and each of the holy week services make sure to pick up your passport

and sticker that goes with it as we walk with Jesus through the week of the Passion narrative. See you in worship!

Columbarium

The columbarium is a wonderful way for us to continue to minister to families during some of the most difficult times that we face. If you would like more information about the columbarium check out the churches website or contact the church office.



April Mission of the Month

April's Mission of the Month at PLC is joining congregations from across the nation by hosting a "Buck-a-Chick" sale. For \$1, you can purchase and decorate a paper chick for yourself or in honor of a friend or family member. Join the fun and purchase a paper chick!

A dollar is all it takes to provide a family living in poverty with a little chick. Soon enough, the chick begins producing eggs. Its eggs make nutritious, protein-rich meals, and can be sold at the market place for income, helping a family escape hunger for good!

April's "Mission of the Month" is a mission the entire family can take part because, when it comes to coloring we are all kids at heart. So let's show with our hearts that we no longer want hunger to be part of the world we live in.

We're Giving Away MONEY!

In the over 30 years since our endowment was established, we have been fortunate enough to give close to \$500,000 to individuals and organizations dedicated to meaningful work in the church and in the world. A large amount of that has been given to young people of our congregation for scholarships in education, music, and to send them to camp. We are so thankful for the sustaining gift given by faithful saints of our congregation.

The Endowment Committee is now accepting applications and encourages any person or organization seeking funds to apply to the Paynesville Lutheran Church Endowment. We receive applications from ministries within our congregation, community ministries, or ministries of the larger church and community. We look forward to reviewing applications and continuing the incredible impact of this gift we have as a congregation. The deadline for applications is April 15.



Come join PLC on Friday, April 19th from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM at the Paynesville Bowling Alley for a night of family fun. Cost: \$4.50 per person/per game All children under 9th grade need an adult with them. Please sign up by the church office to save your time. This event is sponsored by the PLC Youth and Family Board.