

St. Paul Lutheran Church celebrates and shares God's love and compassion.

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS: Cathy Knechtel, Laurie Boboltz, Iris Arthur, Joan Lemster, Brenda Rosenberg, Ilse Kuhl, Holly Nowicki, Don Haken, Jon Karsten, Jerry Sloan, Donna Leppek, Bonnie Jackson, John Martin, Judy Denison, Deb Lange, Jim Stafford, Ada Precour, Barbara Brown, Winnie Kirchoff, Jim Smithem, and Marion Seguin. *(Prayer is the best medicine and we are prepared to pray indefinitely for folks. Would you please help the church office keep our list current? Unless we know otherwise, our normal practice is to remove names after a month. Thank you for your partnership in prayer.)*
We also remember our homebound members. They are: Elaine Habermehl, Erna Kramer, Alice Haddy, Micki Stoinski, Betty Kollin, Virginia Kraft, Jeanette Pernie, Delores Stevens, Pauline Olsen, Marie Kirschner, Hilda Kelley, Jim Stafford, Myra Hasse, Gertrude Matzke, Arlene Thomas, Katherine Jaeger, and Mildred Timmreck.

We remember our prayer partners in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod:

- Zion Lutheran Church, Saginaw, Pastor Sue Hand

This week we join in prayer with the other LARCC parishes (Grace Lutheran, Trinity Episcopal, First Congregational UCC, St. Anne, St. Mary, St. Bernard and St. John the Baptist Catholic churches) for the Quilting Fellowship at Grace Lutheran Church.

CONDOLENCES TO: the family and friends of Erma Gray who joined our Lord in eternity December 19, 2011. Her funeral service was held at St. Paul on December 23, 2011.

CONDOLENCES TO: the family and friends of Virgil Kieliszewski who joined our Lord in eternity December 21, 2011. His funeral service was held December 24 at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL (foot of the cross) are given to the glory of God and in honor of Church Council and ELCA from Mollie Skiba.



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Saturday (12/17) 5:30 p.m.

Sunday (12/18) 9:00 a.m.

Total

Sunday School

Budgeted Offering Weekly

Offering Received Last Week

R & R (Renewal & Renovation)

Sunday School

The December Service Activity is SUNRISE MISSION. Items needed: canned meats, canned fish, coffee, powdered creamer, toilet paper, paper towels, Kleenex, diapers (all sizes), diaper wipes, laundry soap, fabric softener, dish soap, garbage bags, and feminine hygiene products. If you have any questions please call Irene at 595-2640.

Reminder: The church office will be closed this next week, December 26th – December 30th.

Please Note: The worship services for next weekend, December 31 and January 1, will be Saturday at 5:30 p.m., and Sunday 10:00 a.m.



Mark Your Calendars! The Epiphany Candlelight Dessert will be held at St. Paul Lutheran Church on Saturday, January 7, at 6:30 p.m. If you would like to volunteer to make a dessert or to host a table please contact Doreen Kriniak at 356-4141 (days) or 356-4365 (evenings). Make plans now to attend and invite a friend.

The next Religions Study presentation will compare the three Abrahamic faiths of Christianity, Judaism and Islam. We will look at the basics of each and see the differences as well as the similarities. Join us in the Multipurpose Room on Wednesday January 11th at 7 PM.

This year St. Paul Lutheran is hosting the kickoff events for the community **Martin Luther King Jr Day** on **Sunday, Jan.15, at 2 PM.** Join Dr. Greg Adamus and area high school graduates as they discuss how the diversity of our area affected them while in high school and how diversity affects them now that they are in a new environment. Immediately following the discussion, enjoy a chili supper that benefits the “Wash Your Coat” project for our community. Tickets are available at the door – \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for students and children under 12. Check out your January newsletter where more dates and events are listed.

The Bazaar Committee would like to announce that \$8000.00 was donated to the General Fund from the proceeds from this year's bazaar. Thank you for your participation in making the bazaar such a huge success. *Lori Ludwig* – Chairperson

Coffee Hour: The Education Committee will do the coffee hour for January. If you or your group would like to host the coffee hour for a month call Sandy at 358-0118.

WEEK AT A GLANCE: DECEMBER 25, 2011 – JANUARY 1, 2012	
<u>SUN.</u>	Christmas Day Worship Service/HC–10:00 a.m.
<u>MON.</u>	Church Office Closed; Intermediate Line Dancing – 4:00 p.m.
<u>TUES.</u>	Church Office Closed; T.O.P.S. – 4:30 p.m.; Cub Scouts – 6:30 p.m.; Boy Scouts – 7:00
<u>WED.</u>	Church Office Closed
<u>THURS.</u>	Church Office Closed
<u>FRI.</u>	Church Office Closed; Intermediate Line Dancing – 11:00 a.m.
<u>SAT.</u>	Worship/HC – 5:30 p.m.
<u>SUN.</u>	Worship/HC – 10:00 a.m.