

At this time, Iowa's Governor, Kim Reynolds, has given churches the okay to return to normal services with social distancing guidelines put in place including wearing a mask if you feel necessary. Therefore, we will plan to have normal church services but without communion on **Saturday, May 16 at 6:00 p.m. and Sunday May 17 at 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m**.

However, if you don't feel comfortable coming or are not feeling well, we encourage you to stay home and watch our services online. We will Live Streaming our Sunday services on Facebook/ stpaulslutheranchurchschool at 8:15 and 10:45 a.m.

**Tithes and Offerings** can continue being made through following means:

Mailing your offering envelops to the church office at

612 Jennings St. Sioux City, IA 51101

- Church website (<u>www.siouxcitystpauls.org</u>) for online giving.
- Church app on your smart phone for online giving.
- Or in person during church.

**To stay informed,** please call or email the church office to verify your contact and email information:

- Phone: (712) 252-0338
- Email <u>mychurch@cableone.net</u>

## All other groups, meetings and activities have been cancelled.

# PRAY FOR EACH OTHER

We ask your prayers on behalf of our friends in Christ who are/ have been hospitalized or going through treatments: Gerald Collins, Brian Erickson.

# STEWARDSHIP CORNER

In discussing tithing, giving ten percent of our incomes, the question that is often asked is, "Should my giving be based on my gross or net income?" Proverbs 3:9 will help us answer that question: "Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops." Based on this as well as other verses, we can understand that the tithe should be based on our gross incomes. The reference to "your wealth" implies that we need to honor God with all that we have.

We Care Ministry Report			
Last Week	To Date	Spent	Balance
\$13.00	\$6,190.33	850.00	\$5,340.33
Church Offering Report			
Weekly Offering	Actual	Up To Date	Year to Date Budget
May 10	\$4408.00	\$1460,600.59	

Love Offering will go toward "We Care Ministry."

### FAMILY MATTERS

**Sunday School Lesson:** God blesses those who are made fun of. *Verse of the day:* "God blesses you when people mock you and persecute you and lie about you and say all sorts of evil against you because you are my followers." (Matthew 5:11)

**Quiet Bags:** The quiet bags for the children to use during services have been cleaned and disinfected and are ready to use. We would also like to thank who ever added some new books for the children to use in the bags.

**COVID-19 Masks:** My Quilted Home has made some masks that you can get with a donation of \$5 or \$10 or other amount to VBS. Let's support the children and keep us safe at the same time. You can also place an order if you would like a specific color or size made. Fill out an order form and place it in the COVID –19 mask box in the back.

**Confirmation Classes for 3rd year** have begin again via Zoom meetings. We will change our confirmation time to Wednesday afternoons at 3 pm. Our goal is to finish all the requirements, and on Sunday, May 31 at the 10:45 service we are planning having a confirmation Service.

<u>May Newsletter</u> is now available online at www.siouxcitystpauls.org. The website has a link to the newsletter on both the **Home** page and the News page.

<u>June Newsletter:</u> Since May is Graduation Month, our June newsletter will be listing our St. Paul's graduates. If you are or have a graduate, please let the church office know at 252-0338. If you like, you may list your parents' names and your future plans.

<u>Young at Heart Club:</u> "Young At Heart Club will not meet in May. Hope to see you in June. The committee.

*Friends of Christ:* The Memorial Day breakfast has been cancelled due the COVID-19 situation.

#### Support our school through out the year with Shoparoo.

**Shoparoo** is school fundraising made easy: the free app turns pictures of your everyday shopping receipts into cash donations and sweepstakes entries for our school! Yep, it's that simple. All you have to do is shop as you normally do, snap pictures of **all your receipts** with the app, and just like that the school as earned \$\$\$! **Get started today:** 

1. Download the free Shoparoo app from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store

2. Select our school from the list and start taking pictures of your receipts - shop anywhere, buy anything!

Two School Positions Needed... 1. Preschool teacher.

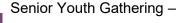
Fulltime, every weekday with some benefits. An Iowa's early childhood degree or elementary Teachers' degree is wanted, current CPR and First Aide certification, and willing to take some classes for additional certification (Blood-borne pathogens, Mandatory Reporter, etc.) A school day for teachers is 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM. **2. Band/Music Teacher** for one full day a week. You must have an Iowa music endorsement for elementary. For more information on these positions, call (712) 258-6325 (weekdays) and ask for Mrs. Strong-Davis. Please, continue to pray for our school. We thank God for your love and support.

<u>Need a book to read?</u> St. Paul's Lutheran School has a Lending Library that you can use for free and is available to kids to get books from during this time of quarantine . The Library is located next to our flag pole and children that are Preschool through 5th Grade may borrow a book from the box and return it for another one. Lending and returning are on a trust and grace basis. Please, enjoy!!! If you would like to donate, there is a box by the trophy case for gently used or new books, or just leave the book in the Lending Library.

#### YOUTH - Make Plans to Join Us

Junior Youth Gathering – October 17-18 Theme: IDOL TALK Location: Sheraton, West Des Moines, IA Focus: The Ten Commandments





November 20-22 Theme: 2020 – Faith Focus: Fix Our Eyes – Run the Race Location: Airport Holiday Inn, Des Moines, IA

### **BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES**

Having more time at home means we have more time for prayer, and more time to become very specific about our prayers. Ask your pastor for a list of fellow members in need of specific prayers. Go for a walk in your neighborhood and pray for the people in each house you pass. Read the paper and watch the news with a notepad, jotting down things, people, communities, even whole countries that you could pray for. Pray for those who because of their vocation run a high risk of illness. Pray for people losing their jobs. Pray for those working around the clock to find a vaccine. Pray for our leaders who work endless hours to lead us. Pray for you pastor. Pray for...the list is endless. Use the extra time God has given to be fervent in prayer. "Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful." Colossians 4:2 For more information contact Lutheran Family Service, 4301 Sergeant Road, Ste. 203, Sioux City, Iowa 51106; (712) 276-9000.

 For Sunday morning Radio listeners and TV viewers KSCJ 1360 radio: 8:00 a.m. The Good Shepherd Hour 8:30 a.m. The Lutheran Hour
KCAU-TV, Channel 9: 10:00 a.m. This is the Life 10:30 a.m. Mainstreet Living Program broadcasts the church service with our area pastors and the Mainstreet Living Choir.
<u>Main Street Living Media Ministry</u> — Local Lutheran Worship. If interested in giving to this ministry, you can send an offering to the church office.

