

✠ St. Paul's Lutheran Church ✠
Kenesaw, NE

Pastor Paul S. Duffy

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Organist: Mrs. LaMoine Fischer

Sunday School 9:00am

Acolyte: Payton Morrow

Divine Service 10:00am

Second Sunday in Lent

February 21, 2016

AS WE GATHER

Let us gladly die with Jesus. Since by death He conquered death,

He will free us from destruction, Give to us immortal breath.

Let us mortify all passion That would lead us into sin;

Then by grace we all may win

Untold fruits of His creation. Jesus, unto You I die,

There to live with You on high. ---Sigismund von Birken

Divine Service, *Setting Four* p. 203

Opening Hymn p. 728 "How Firm a Foundation"

Confession and Absolution p. 203

Psalm 4

Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness!

You have given me relief when I was in distress.

Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!

O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame? How

long will you love vain words and seek after lies?

But know that the Lord has set apart the godly for Himself;

the Lord hears when I call to him.

Be angry, and do not sin;

ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent.

Offer right sacrifices,

and put your trust in the Lord.

There are many who say, "Who will show us some good?"

Lift up the light of Your face upon us, O Lord!"

You have put more joy in my heart

than they have when their grain and wine abound.

In peace I will both lie down and sleep;

for You alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety.

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER AND TO THE SON AND TO THE
HOLY SPIRIT; AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW, AND
WILL BE FOREVER. AMEN.

Kyrie p. 204

Gloria in Excelsis p. 204 (*Omitted during Lent*)

Salutation and Collect of the Day p. 205

Old Testament Jeremiah 26:8-15

And when Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the Lord had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, "You shall die! Why have you prophesied in the name of the Lord, saying, 'This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant'?" And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the Lord.

When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house to the house of the Lord and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the Lord. Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, "This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears."

Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, "The Lord sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the Lord your God, and the Lord will relent of the disaster that He has pronounced against you. But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the Lord sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears."

Epistle Philippians 3:17-4:1

Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross

of Christ. Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like His glorious body, by the power that enables Him even to subject all things to Himself.

Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

Alleluia and Verse p. 205 (Omitted during Lent)

Holy Gospel Luke 13:31-35

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to Him, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill You." And He said to them, "Go and tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish My course. Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.' O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see Me until you say, 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!'"

Nicene Creed p. 206

Hymn of the Day p. 550 "Lamb of God"

Sermon

Prayer of the Church

Offering and Musical Offering

◆ Service of the Sacrament p. 208 ◆

Parents are welcome to bring their children to the altar for a blessing

Communion Hymn p. 629 "What Is This Bread"

Nunc Dimitis Song of Simeon p. 211

Post Communion Collect p. 212

Benedicamus and Benediction p. 212

Closing Hymn p. 918 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"



St. Paul's Mission Calendar

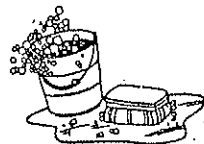
Today	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Bible Class
◆	10:00 AM	Communion Worship (individual cup)
	7:00 PM	LYF
Mon.	9:00 AM	Women's Bible Study
Tues.	7:30 PM	LWML
Wed.	3:30 PM	Midweek
	5:30 PM - 7 PM	Fellowship League serves Lenten Supper
	6:30 PM	Confirmation
◆	7:30 PM	Lenten Service
		LLL following the service
Tues. - Thurs.		Preschool
Sat.	9AM	LWML Prayer Service, St. Paul-Holstein
	9AM-12PM	Annual Church Cleaning

Our Lenten Journey continues February 24th at 7:30 pm with the service theme, *"The Cross in Lent - Bearing the Cross"*.

St. Paul's Fellowship League will be serving the pre-service meal 5:30 - 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. St. Paul's Fellowship League has adopted Rev. Peter Haugen and family, new missionaries to Macau, China. Please plan to attend this week's ham and scalloped potato Lenten Supper to raise support for them. See the March church newsletter for family details.

No Choir: Wednesday, February 24th.

Annual Church Cleaning, Sat. Feb. 27th
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM



Please bring tall ladders, vacuums, cloths for cleaning pews and whatever else would help beautify our church. Lunch will be provided.

LWML Opportunities for Women

LWML Meeting

Tues., Feb. 23rd 7:30 PM Fellowship Hall

Join us for a Bible study from the "Quarterly". Share a snack and fellowship. Help to plan upcoming events, Easter breakfast and Zone Workshop. Ingathering this month are Mites and kitchen/bathroom supplies.

LWML World Day of Prayer Service

Sat., Feb. 27th 9AM St. Paul - Holstein



"Wanted: Workers in God's Harvest Field"

A Look at the Tools God Uses to Sow, Nourish, and Reap a Bountiful Harvest, Now and for Eternity by Pastor John Heckman, LWML Pastoral Counselor 2011-2015.

"Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see the fields are ripe for harvest." John 4:35

"Days for Girls" (District Wide Servant Event)

Sat., April 2nd - 9AM - 4 PM - Peace Lutheran, Grand Island

Spend the day making feminine hygiene kits to be shipped to Africa. Items needed for the kits are material, one-gallon size Ziploc freezer bags, washcloths, travel-sized soap, girls size 10-14 panties. Bible Study with Deb Burma. Cost for the day \$15 for breakfast and lunch. Save the Date! More info and registration form will be in the Spring Echo. Register by March 22nd.

St. Paul's Lutheran Preschool Now Registering for 2016-2017

We are the only Preschool in Kenesaw, licensed through the State of Nebraska and associated with the LCMS schools. Our teacher has a Nebraska teaching certificate in Elementary/Early Childhood education. To qualify, your child must be 4 by Dec. 31st. There is a \$20.00 registration fee that will be waived if you register by May 30th. We can help arrange transportation and we also have financial aid if needed. For more information contact Michelle Hagemeister at 308-325-5768 or Sharon Duffy at 402-752-3536.





11th Annual ACLEA FIRE

Sat. March 5, 2016 Adams County Fairgrounds
Doors Open 5:00 PM - Meal 6:30 PM

FIRE is the annual fund raising banquet for The Adams County Lutheran Education Association. It is a night of Christian fellowship, music and entertainment, all done in an effort to assist our Lutheran Parochial schools, providing scholarships as well as assistance with curriculum and other urgent needs. For more information email: <http://acleafire.org>

Tickets: \$55/person or \$800/table of ten

Silent & Live Auction *Valet Parking* *Entertainment
*Raffle - 2016 Ford Focus 4-door Sedan *\$100 for 1/200 chance to win!

Tickets Available:

Zion Lutheran - Hastings; Christ Lutheran - Juniata;
Ruhter Auction & Realty, Inc. Email: auctions@ruhterauction.com



Philippians 3:19 "Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things." St. Paul does not want us to set our minds on earthly things, for they are passing away. This is similar to what Jesus says about storing up treasures on earth rather than storing them in heaven. Our heart tends to go where we put our treasure. This is why God commands us to live generously: not to spoil our fun, but to help train us in keeping our priorities straight and our minds off earthly things.

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Please remember these people in your prayers -

Pastor Paul Duffy and family

Birthdays:

Feb. 24 Greg Adams; Bryan Steiner

26 Caden Jameson; Brielle Schneider

In the Service: Austin Applegate, Alec Applegate, Trevor Stickels,
Julian Tucker, Hannah Panwitz, Danielle Burr, Darren Woodside

Missionaries: Pastor John Reehl, Russia and the Baltics
Rev. Peter Haugen & family, Macau, China

A "Life Quote" . . .

"Be strong and courageous, the Lord goes before you every day. The Lord went before you, even before you were you. His for Life work through you becomes clearer every day. Hearts and minds are changed. Our life-affirming younger generation inspires us all. More pastors connect the Gospel to life issues. More educators teach our children to value life. We have the most powerful and positive For Life message in the universe and nothing can stand against it! Be strong and courageous! *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans for Life.* www.lutheransforlife.org

Our Expression of Love

Sunday, February 14, 2016

Attendance 154

Current Envelope \$4,415.00

Current Plate 230.50

Mission Envelope 620.00

Russian Orphanage 53.00

Total \$5,318.50

Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2016

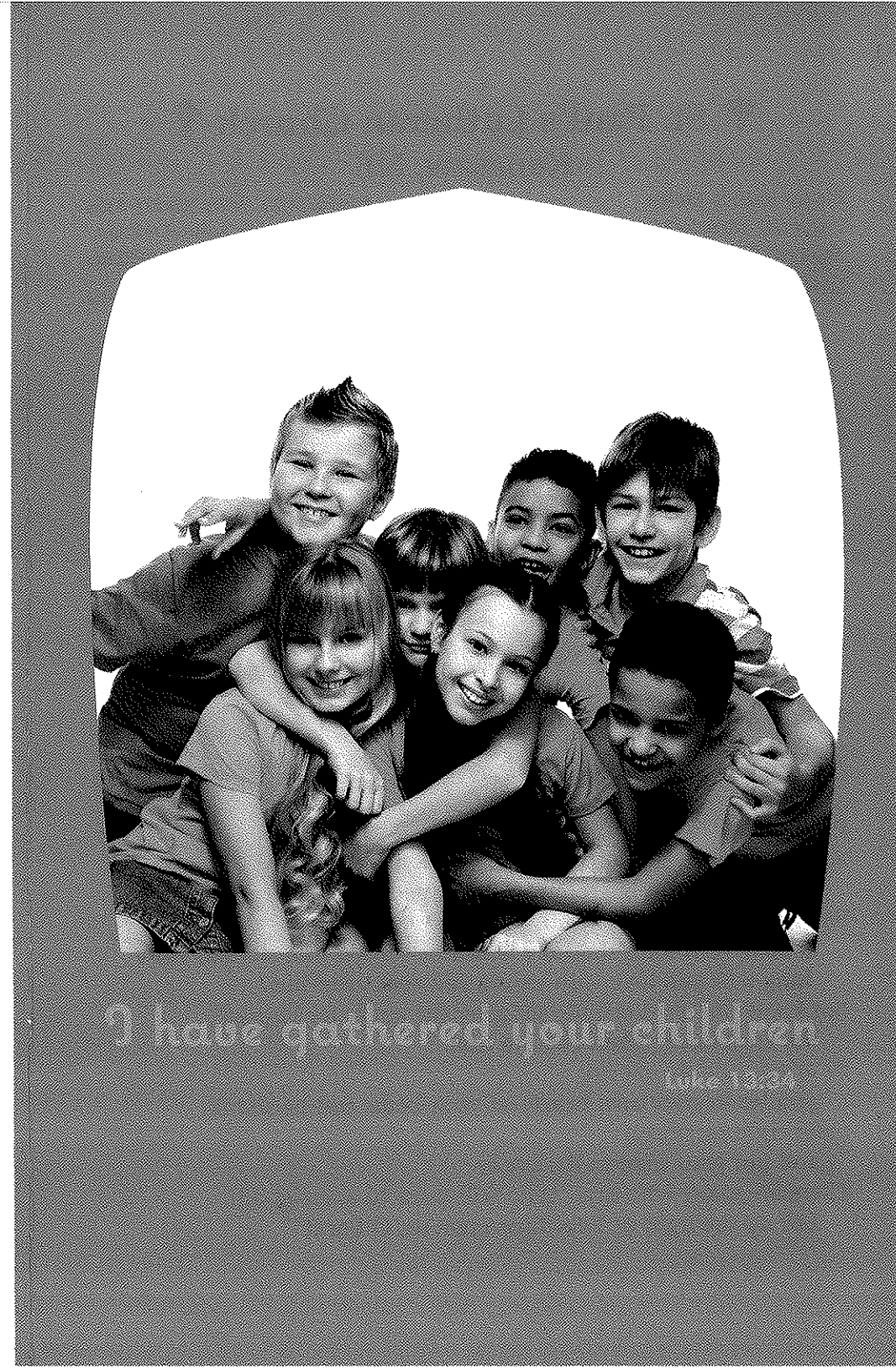
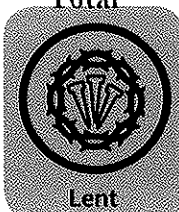
Attendance 77

Current Envelope \$215.00

Current Plate 64.00

Total \$279.00

About the Cover: We find joy when children are gathered together, whether it be for Christmas or birthdays. Jesus takes great joy in gathering us together as His children to hear His Word and share in His gifts. When we gather together, we are then equipped to share His gifts with others, so that they, too, may enjoy His gifts of faith and love.



I have gathered your children

Luke 13:34