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The St. Paul Prophet December 1 & 2, 2007 First Sunday in Advent

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Our Mission: Helping people know the love of Christ and live for Him.

Because the promotion of God's glory is our object in all that we do, we use His blessings and gifts to glorify Him.
"So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God" (1 Cor. 10:31).

IN OUR PRAYERS

HOSPITALIZED: Les Duncan; Beth Freeburg; Bud Hawkins (Marti Tyree's dad); Marie Schaefer.

SCHEDULED FOR SUGERY: Marie Thomason

REHAB: Dennis Oetting (brother of Sharon Sherrill).

RECOVERING: Sandy Cosby; Bill Giessing; Leigh Francis; Cliff Hays (father of Les Hays & Bonnie Ratcliff); Bill Pritchett (Joe Pritchett's father). Alice Ray (fr. Vogelsang's);

TREATMENTS: Madison Akers (9 yr. old grandniece of Norma Clauser); Cecelia Amsden (daughter of David and Angie Miller); Guy Barton (fr. Darren and Michelle Gray); Paul Bertram; Daniel Caughron (Sandy Brooks' son); Cody Crawford (teenage friend of Sheila Ratcliff); Hank Gregory (fr. Norma Clauser); Sandy Hoehn; Jim Henson (fr. Rhonda Shields); Jackie Johnson, (fr. Mike McClanahan); Jack Kelly (Ken Kelly's father); Betty LeBaube (Sharon Schwartzkopf's aunt); Janie Link; Rev. Ralph Ogden (father of Ralph Ogden); Barry Phegley; Kathy Ratcliff (mother of Julie Ketcherside); Mary Lou Sloan (fr. Susan Baird); Rosemary Vaughn (Grandmother of Daniel Snider).

CONTINUED STRENGTH: Cecelia Amsen (daughter of David and Angie Miller, Granddaughter of Gene and Chirley Miller); Jeanette Anderson (mother of Jim Anderson); Jewel Bacon (Sharon Schwartzkopf's mother); Fayette Bigger (fr. Nancy Rougely); Everett and Pauline Brown (parents of Jerry Held); Carolyn Byers (fr. Kluvers); Alisha Carrow; Georgia Clements (Darlene McWilliams' sister); Marcie and Bill Copeland (Uncle and Aunt of Lianna Stover); Carla Davis Crocker (fr. Krekelers); Dr. George Dent; Derrick Detring; Ray Detring; Barbara Detring Foster (Jean & Ray Detring, and Pat Brockmiller's sister); Judy Eickhoff (fr. Janet Laut); Angel Rose Gallagher (child of Mike and Brandi Gallagher); Vicki Gallagher; Connie Giesselmann; Ruth Graham (Jean Detring's Cousin); Jerry Held; Collins Henson (Michelle King's grandfather); Edna Hinkle; Eric Hollinger (nephew Norma Clauser); Era Hunt (mother Charlotte Hopkins); Anna Hunting; Martha Jarrell; Helen Jones; Paulette Ikemeyer (fr. Ron Brooks); David Kinney (fr. Heather Knox & Janie Link); Angelina Lucas (fr. Lori Nelson); Beulah Mabu; Judy McClanahan (sister-in-law Vernon and Mickie McClanahan); Bill and Patty McMillan (cousins of Velma Kocher and Brenda Windsor); Kenny Mell; Renate Muller (fr. Kelly's); Woodrow Oberman; Dee Owens (Jeff Owens' grandmother); Bob and Bernice Pearson; Robert Putman (Fr. Don and Lori Nelson); Liam Rind (fr. Kim Weakley); Carol Schremp (fr. Karen Detring); Rob Shipman (Elizabeth Jordan's cousin); Joyce Simms; Marie Tinnin (fr. Pat O'Brien); Craig Thomas; Sharon Weber (sister of Michelle Bird); Kathy Wright.

POWER IN PRAYER: Amanda Richards, Trevor and Taylor; Tookie Rickus; Donna Rickus.

SYMPATHY: Charlotte Dole and family at the death of her husband David Dole. Mr. Dole was given Christian burial on November 28th.

SERVING IN MILITARY: Shelly Ammerman (Edna Hinkle's granddaughter); Capt. James Anderson (nephew of Ken Kluver); Jeremy Baumgarth (Edna Hinkle's grandson); Michael Bailey (fr. Susan Faenger); Pat Byington; Rick Chappell; Kyle Clifton (fiancé Katie Mell); Jason Day (fr. Pastor King); Scott Detring; Josh Duncan (cousin of Debbie Bone); Josh Eckrich; Shannon Finley (fr. Jordans); LTjg Rob LaRue; Philip Mistretta (husband of Mallory Buckley Mistretta); Larry Myer (grandson of Dr. & Bobbi Karraker); Jonathon Paige (nephew of Debbie Easley); "S" Sgt. Mitchell Reves (nephew of Marcie Jack); Patrick Stackpole (fr. of Warenbergs); Jason Weiss; Josh White (Grandson-in-law of Blumenbergs); and strength for their families.

FLOWERS this weekend are given by Ceth and Elizabeth Jordan for blessings received, and from the Dole family in memory of David Dole.

THANK YOU to the 12 volunteers who assembled the Pilgrim and prepared it for mailing and to Dorothy B for doing the folding.

CORRECTION: Christmas Eve candlelight service will be at **10:00 pm**. The wrong time was published last week.

SOUP AND SANDWICH: December 5th is our first soup and sandwich for Advent. Every one is invited to come and bring a friend. Sign up sheets are enclosed to donate food for the dinners. Bring your favorite soup or sandwich makings or make a donation to purchase meat trays and come and enjoy the wonderful fellowship and food. Then go to church and hear our Lord's word as we prepare for the celebration of the birth of our Savior. Proceeds from the dinners go to our Youth Group.

SHARE THE HOLIDAYS FOOD DRIVE by the Farmington Chamber of Commerce is underway. Listen to KREI or J-98 for businesses that are accepting the donation of food for the drive. Food can be dropped until December 7th.

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT is Sunday December 2nd. Guest may still sing up this weekend to fill tables. Sign up poster is at the Carleton St. entrance. The tables will be ready to be viewed at 5:00 pm. The program will begin at 6:00 pm.

THANK YOU for all of the cards and phone calls. I enjoy hearing from all of you. *Marie Thomason*

THANK YOU: Special thanks to God for your thoughts of making my Thanksgiving a dream to believe and a happy one. Thanks to all that played a part in making it possible for me to have a Thanksgiving dinner. *Chris B*

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN SCHOOL CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS:

St. Paul Lutheran School is selling Christmas ornaments with a picture of our school on them. They are \$10.00 each, a wonderful addition to your own tree or for a gift. Contact the school 756-5147 or church office 756-7872.

CONGRATULATIONS: Chelsea Johnson, daughter of Dr. Bill and Leanna Johnson, was voted Vice President of Missouri University Student Body.

NEW ADDRESS: Richard & Katherine Chappell (Dusty & Ashley Cox and Megan Chappell), 6257 Hwy D., Syracuse, MO 65354, phone 660-337-6815, email rckc97@iland.net

UNITED WAY BELL RINGING: The sign up sheet for ringing bells for the United Way is located by the Carleton St. doors. We will ring on Thursdays from 4:00 pm until 8:00 pm. The money collected stays in St. Francois County to help provide food, shelter, and other special needs. We will be at the west end by the photo door. We are scheduled to ring on Thursday December 6th, 13th and 20th.

CHRISTMAS BASKETS: Boxes have been placed at the side and front entrances of the church to collect food items (canned goods, canned meats, cereals, and other non perishable items) for our Christmas baskets. Donations of money are also need to help buy turkeys, milk, bread, eggs and other perishables. Put money in an envelope marked Christmas baskets or write Christmas baskets in the memo of your check.

ADULT INFORMATION CLASS will meet on Thursday, December 6th in the church. Confirmation will be on December 9th at the 10:30 a.m. service.

FISH FRY and Spaghetti Dinner on December 7th at Trinity Lutheran in Fredericktown. Adults \$7.00 Child 5-12 \$3.50 and under 5 Free. 4-7 PM.

NURSERY: There will be volunteers in the nursery at all three services if you need to use it.

CANS FOR CRAIG: St. Paul Lutheran Church has collected aluminum drink cans for a very long time. Currently we are donating the money from these cans to the Craig Thomas fund. Donations may also be made through offerings by using a special envelope or putting Craig Thomas Fund in the check memo. We also have a supply of ALS bracelets in the office for \$1.00 with the funds going to the Craig Thomas Fund.

YOUR ELDER:

Kurt Kellams, Chmn	AA-BIR	366-0826
Ken Smith	BIS-CAR	756-0829
Thad Kieninger	BIS-CAR	747-1774
Bill Giessing, Sec'ry.	CAS-DER	756-5283
	DET-FU	
Ken Kelly,	GA-HAR	760-0528
Ron Jarrell	HAY-JAR	756-6260
	JEN-KOL	
Richard Detring	KR- MEI	756-7989
Steve Needy	MEL-NO	756-2880
Mark Jones	O'B-PY	756-2710
Steve Thomas	RA-SCH	756-1444
Eric Bertram	SE-THOM	756-9575
Bill Bertram	THUR-WEB	747-0663
Kraig Sutherland	WES-Z	756-3453

IN THE LORD'S SERVICE

Altar Guild for December:

Sat. 6:00 pm – Donna Vogelsang
 Sun. 8:00 am – Anna Garner
 10:30 am – Char Egan

Acolytes:

Sat. 12/01 – 6:00 pm – Devon Allen, Derek Hankins
 Sun 12/02 – 8:00 am – Brennon Arnett, Maisie Winslow
 10:30 am – Lorlaee Bader, Madelyn Tripp
 Sat. 12/08 – 6:00 pm – Lucas Baird, Tyler Herbert
 Sun 12/09 – 8:00 am – Kory Barnes, Bradley Bess
 10:30 am – Anthony Burkhart, Clayton Bono

Ushers:

Sat. 12/01 – 6:00 pm – Ron Jarrell, Jon Cozean
 Sun 12/02 – 8:00 am – James Davis, Need more helpers
 10:30 am – Ogden Family
 Sat. 12/08 – 6:00 pm - Ron Brooks, Pete Wiley
 Sun 12/09 – 8:00 am - Mark Jones, Susan Baird Families, Tim Crites
 10:30 am – Eller and Buckley families

FRUITS OF OUR FAITH

Thanksgiving Eve		58
Sat. 11/24	6:00 pm	62
Sun 11/25	8:00 am	115
	10:30 am	163
Total		340
Sunday School		86

FINANCIAL:

Year-to-date Tithes and Faith Promises

Operating Fund:

Received last week	\$7,892
	32 Sunday school
	55 Christmas Baskets
	50 Clearance
Total Deposit	\$8,029
Weekly Goal	11,792
Year to Date Average	9,527

Tithe Contributions	\$210,711
Tithes Needed	<u>\$259,424</u>
07-08 Behind Budget	(48,713)
Prior years Deficit	(30,834)
TOTAL DEFICIT	(79,547)

Building Fund:

Tithe Contributions	\$25,463
Tithes Needed	<u>\$51,167</u>
Behind Budget	(25,704)

Loan Balance \$433,406

ST. PAUL CALENDAR

THIS WEEK:

12/02	8:00 am	Worship, Communion
	9:15 am	Sunday School, Bible Class, Youth Confirmation
	10:30 am	Worship, Communion
	5:00 pm	Advent by Candlelight – view tables
	5:30 pm	Youth Group
	6:00 pm	Advent by Candlelight – Program
	7:00 pm	Venture Crew
12/03	1:15 pm	Life with Spice LL
	2:00 pm	Sarah Circle
	6:00 pm	Quilt Tacking - LA Room
12/04	7:00 pm	Board of Ed
	7:00 pm	4-H LL
12/05	9:00 am	Advent Service
	3:00 pm	Daisies LL
	6:00 pm	Soup and Sandwich – Gym
	7:00 pm	Advent Service
	7:45 pm	Choir LL
12/06	7:00 am	Men's Bible Class - Roseners
12/07	11:30 am	School Dismisses
	3:30 pm	Presbyterian Manor Communion
	4:00 pm	Fish Fry, Trinity Fredericktown
12/08	12:00 noon	Lower level in use
	6:00 pm	Worship Service

NEXT WEEK:

12/09	8:00 am	Worship Service
	9:15 am	Sunday School, Bible Class, Youth Confirmation
	10:30 am	Worship Service, Adult Confirmation
12/10	1:15 pm	Life with Spice LL
	6:00 pm	Quilt Tacking – LA Room
	7:00 pm	K-3 Christmas Program in gym
12/11	9:00 am	Pastor's Conference - here
	6:00 pm	Women's Club - LL
	7:00 pm	Elders Meeting UL
12/12	8:00 am	Ladies Aid
	9:00 am	Advent Service
	12:00 noon	Ladies Aid Luncheon
	3:00 pm	Girl Scouts LL
	6:00 pm	Soup and Sandwich
	7:00 pm	Advent Service
	7:45 pm	Rejoice Choir LL
12/13	7:00 am	Men's Bible Class - Roseners
	3:00 pm	Daisies
	5:30 pm	Men's Club – LL
12/15	5:00 pm	Board of Outreach UL
	6:00 pm	Worship, Communion



Christmas Schedule

Advent by Candlelight	Dec. 2 nd	5:00 pm
Advent Service	Dec. 5 th	9:00 am 7:00 pm
Advent Service	Dec. 12 th	9:00 am 7:00 pm
Advent Service	Dec. 19 th	9:00 am 7:00 pm
Christmas Eve Service	Dec. 24 th	7:00 pm
Open House		8:00 pm
Christmas Candlelight		10:00 pm
Christmas Day	Dec. 25 th	10:00 am

Soup and Sandwich Suppers

Wednesday Dec. 5th 6:00 pm
 Wednesday December 12th 6:00 pm
 Wednesday December 19th 6:00 pm

WEEKLY BIBLE CLASS OPPORTUNITIES

Day	Topic	Location	Teacher
Sunday	9:15 a.m.		
	Augsburg Confess.	School Gym	Pastor King
	1 Corinthians	Lower Level	Mr. Giesselmann
	Sunday School	School	PS-8 th Grade
	High School	Youth House	Mr. Kellams
Monday	1:15 p.m.		
	Life with Spice	Lower Level	Elfrieda Frueh
Thurs.	7:00 a.m.		
	Men's Bible Study	Roseners	Pastor King