



# Messenger

God's work. Our hands.

April 2020

Newsletter of Saint Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, La Grange TX

A Member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

## Holy Week ONLINE Service Schedule

**Palm Sunday, April 5**

**9:00 a.m. Online Worship Service**

**Maundy Thursday, April 9**

**6:30 p.m. Online Worship Service**

**Good Friday, April 10**

**6:30 p.m. Online Worship Service**

**Easter Sunday, April 12**

**9:00 a.m. Online Easter Service**

Weekly bulletins are in a box outside the double doors under the drive through on Walnut Street. Christ in our Homes for April-June are also in the box. You are welcome to pick them up at your convenience.

Here is a list of what we offer online or radio:

- ~ Listen to our weekly services on KVLG/KBUK 104.9 FM Sundays at 10 a.m.
- ~ Sunday worship service will be livestreamed on FB at 9 a.m. at

**<https://www.facebook.com/stpaulg/>**

You **DO NOT** have to have a Facebook account to watch!

- ~ Listen to our 9 a.m. worship service at **[www.stpaulg.org](http://www.stpaulg.org)**. (Click Listen)
- ~ Watch Wednesday or Sunday videos at anytime by going to our webpage.
- ~ Click on the Bulletins tab on our webpage to view our weekly bulletins in PDF.

Please bear with us as we follow the CDC recommendations - our main focus is to keep our members safe and healthy.

**If you need groceries, medications, or supplies, please call the church office, 979-968-5657, Pastor Candy, 979-966-2459, or Melinda, 979-820-8793. We have a list of volunteers willing to make deliveries.**

Offerings can be mailed to St. Paul, PO Box 567, La Grange, Texas, 78945 or dropped off in the mailbox next to the office door. You may also donate online by going to **[www.stpaulg.org](http://www.stpaulg.org)** and clicking "**Donate Now.**" You will be directed to MyEofferings where you can register to give online. You choose the frequency of giving - you may make a one time offering or schedule when you prefer.

We will not hold the Circle of Love honoring our members that are 80+ on Maundy Thursday this year, but rest assured that we WILL re-schedule as soon as we can.

St Paul writes: What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;  
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8:31-39)

Paul reminds us that nothing...NOTHING in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Sisters and brothers in Christ, we are separated physically for a while, but we are not—and indeed CANNOT be—separated from our oneness in Christ. We will be reunited, and we will be stronger.

I have seen through people's postings on social media that families are doing more things together. They are eating together and they are beginning to share in each other's lives again. If anything good can come out of all this, I believe that's it.

I am asking you, in this time at home, to write a note, draw a picture, or do something else creative and send it to someone you know who is alone. We have addresses for our homebound if you need them. If you have a neighbor who lives near you that you know is alone, drop a note to them. These things remind us that, though we may be isolated, we are not alone.

When this is all over, we will have a large Easter celebration (no matter when it is) because we will indeed be celebrating a resurrection.

In the meantime, we will still have our weekly services on KVLG/KBUK 104.9 FM Sundays at 10am. We will also be livestreaming our mid-week Lenten services on Wednesday mornings at 10am, and our Sunday services on Sundays at 9am. You can catch us at <https://www.facebook.com/stpaullg/> You DO NOT have to have a Facebook account to watch! We will also be audio streaming our services at [stpaullg.org](http://stpaullg.org). You can catch the Wednesday or Sunday videos at anytime by going to our webpage. You can download the weekly bulletins there as well.

If you need anything, please contact me (979) 966-2459, or Melinda, or Caleb.

Stay well. See you soon!

*Pastor Candy*

# APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Tracy Richter
- 2 Edward Anders, Maddie Sustr
- 3 Dennis Neuman, Winnie Jane Schielack,  
Ashley Steinmann
- 4 Greg Bage, Marley Grimes, Ty Koether
- 5 Joshua Roscher
- 6 Connor Paden
- 7 Caleb Parks, Don Steinmann
- 8 Verlene Citzler, Morgan Helmcamp, Joyce Kolbe,  
Jenelle Oeltjendiers, Brooke Sustr
- 9 Mel Cameron, Katrina Wilson
- 10 Carol Kirsch, Victoria Staal
- 11 Katie Anders, Evan Elias
- 12 Kenlie Muske, Chris Mayer
- 13 Randy Freudenberg, Korley Roesler
- 14 Elton Oppermann, Jr.
- 15 Lori Moerbe
- 16 Ginger Friemel, Brenda Killough, Sarah Lude
- 17 Grayson Bage, Tracetyn Nietsche, Kole Parchman,  
Martha Powell
- 18 Karen Butler
- 19 Patsy Fowler, Eugene Hunger
- 21 Glenn Altwein, Betty Anders, Lorri Freudenberg,  
Vivian Gest, Cindy Hengst, Harley Latham,  
Hamana Pestana, Jaxon Radcliff
- 22 Bonnye Karger, Sid Roden
- 23 Janet Coronado, Rose Hunger
- 24 Madison Berger, Sara Gutierrez, Jaxon Kurtz
- 25 Aimee Elles, Juanita Frels, Ryann Marshall
- 26 Tom Glynn, Kenneth Hernandez, Harper McAuliffe
- 27 Lummus Hannes
- 28 Dawn Blackwell, Christopher Morales
- 29 Edmund Anders, Jr., Callie Byler, Ryan Elles,  
Camden Keilers, Marilyn Miller, Art Schneider
- 30 Kyle Oltmann, Gary Richter

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|---------------------------|----------|----------|
| Cody & Lauren Hengst      | April 6  | 1 year   |
| Kenny & Patti Weber       | April 6  | 29 years |
| Howard & Phyllis Bohot    | April 12 | 34 years |
| Richard & Janet Schmidt   | April 13 | 35 years |
| Steven & Laurie Boehm     | April 14 | 13 years |
| Trent & Kortney Schielack | April 14 | 2 year2  |
| Edmund & Betty Anders     | April 15 | 42 years |
| Royce & JoAnn Friemel     | April 18 | 23 years |
| Jarrett & Chelsea Fajkus  | April 30 | 9 years  |



Our Christian Condolences to the families of:

† Max Karger, who died March 9

† Lorene Kirkpatrick, who died March 9

† Carol Faldyn, who died March 14

Rest eternal grant them, O Lord, and let light  
perpetual shine on them.

## Saint Paul 2020 Congregation Council

Jackie Skelton, President

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### Parish Office Hours:

Monday 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Tuesday-Thursday (closed for lunch noon-1 p.m.)

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m.-noon

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## Saint Paul Lutheran Church Leaders

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**Sherise Davis, Organist**

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**Carolyn Bennetsen, Mannie Fritsch-Schmid,  
Agnes Hannes, Lummus Hannes, Ruth Hensel, and  
Paul Mikula, Stephen Ministers**

### **Our Mission Statement:**

Saint Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church,  
in the name of Christ, cares, shares, and provides  
Christian growth opportunity to our community.

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