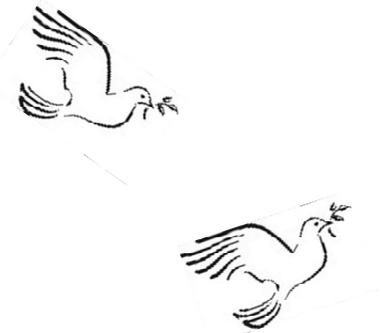


Prayer Concerns:

- Lisa – Addison’s Disease – Pray: Successful treatment/outcome – 03/20/18
- Ginger – Cancer surgery – Pray: Successful outcome – 03/18/18
- Emily – Pregnancy/labor issues – Pray: All is/will be well – 03/11/18
- Gwen – Back surgery – Pray: Successful outcome – 03/11/18
- Cathy – Heart issues – Pray: Complete diagnosis & repair – 03/11/18
- Lila – Suffered series of small strokes, pray for resolution & fix – 02/18/18
- Derek – Continuing Crohn’s issues, pray for resolution & fix – 02/18/18
- Zella – Heart issues; pray for diagnosis & cure – 02/11/18
- Joanne Koecher – Cancer returned; pray for complete remission – 02/02/18
- Bill M. – Injury to ribs & head in a fall; pray: full recovery – 01/26/18
- Julie T. – Had lung transplant; pray: successful post-op – 01/26/18
- Butch – Recent Parkinson’s diagnosis; pray: successful control – 01/25/18
- Dale – Cancer; pray: successful treatment(s) – 01/07/18
- Keith – Cancer returned; pray: strong & successful treatment – 01/07/18
- Edith H. – Advancing dementia; pray: strength for family – 01/03/18



Consider-ables w/Max Lucado

New Lucado piece comes in Friday

Responsive Reading: Psalm 133

North: How good and pleasant it is
when God’s people live together in unity!

South: *It is like precious oil poured on the head,
running down on the beard,*

North: running down on Aaron’s beard,
down on the collar of his robe.

South: *It is as if the dew of Hermon
were falling on Mount Zion.*

All: **For there the LORD bestows his blessing,
even life forevermore.**

1st Lesson: Acts 4:32-35

All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God’s grace was so powerfully at work in them all that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles’ feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.

2nd Lesson: 1 John 1:1 – 2:2

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched—this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. We write this to make our joy complete. This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you:

God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin. If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us. ...

2 Lesson...(cont'd)

My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

Gospel: John 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, *“Peace be with you!”* After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

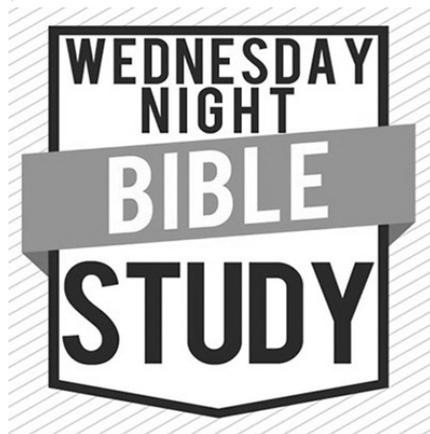
Again, Jesus said, *“Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.”* And with that he breathed on them and said, *“Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone’s sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.”* Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So, the other disciples told him, *“We have seen the Lord!”*

But he said to them, *“Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”* A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, *“Peace be with you!”* Then he said to Thomas, *“Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.”* Thomas said to him, *“My Lord and my God!”*

Then Jesus told him, *“Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”* Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Make a Note-able(s)...

The Men’s & Women’s group/Bible study sessions have resumed! The women’s group has received rave reviews and there is no reason the new men’s version will do any less...Interested? See Pr. Rob. Pr. Ellen, or Pr. Paul!



Pique-Your-Interest-able...

St. Paul Lutheran Church in Wyoming, MN is having its annual **Spring Fashion Show** Saturday, April 14th at 1:00 PM. For more information and tickets see Anita.

Announce-able(s)...

We will be having a Spring Cleanup/BBQ/and bonfire May 19th or 26th (in case of rain...yes, these are Saturdays). Let’s clean up the building & property and have some fun and good food while we’re at it! ☺ More later....

Catechism-able...

Part 3 – The Lord’s Prayer

The First Petition

Hallowed be thy name.

What does this mean?

God’s name is indeed holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy also among us.

How is this done?

God’s name is hallowed when His Word is taught in its truth and purity and we, as God’s children, lead holy lives in accordance with it. Grant this to us, dear Father in heaven.

But whoever teaches and lives in ways other than what God’s Word teaches dishonors the name of God among us. Prevent us from doing this, heavenly Father.

Grin-able(s)...



A four year old’s description of creation

In the beginning, which was close to the start, there wasn’t anything except God, darkness and some gas. The Bible says, *“The Lord, thy God, is one,”* but I think He has to be much older than that. Anyway, God made the world and then He said, *“Give me some light,”* and somebody gave it to Him. He split an atom and made Eve. Adam and Eve didn’t wear any clothes, but they weren’t embarrassed because God hadn’t invented mirrors, yet. Adam and Eve sinned by eating one bad apple and they were driven out of the Garden of Eden. I’m not sure what God drove them in because He hadn’t invented cars yet, either. Adam and Eve’s son, Cain, hated his brother as long as he was Abel. After a while, all of the first people died, except Methuselah, who lived to be, like, a million years old...and that’s how it all started!

Calendar...

- Next Council Meeting – April 10th @ 6:30pm
- Next Communion – April 15th