

# Congregational Announcements: February 21, 2021



**ST. PAUL'S**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL  
— HOWARDS GROVE, WI —

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Greetings St. Paul's family!

This Week at a Glance:	
Date	Service, Bible Study, and Class Times (For more information click on the link.)
Sunday, Feb. 21	8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Services <a href="#">Worship Service Live Stream/Recording</a> <a href="#">Bulletin Link</a>
	9:25 Zechariah Bible Study in the gym
	9:20-10:10 a.m. <a href="#">Sunday School</a>
Monday, Feb. 22	6:00 p.m. Worship Service
Wednesday, Feb. 24	8:00 <a href="#">Hymns for Her</a>
	8:45 a.m. Bible Study
	6:30 pm <a href="#">Lent Worship Service</a>
Thursday, Feb. 25	Thursday Bible study with Pastor Mueller on break through Lent
	6:30 p.m. <a href="#">Financial Class</a>
Friday, Feb. 26	8:00 p.m. <a href="#">Mommy Mixer Night</a>

1. **Office hours** are Monday-Thursday 7:15 - 4:00. You can reach Erin at [secretary@stpaulshowardsgrove.org](mailto:secretary@stpaulshowardsgrove.org).
2. **Sunday Bible Study!** The book we are studying is Zechariah, a great spiritual encouragement to God's people for *remembering him*. **Today we start lesson seven in the gymnasium and pick up where we left off in Zechariah 11. Study begins at 9:25.**
3. **Mindful Moms** - Join us February 24 at 8am for Muffins and Meditations - Hymns for Her. This 20 minute study will focus on hymns from different seasons of the Church Year, who wrote them and how God uses them to bring his encouraging truth to us still today. Activities provided for kids.
4. **Women in the Word** - Join us in our new Bible reading challenge! Starting in February, we will be reading through the book of Matthew and portions of Isaiah that share prophecies about Jesus. This is a wonderful opportunity to review all Jesus did for us and how the Old Testament points to his coming, especially as we lead up to and start Lent. Also, join us on the Slack app for encouragement and discussion about the readings.
5. **The *Growing Forward* Capital Campaign:** Thank you everyone for your support - in prayer, in encouragement, or in donation/pledge! Thank you to all who participated in the cottage meetings. These formal or virtual cottage meetings have ended. If someone would still like to view a recording of one, please contact the secretary and she can email you the link.  
On February 28 we assemble all the pledge envelopes handed in and present them formally before the Lord in each worship service. One individual will bring them forward representing our united effort [in faith] as a congregation in the Lord. [Pledges may still be turned in even after this Sunday. If possible, please turn in prior.]  
On March 7 the total pledged amount along with any donated amounts will be tallied [some cash gifts have already been received]. We will first thank God for all this in the prayer of the church. Following the service congregational leaders will come forward and give further details and direction forward.
6. **Financial Class** - In this class we seek to grow in how we manage the LORD's money to his glory.
7. **Sunday School Planning:** This semester we have Sunday School with a class for 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> graders, 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> graders, and 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders. 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders are encouraged to join in the next youth group class, likely after Lent. We are not able to have the little ones in PreK or K in-person this semester due to COVID mitigation procedures. We do offer remote Sunday School for PreK and K. For an idea of what this is, [check this link](#). To register for remote Sunday School, please speak with Pastor Bode. For further inquiries into our Sunday School program, please speak directly with Pastors Mueller or Bode.
8. **Lent worship:** The season of Lent continues with a Wednesday evening worship series focusing on the "Hands of the Passion". Whether they were lifted to bless God's chosen people or to stone God's chosen prophets, hands in the Bible are rarely noticed but always in action. Our series explores the many roles hands played during the Passion History, from waving palm branches to nailing our Savior to the cross. Due to the ongoing climate with the pandemic, the Church Council has decided to forego the lenten suppers this year.
9. **The St. Paul's Car Show** will take place August 14 this summer. The Show will run from 9-2 with food trucks serving from 11-2. More info to come over the next months. Mark your calendar!
10. **Fast Fundraising February:** During the month of February, Kwik Trip will be offering a 10% discount on scrip cards. Scrip cards can be purchased during school office hours and in the narthex on Sunday's. There is also BP, Culver's, Festival Foods, Meijer, Menards, Miesfelds, Pick 'n Save, Piggly Wiggly, Walgreens, and Walmart available.

11. **Marriage Enrichment Retreat:** St. Paul's will be hosting a marriage enrichment retreat at the Osthoff Resort Friday-Saturday, March 19-20. Learn how to give your marriage the attention it needs, build connections by taking time with one another, and tune in to each other - all while remaining connected to the Lord and his Word. *For those who attended the last marriage retreat, this one is entirely different!* At the Distracted Marriage retreat we'll talk about communication, turning off distractions to your marriage, fighting fair, and listening well. Flyers with event details and registration forms can be found in the member room. You can also register online [HERE](#). Contact Luther Curia with any questions: [luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org](mailto:luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org).
12. **Mommy Mixer Night!** Mindful Moms invites you to don your comfies and grab your favorite evening beverage on **Friday, February 26 at 8pm**. Then hop on Zoom with us to play games, chat, and enjoy sharing stories with other moms in this one of a kind Mom's Night Out/In. Prizes available for best Zoom background and most fun pajamas. Contact Alycia Cameron at [alycia.cameron@gmail.com](mailto:alycia.cameron@gmail.com), visit our Facebook group, or see the online St. Paul's calendar for the Zoom link.
13. **St. Paul's Wall of Pastors** - We now have pictures of all the former pastors hanging in the member room. Thank you to Jeff Plass, Jan Radue, and Dick Stoelb for your work on this project.
14. **St. Paul's Variety Show:** The Stewardship committee is excited to present a livestreamed variety show on Friday March 5 @ 6:00 p.m. BUT we have very few entries into the show.

Take a look at an adorable sample of what we're looking to share! [Here's Tritt Bull reading one of his favorite books!](#)

- [Here are a couple skit ideas that you could easily do at home with very little preparation.](#)
- **Some Ideas of Videos to Send In**
  - Tell your favorite joke.
  - Show the "proper" way to do something (bait a fish hook, split wood, make a card, fold origami, etc.)
  - **Families:** We want to make a video montage of different families dancing to "Can't Stop the Feeling" from the Trolls movie. Send your video to [luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org](mailto:luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org).
  - **Kids 5 and under:** Take a video of you presenting a brief show-and-tell of your favorite toy, stuffed animal, pet, etc. Keep the video to under a minute and send it to [luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org](mailto:luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org).
- [Sign up with this form](#) by Monday, February 22. Let's make this an evening to remember! Contact Luther with any questions: 920.287.8575; [luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org](mailto:luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org)