## Congregational Announcements: April 7, 2024



Pastor Adam Bode - Principal Michael Wieting - Staff Minister Luther Curia

This Week at a Glance:	
Date	Service, Bible Study, and Class Times
Sunday, April 7	8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Services
	9:15 a.m 10:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour
Monday, April 8	6:00 p.m. Monday Worship
	7:00 p.m. NO Choir
Wednesday, April 10	8:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Bible Study
	9:00 a.m. Bible Study
	9:45 a.m. Mindful Moms Play Date
	4:15 p.m. Public School Catechism
	6:30 p.m. Evangelism Committee
Thursday, April 11	1:30 p.m. Ladies Aid
Friday, April 12	2:00 - 10:00 p.m. MLHS Music Festival
Saturday, April 13	7:00 a.m 5:00 p.m. MLHS Academic Fair
Sunday, April 14	8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship
	9:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour
	10:15 a.m. Garden Gym Open
	11:40 a.m. Voters Meeting for New Pastor Call
Monday, April 15	3:30 p.m. Garden Gym Open
	6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship
	7:00 p.m. Adult Choir

## **Grow with Christ**

Bible Studies, Worship, and more!

1. **Thank You -** We are very grateful to Pastor Norv Kock for serving as our guest preacher and Bible study leader this morning. Pastor Kock is our afternoon principal release time teacher this school year; he also teaches part-time at Manitowoc Lutheran High School.

- 2. **Adult Bible Study** Today we will look at Jesus' conversation with Peter in John 21. Our risen Savior knows that his sheep need to be fed. He restores us and calls each of us to serve him in different ways.
- 3. **NEW Wednesday Bible Study** Join us Wednesday mornings at 9:00 for an enriching Bible study on 1 Thessalonians beginning Wednesday, April 10. Discover the timeless wisdom and insights of this epistle as we delve into its teachings together. Whether you're a seasoned scholar or new to the Bible, all are welcome to join in this journey of faith and understanding. Come, explore the words of Paul and their relevance to our lives today. See you there!
- 4. **Still time to register for the Women's Retreat:** Registration is extended for the April 20th Women's Retreat. Mel Kreuser will be presenting on the theme Sisters in Christ: God Created Us for Relationship + Great Things. The retreat will run from 9:00 AM 12:00 PM and will cost \$10. You can pick up a registration form in the narthex or scan the QR code to register. Childcare will be provided. There is more information on the registration form and on posters throughout the building. If you have questions, you can email them to womens.ministry@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.



5. **LWMS spring rally** will be held on Saturday, April 20 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Manitowoc. Registration is 8-9 a.m. and the rally program will take place from 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. with luncheon to follow. Pastor James Borgwardt will speak about home mission work in our district. Join the ladies of our area to celebrate missions!

## In Other News

- 1. NO Adult Choir practice on Monday, April 8.
- 2. Call Updates:
  - a. The School Board decided in March to ask Greg Johnson to finish out this school year as the 3-4 grade teacher. We thank him for his willingness to serve in so many ways this year!
  - b. Our Elders, together with Pastor Bode and Staff Minister Curia, have reviewed our church staffing needs and worked with our district leadership to plan a call meeting for another pastor. Pastor Bode will continue to serve as Associate Pastor but with a focus in the areas of Inreach, Worship, and Administration. On April 14 after the 10:30 service we will have a call meeting for a new Lead Pastor with a focus in the areas of Education, Outreach, Integration, and Congregational Direction.
- 3. New Members We were blessed to have 19 students in our Bible Information Class this year. 14 from the class have joined and more are planning to join! We welcome Jacob Brunner, Matthew Brunner, Rick & Karla Hameister, Rayven Kalmerton, Matt & Kali Thiel and their children Hannah & Caleb, Andrea Wodrich and her children Rory & Brooke, and Ben & Jamie Englebert. Watch for more information on the new member board.
- 4. **Garden Gym Hours -** From April 8 through May 20, we will have some open gym times in the Garden Gym for St. Paul's members and for St. Paul's school families. It will be open on Mondays from 3:30-4:30 pm, Wednesdays from 3:30-5:00 pm, and Sundays from 10:15 am until after late service for families who have attended early service and Family Bible Hour. The Garden Gym is for use by children ages 8 and under with parental supervision. It is expected that all posted regulations will be followed in order to properly care for the space and for those who use it.
- 5. Worship Service Ushers: Thank you to those who regularly volunteer to serve as ushers for our worship services. As we prepare the usher schedule, please consider serving for at least one month each year. A request for additional ushers in certain months (like July) will soon be sent via Church Community Builder (CCB). Please sign up via a response to this request or by placing your name next to a vacant position on the "Usher List" in the Member Room. Please contact Will Belitz (920-693-8837 or Cellular 920-946-6617) as questions arise. Thank you for serving your congregation.
- 6. **Open Gym** A weekly open gym will soon be restarting. (This is intended as a primarily member event.) If there is a certain day that works better for your schedule, please contact Logan Schroeder at loganschroeder92@gmail.com.

- 7. **The 2024 weekly window washing schedules** for St. Pauls are printed and can be found in the member room. There is also a sign-up sheet to fill in some open dates. If you would like more information or need to be removed from the current schedule, please contact Trevor Wehrmann.
- **8. LWMS Mission Offerings** will be collected until Sunday, April 21. A box will be available in the narthex for cash or checks made out to LWMS Shoreline Circuit.