



# ST. PAUL LUTHERAN MESSENGER

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Dear Friends,

About 35 years ago, I became friends with a man who was around my age. His name was Russ and he had served in Viet Nam and had been exposed to heavy amounts of Agent Orange, a herbicide meant to defoliate the areas in Viet Nam where guerilla troops were hiding and being recruited by the U.S.'s enemy. Russ served Calvary Lutheran Church in a number of ways when I became their pastor in the early 80's. He and I became friends because shortly after I arrived in Oroville, he was diagnosed with cancer which was a result of his exposure to Agent Orange. He was a strong and courageous young man who had a wife and two sons who he loved very much. He worked at a lumber mill and worked as many days as he could to support his family.

He suffered with cancer for a number of years which required me to travel back and forth to Enloe Hospital in Chico to visit him and pray with him. Sometimes I would get calls in the middle of the night telling me that Russ was probably not going to make it prompting me to drag myself from a sound sleep to drive to Chico to be with him and his family. Somehow, the Lord allowed him to bounce back again and again and again until early one morning when his family and I gathered around him and he finally breathed his last breath and was taken home by his Lord.

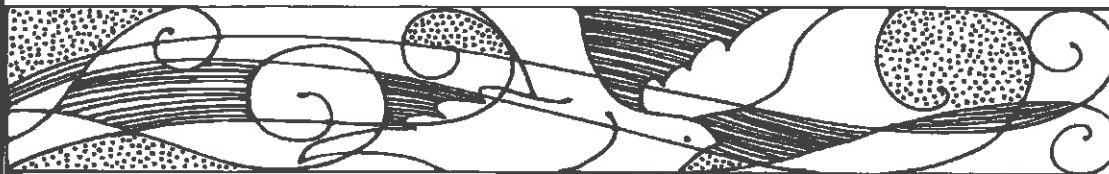
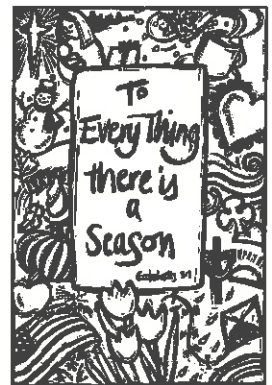
Russ's oldest son was, at the time about 10 years old, went running from the room at a break neck speed and didn't return for some time. His mother knew him well and told us to let him go. She assured us that he would be back. She was right. About an hour later, he came back and hugged his mom. It was obvious that he had been crying and that he was exhausted. Later, I spoke to her and she said he had been running for the entire time he was gone. He didn't know where he was going. He was just running and running and running.

Death and the pain it brings often makes us want to run as far away from it as we can. There is a reason for that. It is incompatible with our design. We were not designed to die. When sin was introduced by Adam and Eve in the garden many years ago, it brought with it the death penalty. Romans 6:23: "The wages of sin is death..." God grieved that day and He grieves every day when one of His creatures meets the enemy of death. God never intended for His children to know death. But when Satan, through sin, captured humankind's attention with words like: "You will be like God," they were lured to eat the forbidden fruit and transgress God's command to them. Their transgression brought consequences from a just and holy God. The consequence was eternal death.

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If that is the end of the story, then there is good reason to run. Run and don't stop running. If nothing else, maybe it will keep me young and healthy. But don't stop running because death is in hot pursuit of each of us and it will catch us sooner or later.

But thanks and praise to God, that is not the end of the story. Romans 6:23 says: "The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." God's steadfast love is in hot pursuit of us as well. Like a shepherd in pursuit of a lost sheep, a widow searching for a lost coin or a father scanning the horizon for a rebellious son, God will not give up in his search for His children and He sends His only Son to assume our flesh and become one of us living among us in our sin and brokenness. He sent His only Son to become our Savior who died for us, taking our sin with Him into death. His Son will pioneer the way for us as He is raised from the tomb on Easter morning and allows us, by faith in Him as our Redeemer, to lift our eyes above the horizon of this world to get a glimpse of the world where He now resides and into which He welcomes all who have believed in Him and followed Him. And that is the end of the story. It is a story with a happy ending.

Come join us as we celebrate our wonderful God and Savior for He is risen! He is risen indeed!  
Hallelujah!

Wishing you Easter Joy!

Pastor Mick

### *Lent & Easter Worship Schedule*

Wednesday, March 2

Lenten Dinner 6:15 p.m. Lenten Worship Service 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 9

Lenten Dinner 6:15 p.m. Lenten Worship Service 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 16

Lenten Dinner 6:15 p.m. Lenten Worship Service 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 20—Palm Sunday

Worship Services 8:45 & 10:30 a.m.

HMong Worship Service 11:45 a.m.

Thursday, March 24

Maundy Thursday Worship 7:00 p.m.

Friday, March 25

Good Friday Worship 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 27—Easter Sunday

Worship Service 9:00 a.m.

No Bible Song will be held today.

HMong Worship Service 11:45 a.m.

## **ST. PAUL PRESCHOOL HAPPENINGS**

*by Angelique Faulkner, Preschool Director*

“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life”. February has just passed, the month of love. And this verse speaks love better than anything I know. It is also a good verse to remember as we are in the season of Lent preparing for Easter. Some lessons in the Bible are hard to explain to a preschooler. We try our best to tell our Bible lessons in a way that the kids can relate. But one thing even the littlest child knows is love. We want each of our students to know that God loves them so much! So it is exciting to be able to share with them the price Jesus paid on the cross because he loves them.

There was one year during the Easter season, one of my 3 year olds was so sad during our Bible time. I asked her what was wrong and she said, “I didn’t want Jesus to die on the cross because I love him”. And it was a blessing to be able to share with her that even though he had to die, he arose and is alive. It’s a memory I will always treasure.

During the month of March the preschool will be taking our Spring pictures. We are also getting projects ready for the St. Paul School Auction. And the classes have been practicing for our Easter Program as well. We are busy as bees this time of year. There is still lots to learn!!

## **NEWS AND NOTES FROM ST. PAUL SCHOOL**

**March 2016**

*By Amy Mello, School Principal*

February was a month full of activity for students, teachers and parents. Students and teachers spent time preparing for Preview Night on February 25th - getting ready to show guest and visitors the best St. Paul has to offer. We ended the second trimester with reading, writing and math assessments to track our learning and look at how far our students have come. Parent Club scheduled many fun events for our families including the Daddy/Daughter Dance, a Mother/Son Kickball Game and a Parent’s Night Out.

March begins with Auction preparations in full swing! Our annual auction is scheduled for March 19th and we can’t wait to “Roar into the 20’s” as we celebrate 25 years of Lutheran education in Merced. We hope that you will consider joining us! Table sponsorships are available and we welcome donations. We are also selling raffle tickets for this year’s BIG raffle - a trip to New Orleans. Tickets are \$20. Our goal is to raise \$150,000. Please see the school office for more information on how you can be a part.

Registration and enrollment for the 2016-2017 school year has begun! Our goal is to reach 110 students. Throughout March we will have “Welcome Wednesdays” where visitors will be invited to come and see the great things we have to offer. There will be opportunities for families to come to chapel, see our classrooms and watch our students and teachers in action. Please let us know if there is anyone you think might be interested in our school. We would love to give them a personal invitation!



**ZONE 3 SPRING RALLY  
SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 2016**

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
2916 N. MCKEE RD.  
MERCED CA 95340**

**“MAKE ME A SERVANT”**

**Luke: 1:38 “Behold, I am the servant of the Lord, let it be to me according to your word.”**

**Sierra Saving Grace, Kathy Miller, E.D. speaker**

Local non profit to house the homeless with physical, emotional support and care. Ingathering for their clients: peanut butter, Top Ramen, tuna, spaghetti sauce, spaghetti, canned chili, canned refried beans, Minute Rice, canned green beans, peas, peas and carrots, Saltine crackers –  
(small sizes as these are mostly for individuals)

**Sue Xiong, Director, St. Paul Hmong Language School**

-share the challenges and rewards of the Language School  
-the family nights  
-belong, become, believe

Registration \$13 register by 3/10; \$15 at the door  
9:30 registration –Coffee, tea, continental breakfast  
Devotions, speakers – lunch – offering – ingathering dedication  
2:45 p.m. close with Lord’s prayer

**Mail registrations with names, church, phone numbers & checks made out to L.W.M.L. to St. Paul Lutheran Church LWML, 2916 N. McKee Rd. Merced CA 95340.**

**Youth Easter Breakfast**

**The Youth will be serving the annual Easter Breakfast.**

**The Youth are in need of the following items.**

**Eggs, Sausage (Costco), Fruit and Pancake Mix.**

**They are in need of candy to fill plastic Easter eggs to hide.**

**Any donations they receive will be greatly appreciated.**



**Our NEXT VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION WILL BE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13th FROM 7-8 P.M. AT ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH LIBRARY, 2916 N. MCKEE RD. MERCED.**

**SIGN UP FOR PROJECTS AT 8 P.M. IF YOU HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED YOUR ORIENTATION AND ARE LOOKING FOR A PROJECT.  
LOOK FOR THE HABITAT SIGN IN FRONT OF THE LIBRARY**

Our Annual parking lot Vendor sale is coming up Saturday, April 2, 2016 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 2916 N. McKee Rd. Merced. Rent two parking spaces for \$10 and do your own yard sale. Bring your own table, chairs, canopy and whatever you need. Applications available on our website or call 726-0850 to have one mailed to you. Hours 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Brush with Kindness applications are available online and we will be doing more projects as we have volunteer available. Homeowners, who aren't physically able to do small projects, should call us at 726-0850.

If you have some expertise to share and would like an application so an interview can be arranged to be considered to be a board member, please check our website [hfhmerced.org](http://hfhmerced.org) or call 726-0850 and have one mailed to you. We are looking for someone interested in fundraising, computer skills and legal expertise. Each member of our board is responsible for a task, so it is a working board and together we work as a team to accomplish the goals we have agreed upon.

If you would like to visit one of our board meetings to see if this is what God has planned for you to do, please call me to add you to our agenda.

Jan Sorge, President & Church Relations Chair, 209-769-1884 or [merced-hostel@juno.com](mailto:merced-hostel@juno.com)

### **Scheduling of Facility Use**

This is a friendly reminder that whenever you are scheduling an event or meeting, please contact the church office to schedule it. It is important to do so before the event or meeting is publicized to make sure the room is available and avoid possible scheduling conflicts. As part of the procedure, we have a facility use form that needs to be filled out. Once the event is properly scheduled, it will be added to the calendar.

Thank you for your help in making this a smooth process.

***Also to the people who meet in the OMC, please be aware of the following change:  
an alarm has been added to the building.***

***If you have meetings in the OMC, especially in the evening, please contact the church or school office for more information regarding the new procedures for the building.***



## JOY OF HARVEST MINISTRIES

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### HMong Language School

The first Saturday of March 2016 is HMong Language School's first anniversary. A year ago we launched the first HMong Lutheran Language School here at St. Paul. We thank God for everyone who has made HMong School possible and for their support. We pray for God's will to continue HMong Language School to plant the seed of Jesus to any child that comes through our door.

HMong School is scheduled to run from March 5<sup>th</sup> thru June 4<sup>th</sup> 2016. This is the fourth term in school session for us. We are very excited to receive registration for new students and students returning from last fall. Also, some students who only attended last spring are returning to HMong School this term. Currently we are expecting around thirty to forty students this spring. What exciting news!

HMong School continues to practice the three B's of ministry outreach (Belong, Become, and Believe). A monthly event is planned for each of the months that we have school. March is a great opportunity to share the true meaning of Easter—that is, Jesus' death and resurrection! Through these events of outreach, we hope our students and their families feel that they too *belong* to Christ so that they may *become* God's children and *believe* in His Son Jesus. Through these monthly events, one person has joined our women's Bible study and has been faithful on coming out every time we have class.

There is exciting news for HMong School this school term as we will be integrating HMong arts and crafts into our curriculum. It is important too for our children not only to know the HMong language and try to keep it alive from one generation after another but the arts, crafts, and history of the HMong people as well. I pray that through the curriculum we have here at HMong School, God will open the hearts of these students to appreciate the wisdom He has given the HMong and people of all nations.

As always, we welcome your prayers and support.

Thanks and blessings to all,

Sue Xiong

HMong Language School is in need of 10 prizes for an Easter Event on March 19<sup>th</sup> for boys and girls students. If you are willing to donate any, please contact Sue at 651-216-8457 or [sxiong@stpaulmerced.com](mailto:sxiong@stpaulmerced.com) by March 11<sup>th</sup>.





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Thank You to all Thrivent Choice Dollar Donors!

We would like to thank every Thrivent member who has designated St. Paul Lutheran Church as the recipient of their Choice Dollars.

Please remember to continue to support St. Paul through your Choice Dollars in 2016. So far this year we have received \$314 in Choice Dollars. Contact Thrivent by calling 1-800-847-4836 and when prompted, say, "Thrivent Choice." The money that we receive through your donations, help fund a variety of projects around the church.

**Heartline Prayer Request Tip**

Thank you to all the prayer warriors who take part in receiving the Heartline Prayer requests. Please note, the Heartline email account is used only for sending out Heartline prayer requests, as well as an occasional announcement. This email account is not monitored on a regular basis, so anything sent to that account will not be handled in a timely manner. That is why it is important not to reply to that account and any emailed Heartline prayer requests should be sent to churchoffice@stpaulmerced.com.

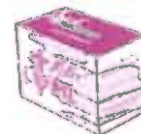
If you would like to be added to the Heartline email list, please contact the church office and give us your name and email address.

**Singers Invited for Easter Choir**

Easter Sunday is March 27th  
Rehearsals will be short—Wednesdays  
after Lenten Services.

Music will be easy and familiar.  
I would like to have 15 singers!  
Blessings,  
Deanna

Remember "He who sings, praise twice."



**LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION**  
**(LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE)**  
also called Lutheran Women in Mission.

**MISSION PROJECTS CHOSEN BY DELEGATES FOR 2014-2016**

*Twenty one projects were on the ballot, **EIGHTEEN HAVE BEEN PAID.***

*The following are yet to be funded by March 31, 2016.*

- 18 –Support Teenage Mothers & Victims of Sexual Abuse in Cameron – West Africa – Lutheran Hour Ministries - \$3000 PAID
- 19 – Enhancing Sustainable Food Security and Income Generating Activities for the Vulnerable Children at Christian Rescue Centre – Diakonia Compassionate Ministry \$11,090
- 20 – Increase Capacity for Lutheran Human Care and Evangelism Community Outreach Ministry endeavor – First Immanuel Lutheran Church, San Jose, CA \$6500
- 21 – Sacto Valley Chapter Lutheran for Life Annual Sexuality Event \$3100

If monies come in, the rest of the projects will also be paid in order of their votes. All projects will be posted on the LWML bulletin board in the Parish Hall as soon as they are available. **KEEP SAVING YOUR COINS AND PUT THEM IN A MITE BOX – OR IN THE BIG MITE BOX IN THE NARTHEX – EVERY COIN COUNTS TO COMPLETE THESE PROJECTS!**

**ALL WOMEN** in the congregation are invited to attend our **monthly meetings**. The next meeting is **Monday, March 14, 2016**. Devotions "To Him Be the Glory" and the Quarterly Bible Study Topic



"How Can I Control My Tongue?" will be shared by all. We meet in the church library from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Mite box and freewill offerings are taken.

Every woman is welcome to join us and get to know your sisters in Christ.

## 2016 LCMS YOUTH GATHERING In Christ Alone

Held every three years, the LCMS Youth Gathering provides thousands of youth and adults the opportunity to come together as a community of God's people to learn more about Jesus Christ, the Christian faith and their Lutheran identity. During the five days of the Gathering, youth spend time together in God's word, worship, service and fellowship with others from across the synod. The event is organized by LCMS Youth Ministry (<http://www.lcms.org/youth>) in Saint Louis, MO.

The 2016 Youth Gathering will be July 16-20 in New Orleans. If anyone is interested in financially supporting our youth, we would be very appreciative. Checks should be made out to St. Paul Lutheran Church with Youth Gathering referenced on the memo line. Please place your donation in the offering plate, give it to Marilyn Anderson, or send it to the church office. If you have any questions, please call Marilyn at 631-8965. We are still looking for more youth to join in this adventure. We have 5 so far, possibly 8.



Church Women United in the  
Merced Area hosts  
**World Day of Prayer Social  
& Program**

**“Receive Children - Receive Me”**

**Friday, March 4, 2016  
9:30 AM - Noon**

**Bethesda Apostolic Faith Church  
1822 Canal Street, Merced CA 95340**

Women, men and children in more than 170 countries and regions will celebrate World Day of Prayer, Friday, March 4, 2016. This year, the women of the WDP Committee of Cuba call us into worship considering the words “Receive children, receive me.” With these words as backdrop, we are invited to learn about Cuba's history and rich cultural diversity.

Bring a friend. Refreshments will be available.  
Free will offering

For more information: 209-489-4128

## BIBLE CLASSES AND SUNDAY SCHOOL



**HMong Bible Classes**  
10:15 a.m.

**Bible Song (Sunday School)**  
9:15—10:15 a.m.

**HMong Women's  
Bible Class**  
6:30 p.m.

Meet in the Parish Hall and walk  
over to the classroom in the  
OMC.

**Bible Class**  
**Wednesday 10:30 a.m.**  
Church Library

Both classes meet on  
Sunday in the library.



Church  
Archives**BACK IN HISTORY. . . . .** by Theresa Lund, Historian

From March 2007 St. Paul Messenger

**1949****LUTHERAN CHURCH GROUND BREAKING IS SCHEDULED (SUN STAR)**

St Paul's Lutheran Church will hold a ground-breaking service for its new parish hall on the site at 23<sup>rd</sup> and P Streets, Sunday following the regular morning service. Construction of the building is expected to begin next week with E M Geyer, general contractor, in charge. The present church site, a plot 150 feet by 150 feet, was acquired three years ago, and immediately the congregation started the preliminary work for a building to take care of its needs. A building committee consisting of Harry Heil, Perry Isbell, John Lebsock, Ray Menssen, Harold Zimmer, Sr and the Rev George Hoffmann, pastor of the congregation was appointed. Walter R Hagedohm, AIA, church architect of Los Angeles was engaged to draw up sketches and then the complete plans and specifications which were completed about a year ago. The parish hall is to be the first unit of the church plant, the church itself to be a project for the future. The dimensions will be 82 feet by 58 feet. The building will include an auditorium seating more than 200, stage, pastor's study, class rooms and kitchen. Construction will be of basaltite. Although the structure is designed as a parish hall, it will also be used for all worship services until the congregation can realize its hopes for a sanctuary. After the service Sunday morning at the Women's Clubhouse at 22<sup>nd</sup> and N Streets, the congregation will go to the church site for the ground-breaking ceremonies, which will begin about 12:15pm.

**SUN STAR AUGUST 3, 1949:** The St Paul's Lutheran Ladies Aid met Wednesday evening at Merced Women's Clubhouse. Mrs. Harold Zimmer, president, opened the meeting with prayer. Plans were made for the dedication of the new Parish Hall. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Marjorie McDougall and Mrs. Ruth Jueneman.

Others present were Mrs. D W McKaig, Mrs. Leonard Glusing, Mrs. Raymond Lund, Mrs. A A Licht, Mrs. Ray Menssen, Mrs. Anna Polzine, Mrs. John Linkert, Mrs. Perry Isbell, Mrs. Fred Clark, Mrs. Henry Van Pelt and Mrs. John Lebsock. (Handwritten on the clipping was the addition of members Mrs.

Erna Kleug (?) and Mrs. Scott) Guests were Mrs. J W Anderson, Mrs. W Evenson, Mrs. Carrie Anderson and Miss Eleanore Martin

**BIRTHDAYS**

March 3	Lonn Boyer
March 4	Charles Garner
March 8	Jeanne Kight
March 14	Phil Rahn
March 19	Karen Kelleher
March 20	Greg Bishop
March 21	Heidi Hayes
	Olivia Blaylock
March 22	Annika Cook
March 24	Maryln Tessmer
	Jake Mognis
March 26	Elaine Kock
	Carolyn Daberkow
	Malissa Blaylock
March 27	Karen Wagner
March 31	Barbara Hayes

**ANNIVERSARIES**

March 18 Kent & Lori Harstad

**BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

March 1	Clark Kellogg
	Adam Hogston
March 6	Delaney Lundin
March 19	Lonn Boyer
March 20	Jaret Mello
March 24	Jeff George
March 25	Charles Garner
March 27	Teresa Lundin
March 30	Gary Hogston
	Kathy Hogston
March 31	Greg Bishop

**February 2016 Servants****GREETERS**

March 6 (8:45)	Irene Pearson
March 13 (8:45)	Karen Kelleher
March 20 (8:45)	Sandy & Greg Bishop
March 27 (9:00)	Phil & Mary Rahn

**COMMUNION SET UP**  
Jean Hetland and Marj Hoffmann

**COMMUNION SERVERS**

March 6 (8:45)
March 6 (10:30)
March 20 (8:45)
March 20 (10:30)
March 25 Maundy Thursday

**READERS**

March 2 (Lent) Melinda Price
March 6 (8:45) Carol Sipan
March 9 (Lent)
March 13 (8:45)
March 16 (Lent)
March 21 (8:45)
March 25 (Maundy Thursday)
March 26 (Good Friday) Kent Christensen

**HOSTS ARE NEEDED FOR  
OUR FELLOWSHIP HOUR  
AFTER WORSHIP.**

**PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE  
CALENDAR ON THE WALL  
BY THE KITCHEN COUNTER  
OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE  
383-3301.**



**THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT WITH GUESTS  
AND ALL OUR CHURCH FRIENDS.**



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;"> <p><b>WORSHIP SERVICES</b>  <b>8:45 a.m. (Traditional)</b>  <b>10:30 a.m. (Contemporary)</b>            Communion 1st &amp; 3rd Sundays  <b>11:45 a.m. HMong Worship Service</b></p> </div>						

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Amy Mello

Pre-School Director  
Angelique Faulkner

James & Heather Nardello  
Bible Song Leaders

### **MISSION & MINISTRY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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