

"94 years of mission and ministry - 1925-2019"  
"Embracing the past while pressing toward the future"  
"Lighthouse on West Adams"

September-December 2019

## ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

### A Note From Pastor Williams

**Saints the new school year has begun.** The new school year for some parents means trying to figure out how to hold back the tears, because their child begins kindergarten or going off to college. There are some parents that will do a *happy dance*, because their children are going back to school. This past summer has been wonderful getting to spend valuable quality time and quantity time with the family, especially the children. Many are not mad about getting them back to school. Some will say, "Now, some me time". Alleluia! Amen! Whatever category we might find ourselves in, one thing is for sure, the organized structure of school is good. However, we live in a world where structure and discipline are often downplayed in order for a child to "be themselves", whatever that entails. We live in a world where many parents want to be a friend to their children rather than a parent.

**Proverbs 22:6** tells us that we should "train children in the way they should go", and teach them how they should live. We should recognize that if we do not lead disciplined and structured lives, we cannot expect our children to do so. We set the example and our children do pay close attention to our behaviors and attitudes. Some children will mimic what they see and hear. This is part of their development and reflects the various stages of life. If we want them to mature and grow in their Christian faith, we must watch we do around them. In fact, some parents put church on the back burner during the summer months. (June to August) That tells our children that we can take a break from our faith. Sure, we all take vacations and may miss a Sunday or two, but what is the message we are sending our children about our faith, service and passion for the Good News of the Gospel? Yet, no matter the stage or season of life we are in, today is still the day of your salvation (**2 Corinthians 6:2**). Today is the day to put the discipline and structure back into your life. Today is the day to integrate your life into your faith—let your faith in Jesus guide all that you do. We are the vessels from which the rest of life flows. How will you live out your faith today? Better yet, how will your "**CHILDREN**" live out their faith; today, tomorrow and into eternity? (Matthew 19:13-15)

### PRAYER CORNER

#### Sick and Shut-in:

James and Janice  
Atkins, Janet  
Jackson, Melba  
Cannon, Rhonda  
Engber, Dennis  
Worrell, Elizabeth  
Ennis, Carol  
Cooper, Joyce  
Whitaker, Rosalind  
Miles, Donley  
Phillips, Darrell  
Gardner

- St. Paul members, friends and guest who work on Sundays, greave

#### Dates to Remember:

Fall and Winter 2019

#### Sunday Worship:

\*\* 8:00am and 11:00am

\*\* Bible Study 9:30am

Monday night Bible

Study 7:00pm

#### September

1 Bridal Shower: Myron

Stevenson and

Domonique Morgan

8

15

19 Third Thursday 7pm

21 LWML 6 Fall

Celebration at Grace

L.C.10am

21Stevenson/Morgan

Wedding 2pm

22 Dr. J. M. Lehman, Jr.

Memorial Concert-

2:00pm

29

#### October

6

13 Chili King and Queen

Competition after

worship.

19 Circuit Reformation

Workshop-Mt. Calvary

BH

20 Circuit Reformation

Service 230pm Mt.

Calvary BH (Vicar

Enock's Commissioning)

20 Baby Shower

Joycelyn Ford 3:00pm

26 (Sat) Fall Festival

12noon-4pm

27 Reformation Sunday

#### November

3

10

17

23-24 Thanksgiving

Basket Distribution

24 Thanksgiving

Worship Service/Church

and Community Dinner

28 Thanksgiving Day

#### December

1 Advent Begins

8 Christmas Choir

Worship Service and

Congregational Party

15

21-22 Toy, Food,

Clothing Distribution

22

24 7pm Candlelight

Worship

25 Christmas Day

29 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday- Christmas

#### January 2020

1(Wed) New Year's Day

5 First Sunday in 2020

12 Epiphany Sunday

19

26

**SPECIAL INTEREST AND PRAISE REPORTS**

\*\*\*\*St. Paul Needs

- Church Supplies: Postage, paper, staples, copier financial support.
- Church Volunteers: Cleaning supplies, office support.
- Hospitality Needs your donations and participation.
- Michael Norfleet, Ken Howze and Myron Stevenson, our Trustees, are coordinating members to assist around the church. Please contact any of them today. Thanks you in advance.  
[Misternorfleet@gmail.com](mailto:Misternorfleet@gmail.com), 424-223-2169. Let's get involved today.

Volunteers:

- Voices for the St. Paul choir. Contact: Kevin Deane
- Acolytes for 11:00am worship.
- Sunday School Teachers and Assistants
- Members for The Bereavement Committee, Sick and Shut-in Committee, Hospitality Committee and Altar Guild Committee. See Pastor Williams today

SPECIAL NEEDS:

Volunteers for office, building and grounds

Articles from St. Paul groups and organizations for the newsletter.

**Our St. Paul family Welcomes Jean Enock Berus as our 2019-2023 Vicar. Vicar Enock is a graduate seminary student in the Cross-Cultural Ministry Center at Concordia, Irvine.**  
His academic preparation will be on campus. His practical ministry experience will take place largely at St. Paul, but also throughout Circuit 6 here in Greater Los Angeles. He will be Commissioned during the Reformation Weekend Celebration October 20<sup>th</sup>. Let's keep our Vicar in our daily prayers as he prepares to serve in the Office of the Holy Ministry. (Graduation, Ordination and Installation)

**-Dr. John M. Lehman, Jr. 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Memorial Concert. Save the date: September 22<sup>nd</sup>. 2:00pm. Please invite friends, family and community.**

**-Chili King and Queen Competition. Save the date: October 13<sup>th</sup> Enter your name today. See Lori**

**HELP ST PAUL RECYCLE**

**Put your recyclables to work to help St Paul pay a bill... or two!**

Please bring your CLEAN AND EMPTY recyclables to church for later sorting by Jeffrey Afflalo and Ken Howze if you feel adventurous please sort your glass, plastic and aluminum cans. They will be collected in the patio area next to the garage. Simply deposit them off and we will take care of the rest!!! What can be recycled? Almost all drink containers can be recycled. We will accept any container or bottle that says CA CASH REFUND or CA CRV Also look for labels California Redemption Value," "CA Redemption Value" or "California Cash Refund."

Other acceptable labels include "California Redemption Value," or "California Cash Refund."



You get the idea. . Also look for this symbol. "The biggest cash value is plastic water bottles and aluminum cans. Here are some



examples.

Please do not bring aluminum foil or foil food containers. Steel cans that are opened using a can opener. Plastic food containers used to package produce, plastic wrap, plastic store bags are not recycle items fir cash value at Calif. recycle centers.

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