



# Messenger June 2023

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church  
1901 Portland Ave Minneapolis, 55404

Why Attend Our Summer Class on  
*How to Accurately Study the Bible?*  
Rev. Tom Parrish

Bible study is simple.

Bible study is not simple.

Both statements are true!

How can both be true at the same time? This seems contradictory but in fact is very accurate.

The Bible has a very simple message that Jesus is the one and only savior for everyone. As Peter states in Acts 4:12 <sup>12</sup> *“And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”* You would think that such a simple message would be able simple to teach, communicate, share. It is anything but simple and too many church leaders keep missing the point!

So what are we to do? The answer is profound. Know the basic rules of Bible study, put them unto action and you will always arrive at the feet of Jesus.

This summer, starting June 18<sup>th</sup>, we will be offering a six-week teaching on *“How to Accurately Study the Bible.”* Here are just some Bible Study Basics we will be putting to work:

- The Bible Is Authoritative.
- The Bible Interprets Itself.
- Faith In Jesus and The Work of The Holy Spirit Are Vital to Understanding.
- Interpret Personal Experiences in Light of The Scripture Not Scripture in Light of Our Personal Experiences.
- Bible Examples Are Authoritative Only When Supported by A Command.
- The Primary Purpose of Bible Study Is Not to Increase Our Knowledge but to Change Our Lives.
- Understanding The Historical Setting of The Text Is Vital for Accurate Interpretation.

Sounds like a lot but in fact it is a recipe for success! The goal is to let God's Word speak to us, change our hearts and minds and direct us to the one and only savior Jesus. It's going to be a fast-paced exciting time. Please, please, please take the time to be with us each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. starting June 18<sup>th</sup> and you will see the Bible in a richer more powerful way that will change your life!

# PRAYER WALK

Sunday, June 4th at 9:00am

## Men's Saturday Fellowship

Led by Pastor Tom Parrish

Saturday, **June 3rd** and **17th** at 9:00am

*Coffee & donuts are Provided!*

# KIDS Club



**Bible Lessons. Songs. Memory Verses. Snacks!**

**When:** Every Wednesday

**Time:** 5:00

**Where:** St. Paul's Church at 1901 Portland Ave

**Who:** For Children Ages 5-12 & parents  
and older siblings



From New Dawn Ministries:

Peace to each of you. We encourage you to look forward with anticipation that is not shrouded in uncertainty or overburdened with care.

Life Together's gathering is on Friday - June 2nd! - 6-8:30 pm

*Praise the LORD, Blessed is the man who fears the LORD, who finds great delight in his commands. He will have no fear of bad news; his heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD. Psalm 112: 1, 7*

**For more information please contact**

**Phyllis at 651-330-1913 or by email: [Phyllis7.ndm@gmail.com](mailto:Phyllis7.ndm@gmail.com)**

**New!**

**ADULT**

**CLASSES**

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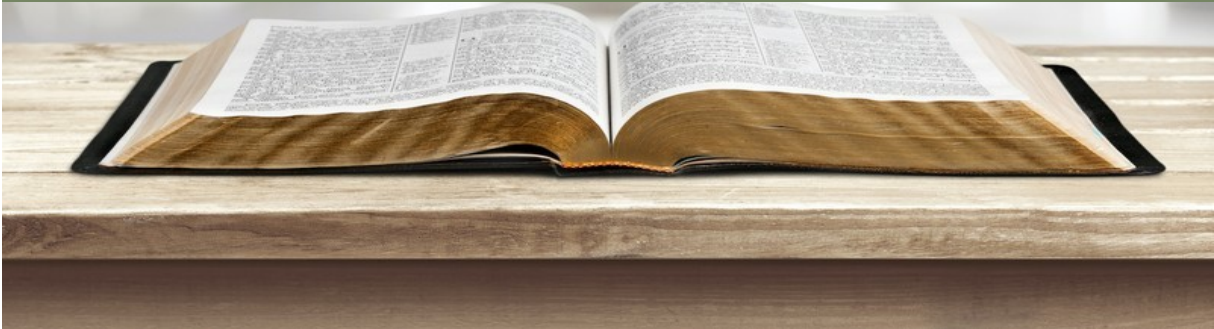
**One Adult Summer Class:**  
 How to Accurately Study the Bible Plus Spiritual Gifts Start-  
 ing Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. **Coffee Provided!**

**Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Sunday June 4**

**Reception of New Members Sunday, June 11**

We will be receiving new members on Sunday, June 11, 2023.

# Weekly Bible Studies



## Mondays Community Bible study 6:15pm

Monday Night at 6:15pm

Contact Kristi Bolson for more information

## Tuesdays Afternoon Bible Study 1:00pm

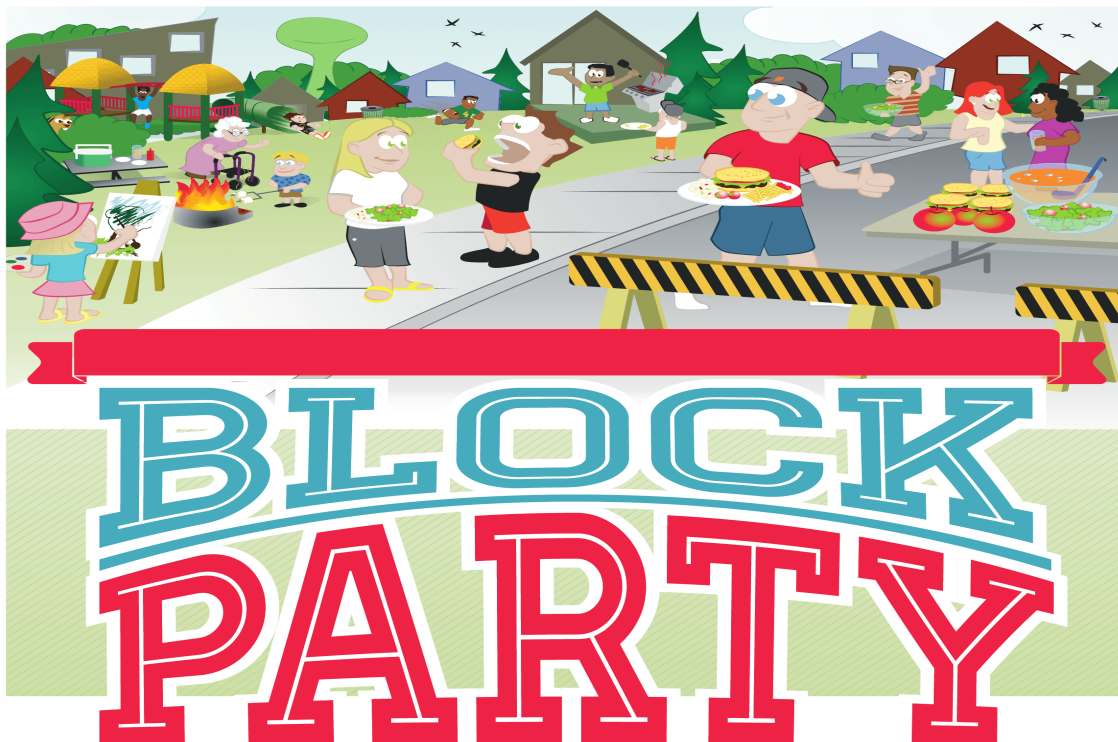
There will no be Bible study in the Summer.

The Tuesday Bible study will resume in the fall.

## Holy Grounds Coffee House Fridays 6:15pm

Join us in welcoming our neighbors with conversation, prayer and Bible time. Contact Kristi Bolson or Daniel Olson for more information.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A NEIGHBOOD & ST. PAUL'S BLOCK PARTY



Come and meet our Minneapolis First Responders  
at St. Paul's Parking Lot

Friday, June 16th

5 pm-7 pm

Live music with People of Hope Band, food, Kids activities

Everyone is welcome! Bring friends!

We need volunteers to help please contact Cheryl Rich

At 651-333-0119

## Making Jesus Known Among Muslims Apologetics-Evangelism Conference

By Street Level Ministry

FRI, JUN 23 2023 5:30 PM —SAT, JUN 24 2023 6:00 PM

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Street Level Ministry is holding the Apologetic Conference on June 23-24<sup>th</sup> here at St. Paul's. Please check the link below to find out more about the program.

Making Jesus Known Among Muslims Tickets in Minneapolis, MN, United States  
([ticketleap.com](https://streetlevelministry.ticketleap.com/makingjesusknownamongmuslims/details))

<https://streetlevelministry.ticketleap.com/makingjesusknownamongmuslims/details>

Outreach sign up:


<https://tinyurl.com/MakingJesusKnownAmongMuslims>









# Missionary Updates





AFRICA  
DEMOCRATIC  
REPUBLIC OF  
THE CONGO



JOIN PRAYER TEAM

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Didi and Serafina, stationed in western Congo, focus on community development, counseling, and spiritual guidance. They partner with local leaders who have expressed an acute need for empowering families that are facing conflict and crisis – especially women in domestic violence and children enduring many kinds of abuse. Didi and Serafina facilitate emotional and spiritual rehabilitation as they point the hurting to Christ, the only One who can heal such wounds. Local Lutheran congregations eagerly collaborate and receive training and so build their capacity to respond in a similar fashion. In addition, Didi teaches at the Lutheran Theological Institute in Kinshasa, equipping leaders for the growing national church.

**OUR MISSIONARIES DIDI AND SERAFINA PANZO WILL BE AT ST. PAUL'S ON JUNE 11! Come at 9 AM as Panzos share and update us on their ministry in the Democratic Republic of Congo.**

Here are their most recent prayer requests:

1. Pray for the DRC economy as unemployment is too high
2. Pray that the city of Boma can find solutions for 15,000 workers laid off as their companies were closed
3. Pray for CELCCO church women as they mobilize resources to sustain the church and avoid dependency
4. Pray for the work of evangelism and bringing souls to Christ
5. Pray God's blessing on our sojourn in the USA and for medical follow-up after Serafina's stroke
6. Pray for favor and finances for getting an indefinite visa for DRC; the visa is very expensive but would not have to be renewed



## Upcoming Classes / Seminar

- Barna's Resilient Discipleship Course
- How to Effectively Study the Bible Seminar
- Leadership Training
- Painless Effective Witnessing Seminar

*\*Dates to be announced*



<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>
Cheryl Biel	06/02
Lois Bodurtha	06/10
Joy Showalter	06/10
Wanda Simengaard	06/17
Barb Haer	06/18
Carole Eide	06/20
Dawn Aarsvold	06/21

<b>Missionary Birthdays</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>
Darwin Jackson	06/01
Ruth Bradby	06/10
Didi Panzo	06/27

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JOIN US

Online Or In-Person!

Sundays 10:30 A.M.