



News at *St. Paul's*

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF ST PAUL'S EVANGELICAL CHURCH

JUNE 2019

VBS 2019

ROAR!
Life is Wild - God is good

June 24-28
6-8pm

PreK - 6th grade

Family Dinner Included!

For easy registration, you can go to www.stpaulsefree.org and click on the sign-up box. For questions call the church office.

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Bill Wyne Celebrates 100 Years!

“A Life of Looking Forward”

–by Pastor Mark Friz



There was a special celebration of the 100th birthday of Saint Paul’s member Bill Wyne on Sunday morning, May 26. I had the privilege of interviewing Bill shortly before his 100th birthday on May 24, 2019. He has given me permission to share with you a portion of his life story.

Bill was born on May 24, 1919 at the Hague, on the western coast of the Netherlands. When he was less than one year old, his parents set off for the United States. He had his first birthday at sea, and the ship docked in the USA on May 30th.

The Wyne family settled in Allouez, Wisconsin, on the outskirts of Green Bay. Bill went to grade school and high school there. He enjoyed playing basketball and going to the YMCA on Saturdays.

In the Netherlands, Bill’s dad had been a baker, but in Wisconsin, he took up the trade of road cement finisher. This was a great job in season, when roads were being built, but not so great for the winter or times of inclement weather. During his off season, Bill’s dad built houses. There were several times when the Wyne family moved into a house, built by their father.

Bill became involved in the family business at an early age. A vivid memory is learning to install wallpaper on the ceiling. Apparently, this was the height of interior design at that time. He also learned to paint. His dad said, “You have to learn to use the brush with your left hand as well as your right.” Bill said, “We did everything. I can remember putting a whole heating system in a house, putting shingles on a roof, electrical work, plumbing—we did it all!”

Bill was 21, in February of 1941, when he enlisted for a three-year term in the Air Corps. After being trained at Scott Field (now Scott Air Force Base) near Belleville, he became a radio operator and was stationed on the Island of Corsica, just west of Italy. He would often “take a fix on an airplane after a bombing mission in France and guide them back to the airfield.” It was very windy at the tip of the island, making it impossible to stand at times. The tip of the island was bombed only once, in a case of friendly fire.

Bill first met Ruth when a couple of friends were going down to Meramec Caverns. His friends wanted to climb the face of a cliff, but Bill instead found a little restaurant on the highway. There was music and dancing in a pavilion down the street, and that is where he met Ruth. After his discharge in August of 1945, he traveled to Pacific, Missouri to reconnect with his old girlfriend. They were married on June 18, 1949 and moved into a house on Larkin Avenue with Ruth’s sister and brother-in-law, Dwayne and Bermagine Barnes.

Although this arrangement is rare in our modern world, it worked great. Everyone got along, and both couples raised their boys together. The Wynes had four sons: Steven, Mark, David and Greg. Ruth’s parents had three girls. At one time, her mother told her, “If it’s a boy, don’t bring him home.” Even so, it wasn’t long before grandma fell in love with her grandsons, and soon she had nine of them.

After the Air Corp, Bill pursued a law degree from St. Louis University. He graduated in 1950 and started working for “Transit Casualty” here in St. Louis. This was the group that insured the street cars and buses. It was Bill’s job to defend the transit company against lawsuits. At one time, he tried 13 cases in a row, and won

all 13 of them. Bill was also sent to Los Angeles to defend some cases there, but after three months, both he and Ruth decided to raise their children in Saint Louis.

Bill opened a law office in Clayton and became attorney for the City of Creve Coeur during the 1960's, when John T Beirne was Mayor. He was paid \$50 a month for his services. But through this he established contacts which expanded his law business. Later, he became the attorney for the Creve Coeur Fire Protection District.

Bill and Ruth remember fondly the trips their family took in their motor home. They traveled to Texas, California, and places in between. "These trips brought our family together."

Bill belongs to the Whitmore Country Club in St. Charles, and still enjoys playing golf when he is able. He and Ruth used to do a lot of square dancing. Perhaps that is one of their secrets to longevity—all that music and dancing kept their bodies moving!

Bill and Ruth transferred to St. Paul's from Hope Congregational Church in the late 1990's. When I asked, "What has helped you grow closest to Christ," Bill answered, "It's a feeling of 'I need help.' One of the favorite prayers on a long day in the courthouse was, 'Father, take over and guide me.' And he did! He just took the load off my shoulders."

When asked, "What type of advice do you have for young men?" Bill said, "If you want to grow old, you sit around and reminisce. If you want to say young, have a goal to look forward to. I don't care what goal it is. Even something simple, like lowering your golf score, is great."

Bill and Ruth now have four boys, and seven grandchildren. They are especially thankful for their son, Greg, who lives with them. Ruth said, "He has been such a blessing. We don't know what we would do without him."

Our St. Paul's congregation is so thankful to have Bill, Ruth and Greg as part of our church family. According to Bill's advice, we look forward to the years ahead, and the goals to accomplish.



Pentecost  Sunday **June 9**

One Combined Worship Service

10:00 am

Donuts
With Dad

Saturday, June 15, 2019 // 10 a.m.

Come for a fun morning of activities, and of course, donuts!
Men of all ages welcome. Bring your kids and or grandkids.

Women's Ministry News

Quilters and More

Tuesdays, 9:30 am- 2 pm

Come to quilt, stitch and learn! Join the group for pot luck lunch and wonderful fellowship.

Women's Fellowship

Wednesday, June 12, 11:30 am

Joyce Lindstrom will "take us on her adventure to China" at the next meeting.

As always, bring your lunch. Dessert and drinks provided.

Mom Connect

Wednesdays, 9:30-11:30 am

Moms: Take and break and gather with other Moms for meaningful conversation and sharing. And free child care, just down the hall!

Ladies Night Out

Monday, June 17, 7:00 pm—Ministry House

All ladies are welcome for a relaxing evening out, to visit and get to know each other a bit better. Bring a snack to share.

Prayer Shawl

Thursday, June 27, 1:00 pm

Prayer Shawl will be meeting at 1:00 pm on June 27, at the home of Jean Buelter. Please let her know if you will be attending at 314-402-6944.

Women's Retreat, Save-the-Date!

September 20-22, 2019 Camp Mihaska

More details coming soon.



**Our all church Rummage Sale
is coming up!**

**SPONSORED BY CRUSADERS
AUGUST 3, 2019**

June is a good time to start your summer cleaning and donate items no longer needed to our rummage sale.

We can sell books, jewelry, clothing, kitchen items, tools, toys, knickknacks, lamps, small tables, chairs and many other items.

WE CANNOT TAKE TV'S AND COMPUTERS.

- You may start bringing items Saturday, July 27.
- Your help is needed setting up on July 28.
- We start sorting and pricing the items July 29,30,31 and August 1, 2.
- The last day to bring items is Wednesday, July 31.

Join us this year!

The day of the sale August 3, we need help in many areas. We need all ages, men and women, and teens.

The fellowship time together is fun.

So mark your calendar's with the above dates to help with the rummage sale. This is another way to help our community. For more information call Judy Pfeiffer, 314-423-2601.



Janet Kolmer was featured on Fox2's *"Pay It Forward"* program for her generous work in creating quilts for *Project Linus*. This organization takes donated, handmade quilts to hospitals to be given to children who are undergoing treatment. Janet helps oversee other volunteers in the **Quilters and More** group that meets here on Tuesdays, several of whom work on the *Linus* quilts.



Quilters and More: Thank you to Gus Nelson family

Gus Nelson's family donated his new sewing machine to us. Now one of our members will have a valuable tool to help with the Project Linus quilts. We are all very grateful for this generous gift!

Quilters and more is the name of the group of quilters that meet every Tuesday from 9 – 2. Part of our group hand quilts bed size quilts for customers. They use the money they raise to support programs at church and other charities. This group has been active in our church for many years. A few years ago a few of us joined this quiet group with our humming sewing machines, making smaller quilts for donation. Baby quilts for Project Linus has been the focus for some of us and fortunately non-quilters have joined us to help with cutting, sandwiching, and tying, all necessary steps in finishing a quilt. Others have come to work on their own charity project or even their mending. The fellowship we share has been as rewarding as the feeling we get from doing something for children who unfortunately spend too much time in hospitals. If you have any questions about our group or thoughts of joining us please call Janet Kolmer, 314-304-0592.

To the people of St. Paul's,

I would like to express my sincere thanks for all the prayers, cards and phone calls of care and support received while I was undergoing surgery.

Bless you all,
Walter Gummersheimer

Thank You!

Thank you to all who made our Mother Daughter Spring Banquet so wonderful, from our planners and doers to those amazing five men who served us so well. We are most grateful!
And to our gal with the marvelous fingers, Cindy Graeler, we were delighted with her talents at the piano.

Thanks to all!
Grace Koewing

Anniversary Books Still Available

There are still some of the special, red books available that were produced for the 175th Anniversary celebration. If you would like to purchase one, stop by the Big Desk or contact the church office.



Summer Sunday School Begins June 16th!

This summer adults will gather together in the MPR to hear from various supported missionaries. Children of all ages will continue to meet in the Power plant.

Please contact Pastor Andrew if you are willing to work with kids this Summer.



Monday, June 24, 3-6pm

Call Sharon McGauly to schedule your donation time 636-225-5126

VBS

**June 24-28
6-8pm**



PreK - 6th grade
Family Dinner Included!



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July 21-26

For Kids
Going Into
Grade 4-9



Registration information on the St. Paul's Website



**Sunday, July 7 – 4pm
Looking for St. Paul's Talent**

- Arts, crafts, hidden talents, musical abilities, to name a few.
- ALL ages and skill level welcome!
- Performances will be limited to 4 minutes, and visual arts displays are limited to 3 pieces per artist, under size 30"x30".
- Sign up at the Big Desk, or call the church office to be included in the program and visual gallery.

Our Condolences

Gustav (Gus) Nelson, passed away on May 9, 2019 at the age of 80. His funeral was May 14, officiated by Pastor Mark Friz and Pastor Dan Walter, at St. Paul's, with burial at Jefferson Barracks Cemetery.

Richard Gabler, passed away on May 23, 2019 at the age of 68. His funeral was May 31, officiated by Pastor Mark Friz, with burial at St. Paul's Cemetery.



Roger Lindstrom	6/1	Greg Wyne	6/17	Kassandra Williamson	6/26
Elaine Gabler	6/2	Dwight Holmon	6/19	Jeana Frederick	6/28
Nick Palombo	6/2	Barbara van Dyk	6/19	Herbert Stemler	6/28
Jack Owens	6/3	Luke Vasel	6/20		
Easton Hohmann	6/5	Jennifer Bensing	6/21	Phyllis Bauer	7/1
Bill Mueller	6/5	Kris Immekus	6/21	Marlene Buescher	7/1
Susan Andrews	6/10	Doug Teare	6/21	Maria del Cid	7/1
Marlene Summers	6/11	Julie Hohmann	6/22	Greg Steimer	7/1
Joyce Erselius	6/12	Betty Wardlaw	6/22	Grace van Raalten	7/1
Ken Russell	6/13	Gary Oliver	6/23	Claudia Day	7/3
Tim Dahl	6/14	Daniel Alstadt	6/24	Ruth Niemeier	7/4
Danielle Walter	6/14	Christine Kraus	6/24	Bob Schalk	7/5
Craig Caesar	6/15	Susan Turner	6/24	Kathy Woodrome	7/5
Chuck Caesar	6/16	Mary Vass	6/24		



	Years			Years	
Stefan & Kelly Cug	6	6/1	Jerry & Faye Eichholz	53	6/25
Michael & Sharon McGauly	56	6/1	Mark & Gayle Friz	42	6/25
Conway & Letitia Wong	19	6/3	Kelly & Vicky Schjenken	45	6/29
David & Amanda Frederick	8	6/4	Mike & Tammy Davis	29	6/30
Jerry & Carol Carinci	51	6/8	Jim & Martha Miller	58	6/30
Larry & Susan Jackson	42	6/11			
Andrew & Melinda Seley	6	6/15	Kristine & Kenneth Williamson	6	7/3
Donald & Susan Andrews	40	6/16	Kurt & Barbara Van Dyk	50	7/5
Eddie & Naomi Lebsock	53	6/17	Bob & Ann Kallemeier	29	7/7
Robert & Marlene Summers	59	6/18	Greg & Jennifer Steimel	7	7/7
William & Ruth Wyne	70	6/18	Chuck & Phyllis Caesar	21	7/8
Robert & Mary Vass	48	6/19	Mark & Kristine Immekus	25	7/9
Robert & Jerri Gill	52	6/24			

June Ushers		July Ushers	
8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Harold Dielmann, Capt Charles Appel Scott Dieckgraefe Andy Dielmann Charles Eschenbrenner Bob Kallemeier Rich Niedringhaus	Bob Schalk, Capt Sue Musselman Joyce Sabine Dwight Holmon	Frank Serdy, Capt Charles Buescher Walter Gummersheimer	Jeff Drake, Capt Christy Drake Del Dace Julia Drake

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ST. PAUL'S
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Calendar of Events This Month

- 6/2 Communion
- 6/3 Ministry Teams // 7pm
- 6/9 Pentecost
One Combined Worship Service // 10am
- 6/10 Deacons // 5:30pm
Elders // 7pm
- 6/12 Women's Fellowship // 11:30am
- 6/17 Ladies Night Out // 7pm
- 6/18 NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE
White Cross // 9am
- 6/24-28 VBS
- 6/24 Blood Drive
- 6/27 Prayer Shawl // 1pm

Sundays

- Traditional Worship Service 8:30 a.m.
- Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship 9:45 a.m.
- Contemporary Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Tuesdays

- Quilters and More 9:30 a.m.

Wednesdays

- Mom Connect 9:30 a.m.
- Bell Choir 7:00 p.m.

Thursdays

- Choir 7:00 p.m.

Sundays

- Focus Youth Group 6:30 p.m.