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Dear St. Paul Alumni,

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church in Bonduel is unfolding beautifully. We are so thankful with this letter to invite you and your family to join us for one or more of our Sesquicentennial Anniversary events. District President Lueck's preaching, a 3-part multigenerational reading of the Nicene Creed, Rev. Boettcher's visit, a Trinitarian hymn festival, and a stunning musical expression of Christ's Gospel sung by CUW's touring choir are among the blessings received here so far. Two events in particular are drawing closer, and we pray you might be with us for one or both of them.

- ❖ Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> is marked especially for you, our St. Paul Alumni. The day will begin with registration and include an historical presentation, a showing of our 1670 Nuremberg Bible, group pictures, an opportunity to meet former teachers, tours, a book drawing, fellowship, lunch and a closing afternoon worship service.
- ❖ October 20<sup>th</sup> is marked for our actual 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sunday worship services with the Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison, President of the LCMS, preaching, and the singing of our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary hymn written by Rev. Stephen Starke.

Additional ways St. Paul members have chosen to highlight our year-long celebration include:

- ❖ Inviting pastors who served here, or who are sons of the congregation, to preach
- ❖ A visit by Pastor and Mrs. Vanko from Romania and our interpreter, Viola Fronkova, from Slovakia
- ❖ A 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Offering with designations for General Fund, New Church Mortgage, Endowment Fund, and Missions

As God's family at St. Paul, we thank you for thinking of us, praying for us, and for supporting our ministry. The Christ-filled tradition at St. Paul continues: We deeply desire to instill into the hearts of our children the faith first proclaimed by our Lord's apostles. Yes, how wonderful it would be to see you the weekends of June 23<sup>rd</sup>, October 20<sup>th</sup>, or another time this year. Our alumni invitation will reach over 1300 people; to assist us with planning, *please return the enclosed card.*

May the Lord of heaven and earth, our Savior Jesus Christ, bless and be with you all.

In His service,

*Rev. Timothy J. Shoup*

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It is the mission of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church to communicate the saving Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ to our members, our neighbors, our community, and the world—and to do so in an active and joyful manner.