# Membership at St. Paul's is truly Commitment to Jesus' Mission

# The Mission of St. Paul's Lutheran Church is to: Know Jesus, To Grow in Jesus, To Share Jesus with Others.

In order to accomplish this task from Jesus we need to be united in Jesus, united in Mission and united in our Fellowship with one another. We call this Membership at St. Paul's where we mutually take on this responsibility together.

You can come and be involved in St. Paul's for as long as you desire without making the public commitment to membership. Only you decide to become a member when you believe Jesus is calling you to take these steps into the mission, the leadership, the teaching, and starting of a new ministry.

## What does membership entail?

- 1. A public confession of Jesus as your Lord and Savior Risen from the Dead.
- 2. Having been Baptized prior to coming to St. Paul's or If you have never been baptized we would offer Baptism after your confession of faith.
- 3. Consistent in public worship, united prayer and Holy Communion.

### In accord with the Churches Constitution membership enables you to:

- 1. Be in church leadership: council, elders, teachers, officers, leaders.
- 2. Be able to have voice and vote at all officially called congregational meetings.
- 3. Be able to start a new ministry receiving fully support by the church in regard to Publicity, Resources, Presentations, Recruitment of members in service.

#### **Steps to Membership:**

- 1. Fill out a one-page application for membership at St. Paul's.
- 2. Consistent worship and fellowship at St. Paul's.
- 3. Attending and completing the Foundations Class on Sunday mornings.
- **4.** It is high recommended that you immediately join a midweek, twice a month, home church organized and lead by leaders of St. Paul's.
- **5.** Your own commitment before Jesus to support the mission of St. Paul's with finances, time and prayer.
- **6.** Attending a three hour seminar on the unique beliefs and proclamation of Lutherans offer twice year.
- 7. Those transferring from another Lutheran church in good standing are received at the public reception and urged to join a small home church during the week.
- **8.** A Sunday morning, during worship, public reception into membership offered twice a year.