

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School

Announcements - September 24th & 25th

"THE SUPREMACY OF CHRIST"

When: Every Sunday at 9:50 am

Location: Room 131

Teacher: Pastor Drinnon

"Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son." Hebrews 1:1-2a

What is the most important thing in your life? Career, family, friends? While each of these are good gifts of God in our life, there is one person who reigns supreme in our lives as Christians – Jesus Christ. In the Letter to the Hebrews, the Inspired Author eloquently proclaims Jesus as the supreme fulfillment of the entire Old Testament. This same Jesus now reigns as the supreme Son of God over the entire world. He has given His people a covenant superior to the one on Mount Sinai. This covenant is not through the blood of goats and bulls but through the blood of the Son of God – Jesus. Please join us as we journey through the Letter to the Hebrews and explore how Christ is supreme over all things in our lives.

ATTENDANCE CARDS

Please locate the Attendance Cards in your row and fill one out when you arrive. They will be collected during the offering. If you are visiting, please feel free to include your address and phone number. You may also include any prayer requests on the attendance card.

VOTERS' ASSEMBLY MEETING

A Voters' Assembly Meeting will be held **this Sunday, September 25th at 12:30 pm** at the school. Members of the congregation who are age 18 or older are eligible to become voting members and to participate in the decision making of the congregation. After attending at least two Voters' Assembly Meetings in a one-year time period, a member is accepted into voting membership.

We hope to be voting on a new principal in the coming months. If you have never attended a Voters' Meeting, please consider attending this one so that you are eligible to vote for the new principal.



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

If you have a child in preschool through 5th grade, they are invited to join us for Sunday School every Sunday between the early and late church services. Sunday School begins at 9:50 am and ends at 10:45 pm. Each hour will include a Bible lesson and a game and/or activity that relates to the story. Elementary age children should bring their Bible to Sunday School if possible.

Preschoolers and kindergartners meet in the extended care room at the west end of the school. Elementary age children will start in the music room just outside of the gym and then disburse to different classrooms in the upper grade hallway.

LANDSCAPING AT THE SCHOOL

As you may notice we recently had some landscape work done at the school. Carmona Landscaping gave us a 50% discount on the labor because Mr. Carmona grew up in a Christian School and Sniders Nursery donated ALL of the plants for the project. I would encourage all of you to reach out to both Carmona and Sniders for your landscaping needs.



TABEA ALTAR GUILD RUMMAGE SALE

We are now accepting donations for our semi-annual rummage sale. The fall sale will be **this Thursday and Friday, September 29th and 30th** from 8 am to 4 pm in the gym at the downtown church. You may leave your treasures by the gym doors on Saturday (9/24) before the 5 pm service or on Monday (9/26), Tuesday (9/27) or Wednesday (9/28) between 10 am and 2 pm. If none of those times work for or if you need items picked up, please feel free to call Carol Ginger (815-922-5525) or Pat Baker (708-772-0933). Please DO NOT bring items the days of the sale and please DO NOT bring items to the school location. Clothing should be clean and free of holes unless the holes are part of the style. We cannot accept TVs or computers. The donations help purchase much needed supplies such as candles, wine, wafers, robes and other necessities that help enhance all church services. May God bless you and your families for helping so faithfully.



YOUTH FALL FUN NIGHT

This Sunday, Sept 25th from 6-8 pm, Youth Night will be a night of outdoor fall fun at the St. Paul's School Campus. There will be a bonfire with hot dogs and s'mores, outdoor games, and other fun things. You don't want to miss it! All 7th - 12th graders of the church and school are invited to attend. Please bring a lawn chair and blanket, if the night is chilly, and dress to be outside.

YOUTH MOVIE AND SERVICE NIGHT



On **Sunday, Oct 9th,** Youth Night will include a movie and service projects. You can relax and watch the movie, or put your hands to work making blankets for Phil's Friends, bracelets for Operation Christmas Child, or bundling diapers for the local Pregnancy Centers while you watch the movie. This Youth Movie Night falls during a long weekend so we are extending the end time to 8:30pm.



All 7th - 12th graders of St. Paul's Church and School are invited to be a part of St. Paul's Youth Ministry. Each month there are two Youth Nights on the 2nd and 4th Sundays from 6-8pm at the St. Paul's School Campus. Each Sunday morning there is Youth Bible class between the church services (9:45-10:45am) and the 6th graders are invited to join the 7th - 12th graders as they study various topics. Extra events and fundraisers also happen throughout the year, so watch for details on other fun things coming up in Youth Ministry. Youth are encouraged to bring friends and adults are invited to get involved. Please contact Sarah Cherry at sarahcherry30@yahoo.com or 815-651-6864 with any questions.

OKTOBERFEST DINNER 2023

Due to schedule difficulties, we have decided not to have an Oktoberfest Dinner this year. Going forward, we will make this an every other year event. That gives you enough time to get your lederhosen and dirndls lined up for next year! Prost!

LWML 40th BIENNIAL CONVENTION

June 22-25, 2023

The Lutheran Women in Mission of the North Wisconsin, Northern Illinois, and South Wisconsin Districts invite you to the LWML 40th Biennial Convention in beautiful Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Opportunities to serve the Lord with gladness abound as we:

- † Worship together with our sisters and brothers in Christ!
- † Share the Good News with everyone the Lord places in our path.
- † Fellowship with good friends while meeting new ones.
- † Enjoy accomplishing God's work with LWML sisters and brothers in Christ!
- † Bring our family and friends to enjoy a city of many cultures.

We will need lots of volunteers to help with the convention. If you work two 4-hour shifts, your registration fee will be reduced to \$60. If you are interested, please contact Sharon Friesner or the church office. You can also order a convention shirt. Let's make this a church-wide service event for 2023. You can even bring your children with you. There is day care available (fees will apply) which includes special activities for the younger children and service projects for the older children. A few people have already committed to being volunteers. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this event.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



SAVE THE DATE! On **October 15th,** we will have the opportunity to pack shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. We will stuff the boxes with small toys, school supplies, toiletries, t-shirts, hats/gloves, socks, hair bows, etc. and they will be delivered to children in some of the most remote areas of the world. This project gives us an opportunity to witness to these children by sharing the love of Jesus with them. This is a great service event to do with your children!

If you are interested in making a donation to Operation Christmas Child, there is an updated Christmas list in the school lobby and on the table by the elevators downtown. The shipping cost has increased this year to \$10 per box. This includes the Gospel booklet each child receives in their own language and training for the volunteers who deliver the gifts to children and present the Gospel message. If you don't want to shop for specific gifts, a donation of money is always appreciated and welcome. We will also need shoeboxes measuring no more than 13 inches. Thrivent Action Team grants are also very welcome and help to pay expenses. LWML thanks you for all your support in the past years.

MILLION DOLLAR LIFE GRANT

Here is an excerpt from a letter we received regarding our application for a matching grant:

"By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth," 1 John 3:16-18. These verses are the foundation of the LCMS Life Ministry initiative that includes the Million Dollar Life Match.

Congregations of LCMS responded to the call to love women vulnerable to abortion, and families facing challenges at the beginning-of-life stages of their children, demonstrating this love through many acts of mercy in their communities. In just the second phase of the Million Dollar Life Match we received over 50 applications requesting over \$500,000. With limited resources in each phase of the matching program we could not give an award to every applicant. Unfortunately, very good ideas are being declined for funding at this time.

With great joy, I am pleased to announce that The LCMS Office of National Mission awards St Pauls Lutheran Church the Million Dollar Life Match Grant #6953 Supporting Life in the Kankakee Region in the amount of \$14,000.00.

"ROMANS" BIBLE CLASS

When: Every Tuesday at 10:00 am
Location: Fellowship Hall, Downtown
Teacher: Roy Cordes

It is never too late to join the Bible study on the Book of Romans. We are in the second half of the book with the first 8 chapters clarifying the Gospel to the Jews and Gentiles living in Rome. Chapters 1-11 teach us what to believe and Chapters 12-16 tell us how to behave. Paul wanted to use Rome as the center of his missionary work, but God had other plans for him. After finishing the Book of Romans we will embark on a study of The Holy Spirit.

EVANGELISM WORKSHOP

Do you ever wonder if you could make an eternal difference for someone? How can you share the amazing love that Christ has for you with a co-worker, neighbor, or family member? Join us on Saturday, Oct. 1st for a day of exploration on how to share your faith with those who do not know Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Please see the insert in today's announcements for the itinerary and information on how to register for this one-day workshop.

PRAIRIEVIEW FALL FESTIVAL
THANK YOU

The Fall Festival was another success and we had beautiful weather with no rain! The proceeds from the festival are going to remodel and refurbish the Family Area in Hall 4 of Prairieview and the patio area outside of that room to create private spaces for residents and their families to gather.

Thanks to everyone who helped in any way this year! Thanks to all who donated books, plants, purses and jewelry.

Silent auction items were donated by Deb Callan and Nancy Campbell. Pies were donated by Deb Callan, Nancy Campbell, Bennie Ehrich, Nadine Engel, and Grace Weith.

Loading and hauling the books down on Thursday and setting up the shelves is a huge job. Loading/hauling books were Bill Balgeman, Nancy Campbell, Jeff Hamlyn, Earl Jensen, Judy Kroner, and Doug Schultze. Unpacking books and setting up the shelves were Bill Balgeman, Karen Beatty, Nancy Campbell, Bennie Ehrich, Linda Johnson and Judy Kroner.

Working the book booth were LuAnn Brock, Barb Campbell, Nancy Campbell, Liz Deck, Bennie Ehrich, Sharon

Friesner, Joan Gehm, Kathy Goers, Judy Kroner, Jan Monk, Christie & Layna Rahn, Kayla Wagner and Anita Schuller Wilson. Packing up is such a big job and a lot of work! Thanks to Nancy Campbell, Liz Deck, Judy Kroner, Doug Schultze, Gene Wachholtz and Kayla Wagner.

The book booth is such a huge undertaking and couldn't be done and be as successful as it has been without all the many volunteers that help each year. Thank you and God bless you!
~Jeanne Vilt - Human Care Board

<u>OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE</u>	
September 17th & 18th	
<u>Worship Attendance:</u>	
Sat., 5:00 pm	47
Sun., 8:30 am	122
Sun, 11:05 am	95
WEEKEND TOTAL	264
<u>Offerings Given:</u>	
General	\$11,062.60
Building	.\$621.00
School Ops	\$267.50

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Preacher: Rev. Roger Drinnon

Liturgist: Rev. Karl Koeppen

Organist/Pianist: 5:00: Nadine Engel 8:30: Nadine Engel

Audio/Visual: 8:30: Todd Engel 11:05: Melody Trudeau

Live Streaming & Recording:

Matt Callan, Tom Stirnaman, Jacob Kubal

Lay Ministers: 5:00: Kevin Kurtz
 8:30: Greg Deck, Robert Carruthers, Rich Engel, John Veers
 11:05: Bruce Clark

Lay Readers: 5:00: Diane Barber
 8:30: JoAnn Hess
 11:05: Melody Trudeau

Acolytes: 8:30: Ethan Anderson, Andrew Kubal
 11:05: Natalie Cherry, Hailey Porter

Trustees: 5:00: Rob Wood
 8:30: Tom Stirnaman
 11:05: Jim Trudeau

Ushers: 5:00: Fred Langelett, Jim Sharper, Terry Treece, Rob Wood
 8:30: Nick Baudino, Scott Styck, Chris Tomblin, Steve Weith
 11:05: Mike Callan, Dan Friesner, Dustin Rennewanz

Contemporary Service Song Leaders: Heidi Ostrowski, Sharla Ronchetto,
Extra Measure Band: Matt Callan, Bill Dyche, Duane & Gail Ferrebee, Scott Moore, Greg Ronchetto, Cindy Rubin, Jim Stone, Ellana Turrell

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Sun, Sept. 25	8:30 am	Worship - Traditional	<i>(Bourb)</i>
	9:50 am	Adult Bible Study	<i>(Bourb)</i>
	9:50 am	Youth Bible Study	<i>(Bourb)</i>
	9:50 am	Children's Sunday School	<i>(Bourb)</i>
	11:05 am	Worship - Contemporary	<i>(Bourb)</i>
	12:30 pm	Voters' Assembly Meeting	<i>(Bourb)</i>
	6:00 pm	Youth Night	<i>(Bourb)</i>
Mon, Sept. 26			
Tue, Sept. 27	10:00 am	Adult Bible Class	<i>(Downtown)</i>
	4:00 pm	Jr. Confirmation (Non St. Paul's)	<i>(Bourb)</i>
Wed, Sept. 28	6:30 pm	Financial Peace University	<i>(Bourb)</i>
Thur, Sept. 29	8:00 am	Rummage Sale	<i>(Downtown)</i>
Fri, Sept. 30	8:00 am	Rummage Sale	<i>(Downtown)</i>
Sat, Oct. 1	9:00 am	Evangelism Workshop	<i>(Bourb)</i>
	5:00 pm	Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion</i>	<i>(Downtown)</i>
Sun, Oct. 2	8:30 am	Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion</i>	<i>(Bourb)</i>
	9:50 am	Adult Bible Study	<i>(Bourb)</i>
	9:50 am	Youth Bible Study	<i>(Bourb)</i>
	9:50 am	Children's Sunday School	<i>(Bourb)</i>
	11:05 am	Worship - Contemporary - <i>Communion</i>	<i>(Bourb)</i>
	3:00 pm	NID Circuit Forum	<i>(Downtown)</i>

CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFICE (815-932-0312)
Office Hours: 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.