

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School
Announcements - September 7th & 8th

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.



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School will kick-off this **Sunday, September 8th**. We will meet with the children and their parents in the gym for registration, introductions, and a small family project. All preschoolers through 5th graders are welcome and encouraged to come!



All articles or announcements for the October/November newsletter are due to Christie by **September 15th**.

"TEN ON TUESDAY" BIBLE STUDY

Fellowship Hall at 10 am every Tuesday you are invited to a one-hour Bible study on the Book of Exodus. Do circumstances prepare us for the future? Only if we believe that God is preparing us for what is next in our lives. The birth of Moses, the Passover, overpowering Egypt with plagues and moving over 2 million people to the Red Sea were all preparations for the children of Israel who had suffered through several generations of slavery and were led by a loving God to the Promised Land. Bring your favorite version of the Bible so we can read and discuss verse by verse the Book of Exodus with your discussion leader, Roy W. Cordes (815-304-5002).

OPPORTUNITY FOR PARTNERSHIP HOURS

This **Thursday and Friday, September 12th & 13th**, we will be holding our semi-annual rummage sale from 8am to 4pm in the gym at the downtown church. We are looking for volunteers to work two or four hours shifts during the sale. Please contact Carol Ginger if you would like to volunteer. School families, be sure to turn your hours in for partnership credit.

SUNDAY MORNING YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

Sunday morning youth bible study kicks off **this Sunday** between services. This year, we will have two bible study options for our youth in grades 6th through 12th. Mr. Eden will be leading a "Bible Adventures" study beginning with a study on the Hall of Faith in Hebrews 11. Mrs. Drinnon and Mrs. Cherry will be leading a "Digging into the Word" study where we will dive into our study bibles beginning with Paul's Journeys in Acts. Meet in the youth room at 9:50am to learn more about each study.

SUNDAY EVENING YOUTH NIGHT

This **Sunday at 6pm**, St. Paul's youth grades 7th through 12th continue on our journey through life together. If you missed the first youth night, don't worry: It's never too late to join. Bring a friend and come learn more about our G.P.S. at this night full of fun and fellowship.

Parents: If you have not yet completed a youth information form for this year, please come inside with your youth to complete this important form.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

We will be having another Women's Retreat on **Saturday, September 14th** at the school. It will include breakfast and lunch. It will be led by Emily Kast. The theme will be "When God Showed Up." She will be sharing how God has showed up throughout her life and how we can hear God in our own lives. There will be no cost for the retreat. Breakfast will begin at 8:30 am and the retreat will begin at 9:00 am, concluding at 2:30 pm. You can call the church office to register for the retreat. There will also be a sign-up sheet between the Sunday services.



SEPTEMBER VOTERS' MEETING

A Voters' Assembly Meeting will be held on **Sunday, September 22nd 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 24 months, a member may be accepted into voting membership.



TABEA ALTAR GUILD RUMMAGE SALE

We are now accepting donations for our semi-annual rummage sale. The fall sale will be **Thursday & Friday, September 12th & 13th** from 8 am to 4 pm in the downtown gym. You may leave your treasures by the gym doors on Saturdays before the 5 pm service or you may schedule a time to drop off or pick up with Carol Ginger (815-922-5525) or Pat Baker (708-772-0933). Please DO NOT bring items to the school location. We respectfully ask that all donated clothing is clean. We cannot accept TVs or computers. The proceeds from our sales help purchase candles, wine, wafers, robes and other necessities that help enhance all church services. We thank you for your donations! May God bless you and your families for helping so faithfully.

SEEKING SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Would you like to help share Jesus' love with our littles? **We are currently looking for one or two people who would be willing to help with Sunday School and teach our 1st through 3rd graders.** The Board of Parish Education takes care of preparing the lessons and providing the supplies.

We meet on Sunday mornings between the church services. The kick-off for the new year will be September 8th and we go through the end of the school year. There is no Sunday School over the summer. If you are interested in volunteering or have any questions about it, please contact Deb Turrell at 815-325-4518.



"GOD'S FOREVER PROMISE TO DAVID CONTINUES"

When: Every Sunday at 9:50 am

Location: Room 131

Teacher: Pastor Drinnon

Starting September 8th, we will be starting a new Bible study on 1st and 2nd Kings. These Old Testament books grant us insight into the rise of Solomon's kingdom, the schism between the Northern and Southern Kingdoms, and the eventual destruction of Israel and Judah for their unfaithfulness. Nevertheless, God remains faithful to David and His promises to Him throughout the entire history of the kingdoms of Israel and Judah. God remains faithful even today as David's son, Jesus reigns from heaven.

The Bible study will be exploring these three topics:

1) Faithfulness and Obedience: The central theme throughout both books is the importance of faithfulness to God's

promises and obedience to His commands. Kings who followed God's ways experienced blessings and protection, while those who turned away faced dire consequences.

2) Leadership and Responsibility: The kings of Israel and Judah served as both political and spiritual leaders. Their decisions affected not only their own reigns but also the spiritual well-being of the entire nation. This underscores the profound responsibility of leadership in all spheres of life.

3) The Preaching of the Word of God: The role of prophets such as Elijah, Elisha, and others is prominently featured in these books. They spoke God's word with authority, calling kings and people alike to repentance and faithfulness. Their lives and ministries demonstrate the power of prophetic obedience and God's faithfulness to His promises.

Although 1st and 2nd Kings are historical books, they continue to be relevant to us today reminding us for the need to be personally faithful to God, the need for faithful leadership, and to listen to the Word of God in aspects of our life. I envision that this study will enrich both newcomers and Bible study veterans alike as we delve deep into God's Word in the books of 1st and 2nd Kings.

NEW BIBLE STUDY:
"JESUS' PRAYER LIFE ACCORDING
TO THE GOSPELS"

We will cover Jesus' prayer life in the Gospels from His three year ministry as an example for us to follow. Jesus prayed BEFORE all the big events happened in His life. We will look at those moments to understand the power of prayer in His life and how prayer can be a much more powerful part of our daily lives. Jesus needed daily time to have communion with His heavenly Father. Jesus took the time to pray to His Father, even when He was pressured by people. Do YOU take the time to pray each day when you feel pressured by people?

Where did Jesus repeatedly go to pray? Jesus was recharged from praying all night to call His 12 disciples the next day. Why? Great power comes from prayers directed to the one true God.

Pastor Dave Bottorff wrote this Bible study and will be your teacher at their home at 1573 Surrey Drive in Bourbonnais. Email him BEFORE the first class at dmbot7222 @comcast.net if you want to join our class for this Bible class on **September 17th, October 22nd, and November 26th at 7pm.** Treats will be served afterward.

SINGLE MOM SATURDAY

St. Paul's will join Court Street Ford and WBGL 104.7 FM Christian radio for Single Mom Saturday, on **Saturday, Sept 21st from 8 am to 12 noon** at Court Street Ford on Latham Drive in Bourbonnais. Single moms who have signed up on the WBGL web site will be able to have a car oil change and car wash. Barb Campbell from St Paul's will greet each single mom. We are looking for volunteers to help wash cars. There will be two shifts - one from 8:30 am to 10:30 am and one from 10:30 am to 12 noon. Please text Liz Deck at 815-592-0234 if you are able to wash cars either shift. Supplies for washing cars will be furnished.



COME CHEER
ON YOUR ST.
PAUL'S
TIGERS THIS
WEEK!

Sept. 9th at 4:30 pm - Cross Country Meet @ Illiana Christian

Sept. 10th at 4:30 - Soccer Game @ St. Paul's, Bourbonnais

Sept. 13th at 4:30 pm - Soccer Game @ St. Paul's, Munster



TRIVIA TIME FOR REDEEMING LIFE

Emmanuel Lutheran church in Dwight will be hosting "Trivia Time" for The Northern Illinois District Redeeming Life Ministries Maternity Home in East Dundee on **Sunday, September 15th at 1:00 pm.** A free will donation lunch of BBQ, coleslaw, chips, and homemade cookies will begin at noon. Tickets are \$10 each of a table of 6 for \$50. Please call Emmanuel Lutheran Church at 815-584-3433 for your reservation.



GOOD SHEPHERD MANOR'S
FALL FESTIVAL

On **Saturday, September 14th,** Good Shepherd Manor in Momence will be hosting a Fall Festival. Admission and parking are free! Gates open at 10 am and close at 4 pm. Come for the fun & games, bingo, cash raffle, live music, harvest market, food, beer tent & more. The proceeds from this fundraising event benefit men with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

August 31st & September 1st

Worship Attendance:

Saturday, 5:00 pm	80
Sunday, 8:30 am	103
Sunday, 11:050 am	68
WEEKEND TOTAL	251

Adult Bible Study 13

Offerings Given

General	\$12,880.00
Building	\$4,480.00
School Ops	\$225.00

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Preacher: Rev. Karl Koeppen

Liturgist: Rev. Roger Drinnon

Organist: 5:00: Aaron Heldt 8:30: June Schmidt

A/V: 8:30: Todd Engel 11:05: Josh Cherry

Live Streaming/Recording: Matt Callan, Todd Engel, Brody & Amber Brinkmann

Lay Ministers: 5:00: Kevin Kurtz
8:30: Ken Capps, Bob Carruthers, Greg Deck, John Veers
11:05: Bruce Clark

Lay Readers: 5:00: Karen Beatty
8:30: Loree Yoakum
11:05: Josh Cherry

Acolytes: 8:30: Dylan Blair, Maci Proctor
11:05: Gavin Woods

Trustees: 5:00: Jeff Johnson
8:30: Tom Stirnaman
11:05: Jim Trudeau

Ushers: 5:00: Jim Sharper, Dawn Marie Tierney, Rob & Mary Wood
8:30: Nick Baudino, Scott Styck, Chris Tomblin, Steve Weith
11:05: Bill Burger, Mike Callan, Keith Christensen, Dan Friesner

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

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Sun, Sept. 8	8:30 am	Worship - Traditional (& Staff Dedication)(<i>Bourb</i>)
	9:30 am	Staff Appreciation Reception (<i>Bourb</i>)
	9:45 am	Youth Bible Class (<i>Bourb</i>)
	9:45 am	Children's Sunday School Kick-Off (<i>Bourb</i>)
	9:50 am	New Adult Bible Study (<i>Bourb</i>)
	11:05 am	Worship - Contemporary (<i>Bourb</i>)
	6:00 pm	Youth Night (<i>Bourb</i>)
Mon, Sept. 9	7:00 pm	Lay Ministry Meeting (<i>Bourb</i>)
Tue, Sept. 10	10:00 am	<i>Ten on Tuesdays</i> Bible Study (<i>Downtown</i>)
Wed, Sept. 11		
Thur, Sept. 12	8:00 am	Rummage Sale (<i>Downtown</i>)
	6:00 pm	<i>Gospel of Mark</i> Bible Study (<i>Bourb</i>)
Fri, Sept. 13	8:00 am	Rummage Sale (<i>Downtown</i>)
Sat, Sept. 14	8:30 am	Women's Retreat (<i>Bourb</i>)
	1:00 pm	Circuit Forum (<i>Downtown</i>)
	5:00 pm	Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion</i> (<i>Downtown</i>)
Sun, Sept. 15		NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
	8:30 am	Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion</i> (<i>Bourb</i>)
	9:45 am	Youth Bible Class (<i>Bourb</i>)
	9:45 am	Children's Sunday School (<i>Bourb</i>)
	9:50 am	Adult Bible Study (<i>Bourb</i>)
	11:05 am	Worship - Contemporary - <i>Communion</i> (<i>Bourb</i>)