

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School
Announcements - September 28th & 29th

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.



SUNDAY MORNING
YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

The youth group meets for Bible study every Sunday between church services. This year, we have two options for our 6th - 12th graders. Mr. Eden is leading a "Bible Adventures" study. Mrs. Drinnon and Mrs. Cherry are 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 9:45 am to learn more about each study.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School has begun! All preschoolers through 5th graders are welcome and encouraged to come! Preschool and kindergartners meet in the extended care room at the end of the lower grade hallway. The 1st - 5th graders meet in the music room by the doors to the back parking lot. Sunday School begins at 9:45 and ends at 10:45.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
PLEASE READ!

The Board of Parish Education is looking for a director for the Sunday School Christmas Program, which is scheduled for December 15th at 5 p m at the downtown church. If you have a passion for Christmas, music, and children who love Jesus, please talk to Deb Turrell or Diane Dyche. Practices will be during Sunday School in November and December and there will be practices at the downtown church on Saturday, December 7th and 14th.



"GOD'S FOREVER PROMISE TO DAVID CONTINUES"

When: Every Sunday at 9:50 am

Location: Room 131

Teacher: Pastor Drinnon

Pastor Drinnon is leading a Bible study on 1st and 2nd Kings. The Bible study will be exploring faithfulness and obedience, leadership and responsibility, and the preaching of the Word of God.

"TEN ON TUESDAY" BIBLE STUDY

When: Every Tuesday at 10:00 am

Location: Fellowship Hall

Teacher: Roy W. Cordes

Join us for an hour every Tuesday morning as we study 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).

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS!

Youth Nights, 6-8pm:

- Oct 6th & 20th
- Nov 3rd & 17th

1st Tuesdays (Oct 1st & Nov 5th), 6:30-8:30pm: Youth Room open for youth 7th - 12th grade to come hang out and enjoy fellowship.

Trunk or Treat - Sunday, Oct 27th: Join us after church to decorate the youth car(s) and then hand out treats during the event.

LCMS Youth Gathering Family Meeting - Sunday Oct 6th, 5pm: All youth attending the gathering and their parents are asked to attend this important meeting to begin preparations for the Youth Gathering.

DO YOU SHOP AT MENARD'S?

If you make purchases at Menards and do not intend to mail in the rebate slip, please consider donating your rebate receipts to the church. Simply drop them off at the church office or put them in the collection plate. Our custodians and trustees shop at Menard's regularly and your rebates would go to great use!

SUPPORT OUR YOUTH!

Faith Friends is a new ministry at St. Paul's, where an adult prays for a youth of our congregation for a whole school year. Last year we had 38 adults praying over 48 students in the 7th - 12th grade. It is now time to reset for the new school year. We are looking for adults who are willing to pray for students and their families, greet them in church, and send cards of encouragement throughout the school year. If you were part of the ministry last year, watch for an email about the new year. If you would like to start now, please contact Sarah Cherry at 815-651-6864 (text is best) or sarahcherry30@yahoo.com. All confirmation students and active high schoolers will be partnered with an adult, unless a parent chooses to opt out of the prayer ministry.

Faith Friends Prayer Ministry will be starting again in mid-October. Adults and youth pairings will be sent out in October and there will be a **Meet and Greet on October 20th** between services. If you signed up to pray for a student, watch the mail and email for updates. Families with a 7th - 12th grader please mark your calendar for Faith Friends Meet and Greet so you can meet your Prayer Partner.

Butterbraids will be available for pre-order **Oct 6th through 20th**. They will be delivered on Wednesday, Nov. 20th.



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

Mon., Sept. 30th at 4:30

Girls Basketball Game @ St. Anne

Wed., Oct. 1st at 4:30

Soccer Game @ HOME

Thurs., Oct. 2nd at 5:00

Girls Basketball Game @ HOME

CHURCH HISTORY

As part of our anniversary celebrations, we will be displaying historical photos and artifacts. The church archives contain some, but we are looking for more. If you have photos of the church, school, or past events that you would like to share, you can donate them or use your cell phone to take a picture of them and email them to the church office or text them to Natalie Cherry (via Sarah) at 815-651-6864. Also, if you have any memories about pastors, teachers, or events you would like to share, please e-mail them to the church office. They may be used as part of the church history display.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Please join us for the LWML Fall Gathering and Operation Christmas Child Packing Party on **Saturday, October 5th** at the school. The day begins with a light breakfast at 8:30 am. Devotions and Bible Study is next on the agenda and then there will be a brief business meeting for the LWML members. If you don't want to participate in the meeting, then you may help organize supplies. The packing party will begin around 10:00 am. We will pack as many boxes as we can depending on the amount of supplies that are received. An offering will be collected at the meeting to help with shipping expenses. Please come and help share the love of Jesus with the children who will receive these gifts. The missionaries who receive these boxes use them to share the love of Jesus with the children they teach and their families. They look forward to receiving these boxes and are so grateful when they arrive. Because of your support of this project, many children throughout the world get to know Jesus. Thank you for your generosity!

AN INVITATION

TO JOIN OUR CONGREGATION

Have you been attending church here at St. Paul's and are not yet a member? If so, we warmly invite you to consider joining our congregation. If you are:

- ▶ **A member in good standing of another LCMS Congregation**, we need a letter of transfer from your home church. You will just need to attend our New Member Orientation Classes.
- ▶ **A member in good standing of another Lutheran Church**, we need a letter of transfer from your home church and you will need to attend our Faith and Membership Classes and our New Member Orientation Classes.
- ▶ **A member in good standing of another denomination**, we need a release of membership from your church and you will need to attend our Faith and Membership Classes and our New Member Orientation Classes.
- ▶ **Not a member of another church**, you will need to attend our Faith and Membership Classes and our New Member Orientation Classes.

If you are interested, please check the box on the attendance card and include your contact information or call the church office at 815-932-0312. We will be starting a new session of Faith & Membership Classes on **Tuesday, October 8th**, which will meet at the school every Tuesday at **6:30 pm**.



LWML SUNDAY

St. Paul's will celebrate LWML Sunday on **October 12th & 13th** under the theme "Ready to Serve".. Please pray for the many Mission Grants we fund all over the world and here in the Northern Illinois District. Now that the grant for St. Paul's very own Phil's Friends Hope Center has been approved, contributing to the monthly LWML Mites is a good way to support this grant. On October 12th & 13th, there will be a door collection at the end of the services. Anything you can give is greatly appreciated; even your pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters. We are especially fond of purple money -- the \$5 bill -- our signature color. Pick up a mite box after the service that weekend. We will also have boxes for the children so they can participate too. This tiny box has made a huge impact. Since 1942, LWML has collected over \$90 million in mites, funding thousands of mission grants in over 90 countries throughout the world. Please consider being a part of this special mission through your contributions. God bless you for your participation.

PRAIRIEVIEW FALL FESTIVAL

The 2024 Prairieview Fall Festival celebrating 50 years of Prairieview Lutheran Home was a great success!

St Paul's book booth did very well. We raised \$2,000 for this worthwhile ministry. Proceeds from this year's festival will be used for future capital planning projects such as new air conditioners, painting and flooring, and maybe a new walking path for the residents.

We are blessed to have such hardworking and amazing volunteers that make the book booth the success it is! Thank you so much to all the volunteers who helped in any way: Judy Krones, Bill Balgeman, Earl Jensen, Grace Weith, Sylvia Stone, Karen Beatty, Linda Johnson, Deb and Mike Callan, Bennie Ehrich, Kathy Goers, Barb Campbell, Anita Schluter Wilson, Sharon Friesner, Joan Gehm, Jan Monk, Liz Deck and Gene Wachholz.

Also, thanks to all who donated books. Remember that we collect books all year. Collection boxes are at both locations.

~ Nancy Campbell and Jeanne Vilt
Human Care Board

PHIL'S FRIENDS PACK PARTY

Join us in Fellowship Hall at the downtown church **from 9:30 to 11 am on October 12th** as we pack care packages for those going through cancer treatment.



TRUNK OR TREAT

Trunk or Treat is scheduled for **Sunday, October 27th from 3 to 6 pm**. We will be including some Oktoberfest flavor by having brats and hot dogs (grilled by our wonderful new principal, Brian Porter), German potato salad, sauerkraut, chips, and some delicious fall desserts! The fun will include a bounce house, pony rides, a pumpkin patch and pumpkin decorating station, hay rack ride, taffy apple station, hot chocolate bar and fun fall games, as well as an autumn-themed photo booth. ***This is a GREAT OPPORTUNITY for our school and church families to mingle and get to know each other. Please come!!***

PHIL'S FRIENDS NEEDED ITEMS

As St. Paul's grows this ministry, there is an ongoing need for care package items, homemade port pillows and hats, and handcrafted items like journals and cards. Financial support is also helpful too. Please consider helping any way you can. For more information, contact Sarah Cherry at sarahcherry30@yahoo.com or 815-651-6864.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

September 21st & 22nd

Worship Attendance:

Saturday, 5:00 pm	86
Sunday, 8:30 am	124
Sunday, 11:05 am	51
WEEKEND TOTAL	261

Adult Bible Class	8
Youth Bible Class	18
Children's Sunday School	28

Offerings Given

General	\$12,176.10
Building	\$795.00
School Ops	\$250.00

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Preacher: Rev. Karl Koeppen

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

AV: 8:30: Todd Engel 11:05: Josh Cherry

Live Streaming/Recording: Matt Callan, Todd Engel, Layna Rahn, Beth Schreurs

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

Lay Readers: 5:00: Dennis Hess
8:30: Roy Cordes
11:05: David Bottorff

Acolytes: 8:30: Hope Brammer, Mason Raloff
11:05: Emma Bourassa, Trenton Stephens

Trustees: 5:00: Rob Wood
8:30: Brian Porter
11:05: Greg Wheeler

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: Ben Kubal, Elizabeth Kubal
Extra Measure Band: Matt Callan, Bill Dyche, Duane & Gail Ferrebee, Greg Ronchetto, Cindy Rubin, Jim Stone, Ellana Turrell

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Sun, Sept. 29	8:30 am 9:45 am 9:45 am 9:50 am 11:05 am	Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion</i> (Bourb) Youth Bible Study (Bourb) Children's Sunday School (Bourb) Adult Bible Study (Bourb) Worship - Contemporary - <i>Communion</i> (Bourb)
Mon, Sept. 30		
Tue, Oct. 1	10:00 am 4:00 pm	<i>Ten on Tuesdays</i> Bible Study (Downtown) Jr. Confirmation Class (Bourb)
Wed, Oct. 2		
Thur, Oct. 3		
Fri, Oct. 4		
Sat, Oct. 5	8:30 am 5:00 pm	LWML Fall Gathering & Operation Christmas Child (Bourb) Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion</i> (Downtown)
Sun, Oct. 6	8:30 am 9:45 am 9:45 am 9:50 am 11:05 am 5:00 pm 6:00 pm	<i>BUTTER BRAID SALES BEGIN</i> Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion</i> (Bourb) Youth Bible Study (Bourb) Children's Sunday School (Bourb) Adult Bible Study (Bourb) Worship - Contemporary - <i>Communion</i> (Bourb) LCMS Youth Gathering Family Meeting (Bourb) Youth Night (Bourb)