

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School
Announcements - October 5th & 6th

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.



LIVING ALTERNATIVES BANQUET

The Living Alternatives Pregnancy Center in Kankakee is having its annual banquet featuring *The Love Chromosome* on **Thursday, November 7th** at Olivet's Chalfant Hall. Doors open at 6:00 pm and the event starts at 6:30 pm. Please join them in an evening of celebration as they share the victory of hearts touched and lives transformed through Living Alternatives Pregnancy Resource Center. There is no cost to attend this dinner banquet. An opportunity to make a financial gift to the ministry will be extended at the event. To make a reservation, scan the QR code or call 815-933-2207 by October 31st.



"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.

FELLOWSHIP DINNER

Everyone is invited to join us for our monthly fellowship dinners. We visit a different restaurant each month and share a great couple of hours eating and getting to know each other better. No special commitment is expected and these evenings are very casual – just come as you are when you are able. Anyone who has come even once will tell you how much fun it is! We will meet again on **Friday, October 18th** at **Olive Garden**. Everyone is welcome! Call Nancy Eden at 248-842-2837 to RSVP.

"TEN ON TUESDAY" BIBLE STUDY

Roy has decided to cancel this Bible study indefinitely due to medical issues.

SCORE RECYCLING CONTEST



Once again, Belson's Steel is sponsoring an aluminum can recycling challenge. Helping us earn money for the school is easy. All you need to do is mention St. Paul's when you drop off your cans at Belson's. You earn cash for the cans, St. Paul's earns points for the pounds. At the end, St. Paul's will receive an amount for every point scored. The schools with the top scores will win additional cash and prizes. You may also drop your cans off at the school. Just call Christie at the church office to make arrangements.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS!

Youth Ministry Butterbraid Sale - Pre-order of butterbraids will be available **Sunday, October 6th through Sunday, October 20th**. They will be delivered Wednesday Nov. 20th. Proceeds will support the 2025 LCMS Youth Gathering and other youth ministry needs. Contact a youth family or stop by our table during coffee hour to place your order. Thank you for supporting our youth!

Our first **LCMS Youth Gathering family meeting** is this **Sunday, Oct 6th at 5pm**. All youth participants and at least one parent are expected to attend this important meeting to begin preparations for the Youth Gathering. Pizza will be provided.

Youth Night this Sunday, Oct 6th 6-8pm. Bring a friend and come enjoy fun and fellowship!

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 are interested in being a Faith Friend, 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.



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

Mon., Oct. 7th at 5:00

Girls Basketball Game @ HOME

Wed., Oct. 9th at 4:30

Girls Basketball Game @ HOME

Fri., Oct. 11th at 4:00

Cross Country Sectional Meet @ Perry Farm

MARRIAGE RENEWAL RETREAT

Refresh, re-energize, and reconnect at a beautiful retreat center, The Shack, in White Cloud, MI. The retreat is being held **November 1st - 3rd** and will be led by couples who have led Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekends, but in a more relaxed format. If you are interested in getting more information about this weekend, contact Ruth Fabbro at 815-450-5665.

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.

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 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 this **Tuesday, October 8th**, which will meet at the school every Tuesday at **6:30 pm**. It's not too late to join!



LWML SUNDAY

St. Paul's is celebrating LWML Sunday **next weekend** 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. This weekend, 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



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 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 28th & 29th

Worship Attendance:

Saturday, 5:00 pm	72
Sunday, 8:30 am	156
Sunday, 11:05 am	75
WEEKEND TOTAL	303

Youth Bible Class	17
Children's Sunday School	18

Offerings Given

General	\$9,376.96
Building	\$17,182.21
School Ops	\$950.00

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.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Preacher: Rev. Karl Koeppen **Liturgist:** Rev. Roger Drinnon

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

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

Live Streaming/Recording: Matt Callan, Todd Engel, Jace Stauffenberg

Lay Ministers: 5:00: Greg Deck
8:30: Bruce Clark, Rich Engel, Kevin Kurtz, Hill Love
11:05: Bob Carruthers

Lay Readers: 5:00: Jennifer Richardson
8:30: Loree Yoakum
11:05: Bill Dyche

Acolytes: 8:30: Brody Brinkmann, Mason Raloff
11:05: Annie Schneider, Luke Stirnaman

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

Ushers: 5:00: Pat Hatch, Fred Langelett, Terry Treece
8:30: Bill Balgeman, Judy Browning, Steve Weith
11:05: Kirk Anderson, Aric Turrell, Sean Turrell, Kim Williams

Contemporary Service Song Leaders: Isaac Fabbro, Ellana Turrell
Extra Measure Band: Matt Callan, Bill Dyche, Duane & Gail Ferrebee,, Cindy Rubin, Jim Stone

Sanctuary Singers: Connie Blacklock, Liz Deck, Katrina Drinnon, Nancy Eden, Brent Eden, Sharon Friesner, Adele Hinze, Elayne James, Sandy James, Eugene Wachholz

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Sun, Oct. 6		<i>BUTTER BRAID SALES BEGIN</i>
	8:30 am	Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion</i> (Bourb)
	9:45 am	Youth Bible Study (Bourb)
	9:45 am	Children's Sunday School (Bourb)
	9:50 am	Adult Bible Study (Bourb)
	11:05 am	Worship - Contemporary - <i>Communion</i> (Bourb)
	5:00 pm	LCMS Youth Gathering Family Meeting (Bourb)
	6:00 pm	Youth Night (Bourb)
Mon, Oct. 7	7:00 pm	Lay Ministry Meeting (Bourb)
Tue, Oct. 8	6:30 pm	New Member Class (Bourb)
	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting (Bourb)
Wed, Oct. 9		
Thur, Oct. 10	6:00 pm	<i>Gospel of Mark</i> Bible Study (Bourb)
Fri, Oct. 11		
Sat, Oct. 12	9:30 am	Phil's Friends Pack Party (Downtown)
	5:00 pm	Worship - Traditional (Downtown)
Sun, Oct. 13		LWML SUNDAY
	8:30 am	Worship - Traditional (Bourb)
	9:45 am	Youth Bible Study (Bourb)
	9:45 am	Children's Sunday School (Bourb)
	9:50 am	Adult Bible Study (Bourb)
	11:05 am	Worship - Contemporary (Bourb)