

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School
Announcements - August 24th

ATTENDANCE CARDS

Every bulletin contains an attendance card. Please complete ONE attendance card per family. When the offering is collected, there will also be an usher collecting attendance cards. Please turn in completed AND unused attendance cards. Thank you!



PRAIRIEVIEW FALL FESTIVAL

This year's Fall Festival will be **September 5th & 6th**. Sign-up sheets have been posted at the school and at the downtown church to help with our used book booth. We are in particular need of people to help haul the books there, set up the booth, and then pack up the leftover books afterward. Our book booth is a big undertaking but many hands make light work. Please consider volunteering.

We are also still accepting book donations at both sites. If you have any questions or need a pick up from your home, call Jeanne Vilt at 815-932-9855 or text her at 815-216-0240 or call or text Nancy Campbell at 815-592-4273.

AN INVITATION
TO JOIN OUR CONGREGATION

Have you been attending church here at St. Paul's but not yet become a member? We warmly invite you to join our congregation. There are a few ways that this can be accomplished. If you are:

- ▶ **A member in good standing of an LCMS congregation**, we simply need a letter of transfer from your home church
- ▶ **A member in good standing of another Lutheran church**, we need a letter of transfer from your home church and you need to attend our Faith and Membership Classes
- ▶ **A member in good standing of another denomination**, we need a release of membership from your church and you need to attend our Faith and Membership Classes
- ▶ **Not a member of another church**, you need to attend our Faith and Membership Classes

If you are interested in these classes, please check the box "Looking for a Church" on the attendance card along with your contact information or call the church office at 815-932-0312. We will be starting a new session September 30th. If you are undecided about becoming a member, consider taking the class so that you feel better equipped to decide.

ATTENTION ST. PAUL'S ALUMNI!

We will be hosting a brief alumni gathering TODAY between the outdoor anniversary worship service and the church picnic. If you ever attended or taught at St. Paul's Lutheran School, please follow the signs inside! We would love to see you all!!

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS



If you have a child who is planning to begin or finish the confirmation program this year (typically 7th and 8th graders) and they do NOT attend our school, you should have received a letter in the mail concerning confirmation classes. They will be starting August 26th. If you have not received a letter, please call the church office.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Save the date! Our next Women's Retreat will be **September 13th from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm** at the school. Lunch is included and there will be beverages and snacks available in the morning. The topic will be: Women in the Bible. There is a sign-up sheet in the gym today or you may contact the church office if you plan to attend. If there is any particular woman of the Bible that you are interested in, please indicate that when you sign up.



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School will kick-off on **Sunday, September 7th**. We will meet with the children and their parents in the gym for registration and introductions. All preschoolers through 5th graders are welcome and encouraged to come!

T.R.I.P. ORDERING

What is the Tuition Reduction Incentive Program?

- * Raise money by using gift cards to pay for everyday purchases. Choose from over 750 of your favorite retailers!
- * Pay face value for gift cards. A portion of what you spend will be credited to St. Paul's and a portion will be applied to your school account to be used for tuition, lunch or extended care.
- * If you do not have children that attend St. Paul's, you may donate your share to a school family or to St. Paul's.

How do I order?

- * Call or text Julie Dummer at 815-530-7320.
- * Install the RaiseRight app and order your gift cards electronically.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



On October 4th, LWML will be hosting an Operation Christmas Child workshop, where adults and children will be invited to help assemble shoeboxes that will be shipped to remote areas of the world as a witness of Jesus and his love. ***If you are interested in contributing, now would be a great time to stock up on some extra school supplies to include in the boxes!*** We could use spiral notebooks, pencils, erasers, scissors, construction paper, crayons, pens, colored pencils, pencil sharpeners, pencil bags, and solar calculators. Thank you so much!!



FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Enjoy a back-to-school celebration outside on the grounds of St. Paul's Lutheran School from **6pm to 8pm on Friday, Sept 12th**. All school families, church members and alumni are invited!! Watch for more details as the event approaches. This free evening of fun is brought to you by St. Paul's PTL and Thrivent Financial.

MUM SALES

The Athletic Dept is selling big beautiful mums from Woldhuis (Sunrise) Greenhouse for \$10 each again this fall. ***Please see the insert to place your order by Friday, August 29th***. You may put your order form and payment in the collection plate today or turn it in to the school office this week. Mums will be delivered to the school on September 4th and may be picked up that afternoon - beginning at 3:00 and ending at 6:00 pm. The plants are in 9" pots and have an 18" flower head. Choose from red, orange, yellow, white, pink, and purple. Thank you for supporting our sports!



PHIL'S FRIENDS PACK PARTY

Join us in Fellowship Hall from **9:30 am to 11:00 am on Saturday, August 23rd** as we pack boxes for Phil's Friends!



TABEA ALTAR GUILD RUMMAGE SALE

We are now accepting donations for our semi-annual rummage sale. The fall sale will be **Thursday & Friday, September 18th & 19th** 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.



STAFF APPRECIATION RECEPTION

Please join us on **Sunday, September 14th** to honor and thank our school and church staff! They will be recognized during the early service and then honored during coffee hour with a cake and ice cream reception. A basket will be available for cards.



One of our staff members is celebrating a very special anniversary this year. Our 2nd grade teacher, Mrs. Jennifer Douglas, has been blessing families for 20 years!



OKTOBERFEST

Save the date! On **October 18th**, we will once again be hosting OktoberFest at the school. The event will feature delicious German fare and live entertainment by *Die Musikmeisters*, a renowned German polka band. Please watch future announcements for more details and an opportunity to sign up.

FELLOWSHIP DINNER

Everyone is invited to join us for our monthly fellowship dinners. No special commitment is expected and these evenings are very casual – just come as you are when you are able. Our next fellowship dinner will be on **Friday, September 19th at Tucci’s**. If you would like to join us, please call or text Nancy Eden at 248-842-2837.



SPECIAL VOTERS’ MEETING

A Voters’ Assembly Meeting will be held on **Sunday, September 21st at 12:30 pm** at the school. We encourage all members of the church who are at least 18 years old to get involved 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.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE	
August 16 th & 17 th	
<u>Worship Attendance:</u>	
Saturday, 5:00 pm	55
Sunday, 8:30 am	131
Sunday, 11:05 am	86
WEEKEND TOTAL	272
Adult Bible Study	14
<u>Offerings Given</u>	
General	\$10,989.31
Building	\$550.00
School Ops	\$345.00

SERVING IN GOD’S HOUSE TODAY

- Preacher:** Rev. Karl Koeppen
- Liturgist:** Rev. Roger Drinnon
- Organist:** Nadine Engel
- Pianist:** Gail Ferrebee
- A/V:** Bill Dyche
- Lay Ministers:** Darren Blair, Bob Carruthers, Bruce Clark, Greg Deck, Rich Engel, Kevin Kurtz, John Veers
- Trustee:** Jeff Johnson
- Ushers:** Bill Balgeman, Barry Gadbois, Dave Kesinger, Scott Styck, Steve Weith, Kim Williams

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

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Sun, Aug. 24	9:15 am	2 nd Grade Bible Breakfast	(Bourb)
	10:00 am	Combined Outdoor Worship Service	(Bourb)
	11:15 am	Alumni Gathering	(Bourb)
	11:45 am	Church Picnic	(Bourb)
Mon, Aug. 25			
Tue, Aug. 26	9:50 am	<i>Peter's Joyful Perseverance</i>	(Downtown)
	4:00 pm	Jr. Confirmation Class	(Bourb)
Wed, Aug. 27			
Thur, Aug. 28	6:00 pm	<i>Lectures in Genesis</i>	(Bourb)
Fri, Aug. 29		SCHOOL PICTURE DAY	
Sat, Aug. 30	5:00 pm	Worship - Traditional - Communion	(Downtown)
Sun, Aug. 31	8:30 am	Worship - Traditional - Communion	(Bourb)
	9:50 am	<i>Peter's Joyful Perseverance</i>	(Bourb)
	11:05 am	Worship - Contemporary - Communion	(Bourb)

**Thank you for coming
to celebrate our
amazing history!**

**Please continue to pray
for our church and school,
that we may persevere for
generations to come!**