

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School
Announcements - October 25th & 26th

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.



YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

Youth Bible Study with Mr. Eden meets on Sunday mornings at 9:45 in Room 132. All 7th through 12th graders are invited.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

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.

LEARN TO REVERE THE LORD

This is the third week of our **TEN for TEN Giving Challenge** (ten percent for ten weeks), when we are asking God to help us grow in the grace of giving by giving proportionately from the blessings that we receive. The challenge is titled **TEN for TEN** (ten percent for ten weeks), to encourage us to prayerfully consider tithing. The encouragement is to go to God in prayer to seek His guidance on what He wants us to give. Of all the verses that speak to the topic of tithing, Deuteronomy 14:22-23 (NIV) may set forth the most convincing argument for tithing. *"Be sure to set aside a tenth of all that your fields produce each year. Eat the tithe of your grain, new wine and oil, and the firstborn of your herds and flocks in the presence of the Lord your God at the place He will choose as a dwelling for His name, so that you may learn to revere the Lord your God always."* Giving the tithe helps us to learn to honor and revere God. Tithing is a reminder of Whose we are. The tithe is instituted so that we may put God first in all things. We pray God's blessings on you during the **TEN for TEN Giving Challenge** as you learn to revere the Lord through your faithful giving.

COME CHEER ON YOUR
ST. PAUL'S TIGERS!



Oct. 27th at 4:30 pm

Girls Basketball Game

@ HOME vs. Bishop Mac

Oct. 30th at 5:30 pm

Girls Basketball Game

@ Sheldon vs. Donovan



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair will be here from **Thursday, October 30th through Sunday, November 9th**! The Book Fair will be set up in the school library and it will be open before and after school, during half day preschool pick-up, during parent-teacher conferences, and on Sunday mornings. Stop by for some early Christmas gifts! Ordering online is also available and enhances your book fair shopping! There are more books available for all ages on the website and you can also filter your search by interest, reading level and age/grade to find the perfect book. Plus you can shop 24/7. All proceeds from the Book Fair benefit our school library. Please call the school office with any questions.

PETER'S JOYFUL PERSEVERANCE

Teacher: Roy W. Cordes

Tuesdays 9:45 am - Fellowship Hall

Peter wrote to Gentiles and converted Jews who were being persecuted, tortured and sometimes killed by Roman soldiers for believing in Jesus and not bowing down to Nero and other emperors. His appeal was to grow in faith and enjoy a joyful perseverance following Christ's example. A few years after writing I & II Peter, he was crucified upside down, covered with tar, and lit on fire to serve as a lamp during Nero's outside dinner party.

We are currently studying I Peter Chapter 4, which tells us how we can live for God and be a Christian for others to see our daily walk with the LORD. What do you do when you are not in church? How about when you are alone? Fighting one-on-one against Satan and his angels? Join us for Bible study for one hour per week to build up your endurance to be able to overcome temptations and tests. Your eternal reward is waiting for you in the arms of God the Father in the new heaven and the new earth.

**DAYLIGHT
SAVINGS
TIME
ENDS
NOVEMBER
2nd!**



LWML PLANNING MEETING

Ladies of St. Paul's interested are invited to join us in the school library on Monday, **November 3rd at 6:30 pm** for a meeting to coordinate Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) activities.

MATCHING FUNDS CHALLENGE UPDATE

Thank you to everyone that has very generously given to the Matching Funds Challenge. We have raised \$36,543.12 for the General Fund and \$51,482.15 for the Building Fund. We have exceeded our goals for both the September and Christmas challenges. We have only \$13,456.88 left to reach our \$50,000 General Fund goal. I challenge you to meet this goal by Christmas. Please remember your challenge offerings should be above and beyond your normal giving.



VETERANS' DAY CHAPEL

We will be honoring our Veterans in chapel on **TUESDAY, November 11th** from 8:30-9:15 am with a program and reception afterward. There are a few ways that you can help make this day special for our Veterans.



- **Field of Flags:** We will be creating a Field of Flags. You may purchase a flag for \$5 in honor of a specific veteran or for all veterans. The students will plant the flags in front of the school. The money collected will be sent to the Manteno Veterans Home. Purchase flags using the enclosed order form.
- **Attend Chapel and Reception:** Please come to our chapel service and invite anyone who would like to celebrate our heroes with us. The children will sing and lead the chapel service to thank the men and women who have served our country. RSVP so we may plan accordingly using the enclosed form.
- **Volunteer:** We will be asking for volunteers to donate baked goods for the reception, and we will need help setting up the event. Watch the weekly announcements for the Sign-Up Genius.
- Questions? Contact Mrs. Stirnaman at jstirnaman@stpaulslutheran.net.

"THE PATRIARCH AND THEIR JOURNEYS"

Teacher: Pastor Drinnon

NEW TIME, DAY & LOCATION!

When: 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 9:30 am

Where: St. Paul's Mission & Ministry Center, 240 S. Dearborn Ave, Kankakee

This study on the book of Genesis offers a profound opportunity to deepen our understanding of God's creation, His covenant with His people, and the foundational truths of our Christian faith. It is filled with profound theological insights, rich narratives, and timeless lessons. From the creation of the world, to the fall of humanity, to God's promises to Abraham and the patriarchs, Genesis sets the stage for the entire biblical account. It is here that we first encounter God's sovereignty, His justice, and His mercy—elements that are essential to understanding the Gospel.

All are welcome! Come, engage with us as we explore the ancient truths of Genesis that continue to shape our faith and our understanding of God.



PHIL'S FRIENDS KANKAKEE HOPE CENTER NOW OPEN!



We have reached the goal of becoming a Phil's Friends Hope Center. We had our Grand Opening on September 20th. Now the Center will be open **on a weekly basis on Thursdays**

from 6 to 8pm. Plus there will still be two Saturday events a month - one longer walk-in opportunity and one Pack Party where a larger number of care packages will be prepared, packed, and prayed over. All Phil's Friends Walk-in opportunities are "come when you can, leave when you must" style events. Join us for crafting and packing whenever it works best for you. See the calendar insert for exact dates and please remember there are ongoing needs to keep the care package items in stock. Prayerfully consider regularly adding a few Phil's Friends care package items to your grocery cart when you shop. It will take many volunteers and donations to keep up with our new goal of 100 care packages a month. If you have not been to a Phil's Friends event, now would be a great time to grab a few friends and come check out the newly refreshed space at the St. Paul's Mission and Ministry Center at the Kankakee Campus. You can help spread hope to those affected by cancer.

T.R.I.P. ORDERING

What is the Tuition Reduction Incentive Program?

- Raise money by buying gift cards for everyday purchases. Choose from 750+ retailers like Ulta, Nike, American Eagle, PetSmart, Cabela's, LL Bean, Michael's, Texas Roadhouse, Maggiano's, Disney, Best Western, Circle K, & more!
- Pay face value for gift cards. St. Paul's will receive a portion of what you spend and a portion will be applied to your school account to use for tuition, lunch or extended care.
- If you do not have children at the school, you may donate your share to the school.

How do I order?

- Call or text Julie Dummer at 815-530-7320.
- Install the RaiseRight app and order your gift cards electronically. Call the school office for the enrollment code.



CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY CONCERT

On **Sunday, October 26th at 3 pm**, The Kapelle of Concordia University Chicago will be doing a free concert at Calvary Lutheran Church in Watseka (120 E. Hickory St.). A freewill offering in support of The Kapelle will be received.

"ROAD TO CORONATION"

Teacher: Pastor Dave Bottorff

**When: 4th Tuesday of the month
@ 7 pm**

Where: Pastor Dave's home

"Road to Coronation" takes you on a journey beside Jesus on His walk to the cross, examining the distinct passion narrative in each of the four Gospels. What emerges is a vivid encounter with a King who lived solely to serve rather than to be served - who welcomed outcasts as family, touched the "unclean," performed miracles that made astonishing theological declarations, and raised the dead - all the while challenging and confounding the spiritual authorities of His day.

Call Pastor Dave Bottorff, the leader for this Bible study, at 815-304-4553 to come to this Bible study at his home on October 28 and November 25.



OKTOBERFEST THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who joined us last Saturday for great German music and food at our Oktoberfest Dinner. It was a fun evening! Parish Fellowship would like to thank all of our volunteers that helped with set up, serving and clean up - Sylvia Burger, Zane DeBeck, Diane Dyche, Bennie Ehrich, Jill Graveline, Angela Heldt, Colleen, Nathan & Alena LaGessee, Tom & Kathy Marcotte, Mellody McDonald, Tammie Mesenbring, Greg Ronchetto, Heidi Ostrowski, Gene Wachholz and Kay Gade. Thank you to the bakers of delicious desserts - Sylvia Burger, Natalie Cherry, Dee Cordes, Katrina Drinnon, Julie Dummer, Diane Dyche, Shari Ebert, Nancy Eden, Adele Hinze, Lynda Koeppen, Kathy Marcotte, Mellody McDonald, Christie Rahn, Anita Schluter, Jamie Stirnaman, Kim Williams and Kay Gade. A huge thank you to Mr. Porter for grilling, Tom Stirnaman for stringing the lights for us, Natalie Cherry for making German Potato Salad, Lynda Koeppen for making red cabbage, Kelli Arseneau for putting together the cute utensil & napkin packets, Kim Balgeman for putting together the slide show of Germany pictures and Colleen LaGessee for an amazing photo booth area! We hope everyone enjoyed the evening! Prost!

PROJECT COMPASSION & GABRIEL'S CALLERS

Would you consider joining? Our mission is to share God's love and to care for the well-being of our members, especially our shut-ins, those grieving, or anyone with special needs. We meet quarterly, at which time we have devotions and prayer and we share our ministry over a meal. Don't worry about whether you have the skills; we will train you. We will meet at **6pm on Wednesday, November 12th** at Monical's in Bourbonnais. Contact Pastor Drinnon at rdrinnon@stpaulslutheran.net or Ken Ebert at kebert24@comcast.net or 815-922-0656 with any questions.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE October 18th & 19th

Worship Attendance:

Saturday, 5:00 pm	48
Sunday, 8:30 am	137
Sunday, 11:05 am	75
WEEKEND TOTAL	260

Youth Bible Class	10
Children's Sunday School	18

Offerings Given

General	\$12,623.41
Building	\$590.00
School Ops	\$300.00
Matching (General)	\$1,155.00

SERVING IN GOD’S HOUSE TODAY

Preacher: Rev. Roger Drinnon

Liturgist: Rev. Karl Koeppen

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

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

Live Streaming/Recording: Matt Callan, Todd Engel

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

Lay Readers: 5:00: Audra Taylor
8:30: Roy Cordes
11:05: Tammie Mesenbring

Acolytes: 8:30: Mason Raloff, Anthony Wozniak
11:05: Dylan Nordmeyer, Luke Stirnaman

Trustees: 5:00: Jeff Johnson
8:30: Tom Stirnaman
11:05: Greg Wheeler

Ushers: 5:00: Keith Christensen, Pat Hatch, Terry Treece
8:30: Bill Balgeman, Jim Baron, Scott Styck, Steve Weith
11:05: Dave Kesinger, Aric Turrell, Sean Turrell, Kim Williams

Contemporary Service Song Leaders: Isaac Fabbro, Mellody McDonald

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

Brass Instrumentalists: Rev. David Bottorff, Diane Dyche, Gail Ferrebee

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

THIS WEEK’S SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Sun, Oct. 26	8:30 am 9:45 am 9:45 am 11:05 am	Worship - Traditional (Bourb) Children’s Sunday School (Bourb) Youth Bible Study (Bourb) Worship - Contemporary (Bourb)
Mon, Oct. 27	4:30 pm	RED RIBBON WEEK Girls Basketball Game vs. Mac (Bourb)
Tue, Oct. 28	9:45 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Peter’s Joyful Perseverance (Downtown) New Member Class (Bourb) Road to Coronation (1573 Surrey, Bourb)
Wed, Oct. 29		
Thur, Oct. 30	5:30 pm 6:00 pm	SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR BEGINS Girls Basketball Game vs. Donovan (Sheldon) Phil’s Friends Work Night (Bourb)
Fri, Oct. 31		
Sat, Nov. 1	5:00 pm	Worship - Traditional - Communion (Downtown)
Sun, Nov. 2	8:30 am 9:45 am 9:45 am 11:05 am 6:00 pm	Worship - Traditional - Communion (Bourb) Children’s Sunday School (Bourb) Youth Bible Study (Bourb) Worship - Contemporary - Communion (Bourb) Youth Night (Bourb)