

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WELCOME TO ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH. We wish you God's richest blessings during your time with us. **Green prayer cards are available on the Welcome Center or in the pews if you have prayer requests. Please give to an usher to give to pastor.**

OUR VISION STATEMENT *Our vision is to be a people transformed by the Gospel to live out and pass on the legacy of faith in Jesus Christ in our homes, community and world. We will empower and equip people to mentor following generations so that the legacy of faith continues.*

OUR MISSION STATEMENT *Our mission is to grow in our faith in Jesus Christ in order to share that faith with others.*

LYF DISPLAY OF ENVELOPES IN THE NARTHEX is a one of the fundraising opportunities for our LYF group – the envelopes have numbers wrote on the outside of the envelope and that is the amount of cash or check that you would put inside the envelope, there are also some optional or blank envelopes as well for you to put whatever you would like from a \$1 and above in and then place envelope in brown offering boxes on the Welcome Center, or leave with Pastor or the church office.

OUR WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM **SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP 5:00PM**
USHERS: Aaron Hoffman family **USHERS:**
ACOLYTE: Sun 9 AM: Sophia **ACOLYTE:** Ushers

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday 10/13/24	WORSHIP SERVICE – Live Streamed Fellowship LWML Bible Class, Sunday School & High School Youth	9:00AM 10:15AM 10:15-11:15AM
Sunday	WORSHIP SERVICE	5:00PM
Tuesday	Church Council	7:00PM
Wednesday	Bible Study at Jimmy’s Bible Study Cross Explorations – grades 3rd – 5th Catechism (Confirmation) grades 6th – 8th The HighWay (grades 9th -12th)	7:00AM 9:30AM 4:00-4:30PM 4:00-5:15PM 7:00PM
Thursday	Willowdale	2:00PM
Sunday 10/20/24	WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion – Live Streamed Fellowship Bible Class, Sunday School, High School Youth WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion	9:00AM 10:15AM 10:15-11:15AM 5:00PM

Offering this week:\$ Attendance Sunday Morning: 177 Sunday Evening: 21

LWML CELEBRATION SUNDAY! Today we celebrate Lutheran Women in Mission, the LWML. Their motto is all about willing service and the attitude of joyfully serving. Serve the LORD with gladness! (Psalm 100:2). Since 1942, Lutheran Women in Mission has focused on affirming each woman’s oneness with Christ, encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission ministries and to support global missions. They have been and are ready to serve their Lord. The Lutheran Women’s Missionary League (LWML) invites you to join us in celebrating the joy of serving the Lord with gladness in this congregation. Together, we will offer our praise using the theme, “Ready to Serve,” based on Luke 1:38. And Mary said, “Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word.” And the angel departed from her. As redeemed children of God, Lutheran Women in Mission give thanks for the opportunity to serve others as we have been served, to proclaim that Jesus is our Lord and that He came for all nations, and to respond with our mite offerings to support God’s mission. We invite you to learn more about the mission and ministry of the Lutheran Women in Mission by asking a member or going to the LWML website, www.lwml.org. Thank you for supporting the LWML through your mite offerings and prayers.

WANT TO BE A BELL PLAYER??

Bell season has begun! Our first rehearsal of the season will be Monday, September 16th at 6:30 pm in the sanctuary. New ringers are always welcome and our group would love to grow. Please consider learning a new talent or sharing your existing musical talent with the group. Our rehearsals are Monday evenings from 6:30-7:30 pm in the church sanctuary. If you are interested in joining, have questions, or would like to give ringing a try, please call or text Trisha at 712-830-4089.

7th & 8th GRADERS TO MISSION CENTRAL on Wednesday, October 23 meet at the church at 4:00PM and we will return by 7:00PM

CONFIRMATION PICTURES will be on Wednesday, October 23 at 7:00PM, and will also have a practice of how Sunday will go.

CONFIRMATION will be on Sunday, October 27 during the 9:00AM Worship service and a reception will follow in the fellowship hall after the service, please join us.

TRUNK OR TREAT SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, FROM 3:00-4:30PM

Location change –north of the Skate Palace on the lawn space & parking lot between Brothers Cart world and the Skate palace. Being held in conjunction with KidZone Halloween party that is 4:00-6:00PM

We need at least 10 people to set up, please sign up if you plan on participating and if you will need electricity for your spot.

See sign up sheet on Welcome Center or call church if you want to sign up to participate.

ASK THE PASTOR – LAST SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH

"Have questions to ask Pastor Wehmas?"

He will attempt answer a few questions as part of the services, **during the last Sunday of the month. Submit your questions in the white box in the Narthex."**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 55:1-9

¹“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. ⁶“Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; ⁷let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. ⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. ⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.”

EPISTLE

Ephesians 5:15-21

¹⁵Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, ²⁰giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-14

¹Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ²“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.’ ⁵But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ ¹⁰And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests. ¹¹“But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹²And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen.”



 **Lutheran Women**
in Mission **SUNDAY**

St. Paul Lutheran Church

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In Our Thoughts Prayers

Brandon Johnson - prayers for healing

Erin Nielsen

Kayson Taylor - son of Angie & Chris Taylor, hospitalized
in Omaha after collapse at school

Farmers during harvest

Recovery from Hurricanes Helene and Milton

Continued prayers and/or healing for:

Jeff Nollen Lois Jensen George Weir Victor Zobel Shirley Havener

Jo Palmer Jolene Ladwig Makayla Bell Stella Turnbull

Austin Mollhoff Ron Kraphl Jeff Pierce Rose Schuldt Jim Wilcox

Seth Hamann Mark Queen Dan Grell Kenton Petersen Erin DeBoer

Diane Olsen Sue Bubb Tiffany Lindberg Greg Lewiston Ashley Collins

Trisha McCormick

October Birthdays this week:

Oct. 6 Logan Carmine

Oct. 7 Jack Ausborn Katie Stehr Conley Wolterman

Oct. 9 Laura Carmine Kyle Knudsen

Oct. 10 Sallie Miesner

Oct. 11 Brenda Schumacher Brad Zobel

Oct. 12 Brailey Straus

Oct. 13 Ethan Frank Madelyn Miesner Pat Wellendorf

Oct. 14 Tom German Jodi Lansink

Oct. 15 Nancy Ford Emily Hoaglund

Marissa Wayt Pam Wessel

Oct. 16 Virginia Wellendorf

Oct. 17 Dawn Chase Lillian Hoffman Haley Miesner

Lexie Petersen

Oct. 18 Heather Bogue Renae Brookbank

Oct. 19 Emmett Lockwood Sandy Schreiber

Oct. 20 Julie Rath Alana Reitz Shorty Shaw

October Anniversaries this week:

Oct. 7 Dale & Kathy Edsen

Oct. 15 Terry & Gayleen Lovett

Tom & Marge Senhen

Oct. 17 Jerry & Karen Wiertsema

CROSS EXPLORATIONS (MIDWEEK) / CATECHISM has begun for grades 3rd - 8th, kids can walk up after school and we will have supervision / games / activity available until snack time.

A snack will be available at 4:00 with class from 4:00-5:00PM, for grades 3rd - 5th and 4:00-5:15PM for grades 6th -8th. If you have kids in the 6th - 8th that don't get dismissed til 5:15. They can stay at the church so you can pick up all kids at once.

HOSPITALIZATION REMINDER : if you are admitted to ANY hospital, please let us know or have a family member or a friend let Pastor Neil or the church office know, so we know you are there to visit, or would just want prayers from Pastor. Due to HIPA laws the hospitals do not automatically let Pastor know if you are there.

COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS for OCTOBER, pastas: macaroni, spaghetti, and any other related pastas, also Mac & Cheese, etc., place your donation in the shopping cart in the Narthex or hallway. All items are appreciated as well, as they can always use donations. The Community Basket is open on Thursdays (except 3rd Thursday), from 2:30-5:30PM. **The mobile food pantry will be on October 17, at the Shed in Kiron, from 4:30-5:30PM.**

HYMN SING SUNDAYS, has started and it will be on "Every second Sunday of the month, we will sing some of your favorite hymns. **Put your choices for hymns to sing in white the box in the Narthex,** and they will be used as part of the worship services during the second Sunday of the month."

FROM THE QUILTERS we always appreciate the generosity of those who donate material, sheets and other bedding to us to use for our quilting.

ALSO if you would like a lap robe for someone or for yourself please let us know or stop by to pick out one. They make great blankets as well for the end of your bed, to cover up cold feet or legs during the night! We also have x small comfort quilts that include a stuffed animal for a child - if you know of an organization that might want some of these on hand please let us know. If you want to donate small stuffed toys they are usually beanie babies or the size of beanies.

