



# Monthly Messenger

## St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

November 2018

*"We are God's servants, saved by grace, through faith, commissioned to share the Word of Christ to all."*

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#### Worship Services

Sunday 8:30 & 11 A.M.  
Saturday 7 P.M.

\*\*Note the new time\*\*

#### Bible Study

Sunday 9:45 A.M.

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### A Message from Pastor Martinal

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It's that season again. No, I'm not talking about hunting season. I'm referring to budgeting season, at least here at St. Paul, and hopefully soon in your own homes as you look ahead to 2019. This process can be scary, frustrating, and stressful. Nevertheless, it is necessary. So when it comes to budgets, income, and giving, what are we to do and think? When you find yourself chanting ever louder, "Budgets and income and giving, oh my!", like a traveler on the yellow brick road in the land of Oz, how are you to cope?!

First and foremost, we remember our Heavenly Father provides for our spiritual needs.

On account of the sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ, we have the forgiveness of sins, eternal life, and everlasting salvation delivered to us with absolute certainty that it is ours as sons and daughters<sup>1</sup>. And since we are sons and daughters, we are heirs who share in the glory of the Son of God. The inheritance is ours because of the Father's grace and mercy.

This is why we give generously of our income to the work of the Church. We want to imitate our Heavenly Father's generosity by being generous ourselves. We give to the work of the Church because we have witnessed and experienced the generous giving of our Heavenly Father.

Second, our Heavenly Father's gifts are more than just spiritual; they are earthly as well.

As we pray in the Lord's Prayer: "Give us this day our daily bread". Our Father gives us everything we need for the care of both body and soul<sup>2</sup>. His generosity knows no bounds!

A major way our Heavenly Father provides for our "daily bread" is through the various vocations in which He has placed us. One aspect of our vocations is the generation of income.

As God's stewards we are called to be faithful and wise in handling and using our income. Money is an integral part of our lives. We need to spend the necessary amount of time to comprehend how it affects our material and spiritual lives. The number of Bible references on the subject speaks to its importance. How we view and handle money often causes barriers to our spiritual growth and personal stewardship.

Thus, Christian money management begins with the conviction that we want to become faithful and good managers of money entrusted to us by God. God owns everything; we are simply stewards acting on His behalf. This is true not only of all that we have in this life<sup>3</sup>, but also all that we are in this life<sup>4</sup>. The rest flows from there. Since we are stewards of what belongs to God, entrusted to make use of it according to His will, there is an expectation of responsibility and accountability. For the Lord said, "From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked" (Luke 12:48b). And from this comes blessing and reward: "Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!" (Matthew 25:21).

Therefore, we sit down at the beginning of the year, the beginning of the month, or the beginning of the week to set aside a generous portion of God's daily bread for His work in the Church. We don't do this simply because He has commanded us to do so; it is because we, as His children by grace, want to mimic His generosity in our own lives.

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# Pastor's Message Continued

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He is our Father; we are His children. It's not just about keeping the lights on in the church building; but about shining the Light of Christ in this place, in our community, and throughout the world as the Church, the Body of Christ. It's not just about another physical building project; but about a spiritual building project<sup>5</sup>.

Remember, we have a God who is real and present. A God who meets us where we are. A God who calls and sends real people – us! – as His Body to work and serve in the world. A God who blesses us and gives us everything we need in order to work and serve in the world.

Let us then, as His own sons and daughters, press all that our Heavenly Father gives us into the service of His Church and to His glory.

You are created and loved by God the Father, redeemed and sent by Jesus Christ, and made holy and empowered by the Holy Spirit to be faithful stewards,

Pastor Tim Martinal

<sup>1</sup> **Galatians 4:1-7**

<sup>2</sup> **Small Catechism, Fourth Petition of the Lord's Prayer**

<sup>3</sup> **Deuteronomy 8:17-18**

<sup>4</sup> **1 Corinthians 6:20**

<sup>5</sup> **Ephesians 4:11-16**

<sup>1</sup> **Galatians 4:1-7**

<sup>1</sup> *What I am saying is that as long as an heir is underage, he is no different from a slave, although he owns the whole estate. <sup>2</sup> The heir is subject to guardians and trustees until the time set by his father. <sup>3</sup> So also, when we were underage, we were in slavery under the elemental spiritual forces of the world. <sup>4</sup> But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup> to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. <sup>6</sup> Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father." <sup>7</sup> So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.*

<sup>2</sup> **Small Catechism, Fourth Petition of the Lord's Prayer**

*"Give us this day our daily bread." What does this mean? God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving. What is meant by daily bread? Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.*

<sup>2</sup> **Deuteronomy 8:17-18**

<sup>17</sup> *You may say to yourself, "My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me." <sup>18</sup> But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today.*

<sup>3</sup> **1 Corinthians 6:20**

<sup>20</sup> *you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.*

<sup>4</sup> **Ephesians 4:11-16**

<sup>11</sup> *So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup> to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up <sup>13</sup> until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. <sup>14</sup> Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. <sup>15</sup> Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. <sup>16</sup> From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.*

# Spiritual News

## 9:45AM Sunday Adult Bible Studies

Join us for **Coffee Hour in the Gathering Place** before Bible Study begins.



**The book of James** - led by Pastor Bruner in the Library - The book of James has many practical applications to our life. You will enjoy the simple way this Bible study presents what God desires for each of us.

**Adult Instruction Classes** - led by Pastor Martinal in the Council Room. If you are interested in learning more about what St. Paul believes, or would like to become a member, please call the church office.

### Other Bible Study Opportunities

**The Truth Project** - Thursdays at 6PM in the Gathering Room. We hope you can join us and bring a friend or two! Each week will be a new discussion - so if you can't make it every week, come when you can. Questions, please call Celeste Ketels 810-285-0894, Denise Miller 810-656-2330, or Denis Sherman 989-286-7122.

**Men's Bible Study** - November 3rd at 8AM in the Library. We meet the first Saturday of every month.



## Music at St. Paul



### **Handbells**

Mondays at 7PM in the church.

Everybody is welcome to join. No experience necessary. You don't even need to be able to read music! If you have any questions, please contact Julie Keinath at 989-882-5531.

### **Church Choir**

Wednesdays at 6:53PM in the band room.

### **Praise Team**

Thursdays at 6:15PM in the church.

If you love to sing, play an instrument, or just want to praise the Lord through music, come and check out one of our groups!

## Scripture Readings

**Nov. 4th**

*Duet. 6:1-9*

*Hebrews 9:11-22*

*Mark 12:28-37*

**Nov. 11th**

*1 Kings 17:8-16*

*Hebrews 9:24-28*

*Mark 12:38-44*

**Nov. 18th**

*Daniel 12:1-3*

*Hebrews 10:11-25*

*Mark 13:1-13*

**Nov. 25th**

*Isaiah 51:4-6*

*Jude 20-25*

*Mark 13:24-37*



## Lutheran Ministries "Worship for Shut-Ins"

Nov. 4th - "The Finish Line!" - Rev. 7:9-17

Nov. 11th - "A Widow's Example" - Mark 12:41-44

Nov. 18th - "Step by Step" - Heb. 10:11-25

Nov. 25th - "Watch!" - Mark 13:26, 33-37

## Public School Confirmation Classes

Led by Pastor Martinal Sunday evenings from 6-7PM in the Gathering Room.

## Keep Me and Keep All

If you are interested in reading **Pastor Bob's Newsletter**, go to [www.keepmeandkeepall.com](http://www.keepmeandkeepall.com).

## Breakfast Club

**Breakfast Club** is a great opportunity for Jr. and High School students to hear a devotion and get free breakfast **every Friday at 7AM** at the Millington High School. St. Paul is on a rotating host schedule with five other groups and we are hosting **Friday, Dec. 14th**. If you would like to help make the breakfast for this great group of kids, please call the church office.

# Happenings at St. Paul

## Tuesdays at St. Paul

**Storyhour** - 9-11AM

**Quilting** - 1-3PM in the Parish Hall

**Painting** - 6-8PM in the Projects Room

**AA** - 7:30PM in the Council Room

## Chili Cook-Off

Sat., Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>

4-7PM in the Parish Hall

Cost: \$5.00 will give you 5 "tastes" plus 1 bowl of chili.

You may purchase more tickets as desired.

We're looking forward to finding the best Chili at St. Paul!

## **DORCAS CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**

Saturday, November 10th

9:00AM - 3:00PM

Sunday, November 11th

10:00AM - 2:00PM

Ever Popular Luncheon

11:00AM - 1:30PM

Homemade Rosettes - Candies - Baked Goods  
Popcorn Balls & Cookie Walk, Rag rugs, Crochet &  
Knitted Items, Craft Items, Plants, Quilts, Fish Pond

Vendors Welcome

Please contact Lori Osborn (989)205-9875

You may rent a space for \$15 to sell your  
"goodies." If you like to make crafts, woodworking,  
jewelry, etc., call to reserve your spot.

Income supplemented by Thrivent Financial for  
Lutherans. Proceeds go towards Dorcas Projects.

## Church Elections

**Church Elections** will be held on Saturday/Sunday, November 10/11, before and after each service. Sample ballot and biographies of candidates will be posted on an easel near the Gathering Room. Any congregational member that has attended a Voters' Assembly Meeting this calendar year and all congregational members 65 or older are eligible to vote.

## Pledge Drive

On the weekend of November 10 and 11 we will be having a **pledge drive**. Pledge cards will be handed out at the beginning of the service and will be collected during the offering. We invite you to pray for God to lead you to determine what you would like to pledge toward the work we seek to accomplish together through the ministry of St. Paul Lutheran. The cards will be a private commitment between you and God. The **cards will NOT be viewed** by anyone but God. 2 Corinthians 9:7 *"Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."*

## Scrapbooking

Sat., Nov. 17th from 9AM-7PM in the Parish Hall. Pre-register \$6.00 per person or \$10.00 at the door. Please bring a dish to pass if staying all day and your beverage. **R.S.V.P.** in the school office 871-4581 or [school.office@spmill.org](mailto:school.office@spmill.org).

## Youth News

### All Youth

We are in charge of the **food and drinks for Coffee Hour** on Nov. 11th. Please bring your items to the Gathering Room before 9:30AM. Thank you!

### Impact & Ignite

**Servant Event**

Sun., Nov. 4th at 2PM

**Christmas at Crossroads**

Fri., Dec. 7th

### Spark

**Servant Event / Movie / Walking Tacos**

Sat., Nov. 3rd at 4PM

## October Meetings

### **Youth Team**

Tues., Nov. 6th at 6PM in the Youth Room

### **Social Concerns**

Tues., Nov. 6th at 6:15PM in the Library

### **Stewardship**

Tues., Nov. 6th at 7PM in the Gathering Place

### **Council**

Wed., Nov. 7th at 6:30PM in the Library

### **Evangelism**

Thurs., Nov. 8th at 7PM in the Council Room

### **Trustees**

Sun., Nov. 11th following Voters'

### **Stephen Ministry**

Mon., Nov. 12th & 26th at 7PM

### **Board of Education**

Tues., Nov. 13th at 6PM

### **Dorcas**

Tues., Nov. 20th at 6PM in the Parish Hall

### **Elders**

Wed., Nov. 28th at 7:30PM

  
**HAPPY**  
**THANKSGIVING** *Thursday,*  
**November 22nd**  


# Bookkeeper's Corner / Memorials / Financial Info. / Area News

## The Bookkeeper's Corner

By Diane Mills

Last month I wrote about our upcoming budget that will be given to the voters at the December assembly to approve. I addressed why we don't set money aside for big ticket items. The budget that will soon be presented to the voters is no different than the past two years: we don't have the income to set money aside; but rather just meet our expenses.

We have several expensive projects that will need to be addressed: some sooner than later. Here's what we're looking at:

> Parish Hall floor and adjacent hallway. If we want our facility to be a showplace, the parish hall doesn't qualify. Next time you're in the hall, take a close look at the floor. Quotes for replacing/refurbishing the floor/hallway are between \$14,000 and \$18,000.

> Our fire alarm system is frequently in alarm status. The parts to fix the unit aren't even being made any longer, hence the reason we can't get a permanent fix. Not only does the unit need to be replaced, the alarm doesn't reach into the Sanctuary. That's sort of disconcerting. Quotes for new alarm system and extension to sanctuary are between \$7,000 and \$9,000.

> Many of the lights in building are still incandescent. Changing them out to cost saving LEDs not only save in the short run, but they last for 10 years or more depending on use. If you've ever had to change a bulb in the sanctuary, you'll see why this is a big deal. Quotes range from \$42,000 to \$44,000 (yikes!).

Now, all this to say that we could very possibility fund some, if not all, these projects by grants. Problem has been the grants are not easy to write – they take time. If any of you reading this article have any **experience in writing grants**, or have a heart to tackle one for the first time, please let a Trustee or the Church Office know. I will provide you with any numbers required, so don't worry about that. We just need someone(s) (an ad-hoc group?) that will take the time to serve.

### **CEF Building Fund Summary**

Mortgage Balance as of 09/30/18: \$659,774.52  
Debt free date if nothing changes: October 2022

Sep 2018 Mortgage Payment: \$ 14,135.00  
 • Principal: \$12,877.27  
 • Interest: \$ 1,257.73  
 Amount received to pay mortgage: \$ 10,824.10  
 Amount used in contingency fund: \$ 3,310.90  
 Balance LEFT in contingency fund: \$ 15,897.40

### **Sept. 2018 Income & Expense Summary**

September General Fund Income: \$ 69,323.35  
 September General Fund Expenses: \$(96,956.13)  
 September Deficit: \$(27,632.78)

#### Cash Accounts Summary

Designated/Memorial Balance: \$244,720.18  
 General Fund Checking Balance: \$ 34,473.75

## **MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS**

In Memory of Marie Keinath	
General Fund	\$205.00
Building Fund	\$50.00
Memorials Undesignated	\$175.00
In Memory of Earl Sergeant	
General Fund	\$20.00
Memorials Undesignated	\$125.00
Don Haines Scholarship Fund	\$50.00
In Memory of Judy Harpst	
General Fund	\$50.00
Memorials Undesignated	\$25.00
In Memory of Harold Rueger	
General Fund	\$125.00
Building Fund	\$715.00
Memorials Undesignated	\$85.00
In Memory of Shirley Haubenstricker	
General Fund	\$20.00
In Memory of Wayne Higgins	
Building Fund	\$65.00
In Memory of Geri Stange	
General Fund	\$20.00

### **Area News**

**Winter Coats** – Millington Community Center has free winter coats for children. You need to live in the Millington School District. Call Brenda at 871-2616 or Jan at 871-2614 to set up a time. Child must come with an adult to try on and make sure it fits.

**Craft Bazaar/Home Party Vendor Show**, Cookie Walk and Luncheon on Sat., Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> from 9am-3pm at Valley Lutheran High School. Luncheon 11am-1pm. Free admission 50 vendors on hand. Homemade cookies for \$7/dozen or \$20/3 dozen. Proceeds will go toward the purchase of Chromebooks for VLHS students' classroom use. Sponsored by the VLHS Parent Organization.

**Do you want to save lives?** Valley Lutheran's National Honor Society is hosting a blood drive on Mon., Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> from 7:30AM-2:30PM. To sign up, call the church office 871-4581 #3.

**VLHS Booster Fruit Sale!** Fruit available to order through Wed., Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>. A 20lb box of Indian River Navel Oranges, Pink Grapefruit or a mixed box is \$27.00. A 40lb box of oranges, grapefruit or mixed is \$38.00. A 10lb box of Mandarin Oranges is \$26.00 and a mixed carton of oranges, grapefruit & mandarin oranges is \$35.00. Please call Valley's office at 989-790-1676 or order with a Valley student. Fruit is available for pickup on Saturday, December 8, from 7:30am-2:00pm. Thank you for your support!

**Millington Rotary Harvest Dinner** Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> at 5PM at the Millington Community Center. Turkey, Ham, and more! Free Will Donation. Speaker: Mike Redford from Well-spring. Call Lola 871-4163 for reservations.

**Boar's Head Christmas Festival** at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Saginaw. Thurs., Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM, Sat., Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:30PM, Sun., Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> at 4PM – Pre-service music starts 30 minutes before the performance. Free will offering.

## Daily Lectionary / Special Services

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> Deut. 34:1-12 Matt. 21:1-22	<b>2</b> Jer. 1:1-19 Matt. 21:23-46	<b>3</b> Jer. 3:6-4:2 Matt. 22:1-22
<b>4</b> Jer. 5:1-19 Matt. 22:23-46	<b>5</b> Jer. 7:1-29 Matt. 23:1-12	<b>6</b> Jer. 8:18-9:12 Matt. 23:13-39	<b>7</b> Jer. 11:1-23 Matt. 24:1-28	<b>8</b> Jer. 20:1-18 Matt. 24:29-51	<b>9</b> Jer. 22:1-23 Matt. 25:1-13	<b>10</b> Jer. 23:1-20 Matt. 25:14-30
<b>11</b> Jer. 23:21-40 Matt. 25:31-46	<b>12</b> Jer. 25:1-18 Matt. 26:1-19	<b>13</b> Jer. 26:1-19 Matt. 26:20-35	<b>14</b> Jer. 29:1-19 Matt. 26:36-56	<b>15</b> Jer. 30:1-24 Matt. 26:57-75	<b>16</b> Jer. 31:1-17, 23-34 Matt. 27:1-10	<b>17</b> Jer. 33:1-22 Matt. 27:11-32
<b>18</b> Jer. 37:1-21 Matt. 27:33-56	<b>19</b> Jer. 38:1-28 Matt. 27:57-66	<b>20</b> Dan. 1:1-21 Matt. 28:1-20	<b>21</b> Dan. 2:1-23 Rev. 18:1-24	<b>22</b> Dan. 2:24-49 Rev. 19:1-21	<b>23</b> Dan. 3:1-30 Rev. 20:1-15	<b>24</b> Dan. 4:1-37 Rev. 21:1-8
<b>25</b> Dan. 5:1-30 Rev. 21:9-27	<b>26</b> Dan. 6:1-28 Rev. 22:1-21	<b>27</b> Is. 1:1-28 1 Pt. 1:1-12	<b>28</b> Is. 2:1-22 1 Pt. 1:13-25	<b>29</b> Is. 5:1-25 1 Pt. 2:1-12	<b>30</b> Is. 6:1-7:9 1 Pt. 2:13-25	

### Upcoming Special Services

#### *Thanksgiving Service:*

*Thursday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> - 10AM +Communion*

#### *Christmas Choir Concert:*

*Sunday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4PM*

*Songs of Praise Dinner following the concert.*

#### *Advent Services*

*Wed., Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> at 4PM*

*Dinner from 5-6PM sponsored by the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders  
to support their Washington D.C. trip.*

*Wed., Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> at 4PM*

#### *Children's Christmas Services:*

*Wed., Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> - 6PM*

*Mon., Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> - 6PM*

#### *Christmas Weekend Services:*

*Sat., Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> - No service; Sun., Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> - 10AM +Communion*

#### *Christmas Eve Services:*

*Candlelight - 9PM*

*Christmas Day Service: 10AM +Communion*

#### *New Year's Weekend Services:*

*Sat., Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> - 7PM; Sun., Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> - 8:30 & 11AM*

## Opportunities / Special Thanks / Misc.

### Opportunities to Serve, Volunteer, or Donate

#### **Calling All Veterans!**

You answered the call once - please answer our call for all veterans to contact the church office 871-4581 or Carol Weber 871-9975 by Oct. 27th to give us your name. We will be having a celebration on Nov. 12th. This is for all who are presently serving or are a veteran from any service branch. If you would like to help, a signup sheet is in narthex for items needed for the event. Call Angie Ayotte if questions.

#### **Dorcas Bazaar**

We have many opportunities to help prepare for the Dorcas Bazaar! Everyone is welcome to take a try at making Rock Candy Sat., Nov. 3rd at 8AM in the kitchen and Popcorn Balls Tues., Nov. 6th at 1PM in the kitchen. Come and see how it's done! We will be setting up for Kid's Day on Wed., Nov. 7th at 8AM. Kids will be shopping Thurs., Nov. 8th during the school day. We look forward to another year and hope to see some new faces!

#### **St. Paul Student Aid**

From time to time, situations arise in our lives causing a financial crisis. Loss of job, divorce/marital separation, and medical situations are a few of those times when we may not know how we are going to pay the bills. Some of our school families are dealing with these and similar situations and are in need of Christian compassion, assistances and encouragement. St. Paul Student Aid Fund has been set up to help families meet their financial obligation for tuition/fees. Donations to this fund are greatly appreciated and needed. If God has gifted you to be a blessing to these families, contributions may be brought to the church or school office. Much thanks!

#### **Canned Food Drive**

The Board of Social Concerns will be having a Canned Food Drive for the Millington Food Pantry. Please bring canned goods to the narthex and place on or under the benches on November 10th & 11th. Thank you!

#### **Saginaw Rescue Mission**

Our next Rescue Mission date is Nov. 10th at 10AM. Every second Saturday of the month we prepare and serve meals at the City Rescue Mission of Saginaw. We arrive at the Mission at 10AM and finish by 2PM. Please contact Paul Schoenknecht 871-2280 if you are willing to help. If you wish to help prepare sack lunches, please come to the St. Paul kitchen on Fri., Nov. 9th at 1:30PM. There is also a sign-up sheet on the glass case in the narthex. Please help if you are able.

#### **Coffee Hour**

The Fellowship Board is looking for families, groups, boards and committees to help during coffee hour between services. Coffee, cream, sugar and paper products are provided - you just need to provide the goodies! Please sign up on the sheet in the Gathering Room or call Angie Ayotte.

#### **Volunteers**

Volunteers are always welcomed and needed at your school. If you are willing to give some of your time or have any questions, please contact Mr. Schoenknecht.

#### **Acolytes & Screen Techs**

Acolytes and Screen Techs are needed for 2019. Please call the church office by Nov. 9th to help in any way - even if it's just a few times a year. This is a great way for students to earn servant hours. Adults are also welcome to run the screen.

### ***Special Thanks!***

Dear Pastors Bruner and Martinal and the congregation family, **thank you** for the prayers, cards, and visits during my recent surgery and rehab and while at home. You did not let me give up. Thank you so much! -Erna Reinert

To My Loving St. Paul Family:

**Thank you** so much for the prayers, well-wishes, and surprise get-together as I look back on the privilege of serving God and His children for over 25 years. Thank you also to the PTL ladies and our amazing St. Paul faculty and staff for their generous gifts. All of this is certainly more than I deserve because my family and I have already been abundantly blessed by this congregation and its people.

In His Service and Yours,  
Connie Singer

### **NEEDED: Childcare Aids**

especially in the afternoons. If interested, please call Christina or the School Office at 871-4581 #3.

### **Two Can Tuesdays**

To help with our building fund we started this program to have every student to bring in two returnable cans and put them in the barrel across from the restrooms when you first come in the school doors. If you are in preschool, you can bring them in on a day you attend. We hope to keep this tradition going. Thank you for your support.

### **Missing Dishes**

**Are you missing one of your favorite cake pans?** Please check the shelf outside the Parish Hall to see if you've left any behind. We're getting quite a collection of dishes again. Thank you!

### **Remember to Vote**

Tues., Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>.

For detailed information on the candidates go to [vote411.org](http://vote411.org).

### **Staff Gift**

If you would like to show your appreciation for the St. Paul staff, please place your CASH donation (no checks please) in an envelope marked "Staff Christmas" and place in the offering plate or bring to the Church Office by Wed., Dec. 12th. Please remember, this is not a tax deductible gift and will not be recorded on your giving statement.

# Acolytes, Screen Techs, Greeters, Ushers, Altar Guild, Sextons

<b>November</b>	3/4	10/11	17/18	24/25	
<b>Acolytes</b>					
7:30PM	Nic Yorke	Kailee Fackler	Carly Trinklein	Alden Rodammer	
8:30AM	Danielle Ayotte	Ryan Keinath	Emma Hoard	Ryan Keinath	
11AM	Lillia Sherman	Andrew Hoard	Peyton	Brandon Rude	
<b>Screen Tech</b>					
<b>Please help!</b> There are still openings to run the screen during the church services. Anyone can do this (adults or children 6th grade and up) and we will train you. Even if you can just help out once in awhile, that would be great! Please call the church office to help.					
7:30PM		Help	Is	Needed	
8:30AM	Danielle Ayotte	Singers	Paige Ayotte	Nathan Phipps	
11AM	Hunter Ayotte		Julie Keinath	Brandon Rude	
<b>Greeters</b>					
	<b>1st Sunday</b>	<b>2nd Sunday</b>	<b>3rd Sunday</b>	<b>4th Sunday</b>	<b>5th Sunday</b>
7:30PM	Wilbert & Sue Ill	Shelli Lugg	Mason Lugg	Ed Sergent	
8:30 AM	Shirley Ann Petzold	Gale Brown Ken & Kathy Ill	Katrina Wager Rosie Horning	Dorothy Schreiber Eileen Ziegler	
11AM	Les & Diane Maxson Ron & Olga Nims	Wayne & Lu- anne Jaruzel	Dale & Pam Hanlin	Keith & Heidi Woolwine	

**Ushers**  
**8:30AM Service**  
 Captain – Phil Gordon  
 Assistant – Ron Johnson  
 Dave Ackerman  
 Wanda Johnson  
 Donna Kohler  
 Tony Kohler  
 James Kribs  
 James Petzold  
 Larry Petzold  
 Peter Shollack  
 Andrew Weber

**Ushers**  
**11AM Service**  
 Captain – Dick Gross  
 Assistant – Arnold Petzold  
 Aidan Bach  
 Kenton Gleason  
 Tom Keinath  
 Gloria LaPointe  
 Michael LaPointe  
 Phil Petzold

**Ushers**  
**7:30PM Service**  
 Captain – Brian Gladys  
 Mason Lugg  
 Dale Peche

**Church Sextons**  
 Matt & Angie Ayotte  
 Armand & Faye Carmona  
 Ed & Marcia Keinath  
 Ted & Katrina Wager  
 Rod & Nancy Wilson

**Altar Guild Communion Set-Up**

7:30PM - Kim Reinig  
 8:30AM - Renee Hecht  
 11AM - Eleanor Ayotte & Cheryl Roeske



*Thank you to our many volunteers who give their time to help with the worship services. May your servant heart continue to bless those you serve at St. Paul. You are appreciated!*



# November 2018

St. Paul Lutheran Church

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
<b>New Worship time on Saturdays - 7PM.</b> <b>*Sundays at 9:45AM*</b> Bible Study Sunday School Adult Instruction Class				<b>1</b>  6PM Bible Study 6:15PM Praise Team	<b>2</b>  Grandparent's Day	<b>3</b> 8AM Men's Bible Study 8AM Rock Candy Making 4PM Spark Servant Event 4-7PM Chili Cook-off <b>7PM Worship</b>
<b>4</b> <i>Daylight Savings Time Ends – Set Clocks Back</i> <b>8:30AM Worship +C</b> <i>Jr. Bells</i> 9:45AM *See Notes <b>11AM Worship</b> <i>Free Spirit</i> 2PM Impact/Ignite Servant Event 6-7PM Confirmation	<b>5</b>  7PM Handbells	<b>6</b> <i>Election Day</i> 7AM Jubilee 9-11 Storyhour 1PM Popcorn Balls 6PM - PTL - Youth Team - Painting 6:15PM Social Concerns 7PM Stewardship 7:30PM AA	<b>7</b>  6:30PM Council 6:53PM Church Choir	<b>8</b>  6PM Bible Study 6:15PM Praise Team 7PM Evangelism	<b>9</b>  1:30PM Pack Lunches	<b>10</b>  10AM Saginaw Mission 9AM-3PM Bazaar 11AM-1:30PM Luncheon <i>Church Board Elections</i> <i>Pledge Drive</i> <b>7PM Worship +C</b>
<b>11</b> <i>Church Board Elections / Pledge Drive</i> <b>8:30AM Worship</b> <i>Church Choir</i> 9:45AM *See Notes 10AM-2PM Bazaar <b>11AM Worship +C</b> <i>Church Choir</i> 2PM Trustees 6-7PM Confirmation	<b>12</b> <i>Veteran's Day Celebration</i>  7PM – Handbells -Stephen Ministry	<b>13</b> 7AM Jubilee 9-11 Storyhour 1-3PM Quilting  6PM Board of Ed 6-8PM Painting 7:30PM AA	<b>14</b>  6:53PM Church Choir	<b>15</b>  6PM Bible Study 6:15PM Praise Team	<b>16</b> <i>Messenger Deadline</i>	<b>17</b>  9AM-7PM Scrapbooking  <b>7PM Worship</b>
<b>18</b> <b>8:30AM Worship +C</b> <i>Cantate</i> 9:45AM *See Notes <b>11AM Worship</b> <b>Contemporary</b> <i>Preschool Choir</i> 6-7PM Confirmation	<b>19</b>  7PM Handbells	<b>20</b> <i>½ Day School</i> 7AM Jubilee 9-11 Storyhour 1-3PM Quilting 6PM Dorcas 6-8PM Painting 7:30PM AA	<b>21</b> <i>No School</i>  6:53PM Church Choir	<b>22</b> <i>No School</i>  <b>10AM Thanksgiving +C</b> <i>Church Choir/Brass</i>	<b>23</b> <i>No School</i>	<b>24</b>  <b>7PM Worship +C</b>
<b>25</b> <b>8:30AM Worship</b> 9:45AM *See Notes <b>11AM Worship +C</b> <b>Contemporary</b> 6-7PM Confirmation	<b>26</b>  7PM – Handbells -Stephen Ministry	<b>27</b> 7AM Jubilee 9-11 Storyhour 1-3PM Quilting 6-8PM Painting 7:30PM AA	<b>28</b>  6:53PM Church Choir 7:30PM Elders	<b>29</b>  6PM Bible Study 6:15PM Praise Team	<b>30</b>	



# St. Paul Lutheran School

## November 2018

*St. Paul Lutheran School is committed to engaging students with a comprehensive education grounded in God's Word to prepare them for a life in Christ.*

God has richly blessed us with another beautiful painting of His autumn creation with a gorgeous array of color all around us. During this month, we prepare for many special family events, let's set aside some time to really thank Him for what we have been blessed with and remember that He is ALWAYS with us along that pathway, giving us His mercy every day!

Our Chapel offerings this month will be going to "Grant"parent Tuition Program as this helps children come to learn about Jesus at St. Paul Lutheran School. You are ALL welcome to join us for our Wednesday Chapel services at 9:00 a.m. for the first Wednesday, because our preschoolers join us, and 8:00 a.m. on the rest of the Wednesdays of the month.

### Important November Dates

Nov. 2	Grandparents Day with Chapel; end of quarter; Theme shirt day
Nov. 4	Daylight Savings Time
Nov. 6	P.T.L. Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
Nov. 8	Students shop Bazaar
Nov. 12	Veterans Day celebration
Nov. 19 & 20	Parent Teacher Conferences
Nov. 20	Half day of classes dismissal at 11:15 a.m. NO BUS
Nov. 21-25	NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Vacation
Nov. 28`	Picture Retake Day; First Day of Advent Services at 4 p.m.



### November Sports



We are thankful for a safe season for the girl's volleyball & soccer teams. Thank you to the players, coaches, parents and fans for your help and support throughout the seasons. Now we move into the basketball seasons. The girls start the play followed by the boy's game. Come and support the children as they use their God-given talents.

#### Girl's & Boy's B-team Basketball

Nov. 9	with St. Paul United, Flint	6:00 p.m.
Nov. 19	with Bethlehem, Saginaw	4:30 p.m.
Nov. 27	with St. Lorenz, Frankenmuth	4:30 p.m.
Nov. 28	at St. Paul United, Flint	4:30 p.m.
Nov. 30	at Christ the King, Sebawaing	6:00 p.m.



### School Musical Opportunities



Nov. 4	Junior Bells	8:30 a.m.
	Free Spirit	11:00 a.m.
Nov. 18	Cantate	8:30 a.m.
	Preschool Choir	11:00 a.m.

# Happy Thanksgiving

*Whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.  
I Corinthians 10:31*

**St. Paul Lutheran Church  
Voters' Assembly Minutes**  
August 12, 2018

Opening prayer by Ed Sergent.

Meeting called to order by President Ed Sergent at 1:30PM.

Moved and supported to accept the Voters' Minutes of June 13, 2018 with changes.  
Motion carried.

Moved and supported to accept to change the agenda to read Constitution/By Laws suggested changes *first reading*.  
Motion carried.

Moved and supported to accept new voting members: Michael Kern, Melissa Wagner, and Dennis Weiss.  
Motion carried.

Old Business:

New Business:

- Steve Kern presented a report on the District Convention. Full report can be found on the website. Steve offered to be a lay delegate candidate for the National Convention.

Moved and supported to nominate Steve Kern to be a lay delegate representative candidate for our circuit at the National Convention.  
Motion carried.

- Constitution/By-Laws suggested changes first reading. See handouts.

- Connie Daenzer read through each By-Law change.

Moved and supported to accept voter changes to the By-Laws with the exception of By-Law Para V.G.4.(f). Tabled to October meeting for vote.

Motion carried. Refer to Attachment A.

- By-Law Para V.G.4.(f) directed back to Council for revision.
- Connie Daenzer read through the Constitution change (Preamble).

Moved and supported to accept first reading as written. Second reading to be read at October meeting.  
Motion carried. Refer to Attachment B.

Board Reports

*Principal/Board of Ed*

- Upcoming Events: Home visits - Aug. 15, 16, & 22; Faculty meeting - Aug. 20; Staff retreat - Aug. 21; Open House - Aug. 26; First day of school - Aug. 28; Presentation of Accreditation Completion and Teacher Reaffirmation - Sept. 9th
- Infant Day Care Update - Looking in to new possibilities of providing infant day care since the parsonage is being used.
- Preschool Update - Presently, 52 children have registered. A waiting list for 4 year olds has been initiated. Possibly will need to hire an additional teacher for our 4 year old sessions.
- Enrollment Update - Kindergarten through 8th grade will be similar to last year. A definite number will be realized when all transfers have been complete.

*Board of Elders - Glenn Brown*

Moved and supported to accept the following membership changes:

Mike & Gloria LaPointe transfer in from Redeemer, Marquette  
Bob & Angie O'Neil and family transfer in from St. Lorenz, Frankenmuth

Motion carried.

- Labor Day weekend will have one service on Sunday at 10AM with communion. It was asked about also having one service on Sept. 9th with the teacher rededication and accreditation presentation that day. Will discuss at Elders.
- Installation of Pastor Martinal is Sept. 9th at 3PM.
- New list of inactives. 65 people have not attended in the last 6 months. Previous list was 32. Made calls introducing ourselves - 16 of the 32 have returned. Will continue doing the calls.

*Board of Evangelism - Jan Snyder*

- Thanked everyone who assisted with the Water for the Weary booth.
- Working on a gift packet for visitors.

*Board of Fellowship - Dennis Weiss*

- Thanked all for the food for Pastor Bob's farewell.
- Getting ready for coffee hour between services. Asking other boards and committees for assistance with food.
- Survey results coming in - looking for new ideas.

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*Board of Finance - Diane Mills*

- July Income: \$ 141,396.57; Expense: \$ 74,412.50
- Fiscal Year 18-19 Surplus to date: \$ 66,984.07
- Starting **Deficit** 06/30/18: (\$ 17,413.64); current surplus: \$49,570.43
- FY 17/18 Total Income: \$ 1,022,595.31; Expenses: \$978,305.88
- Mortgage Balance: \$ 688,334.15
- 99 families have registered for school - 132 students; 48 - paid in full; 36 - will pay monthly through April; 15 - will pay through January.
- Memorials Report - The Don Haines Scholarship Fund has \$5,230 - Bethany Daenzer was the 2018 recipient. During the second quarter, Memorials received one request for fiber cable for computer upgrades and was approved. \$15,652 available for requests.

*Board of Social Concerns - Melissa Wagner*

- Partnered with Dorcas for the Summer Festival Bake Sale. All did well. Money from the bake sale will go to the Millington Ministerial Alliance.
- Working on a scrapbook event in October.
- Next event will be the Giving Tree.

*Board of Stewardship - No Report*

*Board of Trustees - Jon Keinath*

- Thanked all who helped with the parsonage prep and grounds clean up. Painting left to do in parsonage.
- Air conditioner installed in daycare. Teresa Walter thanked the trustee for the air conditioner in 1st grade.
- School office renovation underway.
- Working on electronic lock on daycare/childcare and internal door to safe room.

*Salary & Personnel - Tim Keinath*

- Worked on the Employee Handbook - time off and vacation time. Asked the Board of Ed. and principal to do better tracking of this.

*Trust & Investment - No Report*

*Administrative Pastor - Printed Report*

- Visits: 6 hospital visits or contacts; 30 visits to shut-ins - 9 of these were the second time around - 5 have attended church and were not visited. Unable to connect with 3 and bumped into another at the festival.
- Rev. Tim Martinal - Associate Pastor will be arriving Aug. 23. Installation on Sept. 9th at 3PM. Discussing pastoral duties after his arrival.
- Preparing for Jr. and Adult Confirmation classes once the school year starts.
- Making arrangements for a guest wedding officiant for Sept. 22nd since my niece is getting married the same weekend out of state.
- Pastor Smith helped develop a prayer ministry team. Intent is to encourage members to be active in some area of prayer. Once again, Pastor Smith was a blessing during the vacancy.
- Sunday morning Bible Class has continued through the summer with good attendance.
- Have a list of 12 potential attendees for another Adult Instruction Class in the fall.
- Thank you to Matt and Angie Ayotte for promoting our youth ministry in the Old Fashioned Festival parade.
- I enjoyed working the the two St. Paul food booths and appreciate ALL the other volunteers that made these functions possible.
- Hearing positive feedback about the summer worship schedule.
- We recite our mission statement each week. What does this look like for a Vision Statement: Reaching out to more people in Jesus' name. Loving the ones that are here.

Discussed the 50th anniversary of the church. April 1968 - 2018.

Moved and supported to ask the Historical Committee to work on a celebration for the 50th anniversary of the church. Report back in October.

Motion Carried.

Closed with the common doxology.

Moved and supported to adjourn at 4PM.

Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacey Force  
Congregational Secretary

# Birthday Celebrations

Kylie Gaval	11/1	Brandon Ehrmantraut	11/14	Brooklynn Damm	11/26
Brady Henderson	11/1	Evan Hoard	11/14	Harry Keipinger	11/26
Mackenzie Ramsey	11/1	Krystle Lorenz	11/14	Maddison Matthews	11/26
David Reyna	11/1	Brandon Rude	11/14	Jason Stiers	11/26
George Corrigan III	11/2	Amy Saeger	11/14	Emma Zeck	11/26
Tammy Weber	11/2	Austin Weber	11/14	Kelly Lich	11/27
Trisha Ferrier	11/3	David Williams	11/14	Jeremy Love	11/27
Justin Meier	11/3	Shellie Cerasoli	11/15	Nicole Smith	11/27
Ashley Morrow	11/3	David Derscha	11/15	Cory Stange	11/27
Suzanne Husted	11/4	Harland Goodhue	11/15	Jackson Woodridge	11/27
Dawn Meacham	11/4	Michael Griesing	11/15	Tracy Anderson	11/28
Melissa Petzold	11/4	Rachel Higgins	11/15	Brittany Nelson	11/28
Connor Erlenbeck	11/5	Scott Koch	11/15	Tyler Auernhammer	11/29
Grace Erlenbeck	11/5	Kellie Reinert	11/15	Riley Reed	11/29
Jillian Fackler	11/5	Ronda Sayyae	11/15	Dakota Stevens	11/29
Chastity Fall	11/5	Daniel Smith	11/15	David Wiacek	11/29
Holly Petzold	11/5	Aurelia Wilson	11/15	Earl Casto	11/30
Brett Bassett	11/6	Joseph Bassett	11/16	Sharon Cunningham	11/30
Stefanie Compaore	11/6	Ann Beckrow	11/16	Brandon Dormire	11/30
Charles Eilers	11/6	Joshua Burns	11/16	Bernice Hinz	11/30
Vicki Kabat	11/6	Douglas Davies	11/16	Peyton Sheppard	11/30
Hailey Ketels	11/6	Justin Duranseau	11/16	Keira Wiacek	11/30
Austin Koch	11/6	Ilah Fall	11/16		
Robert Opperman	11/6	James Henderson Sr.	11/16		
Robert Ramsey	11/6	James Kribs	11/16		
Daniel Wood	11/6	Caden Heike	11/17		
Steven Adamic	11/7	Brandon Shufelt	11/17		
Randy Hutchinson	11/7	Kailee Fackler	11/18		
Landon Petzold	11/7	James Petzold	11/18		
Royce Shamel	11/7	Amanda Stohon	11/18		
Michael Sherman	11/7	Roger Wendt	11/18		
Thomas Shufelt	11/7	Brian White	11/18		
Abigail Skouson	11/7	Easton Aguirre	11/19		
Tricia Borcherding	11/8	David Hergenreder	11/19		
Faith Damm	11/8	Dylan Holmes	11/19		
Ashleigh Devereaux	11/8	Conner MacKay	11/19		
Sharon Gross	11/8	John Clouse	11/20		
Paul Keipinger	11/8	Bruce Edler	11/20		
Peyton Schmandt	11/8	Doris Gardner	11/20		
Amanda Bickel	11/9	Gail Holmes	11/20		
Sherry Fall	11/9	Leon Kuberski	11/20		
Becca Jacobs	11/9	Joyce Wager	11/20		
Lori Jones	11/9	Michael Yatsevich	11/20		
Monica Koeltzow	11/9	Stephen Beckman	11/21		
Zachary Maas	11/9	Jamie Fackler	11/21		
Lester Miller	11/9	Benjamin Shreve	11/21		
Stephanie Carlyon	11/10	Nathaniel Kern	11/22		
Sandra Jones	11/10	Jenna Mason	11/22		
Alanna Kabat	11/10	Hailey Paquette	11/22		
Randy Keinath	11/10	Christian Selich	11/22		
Richard Milostan	11/10	Sarah Stewart	11/22		
Sean Pappenfuss	11/10	Danny Detgen	11/23		
Ray Peche	11/10	Annabelle Hayden	11/23		
Robin Rohn	11/10	Sarah Jolly	11/23		
Briana Schmandt	11/10	Anthony Kohler	11/23		
Nathan Weber	11/10	Amanda Maschke	11/23		
Kevin Bastian	11/11	Carrie Ratza	11/23		
Donald Bierlein	11/11	Joel Smith	11/23		
Zachery Finatri	11/11	Laura Blue	11/24		
Nathan Bouck	11/12	Jacob Gorsuch	11/24		
Myrna Clouse	11/12	Emily Hunt	11/24		
Madeline Hanlin	11/12	Lillie Keinath	11/24		
Mildred Maurer	11/12	Ann McPherson	11/24		
Maggie Cobb	11/13	Shawn Bouck	11/25		
Janice Gordon	11/13	Joshua Lux	11/25		
Violet Hornfeld	11/13	James MacKay	11/25		
Diane Mills	11/13	Christopher Weakley	11/25		
Randall Daenzer	11/14	Jill Webster	11/25		



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Be happy!  
 Today is the day  
 you were brought  
 into this world  
 to be a blessing  
 and inspiration  
 to the people  
 around you!



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# Monthly Messenger

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