

St. Paul Lutheran Church

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From the Pastor's Desk:

The Bible in Seven Words or Less

Recently, I was reading one of the magazines that I get (The Christian Century) and one of the articles really made me think.

The article was called 'What is the Bible for?' What the editors of the magazine did was ask a whole variety of writers to answer this question using seven words or less. As I read, this article challenged me to think about how I would answer the question. At first it seems like it would be an easy task, but I found it more difficult than I thought it would be. After all, how do you summarize this massive collection of writing into a few words. Additionally, the question is 'What is the Bible for?' and not simply a summary of the Bible.

The first thought that I had was the acronym I was taught years ago—BIBLE is Basic Instruction Before Leaving Earth. While I think that there is some validity in this acronym, I am not sure that it encompasses all of what the Bible is for.

As I thought more and more about this task, I took time to read through what others came up with. Below are some of the answers given—some I found helpful, others not so much:

- A declaration of dependence (Philip Jenkins)
- Awakening us to God's insistent call (Shai Held)
- Asking questions but not always giving answers (Stephanie Buckhanon Crowder)
- A library of human encounters with divinity (Barbara Brown Taylor)
- Providing wisdom about God, life, and love (Jon Mathieu)
- An invitation to live as God's love (Isaac S. Villegas)
- Telling us about people following God (Reggie Williams)
- Offering latitude and longitude coordinates for life (Grant Wacker)
- Stirring us to believe in costly love (Peter Marty)
- Connecting God's people across millennia through story (Celeste Kennel-Shank)
- A rip-roaring library to inspire ongoing conversation (Brian McLaren)
- Showing us God's grace, love, and salvation (Niveen Ibrahim Sarras)
- Gathering around stories of encounter with God (Amy Frykholm)
- Being a word beyond words (Robin Lovin)
- Telling a story in breath, rhythm, song (Brian Bantum)
- Expressing God's longing for relationship with creation (Malka Simkovich)
- Revealing the character and purpose of God (Samuel Wells)
- Encountering the Divine through story and thought (Dawn Araujo-Hawkins)
- Revealing God's tenacious love for us (Richard Kauffman)
- Falling into a literary ocean, infinitely deep (Carol Zaleski)
- Christ's repair of everything we ruin (Jason Byassee)
- Encountering God's grace (M. Craig Barnes)

Here is what I came up with: Teaching us the depth of God's love—throughout the Bible we hear of God's continual pursuit to restore His relationship with humanity and his love for all of creation. All this shows us the depth and magnitude of God's love for all people and creation.

What would your seven words be?

Pastor Steve

August Volunteers

Communion Assistants

Donald Schnitker (8:00)	Kendall Alstatt (10:15)					
Communion Prep						
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Aug. 10—Mandy Otte (8:00)	Alotott family (10:15)					
Aug. 17— Aug. 24—Phyllis Cupp (8:00)	Alstatt family (10:15)					
Aug. 31—ONE SERVICE AT 9:00—SIGN-UP AT THE WELCOME CENTER						
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Aug. 10—Mandy Otte (8:00)	Lois Bryden (10:15)					
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Aug. 3—Tim England

- Aug. 10—Hannah Baker
- Aug. 17—Jamie Baker Aug. 24—Hannah Baker
- Aug. 31—ONE SERVICE AT 9:00—SIGN-UP AT THE WELCOME CENTER

Flowers

- Aug. 3—Ruth Ann Newkirk
- Aug. 10—Tammi Reinbold
- Aug. 17—Linda Guinn
- Aug. 24—Need volunteer Aug. 31—Need volunteer

Leader

need volunteer

Summer Sunday School Volunteers

Aug. 3—

Snack Leah Otte

PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE WELCOME CENTER

CHURCH COUNCIL

Chairman—Chuck Newkirk Secretary—Heidi Wheatley Financial Secretary—Amelia Shaw Elders—Shirley Lewis & Cathy Wente **Deacons**—Dan Holle & Karen Dringenburg Treasurer—Kristina McIntosh Trustees—Aaron Otte & Tim England

September Volunteers

Communion Assistants

Marj Rust (10:15)

Communion Prep

Sept. 7-Sept. 14-Gwen Newkirk (8:00) Sept. 21-

Sept. 28—Casey Engelau (8:00)

Doug Fish (8:00)

Lectors Sept. 7-Dot Goodwin (8:00) Sept. 14-Amelia Shaw (8:00) Sept. 21-Ruth Ann Newkirk (8:00) Sept. 28—Leah Otte (8:00)

Kendall Alstatt (10:15) Judy Wonning (10:15) Matt Tangman (10:15) Laberta Otte (10:15)

Nina Franke (10:15)

Judy Wonning (10:15)

Acolytes

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Deacon (10:15) Henry Fountain (10:15) Deacon (10:15) Kayla Franke (10:15)

Projectors

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Michelle Wood (10:15) Marc Fountain (10:15) Michelle Wood (10:15) Matt Tangman (10:15)

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(always at 8:00 service)

- Sept. 7-Tim England Sept. 14-Jamie Baker
- Sept. 21-Tim England Sept. 28—Hannah Baker

Flowers

- Sept. 7-Need volunteer
- Sept. 14—Carmen Herkamp
- Sept. 21-Wilma Clavcamp
- Sept. 28-Need volunteer

August Birthdays

- 2 Owen Newkirk
- 3 Beau Cragun
- 4 Cathy Schafstall
- 4 Brian Rorick
- 6 Dana Layton
- 8 Nina Paswater
- 8 Mark Hoffmeier
- 11 Seth Wonning
- 12 Beau Cupp
- 13 Jessica Howard
- 14 Leo Cupp
- 15 David Rotert
- 16 Abe Engelau
- 17 John Knoke 17 Weston Claycamp
- 17 Andrew Shaw
- 18 Linda Lou Claycamp
- 18 Emmett McCory
- 18 Hannah Davis
- 19 Courtney Mansfield
- 28 Leo Tormoehlen
- 28 Mayleigh Briner

- 19 Emerson Ingle 20 Michael Baker
 - 20 Walker Dunn

21 John Rust

- 21 Oliver Lanam
 - 21 Finley Cragun
 - 21 Liliana Swaney

19 Tyson Lawles

- 22 Thomas Hoffmeier
- 23 Kathy Kleffman
- 23 Robert Smith
- 24 Kayla Baker
- 24 Greta Brown
- 24 Alice Rapp
- 24 Shelli Plummer 25 Derek Hoene
- 25 Cali Fox
- 27 Drake Kleffman
- 27 Wade Rapp



UPCOMING WORSHIP

Below are the lessons and some thoughts about the upcoming Sundays. Please

August 3rd:

Text— Luke 12:13-21

Today's texts offer instruction and encouragement for all who are occasionally overwhelmed by the "unhappy business" of life. Jesus urges us to take care and be on guard against all kinds of greed. We who have died with Christ in holy baptism have also been raised with him and are encouraged to elevate our thinking, seeking the "things that are above." To that end we seek the sustenance of the Lord's supper and the encouragement of God's word.

August 10th:

Text Luke 12:32-40

Jesus says, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." It is God's promise from the beginning—to Abraham, to the early church, and to the "little flock" of which we are a part today in assembly. Faith, God's baptismal gift, trusts the promises of God. Have no fear.

August 17th:

Text—Luke 12:49-56

The word of God is a refining fire. Jesus is the great divide in human history. He invites our undivided attention and devotion. Today, in the assembly, we are surrounded by "so great a cloud of witnesses." In the word and in the holy communion we are invited yet again to look to Jesus, "the pioneer and perfecter of our faith."

August 24th:

Text-Luke 11:1-13

Remember the sabbath day. Call the sabbath a delight. This is the Lord's day, and the Lord will do for us what the Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at all the wonderful things God is doing.

August 31st:

Text— Luke 14:1,7-14

(One Service-9:00 AM)

Invited and inviting—that is the nature of the church. By God's grace in holy baptism we have a place at the banquet table of the Lord. When, by the power of that same Spirit, humility and mutual love continue among us, the church can be more inviting still.

Lutheran World Relief

It's time again to collect items for Lutheran World Relief school kits and personal care kits. Please put items in the Lutheran World Relief box near the kitchen.

School Supplies:

- 70 sheet notebooks (wide or college-ruled)
- 30 cm rulers
- black OR blue ball point pens (no gel ink) ink pens
- boxes of 16 OR 24-count crayons

Personal Care Kits:

- bath towels (between 20"x40" and 52"x27", dark colors recommended)
- bars of soap (4-4 1/2 oz.)
- metal nail clippers (with OR without attached file)



CORN NEEDED

We are in need of **40 gallons** of freshly frozen corn for the Borchers Supper in November.

Please sign-up at the Welcome Center

PICNIC GROVE Lawn Mowing Volunteers



NEED VOLUNTEER FOR OCTOBER

Please sign up at the Welcome Center.



Welcome to Mylo Mark Allen Davis, son of Kaelen and Dylan Davis who was baptized on June 29, 2025. He was born on May 15, 2025. His sponsors are Kylie Eglen and Brayden Scruggs.

Reception to welcome Intern Beth

AUGUST 3

between services

INTERN BETH'S ADDRESS:

6571 N. Mill St., Cortland, IN 47228 (right behind the elevator, next to Floyd & Carol Browning)

Helpful Suggestions for the beginning of an Internship

As we welcome Beth Sheedy, our pastoral intern, here are some items to keep in mind:

- Be welcoming. Please take time to intentionally greet Beth and share with her about yourself and take time to learn about her. Some ways to encourage being welcoming:
 - Everyone is encouraged to wear a nametag during the month of August. While we have only one name to remember, she has a lot of names to remember. Nametags will help reinforce the learning of names.
 - Feel free to invite Beth for a meal or coffee.
 Take time to get to know her.
- All interns are different. Each intern comes with different gifts and strengths as well as growth areas.

It is important to see Beth for who she is and encourage her in her journey towards pastoral ministry.

Wearing Nametags

At worship, we will have nametags to fill out and wear to help Intern Beth learn our names. Remember, she has many names to learn and we only have one.

Internship Committee

Tuesday, August 12 at 7:00 p.m.

Summer Garden Share

On Sundays in August, there will be a table set up outside the front doors. If you have extra produce/ vegetables from your garden, feel free to leave it there on Sunday mornings for others to take! Anything remaining after second service will be removed and taken to the Anchor House Food Pantry on Monday morning, by some of our congregation youth.





At each monthly council meeting and at congregational meetings, people in attendance are asked to give "rainbows" to individuals or groups who have done something that deserves recognition and appreciation.

- Jamie & Maddie, all the volunteers, and all those helping to make Daycamp great!
- Those who helped change the lightbulbs in the sanctuary—Aaron Otte, Robert Runge, Logan Runge, Gary Wente and Tony Schafstall
- Trish Tangman for organizing the BBC outing in June

Women's Group Ideas

I've had some people talk to me about possible ideas for new women's groups. If you are looking for something to enrich your spiritual and fellowship life, let me know what you're looking for. Hopefully we can get some new groups together.

-Michelle Wood



Contacting College Students

We like to mail care packages to our college students. If your student would like to be a part of this, please supply the church office with their address.



Fair Displays

August 3

Show off your 4-H projects, Family Arts entries, ribbons, 10 year displays or anything else fair related in the fellowship hall between services. Borchers is blessed with amazing talent; thank you for sharing it with us!

Parsonage Groundbreaking August 10

We're breaking new ground—literally! Join us on **Sunday, August 10 at 9:30 AM** (during Sunday School) for a special **Groundbreaking Ceremony** as we celebrate the start of construction on our new parsonage. This is a moment of thanksgiving, vision, and community as we move forward in faith together.

We invite everyone—young and old—to bring a shovel—yes, really! After a brief service of blessing and dedication, all are welcome to take part in turning the first soil. Whether it's a garden spade or a golden ceremonial shovel, your participation will help mark this important milestone in the life of our congregation.

Let's come together in joy and hope for what God is building among us! After the groundbreaking, the 10:15 Service will be held at the picnic shelter and followed by the Sunday School picnic.

Sunday School Kickoff and Picnic

August 10

Students will lead the 10:15 a.m. service at the picnic woods this day before their picnic fun and games! **Please bring a side dish to share.**

SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY

- 10:15 a.m. Service at the Picnic Woods (Mission Trip Presentation)
- 11:00 a.m. (approx) Meal grilled burgers, hotdogs & pitch-in sides
- 11:30 a.m. (approx) Sunday School Games begin

Regular Sunday School classes will resume on Sunday, August 17 at 9 a.m.



Labor Day Weekend

One Worship Service

August 31 ● 9:00 a.m.

Please sign up at the Welcome Center to help

OLGA'S 18th ANNUAL LABOR DAY PITCH-IN

August 31

beginning at 5:00 p.m. at the home of Olga Otte 8575 N. Base Rd., Seymour

Meat, drinks and table service provided

Please bring food to share and your lawn chairs.

RSVP by August 24 Olga — 812-497-2253 or text 812-525-4741

Borchers Preschool Back-to-School Night

Sunday, August 10 6:00 p.m.

Parents and kids are invited to meet the teachers and drop off school supplies.

The first day of preschool is:

August 11 — 3/4's and 4/5's August 15 — 2's

Preschool Mum Sale

August 11-28



RUTH CIRCLE

Thursday, August 21 at 1:00 p.m. at church

Ladies' Lunch

Tuesday, August 19 at 11:30 a.m. at GuateMex, 103 N. Chestnut St., Seymour

All are welcome for a short devotion, lunch and fellowship. Everyone pays for themselves.

WINGS (Women in God's Service)

WILL NOT MEET UNTIL SEPTEMBER



Kids Bells

Tuesday, September 9 6:30 p.m.

Adult Bells and Choir will begin sometime in Septem-

Borchers Supper & Bazaar

November 7 4:00—7:00 p.m.

If you're canning items from your garden, remember that some can be sold in our Craft/Bake Sale area.

It's not too soon to begin making items for our Craft/Bake Sale area!

Men's Group

WILL NOT MEET UNTIL SEPTEMBER

Questions? Talk to Chris Otte or Dean Dringenburg.



BOOK BUZZ

Monday, August 25 1:00 p.m.

We'll discuss books we've read over the summer and pick books to discuss for upcoming months. Questions? Talk to Trish Tangman or Michelle Wood.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

WILL NOT MEET IN AUGUST

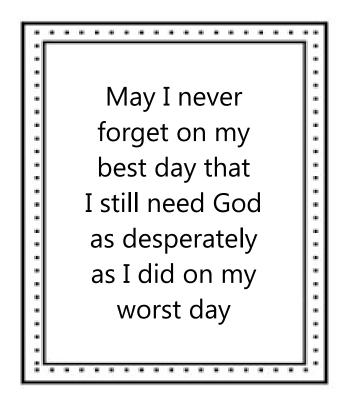
Anniversary Committee

Sunday, August 3 at 9:00 a.m.

Adult Sunday School

Beginning August 17

We will be studying the book of Judges. Everyone is welcome!



St. Paul Borchers MERCH SHOP

Borchers gear continues to be available through our online shop - run by Tim and Kathy England / TKE Designs. A portion of proceeds will be donated to Luther League. Thank you!



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St. Paul Borchers Care Team

SENIOR CARE:

Borchers Devotions

Thursday, August 7 at 8:30 a.m.

Come join us for devotions in the sanctuary and then join Borchers Breakfast Club for breakfast, games and activities.

Borchers Breakfast Club

Thursdays 9:00 a.m.-noon

We meet every Thursday morning from 9:00 to 12:00 for breakfast, activities, and social time. YOU are welcome to join the group just for breakfast, or for the entire morning. Breakfast Club birthdays are celebrated monthly on the third Thursday.

Leftovers from weekly BBC breakfasts are available to participants and can be delivered to anyone else who would appreciate this effort. If you or someone you know might like a weekly or occasional delivery please let Charlena Warfield or Trish Tangman know.

If I Get Dementia

Thrive Alliance has offered tips for how to relate to individuals with dementia (written as if from a person with dementia). We will be listing a few tips each month:

- Announce yourself when you arrive, "Hi! It's (your name)." DON'T ask, "Do you know who I am?" That makes me anxious.
- If I am not sure who you are, please don't take it personally. My timeline is confusing to me.
- Ask me to tell you a story from my past.

St Paul will soon be listed as a "dementia-friendly" church by Thrive Alliance. Our staff has been trained and we are working toward furthering our status in the area.



Hendricks County, IN

Wednesday, August 13

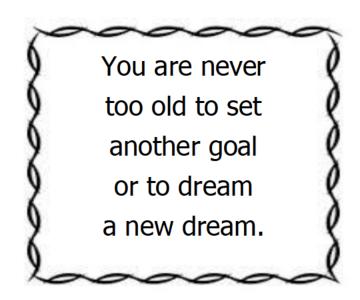
The day will begin with a visit to Avon Gardens where we'll have a private tour of the tranquil paths, enjoy the flowers and shop in the garden center. Next we will enjoy lunch at Oasis Diner, one of the only historical diners remaining on US 40. We will round out the day with a guided tour of Hendricks County Historical Museum and imagine life as an inmate of the Old County Jail.



Tai Chi Exercise

Every Thursday morning at 9:30 a.m.

This is a meditative form of exercise based on components of ancient martial arts. This takes place for 40 minutes every Thursday morning in the preschool room. Drop-ins are welcome! It's FREE! Our leaders are Beth & Dot Goodwin.





St. Paul Borchers Care Team

MISSION CARE/COMMUNITY CARE:





boxed macaroni & cheese

Please place your donations in the wooden box near the kitchen marked "Food Pantry", or in the basket near the main entry doors. Items are to food pantries at Anchor House, Provisions and Jamestown Apartments.

Turning Point

Domestic Violence Services

Deodorant (men's & women's)

Donations may be placed in the box near the kitchen marked "Turning Point".



STUFFED ANIMAL MINISTRY

Stuffed animals are available on the Welcome Center. These cuddly animals are available to anyone who knows of a child who is going through a difficult experience and might be comforted by one of these stuffed animals and the words attached to each one's neck.

Please feel free to take a stuffed animal and give it to a child you know who could use a lift.

Pill Bottle Collection

Pill bottle donations should adhere to the following guidelines:

- All labels should be removed, leaving no glue or residue
- All bottles and lids should be washed in very hot water and dish soap, rinsed, and dried thoroughly

Bottles are taken to Matthew 25 Ministries in Cincinnati.



Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, September 16 1:00 – 6:00 PM in the fellowship hall

Please contact Joe Tormoehlen directly to schedule your donation time.

Tell your friends and family about the next blood drive date at St. Paul! Thank you for continuing to remember the need for donations in our area.

SWAP/GIVEAWAY

Tupperware & Pet Supplies

Saturday, September 20 9:00-10:30

(will remain on display Sunday, September 21)

There has been interest expressed in "getting rid of our stuff". Things accumulate over the years and before we know it we just have too much stuff! Bring your excess themed stuff (clean and in working order, please!) to give away to others, and take what you need! Anything left over is then donated.

COMING UP

Tuesday, September 9

6:00 p.m.

Are you up to date on your will?

A guest speaker from Voelz, Reed & Mount will address the issue of wills.



JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL EACH WEEK AT 9 A.M. FOR ALL AGES.

SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK-OFF AND PICNIC

Sunday, August 10

Students will lead the 10:15 a.m. service at the picnic woods this day before their picnic fun and games!

Please bring a side dish to share.

SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY 10:15 a.m. Service at the Picnic Woods 11:00 a.m. (approx) Meal - grilled burgers, hotdogs & pitch-in sides 11:30 a.m. (approx) Sunday School Games begin

Please contact Jamie if your student would like to help with readings or leading.

Regular Sunday School classes will resume on Sunday, August 17 at 9 a.m.

MISSION TRIP RECAP

Thank you for supporting our summer youth mission trip to Bayou La Batre, Alabama!

20 of our youth and adults were able to meet and serve so many others in the community. We worked at food pantries and distribution centers, clothing missions, training and community centers, and took care of outside maintenance at several individual homes. We stayed VERY warm in the sun, but enjoyed our time together! Our adult leaders and the local staff were SO impressed and thankful for our teens - they were hard working and a blessing to each community site we visited.

The mission trip group will present details from our trip at the 10:15 service on August 10.

CONNECT WITH US

Check our website for dates, letters and more details from Borchers YFM.



https://stpaul-borchers.org/youth/

Contact Us:

Maddie Whiteside

maddie@stpaul-borchers.org

Jamie Baker

jamie@stpaul-borchers.org

Group members will meet in the high school room on August 3 at 6 p.m. to plan this presentation. Please bring your 'Dust' devotional books to this meeting.

CONFIRMATION & YOUTH GROUPS

Groups will begin on September 14. Confirmation Students will receive a separate mailing with class details. Please contact the office if you do not receive this mailing. Information is also available on our website at <u>stpaul-borchers.org/youth</u> or in the church app.

Please see the included YFM schedule for youth dates through the end of the year. Add them to your calendars now. We will continue to use the App "GroupMe" for any last minute updates, messaging and reminders. Join codes are printed on the included YFM schedule.



Our first practice will be Tuesday, September 9 at 6:30 p.m. New ringers are welcome to join us! We will play during services approximately once a month. Contact Jamie with any questions.

UPCOMING YFM DATES

Aug 3 Last Day of Summer Sunday School & Fair Displays Aug 3 Mission Trip meeting Aug 10 Sunday School Kick-off and picnic, Mission Trip recap Aug 17 First Day of Regular Sunday School Aug 31 One Service - 9 a.m. No Sunday School Sept 9 Kids Bells First Practice Sept 14 First meetings for Elementary Group, Confirmation Classes and Luther League Sept 21 Acolyte & Projector Training - 9 a.m.



August 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 8:00 am Worship 9:00 am Sunday School 9:00 am Fair Displays 9:00 am Reception for Intern Beth 10:15 am Communion 6:00 pm Mission Trip meeting	4	5	6	7 8:30 am Devotions in the sanctuary 9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club 9:30 am Tai Chi	8	9
10 Sunday School Kickoff & Picnic 8:00 am Communion 9:30 am Parsonage Groundbreaking 10:15 am Worship at picnic grove (Mission Trip presentation) 11:00 am Meal 11:30 am Games begin	9:00 am Preschool (first day for 3/4 and 4/5)	12	13 9:00 am Preschool Trip to Hendricks County	14 9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club 9:30 am Tai Chi	15 9:00 am Preschool (first day for 2/3)	16
6:00 pm Borchers Preschool Back-to-School Night		7:00 pm Internship Committee				
17 Newsletter Deadline 8:00 am Worship 9:00 am Regular Sunday School begins 10:15 am Communion	18 9:00 am Preschool	19 11:30 am Ladies' Lunch at GuateMex	20 9:00 am Preschool	21 9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club 9:30 am Tai Chi 1:00 pm Ruth Circle at church	22 9:00 am Preschool	23
	7:00 pm Church Council			NO MEN'S GROUP		
24 Deadline for Olga's Party 8:00 am Communion 9:00 am Sunday School 10:15 am Worship	25 9:00 am Preschool 1:00 pm Book Buzz	26	27 9:00 am Preschool	28 9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club 9:30 am Tai Chi	29 9:00 am Preschool	30
31 9:00 A.M. ONE SERVICE No Sunday School 5:00 pm Olga Labor Day Pitch-in						

YFM Schedule

2025-2026

Sunday School

All Ages Sunday Mornings, 9-10 am

No classes on Memorial, Independence, & Labor Day weekends

Confirmation

Grades 6-8 Sunday Evenings, once a month

5:00-6:15 pm **Class 1*** 6:30-7:45 pm **Class 2***

*classes split by Pastor

Youth Groups

Sunday Evenings, once a month

5:00 p.m. Elementary Group 6:30 p.m. Luther League (9-12th)

Jr High plans several Sunday afternoon activities through the year, watch bulletins for details

Wednesday Youth

Nights

Grades 6-12 Every other Wednesday

6:30 p.m. Bible Study & activities

AUGUST

- 3 Last Day of Summer Sunday School Classes
- 10 KICK-OFF & SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC
- 17 First Day of New Sunday School Classes
- 31 LABOR DAY WEEKEND No Sunday School

SEPTEMBER

- 9 Kids Bells begins, 6:30pm
- 10 Wednesday Youth begins
- 14 Elementary Group, Confirmation Classes & Luther League Meeting
- 21 Acolyte, projector & camera training, 9am
- 21 Jr High Afternoon Activity

OCTOBER

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- Elementary Group, Confirmation Classes & Luther League Meeting
- 26 2nd grade Bibles given
- 31 FRI TRUNK OR TREAT

NOVEMBER

Please let your Sunday School teachers know in November if you will / will not be participating in the Christmas Eve Program. Parts will be passed out before Thanksgiving.

- 7 Bazaar (students encouraged to volunteer)
- 7-9 Confirmation Retreat at Lutheran Hills
- 16 Elementary Group & Luther League Meeting
- 23 Jr High Afternoon Activity

DECEMBER

- 14 LL Cookie Walk Program Practice, 9-10
- 14 Luther League Christmas Party
- 21 Program Practice, 9-1pm
- 21 CAROLING (1pm, all groups)
- 24 CHRISTMAS EVE PROGRAM

Students arrive at 6:40pm Program begins at 7:00pm

Contact Jamie or Maddie if your student is interested in providing music during the program.

NEED REMINDERS? WANT GROUP MESSAGES?

This year, we will again use GroupMe for youth reminders, messaging and last minute updates.

Join the groups below or contact Jamie and Maddie if you need assistance.

Luther League / High School



Jr High & Confirmation



Elementary & Preschool



YFM Schedule

2025-2026

Sunday School

All Ages Sunday Mornings, 9-10 am

No classes on Memorial, Independence, & Labor Day weekends

Confirmation

Grades 6-8 Sunday Evenings, once a month

5:00-6:15 pm **Class 1*** 6:30-7:45 pm **Class 2***

*classes split by Pastor

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JANUARY

- 11 Elementary Group,Confirmation Classes &Luther League Meeting
- 14 Wednesday Youth resumes
- 25 Jr High Afternoon Activity

FEBRUARY

- 13 FRI Jr High Valentine Dinner, Confirmation Class & Lock-in
- 15 Elementary Group & Luther League Meeting
- 22 First Communion Classes begin, 9am

MARCH

8 Elementary Group, Confirmation Classes & Luther League Meeting

APRIL

- 3 THU Seder Meal/ First Communion
- 4 FRI Jr High help with Good Friday Service
- 4 SAT Jr High Hide Eggs EASTER EGG HUNT

- 5 Luther League Sunrise Service and Easter Breakfast
- 19 Elementary Group, Confirmation Classes & Luther League Meeting

April Confirmation Classes will include Stole Making/Parent Walk-through for 3rd year students and their families.

26 Jr High Afternoon Activity

MAY

3 CONFIRMATION SERVICE One Service, 9am

- No Sunday School
- 17 Last Day of Regular Sunday School Classes
- 17 Elementary Group & Luther League Meeting
- 24 MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND No Sunday School

SAVE THE DATE!

SUMMER 2026

JUNE 2025

8-12 DAYCAMP WEEK

"RAINFOREST FALLS" Exploring the Nature of God

JULY 2025

14 JR/SR HIGH/COLLEGE YOUTH TRIP TO KINGS ISLAND

Summer Youth Trip Dates will be chosen during fall Luther League meetings. Join us to help plan! St. Paul Lutheran Church 10792 N 210 E Seymour, IN 47274

Return Service Requested

ONLINE WORSHIP <u>OPTIONS:</u>

LIVE STREAM 8:00 SERVICE

We live stream our 8:00 a.m. worship services.

SUNDAY SNIPPET

This is a short, prerecorded video that has prayer, benediction, a scripture reading from the appointed readings for that Sunday and a brief reflection/commentary on the reading.

> Both of these can be found Sunday mornings on our YouTube channel at: St Paul Lutheran Borchers

BORCHERS CHURCH APP

This app allows you to access everything in one place on your cell phone. View our calendar of events, watch worship videos, listen to the "Sunday Snippet" podcasts, chat with church members and more!

> Download the app anytime by visiting: <u>tithely.app.link/stpaul-borchers</u>

