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From the Pastor's Desk:

Words We Use, Words We Need to Understand

If you have ever sat in a worship service and thought, *'I've heard that word a hundred times... but what does it really mean?'*—you're not alone. Church life is full of words that roll off our tongues easily, yet their depth and richness can sometimes escape us. Words like *grace*, *forgiveness*, and *repentance* are at the heart of the Christian faith, but familiarity can sometimes lead us to overlook their true meaning and power.

This fall, our congregation will begin a special series of Bible studies exploring **common church words**—words we use often but may not fully grasp. We will spend two weeks on each word, opening the Scriptures, and discovering what these words really mean, how Jesus embodies it, and what it means for our daily walk as His disciples.

We'll begin with three foundational concepts:

Grace – Grace is more than 'God being nice' or 'getting something we don't deserve.' It is the very heartbeat of the Gospel—the free and undeserved love of God poured out through Jesus Christ. The Bible tells us, *'For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God'* (Ephesians 2:8). Grace is God's initiative, His pursuit of us, His unearned favor that changes our lives. But grace is also a calling—it invites us to live as people shaped by mercy, generosity, and compassion.

Forgiveness – We talk about forgiveness every week in the Lord's Prayer: *'Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.'* But what does it mean to be forgiven? And what does it look like to forgive others? Forgiveness is not pretending the wrong never happened. It is not simply forgetting. Biblical forgiveness involves both truth and mercy—it acknowledges the wound but releases the debt. Jesus' death on the cross is the ultimate act of forgiveness, and His resurrection is the proof that forgiveness can bring new life.

Repentance – Repentance is not just 'feeling sorry' for our sins. The Bible describes it as a turning—turning away from sin and toward God. In Acts 3:19, Peter proclaims, *'Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord.'* Repentance is both an inward change of heart and an outward change in the way we live. It is a gift of God's Spirit, leading us back into His embrace.

These three words—grace, forgiveness, and repentance—are deeply connected. Grace makes forgiveness possible. Forgiveness flows from grace and leads us to repent. Repentance opens us again to the fullness of grace. Understanding them more fully will not only deepen our faith but will also transform the way we live with God and with one another.

We invite you to join us for this series—whether you are new to faith or have been in church your whole life. Together we will rediscover the beauty of the words we say so often, and more importantly, the life-changing truth behind them.

Come ready to learn, share, and grow in your understanding of God's Word.

Pastor Steve

Bible Study Series: Words We Use, Words We Need to Understand

When:

Every Other Wednesday 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Schedule:

- ♦ Sept. 10th—Grace I
- ♦ Sept. 24th—Grace II
- ♦ Oct. 8th—Forgiveness I
- ♦ Oct. 22nd—Forgiveness II
- ♦ Nov. 5th—Repentance I
- ♦ Nov. 19th—Repentance II

Bring:

Your Bible, a notebook,
and your questions!

FROM INTERN BETH...

Let me start this month by taking some time to say thank you to a few people in the congregation. First, let me thank St. Paul as a whole for your warm welcome as your new intern this year. I look forward to seeing what this next year holds for both of us. Allow me to take a few moments to extend a thank you to a few families in the congregation. First, a huge thank you to Carol and Floyd Browning and family for welcoming me onto your property and caring for me as I begin getting settled into life here in Indiana. A special thank you to Mandy, Chris, and Erin Otte for taking me to the Jackson County Fair. Thank you to Larry Guinn, Matt and Trish Tangman, Linda and Gib Claycamp, Everett Newkirk, Hannah Young and Michelle Wood, and Chris, Mandy, and Erin Otte for assisting me in unpacking my moving pods. Thank you to Tim and Kathy England for allowing me to borrow their family table for the year. Thank you to Pastor Steve and Michelle Wood for taking me to the Columbus farmer's market. You have all been so welcoming, and I already feel so incredibly supported by this community, this year together is off to a great start!

In the short time that I have been in Seymour, I have already been immersed in so many Indiana traditions. Jumping right in shortly after I arrived, Erin, Chris, and Mandy took me to the Jackson County Fair. Attending the fair gave me the opportunity to meet some of you, learn about the history of Jackson County, discover some mid-western traditions, and begin integrating myself into life and community.

In the Old Testament (Leviticus 23) we read about a variety of different festivals that each have their own purpose. Some of the festivals include the Festival of Passover, where an offering is provided to the Lord in celebration of the last Plague in Egypt. We also read about a festival of the First Fruits, which was a feast to thank and honor God for all that was provided. Another was the Feast of Trumpets, in which God's people celebrate the command of rest.

While at the fair, I felt the work of the Spirit in all of these ways. The Otte family walked me through the various buildings at the fair talking to me about the county and fair history, explaining the 4-H projects, educating me on some of the farming equipment, and introducing me to elephant ears. The living history present and honored at the fair was a joyful celebration of the story of Jackson County. The displays and crafts told the current story of the area and honored all that Jackson County is able to accomplish for its people. The live-stock showed me a glimpse into all the work that goes toward caring for animals while the food vendors represented the accomplishments of all they were able to produce to sustain themselves and the community. And while the fair is a lot of work for those who participate and tiresome for those who visit and going Friday night at the end of the week, I could feel the rest that everyone could picture following the fair; but I also left feeling refreshed and ready to jump into the community. I pray that as this year continues, I continue to experience God's abundance, the Spirit's rest, and the Lord's celebrations in your community.

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. 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.

Internship Committee Meeting

Tuesday, September 9 at 7:00 p.m.

September Volunteers

Communion Assistants

Doug Fish (8:00) Marj Rust (10:15)

Communion Prep

Sept. 7— Nina Franke (10:15)
 Sept. 14—Gwen Newkirk (8:00)
 Sept. 21— Judy Wanning (10:15)
 Sept. 28—Casey Engela (8:00)

Lectors

Sept. 7—Lou Ann Hoevenner (8:00) Kendall Alstatt (10:15)
 Sept. 14—Amelia Shaw (8:00) Judy Wanning (10:15)
 Sept. 21—Ruth Ann Newkirk (8:00) Matt Tangman (10:15)
 Sept. 28—Ruth Ann Newkirk (8:00) Laberta Otte (10:15)

Acolytes

Sept. 7—Wade Rapp (8:00) Deacon (10:15)
 Sept. 14—Henry Engela (8:00) Henry Fountain (10:15)
 Sept. 21—Grant Wheatley (8:00) Deacon (10:15)
 Sept. 28—Emily Morris (8:00) Kayla Franke (10:15)

Projectors

Sept. 7—Natalie Fish (8:00) Isaac Rust (10:15)
 Sept. 14—Kaelynn Engela (8:00) Marc Fountain (10:15)
 Sept. 21—Michaela Smith (8:00) Michelle Wood (10:15)
 Sept. 28—Melina Engela (8:00) Matt Tangman (10:15)

Cameras

(always at 8:00 service)

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

Flowers

Sept. 7—Charlena Warfield
 Sept. 14—Carmen Herkamp
 Sept. 21—Wilma Claycamp
 Sept. 28—Need volunteer

October Volunteers

Communion Assistants

Chris Otte (8:00) Tim England (10:15)

Communion Prep

Oct. 5— Marj Rust (10:15)
 Oct. 12—Tammi Reinbold (8:00)
 Oct. 19— Linda Guinn (10:15)
 Oct. 26—Jodi Brown (8:00)

Lectors

Oct. 5—Mandy Otte (8:00) Marj Rust (10:15)
 Oct. 12—Lou Ann Hoevenner (8:00) Lois Bryden (10:15)
 Oct. 19—Amy Rotert (8:00) Micah Wayt (10:15)
 Oct. 26—Leah Otte (8:00) Leon Seitz (10:15)

Acolytes

Oct. 5—Sam Engela (8:00) Deacon (10:15)
 Oct. 12—Abe Engela (8:00) Deacon (10:15)
 Oct. 19—Wyatt Hoevenner (8:00) Henry Fountain (10:15)
 Oct. 26—Ben Rapp (8:00) Deacon (10:15)

Projectors

Oct. 5—Susie Schnitker (8:00) Kathy England (10:15)
 Oct. 12—Kaelynn Engela (8:00) Isaac Rust (10:15)
 Oct. 19—Natalie Fish (8:00) Marc Fountain (10:15)
 Oct. 26—Michaela Smith (8:00) Matt Tangman (10:15)

Cameras

(always at 8:00 service)

Oct. 5—Jamie Baker
 Oct. 12—Tim England
 Oct. 19—Hannah Baker
 Oct. 26—Jamie Baker

Flowers

Oct. 5—Need volunteer
 Oct. 12—Carmen Herkamp
 Oct. 19—Tammi Reinbold
 Oct. 26—Kendall & Susie Alstatt

Sunday School Snacks

PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE WELCOME CENTER

Sept. 7—need volunteer Plan to provide
 Sept. 14—need volunteer snacks for 60.
 Sept. 21—need volunteer
 Sept. 28—need volunteer Suggestions are:
 fruit, muffins,
 Oct. 5—need volunteer doughnuts,
 Oct. 12—need volunteer quick breads and
 Oct. 19—need volunteer prepackaged
 Oct. 26—need volunteer snacks.

CHURCH COUNCIL

Chairman—Chuck Newkirk

Secretary—Heidi Wheatley

Financial Secretary—Amelia Shaw

Elders—Shirley Lewis & Cathy Wentz

Deacons—Dan Holle & Karen Dringenburg

Treasurer—Kristina McIntosh

Trustees—Aaron Otte & Tim England

September Birthdays

1 Betty Moorman	17 Carrie Morrison
1 Bryce Rorick	20 Marcus Taulman
2 Jack Rosenberger	20 Bethany Rust
4 Linda Newkirk	21 Quinn Otte
4 Preston (PK) Morrison	21 Zoey Hendrix
9 Linda Seitz	22 James Reinbold
9 George Mansfield IV	23 Alvin Otte
9 Lori Hatfield	24 Samantha Plumlee
9 Ben Simmons	24 Eli Wood
10 Charlotte Warfield	24 Michaela Smith
11 Dugan Otte	24 Lucy Burgess
12 Jacob Rotert	25 Deryl Paswater
12 Sophia Hoene	25 Lois Bryden
13 Mandy Otte	25 Toby Kleffman
13 Noah Rorick	25 Jodi Brown
14 Jessica Sanders	26 Robert Runge
14 Kennedy Engela	28 Dan Ridlen
14 Susan Kaiser	28 Angie Rorick
14 Trenton Brigdon	
16 Mark Cupp	
17 Nathan Newkirk	



UPCOMING WORSHIP

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

September 7th:

Text --Luke 14:25-33

Called to contemplate the cost of discipleship today, we might be helped by translating Paul's request to Philemon into our prayer of the day: Refresh my heart in Christ. Strengthened by the company and forgiveness of the Christ in the blessed sacrament and recalling God's grace in remembrance of baptism, we can be strengthened in this hour to "choose life"—to choose life in God as our own.

September 14th:

Text—Luke 15:1-10

The grumbling of the religious leaders in today's gospel is actually our holy hope: This Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. That our God seeks and saves the lost is not only a holy hope, it is our only hope. As the writer of I Timothy reminds us, 'The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.' Thanks be to God.

September 21st:

Mission Festival

Today we continue the tradition of the Mission Festival—where we have a ministry come and share how they are making a difference for the kingdom of God. The Mission Festival will focus upon Kairos Prison Ministry. Kairos holds a Via de Cristo weekend at a prison—teaching inmates about the love of God and what it means to be a follower of Jesus. Come hear how this ministry makes a difference in the lives of those that participate in this experience.

September 28th:

Text—Luke 16:19-31

Consideration of and care for those in need (especially those "at our gate," visible to us, of whom we are aware) is an essential component of good stewardship. It is in the sharing of wealth that we avoid the snare of wealth. It is the one whom death could not hold—who comes to us risen from the dead—who can free us from the death grip of greed.



St. Paul Lutheran Borchers: Celebrating 175 Years in 2027

*The whole congregation is invited
to get involved in planning activities.*

Stop by the sign-up table (or call the church office) and see where your talents may help.

Sign up for a month where you would like to help plan for events and celebrations for that particular topic. The themes for the months have been picked and there are suggestions as well.

Sign up more than once if you would like.

January — Anniversary Service/Kickoff

February — Talent

March — Easter through the Ages

April — Confirmation Chronicles

May — Lutheran Ladies

June — Our Origins

July — Agriculture in Our Congregation

August — Youth Groups

September — Mission Festival

October — Family Fellowship

November — Luther League

December — The Future of Our Congregation

There are also sign-up sheets if you would like to help with:

- Continuation of the history book
- New cook book
- New picture directory

If you have any questions please ask the Anniversary Committee members: Angel Wentz, Carmen Herkamp, Amelia Shaw, Heidi Wheatley, Judy Wonning, Leah Otte, Amy Rotert & Pastor Steve.

Anniversary Committee Meeting

Sunday, September 7 at 5:00 p.m.

Preparing for Life's Transitions

Tuesday, September 9
at 6:00 p.m.

Blake Reed, experienced elder law attorney with Voelz, Reed & Mount, LLC, explains what steps can be taken to ensure that you and your loved ones have the knowledge you need to be prepared for life transitions and the potential cost of long term care.



Mission Festival

September 21

Kenny Browning
Kairos Prison Ministry

We continue the tradition of the Mission Festival—where we have a ministry come and share how they are making a difference for the kingdom of God.

Kairos holds a Via de Cristo weekend at a prison—teaching inmates about the love of God and what it means to be a follower of Jesus. Come hear how this ministry makes a difference in the lives of those that participate in this experience.

A breakfast will take place between services.

Please sign-up at the Welcome Center to provide food and volunteer to help.

Acolyte Training

Sunday, September 21
9:00 a.m. in the sanctuary

Letters were mailed to those youth who are eligible. If you're not able to attend but want to acolyte, please talk to Pastor Steve.

Projector/Camera Training

Sunday, September 21
9:00 a.m. in the sanctuary

We need people to be trained for both services.
All who are interested, please come!

WELCA Meeting

(Women of the ELCA)

Thursday, September 25
at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall

All women of the church 18 and older are welcome!



**LUTHERAN
WORLD RELIEF**

Ingathering date:
Sunday, September 28

Join us to set-up on:
Saturday, September 27 at 9:00 a.m.

We dedicate the quilts, school kits, personal care kits, baby kits and fabric kits which are assembled for Lutheran World Relief. These items all over the world to those in need.

Items needed for kits:

School Supplies:

- 70 sheet notebooks (wide or college-ruled) — need 300
- black **OR** blue ball point pens (**no gel ink**) ink pens — need 700
- blunt scissors — need 160
- **Unsharpened** #2 pencils — need 350

Personal Care Kits:

- bath towels (between 20"x40" and 52"x27", dark colors recommended) — need 70
- bars of soap (4 oz.) — need 150

Please put items in the Lutheran World Relief box near the kitchen.

HELP NEEDED:

Delivering to
Concordia Lutheran in Greenwood
Saturday, October 17 at 9:00 a.m.

If you can help, please talk to
Jan Otte or Michelle Wood

Women's Groups

RUTH CIRCLE

Thursday, September 18 at 1:00 p.m.
at Rails Restaurant, Seymour

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Ladies' Lunch

Tuesday, September 16 at 11:30 a.m.
at Azucar Cuban Restaurant
212 E. 2nd St., Seymour
(formerly Vat & Barrel)

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

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WINGS (Women in God's Service)

Sunday, September 14 at 5:00 p.m.
in the high school room

NEW GROUPS

***PLEASE sign up at
the Welcome Center (or call the church office)
if any of these groups interest you!***

Sign up by September 21

Women's In-Depth Bible Study

This will be a in-depth Bible study with home-work.

Mom's of Young Children

This will be for moms of children from infants-elementary school. The group will decide if they want to do a Bible study, walk together, play at the park, etc.

Young Adult Group

This will be for young adults from ages 19-30. This group will decide if they want to do Bible study, get together for meals, and any other ideas they come up with.

Any questions, talk to Michelle Wood. Michelle will not be leading the groups, but helping facilitate getting them started.

Men's Group

September 18 at 7:00 p.m.

We meet the 3rd Thursday of each month. Come for Bible study and fellowship. ***All men are welcome!***
Questions? Talk to Chris Otte or Dean Dringenburg.

Adult Sunday School

The book of Judges

Everyone is welcome!

The book of Judges recounts the turbulent period in Israel's history between the death of Joshua and the rise of the monarchy, when Israel had no king and 'everyone did what was right in their own eyes' (Judges 21:25). It follows a recurring cycle of sin, oppression, repentance, and deliverance as God raises up judges — military leaders and deliverers like Deborah, Gideon and Samson — to rescue the Israelites from their enemies. The book highlights both God's faithfulness and the growing moral and spiritual decline of the people.



BOOK BUZZ

Monday, September 22
1:00 p.m.

Watch the bulletin for our next book to discuss.

Questions? Talk to Trish Tangman or Michelle Wood.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday, September 23
1:00 p.m.

This ministry makes prayer shawls for those on our prayer list and others we learn of in need. If you are interested, please talk to Michelle Wood.

MUSIC NEWS

KIDS BELLS

Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.
September 9, 16, 23 and 30

ADULT BELLS

Sundays at 6:30 p.m.
September 7, 21 and 28

CHOIR

Sundays at 7:00 p.m.
September 7, 21 and 28

Borchers Supper & Bazaar

Sign-up sheets are available in the narthex

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!



Gerkenismeyer Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to those receiving the Gerkenismeyer Scholarship: Kayla Baker, Greta Brown, Ella Engela, Owen Kruse and Emily Reinbold.

The purpose of the Emil Gerkenismeyer Foundation is to encourage young members of St. Paul Lutheran Church to be confirmed, remain active in their church, and pursue education beyond high school. The Emil Gerkenismeyer Foundation Inc. was funded in 2002 with a gift from his estate in the amount of \$150,000. This scholarship is available after completing one year of college or trade school.

thank you!

This is way past due, but we so appreciate all the calls, cards, visits and meals over the past few months. It seems we've gone from one obstacle to another, and by God's grace, we're still here. Our church family is such a blessing to us. All the little things and the prayers make a beautiful difference.

Thank you & God's blessings,
Paul & Jan Otte

Thank you for all the prayers and well wishes during my recent illness.

Mark Rorick

Thank you for the hugs, messages, cards and all the expressions of sympathy at the passing of my father. Special thanks to the Care Team for the beautiful cross. It is hung at a special place in our home. Our family appreciates everyone's love and support.

Susie & Donald Schnitker
The Family of Curt Benter

Thank you so much for the shawl and card. Thanks to your groups for taking time and thinking of me.

To God be the glory,
Gary Mellencamp



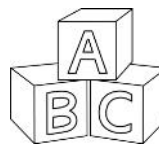
Rainbows

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.

- Milton Otte for helping Ben with the mower
- Tim England and Mike Kruse for grilling at the Sunday School Picnic
- Dean and the other volunteers for mowing the Picnic Grove this summer
- Mission Trip Youth for sharing their experiences with us
- Sunday School teachers for volunteering to serve our congregation

Small Phone Directory

Updated copies of the small phone directory are available at the Welcome Center.



Congratulations to Casey & Mallory Paswater on the birth of their son, Tate Garrett, on June 26, 2025. He joins big sisters: Cora, Wren and Perry. Proud grandparents are Nina & Deryl Paswater.

Congratulations to Aimee & Tyler Nicholson on the birth of their daughter, Riley Renae, born on August 10, 2025. She joins big brother, Kasen.

College Student Addresses

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.

UPDATED LISTS

FOOD PANTRY

January	Anchor House East items
February	soup
March	spaghetti & spaghetti sauce
April	peanut butter and jelly
May	canned meats, ravioli, Spaghetti-O's
June	canned fruit
July	oatmeal/cereal/maple syrup
August	boxed macaroni and cheese
September	Anchor House East items
October	salt, pepper, spices, flour, sugar, oil
November	microwave mac & cheese/ microwave Spaghetti-O's
December	peanut butter

Anchor House East items:

Tuna packets, chicken packets, beef jerky, slim jims, packs of whole nuts, fruit cups, chips, juice boxes, Gatorade

This is for overnight shelter. They need items to make lunches to be taken with them. Shelf-stable, easy to open items, which provide some nourishment.

Turning Point

January	Laundry detergent (small containers)
February	Dish soap (small containers)
March	Towels and washcloths (new and gently used)
April	Underwear (all sizes — women, children, teen men)
May	Bed pillows (new)
June	Hair brushes, combs, hair spray, hair mousse, hair gel
July	Laundry detergent (small containers)
August	Deodorant (men's and women's)
September	Nail clippers/Chapstick/Qtips
October	Trash bags (13 gal. and above)
November	Diapers and Pull-ups
December	Blankets (new and gently used)

UPDATED LISTS

RECYCLING

Acceptable Items

- **Glass bottles & jars (all colors)**
- **Steel cans**
- **Aluminum cans and cups**
- **Plastic bottles (empty, crush, reattach lid):** Bottles and jugs that have a small mouth and wider base, such as milk jugs, soda bottles, laundry detergent bottles, water bottles, shampoo bottles and contact solution bottles
- **Plastic tubs*:** Containers for butter, sour cream, cottage cheese, yogurt, Jello, and fruit slices would fall into the tub category. Plastic lids should be reattached prior to recycling, film or foil lids should be discarded
- **Plastic Cups* (remove/discard straw, reattach lid):** Fast food beverage cups – colored party cups are not accepted
- **Plastic Clamshell Containers**:** Packaging food, retail products, groceries, and takeout items
- **Paper:** newspaper, magazines, cardboard, mixed office paper and envelopes, paperboard (cereal boxes), pizza boxes free of food debris and grease, telephone books, and catalogs
- **Paper cups (remove/discard lids, straws, and stoppers):** Fast food beverage cups, coffee cups, Dixie cups
- **Cartons (remove plastic caps and straws):** Food and beverage cartons, such as milk, juice, soup, wine, broth, and other cartons

Unacceptable Items

- Hazardous Waste
- Batteries
- Electronics
- Yard waste
- Plastic bags
- Cassette & VHS tapes
- Textiles including clothing and bed sheets
- Hangers
- Metal chains
- Garden hoses
- Medical sharps or needles of any kind
- Polystyrene foam
- Buckets
- Car parts
- Food
- Light bulbs
- Drinking glasses, ceramics, pots, pans, and scrap metal



St. Paul Borchers Care Team

SENIOR CARE:

Borchers Devotions

Thursday, September 4 at 8:30 a.m.

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



Seymour Water Treatment Facility

Monday, September 15

The bus will be travelling to the Seymour Water Treatment Facility on County Road 525 N, on the outskirts of Seymour, for a 9:00 tour. Lunch will be enjoyed at Larrison's Diner afterwards.

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.



Covered Bridge Festival

Wednesday, October 15

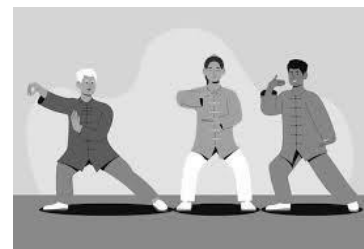
Details coming soon!

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:

- Don't exclude me from parties and family gatherings.
- Make sure I have my favorite music playing nearby.
- If I live in a dementia care facility, please visit me often.

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.



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 pre-school room. Drop-ins are welcome! It's FREE! Our leaders are Beth & Dot Goodwin.



St. Paul Borchers Care Team

MISSION CARE/COMMUNITY CARE:



FOOD PANTRY

Anchor House East items

These homeless individuals need lunch items that can be taken with them as they leave the overnight shelter. Such items include tuna packets, chicken packets, beef jerky, Slim Jims, packs of whole nuts, fruit cups, chips, juice boxes, and Gatorade.

Please place your donations in the wooden box near the kitchen marked "Food Pantry", or in the basket near the main entry doors.



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.

Turning Point

Domestic Violence Services

Nail clippers—Chapstick—Q-tips

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

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.



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.



BORCHERS

YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

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

YOUTH GROUPS & CONFIRMATION BEGIN

Sunday, September 14

Confirmation letters were mailed home with more class details, including your student's assigned class time. Please contact Pastor Steve with questions about Confirmation.

5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Elementary Group for elementary students
5:00 & 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Classes (begins in 6th grade)
6:30 p.m. Luther League for grades 9-12

WEDNESDAY YOUTH NIGHTS

Fall dates: Sept 10 & 24, Oct 8 & 22, Nov 5 & 19
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday night gathering for students in grades 6-12. Teens will have a chance to meet a few Wednesdays a month to visit, unwind, learn some new songs and participate in a Bible Study. Please talk to Jamie or Maddie with any questions. Snack donations are always welcome!

UPCOMING YFM DATES

Aug 31 One Service - 9 a.m.
No Sunday School
Sept 9 Kids Bells First Practice
Sept 10 Wednesday Youth
Nights begin - 6:30 p.m.
Sept 14 First meetings for
Elementary Group,
Confirmation Classes and
Luther League
Sept 21 Acolyte & Projector
Training - 9 a.m.
Jr High afternoon activity -
SkyZone - 2 p.m.

KIDS BELLS

Our first practice will be **Tuesday, September 10 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.

CONNECT WITH US

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



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JR HIGH AFTERNOON ACTIVITY - SKY ZONE

Sunday, September 21 - bus leaves at 2:00 p.m.

Jr High will meet for fun Sunday afternoon activities (in addition to Confirmation Classes) approximately once a month. Our first outing will be to SkyZone - Indy South. Please sign up at the Welcome Center. Cost is covered by the Jr High activity fund.

NEW POLICY THIS YEAR: a fee may be charged to any students that are a 'no show' or last minute cancellation on activities that need to be paid in advance. Please keep this in mind when signing up and help us use our youth funds wisely. Thank You!

ACOLYTE TRAINING

Sunday, September 21 at 9:00 a.m.

Letters were mailed home to families of lower elementary students with acolyte details. Parents are welcome to sit in on the training. Please contact Pastor Steve with any questions.

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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:
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 NO PRESCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED	2	3 9:00 am Preschool	4 8:30 am Devotional service 9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club 9:30 am Tai Chi	5 9:00 am Preschool	6
7 8:00 am Worship 9:00 am Sunday School 10:15 am Communion 5:00 pm Anniversary Comm. Meeting 6:30 pm Adult Bells 7:00 pm Choir	8 9:00 am Preschool	9 6:00 pm Life Transitions 6:30 pm Kids Bells 7:00 pm Internship Committee mtg.	10 9:00 am Preschool 6:30 pm Wednesday Youth Night Bible study	11 9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club 9:30 am Tai Chi	12 9:00 am Preschool	13
14 Newsletter Deadline 8:00 am Communion 9:00 am Sunday School 10:15 am Worship 5:00 pm Elementary Group 5:00 pm WINGS 5:00 pm Confirmation 1 6:30 pm Confirmation 2 6:30 pm Luther League	15 9:00 am Preschool 9:00 am Bus leaves for Water Treatment Facility trip 7:00 pm Church Council	16 11:30 am Ladies Lunch at Azucar Blood Drive 1:00-6:00 pm 6:30 pm Kids Bells	17 9:00 am Preschool	18 9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club 9:30 am Tai Chi 1:00 pm Ruth Circle at Rails 7:00 pm Men's Group	19 9:00 am Preschool	20 9:00 am Swap (Tupperware & Pet Supplies) (until 10:30)
21 Mission Festival 8:00 am Worship 9:00 am Breakfast 9:00 am Acolyte Training 9:00 am Projector/Camera Training 9:00 am Sunday School 10:15 am Communion 2:00 pm Jr. High to Skyzone 6:30 pm Adult Bells 7:00 pm Choir	22 9:00 am Preschool 1:00 pm Book Buzz	23 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl 6:30 pm Kids Bells	24 9:00 am Preschool 6:30 pm Wednesday Youth Night Bible study	25 9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club 9:30 am Tai Chi 7:00 pm WELCA meeting	26 9:00 am Preschool	27 9:00 am Set-up for LWR Ingathering
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