

## St. Paul Lutheran Church

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## From the Pastor's Desk: Tell the Story

Recently my mind has been drawn back to something that our bishop, Bishop Tim Graham, said at the last synod assembly. At the synod assembly, he was our keynote speaker and he spoke on the theme of I Corinthians 13—specifically the thirteen verse where it states, 'And now faith, hope and love remain, these three, and the greatest of these is love.' He used the framework of faith, hope and love to share some of his thoughts on the church and ministry.

During the second keynote (on hope), he was talking about the difficulties of ministry in our world today. That the reality of the church has changed from years ago and some people are filled more and more with despair about the direction of the church. At some point in the talk, he went off script and started to share about an experience he had the night before. He shared that he went out from the hotel and was walking toward a place to buy some snack food to eat and came across a person asking for assistance. He shared that at times in his life, he struggled with alcoholism and he knows that he could have been a person like the one asking for assistance.

This led him to talk about what the church needs to be doing today. He stated that what we are called to do as the church really isn't that difficult—it is to share the story of Jesus. In words and in deeds. This line has stuck with me and I have come back to it more and more frequently. The role of the church isn't difficult; we are called to share the story of Jesus.

At times, we think that the church needs some big program or some type of marketing campaign. People tend to think that if we just have the right strategic plan or the right pastor or fill in the blank, then the church will go in the right direction. The truth is that none of those things are truly what the church needs. What we should focus upon is simply to tell the story of Jesus. For what the church really needs is Jesus.

Many people may feel unequipped to do this. People tend to think that you need to be trained or go to seminary or receive a specific call from God in order to share the faith. This couldn't be further from the truth!

The truth is that all are called to tell the story. In baptism, the parents of a child are called to the following promises:

'You should, therefore, faithfully bring them to the services of God's house, and teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandment. As they grow in years, you should place in their hands the Holy Scripture and provide for their instruction in the Christian faith, that, living in the covenant of their baptism and in communion with the Church, they may lead godly lives.'

Then at confirmation, the baptized are asked:

'Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in Holy Baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear his Word and share in his supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of our Lord Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

The confirmands respond, 'I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.' This response affirms that all the baptized all called to share the story. This sharing does not need to be in a big extravagant way. This sharing can be as simple as asking people if you can pray for them. It can be sharing a time when you felt close to God during a difficult period. It may even be simply to become a listening ear for someone. The key is to be intentional about seeking to share Jesus with others and live out our faith in a way that helps others to experience God and his grace and presence in our world today.

All this brings to my mind the hymn; I Love to Tell the Story. We sing, 'I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love. How do you tell the story of the gospel of Jesus Christ?

Pastor Steve

## FROM INTERN BETH...

I am going to start this month again by taking some time to thank some people in the congregation. Thank you to Merrell Otte for the invitation to and guiding me through the North Vernon Farmers Market. Thank you to Sam, Tyler, and Trey Plumlee for your hospitality and welcome into your home. And a big thank you to the men at BBC who were very patient with me as I (kind of) learned how to play euchre. A final thanks to Olga Otte for the invitation to join her annual Labor Day Party.

When I first came to the church many joked that food was the love language of the congregation. The whole church expresses its love and embraces the community of Christ through sharing food and meals together. While that is a strong emphasis here at St Paul, it is also a common tradition throughout the bible. In the Old Testament, we read of individuals gathering to eat and drink together in the presence of God (Exodus 24:9-11) and we hear God telling us to share portions with those who do not have any (Nehemiah 8:9-12). As we move into the New Testament, we read Jesus' first miracle is through supplying wine for the wedding at Cana, we hear of banquets that are held for Jesus, and we learn that the traditions of meals continued to be shared together with glad and generous hearts (Acts 2:46). Communal meals in the bible are not just about eating, rather they represent a covenant with God and a celebration of the community of Christ.

As summer came to an end and we all gathered together to celebrate the start of another school year, we continued in this tradition of gathering around a meal. It was a time where we were able to share stories of lives, watch families and kids play together, laugh and tell jokes, and celebrate the community that Christ has brought together here in Seymour. We read again and again in the Bible of meals where people gathered to be nourished through food and sustained through the presence of God. As you all continue to invite me to join you at the table, I feel blessed to experience and be a part of the holy work that God is doing through you all in this place.

## Internship Committee Meeting

Tuesday, October 14 7:00 p.m.



#### **UPCOMING WORSHIP**

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

## October 5<sup>th</sup>:

Text— Luke 17:5-10

A little faith goes a long way is our Lord's point in the gospel. A mustard seed's-worth has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in water and the word (holy baptism), bread and wine (holy communion), the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

## October 12th:

Text --Luke 17:11-19

It's a miracle! Multiple miracles! The waters of holy baptism have healed us. The body and blood of Jesus in holy communion have made us clean. We have died with Christ and been raised with him. For all this we have returned to offer thanks. From this place we are sent on our way rejoicing to share the good news.

## October 19<sup>th</sup>:

Text—Luke 18:1-8

Pray always. Do not lose heart. This is the encouragement of the Christ of the gospel today. Persistence in our every encounter with the divine will be blessed. Wrestle with the word. Remember your baptism again and again. Come regularly to Christ's table. Persistence in our every encounter with the divine will be blessed.

## October 26th:

Text—John 8:31-36 (Reformation Sunday) Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

## **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

#### **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)

Linda Guinn (10:15) Oct. 19-

Oct. 26—Jodi Brown (8:00)

Lectors

Marj Rust (10:15) Oct. 5—Mandy Otte (8:00) Oct. 12—Lou Ann Hoevener (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 Engelau (8:00) Deacon (10:15) Oct. 12—Abe Engelau (8:00) Deacon (10:15) Oct. 19—Wyatt Hoevener (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 Engelau (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

### **WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS**

Michelle will be making the worship helper rotation list for December-May soon. If you have any changes, dates to avoid, etc., please let her know.

#### Job descriptions are listed below:

- Communion Assistant helps distribute communion during worship service
- Communion Prep—helps prepare communion before the worship service & cleans up after
- Lector—reads the lessons during worship service
- **Projectors**—runs the slides on the projector screens during worship service
- Cameras—operates the cameras remotely during live streaming at 8:00 worship service

We can always use new volunteers! If you're interested, please talk to Michelle.

#### **November Volunteers**

**Communion Assistants** 

Tammi Reinbold (8:00) Bill Wonning (10:15)

**Communion Prep** 

Nov. 2—Wanda Engelau (8:00) Gretchen Lawles (10:15)

Nov. 9—Mandy Otte (8:00)

Nov. 16-Judy Wonning (10:15)

Nov. 23-Phyllis Cupp (8:00)

Nov. 30—Gwen Newkirk (8:00) Nina Franke (10:15)

Lectors

Nov. 2—Amelia Shaw (8:00) Kendall Alstatt (10:15) Nov. 9—Ruth Ann Newkirk (8:00) Judy Wonning (10:15) Nov. 16—Leah Otte (8:00) Nov. 23—Mandy Otte (8:00) Matt Tangman (10:15) Laberta Otte (10:15) Nov. 30-Lou Ann Hoevener (8:00) Marj Rust (10:15)

Acolytes

Nov. 2—Claire Engelau (8:00) Kayla Franke (10:15) Nov. 9—Layne Thompson (8:00) Deacon (10:15) Nov. 16—Caleb Wheatley (8:00) Deacon (10:15) Nov. 23—Ben Rapp (8:00) Henry Fountain (10:15) Nov. 30—Henry Engelau (8:00) Deacon (10:15)

**Projectors** 

Nov. 2-Melina Engelau (8:00) Michelle Wood (10:15) Nov. 9—Susie Schnitker (8:00) Kathy England (10:15) Nov. 16—Kaelynn Engelau (8:00) Isaac Rust (10:15) Nov. 23—Natalie Fish (8:00) Marc Fountain (10:15) Nov. 30—Michaela Smith (8:00) Matt Tangman (10:15)

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**Flowers** 

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Nov. 9-Need volunteer

Nov. 16—Need volunteer

Nov. 23—Need volunteer

Nov. 30—Need volunteer

## **Sunday School Snacks**

#### PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE WELCOME CENTER

Oct. 5—Wanda Engelau

Oct. 12—Connie Knoke Oct. 19—need volunteer

Oct. 26—Muffin Morning

Nov. 2—Kendall & Susie Alstatt

Nov. 9—need volunteer Nov. 16—need volunteer

Nov. 23—need volunteer

Nov. 30—need volunteer

Plan to provide snacks for 60.

Suggestions are: fruit, muffins, doughnuts, quick breads and prepackaged snacks.

## **October Birthdays**

- 1 Moriah Cragun
- 1 Jenny Engelau
- 3 Amanda Jackson
- 5 Phyllis Cupp
- 6 Carvin Otte
- 6 Brayden Rorick
- 7 Samuel Engelau
- 7 Henry Engelau
- 8 Wendy Rotert
- 9 Ernie Kleffman
- 9 Cassie Fox
- 11 Troy Engelau
- 12 Caroline Gentry
- 14 Gus Kleffman
- 14 Lou Ann Hoevener
- 14 Rich Anderson
- 16 Lizzie Morris
- 17 David Rust, Jr.

- 17 Karen Brigdon
- 18 KY Hendrix
- 19 Thomas Hendrix
- 20 Doug Fish
- 21 Jeanette Kruse
- 22 Marj Rust
- 23 Debbie Rust
- 25 Isaac Rust
- 25 Shane Kleffman
- 26 Campbell Mansfield
- 26 Jonathan Eglen
- 26 Liza Lanam
- 28 Amy Kleffman
- 29 Aaron Otte
- 30 Karen Dringenburg
- 31 Dan Holle
- 31 Brooke Plummer



Our sympathy to the family of Harold "Pete" Engelau who died on august 24, 2025. His funeral and burial were at St. Paul on August 29, 2025.



## **HELP NEEDED:**

Delivering
Lutheran World Relief
boxes to
Concordia Lutheran in Greenwood

Saturday, October 17 9:00 a.m.

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



## **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 Wente, Carmen Herkamp, Amelia Shaw, Heidi Wheatley, Judy Wonning, Leah Otte, Amy Rotert & Pastor Steve.

## **Anniversary Committee Meeting**

Sunday, October 12 at 5:00 p.m.

## **Bible Study Series:** 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.

In October, we study 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.

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

- Schedule:

  ◆ Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>—Forgiveness I

  ◆ Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>—Forgiveness II

  ◆ Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>—Repentance I

  ◆ Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>—Repentance II

#### Bring:

Your Bible, a notebook, and your questions!

## **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.

## **Anointing for Healing** and Private Communion



## Sunday, October 12

5:00-6:00 p.m. in Borchers Chapel

Pastor Steve is making available time for the opportunity to be anointed with oil and prayed over for healing. During this hour, people are invited to drop by any time. Communion will also be available. Any questions, please talk with Pastor Steve.



October 26

This day celebrates the anniversary of Martin Luther and the other reformers who went against the church of the day to call the church and all Christians back to the core of the gospel message—that we are saved by grace through faith and not of our works.

As part of this celebration, we are asking people to wear something **RED** (which is the color of the day).

We use red on Reformation as a sign of the Spirit—because the reformation is a time when the Holy Spirit blew across the church to bring about renewal within the church.

## CONGREGATION **QUARTERLY** MEETING

Sunday, October 26 11:15 a.m.

Items to be discussed:

Election of Church Council

#### **Church Council positions to be filled:**

Chairman ■ Treasurer

Elder ■ Trustee ■ Deacon (10:15)

- 2026 spending plan
- Hiring of Financial Manager
- Parsonage update
- Applying for an intern for 2026-27 school year

## Women's Groups

#### **Ruth Circle**

Thursday, October 16 at 1:00 p.m. at church Olga is hostess and Bible study leader

#### Ladies' Lunch

Tuesday, October 21 at 11:30 a.m. at Mi Casa 101 S. Broadway, Seymour

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



## Women's In-Depth Bible Study

Thursday, October 9 at 7:00 p.m.

Any questions, talk to Mandy Otte.

## **WINGS**

WINGS has decided to not meet anymore. During all youth meetings, we will now have snacks and drinks available in the kitchen. We encourage all adults to come in, grab a snack and drink and spend time connecting with each other.

## Men's Group

October 16 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.



#### **BORCHERS PRESCHOOL NEWS**

October 8 Field trip to Johnson's family farm

October 10-17 No school — Fall Break

October 31 Halloween Party for all classes



# Muffin Morning

Sunday, October 26 9:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall

## Everyone is invited!

Stop in for fellowship time! Bring a dozen of your favorite muffins (mini or regular size) to share. Enjoy coffee, muffins sampling and visiting. Sunday School students will enjoy leftovers during their snack time!



## **BOOK BUZZ**

Monday, October 27 1:00 p.m.

We will discuss "The Paris Library" by Janet Skeslien Charles Questions? Talk to Trish Tangman or Michelle Wood.

## **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Tuesday, October 21 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.



## KIDS BELLS

Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. October 7, 14, 21 and 28

## **ADULT BELLS**

Sundays at 6:30 p.m. October 12, 19 and 26

## **CHOIR**

Sundays at 7:00 p.m. October 12, 19 and 26



## COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

Deadline is October 26

It's time to send our first care packages to our college students! Boxes to fill are in the narthex. Please add snacks, notes, etc. Our students love to receive them!

## **MEMORY BOOK**

for All Saints Day

November 2

As part of the morning worship service for All Saints Day, we will be remembering those who died in the past year.

Please add names of those to be remembered to the memory book on the Welcome Center. Any questions, please talk with Pastor Steve.



## **Borchers Supper & Bazaar**

November 7 • 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Supper includes a turkey and ham dinner with all the trimmings

FREE-WILL DONATION
25% OF PROCEEDS BENEFIT WORLD HUNGER

## Sign-up sheets are available in the narthex

Everyone's help, in some way, makes it go smoother PLEASE SIGN-UP NOW! DON'T WAIT!

The sign-up sheets include a description of the job duties above each section.

### **Youth Helping**

Youth are also encouraged to help at the bazaar. (Jr High going on the retreat should choose an early shift.) Volunteering is a great way to thank the congregation for supporting our youth activities!

<u>Suggested jobs for younger helpers:</u>
Carrying assistance — Bus tables — Wipe trays — Drink station

#### Bazaar items

Begin preparing now! Homemade crafts, canned goods and baked goods. Deadline for items is 12:00 pm on November 7. Items can be put in the container in the church office.

#### Shut-in Meals

Meals will be shared with shut-ins in the neighborhood again this year. Please sign up at table or talk to Trish Tangman.

## Turning Point's Smile Supply Kit

MEG BROWN'S SENIOR PROJECT!

Items needed:
Adults and Kids
Toothbrushes
Toothpaste
Toothbrush covers
Tooth Necklaces
Floss



## Locations to donate:

Mount Healthy Community Church St. Paul's Lutheran Church (Borchers) St. Paul's Lutheran Church (Jonesville)

> Monetary Donations accepted



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## St. Paul Borchers Care Team

#### SENIOR CARE:

## Borchers Devotions

Thursday, October 2 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:

- Know that I still like receiving hugs and handshakes.
- If I become agitated, take the time to figure out what is bothering me.
- If I forget how to use utensils, do not start feeding me. Instead switch to a finger-food diet so I can still feed myself.



## 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.



## Covered Bridge Festival

in Bridgeton, Indiana

Wednesday, October 15

Historic buildings and arts & crafts and food vendors line the street of this quaint little town for Indiana's largest festival.

There is no entry fee. St. Paul Care Team will give each participant \$10 to use as you wish. Please bring extra money for your lunch and souvenirs.

Bus will leave the church parking lot at 8:00 a.m. and return at approximately 5:00 p.m.

Sign-up at the Welcome Center.



## Tour of Pet Supplies Plus

in Seymour, Indiana

Tuesday, November 18

After our tour, we'll enjoy lunch at Mae's Townhouse. Watch for details!



## St. Paul Borchers Care Team

## **MISSION CARE/COMMUNITY CARE:**



## **FOOD** PANTRY

## salt, pepper, spices, flour, sugar and oil

Please place your donations in the wooden box near the kitchen marked "Food Pantry", or in the basket near the main entry doors. Items will be taken to Anchor House, Provisions or Jamestown Apartments.

## Turning Point Domestic Violence Services

## trash bags

(13 gallon and larger)

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.



## **Red Cross Blood Drive**

Tuesday, November 18 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



### Soft Home Décor

(placemats, pillows & throw blankets)

## Saturday, November 15

9.00-10.30

(will remain on display Sunday, November 16)

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.



## 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.



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

## TRUNK OR TREAT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31
7:00 pm in main parking lot

Costume contest begins at 7:00 with winners chosen for different age groups & group/couple/family costumes. We will also choose a winner for best trunk decorations!

Please park with your trunk facing the aisle and bring treats for 80 kids.

If you would like to donate prizes/awards for the contests, please contact Jamie.

## UPCOMING YFM DATES

October 5 Luther League Trip & Meeting
October 5 Elementary Group,
Confirmation Classes
October 8 Youth Night
October 22 Youth Night
October 26 2nd Grade Bibles
October 31 Trunk or Treat
November 1-3 Confirmation
Retreat

#### SECOND GRADE BIBLES

Bibles will be handed out to our 2nd graders on October 26 at both services. Please contact Pastor Steve with any questions.

#### CONFIRMATION RETREAT

\$25 deposit for retreat and medical release forms are due on October 19. Please place forms and payment in Pastor Steve's mailbox. Extra copies of forms and packing lists are available online and at the YFM Bulletin Board.

Retreat will be held November 7-9 at Lutheran Hills. Students will leave from the picnic shelter house on Friday, November 7 at 6:30pm and return on Sunday, November 9 around noon.

#### 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

All Girls: bring 2 pkg juice boxes/Capri Sun All Boys: Bring 2 pkg individual snacks

Chaperones will require a background check turned in to the church office. Contact Pastor Steve to volunteer as a chaperone.

#### SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17 Help unload LWR boxes in the morning at Greenwood. Contact Jamie for details.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7 Help at Borchers Supper & Bazaar. Sign up in the Narthex.

Confirmation students are encouraged to sign up to help during an early shift at the Bazaar (we will make sure they eat in time to leave for the retreat at 6:30 p.m.)

Jamie and Maddie are always happy to sign volunteer hours forms for students in National Honor Society, Key Club, etc. Just ask!



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#### PARENTS & FAMILIES - TIME TO CONNECT!

We see you - sitting in your cars, scrolling the socials, catching up on messages.

During all youth meetings, we will now have snacks and drinks available in the kitchen. We encourage you to come in, grab a snack and just say hi! A few minutes to connect with each other can brighten everyone's day.

#### WEDNESDAY YOUTH NIGHTS

Wednesdays, October 8 and 22 at 6:30 p.m. for grades 6-12. Join us for fellowship, Bible study and games!

## LUTHER LEAGUE NEWS

Congratulations to our 2025-2026 Luther League Officers
President - Lizzie Morris
Vice President - Hannah Baker
Secretary - Kaelynn Engelau
Treasurer - Melina Engelau

#### WANT GROUP MESSAGES & REMINDERS?

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

Luther League / High School



Jr High & Confirmation



**Elementary & Preschool** 



#### LL OCTOBER TRIP & MEETING

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, leave church at 1:00 p.m.

Our next meeting will be a trip to Huber's Orchard to visit their Corn Maze & Pumpkin Patch. We will return to church for pumpkin carving and our monthly meeting. **Devotions: Lizzie, Dessert: Kaelynn, Pizza: provided by LL** 

#### LL FALL BONFIRE & MOVIE NIGHT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 6:30 p.m.

Bonfire and Movie at the picnic grove - Bring friends! We will sign up for food and vote for a movie in the GroupMe App.

Please join us on the GroupMe app if you haven't done so already to get all the LL info and let us know if you're coming to help with planning (QR code is above). Thanks!

# October 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 9:00 am Preschool	2 8:30 am Devotions in the sanctuary 9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club 9:30 am Tai Chi	3 9:00 am Preschool	4
8:00 am Worship 9:00 am Sunday School 10:15 am Communion 1:00 pm Luther League trip	6 9:00 am Preschool	7	9:00 am Preschool (Trip to Johnson's Farm)	9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club 9:30 am Tai Chi	10 NO PRESCHOOL	11
& meeting  5:00 pm Elementary Group 5:00 pm Confirmation 1 6:30 pm Confirmation 2		6:30 pm Kids Bells	6:30 pm Wednesday Youth Night 6:30 pm Words Bible study	7:00 pm Women's In-depth Bible study		
8:00 am Communion. 9:00 am Sunday School 10:15 am Worship  5:00 pm Anniversary Committee Meeting 5:00 pm Anointing at Borchers Chapel (until 6:00) 6:30 pm Adult Bells 7:00 pm Choir	13 NO PRESCHOOL	14  6:30 pm Kids Bells 7:00 pm Internship Committee	8:00 am Bus leaves for Covered Bridge Festival NO PRESCHOOL 5:00 pm Bus returns	9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club 9:30 am Tai Chi 1:00 pm Ruth Circle at church 7:00 pm Men's Group	17 NO PRESCHOOL 9:00 am Deliver LWR boxes to Greenwood	18
Confirmation Retreat forms and deposits due Newsletter Deadline 8:00 am Worship 9:00 am Sunday School 10:15 am Communion	20 9:00 am Preschool	21  11:30 am Ladies Lunch at Mi Casa  1:00 pm Prayer Shawl	9:00 am Preschool 6:30 pm Wednesday	9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club 9:30 am Tai Chi	9:00 am Preschool 6:30 pm Luther League	25
6:30 pm Adult Bells 7:00 pm Choir	7:00 pm Church Council	6:30 pm Kids Bells	Youth Night 6:30 pm Words Bible study		Bonfire & Movie Night	
26 Reformation Sunday Give out 2nd grade Bibles Deadline for College Care Package items	27 9:00 am Preschool	28	9:00 am Preschool	30 9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club 9:30 am Tai Chi	9:00 am Preschool (Halloween Party— all classes)	
8:00 am Communion 9:00 am Muffin Morning 9:00 am Sunday School 10:15 am Communion 11:15 am Congregation Quarterly Mtg.	1:00 pm Book Buzz				Pastor Steve a	t LOMIK Meeting
Pastor Stev 6:30 pm Adult Bells 7:00 pm Choir	e and Intern Beth at	Internship Cluster 6:30 pm Kids Bells			7:00 pm Trunk or Treat	

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