

WEEKLY CHURCH NEWS

November 2, 2025

St. Paul Lutheran Church
10792 North 210 East • Seymour, IN 47274
The Reverend Stephen Wood, Pastor

OUR MISSION: Walking in Faith – Sowing Christ’s Love

**TODAY’S WORSHIP
LEADERS**

Leaders:

Pastor Steve Wood
Intern Beth Sheedy

Organist: Olga Otte

Deacons:

Dan Holle; Karen Dringenburg

Communion Assistant:

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

Communion Prep:

Wanda Engelau (8:00)
Gretchen Lawles (10:15)

Lectors:

Amelia Shaw (8:00)
Kendall Alstatt (10:15)

Acolytes:

Claire Engelau (8:00)
Kayla Franke & Sage Zakrzewski (10:15)

Projectors:

Melina Engelau (8:00)
Michelle Wood (10:15)

Camera:

Tim England

Altar flowers are provided by:

Kendall & Susie Alstatt

St. Paul Lutheran Church is a congregation of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (E.L.C.A.). It is referred to as “Borchers” since Rev. Henry Borchers, who served our congregation from 1857-1881, advised and influenced a small group of pioneer settlers that wanted to establish a congregation in the area. This year we celebrate 173 years of life and ministry. We look forward to many more years of growth and change as we seek continually to be faithful to God’s call to mission.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is offered at the 8:00 a.m. services on the 2nd and 4th Sundays and at the 10:15 a.m. service on the 1st and the 3rd Sundays of the month. Christians who believe in the true presence of Christ in the bread and wine for our forgiveness and salvation are invited to receive Holy Communion.

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

STAFF

The Reverend Stephen Wood.....	Pastor
Beth Sheedy.....	Pastoral Intern
Trish Tangman.....	Care Team Director
Jamie Baker.....	Youth & Family Ministries and Technology Director
Maddie Whiteside.....	Youth & Family Ministries
Jennifer Duncan.....	Borchers Preschool Director
Michelle Wood.....	Secretary
Jennifer Duncan & Sam Plumlee.....	Custodians

We gather today as God’s beloved children to worship our Heavenly Father. We praise his holy name, we listen eagerly for his words of comfort, hope, and challenge to us, and we offer ourselves to him in dedicated service. May you be blessed as you worship here today.

This week: November 2-8

Sunday 2nd	All Saints Sunday 8:00 am Communion 9:00 am Sunday School 10:15 am Communion NO TABLE SET-UP FOR BAZAAR NO ADULT BELLS NO CHOIR
Monday 3rd	9:00 am Preschool
Tues. 4th	NO KIDS BELLS
Wed. 5th	9:00 am Preschool 6:30 pm Wednesday Youth Night 6:30 pm Words Bible Study
Thurs. 6th	NO BORCHERS BREAKFAST CLUB 9:30 am Tai Chi
Friday 7th	9:00 am Preschool 9:00 am Kitchen crew for Bazaar 9:00 am Turkey & dressing need to be at church 12:00 pm Craft & baked goods need to be at church 1:00 pm Salads & desserts need to be at church 4:00 pm Borchers Supper & Bazaar (until 7:00 pm) 6:30 pm Bus leaves for Confirmation Retreat
Sat. 8th	Confirmation Retreat

Next week: November 9-15

Sunday 9th	Newsletter deadline 8:00 am Communion 9:00 am Sunday School 10:15 am Worship 11:30 am Confirmation Youth return 6:30 pm Adult Bells 7:00 pm Choir
Monday 10th	9:00 am Preschool 8:00 pm Dartball
Tues. 11th	1:00 pm Prayer Shawl NO KIDS BELLS 7:00 pm Internship Committee
Wed. 12th	9:00 am Preschool
Thurs. 13th	9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club 9:30 am Tai Chi 7:00 pm Women's In-depth Bible study
Friday 14th	9:00 am Preschool (Mom's Tea)
Sat. 15th	9:00 am Swap (until 10:30) 9:30 am Lutheranism Class (until 12:00)

HEARING ASSISTANCE—We have headphones available for those in need of assistance with hearing. They are located on the table at the entrance of the sanctuary.

GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION WAFERS—We have gluten-free communion wafers available. Indicate to the pastor when you come up for communion if you need these.

FOOD PANTRY—The food pantry items being collected in November are microwave mac & cheese/Spaghetti-O's. 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 either Anchor House, Provisions or Jamestown Apartments.

TURNING POINT—In November, we are collecting diapers & pull-ups (all sizes) for Turning Point domestic violence shelter. There is a collection box near the kitchen.

CONGRATULATIONS to Jaden Begley and Jackson Gray on the birth of their daughter, Allison Jo, born on October 22. She joins big sister, Emelia. Proud grandparents are Dana & Brian Layton and great-grandparents are Melissa & Steve Christian.

CONGRATULATIONS to Randall & Solomon Rust on the birth of their daughter, Phoenix Basia, born on October 25. She joins siblings, Sailor and Aspen. Proud grandma is Sylvia Rust.

Congregation Meeting Updates

- New church council members elected are: Chairman—Chris Otte; Treasurer—Lou Ann Hoevener; Elder—Debbie Rust; Trustee—Allen Morrison; and Deacon(10:15) - Gerald Wayt.
 - Approved the hiring of a Financial Manager. This will be Susan Holle.
 - Approved applying for an intern for the 2026-27 school year
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CANCELLATIONS FOR TONIGHT

No Table Set-up for Bazaar
No Adult Bells
No Choir

All cancelled due to visitation for Floyd Browning

Kids Bells

WILL NOT PRACTICE NOVEMBER 4 & 11
Next practice is Tuesday, November 18 at 6:30 p.m.

Confirmation Retreat

Reminder that bus leaves Friday, November 7 at 6:30 p.m.
We return Sunday, November 9 around 11:30 a.m.

God's Global Barnyard Banks

Being passed out TODAY

We are once again collecting money in barn banks for Thanksgiving to purchase animals through ELCA Good Gifts to help those in developing countries. Please return your bank at our Thanksgiving Eve service on **November 26**. Banks can also be left in the bin at the sanctuary entrance by **November 30**. Sunday School classes will vote on animals to purchase with the donations.

It's dartball season again!

Beginning Monday, November 10

Dartball is a game in which darts are thrown at a large wooden board that resembles a baseball field with colored areas which denote bases. We play other Lutheran churches in the area. Games are on Monday nights at 8:00 p.m. Contact Merrell Otte if you are interested in playing.

Newsletter Deadline

Sunday, November 9

Wednesday Youth Night

November 5 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Wednesday night gathering for students in grades 6-12. Teens will have a chance to unwind, learn some new songs and participate in a Bible study. Please talk to Jamie Baker or Maddie Whiteside with any questions.

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

November 5—Repentance I
Every Other Wednesday from 6:30 until 7:30 p.m.

Bring: Your Bible, a notebook, and your questions! Led by Pastor Steve & Intern Beth

Pet Supplies Plus Factory Tour

Tuesday, November 18

After the tour lunch will be enjoyed at Mae's Townhouse. The Care Team will provide \$5 toward each attendee's lunch. Please sign up at the Welcome Center if you are interested.

Prayer Shawl

Tuesday, November 11 at 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.

Women's In-Depth Bible Study

Thursday, November 13 & 20 at 7:00 p.m.

Any questions, talk to Mandy Otte.

A Short Course on Lutheranism

Saturday, November 15
9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

A look at what it means to be a Lutheran—examining the history, theology, and teachings of the Lutheran Church. This class is open to everyone, including those interested in joining the congregation, people wanting to learn a little bit more about the Lutheran Church and those wanting a refresher on Lutheranism. Questions? Talk to Pastor Steve.

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.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, November 18

1:00 – 6:00 p.m. 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.

Mistletoe Market

Saturday, November 8

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church
1202 N. Ewing St., Seymour

Home décor—boutique clothing—jewelry—handmade items
Benefits Mom2Mom group

“O, Holy Night”

Sunday, December 7 in the Fellowship Hall

after the 8:00 service and

also for a community reception from 3:00 – 4:30 PM.

A unique display of nativity scenes from all over the world and right here at home. If you have a nativity scene you would be willing to lend/display for this event, please contact Trish Tangman at 812-371-1018 or sign up at the Welcome Center by November 30.

BOOK BUZZ

Monday, November 24 at 1:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome! We will discuss “*Unsheltered*” by Barbara Kingsolver. Questions? Talk to Trish Tangman or Michelle Wood.



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

Everyone's help, in some way, makes it go smoother

HELP NEEDED:

- Kitchen Crew—prepare food and place in roasters
— 9:00 am-4:00 pm —need 2
— 3:45-5:30 pm — need 4
— 5:15-7:00 pm — need 4
- Dishwashers (keep items washed & ready for re-use)
— 3:00-5:30 pm — need 2
— 5:30-8:00 pm — need 2
- Carrying Assistance (help carry trays & fill carryout boxes)
— 3:45-5:30 pm — need 2
- Wipe trays (wipe trays off for re-use)
— 3:45-5:30 pm — need 2
— 5:15-7:00 pm — need 2
- Serving Line Tables (monitor serving line & notify kitchen if getting low)
— 5:15-7:00 pm — need 1
- Salads (replenish serving line)
— 3:45-5:30 pm — need 2
— 5:15-7:00 pm — need 2
- Bazaar area (collect money and oversee crafts/baked goods)
— 5:15-7:00 pm — need 2
- Box up shut-in meals — need 1
- Deliver shut-in meals — need 2
- Clean up fellowship hall at end—need 2
- Clean up kitchen at end — need 6

FOOD ITEMS NEEDED:

- Green beans — 1 gallon each
— need 3
- Lettuce salad—20 servings each (overnight salad, taco salad, etc.) NO TOSSED SALAD
— need 3
- Vegetable salads—20 servings each (broccoli salad, coleslaw, etc.)
— need 5
- Jello salad—20 servings each
— need 3
- Cranberry salads
— need 3
- Pasta salads
—need 2
- Desserts
— 2 Crème pies
— 2 pumpkin pies
— 3 pecan pies
— 1 lemon Robert Redford
— 1 apple crisp
— 1 peach cobbler

Shut-in Meals

If you know of shut-in individuals who would appreciate a meal, please sign-up.

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!

Suggested jobs for younger helpers:

Carrying assistance — Bus tables — Wipe trays

Sign-up sheets are located on the tables in the narthex.

Thanks for your help!

Additional Borchers Supper & Bazaar Info

Flyers advertising the Bazaar are on the table in the narthex.
Feel free to take some to give away or hang up at businesses.

Salads & Desserts

Need to be at church by 1:00 p.m.

Bazaar items

Deadline for items is 12:00 pm.

Homemade crafts, canned goods
and baked goods.

Making Dressing

If making dressing, please buy your own ingredients. Please use the recipe on the sign-up table.

Turkey & Dressing

Need to be at church by 9:00 a.m.

CRAFT SUPPLIES AVAILABLE

Leah Otte has some craft supplies available for anyone to use!
They are in the first room in the Sunday School hallway.

Ways to Help Our Community

Snacks for ESL Classes

If you are willing to provide 2-3 dozen cookies or bars for participants in the English as a Second Language (ESL) class being offered at Brown Elementary, please sign up at the Welcome Center.

Delivery information is on the sign-up sheet.

Any questions, please talk to Ruth Ann Hendrix.

Read Jackson County Volunteers Needed

We are looking for people who have a high dedication to improving literacy in our community.

Needed:

After school tutors
Daytime tutors at the Learning Center

For more info:
www.readjacksoncounty.com

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2025**

GOING DEEPER

The purpose of this page is to provide a tool or instrument for your spiritual growth. This page contains a brief synopsis of the readings as well as some questions for your reflection to help you go deeper with the Word. On the back is a day by day listing of scripture readings with possible prayer request. Individuals are listed on their day of birth—so that you might pray for them on their birthday. Also on the back is the prayer list for the congregation. Keep on Growing Spiritually!!

READINGS FOR THE DAY:

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18: The book of Daniel was written in the second century BCE, when the Syrian king Antiochus Epiphanes was severely persecuting the Jews. Daniel's vision of the four beast proclaims that human kings will come and go, but the kingdom will ultimately belong to God and to God's people.

Ephesians 1:11-23: After giving thanks for the faith of the Ephesians, the writer of this letter prays that they might understand the wisdom, hope, and power of God that is embodied in Jesus Christ.

Luke 6:20-31: In echoes of the prophet Isaiah and Mary's song of praise, Jesus reveals surprising things about who enjoys blessing and who endures woe. He invites his disciples to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even on enemies and outsiders.

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QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

1—How do you imagine a 'life beyond this world' and God's triumph over death? (Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18)

2—What does it mean to you to obtain an inheritance from God? (Ephesians 1:11-23)

3—Who in your life was very instrumental to your faith development? What did they do?

4—How do these texts speak to you today?

Prayer: *Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you. Amen.*

NOTES

MEMORY VERSE: LUKE 6:20

²⁰Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.'

GOING DEEPER IN PRAYER

Sunday 11/2

Psalm 78:1-72

John 1:1-51

✦ Max Claycamp, Saige Plummer

✦ world peace

Monday 11/3

Psalm 79:1-13

John 2:1-25

✦ Merrisa Claycamp

✦ people who are experiencing grief

Tuesday 11/4

Psalm 80:1-19

John 3:1-36

✦ Elias Hendrix

✦ Heifer International

Wednesday 11/5

Psalm 81:1-16

John 4:1-54

✦ Sonna Wentz, Sean Searcy

✦ seminary professors

Thursday 11/6

Psalm 82:1-8

John 5:1-47

✦ Michelle Wood, Becca Herbert, Audrey

Newkirk

✦ preparations for the Harvest Meal

Friday 11/7

Psalm 83:1-18

John 6:1-34

✦ Paxton Culbreth

✦ confirmation retreat

Saturday 11/8

Psalm 84:1-12

John 6:35-71

✦ Carol Jones, Sawyer McIntire

✦ Christians in Chad

PRAYER LIST

Recent Hospitalizations:

Randy Bridgewater

(motorcycle accident—brother-in-law of David Bode)

Matt Tangman (hip replacement)

Adelee Davis (cancer—relative of Daryl Paswater)

Laurence Monroe (Anthony Rust's father-in-law)

Other Prayer Requests:

Family & friends of Floyd Browning

Family & friends of Leon Schleuse (friend of David Warfield)

Patricia Lewis (cancer—Tim England's mother)

Steve McGrew (fall)

Wayne Rust (back surgery)

Don Ray (friend of Larry Guinn)

Dillon Williams (son-in-law of Tim & Kathy England)

Gene Kruse (hip replacement)

Larry & Paul Canada (cousins of Bill Kidd)

Bobby Akemon (cancer—friend of Jennie Hoene)

Brooke Elmore (cancer—friend of Tammi Reinbold)

Dennis Otte (surgery)

Kevin Trask (cancer—friend of Chris Otte)

Linda Lloyd (medical—Tim England's aunt)

Olivia Sons (epileptic seizures—friend of Kathy England)

Ed Engelaug (cancer)

Cody Wayt (health issues)

Angie Lucas (cancer)

Steve Smith (brain cancer—brother-in-law of Mark Rorick)

Pam Claycamp (broken arm)

Betty Toxey (fall-grandmother of Erik Zakrzewski)

Wanda Zakrzewski (fall-grandmother of Erik Zakrzewski)

Dan Anderson (father of Rich Anderson)

Charlie Fox (father of Ben Fox)

Pastor John Wanamaker (cancer)

Bob Butcher (health issues—friend of Susie Alstatt)

Sandy Smith (Robert Smith's mother)

Gary Mellencamp (heart)

Courtney Hardebeck (illness—friend of Cassie Fox)

Pegi Bricker (spinal surgery—friend of Kendra Harris)

Megan White (leukemia—friend of Kendra Harris)

Monty Reynolds (prostate cancer—friend of Kathy England)

Hallie Crane (leukemia—friend of Heidi Wheatley)

Annie Walton (friend of Carrie Morrison)

Hannah & Jimmy Whitaker

(medical concerns—friends of Kathy England)

Paul Lewis (melanoma-step-dad of Tim England)

Mark Gillespie (cancer—friend of Charlotte Guinn)

Ernie Kleffman (back)

Treva & Danny Edwards

(health issues—relatives of Robert Smith)

Michelle Sallee (cancer—friend of Gretchen Lawles and

Linda Guinn)

Debbie Schroer (kidney cancer—mother of Tracey Engelaug)

Prayer for Homebound Individuals:

Patty Herkamp; Selma Mellenbruch, Paul Newkirk, Sonna Wentz

Prayer for Long Term Care Issues:

Helen Carter; Andy Runge; Gavin Brown (friend of Leah Otte); Robert Noblitt (Chris Kleffman's father)

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

We Worshipped:

October 26 — 8:00 service: 110 10:15 service: 67

Financial Report:

No financial report this week

{The weekly amount needed to cover expenses in the
2025 Spending Plan is \$7,354.00}

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NOVEMBER 9:

Communion Assistant:

Tammi Reinbold (8:00)

Communion Prep:

Mandy Otte (8:00)

Lectors:

Ruth Ann Newkirk (8:00)

Judy Wonning (10:15)

Acolytes:

Layne Thompson (8:00)

Emma Franke (10:15)

Projectors:

Susie Schnitker (8:00)

Kathy England (10:15)

Camera:

Hannah Baker

Altar flowers are provided by:

Need volunteer

Sunday School Snacks:

Jan Otte

READINGS FOR NOVEMBER 9:

Job 19:23-27

Psalms 17:1-9

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Luke 20:27-38

OUR CORE VALUES:

1. **Spirituality** – to worship, grow and develop spiritually as Christians.
2. **Outreach** – to spread the message of God's love and grace by word and action
3. **Service to Others** – to live Christ's message to love one another

You can support the mission of our church by coming to worship, engaging in study, sharing the word, bringing a friend to church, taking part in Care Team initiatives, volunteering at church or in the community and loving one another. We invite you to join us in this journey.

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Michelle's office hours:

Monday—8:30-2:30

Wednesday—8:30-2:30

Friday—8:30-12:30

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Services are available on YouTube:

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