

WEEKLY CHURCH NEWS

November 9, 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)

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:

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 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 at home
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)

Next week: November 16-21

Sunday 16th	8:00 am	Worship
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	Communion
	5:00 pm	Elementary Group
	6:30 pm	Luther League
Monday 17th	9:00 am	Preschool
	7:00 pm	Church Council
	8:00 pm	Dartball
Tues. 18th	10:00 am	Trip meets at Pet Supplies Plus
		NO LADIES LUNCH
	6:30 pm	Kids Bells
Wed. 19th	9:00 am	Preschool
	6:30 pm	Wednesday Youth Night
	6:30 pm	Words Bible study
Thurs. 20th	9:00 am	Borchers Breakfast Club
	9:30 am	Tai Chi
	7:00 pm	Men's Group
	7:00 pm	Women's In-depth Bible study
Friday 21st	9:00 am	Preschool

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 Matt & Carla Cupp on the birth of their son, Deacon Michael, born on October 28. He joins brothers Leo and Miles. Grandparents are Phyllis & Mark Cupp.

CONGRATULATIONS to Angie & Chris Sweany on the birth of their son, Jasper Reid, on October 31. Grandfather is Mark Rorick.

God's Global Barnyard Banks

are available on the bulletin table

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.

Kids Bells

WILL NOT PRACTICE NOVEMBER 11

Next practice is Tuesday, November 18 at 6:30 p.m.

It's dartball season again!

Beginning Monday, November 10 at home

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.

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.

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.

Elementary Group

November 16 at 5:00 p.m.

Luther League

November 16 at 6:30 p.m.

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 Night

November 19 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.

Jr High Friendsgiving Lunch

November 23

Let Maddie know if you'll be coming. You can also RSVP in GroupMe.



Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, November 25
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.

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

November 19—Repentance II
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

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.

“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.

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.

Ladies Lunch Cancelled

Ladies Lunch will not meet in November or December. We will meet again on January 20 at 11:30 a.m. at Azucar Cuban Restaurant in Seymour.

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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:

Job 19:23-27: Job suffers the loss of children, wealth, and health. Accused by his companions of wrongdoing, he knows himself to be innocent. Here, in the midst of his suffering, Job clings to the radical hope that his vindicator, his redeemer, lives and that one day he himself will see God.

II Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17: This portion of the letter provides encouragement for the church at Thessalonica during a time of confusion and opposition, as some allowed their concern over Jesus' imminent return to divert them from the central teachings of the gospel.

Luke 20:27-38: Some Sadducees, who do not believe in the resurrection of the dead, try to trap Jesus. They formulate the convoluted case of a serial widow who marries a succession of seven brothers. Jesus responds by teaching about God to whom all are alive and in whom all relationships are fulfilled.

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QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

- 1—How do you related to Job's profession of faith? (Job 19:23-27)
- 2—Do you tend to enjoy tradition in your church or faith life, or to avoid it? Why? (II Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17)
- 3—How do you understand Jesus' talk about the question of what happens in the resurrection? (Luke 20:27-38)
- 4—How do these texts speak to you today?

Prayer: O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life her, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

NOTES

MEMORY VERSE: JOB 19:25

²⁵For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;

GOING DEEPER IN PRAYER

Sunday 11/9

Psalm 85:1-13
John 7:1-52
✦ world peace

Monday 11/10

Psalm 86:1-17
John 8:1-59
✦ Doris Otte
✦ new parents

Tuesday 11/11

Psalm 87:1-7
John 9:1-41
✦ Judy Burke
✦ farmers

Wednesday 11/12

Psalm 88:1-18
John 10:1-42
✦ Pam Huffman, Sarah Carr
✦ Luther League

Thursday 11/13

Psalm 89:1-52
John 11:1-57
✦ Lexi Morris
✦ the congregation

Friday 11/14

Psalm 90:1-17
John 12:1-50
✦ Shawn Plummer
✦ the Red Cross

Saturday 11/15

Psalm 91:1-16
John 13:1-38
✦ Christians in South Africa

PRAYER LIST

Recent Hospitalizations:

Dillon Williams (*son-in-law of Tim & Kathy England*)
Randy Bridgewater
(*motorcycle accident—brother-in-law of David Bode*)
Adelee Davis (*cancer—relative of Daryl Paswater*)
Lawrence Monroe (*Anthony Rust's father-in-law*)

Other Prayer Requests:

Florence Otte (*health*)
Kim Dringenburg (*health*)
Matt Tangman (*hip replacement*)
Patricia Lewis (*cancer—Tim England's mother*)
Steve McGrew (*fall*)
Wayne Rust (*back surgery*)
Don Ray (*friend of Larry Guinn*)
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*)
Kevin Trask (*cancer—friend of Chris Otte*)
Linda Lloyd (*medical—Tim England's aunt*)
Olivia Sons (*epileptic seizures—friend of Kathy England*)
Ed Engellau (*cancer*)
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 Engellau*)
Carol Browning (*health*)

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:

November 2 — 8:00 service: 136 10:15 service: 64

Financial Report:

Oct. 26— Spending Plan: \$2,744.06 Other giving: \$100.00 New parsonage: \$1,310.00
TOTAL: \$4,154.06

Nov. 2— Spending Plan: \$2,792.00 Other giving: \$4,220.00 New parsonage: \$9,028.58
TOTAL: \$16,040.58

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NOVEMBER 16:

Communion Assistant:

Bill Wonning (10:15)

Communion Prep:

Judy Wonning (10:15)

Lectors:

Leah Otte (8:00)

Matt Tangman (10:15)

Acolytes:

Caleb Wheatley (8:00)

Daniel Hendrix (10:15)

Projectors:

Kaelynn Engelau (8:00)

Thomas & Ruth Ann Hendrix (10:15)

Camera:

Jamie Baker

Altar flowers are provided by:

Linda Guinn

Sunday School Snacks:

Loyal Waltz

READINGS FOR NOVEMBER 16:

Malachi 4:1-2

Psalm 98

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Luke 21:5-19

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.

HOW TO CONTACT US:

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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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