

WEEKLY CHURCH NEWS

April 26, 2026

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; Gerald Wayt

Communion Assistant:
Doug Fish (8:00)

Communion Prep:
Wanda Engelau (10:15)

Lectors:
Amelia Shaw (8:00)
Judy Wonning (10:15)

Acolytes:
Caleb Baker & Abe Engelau (8:00)
Daniel Hendrix (10:15)

Projectors:
Henry Engelau (8:00)
Michelle Wood (10:15)

Camera:
Jamie Baker

Altar flowers are provided by:
Tammi Reinbold

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 174 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: April 26-May 1		
Sunday 26th	Bishop Tim Graham here	
	8:00 am	Communion
	9:00 am	Muffin Mornin
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	Worship
	2:00 pm	Jr. High Game Day (until 4:00 p.m.)
	4:00 pm	Anointing in the Chapel (until 5:00 p.m.)
	6:30 pm	Adult bells
	7:00 pm	Choir
Monday 27th	9:00 am	Preschool
	1:00 pm	Book Buzz
Tues. 28th	6:30 pm	Kids Bells
	7:00 pm	Internship Committee
Wed. 29th	9:00 am	Preschool
Thurs. 30th	9:00 am	Borchers Breakfast Club
	9:30 am	Tai Chi
	10:30 am	Bus leaves for Nickel Plate Rail Bike trip
Friday 1st	9:00 am	Preschool

Next week: May 3-8		
Sunday 3rd	CONFIRMATION SUNDAY	
	9:00 a.m. — 1 service	
	NO SUNDAY SCHOOL	
	6:00 pm	Anniversary Committee
Monday 4th	9:00 am	Preschool
Wed. 6th	9:00 am	Preschool
Thurs. 7th	8:30 am	Devotional service
	9:00 am	Borchers Breakfast Club
	9:30 am	Tai Chi
Friday 8th	9:00 am	Preschool (last day for 2's)

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.

MAGNIFYING SHEETS 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 May are canned meats, ravioli and 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. Donations are taken to Provisions, Anchor House or Jamestown Apartments.

TURNING POINT—In May we are collecting new bed pillows for Turning Point domestic violence shelter. There is a collection box near the kitchen.

Bishop Tim Graham Visiting

Today we welcome Bishop Tim Graham as he travels to churches within the Indiana-Kentucky Synod.

Muffin Morning

TODAY at 9:00 a.m.

Stop in for fellowship time! Enjoy coffee, muffins sampling and visiting. Sunday School students will enjoy leftovers during their snack time!

Jr. High Game Day

TODAY
2:00-4:00 in the Jr. High room

Anointing for Healing and Private Communion

TODAY
4:00-5:00 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.

BOOK BUZZ

Monday, April 27 1:00 p.m.

We will discuss *"The Women of the Post"* by Joshunda Sanders. Everyone is welcome!! Questions? Talk to Trish Tangman or Michelle Wood.

Internship Committee

Tuesday, April 28 at 7:00 p.m.

Nickel Plate Rail Bike Trip

Thursday, April 30 Bus leaves at 10:30

WORSHIP HELPER ROTATIONS

Michelle is working on the worship rotations for June-November 2026.

If you would like to volunteer, please let Michelle know.

If you presently volunteer and have any changes, please let her know.

WE ARE DESPERATELY IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS FOR:
LECTOR (8:00 AND 10:15) PROJECTOR (8:00 AND 10:15)
COMMUNION ASSISTANT (8:00) COMMUNION PREP (10:15)



CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

Sunday, May 3
ONE SERVICE — 9:00 a.m.

Those being confirmed are:

Caleb Michael Baker — Presley Anne Ebener
Abram Dale Engelau — Becca Marie Herbert
Liza Jane Lanam — Hadley Jo Siffard
Leah Renee Wentz

WORSHIP HELPERS NEEDED!
Please sign up at the Welcome Center

GRADUATION RECOGNITION

May 31
at both services

We need information about high school and college graduates.

For high school graduates: name, high school, and future plans.

For college graduates: name, school, degree earned.

Please call or email the church office.

Trip to Hilltop Garden and Nature Center

Indiana University, Bloomington

Tuesday, May 19

A tour and lunch at Lennie's Brewpub will be enjoyed as well as a quick trip on campus for photographs. Look for more details and sign up at the Welcome Center.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, May 19

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!

Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Summer Camps

Information is available at the Welcome Center.



PLANT GIVEAWAY

Saturday, May 23

9:00-10:30 a.m.
under the Picnic Grove shelter

Bring extra flowers and plants, seeds, bulbs, pots,
garden tools and decorations to be given away.

Bring what you can and take what you want!

All items are FREE!

Tell your friends to mark the date on their calendars!



PICNIC GROVE LAWN MOWING VOLUNTEERS

are needed April through October.

Please sign up at the Welcome Center.

Custodian Position Open

Sam Plumlee, our custodian, is stepping down. Anyone interested in applying for the position should submit a resume to the church office by May 17. any questions, please contact Pastor Steve.

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)

Did you know that 1 in 5 U.S. adults experiences mental illness each year? On Sunday, May 31st, Mark Teike will be with us at worship to highlight NAMI, National Alliance on Mental Illness, an organization that works to de-stigmatize mental illness in our community. NAMI provides education, support, and advocacy for families faced with mental illness.

BLANKETS TO BE TIED

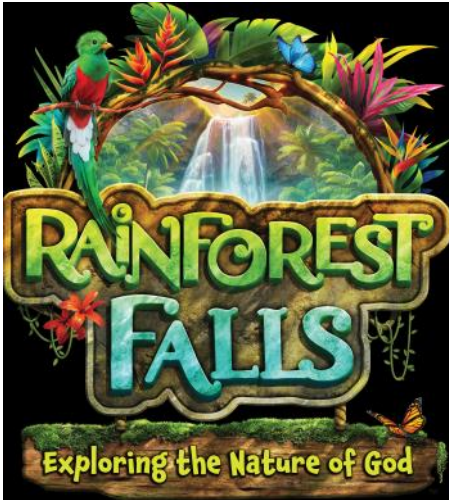
We're needing people to knot blankets for Lutheran World Relief.

Blankets are located on a table in the narthex.

Place in Mission Outreach Closet when finished.

Borchers Preschool Registration

Forms for 2026-27 school year are available at the Welcome Center.



Daycamp

June 8-12

Register now!

Volunteers needed too!

*Register by May 17
to be guaranteed a t-shirt.*

See the display for ways to help and registration! Register online or use the paper forms on the display table. **ALL** campers, volunteers and counselors should register to help us plan for supplies and t-shirt orders.



Luther League Fundraiser

Brooklyn Pizza "Card for a Cause"

\$20 each

These punch cards offer various discounts at Brooklyn Pizza in Seymour.

They can be purchased from any Luther League youth.

This fundraiser helps support their mission trip to Copperhill, TN this summer.

ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH BORCHERS

GOLF SCRAMBLE & FUNDRAISER

WHERE: HICKORY HILLS • BROWNSTOWN, IN



WHEN: JUNE 6, 2026

CHECK-IN: 7:30AM • SHOTGUN START: 8:00AM

MORE INFO: STPAUL-BORCHERS.ORG

\$50 PER PERSON • 6 PERSON TEAMS
PRIZES / RAFFLES / SILENT AUCTION

THIS FUNDRAISER WILL HELP SUPPORT OUR LUTHER LEAGUE
MISSION TRIP **COPPERHILL TN** THIS SUMMER!

Golf Scramble Hole Sponsors

\$100 each

Please sign up at the Welcome Center

**April 26,
2026**

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:

Acts 2:42-47: Today's reading is a description of life in the community following Peter's sermon on the day of Pentecost, when the Spirit was poured out on God's people. The new community is sustained in worship and fellowship, shares what they have, and ensures that everyone has enough.

1 Peter 2:19-25: Doing the right things does not guarantee that one will not experience difficulties, hardships, rejection, or even suffering. Here Christ is presented as the model for our path of endurance and loyalty to God, particularly amid adversity.

John 10:1-10: Jesus uses an image familiar to the people of his day to make a point about spiritual leadership. Those who listen to Jesus are led to abundant life.

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QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

- 1— In what ways does being part of a community, at your church or elsewhere, inform your faith journey? (Acts 2:42-47)
- 2—What does 'restore my soul' mean for you? (Psalm 23)
- 3—How do you experience the abundant life that Jesus talks about? (John 10:1-10)
- 4—How do these texts speak to you today?

Prayer: *O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valley of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house. Amen.*

NOTES

MEMORY VERSE: JOHN 10:10

¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

GOING DEEPER IN PRAYER

Sunday 4/26

Isaiah 45:1-25

Revelation 4:1-11

- ✦ Tony Herkamp, Jemma Otte
- ✦ world peace

Monday 4/27

Isaiah 46:1-13

Revelation 5:1-14

- ✦ Richard Runge, Kelly Culbreth
- ✦ Bishop Tim Graham

Tuesday 4/28

Isaiah 47:1-15

Revelation 6:1-17

- ✦ Roger Douglass, Karen Rust, Kailee Bowman
- ✦ those preparing for confirmation

Wednesday 4/29

Isaiah 48:1-22

Revelation 7:1-17

- ✦ Andrew Cupp, Tim England
- ✦ veterans

Thursday 4/30

Isaiah 49:1-26

Revelation 8:1-13

- ✦ Luci Angel, Roger Dale Douglass
- ✦ seminaries

Friday 5/1

Isaiah 50:1-11

Revelation 9:1-21

- ✦ Meg Brown, Kinsley Culbreth
- ✦ people preparing for graduation

Saturday 5/2

Isaiah 51:1-23

Revelation 10:1-11

- ✦ Josh Lanam
- ✦ Christians in Lebanon

Prayer for Homebound Individuals:

*Patty Herkamp; Selma Mellenbruch,
Paul Newkirk, Sonna Wentz, Shirley Runge*

Prayer for Long Term Care Issues:

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

Prayers for those in Military Service:

*Noah Hendrix (nephew of KY Hendrix);
Andrew & Joannah Yerrell (Roger Douglass'
grandson & wife); Seth Douglass*

PRAYER LIST

Recent Hospitalizations:

*Melissa Newberry (brain surgery—friend of Kathy England)
Adelee Davis (cancer—relative of Daryl Paswater)
Amelia Jessup (heart—granddaughter of Loyal Waltz)*

Other Prayer Requests:

*Marilyn Saum (friend of Doris Sparks)
Donald Schnicker (knee)
Phil Hardwick (cancer—brother-in-law of Tim Hoevener)
Lydia Paswater (accident—granddaughter of Nina Paswater)
Sharon Carpenter (cancer—mother of Holly Otte)
Lori Hatfield (knee replacement)
Betty Toxey (broken hip—grandmother of Erik Zakrzewski)
Bev Alstatt (health issues—mother of Kendall Alstatt)
Alice Bayman (cancer—Olga Otte's sister)
Dave Bode (eye surgery)
Kathy England (shoulder surgery)
Barbara Otte (health—aunt of Ruth Ann Hendrix)
Kim Dringenburg (surgery)
Maura Alicia Amador (health—friend of Ruth Ann Hendrix)
Bufard Fields (heart issues—step-father of Gerald Wayt)
Lisa Magaha (cancer—friend of Amy Rosenberger)
Tucker Wathen (brain cancer—friend of Karen Brigdon)
Sandy Smith (Robert Smith's mother)
Paul Franke (heart—Clayton Franke's father)
Haylee Stuckwisch
(pregnancy issues—friend of Carrie Morrison)
Darren Davis (heart attack—Susie Alstatt's brother)
Randall Frost
(cancer—uncle of Chris Otte and friend of Dave Bode)
Sandy Kovener (heart—friend of Shirley Lewis)
Stephanie Gricius (cancer—friend of Karen Dringenburg)
Kay Hoene (back surgery)
Red Angel (ankle surgery)
Bonnie Herkamp (cancer-relative of Carmen Herkamp)
August Herkamp (granddaughter of Carmen Herkamp)
Jaxon Reinhart (cancer—friend of Grant & Caleb Wheatley)
Dillon Williams (son-in-law of Tim & Kathy England)
Florence Otte (health)
Patricia Lewis (cancer—Tim England's mother)
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)
Monty Reynolds (prostate cancer—friend of Kathy England)
Paul Lewis (melanoma-step-dad of Tim England)
Mark Gillespie (cancer-friend of Charlotte Guinn)
Ernie Kleffman (back)
Treva Edwards (health issues—relatives of Robert
Smith)
Michelle Sallee (cancer—friend of Gretchen Lawles and
Linda Guinn)
Debbie Schroer (kidney cancer-mother of Tracey Engelau)*

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

We Worshipped:

April 19 — 8:00 service: 96 10:15 service: 52

Financial Report:

April 12 — Spending Plan: \$9,942.00 Other giving: \$170.00 New parsonage: \$120.00
TOTAL: \$10,232.00

April 19 — Spending Plan: \$2,960.00 Other giving: \$200.00 New parsonage: \$160.00
TOTAL: \$3,320.00

{The weekly amount needed to cover expenses in the
2026 Spending Plan is \$8,149.00}

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR MAY 3:

CONFIRMATION
1 service
9:00 a.m.

Sign up at the Welcome Center to help

Altar flowers are provided by:
Need volunteer

Sunday School Snacks:
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

READINGS FOR MAY 3:

Acts 7:55-60
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
1 Peter 2:2-10
John 14:1-14

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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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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