

WEEKLY CHURCH NEWS

May 10, 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:
Tammi Reinbold (8:00)

Communion Prep:
Mandy Otte (8:00)

Lectors:
Mandy Otte (8:00)
Matt Tangman (10:15)

Acolytes:
Wyatt & Willie Hoevener (8:00)
Henry Fountain (10:15)

Projectors:
Susie Schnitker (8:00)
Marc Fountain (10:15)

Camera:
Hannah Baker

Altar flowers are provided by:
Lois Bryden

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: May 10-15		
Sunday 10th	8:00 am	Communion
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	Worship
Monday 11th	9:00 am	Preschool
Tues. 12th	1:00 pm	Prayer Shawl
	7:00 pm	Internship Committee
Wed. 13th	9:00 am	Preschool
		(last day for 3/4/5's)
	11:00 am	Preschool picnic
	1:00 pm	Widows Group
	6:30 pm	Wednesday Youth Night
Thurs. 14th	9:00 am	Borchers Breakfast Club
	9:30 am	Tai Chi
Friday 15th	10:30 am	Preschool Graduation

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.

Next week: May 17-23		
Sunday 17th		Newsletter deadline
		Daycamp deadline to receive free t-shirt
	8:00 am	Worship
	9:00 am	Last day of regular Sunday School
	9:00 am	Daycamp counselor meeting
	10:15 am	Communion
	5:00 pm	Elementary Group
	6:30 pm	Luther League
Monday 18th	1:00 pm	Book Buzz
	7:00 pm	Church Council
Tues. 19th	8:30 am	Bus leaves for Hilltop Gardens trip
	1:00 pm	Blood Drive (until 6:00)
Thurs. 21st	9:00 am	Borchers Breakfast Club
	9:30 am	Tai Chi
	1:00 pm	Ruth Circle
	7:00 pm	Men's Group
Sat. 23rd	9:00 am	Plant Giveaway (until 10:30)

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.

Updated Small Phone Directory

Copies are available 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.

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.

Prayer Shawl

Tuesday, May 12 1:00 p.m.

Group for Widows

Wednesday, May 13 1:00 p.m.

Grief is hard. If you are a widow, you may find that caring support from other widows can help you on your grief journey. No matter how long you've been on your journey, if you feel sharing your experiences with other widows would be helpful, please reach out to Debbie Rust or Trish Tangman.

Wednesday Youth Night

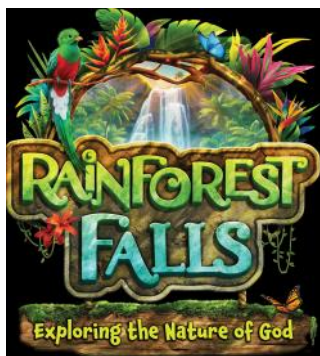
May 13 6:30 p.m.

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.

Adult Sunday School

Our Adult Sunday School class is studying the **Book of Daniel**. Daniel speaks to people of faith living in uncertain times—calling us to wisdom, courage, and steadfast hope when following God feels countercultural. All adults are welcome—whether Daniel is familiar or brand new to you. Join us as we listen for God's promises, ask questions, and encourage one another in faith.



Daycamp

June 8-12

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

Volunteers needed too!

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.

Daycamp Counselor Meeting

May 17 at 9:00 a.m.

Newsletter Deadline

May 17

Elementary Group

May 17 at 5:00 p.m.

Luther League

May 17 at 6:30 p.m.

Borchers Preschool Graduation

May 15 10:30 a.m.

Graduates are:

Haelynn Baker — Lenora Backs — Ali Banuelos — Mack Baxter — Everleigh Garrett
Ryan Guffey — Henley Hudson — Rice Johnson* — Christopher Jordan
Blakelynn Lee — Callie Meek — Jason Miller — Monnise Nunez — Waylon Purdue
Kendall Rieker — Brynlee Taulman — Darcy Themer — Wrenley Trueblood

*denotes church member

NEW
DATE!

BOOK BUZZ

NEW
DATE!

Monday, May 18

1:00 p.m.

We will discuss "James" by Percival Everett. Everyone is welcome!! Questions? Talk to Trish Tangman or Michelle Wood.

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!

Ladies Lunch

NEW
DATE!

Wednesday, May 20 at 11:30 a.m.

Lola's Modern Kitchen, 820 A Ave. E, Seymour

NEW
DATE!

Ruth Circle

Thursday, May 21 1:00 p.m. at church

Men's Group

Thursday, May 21 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.



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!

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

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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 17:22-31: In Athens, Paul faces the challenge of proclaiming the gospel to Greeks who know nothing of either Jewish or Christian tradition. He proclaims that the 'unknown god' whom they worship is the true Lord of heaven and earth who will judge the world with justice through Jesus, who God has raised from the dead.

I Peter 3:13-22: The author of I Peter encourages Christians to remain faithful even in the face of defamation and persecution. In baptism we are made clean to act in accordance with what is right.

John 14:15-21: In final words to his disciples on the night of his arrest, Jesus encourages obedience to his commandments and speaks of the Spirit, who will be with them forever.

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QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

- 1— What are some contemporary idols you have noticed people in your community may be attached to? (Acts 17:22-31)
- 2—Was there ever a time you thought God was asking you to suffer? What happened? (I Peter 3:13-22)
- 3—How might the Holy Spirit carry or console you this week? (John 14:15-21)
- 4—How do these texts speak to you today?

Prayer: *Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace. Amen.*

NOTES

MEMORY VERSE: JOHN 14:15

¹⁵If you love me, you will keep my commandments.

GOING DEEPER IN PRAYER

Sunday 5/10

Isaiah 59:1-21

Revelation 18:1-24

✦ Molly Claycamp, Lettie Morrison

✦ mothers

Monday 5/11

Isaiah 60:1-22

Revelation 19:1-21

✦ world peace

Tuesday 5/12

Isaiah 61:1-11

Revelation 20:1-15

✦ David Hildebrand, Karen Hoene

✦ people recovering from the storms

Wednesday 5/13

Isaiah 62:1-12

Revelation 21:1-27

✦ Gatlin Stillabower

✦ seminary professors

Thursday 5/14

Isaiah 63:1-19

Revelation 22:1-21

✦ schools

Friday 5/15

Isaiah 64:1-12

Matthew 1:1-25

✦ Owen Burgess, Mylo Davis, Scott Jackson

✦ church musicians

Saturday 5/16

Isaiah 65:1-25

Matthew 2:1-23

✦ Christy Newkirk

✦ Christians in Turkey

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:

Lisa Bergman (*brain surgery—sister of Clayton Franke*)

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:

Family & friends of Andy Kidd (*nephew of Bill Kidd*)

Myra & Jerry Mellencamp

(*health issues—friends of Dave Bode, Bill & Judy Wonning*)

Florence Otte

Olga Otte (*surgery*)

Marilyn Saum (*friend of Doris Sparks*)

Donald Schnikter (*knee*)

Phil Hardwick (*cancer—brother-in-law of Tim Hoevener*)

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*)

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 &*

Linda Guinn)

Debbie Schroer (*kidney cancer-mother of Tracey Engela*)

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

We Worshipped:
May 3 (Confirmation) — 174

Financial Report:

April 26 — Spending Plan: \$2,339.15 Other giving: \$145.00 New parsonage: \$180.00
TOTAL: \$2,664.15

May 3 — Spending Plan: \$8,624.00 Other giving: \$3,275.00 New parsonage: \$60.00
TOTAL: \$11,959.00

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

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR MAY 17:

Communion Assistant:
Tim England (10:15)

Communion Prep:
Judy Wonning (10:15)

Lectors:
Ruth Ann Newkirk (8:00)
Laberta Otte (10:15)

Acolytes:
Kasen Nichalson & Warren Newkirk (8:00)
Sage Zakrzewski (10:15)

Projectors:
Kaelynn Engelau (8:00)
Kathy England (10:15)

Camera:
Jamie Baker

Altar flowers are provided by:
Need volunteer

Sunday School Snacks:
Susie Alstatt

READINGS FOR MAY 17:

Acts 1:6-14
Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35
1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11
John 17:1-11

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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Wednesday—8:30-2:30
Friday—8:30-12:30

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