

SAINT PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH PARISH MESSENGER

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In the name of Jesus Christ,
Saint Paul Lutheran Church
is committed to praising,
praying, and sharing the Word of God.



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Pastors Newsletter for November 2018

I will thank you in the great congregation; in the mighty throng I will praise you. Psalm 35:18

Life in the community of believers is such a blessing. Every time I am away, even for one Sunday, I am thankful to be home and I realize again what a gift we have being bound together as brothers and sisters in Christ and to be able to join our voices together in praise of God. Saint Paul Lutheran Church is a very special part of the family of God and I appreciate each of you so much. The nice thing about being a family is that we always welcome more people in, just like our biological families rejoice in a birth, our family of faith is so thankful to be growing.

The other nice thing about being family is that we recognize our extended family. Just recently we had a great time having a hymn sing with two of our neighbor churches, Wolf's and Paradise ECC and we thank God for the fellowship of believers that not only extends down the road but around the world.

Of course, in the month of November we also think of one more extension of the family of faith and that is those saints who have gone before us and are singing their eternal praises of God in heaven. Jesus binds us together – saints on earth and saints in heaven and so even though we miss those who are no longer sitting in the pew next to us, we know that as we gather around the table of the Lord, God mysteriously unites us into one great congregation.

I have heard someone compare our worship to a sports team's warm up. The analogy is that in worship we are doing our exercises to strengthen us for our work in the world. But I think an even better analogy is that our worship on Sunday mornings is our warm up for our eternal praises that we will sing when we gather around the throne of the Lord singing His praises for eternity. It is after all the foretaste of the feast to come.

Regardless of how you look at it – worship is the place where our Lord meets us in Word and Sacrament and by the power of the Holy Spirit we are bound together in Christian love. Thanks be to God for the gift of the church and our life together. See you at worship!

Pastor Sally

SPECIAL APPEAL FOR November: Samaritans Purse

The story of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:30-37) gives a clear picture of God's desire for us to help those in desperate need wherever we find them. After describing how the Samaritan rescued a hurting man whom others had passed by, Jesus told His hearers, "Go and do likewise." For over 40 years, Samaritan's Purse has done our utmost to follow Christ's command by going to the aid of the world's poor, sick, and suffering. We are an effective means of reaching hurting people in countries around the world with food, medicine, and other assistance in the Name of Jesus Christ. This, in turn, earns us a hearing for the Gospel, the Good News of eternal life through Jesus Christ.

As our teams work in crisis areas of the world, people often ask, "Why did you come?" The answer is always the same: "We have come to help you in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ." Our ministry is all about Jesus—first, last, and always. As the Apostle Paul said, "For we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake" (2 Corinthians 4:5, NIV).

Mission Statement

Samaritan's Purse is a nondenominational evangelical Christian organization providing spiritual and physical aid to hurting people around the world. Since 1970, Samaritan's Purse has helped meet needs of people who are victims of war, poverty, natural disasters, disease, and famine with the purpose of sharing God's love through His Son, Jesus Christ. The organization serves the Church worldwide to promote the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.



Please call the church office if you or a loved one is in the hospital, we do not usually get informed of your stay by any of the hospitals even if you are registered under our congregation's name, and we want to make sure you get pastoral care. Thank you!

RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED MEMBERS

Dirinda Minnich, Luke Hubler, Mary Jane Fauth Charles Witman ~ please keep these members in your prayers.





Our Response to His Love in September:

2017 = 203

2018 = 184



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Articles for the December newsletter need to be in the church office by **November 16th.**

ASAPH TEACHING MINISTRY

Presents a free concert on Sunday November 25th at 6:00pm
Trinity Life Center Bethlehem United Methodist Church
Main Street in Dallastown

*Asaph Orchestra *Updates from Haiti *Debut of Asaph Choir
Free will offering will be collected to benefit ASAPH Teaching Ministry.
Some of our choir members will be a part of the choir that day and we are looking for more singers. See Carol Moscony for more information.

BLANKET WORKSHOP: The quilters will be meeting on Tuesday, **November 13th at 9:00am** to tie knots, so why not join them and knot some knots! Thanks to all who donate material and time for this important work. The three-layer quilts are donated to Lutheran World Relief and the two-layer quilts are donated locally.



QUILTING DONATIONS - The Quilting Committee is looking for cloth tablecloths and/or curtains that can be used for the backings for our quilts and material for our quilt squares. Donations can be dropped off in the conference room.



Friends in Christ is a group for widows, widowers and anyone who wants to join us for a time of fellowship.

November 18
December 9

Lunch at Hoss's after 2nd service
Lunch at Hoss's

Book Club

Please join us **November 14th at 11:30am.**
Bring a lunch and meet it in the Conference Room. The book we are reading for October is: When God Doesn't Fix it by Laura Story



OUR DAILY BREAD: for November is pumpkin bars (no nuts please.) Use your favorite recipe and cut in 15 squares and wrap individually. We need 24 pans by **9 am on Friday, Nov. 16th**. If you make some, please sign the sheet in the narthex Thanks!



THANKSGIVING WORSHIP: It is good to give thanks to the Lord every day, but we especially want to gather in worship and praise for the Thanksgiving holiday. **Join us Wednesday, November 21ST at 7:00 pm** in the nave for a service of Holy Communion. We will have free pizza, veggies and cookies in the Fellowship Hall at **6:15** so that those attending don't have to rush supper. Join us!



WORSHIP IN NOVEMBER

- Nov. 4 All Saints Sunday**
First Lesson: Revelation 7: (2-8) 9: -17
Second Lesson: 1 John 3:1-3
Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12
- Nov. 11 Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**
First Lesson: 1 Kings 17: 8-16
Second Lesson: Hebrews 9:24-28
Gospel: Mark 12: 38-44
- Nov. 18 Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**
First Lesson: Daniel 12:1-3
Second Lesson: Hebrews 10:11-25
Gospel: Mark 13:1-13
- Nov. 25 Christ the King**
First Lesson: Isaiah 51:4-6
Second Lesson: Revelation 1:4b-8
Gospel: Mark 13:24-37

Men of Faith

Our excellent men's group meets next time on Saturday, November 17 at 8:00 AM. While we are glad to have the men who attend regularly with us, but we would also like more guys to be enriched by this experience. Equipping men to integrate faith fully into their lives we support one another in our efforts to grow in our relationship with God and represent him well at home in the church, and in the community. Our video study and discussion is thought provoking and true to the Biblical witness and inspires good discussion among us, our breakfasts are always satisfying and our time of fellowship lively and enjoyable. So join us at 8 AM on November 17 in the Fellowship Hall for the next Men of Faith meeting.

THANK YOU! We are so blessed to have so many kind and thoughtful people at Saint Paul. Thank you for your prayers during Pastor appreciation month and for all your prayers throughout the year. Thanks also to those who sent cards – as you share the love of Jesus our lives are enriched! Pastor Paul and Pastor Sally

HARVEST OF HOPE NEEDS

Canned pasta, Beef stew, Pork and beans, Canned soups, Spaghetti sauce, Canned fruit, Vegetarian beans, Canned vegetables, canned chicken breast, boxed mac & cheese, pasta sauce, egg noodles, elbow macaroni, dry spaghetti, boxed rice, hamburger helper, chicken helper, boxed cereal, kidney beans, gluten free products, lower sugar products for diabetics



Holiday Season Needs: 12-16lb turkeys, turkey breasts, 3-6lb hams, boxed mashed potatoes, canned yams or sweet potatoes, boxed sweet potatoes, boxed stuffing, canned turkey gravy, canned cranberry sauce, boxed cake mix, frosting, boxed fruit gelatin

Monetary donations are always gratefully appreciated.



In order to receive credit for your contributions they must be received **no later** than **December 30th**.
Thank you!

Remember the Special Meeting at **12:30 on November 4** about the building renovations and then our regular **Annual Church Budget Meeting** is on **November 18th** at 9:30am, please plan to attend!



LCMC

We would like to thank the congregation for the opportunity to go to the 2018 LCMC Gathering in October that was held in Des Moines, Iowa. It was a privilege to represent the congregation throughout the conference. We all had a great time of worship and learning with our fellow Lutherans. We were able to have great fellowship and networking with pastors and congregational leaders. We are so excited to share with you all of the things we learned about.... discipleship, spiritual gifts, leading through change, and youth, just to name a few! Please talk with us about the experience and even consider going to this event next year! God Bless, Kate Frye, Joyce Hall, Pastor Sally & Chuck Mann

New in our Church Library 3 Mysteries by Tom Hilpert

Pastor Jonah Bordon is not your typical Lutheran Pastor, and he makes sure everyone knows it. In the Lake Superior Mystery Series (3) he counsels townspeople, cooks gourmet meals, has a bit of romance, and heroically solves mysteries. Set in the beauty of Minnesota's Lake Superior coastline, Hilpert's books feature unique and memorable characters and keeps you guessing to the end.



ADVENT doesn't start until December 2nd this year, but we are getting a head start with a special Bible study called "What Child is This?" starting Thursday November 8. There are devotional books with the same theme that will be available for home use. Our children's Christmas presentation will follow the topic. Prepare your hearts for the coming King!

Concerning our missionaries in the Philippines:

Please pray for the translation project and for future showings of the Genesis film to the Sama people in the Philippines. In the last two months before home assignment Luke hopes to show the film to 1000's in the Sama communities and spark hunger for God's word.

Please also pray for Luke and Ruth to persevere in their calling and that they may see their ministry among the Sama bear fruit in due season. Ask God to protect and guide them as they make plans to return to the USA in January.

Nominations for Church Council: The Nomination Committee is asking for people to run and nominations can be made during the announcement times at both services on Sunday, November 25 and December 2. All nominees must be contacted prior to having their names placed on the ballot. **The Church Council election** will take place Sunday, December 8 by ballot during the announcement times at both services.



We will again donate scarves to those in need through Harvest of Hope Food Pantry. Please have scarves to bin at rear of Narthex, behind coat racks by November 18th.

PRAYER LUNCH: Join in prayer concerns at the Prayer Lunch, at noon on **Tuesday, November 20th** in the conference room. Please bring your lunch and help pray for the church, our pastors, and the congregation.



SPONSORSHIPS

ALTAR FLOWERS (\$40/wk)

Nov. 4	Cindy Renehan / Brad & Barb Little
Nov. 11	Hax Family / Catrina Frey
Nov. 18	John & Esther Jacobs
Basket	Georgianne Eyster
Nov. 21	Donald & Delores Hoover / Open
Nov. 25	Dennis & Sharon Mummert

BULLETIN (\$20/wk.)

Nov. 4	Saint Paul
Nov. 11	James Tice
Nov. 18	Brenda Shorts & Family
Nov. 21	Pastors
Nov. 25	Donald & Delores Hoover

BREAD & WINE (\$10/wk.)

Nov. 4	Richard & Mary Keller
Nov. 11	Donnie & Diana Fake, Dave & Malinda Grube
Nov. 18	Gloria Witmer
Nov. 21	The Fake family
Nov. 25	Richard & Mary Keller

DVD MINISTRY (\$10/wk.)

Nov. 4	Mike & Marguerite Keller
Nov. 11	Gary & Dot Mann
Nov. 18	Open
Nov. 21	Treva Albright
Nov. 25	Mary Jane Fauth

PARISH MESSENGER

John & Esther Jacobs

SANCTUARY LAMP

Gordon & Donna Huckenberry

OPEN 2018 SPONSORSHIPS

- **Please note that if you are sponsoring the 5th Sunday, it may not be available next year.** If you wish to sponsor an opening, please call the church office (792-1650 between 8 am and 2 pm)

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

"If any of you is lacking in wisdom, ask God, who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly, and it will be given to you."

James 1:5

Sunday School for all ages! (Faith Learning 9:45am on Sunday Morning)

For Adults:

Parents of Faith – prayer and Bible study of relevant topics for parents as they raise their children in the faith – this class meets on the stage

Lutheran Theology class – meeting temporarily in conference room. Studying Luther's Large Catechism.

Concordia study works through various books of the Bible- this class meets in the parlor.

Faith Forum meets in Pastor Sally's Office-great discussion of the Word, Prayer and Mutual Support.

Faith building for youth and children:

Senior High (grades 10-12 in the youth room) They are combining with young adults for a class called: Money, Money, Money. Come learn about earning, saving and giving to the glory of God!

Crib Nursery – Toddler in the nursery room.

Pre-K through 5th grade - will be doing a unit of God Creates a World and a People. Lessons include creation, Adam & Eve, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob & Noah.

Confirmation classes for **grades 6 and 7 will be in the room next to the youth room.** Grades 8 and 9 will be in room one.

All of our Christian Education classes deal with exciting materials about the word of God! Learn and grow with us



THANK YOU

I want to express my sincere thanks to the pastors for their prayers and visits both prior to & during my hospitalization and surgery. My thanks go also to the members of our church for their continued prayers, encouragement, cards, and gifts of food. Your concern and caring are greatly appreciated! Thank you, Kathy Yeater

It was wonderful to have you all out at camp this past weekend. Thanks for the ministry at Kirchenwald and for the great care your group showed for the facilities here. Hope to see you back again soon! Peace, Zach

Dear Friends at Saint Paul Lutheran Church, Greetings from Lutheran World Relief! We're so thankful for your partnership, and for your energy and enthusiasm for this ministry. I'm excited to be able to share with you some details about where some of your items traveled in the last year. You may already have spotted in your online tracker that your Mission Quilts have gone to Tanzania, your donations departed our warehouse on May 21, 2018. This shipment will reach 24,750 people in Tanzania with Mission Quilts, including the regions of Arusha, Dodoma, Irina, Singida, Morogoro, and Mbeya. The cold season in this region begins in May and lasts through August, and quilts are a deeply comforting and practical gift to all who receive them. Thank you so much for bringing hope to our neighbors in need around the world. We thank God for you! Melanie W. Gibbons, Quilt & Kit Ministry Manager

Women of the Word November 19 & December 17. We will be continuing our Bible Study, *Giving God Your All*. The topics we will cover are *Putting It in God's Hands, ...And Leaving It There, It's Too Hard! As Good as His Word, Surrendered* and *Taking the Plunge*, Brenda Shorts will lead the discussion. We invite all ladies to join us in our monthly Bible study. We hope the change in time will make it easier for you to join with us for study and fellowship. Hope to see you there!





Cookies for the Thanksgiving baskets – the Social Ministry committee is asking for homemade cookie donations that will be put into the Thanksgiving baskets for our church’s shut-ins. Please have them in the kitchen **marked “for shut-in baskets”** by

Friday Nov. 16th at 9:00am, as we will be packing the baskets that morning.

Welcome to the Lord’s table for the first time Oct. 28th: Savannah Morgan, daughter of Jason & Ashlyn Morgan. Leeland Tamminga, son of Dann & Beth Tamminga. Chloe Waltersdorff, daughter of Jonathan & Michelle Waltersdorff. Caleb Casey, grandson of Tom & Marge Davidson. And Isaac Mann, son of Chuck & Stephanie Mann. May the body and blood of our Savior Jesus strengthen you in your daily walk now and throughout your lives.

CHRISTMAS CHURCH PARTY: Please join the Fellowship Committee Sunday, **December 2, 2018 at 12:30 pm** for the annual Christmas Party.



Menu will include:

- Lasagna, Chicken nuggets, Applesauce, Salad
- Cookies & Ice-Cream
- Coffee, Tea & Fruit Punch

Our special entertainment will be provided by storyteller, Beth Rebert presenting “The Polar Express”



2018 Christmas Party RSVP

Please let us know if your family is planning to attend. This will help the committee in preparation.

Name _____

Number of adults attending _____

Number of children attending _____

Please RSVP by November 18th. Thanks!

ADDITIONAL SINGERS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS EVE!



The Adult Choir will be singing at the 7 p.m. service on Christmas Eve, and we welcome additional singers to join with us on that occasion. Rehearsals will be held at 7:15pm on Thursday evenings in November and December. We could particularly use more men, but all voice parts are welcome. If you like to sing, please consider joining us for this festive occasion! For more information, contact Carol Moscony.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM WILL BE HELD ON DEC. 23RD at the late (10:55) worship service. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend the performance!

Upcoming Church Family Events!



These activities are for EVERYONE!
Our annual Christmas Caroling will be Sunday, December 16th after second service. Join the fun - it takes so little effort and makes a deep impact on the people we sing to.

We are having a bowling event on November 14. We will meet at 5:00 at the church (or meet us at Hanover Bowling Center at 5:30) We will be bowling and eating pizza until 7:30. The cost per person is \$3 and sign up and payment is needed by October 21. All are welcome to join us for a fun evening!



The Youth and Family Committee would like to sponsor a family for Christmas. Do you know a family in our community that has a special need (unemployment or health issues) that we could give presents to and bring some extra cheer to at that special time of the year? Please see Pastor Sally with any suggestions. Thanks for your help in identifying people for us to minister to in Jesus' name.

Intern's Message: Law

My second year of seminary has begun, and the first course of this year was about a very important teaching in Lutheran theology, Law & Gospel. This teaching is very helpful to us as we listen and study Scripture. When the Lord speaks to us in Scripture, He reveals that He works with people in two basic ways or teachings. These teachings appear throughout Scripture and understanding this can help us focus on His purpose for Scripture. This month I will discuss the Law.

What is the Law?

A helpful way to understand the law is by looking at the 3 traditional uses of the law.

THE THREE USES OF GOD'S LAW:

1ST USE OF THE LAW -- Make the world work right- To promote good and prevent evil, maintain order. This applies to everyone, Christian and non-Christian.

2ND USE OF THE LAW -- Make humans despair before God and drive you to Christ. "The law always accuses."

3RD USE OF THE LAW --

Law sets forth what Holy living is like and gives us direction in our discipleship.

The law is God's word that set standards for human behavior according to his will and for the right functioning of his world. Simultaneously, by the word of the Law, God always exposes how we fall short of his will. The law commands and instructs. The law is God's gift to us as the chosen and forgive people of God. We should be thankful for this instruction for our lives.

Our Lutheran beliefs are summarized in the Book of Concord. (For further study, see Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord: V. Law and Gospel and VI. The Third Use of the Law)



POINSETTIAS FOR 2018

It's time again to order poinsettia plants to adorn the sanctuary for the Christmas season. The multi-bloom plants will be in a 6" pot. The price is \$9.00 per plant. Payment is due at the time of the order.

Red (per 6" pot) \$9.00 each
Memory / Honor of (circle one) _____

by _____

White (per 6" pot) \$9.00 each
Memory / honor of (circle one) _____

by _____

Pink (per 6" pot) \$9.00 each
Memory / honor of (circle one) _____

by _____

Harvest of Hope Food Pantry Donation
Memory / honor of (circle one) _____

By _____

Name _____ Total plants ordered _____

Total Pd. _____ Check No. _____

Please place your order with payment in the offering on Sunday.
If you want additional quantities of any flowers, please fill out another form from the narthex. Thanks!
Contact Linda Sherman 717-846-2036 with questions.

Order deadline = December 2



**JOIN US FOR OUR
"ASAPH TEACHING MINISTRY"
FUNDRAISER**

On Sunday, November 11, 2018, **SOUTH YORK ISAAC'S** and **WEST YORK ISAAC'S** will host a fundraiser to benefit Asaph Teaching Ministry. The funds raised will support Andy Stump's Gospel and music missionary work in Haiti. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the cost of your meal will go to Asaph Teaching Ministry. Please support us!

WHERE: **SOUTH YORK ISAAC'S**—South York Plaza
235 Pauline Drive, York 17402
Call 717-747-5564 to place takeout orders
and
WEST YORK ISAAC'S—Carlisle Commerce Center
2159 White Street, York 17404
Call 717-854-2292 to place takeout orders

WHEN: **Sunday, November 11, 2018, 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

HOW: Bring this flyer with you or show it on your phone,
complete the information and hand in when paying.

**This form can be used for Dine-In, Takeout &
Online Orders at www.isaacrestaurants.com.
Use coupon code **FUND** for online fundraiser orders.**

Please complete this information for your server.

Name: _____

of People in Party: ___ **Cost of Meal (excluding tax):** _____

In order to maximize the amount of donation for the organization, we ask our Loyalty members to kindly refrain from using their number during fundraisers. Coupons, Discounts, and Loyalty Perks are not valid during Fundraisers.

Want to help us earn even MORE? Add an Isaac's **Gift Card** to your check and **15%** of the gift card sale will be added to the fundraiser! Gift card must be used on future visit.

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Education Hour: 9:45am

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