

SAINT PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH PARISH MESSENGER

November 2020

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



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dedicated to the Glory of God and
in honor of our grandchildren by John & Esther
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Pastor's Letter

“O send out your light and your truth; let them lead me.”
Psalm 43:3

The big question in the next couple of days is: who will lead our nation? The election seems to be on everyone's mind. No matter who you are interested in, the process is contentious. There will be one group or another that will be highly disappointed. As Christians we are called on to pray for our elected leaders, to exercise good citizenship and to work for peace and justice in all circumstances. So we will vote and we will pray and we will recognize that whoever wins, we have a sovereign Lord who is over all. Jesus is our ultimate leader and it is only His light and his truth that will never fail. All earthly rulers will pass away but our Lord and his power and love will never fade.

Therefore, let us pray first for wisdom in our choices, then also for peace in our hearts, no matter what the result, and peace in our land.

Now more than ever we need to come together as a worshipping community to be strengthened by God's word and Holy sacraments. Join us in person when it is possible and on-line when you can't get out. When you are not able to get out send us a message on e-mail or text – we want to know how you are doing and to be able to pray for any need that you have.

Remember to check out all our Faith Building opportunities. Zoom in if you can't come in person.

Your sister in Christ,
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.

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.



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

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. 20th**. If you are able to make some, please call Kate Frye (717) 792-1650. Thanks!



Bell Choir is back. Our practice time has changed to Tuesdays at 10:30 AM. New members are welcome!



Faith Builder's Pastor's Class:

Saint Paul is blessed to have the Word occupy a central place in our Sunday services as we hear and proclaim the Word of God from both the Old and New Testaments. Delve into the richness of these Scripture readings as we take time to explore their meaning and context together during the Faith Builder's Christian Education time. We will begin this study in November in the parlor. As part of our time together we will also get a better sense of the church year we observe and how that too amplifies the Sunday morning worship life. Time of the study will be 9:30-10:15 AM.

Worship in November

Nov. 1

All Saints Sunday

First Lesson: Revelation 7: (2-8) 9-17

Second Lesson: 1 John 3:1-3

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

Nov. 8

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: Amos 5:18-24

Second Lesson: Thessalonians 4:13-18

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

Nov. 15

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: Zephaniah 1:7-16

Second Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Nov. 22

Christ the King

First Lesson: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

Nov. 25

Thanksgiving Eve

First Lesson: Deuteronomy 8:1-10

Second Lesson: Philippians 4:6-20

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Nov. 29

First Sunday of Advent

First Lesson: Isaiah 64:1-9

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Gospel: Mark 13:24-37

SPONSORSHIPS
ALTAR FLOWERS (\$40/wk)

Nov. 1	Cindy Renehan / Brad Little
Nov. 8	Hax Family
Nov. 15	John & Esther Jacobs
Basket	Bernice Bahn
Nov. 22	Henry & Virginia Collins / Dennis & Sharon Mummert
Nov. 25	Donald & Delores Hoover / Carl Smyser
Nov. 29	Carl Smyser

BULLETIN (\$20/wk.)

Nov. 1	Mike & Marguerite Keller
Nov. 8	James Tice
Nov. 15	Brenda Shorts & Family
Nov. 22	Donald & Delores Hoover & Family
Nov. 25	Pastor Paul & Pastor Sally
Nov. 29	Carl Smyser

BREAD & WINE (\$10/wk.)

Nov. 1	Richard & Mary Keller
Nov. 8	The Fake Family
Nov. 15	Gloria Witmer
Nov. 22	Donnie & Diana Fake, Dave & Malinda Grube & Jackson
Nov. 25	Richard & Mary Keller
Nov. 29	Carl Smyser

DVD MINISTRY (\$10/wk.)

Nov. 1	Mike & Marguerite Keller
Nov. 8	Gary & Dot Mann
Nov. 15	Carl Smyser
Nov. 22	Carl Smyser
Nov. 25	Treva Albright
Nov. 29	Carl Smyser

PARISH MESSENGER

John & Esther Jacobs

SANCTUARY LAMP

Gordon & Donna Huckenberry

OPEN 2020 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)

HARVEST OF HOPE NEEDS

The food pantry is unable to accept any food donations at this time until further notice. Monetary donations may be made to the church and marked "pantry"



Women of the Word

Women of the Word will continue their monthly Bible Study on Wednesday, November 18th at 1:00 pm. We are continuing our "*Living in Jesus*" Bible study. This month we will study "*Refreshed in Him*". We invite all women to join us in for study and fellowship.

The Men's group is meeting once again and gathering in Fellowship Hall. Our breakfasts, as befitting during this time, are more packaged than before and we keep a greater social distance, but the meeting is still rewarding and has good discussion and fellowship. This year we are looking into the Old Testament prophets, gaining insight into their work and how they point to the Savior Jesus Christ. Sign up in the narthex or let the office know if you are coming, it helps for our planning. **Next meeting is Saturday, November 14th at 8AM.**

If at first you don't succeed....

We are rescheduling our Disaster Walk for **November 8**. It will be held right after the second service. Either bring a bag lunch or sign up to have pizza. A donation form will be available in the coming weeks in church or on-line. The monies raised will go to Samaritan's Purse Disaster Relief. Please join us for a walk around our property or support us with a monetary offering for this good cause.

Third Thursday Bible, Bingo, Bag Lunch!
Friends in Christ (our group for widows, widowers and friends) is trying something new. On November 19 we will meet at 11:15 (right after Bible study, see below). We will be meeting in Fellowship Hall and have plenty of room for social distancing. We will use paper bingo papers and stamps. Small prizes will be given out. Also, if you bring a bag lunch we can hang around and visit a bit. Hopefully, Covid will end soon and we can go back to some of our fun outings, but in the meantime, we can have fun together in our nice big building! Pass the word around.

Bible Study for November (two opportunities)

One of the enriching features of church life is our common desire to delve further into the Holy Scriptures. This fall we all can engage in a study entitled *Words that Matter*, a look at the deeper meaning behind several words found in the Scripture. Rather than just a study of one book, this allows us to trace the rich meaning of the word from one book to another and, in the course of doing so, come to a more profound understanding of what God conveys to us through His Word. So join us in person or by Zoom on Thursdays, the morning session is held here at the church in the Parlor at 10AM, the evening Zoom session is held at 7PM, the invitation to which will be included in the Wednesday and Thursday daily devotion e-mail for that week. The November Bible Sessions will be held on **November 12 and 19.**

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 25th at 7:00 pm** for a service of Holy Communion.



Our Annual Church Budget Meeting is on **November 15th** at 9:30am, please plan to attend! We will have a modified Sunday School that day with activities for the children in the Library/Gathering Area. Please remember that we need to have a quorum in order to conduct an official meeting. Your church needs you. We will practice the same social distancing that we do during worship and ask members to be diligent about the use of masks when moving through the building.

Highway Clean-Up

After a little pause in our schedule, the dedicated Highway Clean-up crew was back to work. On Saturday, October 3rd, the small but mighty group gathered 17 bags of trash, a broom, some boards and a few car parts. Thank you, Clean-up Crew!

Great News!

Saint Paul Church Council has approved hiring an Interim Director for the reopening of our beloved pre-school program. The job description is available on the church web site and on the shelf in the library area of the narthex. **Applicants should supply a cover letter and resume by November 15.**

All Saints Sunday, November 1 at the 8:15 service

We will remember those who have passed away since last All Saints Sunday

<u>Member</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>
Fred Christiansen	11/30/19
Delores Smyser	1/1/20
Goldie Richcrick	1/2020
Barbara Little	1/23/20
Byron Grove	1/28/20
Brian Boyce	2/12/20
Brenda Barndt	2/24/20
William Markel	3/16/20
Lorma Bubb	10/14/20

We give thanks to God for the lives of our loved ones and for the hope of the resurrection through Christ our Lord!

We would also like to include (at the time of prayers of the church) the names of other loved ones that we know who have passed away since last All Saints Day. If you have a name you would like us to include that day, please contact the church office either by calling during office hours, or by email.



Sympathy is extended to the family of:
Lorma Bubb, who passed away on October 14th. We are praying for the comfort of the Holy Spirit and give thanks for the hope of the resurrection through Christ our Lord

New Members and Baptisms

On October 17th we welcomed Kylie Lenker into membership through affirmation of faith and her daughter Aubrey through Holy Baptism. Aubrey is the granddaughter of Vonda Lenker and the great granddaughter of Kay and Wayne Adams.

On October 25th we welcomed Lori Hollick by Affirmation of Faith and her children Gavin, Tristin, & Emberly by Holy Baptism. Gavin, Tristin, & Emberly are the grandchildren of Don & Donna Reeve.

We welcome you all to our church family!

Welcome to the Lord's table for the first time Oct. 25th:

Wyatt Markle, son of Tyke & Brianna Markle
Evan Myers, son of Shawn & Amanda Myers
Gavin Hollick is the son of Lori Hollick

May the body and blood of our Savior Jesus strengthen you in your daily walk now and throughout your lives.



THANK YOU

Dear Members of Saint Paul, thank you for sending me the beautiful prayer shawl. When I opened the package, the first thing I did was wrap it around my shoulders. It made me feel so warm and comfortable inside. It is such a blessing to know that the people of Saint Paul are thinking of me. I just can't thank you enough for the prayer shawl. It was greatly appreciated. Sincerely, Treva Albright

To my friends at Saint Paul Lutheran Church, thanks for the beautiful prayer shawl. Yes, it will be used! Received many comments! I am doing well (all indoors). All meals are served to your door three times a day; I walk for exercise at least three times a day. For some reason the salon is still closed, and my hair has grown beyond my shoulders, I try to push it in back of my ears at mealtime! Hopefully things will improve very soon. They did take me to the dentist (all okay!) earlier this month, on Tuesday it's the eye doctor. Maybe we'll catch up eventually! Sincerely, Lorma Bubb (please note, Lorma passed away on October 14, we are glad she enjoyed the shawl before her death.)

Peggy and David Shaffer wish to thank Pastor Sally and Pastor Paul for their prayers and calls during our Covid 19 quarantine. We also thank the congregation for prayers and most of all God.

Thank you for the beautiful prayer shawl from the Social Ministry Committee, I really enjoy wearing it, it was so thoughtful of you! Your friend, Mary Kopp



POINSETTIAS FOR 2020

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 _____

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 with questions.

Order deadline = November 29, 2020

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