



**ST PAUL'S
LUTHERAN
CHURCH & SCHOOL**

Our Mission: We make and nurture disciples of Jesus.

September 3-5, 2022

Welcome to Members and Guests

It is our hope and prayer that the message you hear today from God's Word will strengthen your faith and fill your heart with the peace only God can offer and the joy we have in knowing that Jesus is our Savior.

Guest Information

The service is projected on the front screen or you can follow along in the blue Christian Worship hymnal, found in the pew racks. **Listening devices** are available. Please ask an usher for assistance. A live recording of the sermon is posted on our website. Local cable channels broadcast services on Wednesdays at 10 am and 7 pm. We welcome parents with small children! There is a **nursery room** located on the north end of the Parish Center across from the offices, and a **quiet room** for infants located in the back of church. **Restrooms with changing tables** are located near the information desk (hallway) and across from the nursery and kitchen.

Please **join us for coffee, treats and fellowship** between services. Check out the **information desk**, located in the hallway beyond the fellowship area, for more info about St. Paul's Church and School as well as opportunities to connect. If you are interested in learning more about the Bible or becoming a member, please contact Pastor Scharf. **Bible Classes** are at 9:30 AM. **Library** is located across from the offices. Ushers are happy to point you in the right direction.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, you provide all things for the good of those who love you. Thank you for this time of grace on earth and the opportunity to fight the good fight of faith. Center our hearts solely on your Son, Jesus Christ, who we are privileged to worship and adore in this life and the next. In His name we pray. Amen.

This Week - September 5-11

Monday Church Office Closed
6:30pm Worship and Communion

Tuesday 11am and 6pm Bible Class
6:15pm Board of Outreach
7pm Women's Bible Class

Wednesday 11am Small Group Bible Class
6:30pm Confirmation Class
6:30pm Wednesday School

Thursday 5:30pm Board of Child Discipleship

Saturday 5pm Summer Send-off
Church Photos 5:30-6 and 7-7:30pm
6pm Contemporary Worship
7:15pm Outdoor Worship at School

Sunday 8 and 9:30am Worship
9:30am Bible Classes
11am Contemporary Worship
Church Photos 9-9:30, 10:30-11, 12-12:30

God's Blessings at St. Paul's Last Week

Attendance: August 27-29: 853 Online - 229

Offerings:	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>WELS/Missions</u>	<u>MVL</u>
(Budg/ Actual)	\$27,057/\$15,072	\$1,936/\$698	\$1,629/\$800

<u>Cap. Impr.</u>	<u>School Project</u>	<u>Other</u>	Total:
\$221	\$3,413	\$266	\$20,470

Memorial: Beatrice Herding - \$20 School Impr. from Marcy Fluegge;
Thank Offering: \$250 from Larry & Kathy Murphy on 25th anniversary

Next Week's Word of God

Readings: Hosea 3: 1-5; Luke 15: 1-10

Sermon: 2 Corinthians 2: 5-11; Email Devotions: Zechariah 12

Worship & Contact Info

Sermon: Pastor Nate Scharf **Liturgy:** Staff Minister Tom Benzing

Organist: Beth Wiechman **Piano (8am):** Judy Martens

Website: splnewulm.org

Worship Times: Sat. - 6pm; Sun. - 8, 9:30 & 11am; Mon. - 6:30pm

Church - 201 N State St **School - 126 S Payne**

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News and Notes

Sunday Bible Classes - Large group on September 4, 9:30am - Pastor Smith will lead a study of Zechariah. No Bible Basics.

Summer Send-Off - Join us at St. Paul's School on September 10 from 5-7pm for an evening of a games, a bounce house, food, music and more! Stay for outdoor worship at 7:15pm, followed by Hermannfest fireworks. This is a complimentary event sponsored by John and Paul Ministries and the Raider Events Committee.

Nursery Helpers Needed - We are looking to staff the nursery starting September 18. If you are interested in helping from 9:30-10:30am on Sunday mornings, please visit tinyurl.com/SPnursery to sign up. Contact Ashley Kuschel with any questions.

Costa Maya Ministries is in need of a Spanish-speaking person or couple to help our called workers and growing congregation with various aspects of administration - including record keeping, coordinating volunteers, and managing community relations. The position is for at least one year and includes an allowance for internet, food and housing. For a more detailed position description please contact the church office or please reach out to Paul Tice.

Has Your Photo Been Taken for the St. Paul's Directory? Last weekend, more than 100 families were photographed by volunteers. Praise God for this initial response and special thanks to our 19+ volunteers. Was your photo taken? If not, come this weekend to the fireside room after a church service on Saturday or Sunday. Photography will continue until the end of September - but get your picture taken right away to save the church office the time to contact you later. With your church directory information page filled out, it will take likely less than five minutes. Our pastors will also help take your picture on Wednesdays, starting September 7th from 9-11 am & 1-3 pm - just walk-in the church office.

First Bible ceremony will take place on September 10-12 during all worship services. In these services, a new Bible is presented to the first graders of our congregation. Please encourage any first graders or older children who have not received their First Bible to attend one of these services. Please contact Mr. Kuschel or the church office to let us know which service you will attend.

Small Group Bible Class will begin again on Wednesday, September 7, at 11am. Myron Fluegge will lead the class, with a continuation of the People's Bible - John, along with current events. The Class will meet most Wednesdays at 11am. During September they will meet in the library instead of the Fireside Room. Join us for a relaxed discussion of God's Word.

Mixed Choir will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, September 7 at 7 pm in the choir room. All interested in singing God's praises and meeting great people should come! God loves to hear every voice sing - fantastic talent is not necessary - simply a willing heart!

Volunteers for Photo Directory Needed - To help make our new photo directory run smooth, we are asking for your help. Sign up to help in as many time slots as you can! Visit bit.ly/SPphotodirectory or call the church office (507-354-3641).

Wednesday School started last week and **Sunday School** will begin on September 18. Register at splnewulm.org/children/. **Sunday School Teachers Needed** - This is an excellent way to share God's Word with the children of our congregation. If you are interested in teaching Sunday School please contact Staff Minister Kuschel (kkuschel@splnewulm.org) to learn more.

Treasure Haus is looking for volunteers on Mondays to price housewares. Stop by or call with any questions: 507-354-6108.

OWLS Meeting - Our local MN Valley Chapter 13 (Organization of Wels Lutheran Seniors) will meet on Monday, September 12, at St. Paul's Church. Plan to arrive any time after 11:30am for fellowship, a potluck meal at noon, and devotion. Amy Rich and Beth Kretsch will then make a presentation about our WELS Prison Ministry.

Save the Date - LWMS Fall Rally: October 15 at Shepherd of the Lakes in Fairmont. Pastor Craig Wilke (married to Christine Biedenbender), who serves at a home mission setting in Brandon, SD is guest speaker. Watch for full details in the near future.

Keep in Your Prayers... Larry and Kathy Murphy who are celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary... Gary Maidl as he awaits a heart and kidney transplant... David Honeman who had surgery on Tuesday and is recovering... Our students who have gone back to school, along with teachers, staff and all who support.