

This Week – November 28-December 4

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| Monday | 2pm After-School Bible Study 6pm Bible Information Class 6pm Evening Bible Study 6:30pm Worship 7pm Men's Bible Study |
| Tuesday | 9:15am MUMS 11am and 6pm Bible Class 6pm Women's Bible Class |
| Wednesday | 11am Small Group Bible Class 12:15, 4:30 and 6:30pm Advent Worship 5:15pm Fellowship Meal 6:30pm Confirmation and Wed. School 7:15pm Mixed Choir |
| Saturday | 6pm Worship and Communion |
| Sunday | 8 am Contemporary Worship and Communion 9:30am Bible Classes and Sunday School 11am Worship and Communion |

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

Attendance: November 19-21: 881 Online: 153

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| Offerings: | <u>General Fund</u> | <u>WELS/Missions</u> | <u>MVL</u> |
| (Budg/ Actual) | \$27,057/\$19,938 | \$1,936/\$1,734 | \$1,629/\$1,101 |
| <u>Cap. Impr.</u> | <u>School Project</u> | <u>Other</u> | Total: |
| \$888 | \$11,563 | \$1,386 | \$36,610 |

Memorials: Timothy Koestler - \$105 School Improvement Fund

Next Week's Word of God

Readings: Romans 5:4-13; Sermon: Isaiah 11:1-10

Hymn of the Day: CW 324 - O Lord, How Shall I Meet You

Email Devotions: 1 Corinthians 3:4-13

Worship & Contact Info

Sermon: Pastor Tim Smith **Liturgy:** Pastor Scott Oehlhafen
Organist: Steve Biedenbender **Contemporary:** Michael Johnson
Website: splnewulm.org

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

Church - 201 N State St **School - 126 S Payne**
507) 354-3641 **(507) 354-2329**
church@splnewulm.org **school@splnewulm.org**



Our Mission: We make and nurture disciples of Jesus.

November 26-28, 2022

Welcome to Members and Guests

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

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! By your grace, we enter a new church year. I praise you for your goodness. Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory. Help me to rejoice in the Advent promise that Christ will come again, and help me prepare for his coming -- my heart, my life, my soul. All things are yours. Bless me as I worship you today and build me up with your word. Amen.

News and Notes

Sunday Bible Class will continue a study of Micah, led by Professor Tom Nass. Bible Basics will not meet on November 27.

Special St. Paul's Advent Services - Need some help keeping Jesus Christ as the reason for this Christmas season? Come to St. Paul's and bring the family for our special Advent Services on three Wednesdays, beginning November 30 at 12:15, 4:30 pm, and 6:30 pm. **At 5:15 pm, we invite you for a meal in the fellowship hall. Volunteers are needed to make this happen. Please contact the church office if you can help serve and/or bring desserts.**

Volunteer Help Needed - Help is needed on Monday, December 19 to move the risers that are used for the children's Christmas Eve Service. The risers are stored at 126 S. Payne St., and we need to move them to the church. Meet at 3:30 pm at the school on Monday, December 19. Contact the school or church if you can help.

Church Database - St. Paul's Church recently transitioned to a new database. This means that you will no longer see up-to-date contact information in Access ACS. Members will continue to receive financial contribution statements in January. If you have any questions, please call or email the church office. Note the new church office email: church@splnewulm.org.

Connection Cards - Our Board of Elders thanks you for signing a St. Paul's connection card every time you worship (noting who comes with you to worship and communion). Please leave the connection cards in the pews for the ushers to collect after services.

Band Concert - All are invited to the St. Paul School Band Concert on Thursday, December 15, at 7:00 pm in the gymnasium. The Raider Band and the Junior Band will perform along with some smaller ensembles. Come and join us!

Church Library - Look in the St. Paul's Church Library for a wide variety of resources! You'll find our online catalog at librarycat.org/lib/StPLCLibrary.

Christmas Cards are available for purchase in the hallway. The prices are \$7 for a box of 12 cards and \$9 for a box of 20 cards. Individual Christmas cards are also available for \$1 each from the card rack. All proceeds benefit the ministry of St. Paul's.

MLC Early Learning Center -We are thankful for the ministry of the Early Childhood Learning Center of Martin Luther College which trains our next preschool and early childhood teachers in our Synod. Representatives from the center will be in the narthex to answer questions. There are employment opportunities available.

Men's Dartball - The WELS dartball league, dormant the past 2 ½ years because of the pandemic, is starting up on Monday, December 12, at 7pm in the lower level dartball room at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, New Ulm. Any male player in eighth grade or older is eligible to play. This is a great opportunity for new players to get involved in fun, fellowship, and camaraderie. Interested players should contact Myron Fluegge by phone: 507-359-2424 or email: flueggemtj@hotmail.com by Wednesday, December 7.

St. John's Youth Group will be hosting a Christmas for Kids on Saturday, December 3, 8:30-11:30am for preschool - grade 5. There will be crafts, Christmas carnival games, snacks, music and more. Register at <http://bit.ly/SJC4K2022>. If you have any questions please contact Kristin Ulicky at kru8880@gmail.com.

Martin Luther College invites you to the annual Christmas concert, *Dawn of Redeeming Grace*, presented December 3, 7:30pm and December 4, 4pm in the MLC Chapel of the Christ. All are welcome as we open the Advent season with this joyous campus tradition!

Les Miserables - St Paul's members are invited to join the MLC family and the New Ulm Castle group for a Thielen motor coach bus trip to Minneapolis to see Les Miserables at the Orpheum Theatre on Saturday, December 10. The cost is \$75 and includes the bus ride and an upper balcony show ticket. The bus leaves MLC at 11:15am for the 2:00 matinee. Learn more and purchase tickets at www.bit.ly/MLCLesMis or call Steve Balza at 507-217-1731.

Martin Luther College is accepting applications for full-time early childhood assistant teachers, part-time substitute teachers, and a full-time custodian and grounds worker. Interested individuals should apply online at mlc-wels.edu/hr/.

Keep in Your Prayers... **Dan Ahlers** who will have knee surgery... **Archer Otto Westphal** who will be baptized on Sunday.