



Our Mission: We make and nurture disciples of Jesus.

September 30 – October 2, 2023

Website: splnewulm.org

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 10am and 7pm. 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 9:30am. The Library is located across from the offices. Ushers are happy to point you in the right direction.

Prayer Before Worship

Almighty God and Father, from our origin we have earned only your wrath and punishment. We pray that you would hide your face from all our iniquities. Show mercy on us, O lord, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, whose patience, and love for us miserable sinners extended even to the cross. It is for this reason that we may joyfully honor and praise your name, now and forever. Amen.

Next Week's Word of God

Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7, Philippians 3:12-21

Sermon: Matthew 21:33-43

Hymn of the Day: CW 862 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

Email Devotions: Chronicles: The Royal Line

This Week – October 2-8

Monday.....	2pm After School Study 6pm BIC Class #3 6pm Financial Peace University 6:30pm Worship and Communion 7pm Men's Bible Study 7:40pm Worship Committee
Tuesday.....	9am MUMS 11am & 6pm Bible Class 11:30am Board of Family & Youth 6pm Handbell Choir 7pm Women's Bible Study
Wednesday	6:30pm Confirmation Class 6:30pm Wednesday School 7pm Mixed Choir
Thursday.....	5pm Board of Child Discipleship
Friday.....	9:30am Bulletin Assembly
Saturday.....	9-12am Everyone Outreach Workshop 10am Jesus Cares
Sunday.....	6:00pm Contemporary Worship 8am Worship and Communion 9:30am Worship 9:30am Bible Classes 9:30am Sunday School 11:00am Contemporary Worship 12-4pm Everyone Outreach Workshop

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

Attendance: 9/23-25: <i>In-Person:</i> 855 <i>Online:</i> 215
Offerings:
(Budg/Actual) <u>General Fund</u> <u>WELS/Missions</u> <u>MVL</u>
\$27,326/\$17,468.50 \$2,053/\$1,396 \$1,729/\$914
<u>Cap. Impr.</u> <u>School Project</u> <u>Other</u> <u>Total:</u>
\$455 \$2,062 \$910 \$23,205.50



Support St. Paul's Church & School by giving your offerings in the baskets at the entries or by giving online at splnewulm.org. Click "GIVE" or scan the QR code on your phone.

Worship & Contact Info

Message: Pastor Nate Scharf **Liturgy:** Pastor Tim Smith
Organist: Steve Biedenbender **Contemporary:** David Bauer

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

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News and Notes

Bible Class- Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings at 9:30. This week's class will be studying Miracles of Jesus, taught by Pastor Smith. All are welcome to the class.

Bible Basics Class - Sunday mornings at 9:30 there is a Bible Basics Class basement room 105. We will be studying "Growing in Grace". Please join us and bring a friend!

Bible Study on 2 Timothy at 11am and 6pm Tuesdays in the Fireside Room.

Bible Information Class are held on Mondays from 6-7pm. This class gives an overview of what we teach in our church and school. It can also be a path to membership if so desired. Email Pastor Scharf at nscharf@splnewulm.org

Women's Bible class will be studying the book of Galatians. The class meets in the lower level of the church, right across from the choir room, on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Please join us!

School Bible Study- Pastor Smith leads a Bible study on Mondays at 2:00 pm for anybody waiting to pick up children. We will meet in the school conference room.

Ten St. Paul's Connect Groups begin their first of four sessions at ten different St. Paul's homes. There are still open seats. Sign up now at www.bit.ly/CG23Fall or on the table in the new narthex. Speak with coordinator Melissa Nehls 920-539-1242 or Pastor Oelhafen 262-442-8568.

St Paul's will be participating in an exciting new program called **Everyone Outreach!** Please mark your calendars for **October 7-8 OR October 28-29** when we will kick off the program with a 2-day workshop. Go to splnewulm.org to register or see our information desk for more information.

Financial Peace University is a course about managing the monetary gifts that God has given us. This class will be on Mondays from 6:00-7:30pm. The cost to access online resources is \$25 per family. If you are interested, please contact Staff Minister Kris Kuschel kkuschel@splnewulm.org.

Budget Update- The deficit is currently at \$14,374.00 We are thankful for God's generous people! Since our reserve funds have been depleted, the Board asks every St. Paul's member to prayerfully consider a special offering, in addition to our regular offerings. To ensure your additional offering is applied specifically to this deficit, please mark on your envelope DEFICIT OFFERING.

St. Paul's is looking to hire an **Operations Manager** of our church and school. Full details of the position, including application instructions, are

available online at splnewulm.org/opsmanager. For questions, please contact Jeff Boyce at 507-276-6014 or Pastor Scott Oelhafen at 262-442-8568.

Fall Cemetery Clean Up - In preparation for the winter months, all live flowers, plants, pots, urns, ornaments and solar lights must be removed from the grave sites by 10/1. Winter decorations may be placed on the grave sites after 11/1.

Assistant head cook needed at St Paul's Lutheran School. If interested please pick up an application at St Paul's school or church office.

MVL Kitchen Are you interested in casual employment or volunteering in the MVL kitchen? This is an on-call position to substitute on days regular workers are gone. Please reach out to Mrs. Fluegge for more information. foodservice@mvlhs.org, call or text 507-993-5195

MVL will again be hosting a Charger Junior Choir. The choir is open to students currently in 6th-8th grades that attend any of our association schools or churches. The choir will rehearse six times between October and December and will perform at the MVL Christmas Concert on Dec. 21st. More information regarding the choir is available on the school website, mvl.org. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Jon Hermanson (jhermanson@mvlhs.org).

MLC Ladies' Auxiliary has a great event planned for everyone who is interested in supporting the students at MLC! Held on 10/7, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., the morning will be packed with fellowship, worship, entertainment, and education! Also, you can take in MLC sports events in the afternoon as well as Oktoberfest in downtown New Ulm! Registration opens at 8:30 am in the Luther Student Center. Watch for more details on MLC's website and Facebook page.

Please join the Martin Luther College Wind Symphony for their opening concert of the year on Sunday, October 1. As part of our Homecoming weekend activities, this concert has a special start time of 1:00 pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

WELS/OWLS Travel Tours OWLS is offering bus tours that may be a great way for you to see more of God's world while enjoying fellowship with God's people. A November trip to the Scenic Southeast and a January winter warmup tour to South Florida are now open for registration, while spring and summer trips will be available to book starting on October 13. Learn more at www.fathersworldtours.com or call Steve Balza at 507-217-1731.

Keep in your Prayers.. Jerry Karstens recent hip surgery, David Honeman knee replacement surgery, Ruth Henning recovering from her fall, Thanksgiving to Jolie Hotovec & Thrisha Stockton recent baptism.