



**Our Mission: We make and nurture disciples of Jesus.**

**October 21-23, 2023**

**Website: [splnewulm.org](http://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**

Heavenly Father, you spoke through your servants the prophets to proclaim the coming of your Son, Jesus, to bring salvation and forgiveness into the world. Fill our hearts with your message of forgiveness and peace, and make us servants who carry out your will in the world. In Jesus our Savior's name, Amen.

**Next Week's Word of God**

Reading: Romans 3:19-28, Matthew 10:16-23

Sermon: Daniel 6:10-12, 16-21

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

Email Devotions: Chronicles: The Levites

**This Week – October 23-29**

Monday.....	10-4pm Blood Drive 2pm After School Study 6pm BIC Class #7 6pm Financial Peace University 6:30pm Worship with Communion 7pm Men's Bible Study
Tuesday.....	9am MUMS 11am & 6pm Bible Class 6pm Handbell Choir 6:30pm Church Council 7pm Women's Bible Study
Wednesday .....	6:30pm Confirmation 6:30pm Wednesday School 7pm Mixed Choir
Friday.....	9:30am Bulletin Assembly
Saturday.....	8-12pm Everyone Outreach Workshop 10am Jesus Cares 6:00pm Worship 7pm SPLaT
Sunday.....	8am/9:30am Worship 9:30am Bible Classes & Sunday School 11am Worship and Communion 10:40-2:40 Everyone Outreach Workshop

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

**Attendance:** October: 14-16 In Person -904 Online - 182

<b>Offerings:</b>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>WELS/Missions</u>	<u>MVL</u>
(Budg/Actual)	\$27,326/\$23,091.45	\$2,053/\$1,310.25	\$1,729/\$1,204.25
<u>Cap. Impr.</u>	<u>School Project</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total:</u>
\$500.50	\$2,418	\$147	<b>\$28,671.45</b>

**Memorials & Thanks Offerings:**

Robert & Susan Hellmann..... Debt Reduction



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

**Worship & Contact Info**

**Message:** Pastor Nate Scharf      **Liturgy:** Pastor Scott Oelhafen  
**Organist:** Hannah Scharf      **Contemporary:** Judy Martin

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

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**(507) 354-3641**

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## News and Notes

**Budget Deficit 2022-2023 Reached: Praise God from whom all blessings flow.** Praise God for generous people at St. Paul's who gave \$40,000+ to make up the deficit for last fiscal year so we didn't need to cut any ministry. As of this week, we even had extra gifts of @\$1,200 so our Board of Finance wisely placed it into a Deficit Reserve Fund that was previously \$0. Now, we get to work together to meet our ministry plan for 2023-2024 with our personal stewardship. Thank you for your generous support of sharing the Gospel at St. Paul's. Every financial gift to God makes a difference.

**Bible Class-** Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings at 9:30. This week's class will be studying Miracles of Jesus. 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 Church and Congregation. Please join us and bring a friend!

**Bible Study** on Jeremiah 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** held in 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.

**Bible Class-** covers subjects relating to marriage & parenting 9:30am Sundays in the Church Library & led by Ben Clemons.

**Search Committee Status Update-** Our committee has been actively meeting each week and interviewing candidates with a variety of ministry gifts. Thank you God for bringing these people to interview for the vacant St. Paul's Operation Manager position. The application window of October 17<sup>th</sup> has now closed, and we are scheduling interviews with candidates. Keep this in your prayers that God blesses this important work to complete our ministry team.

**SPLaT** will meet on Saturday, October 28 from 7:00-8:30pm at St. Paul's Church. All teens in grade 7 and older are welcome! Join us for games, activities, and Bible Study. Wear active clothing and bring a snack to share.

**Everyone Outreach** Thank you to everyone who joined us! Didn't make it to the first one? Sign up for October 28th & 29th. Register at <https://forms.gle/X3Y86hm3UfEn4nR4A> or stop by the Information Desk at church.

**Volunteer Opportunities-** St. Paul's is looking for volunteers who are willing and able to help in a few roles within our church community. If you are interested in any of the opportunities to serve or have questions about any of them, please see our information desk.

**Carnation Procession** In Worship services November 4-6 we will be celebrating Saints Triumphant Weekend. As we remember those loved ones who have joined the Church Triumphant in heaven we once again have our Carnation Procession and prayer. If you'd like to submit a name of a loved one for the prayer, please email their name to church@splnewulm.org .

**Blood Drive-** On Monday, October 23rd, there will be a blood drive held at St. Paul's church from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Visit [RedeCrossBlood.org](http://RedeCrossBlood.org) and enter: SPL New Ulm to schedule an appointment.

**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.

**St. Paul's School** is planning the Vision and Hearing Screening for Wednesday, October 25. The goal is to have enough volunteers to screen all of our students at that time. We will be looking for lots of volunteers to help us out. Volunteer sign up (<https://signup.com/go/TbBhRxx>).

**Fall Cemetery Clean Up** -Winter decorations may be placed on the grave sites after 11/1.

**MVL Play** Ahoy, mateys! MVL's drama department is at it again!. Bring the whole family to the play which is running at State Street Theater from October 27th - 29th (Friday and Saturday at 7PM and Sunday at 2PM). Tickets will be sold at the door. We can't wait to see you there!

**MLC-** Wind Symphony for *Colors and Contours* on Sunday, November 19, at 3:00 pm in the MLC Auditorium. The concert is free and open to the MLC is Hiring

**MLC-** is accepting applications for a full-time Director of Alumni Relations and part-time Assistant Coaches in baseball and tennis. Interested individuals should apply online at [mlc-wels.edu/hr/](http://mlc-wels.edu/hr/) . public.

Celebrate the Reformation at the joint **Reformation service** October 29, 2023 at 3pm at MLC.

**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. Learn more at [www.fathersworldtours.com](http://www.fathersworldtours.com) or call Steve Balza at 507-217-1731.

*Prayers of thanks for.....* **David & Louise Tweit** married 63 years and **Greg & Kathy Mielke** married 25 years.