

This Week — November 20-26

Monday.....	2pm After School Study 6:30pm Worship 7pm Men's Bible Study
Tuesday.....	9am Board of Finance 9am MUMS 11am & 6pm Bible Class 4:45pm Handbell Choir 5:30pm Joint Council Meeting 6pm Women's Bible Study
Wednesday	6:30pm Thanksgiving Worship 7pm Mixed Choir
Thursday.....	9:30am Thanksgiving Worship
Friday.....	9:30am Bulletin Assembly Parade Of Lights
Saturday.....	6:00pm Worship* 8am & 9:30am Worship
Sunday.....	9:30am Bible Classes & Sunday School 11am Contemporary Worship Worship service with Communion *

Next Week's Word of God

Reading: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Sermon: Matthew 25:31-46

Hymn of the Day: CW 494 See, He Comes, the King of Glory

Email Devotions: Chronicles 10- Saul's Death

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

Attendance: November 11-13: In Person - 1,163; Online- 295

<u>Offerings:</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>WELS/Missions</u>	<u>MVL</u>
(Budg/ Actual)	\$27,326/\$25,052	\$2,053/\$1,396	\$1,729/\$1,754
<u>Cap. Impr.</u>	<u>School Project</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total:</u>
\$377	\$4,385	\$1,240	\$34,164

Memorials: Lucillo (Luepke) Johnson- School Fund

Steve Holm - General Fund



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



Our Mission: We make and nurture disciples of Jesus.

November 18-20, 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. The **Library** is located across from the offices. Ushers are happy to point you in the right direction.

Prayer Before Worship

Heavenly Father, in grace you chose us from eternity to be your blessed children. In grace you rescued us from the darkness of sin, death, and Satan, and carried us into the kingdom of your Son. In grace our King now rules the earth for our good. We come together today to thank you for your grace, to be filled with your love, and to hear you speak to us through your Word. Bless our gathering for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Worship & Contact Info

Message: Pastor Scott Oelhafen

Liturgy: Professor Nate Scharf

Organist: Hannah Scharf

Contemporary- Judy Martins

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

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News and Notes

Bible Classes offered at St. Paul's

Sunday

- Professor Jacob Behnken from MLC will be teaching a 4-part series on Lutheran Worship- Fellowship Hall, 9:30 AM
- Bible Basics Class- Basement room 105, 9:30 AM
- Couples Bible Study- Library 9:30 AM

Monday

- Bible Information Class- Fellowship Hall 6 PM
- Men's Bible Study- Fireside room 7 PM
- School Bible Study- St. Paul's Lutheran conference room 2 PM

Tuesday

- Bible study with Pastor Smith. Fireside room, 11 AM & 6 PM
- Women's Bible Study- Room across from choir room, 7 PM

Professor Jacob Behnken from MLC will teach a four-part series on Lutheran Worship at St. Paul's, Sunday mornings during the 9:30 Bible study hour. Please join us!

Part 1 - Nov 5th, Part 2 - Nov 12th, Part 3 - Dec 10th, Part 4 - Dec 17th

Women's Bible class- will be starting a new study from a book called The Women of Christmas. Learning about the 3 women of the first Christmas will give us spiritual help in coping with all our extra activities. Please note that on the 21st we will begin meeting at 6:00 PM for the winter months.

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, please see our information desk or email church@splnewulm.org

Volunteer Appreciation Lunch- Have you volunteered at our church? Be our guest at a delightful luncheon in honor of you! Join us December 5th at 12:15 for an Appreciation Luncheon. Please RSVP by 12/3. The sign-up sheet is located at the information desk, or email the church office at church@splnewulm.org.

Has your Contact Info Changed? Please help our St. Paul's church office with regularly updating your current home address, cell phone number, and email address. Please call our church office at 507-354-3641 or email church@splnewulm.org with your current info to

help us give you better spiritual care along with saving time and money (mailings, pastoral care, etc.).

Church Custodian- Art Lehne our Church Custodian, has faithfully served St. Paul's congregation for many years. He will be retiring this Dec. We are looking for a team player to fill this hourly part-time role. Pick up a job description along with a job application at the church office.

Cemetery Caretaker- We are looking for a Cemetery Caretaker to oversee the work at St. Paul's cemetery. Our current person will be retiring, having served since 1999. This is an hourly part-time position; pick up a job description along with a job application at the church office.

Parade of Lights- Come walk with us on 11/24 at 6:00 pm! Register at bit.ly/ParadeOfLights23 to receive information like parade route placement and when to arrive. We'll be handing out a John and Paul Ministries swag item and the holiday worship schedules of St Paul's and St John's churches. See you then!

Join the **Youth Group of Gibbon and Fairfax** to go bowling from 3-5pm on November 26th at Code 3 Bowling in Gibbon. Food, drinks, and fun will be provided for \$5. Please text Mr. J (507-317-3653) if you plan to come.

Thanksgiving Cards are now available for purchase from the rack in the hallway.

Scrip A Scrip order for physical gift cards will be placed in time for all of your Christmas shopping and giving! Orders placed and paid for by Monday, December 4 at noon will then be submitted as a group and should be ready for pickup by Monday, December 11. You can shop online at RaiseRight or in the RaiseRight app. For questions or to obtain the enrollment code, contact Laura at scrip@splnewulm.org.

MLC invites you to the annual Christmas concert, *Unto Us a Child Is Born*, presented Saturday, December 2, at 7:30 pm and Sunday, December 3, at 4:00 pm in the MLC Chapel of the Christ. All are welcome as we open the Advent season with this joyous campus tradition!

MLC is Hiring- Martin Luther College is accepting applications for various positions. Interested individuals should apply online at mlc-wels.edu/hr/.

Prayers Baptism of Anastasia Greenwaldt, Wedding of Jeremy Portner and Kristen Haun that will take place on 11/24, bless our new members.