

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School

Announcements - October 14 & 15, 2017

ATTENDANCE CARDS

Please locate the Attendance Cards in your row and fill one out when you arrive. This helps us know that you are here with us and it enables us to assist you. The Attendance Cards are collected after the Offering.

No Sunday Classes

Reformation Walk - October 15th & 22nd

Check in at the cafeteria after the 8:30 am service

REFORMATION WALK

Step back 500 years—all in just two days! Plan to join us during the Sunday School/Bible Class Hour on **October 15th and 22nd** for the Reformation Walk, please sign in at the table in cafeteria. Participants of all ages will experience the sights and sounds of life during the time of Martin Luther. Along the way, you will meet people who played a role in transforming the Church and the world forever. Each Sunday, you will move to 5 stations to learn a little bit more about the life and times of Martin Luther.



LUTHER MOVIE VIEWING

If you did not have a chance to see the new movie on Martin Luther, "Martin Luther: The Idea That Changed The World", we are hosting a screening of the movie at the school site in gym on **Sunday, October 15th at 1:00pm**. Please join us to watch and then discuss this movie.

TUESDAY MORNING

BIBLE STUDY

Bible study will resume **Tues. October 17th at 10am** with Pastor Mike teaching. Join us as we continue to read Paul's letter to the Galatians together. Please note there will not be class November 14th.

COLLEGE LUNCH

College Students - Please join us for lunch on **Sunday, October 22nd** following the late service (about 12:30). Actually, this month it will be brunch! The menu is waffles, breakfast casserole, fruit and cookies. RSVP to Lynda Koeppen by Tuesday, October 17th at 815-592-5701 or lykoeppen@comcast.net. Hope to see you there!

BELSON STEEL CENTER RECYCLING PROGRAM

St. Paul's is again participating in the S.C.O.R.E. Recycling Contest through Belson Steel in Bourbonnais. The top schools win thousands in extra cash and prizes. You can help us teach a valuable lesson about recycling and help us earn money too. Just drop off your cans here at the school or you can bring them to Belson Steel. Just mention St. Paul's when you drop them off at Belson Steel. We earn \$0.02 per point and each pound recycled equals one point. The contest ends in April. Thank you for supporting St. Paul's Lutheran School.



BUTTER BRAID SALES



St. Paul's Youth is selling Butter Braids between services **October 14th & 15th**. Proceeds from the sales goes directly to the summer mission trip. You can also order directly from any youth or contact **D C E A n g e l** at agillespie@stpaulslutheran.net. All orders and payment are due by October 15th. Orders will be delivered on November 6th at 3p.m..

AUCTION TICKETS ON SALE NOW!



Tickets are now being sold for the St. Paul's Auction "Partner Up" on Saturday, November 4, 2017. Tickets are \$50.00 each and at the time of purchase a dinner choice of chicken, steak or pasta will need to be selected for each ticket. Tickets will be sold before and after the Saturday night services, Sunday morning between services and also available in the church & school office. Checks and cash will be accepted. So "Partner Up" with St. Paul's and get your tickets today!

MOPS

(Mothers Of PreSchoolers)

Please join us every **2nd & 4th Monday**, from **9:00 to 11:00 a.m.** in the Youth Room. Free Childcare is available. Please plan to attend and enjoy the fellowship, support and plans for this upcoming year. Feel free to call or text Bethany Hanel at 913-961-2425 for more info.

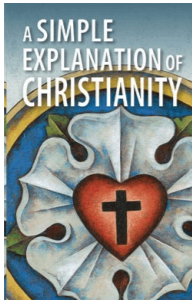


LUTHER'S SMALL CATECHISM

The month of October is a busy one for us here at St. Paul's as well as for all Lutherans. At the end of the month (10/28-29), we celebrate the Reformation. 10/15 and 10/22 we are helping our families explore the Reformation with the Reformation Walk during Bible class time (9:50am). This weekend (10/15) we are watching the film/documentary on Martin Luther in our gym at 1:00pm. We hope and pray you can join us as we consider God working in history and in the life of Martin Luther.

If it has been a while since your Confirmation, it might be a good time for you to review Luther's Small Catechism. The Catechism is an explanation of the basics of the faith. The Ten Commandments, The Apostles' Creed, The Lord's Prayer, Confession/Absolution, Baptism and the Lord's Supper.

A booklet that has the six chief parts as well as their explanations is available to anyone who wants one. Please ask the ushers for your copy. Pick one up and explore these basics of the faith once again!



BIBLE MEMORY VERSES

Do you need some help in memorizing God's Word?

Do you want to challenge yourself to follow along with the congregation?

If you have a smart phone or a computer at home, you can use electronic "flash cards" using TINYCARDS.

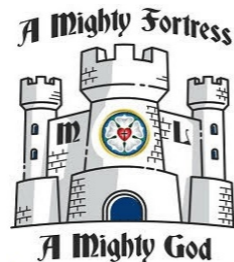
Go to your App store on your smart phone (Apple and Android) and download the Tincards app and set up your account or on your computer at <https://tincards.duolingo.com>.

Once you are set up, search for "A Mighty Fortress" and you will see a set of cards with our theme graphic. The program will walk you through the process. It is a fun way to study and memorize God's Word.

Concordia Publishing House has also put Luther's Small Catechism on Tincards as flash cards if you want to review and study the catechism.

We pray this is an additional method that you can use to hide God's Word in your heart.

God's Blessings!



CHURCH WIDE FOOD DRIVE



Human Care will host a canned food drive for the church's food pantry now through Thanksgiving. Canned and boxed food sources such as vegetables, fruit, tomato products, soups, ravioli, spaghetti, peanut butter, jelly, hot & cold cereals, cake, brownie, corn bread mixes, flour, sugar, salt, pepper, condiments such as ketchup and mustard, as well as canned meats and tuna are all needed to help supply our food pantry. Food baskets went out in September, the next will go out in November and December. If you choose to donate money, please place in the offering and designate "food pantry". Thank you so much as we partner together for members and friends of St. Paul's who are less fortunate. Items donated can be placed in the grocery cart at the school or barrel in the atrium at the church. Paper products such as tissues, toilet paper and paper towels are also welcome.

THANK YOU

The ladies of Tabernacle would like to thank everyone who helped out, donated items to be sold and who shopped at our Rummage Sale. All of you are what makes our sale a success. Thank you to the Joseph Ministry and to St. Paul's members for helping us set up the sale and pack up everything afterwards.

Blessings to you all, Carol Ginger

T.R.I.P CARDS FOR AUCTION



The silent auction committee has a specific need for gift card donations in the amounts of **\$10, \$20, \$25 and UP**.

Gift card purchasing is available through the church & school with the T.R.I.P Card program to local and national retailers.

Please see Julie Salzman to give a gift card today!

PARTNER UP with us!

FROM THE SERMONS OF MARTIN LUTHER

**Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost
Matt. 22:1-14**

"As Isaiah 61:10 says: 'He has clothed me with the garments of salvation and has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decorated with a crown and like a bride adorned with her jewels.' (Matt. 22:11), namely, the great trust and righteousness through which we are clothed with Christ Himself as with a gift. This is the gold, these are the robes which the Gentile church has received through the early church and the Apostles." *LW 12:294*

**ST. PAUL'S IS HELPING TO
RAISE FUNDS FOR RACHEL
MEYER**

St. Paul is selling Carson's Community Days booklets. If you would like to help stop by the office or see Julie Salzman on Sunday and pick-up a packet to sell. The booklets contain over \$500 in coupons. They are \$5 a piece and all funds will be donated directly to Miss Meyer's missionary work. You can also purchase booklets online at:

https://www.carsons.com/product/311676.html?utm_source=premiere&utm_medium=email&utm_content=296784&utm_campaign=17FCMDAYBK&ICID=17FCMDAYBK296784

REFORMATION SERVICE

Members of St. Paul's are invited to attend a Festival Divine Service w/ Holy Communion in celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation at Zion Lutheran Church, 11456 N 11000E Rd, Grant Park, IL on Sunday, October 29th at 5:00pm. Guest preacher is Rev. Ralph Tausz (Apostles Lutheran, Melrose Park). A reception with desserts and drinks will be held following the service. If any singers would like to participate in the choir for the service, please plan to attend a rehearsal on Wednesday, October 11th at 7:00pm (also held at Zion, Grant Park).



**SPARE CHANGE
BABY BOTTLE
DRIVE**

St Paul's is having a "Spare Change Baby Bottle Drive" to benefit the River Valley Parenting & Pregnancy Resource Center in Bradley, IL. **The bottles will be distributed October 14th & 15th.** Bottles will also be available in the church office at that time. The RVPRC is a life affirming, Christ centered, non-profit agency that provides many services to women, men and grandparents. The centers operational expenses, for this ongoing ministry, is provided solely thru donations. *All bottle donations may be brought back to church on any of these collection dates: Oct 21st, 22nd, 28th and 29th.* Please return all bottles as they are the property of the RVPRC. Checks should be made payable to River Valley PRC. If you donate with a check, you will receive a receipt from the River Valley PRC. Thank you!

TABEA NEEDS HELP!

This board of faithful ladies is down to 6 to 8 people. Your service is needed to help TABEA with communion. If you have a willingness to serve and wish to help please contact Nancy Cole at 815-573-5227.

MATCHING FUNDS CHALLENGE

An anonymous donor with a passion for Lutheran education (who is not a member of St. Paul's) has come forward with a matching fund challenge. For every dollar we raise, they will match, up to \$200,000.00.

This challenge will run through November 4, 2017. Along the way, we have set some goals for ourselves which we have met. Our last goal is to reach the final \$100,000.00 by the Dinner/Auction on November 4, 2017 and we are close!

As we reach this goal, our church and school ministries will benefit greatly:

- > All monies raised by St. Paul's will go toward our monthly mortgage payments.
- > All monies given as a match by our donor will be designated for student tuition assistance that will allow more students to attend our school and receive a high quality Christian Education.

As of October 1st, we have raised \$168,121.67!

Please use the envelopes marked "**2016-2017 Matching Funds Challenge**", located at both the school and downtown church, or note it on your gift. You can also give securely online at <http://www.stpaulslutheran.net/>. Click on the "Online Giving" button.

Thank you for your generous gifts which help our church and school.

WORSHIP FOR SHUT-INS

**Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
"The Wedding Feast"**

Sermon Text: Matthew 22:1-14
Rev. Dr. Daniel Brege

Salvation, and even heaven itself, are compared to a wedding feast. In this parable Jesus shows how some people reject the feast, and how God, in His generosity, invites the "nobodies" to this feast. We are invited. The only way we can partake of God's feast is if we are clothed with the righteousness of Christ.

Sunday 11:30 am - Comcast 138

www.worshipforshutins.org

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

October 7 & 8, 2017

Worship Attendance:

Saturday	5:00 pm	86
Sunday	8:30 am	155
	11:05 am	126

Weekend Total: 367

Bible Study:

Children's Sunday School:	55
Sunday Adult Bible Classes:	10
Small Group Attendance (September):	146

CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFICE
(815-932-0312) 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.

ANNOUNCEMENT
DEADLINE, TUESDAY, 1:30 P.M.

Serving In God's House Today

Preacher: Pastor Michael Hanel

Liturgist: Pastor Karl Koeppen

Organist: Carol Goodwin

Lay Ministry

5:00: Robert Carruthers, Greg Deck (Hill Love)

8:30: Brent Eden, Steve Plotezka, Ken Taube, (Hill Love)

11:05: John Giertz (Hill Love)

Lay Readers:

5:00: Audra Taylor

8:30: Lauren Lundmark

11:05: Melody McDonald

Acolytes:

8:30: Amelia Conroy, Grace Davison

11:05: Zoe Faymonville, Nathan LaGesse

Greeters:

8:30: Marilyn Jenkins

11:05: Tammy Anderson

Usher Teams:

5:00: Mark Gradberg, Fred Langelett, Jim Sharper, Terry Treece, Jeff Wilken

8:30: Bill Balgeman, Tom Minor, Steve Weith

11:05: Bruce Clark, Aric Turrell, Sean Turrell, Kim Williams

Nursery:

9:50: Cheryl Wheeler

11:05: Anna Callan

Coffee Hour:

8:30: Youth

9:50: Youth

Contemporary Service Worship Team:

Duane & Gail Ferrebee, Heidi Ostrowski, Cindy Rubin, Jim Stone, Scott Moore, Rodney Voigt

This Week's Schedule of Activities

Sun. October 15	8:30 am 9:50 am 11:05 am 1:00 pm 6:00 pm	Worship - Traditional - Communion Reformation Walk Worship - Contemporary - Communion Luther Movie Youth Group - 5 th & 6 th Grade	<i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i>
Mon. October 16	9:00am 7:00pm	MOPS Lay Ministry Meeting	<i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i>
Tues. October 17	10:00am 7:00 pm	Adult Bible Class Church Council	<i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i>
Wed. October 18	8:30 am 4:30 pm	St. Paul's Chapel - Mark Hess 7 th & 8 th Grade Public School Confirmation Class	<i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i>
Thurs. October 19			
Fri. October 20			Early School Dismissal PreK - 11:15 am K-8 - 11:30 am
Sat. October 21	5:00 pm	Worship - Traditional	<i>(at Church)</i>
Sun. October 22	8:30 am 9:50 am 11:05 am 12:30 pm	Worship - Traditional Reformation Walk Worship - Contemporary College Lunch	<i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i>