

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School

Announcements - September 4 & September 5, 2021

NEW SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

9:50 A.M. in CLASSROOM 130

The Psalms & Life in God's Creation

(Please note there will be no Bible Study on Sept 12th due to the Staff Recognition Reception)

The authors of this Bible study are interested in shaping the way fellow Christians think about God, His creation, the place of human creatures in God's creation, and what it means to be human creatures living in this world. We want to provide a context for Christians gathered around God's Word to rethink their answers to some big questions like: What is God's interest in His creation? How is He involved in it? What use does He make of it? What is our relationship to the rest of the created world? What use do we make of it? As well as many other questions.

In the Psalms (and in other parts of the Scriptures), there are voices that offer reflection on questions such as these. We hope that through our mutual meditation on this Word of God, the Holy Spirit would enrich our understanding of our identity - who we are as God's redeemed people - and that in our varied vocations He would give us the strength to live lives of praise to Him, even when that looks completely counter-cultural. JOIN US!

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.

"30+ SELECTED PSALMS"

TUESDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS

10:00 A.M. in Fellowship Hall

(use alley entrance)

(PLEASE NOTE NEW LOCATION)

This Tuesday morning Adult Bible Class will help you understand why the Psalm was written, encourage us to praise God and discover how we can depend upon a loving God for our many blessings. You are invited to join us.

JUNIOR CONFIRMATION

NON ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL STUDENTS

Junior confirmation classes for 7th and 8th graders started August 24th. **THERE IS STILL TIME TO JOIN!** A mailing has gone out with information about the confirmation classes. If you have any questions or did not receive a letter, please call the church office at 815-932-0312.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT



Please join us **Friday Sept 10th from 5:30-7:30** for Family Fun Night. This is an event for our school and church families to

enjoy. It will be a night filled with games and activities for the whole family! Be sure to check out our rolling video games, bounce house, games, and root beer floats! ShineFM will be here with games and prizes too! Food will be available to purchase from Tacos El Guadalajara food truck. Want to volunteer? Please visit the Sign-Up Genius page at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f044faaa92ea6f94-family1> or reach out to Angela Heldt or Sarah Schore. We will also have a sign-up sheet in the entryway at school.

STAFF APPRECIATION & RECEPTION

Please join us on **Sunday, September 12th during the 11:05 am service** when our church/school staff will be recognized for their years of dedicated service. An anniversary reception will be held in the cafeteria before the service. Please plan to come and express your appreciation. A basket for cards will be provided.



PRAIRIEVIEW FALL FESTIVAL - SEPTEMBER 10 and 11

The Fall Festival at Prairieview Lutheran Homes in Danforth is fast approaching! Sign up sheets are at both sites to help with the book booth. There are several ways you can help: Hauling books on Thursday and setting up the book shelves, working a shift (or two!) at the book booth Friday and Saturday, and packing up the books Saturday after the Festival. We also need 4 fruit pies in disposable containers and 2 silent auction items worth at least \$25 each. Please call me if you have a silent auction item to donate.

Please consider coming to the Festival. It is a really nice small town festival. There is entertainment both days, bingo, petting zoo and booths to explore. On Friday is delicious fish and Saturday a pork chop dinner (and always homemade pies!) New this year is grilled hamburgers both days. On Saturday morning is a 5K run/walk and a wonderful quilt auction at 3pm.

Items for the other booths are always welcome: jewelry, scarves, purses, and baked goods. We still are collecting books: fiction, nonfiction, hard covers and paperbacks. Please, no textbooks. Call me if you have any questions or would like books picked up from your home. Thanks!

~Jeanne Vilt - Human Care Board
815-932-9855

SUNDAY SCHOOL
REGISTRATION & KICK-OFF
PreSchool through 5th Grade
10:00-10:45

Opening day for Sunday School for Pre-3 through 5th grade is **September 12th starting at 10:00 am**. Beginning the following week, Sunday School will resume at the normal time, 9:50-10:45 a.m. Parents should plan to attend this event with their children. Activities will begin with registration in the music room and then move to the gym. Students will have a meet and greet with the teachers and move to individual classrooms to complete an activity.

SAVE THE DATE!
UPCOMING VOTER'S MEETING

The regular September Voter's meeting is being held **September 26th at 12:30 p.m.** at the school site. Members of the congregation who are age 18 or older are eligible to become voting members and to participate in the decision-making of the congregation. You are eligible to vote only after attending at least two Voters' meetings in a one-year time period so we encourage all members to attend. Voting membership privileges as long as you remain a member.

*****ATTENTION YOUTH*****

Youth Bible Class resumes on **Sunday, September 12.**

Youth Nights start on **Sept 19, 6:00 pm** at the school campus. Youth nights will happen twice a month on Sundays. Watch the calendar for future dates.

MAKE TIME FOR
FIRST THINGS FIRST (FTF)



This prayer ministry meets on the **first Tuesday of each month from 6-7pm.** at St. Paul's Lutheran School in the

Cafeteria. **Please join them again September 7th.** Pastor Dave Bottorff is the monthly leader done within a prayer service format. Each FTF hour of prayer provides an opportunity for community prayer focused on a timely theme.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

If there is anything you would like included in the upcoming newsletter (Oct/Nov), please send your material to crahn@stpaulslutheran.net no later than Sept 15th.

SINGLE MOM SATURDAY

Single Mom Saturday will be held Saturday, **September 25, 2021** at Court Street Ford or Tuffy Tire and Automotive, both on Latham Drive in Bourbonnais from **8 am to 12 noon**. Single Moms who sign up will receive a free oil change and car wash. Sign-ups will be available on the WBGL 104.7 web site or at St. Paul's. Car make, model, and year are needed as well as VIN (vehicle information number), name, and phone number of single mom are needed for registration. Each registered single mom will receive notice of the location and the appointment time of the car wash and oil change.

Sign-ups to help with the car washes will be in 2 shifts, 8:30 am to 10:30 am and 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. See Sign-up Genius or sign up sheets at the church campus or school campus and get your partnership hours. Questions? Call or text Liz Deck at 815-592-0234.



TABEA ALTAR GUILD
RUMMAGE SALE

Yes, it's time for our semi-annual rummage sale. The sale will be **Thursday, Sept 30th and Friday, Oct 1st from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.** in the downtown gym. If you're interested in dropping off any items, please contact Carol Ginger 815-922-5525 and leave a message. *Please do not bring items to the church office.* Clothing should be clean and free of holes unless the holes are part of the style. We do not accept TV's or computers. We want to thank you for your donations. They help purchase much needed supplies such as, candles, wine, wafers, robes and other necessities that help enhance all church services. May God Bless you and your families for helping so faithfully.

MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST

We meet again **Saturday, September 25th at 7:30 a.m.** in the Riverside Hospital Cafeteria. Come and get some breakfast, and join us as we study God's Word. I pray that you can join us for the study!

NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED
AND RECEPTION

Please join us **September 26th** during the 8:30 a.m. worship to welcome our new members and stay for fellowship following the service. Hope to see you there!

ALTAR FLOWERS

There are several openings for altar flowers in the months of September - December. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers during that time, please sign up on the chart posted at the school outside the north entrance to the gym or call Lynda Koeppen. The cost is \$25.00 for one vase or \$50.00 for two. Please make checks payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Checks may be put in the offering plate or turned in to the church office. If you have any questions regarding altar flowers, please contact Lynda Koeppen at 932-5701 or lykoeppen@comcast.net.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The LWML members of Zone 18 are sponsoring Operation Christmas Child and will be packing shoe boxes on **Saturday, Oct 9th**. A light breakfast opens the meeting at 8:30 am. After a short business meeting, **packing of shoe boxes will begin at 10 am**. If you have not yet participated in this project, please consider doing so this year. You will be blessed!

God uses school supplies to draw children to Himself. Back-to-school supplies are now on sale which makes it a great time to purchase quality school items at low prices. **A list of supplies needed is now available and there is a donation box at the school campus.**

We already have 120 plastic shoe boxes that are ready to pack so we won't need as many shoe boxes. You may also want to consider donating funds for shipping expenses. We need \$9 per box to mail the shoeboxes.

Together, let's bring the Good News of Jesus and great great joy -- with lots of school supplies -- to millions of children around the world!

LWML SERVANT EVENT REPORT

I am pleased to report that the LWML collected 56 pairs of eye glasses, 24 pairs of sunglasses, and 34 eye glass cases for MOST Ministries. The items will be taken to the NID LWML Meeting on September 16, 2021 and given to the representative from MOST Ministries. They will be cleaned and sorted for use at VBS/Medical Clinics during their mission trips. Please accept our heart-felt thanks for everyone who helped with this project! The people who receive the glasses are very appreciative of our efforts and look forward to receiving a new pair of glasses. Together, we serve the Lord with gladness! ~ Sharon Friesner

TUITION ASSISTANCE FUNDRAISER

St. Paul's Lutheran School is an important mission of our congregation. We, as a congregation, like to make the



opportunity to learn at a Christian school possible for anyone that enrolls. In order to do that we offer scholarship money in a number of ways. In recent years, we have been using a matched fund; these funds are close to being depleted. This summer, we have been running a Tuition Assistance fundraiser to replenish this fund. Our goal is \$40,000. We have currently raised \$15,000 toward this goal. We thank those who have contributed. **We will be closing this drive this weekend. Please consider adding to this fund for the continuation of this mission.**
~Board of Stewardship

COMMUNITY PRAYER & WORSHIP

Sept 19th 3-5pm at Adventure Commons

- * A time to pray and worship with your brothers and sisters in Christ
- * A time to pray over local pastors
- * An opportunity to participate in a community choir

For more information, visit the PrayAsOneKankakee Facebook page

Hello! My name is Christie Rahn. You may know my mom, Carol Baron, who has been an integral part of this congregation for many years or my daughter, Layna, who is in 4th grade here at St. Paul's. I am also an alumni of the school, having graduated in 1987. I am now working as your **Church Office Administrator**. Please feel free to call me (815-932-0312 x 1452) or email me (crahn@stpaulslutheran.net) if you have any questions, concerns or requests. I look forward to working for you all and serving the Lord in this new role.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

August 28 & 29, 2021

Worship Attendance:

Sunday 5:00 pm	75
8:30 am	70
11:05 am	124

Sunday Total:269

Bible Study:

Children's Sunday School:	n/a
Sunday Adult Bible Classes:	15

Weekly Offerings Given

General	\$23,751.00
Building	\$450.00
School Ops.	\$135.00

Serving In God's House Today

Preacher & Liturgist: Rev. Karl Koeppen

Organist: 5:00: Nadine Engel 8:30: Nadine Engel

Audio/Visual at School: 8:30: Todd Engel 11:05: Melody Trudeau

Live Streaming & Recording:
Matt Callan, Tom Stirnaman, 7th & 8th Grade Students

Lay Ministers: 5:00: Kevin Kurtz
8:30: Greg Deck, Bruce Clark, Robert Carruthers, John Veers
11:05: Richard Engel

Lay Readers: 5:00: Loree Yoakum
8:30: Bill Balgeman
11:05: Deb Turrell

Acolytes: 8:30: Meadow Hofbauer, Cecily Richardson
11:05: Natalie Cherry, Zoey Goranson

Trustees: 5:00: Fred Langelett
8:30: Jim Trudeau
11:05: Jim Johnston

Ushers: 5:00: Terry Treece, Fred Langelett, Jim Sharper, Rob Wood
8:30: Chris Tomblin, Brandon Tomblin, Scott Styck
11:05: Mike Callan, Dan Friesner, Aliya Gomez

Contemporary Service Worship Team:
Heidi Ostrowski, Sharla Ronchetto, Matt Callan, Bill Dyche, Duane and Gail Ferrebee, Scott Moore, Cindy Rubin, Jim Stone

This Week's Schedule of Activities

Sun. Sept 5	8:30 am 9:50 am 11:05 am	Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion</i> (at School) Adult Bible Study (at School) Worship - Contemporary - <i>Communion</i> (at School)
Mon. Sept 6		Labor Day - NO SCHOOL
Tues. Sept 7	10:00 am 4:00 pm 6:00 pm	Adult Bible Class (at Church) Jr. Confirmation - Non St. Paul's Students (at School) First Things First (at School)
Wed. Sept 8	6:30 pm	New Membership Class (at School)
Thurs. Sept 9		
Fri. Sept 10	5:30 pm	Praireview Fall Festival (at Danforth) Family Fun Night (at School)
Sat. Sept 11	5:00 pm	Praireview Fall Festival (at Danforth) Worship - Traditional (at Church)
Sun. Sept 12	8:30 am 9:50 am 10:00 am 11:05 am 12:45 pm	Worship - Traditional (at School) Staff Recognition Reception (at School) Youth Group (at School) Sunday School Registration (at School) Worship - Contemporary (at School) <i>Staff Recognition</i> Anniversary Dinner (at School)

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