

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School

Announcements - December 19 & 20, 2020



ONLINE WORSHIP AVAILABLE

Please join us in our online worship service! The service will premiere on our Facebook page at 8:30am on Sunday or on demand through our website:

<https://www.stpaulslutheran.net/church/worship/>

You can also listen to the abbreviated service on WKAN AM Sunday morning at 9:30 am.



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Thursday, December 24th

5:00 p.m. - Candlelight - Communion

7:00 p.m. - Candlelight - Communion

10:00 p.m. - Candlelight - Communion

(Downtown church in Kankakee)

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES

Friday, December 25th

10:00 a.m. - Communion

(Downtown church in Kankakee)

NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE

Thursday, December 31st

6:00 p.m. - Communion

(Downtown church in Kankakee)

SHOP AMAZON SMILE

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School, recently received a donation of \$300.62! Thanks to friends and family shopping at smile.amazon.com, or with AmazonSmile turned on in the Amazon shopping app!

ALTAR FLOWER CHART for 2021

The Flower Chart for 2021 is up and will be posted at the downtown church through January 3 and then will be moved out to the school site. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers in honor of or in memory of someone or some special occasion, please sign up on the chart for your desired weekend. When you sign up for flowers please include your phone number. Thank you!

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 please contact Lynda Koeppe at 932-1545 or lykoeppen@comcast.net.

RAMSEY+

Ramsey+ is still available to St. Paul's members for FREE! Go to stpaulslutheran.net and click on Ramsey+. Once you register you will have access to all the tools and programs. If you are new to Ramsey, we suggest starting with the Jump Start! If you are a Ramsey Pro, then try one of the other programs like "Know yourself, Know your Money" or "The Legacy Journey"

Ramsey+ Small Group Available

To sign up for the Ramsey+ small group please click or visit the link provided here:

<https://forms.gle/CGJmc8unQmz7DSqMA>

OR Sign up forms are available by the offering envelopes at both the church and school.



2021 GIVING ENVELOPES

The 2021 Envelopes are here. Saturday attendee's envelopes are in Fellowship Hall; Sunday attendee's envelopes are at the School. Call the Church Office if you do not find yours, we can get it to the correct location for you. However, if you are not attending at this time call or Email Andrea amarevka@stpaulslutheran.net in the church office and we can mail them to you. Thank you for your support of St. Paul's ministries.

Newsletter via Email???

Would you like to receive St. Paul's monthly newsletter in your Email inbox instead of a paper copy? If so, please provide your Email address by contacting Andrea in the church office at 8 1 5 - 9 3 2 - 0 3 1 2 or amarevka@stpaulslutheran.net Also, the newsletter is posted on St. Paul's website at stpaulslutheran.net

ADVENT DEVOTIONALS

There are advent devotional booklets available at the church and in the school entrance on the wall display. Advent is a time of prayer and preparation for the coming of the Christ Child, our Savior. Have a daily conversation with God thanking Him for caring enough to share His only begotten Son to come and live among us to save us from our sins and bring us eternal salvation. You may also download them yourself at Lutheran Hour Ministries: [Advent Devotions](#)

GOOD ANGELS & EVIL ANGELS TUESDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS

(10 am - 11 am School Science Room)
Join us every Tuesday - wear a mask - the room is big enough for social distancing. Enjoy the fellowship, fun and the opportunity to study God's Word under the leadership of Roy W. Cordes. **If church is cancelled classes will also be cancelled.**

MANGER MAKERS DELIVER

The Manger Makers will be delivering manger pieces to Sunday School children on **December 20th**. Look for the table in the upper grade school hallway.

- 1) Pre 3's will receive the Holy Family. (Mary, Joseph and Baby Jesus)
- 2) Pre 4's will receive an angel.
- 3) Kindergarten through 7th graders will receive a new piece.
- 4) 8th graders will receive a stable, which should complete their set. In the stable box is a list of all manger pieces the 8th graders should have to make up a completed set. If they are missing any pieces, please call Linda Bohlmann at (815-698-2469).

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

December 20th

"As we look forward to Christmas dinner and the celebration of our Savior's birth, let us remember that Christ's coming into the world began with an unexpected pregnancy. Mary of Nazareth was unmarried and certainly had reason to be confused and afraid when she was asked to carry the Son of God. But she courageously let God's plan unfold for her and her Child and brought our Savior into this world, despite her uncertain circumstances." *Right to Life of Michigan – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*



To our friends and loved ones at St. Paul's,

Such a happy day our 70th anniversary was!

All of your cards, words and sharing were such a beautiful surprise and so much appreciated. Thank you to each of you for caring. You will be forever our family in Christ and in our hearts. The memories we have of each of you! Our working and serving our Lord, Sunday worship, you will never realize what it meant to us then and still does now. Continue in His service, the "retirement plan" is great! This note could be a million pages in thanking everyone for the many years of love. Please realize you truly cannot put on paper what is in your heart.

*- Norman & Mitzie Tutwiler
(Mr. & Mrs. T)*



TAX CREDITS?
TUITION SUPPORT?
HELP ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL?

You can do all three through the Invest in Kids Scholarship Tax Credit. Visit the St Paul's website to learn more about this wonderful opportunity.

Don't delay there are less than 3 weeks left to earn credits for this year. <https://www.stpaulslutheran.net/admissions/invest-in-kids>



**EARN FREE LUNCH
MONEY OR EXTENDED
CARE MONEY FOR ST.
PAUL'S STUDENTS BY
PURCHASING YOUR GIFT
CARDS FROM TRIP!**

Let us help you do your holiday shopping! Everyone loves gift cards! See Julie Salzman this Sunday morning between services! You can also see Julie at the school Monday through Friday from 7:15 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. **or** you can reach her by phone at 815-530-7320.

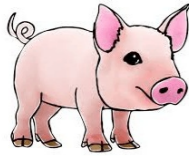
We do have a large inventory but quantities are limited. You can always order from the app Raise Right to get your trip orders for immediate download. It only takes a few minutes to set up. Stay safe and shop online! Trip earns money for your school account as well as St. Paul's! Happy Shopping!

CURRENT SCHOOL FAMILIES RE-ENROLLMENT AND CHURCH MEMBER ENROLLMENT STARTS MONDAY JANUARY 4th AT 8:00 a.m.

Currently we are expecting full classes from Kindergarten thru 6th grade next school year. Since we have several families that have one child in school and have siblings coming back next year, this will not allow a place for everyone. Places will be given out on a first come first serve basis that Monday morning with a signed enrollment form and paid fee by cash or check. No electronic registration allowed. Open enrollment for the general public will begin on Tuesday, January 19th at 8 a.m. Information will be mailed to your home at the end of December. If you do not receive this or need additional copies stop by the office. If you would like more information or would like to speak with someone about the school, please contact our Principal, Mr. Krupski in the school office at 815-932-0312.



**Exciting Changes to the
St. Paul's Lutheran School
Annual Dinner and Auction**




We are pleased to announce our new Pork Chop dinner and Auction that is Covid approved! We will be doing a drive thru pork chop dinner.

Pork chops will be grilled by the Ford Iroquois Pork Producers. This event will be held on Saturday, March 20, 2021. In addition to the dinner, we will be hosting our silent auction fully online this year. All proceeds from the dinner and auction will go towards the teachers for classroom supplies and the purchase of much needed cafeteria tables.

The auction committee needs your help getting auction items donated and picked up. With school partnership hours being limited we would like to offer you hours for getting donation baskets, items or services. If you know someone who owns a business and would be willing to donate a basket, an item or a service and you collect this item, you will earn 1 hour for every \$50 donation, up to 5 hours max. As an example, if your family member has a hair salon that is willing to donate a gift card and basket of hair products valued at \$50 and you pick up and deliver that item by the cut off date, you will earn 1 partnership hour. Also some businesses are willing to donate more to an employee. So for example, if

you have a family member that works at Lowe's perhaps it would be easier for them to get a donation. Please reach out to Mrs. Meyer with the business name and description prior to contacting the business. Final date for basket drop off is Monday, February 22nd, however earlier is always welcome. Also, If a business would prefer to just donate money and sponsor our event. We can offer advertising on our PowerPoint presentation that will run during the event and on our Facebook page. Please see Mrs. Meyer for more info. We are grateful for all your support. PTL



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 workroom. **Please join them again January 5th.** 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.

WORSHIP ANEW
Fourth Sunday in Advent
The Nativity of Our Lord Psalm 98;
Isaiah 9:2-7; Luke 2:1-20
"The Usual Christmas?"
Luke 2:11

Rev. Shayne Jonker

If we look into the manger and gush over the image of a sweet and pure child, but see no cross, we miss the whole point. If we forget that this precious child came to shed His precious blood for sin, then why are we even celebrating him anyway? For this is the perfect and spotless Lamb of God, appointed for sacrifice, to take away the sins of the world. This doesn't happen every day, but it did happen on Christmas and Good Friday.

Sundays 8:00 a.m. - WPWR-CW 50
www.worshipanew.org



OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

December 12 & 13, 2020

Worship Attendance:

Saturday	5:00 pm	.....	40
Sunday	8:30 am	.....	80
	11:05 am	.....	55
Weekend Total:			175
Advent 12/16 7:00 pm	.....		42

Bible Study

Children's Sunday School:	.....
Sunday Adult Bible Classes:	.....

WEEKLY FINANCES

School Operations: Given
 \$21,285.00

Weekly General Fund Thankofferings*

<u>Given</u>	<u>Budgeted Income</u>	<u>% of Bdg Inc.</u>
\$23,396.81	\$16,799.23	139%

*Thankofferings include: Advent, Weekend Envelopes, Plate & Electronic Giving

Weekly Building Fund Offering*

<u>Given</u>	<u>Budgeted Income</u>	<u>% of Bdg Inc.</u>
\$1,800.00	\$3,580.71	50%

*Building Fund Offerings include: Envelope & Electronic Giving

Annual % of Budgeted Income:

General Fund: 93.00%
 Building Fund: 84.00%

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

Serving In God's House Today

Preacher: Rev. Karl Koeppen

Liturgist: Rev. Michael Hanel

Organist: Nadine Engel

Lay Ministers: 5:00: Greg Deck
 8:30: Robert Carruthers, Bruce Clark, Richard Engel
 11:05: Steve Plotezka

Lay Readers: 5:00: Georgia Hess
 8:30: JoAnn Hess
 11:05: David Bottorff

Acolytes: 8:30: Seth McHugh, Lucas Weaver
 11:05: Ryan Sarkozi, Benjamin Kubal

Contemporary Service Worship Team:

Bill Dyche, Duane & Gail Ferrebee, Matt Callan, Elizabeth Kubal,
 Heidi Ostrowski, Scott Moore, Greg Ronchetto, Cindy Rubin, Jim
 Stone

This Week's Schedule of Activities

Sun. December 20	8:30 am 11:05 am	Worship - Traditional - Communion <i>(at School)</i> Worship - Contemporary-Communion <i>(at School)</i>
Mon. December 21		
Tues. December 22	10:00 am	Adult Bible Class <i>(at School)</i>
Wed. December 23		
Thurs. December 24	5:00 pm 7:00 pm 10:00 pm	Worship - Communion <i>(at Church)</i> Worship - Communion <i>(at Church)</i> Worship - Communion <i>(at Church)</i> Church & School Offices Closed
Fri. December 25	10:00 am	Worship - Communion <i>(at Church)</i> Church & School Offices Closed
Sat. December 26	5:00 pm	Worship - Traditional <i>(at Church)</i>
Sun. December 27	8:30 am 11:05 am	Worship - Traditional <i>(at School)</i> Worship - Contemporary <i>(at School)</i>