



ST. Paul's
Lutheran Church, School & Daycare

News N' Notes

A Time for Faith and Fellowship

This month we celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation of the Christian Church. It is a time for us to remember our Faith and openly confess it. To do so we have planned a very special Reformation service. The congregations and the members of the Janesville Circuit are invited to a special 500th Reformation Anniversary service to be held here at St. Paul's on Sunday, October 29th at 5 p.m. Circuit pastors will preach and special music from the choirs of St. Paul's Church and School will be provided. The offering will be sent to the LCMS Texas and Florida/Georgia districts for the relief of victims of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma.

Also, starting the week of October 8th a special a very special small group fellowship ministry based on the book **Loved and Sent** by Pastor Jeff Cloeter of Christ Memorial Lutheran Church, St. Louis. Here's how **Loved and Sent** small group ministry **will** work. Each week participants will read a short chapter of Loved and Sent and then meet for a sixty minute Bible study, fellowship, and prayer time. The small groups will meet when and where it is most convenient – in homes or at the church; in the morning, afternoon, or evening; and during the week or weekend. There will be two six week sessions held in the fall and during Lent. Check out the bulletin, webpage, and church narthex for sign opportunities.

Taste of St. Paul's – Do you remember the good food and fellowship last year? Please join us again in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, October 1st, at noon. All proceeds will go to *Housing for Homeless Vets* and St. Paul's parking lot. If you would like to host a food table or have questions, please contact Jack and Brenda Eden at 751-3228 or jackeden@charter.net .

The Art of Living by Faith is an adult confirmation course on the Bible-based teachings of the Lutheran Church. The theme that

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runs through the six chief parts of the Small Catechism and the Bible itself is *Faith*. This class is designed for you to get a deeper grasp of what faith is and how faith is lived out in your daily life. If you are wishing to join St. Paul's or are already confirmed and looking for a refresher course on the Lutheran faith then *The Art of Living by Faith* is for you. Classes will begin in the church conference room from 3-4:30 p.m. each Sunday beginning on October 15th. If you need child care or have any questions, please contact the church office or Pastor Decker at-office: 754-4471 or cell: 322-5839 or ddecker@stpaulsjanesville.com.

God's Richest Blessings
Pastor Dan Decker

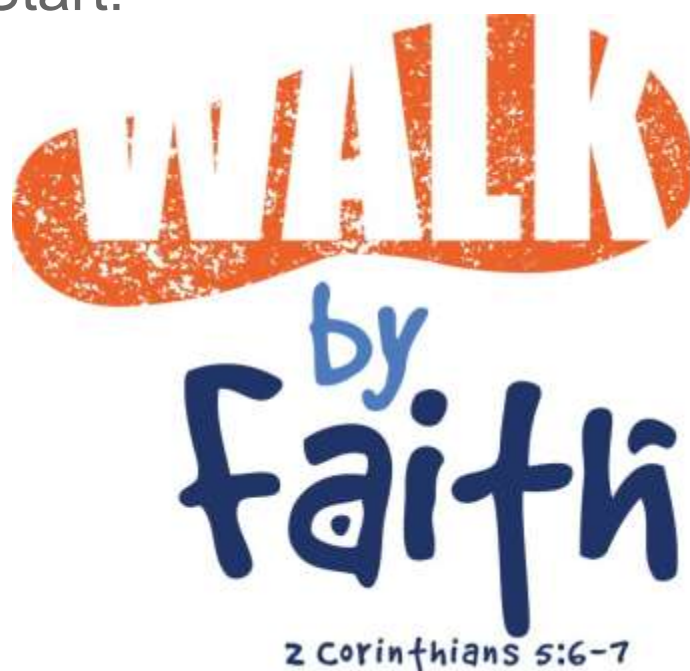


School's Off to a Great Start!

School is off to a great start, and we are looking forward to celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation! We will have some special activities planned, so keep an eye out for those.

We are still looking for school volunteers to assist in the library and on the playground a few days a week. You can volunteer for a few hours once a week or once a month. Let me know if you are interested in volunteering in any capacity. Call 608-754-4471 ext. 302 or email rlunak@stpaulsjanesville.com.

Rob Lunak



Fall Bible Studies

This fall there are many opportunities for the ladies of the congregation to join together in fellowship and God's Word.

"Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World" is an invitation for every woman who feels she isn't godly enough ... isn't loving enough ... isn't doing enough and how we can draw closer to our Lord: deepening our devotion, strengthening our service, and doing both with less stress and greater joy. We meet in Room 202 of school on Wednesdays at 9a and Thursdays at 6:30p.

"Love Rules" Bible Study meets on Sundays from 9:30 to 10:15a. Kathy Pingel leads a study of the 10 Commandments and their meanings through a unique perspective. This study covers different topics each week, so you are welcome to join anytime. Both men and women are welcome at this study.

Sunday School has resumed for another exciting year in the school building from 9:15 to 10:15a. Children as young as 2-3 years old and all students through grade 6 are invited to attend Sunday School and learn about our Lord and Savior. 7 & 8th graders are invited to Grapple, a Bible study designed for junior high youth. High Schoolers are encouraged to attend the youth Bible study led by John Mueller in the youth room. Parents are encouraged to stay for one of the many Bible studies available during the Sunday Education Hour,



Moms & Tots meet on Thursdays from 10 to 11a in Room 202 of school. There is a story and play time for toddlers and devotions for moms. Join us to connect, support, and socialize. Contact Kathy Pingel for more info at kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com or 754-4471 ext. 306.

Girls Weekend Getaway

All adult women of the congregation are invited to join us for a relaxing weekend, Oct. 13 & 14, at Lake Geneva Resort and Spa. We'll have Bible Study, Campfire Devotions, Craft Sale, and more.

Arrival and Dinner is from 5 to 6:30p on Friday evening. The weekend will close by 11a on Saturday morning.

Cost is \$100 per person and includes one night, evening meal, breakfast, treats, Journaling Bible, and full retreat programming.

Contact Kathy Pingel (754-4471 ext. 306 or kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com) for registration forms. Registrations cannot be taken without a form and full payment. Checks may be made payable to St. Paul's. Deadline is Wed., Oct. 4.



Trunk N Treat Facts

Date:

Sunday, October 29

Time:

Following the 10:30a
worship service (about
11:30a)

Where:

St. Paul's Playground
Parking Lot

Fall Festival Trunk N Treat

Are you looking for a Christ-Centered alternative to trick or treating? Look no further! Consider coming to St. Paul's Fall Festival Trunk N Treat. After church, join us for lunch, then children may dress up and make stops at Bible-themed trunks, play at game stations, enjoy a bouncy house, and receive treats. Treat bags will be provided.

Many Youth and adult volunteers are needed to decorate a Bible themed vehicle trunk and share a short Bible message or explanation about your trunk, hand out treats to the children, and monitor games. Volunteers are also needed in a variety of other ways too, like helping set up, making and serving the meal, and clean up. This is a great opportunity for youth and adults to interact and volunteer for a fun event for children. St. Paul's School Parents: this will also count toward your volunteer hours. Be creative! Make it fun! See the joy in the children's faces as you share a message of God's love with them.

To volunteer or for more information, contact John Mueller at 754-4471 ext. 304 or jmueller@stpaulsjanesville.com or Kathy Pingel at 754-4471 ext. 306 or kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com.



Update: Comfort Dog Ministry

The Comfort Dog Ministry is looking for Veterans and Police Officers, either active or retired, to join our ministry. If you would like more information about how you could be involved contact Cheryl Skelly, [608-322-1536](tel:608-322-1536) or Kathy Overley, [608-346-5713](tel:608-346-5713).

Our ministry is anxiously awaiting the call from Lutheran Church Charities that our dog is ready for us to come and be trained. However, we know this could still be as long as 6 months or more. In the mean time our team is participating in a Bible study and growing in our strength as a ministry team.

We will have a booth at the Craft Fair on November 4 where we will be selling plush comfort dogs.

Please pray for this ministry and the team members as we move forward.



*Our Comfort Dog Ministry's Motto:
Sharing the Mercy, Compassion, Presence and
Proclamation of Jesus Christ.*

A New Season Begins

St. Paul's Adult Fellowship Club begins another season. We meet on the first Tuesday of the month, October through April (except for January) to share a meal and learn something new. Annual dues are \$5.00. All adults are invited!

Our first meeting will be October 3 in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). We begin with a meal at 6p. Please bring a dish to share.

Our program for the evening, which begins at 7p, will be local attorney and St. Paul's member Ben Wright discussing general law questions and answers.

Adult Fellowship Club





Boston Store Community Days Sale to Support DC Trip

St. Paul's 7th Grade Class is raising funds for our trip to Washington, D.C. by selling \$5 Community Days booklets for an event November 8 - 11 at the Boston Store (all locations and includes other "Bon-Ton" brand stores.)

100% of the money we raise is ours to keep. We have a goal to raise \$1500. With your support we can reach our goal.

You can purchase a coupon booklet from the school office or any 7th Grade student!

Here are a few of the fantastic offers in the booklet that make it such a great deal: A \$10 off coupon to use on your first purchase, Donate \$5, Get \$10!; A shopping pass for up to 25% off throughout the store – use it over and over again; A 30% off item coupon; Plus merchandise offers on everything you need right now!

Thank you in advance for your support of St. Paul's 7th Grade Class and happy shopping!

Thanks for Supporting the Washington DC Trip & Our 7th Grade Class!

In Sympathy

We remember in our prayers all those who've lost someone: Phil & Carol Welte on the loss of their son-in-law Joe Collins; LaVerne Frisque and Vicki Fetting on loss of wife/mother Lucille Frisque; Mal & Dorothy Fischer on loss of grandson, Christopher Fischer; Edna Kilpatrick and Beverly Fritz on loss of sister Lorraine Stegeman; the family of Millie Seidl; Bill Giese on the loss of wife, Joyce Giese.

Learn About Katie Luther

St Paul's Women in Mission (LWML) will be hosting Guest Speaker Stephenie Hovland, Concordia Publishing House author and Lutheran schoolteacher on Tuesday, October 17th, at 6:30p in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). She will be speaking about Katie Luther and the Reformation. Light refreshments provided. ALL CHURCH MEMBERS are invited to join us. For LWML members: the ingathering will be soap and shampoo for Orphan Grain Train

St. Paul's Women in Mission (LWML) will also be hosing Quilting days Friday afternoon, October 13, from 1 to 3p and Saturday, October 14 from 9a to 3p (bring a bag lunch if you stay over the lunch hour). We will be set up in Fellowship Hall as usual, and coffee will be provided. Please join us for both SERVICE and FELLOWSHIP!



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Official Acts

Adult Baptism:

08-27-17 Gary Walquist

Deaths:

09-05-17 Lucille E. Frisque

09-05-17 Vera G. Muncheow

09-13-17 Mildred O. Seidl

09-17-17 Joyce J. Giese

Membership Changes:

Members transferred from LCMS Congregations:

08-24-17 Dennis Wahrle transferred from
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Regular Worship Schedule:

Thursdays at 6:30p
Saturdays at 6p
Sundays at 8a & 10:30a

