

# News N' Notes



ST. Paul's  
Lutheran Church, School & Daycare

## What's Happening at St. Paul's

November 1, 2018

Dear Members of St. Paul's,

You are now reading the restarted monthly newsletter column entitled: **WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. PAUL'S**. The purpose of this column is to share with you both what has happened at St. Paul's last month or so and some of what will happen here this month and beyond.

This past month saw the following take place:

1. Our adult confirmation class began and it is a joy to walk through the tremendous truths of the Bible during the several weeks of this course.
2. The *Love and Logic* parenting class was again held this fall and wrapped up last month. This course helps parents train their children in thinking out the logical rationales and consequences of their decisions and actions.
3. Our latest round of *Financial Peace University* began and will conclude this month.
4. **Water bottle give-a-way:** Water bottles with St. Paul's labels were given out to Roosevelt parents waiting to pick up their children from school.
5. **Trunk or Treat** – A time of food, fellowship, and fun for children and parents alike was held.
6. **Community Reformation Service** on Sunday October 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Local pastors preached, our school and church choirs sang, and members of our local LCMS congregations attended this celebration of the great Reformation truth that: **SALVATION IS BY GRACE ALONE THROUGH FAITH ALONE IN JESUS CHRIST ALONE!**

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7. **Consecrated Stewards** – Over several weeks we were blessed with stewardship sermons, Bible studies, services, stewardship testimonials, and presentations highlighting our comfort dog, family and women's ministries, youth, and school ministries culminating in the blessing of our commitment cards.
8. Our parking lot was consecrated and we received St. Paul's license plate frames.
9. Our **fall voters' assembly** will be held on October 29, 2018 with reports from the various ministries being given. As of this writing, the following members were placed on the ballot to serve on our church council: Rhonda Schulze, Barb Frank, Jen Ellis, and Jason Harvey.

This month we will be blessed with the following:

**St. Paul's Veteran's Appreciation Meal:** Veterans from St. Paul's, St. Mark's, Mt. Calvary, and Our Savior, Janesville, are invited to a special appreciation dinner hosted by Mr. Mark Fenrick and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade U.S. History class on Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**Junior Confirmation Retreat:** Once again Brian Young of *Creation Instruction Association* will present the tremendous truths of the biblical doctrine of creation. Needless to say that none of the participants last year were bored by Brian's presentations. This retreat is not limited to just confirmation students. Parents, family, members, and any member of St. Paul's are invited to this faith-strengthening event to be held on Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. The total cost is \$5.00. For more information contact Kathy Pingel at 754-4471 ext. 306 or kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com.

I leave you with the words of **Jude 24-25: *To Him Who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before His glorious presence without fault and with great joy—to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.***

May God Richly Bless You!  
Pastor Dan Decker

# Happy Thanksgiving!



Mary



St. Paul's  
Comfort Dog

## Visiting New Places and Meeting New People

It is an exciting time for Mary as she is constantly introduced to new places and people to visit. She has recently started visiting inmates at the Rock County Jail. Her team is working on visiting with 911 responders. The team will be going through training to become hospice volunteers. It is such a blessing to be the hands and feet of Jesus as we take Mary out to the community.

You are invited to visit the Tallman House on Thursday, November 29th as they celebrate Christmas with the Tallmans. Mary will be there to greet visitors and her team will be decorating one of the many Christmas trees that will be on display.

Have you ever considered being a part of Mary's ministry team? Do you know someone who is an active or retired police officer? Mary would love to have you as part of her team! Please contact us if you are interested.

Continue to keep Mary's ministry team in your prayers as they, along with Mary, bring the Mercy, Compassion, Presence, and the Proclamation of Jesus Christ to those who are suffering and in need.

Please contact Mary by email, through Facebook or by talking to one of her team members, if you know of someone, or someplace, that would benefit by a visit from her. Her email address is: [Mary@K9Comfort.org](mailto:Mary@K9Comfort.org).

## Hills and Valleys

I would like to share the lyrics of the song Hills and Valleys by Tauren Wells with you:

*"On the mountains, I will bow my life to the one who set me there.*

*In the valley, I will lift my eyes to the one who sees me there.*

*When I'm standing on the mountain I didn't get there on my own.*

*When I'm walking through the valley I know I am not alone!*

*You're God of the hills and valleys and I am not alone!"*

As you are going through the hills and valleys on your life, I hope you remember that God is with you always.

If you are interested in using your musical talents to praise God in the hills and valleys, please let me know.

Ann Henny

## Thank You from Lutheran Women in Mission

Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) would like to thank St. Paul's members for the help they have given for our collection of quilts and the various kits that we give to Orphan Grain Train.

So far this year we have sent 60 feminine kits, 52 hygiene kits, 148 school kits, 38 quilts, and 50 pillowcase dresses.

We also thank you if you participated in Undie Sunday.

Thank you again!

Watch for our Quilt Auction coming later in November.



## Help Needed:

Dear Members of St. Paul's, Ladies' Aid needs your help in order to serve funeral luncheons. This practice has been discontinued at this time due to not having enough people to serve.

We need a coordinator and many shift workers. Men are welcome to help, too! By rotating a group of volunteers, through a calling list, you wouldn't be working every funeral.

Pray and consider this a way to serve your church family.

Come to our meeting, always the first Thursday of the month at 1:30p in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). Or contact Stacey in the church office- 608-754-4471.



## LWML Meeting in the Library

St. Paul's Women in Mission (LWML) will be meeting on Tuesday, November **13**, at 6:30p. We will meet for some spiritual growth in the form of a Bible Study led by Elizabeth Decker followed by a business meeting. We will meet **IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY** due to a conflict in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). This is not our usual date or place, but we look forward to the change of pace.

**All** women of the congregation are encouraged to join us. The optional ingathering is winter items for Wilson school children.

# School News for November

We are always busy serving and growing here at St. Paul's and November is no different. There are a few things I want to share with all of you.

First, the teachers will be at the North/South Wisconsin District Teachers Conference to start off the month. It will be a great time to learn, grow, and fellowship with other Lutheran educators.

Parent-Teacher conferences are in the 2nd week of November, and we are looking forward to those as well.

The 8th grade class is hosting a Veteran's Appreciation meal on the 11th as we honor those who have served our country.

The school will then be off for a few days to celebrate Thanksgiving Day, as we reflect on the blessings our Lord has given us.

If you are looking for a way to help the school don't hesitate to contact me, and we can find a way for you to help out that suits you.

Principal Rob Lunak



PSALM 136:1, KJV

# Official Acts

## Baptisms:

- 09-30-2018 Lewin Benjamin Moe  
Parents: Benjamin & Vanessa (née Jahns) Moe  
Sponsors: Matt & Makenzie Michelson; Cassie Makela;  
Grant Jahns
- 10-13-2018 Tatiana Marie Murphy  
Parents: Alex Murphy and Ashley Steele  
Sponsors: Rafael Murphy and Lynne Leitz
- 10-13-2018 Myles Edward Murphy  
Parents: Alex & Kayla (née Stephens) Murphy  
Sponsors: Oscar Ortega and Faith Stephens
- 10-14-2018 Jaxton Connor Kolovitz  
Parents: Kevin Kolovitz and Natasha Arnold  
Sponsors: Nate & Beth Krueger

## Wedding:

- 10-06-2018 Neil Christopher-Robin Bacon & Jaime Nicole Strickert

## Deaths:

- 09-20-2018 Marion M. Schumacher
- 09-25-2018 Kathleen F. Oium
- 09-24-2018 Donna K. Louison
- 10-01-2018 Judith L. Matheson



## With Sympathy

Please pray for those who are mourning the loss of someone dear to them, especially:

The family of Marion Schumacher

The family of Donna Louison-daughter Pam Clark and sisters Shirley Bobzien and Susan Michaels

The family of Kathleen Oium-daughter Michelle Risch and granddaughter Ericka De War

The family of Judith Matheson

The family of Tom Glass-sister Lois Zimmerman, niece Judy Neumueller and nephew David Jass.

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### Regular Worship Schedule:

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