

Our Stewardship For: August 29, 31 & Sept. 1, 2019

Church and Communion Attendance:

	Church	Comm.
Thursday---	109	66
Saturday---	150	
9:00---	229	146
Monthly Afternoon Comm.	???	

Our Gifts to God:	SEP 1, 2019	\$17,128.71
	SEP To Date Giving	\$17,128.71
	SEP Monthly Budget Needs	\$92,200.00

*Please Note: ALL above figures include only Unified Giving, Loose Cash, General Fund Giving and Special Envelopes (i.e.-Lent; Thanksgiving, Christmas, etc.). The above figure includes donations given through the *Simply Giving* automatic, electronic fund transfer system. These figures do not include any tuition amounts or monies designated for special purposes (i.e.-missions, alms, school, school library, school music programs, hymnals, endowment fund; capital improvement, etc.)*

Thank you for your loose coins! All loose coins given in the offering (pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, half-dollars and even dollar coins) are used for various mission projects. Thank you.

Opportunities for Special Gifts/Memorials—Thank you!

Bob & Arlene Knudson gave a gift for the Capital Improvement Fund in celebration of their 53rd wedding anniversary on September 10; *Charlene McKittrick* gave a gift for Unified in memory of Lois Apfel; *Ruth Braatz* gave a gift for St. Paul's Family Tuition Assistance in memory of Dale Brockway;



OPPORTUNITIES

For the Week of September 8, 2019



For the Family of God at St Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, School and Day Care
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St. Paul's Church Council 2018-19

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Children's Activity Bags Available to borrow during the service: We have bags of items that you can use to keep your little one quiet during the worship service (a stuffed animal, coloring pages and crayons; a "seek and find" toy, etc.). They are located in the back of church on a stand. Please return all items to the bags when you are done and return the bags to the holders. It's important to return all items so that other parents can use them as well.

Check Out Our Website:
www.stpaulsjanesville.com

Our Church Calendar for the week of September 8, 2019

Sunday: Wor.-8a; Sunday School/Bible Studies-9:15a; Joyful Noise-9:15a; Contemporary Comm. Wor.-10:30a; Public School Confirmation-4p; Youth/Bible Study-4p; Sr. High Youth-6p.

Monday: Women's Bible Study at Panera Bread-9a; Scoopie Night at Culver's on Milton Ave-4p; Church Council-6:30p.

Tuesday: Bible Study-9:30a; 4H-6:30p; Love & Logic@-6:30p.

Wednesday: Chapel-8:15a; Women's Bible Study-9a; Handbells-5:30p; Contemp. Rehearsal-6:30p.

Thursday: Breakfast Bible Study-6:30a; Women's Bible Study-6:30p; Comm. Wor.-6:30p.

Friday: St. Paul's Parent-Teacher League-3:15p.

Saturday: Contemporary Wor.-6p.

Next Sunday: Comm. Wor.-8a; Sunday School/Bible Studies-9:15a; Joyful Noise-9:15a; Contemporary Wor.-10:30a; Public School Confirmation-4p; Youth/Bible Study-4p; Sr. High Youth-6p.

Baptism: We welcome Colton James Michael Heffron, child of James & Lindsay (née Arneson) Heffron into the Lord's Kingdom through Holy Baptism at the 10:30a service on Sunday. His sponsors are Nick & Sheila Arneson. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Sympathy: Our Lord called John Long to his eternal home on August 31, 2019. Services were held Saturday, September 7 at Schneider Funeral Home, Janesville. Please remember his family in your prayers especially his wife, Betty Long; and children Erik Long and Lena Long Butler.

Altar Flowers: There is a sign up chart in the Narthex (back of church) to donate the altar flowers. When you sign up, an Altar Guild representative will call you to discuss which florist you will use and arrange to have a vase liner delivered. You make payment arrangements with the florist directly. Following the last worship service you have the option of taking the flowers home or donating them to a homebound member or nursing home. Sign up today!

Worship Folders: The folders today are given by Joel & Joyce Hanson in celebration of their 54th wedding anniversary on September 11. Happy Anniversary Joel & Joyce! If you'd like to sponsor the worship folders, simply call Stacey in the Church Office (754-4471) to reserve your date. The cost is \$50.00. Available dates are: Oct. 13, 20, 27; Nov. 3, 10. Thank you.

Birthday Greetings: Marjorie Owen celebrates her 92 birthday on September 12, 2019. Cards may be sent to 1615 N Sumac Dr, Janesville 53545.

Newsletter Correction: Orphan Grain Train collects and packs donated items the SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH, EVERY OTHER MONTH. The next collection is set for October 12, 2019. Sorry for the mistake in the September *News N Notes*.

Opportunities to Remember Others In Prayer

Parents in Prayer is open to all—parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, anyone willing to support and pray for the needs of children, church, school and community. We meet each Thursday at 8:15a in the Women & Family Ministry Room at School.

Aarons' Hands. Aaron's Hands is an informal prayer group that meets on the 4th Wednesday afternoon of the month, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of School. The group lifts up in prayer the specific requests of missionaries. Everyone is Welcome – just bring a prayerful heart.

Opportunities to Be in God's Word: Weekly Bible Studies

SUNDAYS AT 9:15A *ROUTE 66: THE LIFE OF CHRIST THROUGH THE GOSPELS*
FELLOWSHIP HALL FOR MORE INFORMATION: PASTOR DAN DECKER (754-4471 EXT. 300)

SUNDAYS AT 9:30A *ADULT BIBLE STUDY*
SCHOOL: ROOM 204 FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY AT 9:30A *THE GOSPEL OF LUKE*
FELLOWSHIP HALL WITH PASTOR DAN DECKER

WEDNESDAYS AT 9A *WOMEN'S STUDY*
SCHOOL ROOM 204 FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

WEDNESDAYS AT 1:30P *WOMEN'S STUDY*
SCHOOL ROOM 204 FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

THURSDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY AT 6:30A *RAY VANDER LAAN: FAITH LESSONS*
FELLOWSHIP HALL WITH BARRY & RUTH WIER (608-752-9330)

THURSDAYS AT 6P *WOMEN'S STUDY*
SCHOOL ROOM 204 FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

Mites Support Missions with Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML)! St. Paul's Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) will be using their mites to support mission grants. Our next project is *Shelter My Sheep-Free At Last Ministry*. You can help by praying for this mission and setting aside your spare change to donate as mites. Bring your mites with you to church and place them in the large Mite Box that you'll find in the narthex (back of church).

Hospitalized: *Please remember, if you want a pastor to visit you when you are hospitalized, you or a family member or friend will have to notify the pastors or the church office directly at 754-4471 ext. 200 and let them know which hospital you are in. Thank you.* At Mercy-Ron Yager, Gerri Stibbe. Please remember them in your prayers along with Dorothy Decker who has been released.

Pastor Decker's Tuesday Morning Bible Study starts September 10 at 9:30a in Fellowship Hall (the church basement).

First Youth Group "Scoopic" Night is Monday, September 9 from 4 to 8p at the Culver's on Milton Ave., Janesville. St. Paul's Youth receive 10% of all purchases made during those hours. This applies to all purchases made: dine in, carry out, or drive through. Come and enjoy a butter burger, fries and frozen custard and help our Youth raise money for their activities Order your Culver's SCRIP today and get ready for Scoopic Night!

The Church Council meets on the second Monday of each month. The next meeting is September 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of School. All members of the congregation are welcome to attend Church Council meetings. Minutes of the approved Church Council meetings are also available for review from the Church Office or a copy will be mailed to you upon request.

2018-19 Council Members are: Jack Eden- 608-751-5999; Jennifer O'Connell, 608-359-3544; Rhonda Schulze, 920-946-7417; Jeff Elser, 608-752-5120; Tom Neumann, 608-751-4504, Laura Manke, 608-563-1142; Jen Ellis, 608-449-3072, Barb Frank, 608-718-1278; Jason Harvey, 608-322-9443.

The St. Paul's Parent Teacher League (PTL) will be holding its first meeting on Friday, September 13, at 3:15pm in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). All parents are welcome to join us!! We will be discussing the upcoming events for the 2019/2020 school year, fundraising and ways we can help support the school and its fantastic teachers! If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Ashley Ausen, ausen215@gmail.com or Tricia Guse, triciaguse@hotmail.com.

Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) invite all ladies of the congregation to a Salad Potluck Dinner on Tuesday, September 17 at 5:30p in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). Please bring a salad to share. Our speaker will be Doreen Shirek, director of the local chapter of Wisconsin Right to Life. The ingathering for the Salad Supper will be collected for Pregnancy helpline and can include diapers sizes 4,5, and 6; wipes (packaged by 50-100); formula, and much more. See the LWML web site for more details.

Additional Ringers Needed: Ringers of Joy Handbell Choir has begun rehearsals for the new season and we're seeking to add more members! We meet Wednesday evenings at 5:30p in the balcony at church. No experience is needed—we will train. Please consider joining us.

Join the Joyful Noise Adult Choir for music and fellowship! We rehearse on Sundays between services (9:20a) in the music/band room at school. We sing twice a month and at church festivals throughout the year. Get a reserved seat for Christmas and Easter---Join the Choir! All voices needed.

Pastor G to begin Faith in Action Class: Are you struggling with reconciling faith with everyday life? Are you interested in becoming a new member? Join us for four sessions (one per month) and get your questions answered. This class is open to everyone. Those interested in joining the congregation, upon completion of all four classes, will have the option of becoming communicant members of St. Paul's. The first class will be held on Saturday, September 21, from 8a until noon in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). If you're interested in attending the classes or have any questions, please contact Pastor Grotelueschen (jgrotelueschen@stpaulsjanesville.com or 608-754-4471).

Come Visit Pastor G! I'm so excited to begin my ministry here at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. As a new Pastor here I want to get to know all of you. Therefore I'm hosting groups to come and visit me for dinner on Sunday Evenings. My home address is 1221 E. Holmes St. Please bring a dish to share; beverages will be provided. There will be a sign up sheet at the back of the church for you to claim a Sunday. I'm looking forward to meeting all of you!

Men's Ministry Bags Competition! The Men's Ministry will be having a start of fall bags (cornhole) competition on Saturday, Sept. 28 from 10:30a to 1p. We'll meet outside—just look for the group of guys having fun! This event is open to all men, High School age to 90+. We will be playing in a bags tournament, grilling out for lunch, and have a Bible Study. Sign up sheets are coming next week. If you have any questions contact John Mueller (Jmueller@stpaulsjanesville.com) or Scott Gestrich.

Praise God for our children! Praise God for their energy! Praise God for their humor! Now that we are coming towards the end of summer parents may be feeling a bit crazy and are already trying to figure out school schedules, school supplies and of course HOW TO GET HOMEWORK DONE EACH NIGHT! Mrs. Decker is once again offering PARENTING THE LOVE & LOGIC® WAY sessions. If you struggle at all with getting your child to mind you then this is the class you need. Sessions will begin on Tuesday, September 3rd and will continue for the next 5 weeks. We will start at 6:30p each Tuesday and usually run until 8:00 p.m. We will be meeting in room 101, Mrs. Decker's classroom. Child care will be available. If you are interested or have any questions please contact Elizabeth Decker at edecker@stpaulsjanesville or call the school at 608-754-4471.

Take Advantage of "Back to School" Sales and help fill Orphan Grain Train School Bags! (A joint project of St. Paul's Lutheran Women in Mission and Orphan Grain Train) Stop by Fellowship Hall (the church basement) and pick up a school bag. Inside you'll find a list of needed items. Once the bag is filled with the items from the list, return it to Fellowship Hall. (By the end of September, please.)

Shepherd's Heart Daycare Is Looking for Teachers: This is a part-time position (up to 20 hours per week). Schedule varies between the hours of 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. And school families---there is a tuition discount when you are an employee of the congregation. If interested, please contact Cassie Bonow at cbonow@stpaulsjanesville.com.

St. Paul's Supports – What is it? It's a TEAM of St. Paul's Members supporting other members (specifically students who have graduated from St. Paul's and are now in High School.) It requires very little commitment. To make a difference in a young person's life, please contact Scott Gestrich (608-580-2059) or John Mueller (909-936-3955) or simply sign up at bit.ly/stpaulssupports

Volunteer Opportunities: *We are looking for additional volunteers, junior high age on up, to run the screen at the contemporary services.* No experience needed. Training is provided. Good opportunity for school parents to log volunteer hours. A weekly commitment is not required. Even one service per month would be helpful! Please contact Jared Stiek (jstiek@stpaulsjanesville.com, or 608-754-4471 ext. 303) or Angie Stephens at 608-921-0808 for more information or to volunteer.

Sunday Morning Youth Bible Study is from 9:15 to 10:15a in the Youth Room and is open to all High Schoolers. This is a time to read God's Word, have fun fellowship with other High Schoolers, and to eat some doughnuts! Hope to see you there.

This year at the Sunday Morning Youth Bible Study we will be seeing how our God uses simple Trees to bless His people. From the trees in the Garden of Eden, the burning bush on Sinai, the Staff of Moses, all the way to the Cross of Jesus. We'll look at trees from the Old Testament and trees from the New Testament and see what lessons we can learn for our life today. This week we are going to be learning about the **Two Trees in Paradise!**

SUNDAYS AT 9:15A to 10:15A—SUNDAY SCHOOL. Our Sunday School classes are open to all children ages two years through 8th grade. (Two year old students must have a parent with them). Students should assemble in their classrooms. Parents can join us for the opening in Room 202 and then attend Bible Study in Room 204.

SUNDAYS AT 9:15A: Jr. High Grapple for 7th & 8th Grade Students! Come grapple with the real questions you're asking – join us for Grapple each Sunday from 9:15a-10:15a in the conference room. It's NOT Sunday school – it's so much more. You don't want to miss the fun! Contact Josh Blake (608-368-8052) for more info.

YOUTH GROUP OPPORTUNITIES & CALENDAR

Our Youth Group is Open to ALL students in 6th to 12th grades. Friends are welcome, too!

Sun., Sept. 8 from 4 to 5:30p: Youth/Bible Study. We'll begin in the church sanctuary. ALL youth (6th through 12th grades) are invited to join in our Bible Study and activities.

Senior High Youth Group: All youth in grades 9 to 12, are invited to stay a little later (from 6 to 7p) in the gym.

Sun., Sept. 15 from 4 to 5:30p: Youth/Bible Study. We'll begin in the church sanctuary. ALL youth (6th through 12th grades) are invited to join in our Bible Study and activities.

Senior High Youth Group: All youth in grades 9 to 12, are invited to stay a little later (from 6 to 7p) in the gym.

Snack Food Needed: Youth Group is now seeking snack food donations for Sunday night meetings. Donations of chips, cookies, pretzels, juices, etc. would be greatly appreciated! Bring them to the Youth Room (basement of school) or place on the ledge in Fellowship Hall (where the stage used to be)—be sure to mark your donation "Youth Group". Thank you!

ECHO News:

www.echojanesville.org

ECHO Needs: Pork N Beans; Peanut Butter & Jelly; Soups and Crackers; Mac N Cheese; Spaghetti noodles and sauce; Spaghetti O's; canned meats; deodorant; toothbrushes and toothpaste; dry laundry soap; toilet paper; diapers (sizes 4 to 6) and shampoo. Any non-perishable item is appreciated. Bring your gifts with you to worship and place them in the barrels marked "ECHO" that you find in the back of church (the Narthex) or in Fellowship Hall (the church basement).

Opportunities at Sister Congregations:

- **Ice Cream Social on September 15 from 1 to 3p at Our Savior Lutheran Church,** 2015 Kellogg Ave, Janesville. \$5 for ice cream and your choice---slice of cake or pie.

Other Opportunities

- **2019 Rock County Senior Fair on September 20 from 9a to 2p at Holiday Inn Express,** 3100 Wellington Pl, Janesville. Over 80 local agency and business booths. Free Parking. Health Screenings. Fun Photo Booth. Pneumonia, Flu & Shingles Shots. "RX Roundup" Prescription Disposal. Shredding services by Office Pro. Free workshops.