

Our Stewardship For: Sept. 24, 26 & 27, 2020

Church and Communion Attendance:

	Church	Comm.
Thursday---	21	11
Saturday---	42	37
8:00---	55	
Parking Lot--		

Our Gifts to God:		
	SEPT 6, 2020	\$16,778.00
	SEPT 13, 2020	\$16,969.26
	SEPT 20, 2020	\$16,196.00
	SEPT 27, 2020	\$11,379.00
	SEPT 30, 2020	\$5,206.00
	SEPT To Date Giving	\$66,528.26
	SEPT Monthly Budget Needs	\$71,400.00

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.)

Opportunities for Special Gifts/Memorials—Thank you!



OPPORTUNITIES

For the Week of Oct. 4, 2020



For the Family of God at St Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, School and Day Care
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Check Out Our Website:
www.stpaulsjanesville.com

No Offerings will be collected at this time. Offerings can be mailed to the church: 210 S. Ringold St, Janesville WI 53545. Electronic giving is also available—check our website at www.stpaulsjanesville.com for more information.

Our Church Calendar for the week of October 4, 2020

Sunday: *Virtual Sunday School*; Comm Wor.-8a; Bible Study-9:15a; Parking Lot Comm Wor.-10:30a; Afternoon Communion-2p.

Tuesday: Bible Study-9:30a

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

Thursday: Thursday Morning Bible Study-6:30a; ZOOM Women's Bible Study-9a; Women's Bible Study-6:30p; Comm Wor.-6:30p.

Saturday: Orphan Grain Train-8a to 11a; Comm Wor.-6p.

Next Sunday: *Virtual Sunday School*; Comm Wor.-8a; Bible Study-9:15a; Parking Lot Comm Wor.-10:30a; Family Night-4p.

Sympathy: Our Lord called Bob Altmann to his eternal home on September 30, 2020. No formal service has been planned. Please remember his family in your prayers, especially his wife Lois Altmann and daughter Melissa Ruff. May our loving Lord comfort all who mourn.

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.* Please remember all who are ill in your prayers.

The Monthly Afternoon Communion Service returns TODAY October 4 at 2p. Do you know of someone for whom sitting for long periods of time is difficult? Then invite them to our Afternoon Communion service, held on the first Sunday of each month at 2p (please note the time change). There is a short sermon message, prayer and Holy Communion is available. Please join us!

Orphan Grain Train Collection Resumes October 10 from 8 to 11a. Please bring your donations of clean, wearable items (no broken zippers, no missing buttons, no stains or tears) to Fellowship Hall (the church basement). We are looking forward to sharing what we have and what others need. We will follow whatever health and safety guidelines are in place at that time. Thank you for thinking of others!

We will observe the Reformation the weekend of Oct. 29, 31 & November 1.

We will observe All Saints Day the weekend of Nov. 5, 7 & 8.

Join us for Family Night on Sunday, October 11 at 4p in the Parking Lot near the stage. Our theme this night will be *The Pumpkin Prayer*. Learn ways to pray with your family and together carve a pumpkin using the Pumpkin Prayer. Bring your own pumpkin(s) for your family and your own carving utensils.

Opportunities to Remember Others In Prayer

Members in the Military: Please pray for all those who serve in our armed forces. We remember: Kathy McKillips; Tyler Morehead; Josh Stanton

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

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY AT 9:15AADULT BIBLE STUDY
FELLOWSHIP HALL(CHURCH BASEMENT) WITH PASTOR JOSH GROTELUESCHEN

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY AT 9:30AADULT BIBLE STUDY
CHURCH SANCTUARY (UPSTAIRS) WITH PASTOR DAN DECKER

WEDNESDAYS AT 9A WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
WOMEN/FAMILY MINISTRY RM FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30P WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
VIA ZOOM FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

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

THURSDAYS AT 9A WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
VIA ZOOM FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

THURSDAYS AT 6:30P WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
LIBRARY FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

Welcome to the Virtual Mile/5k/10k! Are you tired of lying around? It is more important than ever to stay active and keep your body healthy. We here at St. Paul's want to help you do that. We will be having a 1 mile/5k/10k race on November 7th and are providing you with a training plan to help you accomplish your goals. This is open for middle schoolers, high schoolers and adults. Pastor Josh will be hosting group runs in the parking lots on Saturdays starting September 19th. Please join us as we glorify God by taking care of the bodies he has given to us. The cost for the race will be \$40 per racer, you will get a T-Shirt, a medal and a racing bib. The proceeds also go to the Great Chicago Food Dispensary. You can sign up for the race using the following link-[Bit.ly/stpaulsrace2020](https://bit.ly/stpaulsrace2020). Please contact Pastor Josh at JGrotelueschen@stpaulsjanesville.com or John at Jmueller@stpaulsjanesville.com if you would like to volunteer to help train or run with a group or if you have comments or concerns!

Veterans Appreciation Meal Canceled. Mr. Fenrick's 8th Grade has traditionally hosted a Veterans Appreciation Meal in November. Unfortunately, due to continued concerns regarding COVID, Mr. Fenrick has decided to cancel this year's meal. We continue to praise God for all of the men and women who serve our country. Your dedication is truly inspiring. Look for the meal to return in 2021.

Thank you, St. Paul's Members---for the many cards and well wishes on my 95th birthday. You are all a blessing to me! Thank you.---Dorothy Decker

Secret Sister Ministry for Women! This is a ministry to glorify the Lord by uplifting our sisters in Christ. Uplift your sister in Christ with a prayer, a card, or a note to let her know she is being thought of and prayed for. (It's not about material things.) Our Secret Sisters Ministry will begin Oct. 15 and will continue through March 15. If you're interested, contact Kathy Pingel by October 2 at kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com.

Support St. Paul's 7th grade Washington DC Trip while enjoying dinner at Buffalo Wild Wings, 2929 Milton Ave, Janesville! Just tell your server that you are supporting TEAM E – St. Paul's Lutheran School. The server will add 10% of your total sales to our running total. And when you purchase a Scrip card, you can support St. Paul's even more. If you aren't able to dine at Buffalo Wild Wings and want to support the 7th Grade Trip, cash donations are greatly appreciated. Contact Mr. Jim Kroll (jkroll@stpaulsjanesville.com) for more information.

Volunteers Needed to Decorate Vehicle Trunks for Drive Thru Trunk 'n Treat on Sunday, Oct. 25 4-5:30 pm in St. Paul's Parking Lot! Consider decorating your vehicle's back area/trunk for our Drive Thru Trunk 'n Treat. Decorate a Bible-themed trunk and see the joy on children's faces as their eyes light up seeing all of our trunks. Let's help the kids enjoy a fun day! You can make a difference! Be creative! Have fun! To volunteer or have questions, contact Kathy Pingel at kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com.

Drive Thru Trunk 'n Treat, Fun for the Entire Family! Sunday, Oct. 25 4-5:30 pm in St. Paul's Parking Lot. Looking for a Christ-Centered alternative to trick or treating? Look no further! Consider coming to Drive Thru Trunk 'n Treat. Drive thru and view Bible-themed vehicle trunks and see if you can recognize the Bible story; plus, receive **treat bags** on the way out. There will be a **stop for photos** so if kids want to dress up, they may!

Parsonage Survey

A church family has recently offered to pay the cost of the demolition of the brick parsonage next to the church. In consideration of this offer, I feel it is best to conduct a survey of St. Paul's members as to the options concerning the future of the parsonage. The three major options and some attendant information are as follows:

1. **LEAVE THE BUILDING AS IS:** There would be no added financial burden to our already challenged budget (Please note that about twenty years ago the board of trustees agreed not to maintain the building because of plans to demolish it for a proposed addition to the church building. But intervening events prevented that addition to happen). Budget challenges for the past several years has prevented the restoration of this building.
2. **REPAIR THE BUILDING:** Estimates are that it would cost anywhere from \$50,000 to \$90,000 to repair it as there are roof, window, electrical, and plumbing issues. Once repaired the building could be used for more storage (St. Paul's is blessed with wonderful facilities but storage space is lacking). A repaired parsonage would not facilitate middle school youth ministry but might facilitate some high school small groups. Licensed daycare and infant care could not be easily be carried out in it as well. Once repaired it could be rented out for income if St. Paul's would be willing to venture into the rental business.
3. **DEMOLISH THE BUILDING:** The building would be torn down and the area including where the parsonage was and on over to the other parsonage would be landscaped accordingly.

Please prayerfully consider these options or if you have any other suggestions you can let us know by contacting the church office: (608) 754-4471, ext. 350 **by October 7th.**

God's Blessings! *Pastor Dan*