

Our Stewardship For: Oct. 4, 6 & 7, 2018

Church and Communion Attendance:		Sunday School:	
	Church	Comm.	Attendance: 31
Thurs.---	58	46	Offerings: \$6.25
Saturday---	98		Total Missions: \$41.00
8:00---	175	130	<i>ECHO</i>
10:30-	138		

Our Gifts to God:	OCT 7, 2018	\$21,193.71
	OCT To Date Giving	\$21,193.71
	OCT Monthly Budget Needs	\$72,700.00

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.

Parking Lot Update: We have raised \$521,666 towards our goal of \$605,000. Thank you for your continued generous gifts towards this project. We have \$83,334 still to raise.

Opportunities for Special Gifts/Memorials—Thank you!

Gifts were given to St. Paul's Comfort Dog and St. Paul's School Endowment Fund in memory of Verlyn & Geraldine Krueger by their children; *Barb Hartlaub* gave a gift to St. Paul's Church Endowment Fund in memory of Pastor Paul Garchow; *Doris Alwin* gave a gift for the Parking Lot in "memory of my husband, Francis Alwin"; *Charlene McKittrick* gave a gift for the Church Endowment fund in memory of Donna Louison;



OPPORTUNITIES
For the Week of Oct. 14, 2018
For the Family of God at St Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, School and Day Care
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Have you been to our website? www.StPaulsJanesville.com is the place to go for information on all of the activities of the congregation. You will find the weekly "Opportunities" and "Taking Faith Home" on the main page and a link to the "Principal's Pads" under the "School" tab.

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.

Our Church Calendar for the week of October 14, 2018

Sunday: Wor.-8a; Sunday School/Bible Studies-9:15a; Joyful Noise-9:15a; Contemporary Comm. Wor.-10:30a; Adult Confirmation-3p; Youth Praise Band-3p; Public School Confirmation-4p; Youth/Bible Study-4p; Sr. High Youth/Bible Study-6p.

Tuesday: Bible Study-9:30a; Financial Peace University-6p; LWML-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-6p; Comm. Wor.-6:30p; Consecrated Stewards Celebration-7:30p

Friday: National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony-6p.

Saturday: Contemporary Wor.-6p; Consecrated Stewards Celebration-7p.

Next Sunday: Comm. Wor.-8a; Consecrated Stewards Celebration-9a; Sunday School/Bible Studies-9:15a; Joyful Noise-9:15a; Contemporary Wor.-10:30a; Consecrated Stewards Celebration-11:30a; Adult Confirmation-3p; Youth Praise Band-3p; Public School Confirmation-4p; Youth/Bible Study-4p; Sr. High Youth Bible Study-6p.

Baptisms: This weekend we welcome three new members into the Lord's Kingdom through Holy Baptism. On Saturday we baptize Tatiana Marie Murphy, child of Ashley Steele and Alex Murphy. Her sponsors are Rafael Murphy and Lynne Leitz. On Saturday we also baptize Myles Edward Murphy, child of Alex & Kayla (nee Stephens) Murphy. His sponsors are Oscar Ortega and Faith Stephens. At the 10:30a service on Sunday we baptize Jaxton Connor Kolovitz, child of Kevin Kolovitz and Natasha Arnold. His sponsors are Nate & Beth Krueger.

Sympathy: Our prayers are with David Jass at the loss of his uncle, Tom Glass.

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 Joan Fenrick in celebration of her grandchildren, Owen and Luke Fenrick and Liam and Dylan Taylor. Thank you. 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: Nov. 4, 11; Dec. 16, 23, 30. Thank you.

Birthday Greetings: On Saturday, October 20, Bob Zastoupil celebrates his 94th birthday. Cards may be sent in care of Willowick Senior Housing, 1971 Cranston Rd, Beloit WI 53511. Have a very blessed birthday, Bob!

Opportunities to Remember Others In Prayer

Aaron's 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)

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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 *Bethany Ev. Lutheran Church, Milwaukee, WI*. 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).

A big "Thank You" to all of the members and visitors who sign the Friendship Register with your family's individual names (John Doe, Jane Doe, Sally Doe) and do not sign as "The Doe Family". This helps greatly in registering attendance. We have many families with the same surname and signing with your individual names helps us determine which family has worshiped with us. This is especially important for our school families. Thank you!

Hospitalized: *Please notify us when in the hospital (and let us know at which hospital) so pastors and staff members can visit.* At Mercy-Darrin Riley; At Madison-John Brazil. Please remember them in your prayers, along with Bea White and Frank Spinter who have been released.

CONSECRATION SUNDAY WEEKEND IS October 18, 20 & 21, 2018

Every member is asked to make a special effort to attend worship on October 18, 20 or 21, and to make a reservation for a special celebration to be held in Fellowship Hall (the church basement) following the Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday 8a and 10:30a worship services for all of St. Paul's family. More details will soon come your way, but please reserve this day now.

Reservation cards for the service and celebration will be distributed during our worship services today and next Sunday. Please fill out this card to enable our planning. Those who do not fill out a card will be contacted to confirm their attendance at the service and celebration.

Help Celebrate "Undie Sunday"! St. Paul's members are asked to contribute new children's underwear which will be given to Orphan Grain Train's ingathering. Sizes requested are children's 6-12. Containers for donations will be in the Narthex (back of church) and in Fellowship Hall (basement of church).

Ladies, Join us for a night of service projects on Tuesday, October 16 at 6:30p in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). We will be making tie blankets to donate to a shelter for battered women. We'll also assemble baskets for homebound members which will be delivered in the days to follow. Please join us!

Orphan Grain Train Day on Saturday, October 27 from 9a to 3p. Please come for an hour or two, or the entire day, and help assemble projects in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). Easy projects to assemble are: pillowcase dresses for girls living in orphanages in Africa; feminine kits; quilts; and health kits. Thrivent has generously provided funds for the projects and willing hands are needed to complete these projects. Lunch and beverages will be served. Cinnamon rolls and coffee are available throughout the day. Families are welcome to come and work together as we serve the Lord in helping others in need.

7th Annual Flames Volleyball Tournament is being held on Saturday, October 20th. Helpers are needed throughout the day. Signup sheets are by the backdoor of school (across from Room 104). Please consider signing up to help. Thank you for your support of the volleyball program.

Please join us on October 23rd at 6pm in Fellowship Hall (the church basement) for St. Paul's Sign Night. We will be creating beautiful barn board signs. Samples are available for viewing in the school office. The cost is \$40 with a \$20 return to St. Paul's to support the 7th Grade Washington DC trip. Checks (payable to Timber & Tribe) can be dropped off in the school office or you may pay the night of the event. There will be a hot chocolate bar and spiced apple cider. Limited seats are available, so please register now by contacting the school office (608-754-4471). When registering please choose the sign option you would like to do. (Family, Stable, Thankful). You will be able to choose your barn board color and stencil colors that evening. Thank you and we are looking forward to a fun night of fellowship and FUNdraising! *If you're unable to attend the sign-making night, forms are available in the school office to order sign-making kits.*

Community Reformation Service on Sunday, October 28 at 6:30p. Local pastors will preach, our school choirs will sing, and we're inviting members of our sister congregations to join us in the celebration of Reformation.

St. Pau's Altar Guild will meet on Wednesday, October 24 at 6:30p in the school library.

October Family Night: St. Paul's Friends and Families of all ages and sizes are encouraged to join us on Wednesday, October 17 beginning at 5p in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). We'll share a pizza dinner at 5p and then at 5:30p 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 carving utensils.* RSVP to kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com by Tuesday, Oct. 16 with the number of family attending so that we can plan for dinner. Let us also know if you have dietary restrictions so that we can accommodate your needs.

Howdy ya'll! Come on out to Texas Roadhouse on Tuesday, October 16 from 4-8 PM. The 8th grade will be wrangling up some bake goods to sell and 10% of your meal goes to the 8th Grade Florida Trip. You will need to pick up a flyer to present to your server. Look for them to be coming soon.

Help St. Paul's 8th Graders Raise Funds for Florida Trip! Please take a moment to stop in the Narthex (back of church) to check out the fundraiser for the 8th grader's trip to Florida. Here's how it works; envelopes are labeled from 1-100. If you are able to help, please choose an envelope that you are willing to fill with the same amount of money. For example, envelope 6 = \$6, envelope 54 = \$54. Please return your filled envelope to the offering plate or to the office by Friday, November 16. Make checks payable to: St. Paul's Florida Trip. The 8th graders are very thankful for your help.

St. Paul's Veterans Appreciation Meal: Mr. Mark Fenrick and the 8th Grade U.S. History classes will be hosting a Veterans Appreciation Meal on Sunday, November 11 from 11:30a-1:30p. This is open to all Veterans who are members of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church (and their immediate families). This year, members of our sister congregations (St. Mark's, Mt. Calvary, and Our Savior) are also being invited. The meal will consist of lasagna, salad, bread, desserts, and beverages. You are welcome to come at any time between 11:30a and 1:30p (similar to how our Lenten suppers are held) . . . whatever is best for your schedules.

In order to prepare enough food, we are asking for reservations. Reservations are needed by **Mon., Oct. 29**. You can find a form in this edition of *Opportunities*, make reservations online (bit.ly/veteransmeal), or simply email Mr. Fenrick (mfenrick@stpaulsjanesville.com). If emailing, please provide the name of the Veteran, how many will be in attendance, branch, and dates of service. Thank you.

Adult Membership Class – We are forming a new adult membership class. It will start on Sunday, October 14, from 3-4 p.m. in school room # 204. Whether you have questions about Christ or want to deepen your faith in Him, this class will explore what the Bible says about our God, and how His love gives direction and meaning to your life today and forever. This class is designed for those who are interested in learning or reviewing the foundations of the Christian faith. Attendance at the class may lead to membership in our church, but there are no obligations. Child-care is provided. If you have any questions contact Pastor Decker at 754-4471 ext. 300 or ddecker@stpaulsjanesville.com. Check out the introductory video at www.lhm.org/GodConnects.

Milton High School students we have a new awesome Bible Study starting in Milton High School. We will be meeting every Wednesday at 2:40p in Classroom 117 (Mr. Jauchs room). The Bible Study will last for an hour. There will be some drinks and snacks. If you cannot come for the whole time please still stop by and say “Hi!”.

Calling all high school musicians, St. Paul's has started a Youth Praise Band! We will need singers, guitarists, bass guitarists, keyboardists, and drummers. No experience necessary. Instruments can be learned at rehearsal, but you will need to have an instrument to practice with. The Youth Praise Band will meet on Sundays at 3-3:45p in the Church Sanctuary. If you have any questions or are interested in joining, please contact Ann Henny at ahenny@stpaulsjanesville.com

Buffalo Wild Wings Extends Home Team Advantage Program! Thank you for supporting the 7th Grade Washington, DC Trip! Dine at Janesville's Buffalo Wild Wings from now until December 31. When dining simply inform your server you are there supporting St. Paul's Team E. Buffalo Wild Wings will donate 10% of your dinner total to the trip. If you are interested in other ways to support our class trip, please contact Mr. Kroll (754-4471 ext. 207) or email jkroll@stpaulsjanesville.com.

YOUTH GROUP OPPORTUNITIES & CALENDAR

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

Sun., Oct. 14 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.

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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!

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.

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 Cindy Perkins at 608-295-0868 for more information or to volunteer.