

## Our Stewardship For: Nov. 8, 10 & 11, 2018

<b>Church and Communion Attendance:</b>		<b>Sunday School:</b>	11-5	11-11
	Church	Attendance:	34	27
Thurs.---	61	Offerings:	\$12.85	\$7.85
Saturday---	148	Total Missions:	\$78.62	
8:00---	124	<i>ECHO</i>		
10:30-	226			

<b>Our Gifts to God:</b>	NOV 4, 2018	\$21,409.52
	NOV 11, 2018	\$15,338.45
	NOV To Date Giving	\$36,747.97
	NOV Monthly Budget Needs	\$86,300.00

*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!

*Paul & Vicki Fetting gave a gift for the Parking Lot fund in loving memory of Lucille Frisque on her birthday which was November 23; Jean Riepl; Rich & Karen Zastoupil; Gregg & Ellen Davis; Dave & Gwen Brassington; Tom & Sharon Roth; Tim & Dawn Roberts; Tony & Jan Clymer and Denny & Dianne Vierk gave gifts for the Parking Lot in memory of Bob Arnold (brother of Jack Arnold).*



**OPPORTUNITIES**  
**For the Week of November 18, 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](http://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.**

**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 November 18, 2018

**Sunday:** Comm. Wor.-8a; Sunday School/Bible Studies-9:15a; Joyful Noise-9:15a; Contemporary 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.

**Wednesday:** *No School*; Comm. Worship-6:30p.

**Thursday:** *Thanksgiving Day No School, Offices Closed*; Comm. Wor.-9a.

**Friday:** *No School; Offices Closed*

**Saturday:** Contemporary Comm. Wor.-6p.

**Next 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.

**Baptisms:** At 10:30a on Sunday, we baptize Jett Royce Wilson and Tate Archer Wilson, children of Bruce & Hayley Wilson. Their sponsors are Jen O'Connell and Heath & Heidi Mandel.

**Sympathy:** Our prayers are with Jack Arnold at the loss of his brother, Bob Arnold.

**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 Don & Kathy Pingel in celebration of Karalynn's 14<sup>th</sup> birthday on November 23. Happy Birthday, Karalynn! 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: Dec. 16, 23, 30; Jan. 6, 20, 27. 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 Madison-Trevor Ratzburg; At Mercy-Mary Peschl; Julie Johnson; Vicki Fetting; At St. Mary's-Chuck Wilke. Please remember them in your prayers, along with Shirley Bobzien who has been released.

**Creation Workshop:** Brian Young of the Creation Instruction Association will be leading a workshop on the Biblical teaching of Creation here at St. Paul's. You are invited to join us from 8:30a until 3p next Saturday, Nov. 17, in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). Cost is \$5.00 and includes breakfast and lunch. For more information contact Kathy Pingel at 754-4471 ext. 306 or kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com.

## Opportunities to Remember Others In Prayer

**Aaron's Hands.** Aaron's Hands is an informal prayer group that meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> 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 *Concordia Theological Seminary Food and Clothing Co-op*. 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!

**Advent Devotional Booklets Available:** Lutheran Hour Ministries Advent Devotions for 2018, “The Coming King”, are now available from the back of church. Please feel free to take a few and give them to family and friends.

**Take A Note! Thank you!** I would like to thank everyone for the thoughtful cards and birthday wishes. I am so thankful for this incredible church family. The Lord is faithful! A special “Thank You” to Mrs. Wahrle’s third grade class for the sweet letters written by each member of the class. I find myself reading them over and over. These letters will be treasured!  
----Bernie Anderson

**Ladies’ Aid Holiday Bake Sale is Coming!** *We need bakers!* Would you be willing to whip up an extra batch or two of your holiday specialties and donate them to our bake sale? We would appreciate any homemade items: cookies, candies, sweet breads, pies, cakes, cupcakes, etc. Donations can be brought to Fellowship Hall (the church basement) on Saturday, December 8 after 4p. Thank you!

*We also need shoppers!* Stop by Fellowship Hall (the church basement) following worship services the weekend of Dec. 8 & 9 and pick up some delicious baked goods for your holiday entertaining! We’ll have pies, cakes, breads, breakfast and holiday foods available for purchase. All proceeds go toward purchasing needed items for the church and school. Thank you for your continued support.

**Advent by Candlelight** will be Sunday, December 2, at 4p in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). All women of the congregation, (high school girls and friends, neighbors, and relatives) are welcome to join us for a devotion, entertainment, appetizers and desserts. Sign up using the insert in this issue of *Opportunities*. Forms may be placed in the back of church or given to the school/church office. Members of St. Paul’s are asked to bring a donation for St. Paul’s Cheer Baskets. *If anyone would like to help with decorating the tables, donating an appetizer or dessert, please contact Brenda Eden at 608-751-3228 or 57b.eden@gmail.com*

**Singers Wanted:** Do you enjoy singing? The Sunday 10:30 service is looking for more singers to be a part of the praise team. If you are interested, contact Ann Henny at ahenny@stpaulsjanesville.com

**Ladies’ Aid Need Volunteers to help with funeral lunches.** We are looking for 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. If you can serve in this way, please contact Judy Perleberg (931-0848) or Stacey in the church office (754-4471). Thank you.

**Lit 'n Lattes Christian Women's Book Club, has chosen "The Masterpiece"** by Francine Rivers for our next discussion. If you are interested in participating, you'll need to read the book and be ready to discuss it on Tues., Jan. 8 at 6:30 p in room 204 of St. Paul's School.

**Updated Wish List Available:** You’ll find an insert in this edition of *Opportunities*; or copies can be obtained in the School/Church Office. The Wish List is also available on our website: [www.stpaulsjanesville.com](http://www.stpaulsjanesville.com).

**Hearts at Home 2.0 Conference for Christian Moms:** *Legacy: Gather, Grow, Go* is March 15-16, 2019, at Illinois State University in Normal, Illinois. Register at [www.heartsathome2.org/2019conference/](http://www.heartsathome2.org/2019conference/). Cost is \$100 if registered from Nov. 1, 2018 to Jan. 31, 2019 and \$120 if registering Feb. 1 to 28, 2019. St. Paul’s is looking to take a group of moms to the conference. We’ll leave Friday, March 15, at 3:30p and return the evening of Sat., March 16. The cost of the hotel room is \$45 per person. You will need to register for the conference on your own. Then contact Kathy Pingel at [kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com](mailto:kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com) or call 754-4471 ext. 306 so she can reserve a spot at the hotel for you. This “Mommy School” is a great way to be refueled, learn from other moms, and be equipped for the parenting challenges you face. We’d love to have you participate.

**Buffalo Wild Wings Extends Home Team Advantage Program! Thank you for supporting the 7<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:jkroll@stpaulsjanesville.com).

## YOUTH GROUP OPPORTUNITIES & CALENDAR

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

**Another Date Change for Leaf Raking: Sunday, November 18 from noon to 2:30p.** Please bring gloves and rakes. We’ll meet in the parking lot. Snacks, lunch and hot chocolate will be served. Come join us!

**NO Regular Youth Group Meeting on November 18.**

**Sun., Nov. 25 from 4 to 5:30p:** Youth/Bible Study. We’ll begin in the church sanctuary. ALL youth (6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> 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!

**SUNDAYS AT 9:15A to 10:15A—SUNDAY SCHOOL.** Our Sunday School classes are open to all children ages two years through 8<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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:**

- *Everyone His Witness Workshop; on Saturday, December 1, from 8:30a to 4p at Messiah Lutheran, 1531 Townline, Beloit WI.* Registration is from 8 to 8:30a. The cost is \$12 per person and includes a workbook. Meals will be provided for a free-will offering.

**Germany Trip:** Members of St. Paul's Janesville are invited to join members of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Delavan on a 2020 trip to experience Luther's Germany, and the highlights of Bavaria which includes the world famous PASSION PLAY in Oberammergau from September 24, 2020, to October 5, 2020.

Included is round trip air Chicago to Berlin en-route and from Munich to Chicago return, hotel accommodations in charming old-world hotels, ground transportation with deluxe private motor coach, daily breakfasts and a total of 8 dinners, admission to Luther sites in Wittenberg, Eisleben, and Eisenach, as well as admission to Neuschwanstein Castle and first-class tickets to the Passion Play all for only \$3,899.00 per person (double occupancy). Early signup includes a \$100.00 discount per person if reservation is received before December 31, 2018.

For further information e-mail Cheryl Kaufenberg at kaufenbergc@gmail.com or telephone her at 262-882-5333 (home) leaving message if necessary.

Thanksgiving Worship Services

Wednesday, November 21 at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 22 at 9:00 a.m.

There will be NO Thursday evening worship service on Thanksgiving Day.

The Church Office will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, November 22 and Friday, November 23.

**Holiday Worship Opportunities:**

Wednesday Advent	December 5	12:15p and 6:30p
NO WORSHIP, Thursday, December 6		
Saturday	December 8	6p
Sunday	December 9	8a and 10:30a
Wednesday Advent	December 12	12:15p and 6:30p
NO WORSHIP, Thursday, December 13		
Saturday	December 15	6p
Sunday	December 16	8a and 10:30a
Children's Christmas Program	December 16	4p in St. Paul's Gym
Wednesday Advent	December 19	12:15p and 6:30p
NO WORSHIP, Thursday, December 20		
Saturday	December 22	6p-No Communion
Sunday	December 23	8a and 10:30a-No Comm.
Christmas Eve	December 24 at 4p	Family Wor--Candlelighting
	December 24 at 6:30p	Contemp. CommWorship with Candlelighting
	December 24 at 9p	Trad. Comm Worship with Candlelighting
Christmas Day	December 25	9a Traditional Comm Wor
NO EVENING WORSHIP Thursday, December 27		
Saturday	December 29	6p
Sunday	December 30	8a and 10:30a
New Year's Eve	December 31	6:30p with Holy Communion
New Year's Day	January 1, 2019	9a with Holy Communion