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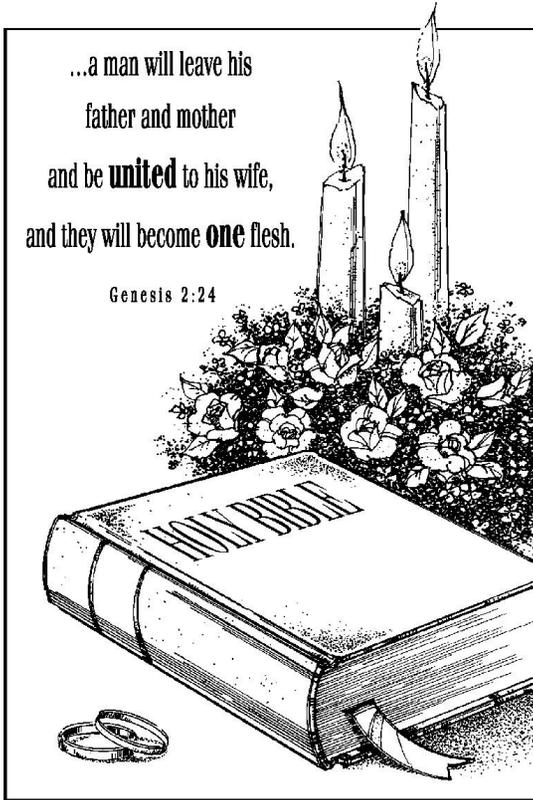
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Winnebago Lutheran Academy Association
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WELCOME to St. Paul's Lutheran Church. We pray that God would bring you his richest blessings through the Word of truth we share here today. If you are here for the first time today or because you were invited by a friend or neighbor, we ask you to sign the guest book in the entrance so that we can keep in touch with you. If you have any questions — or would like to learn more — about what you hear today, please contact the pastor.

Statement of Mission

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church exists to uphold the truth of God's Word and proclaim the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ

- by providing opportunities for men, women, and children to gather for worship and Bible study
- so that we all might grow in our faith and knowledge of God's Word
- and be equipped as his servants and witnesses in our community and our world.

Copies of the full statement of mission and vision are available in the entrance.

Announcements

WORSHIP FOLDERS - The green worship folder in today's bulletin contains everything you need in order to participate in today's worship service.

LARGE PRINT - Two large print hymnals are available at the back of the sanctuary. Large print copies of the bulletin and worship folders are also there.

HOLY COMMUNION - will be served in this week's service. Please note your intention to receive communion by checking the "Communed" box on the friendship register. Because the Bible has convinced us that receiving the sacrament together is a public statement of oneness in beliefs and commitments, guests who are not members of St. Paul's should speak with the pastor before communing. We don't want to put you in a position of stating your agreement with our beliefs without having the opportunity to explain them to you.

GUEST ORGANIST - Isaac Lundberg from Redeemer, Fond du Lac is serving as our organist this morning. We thank him for serving us in this way today.

SUNDAY SCHOOL usually meets after the service in Room 1. These classes, for students from age three through grade six, are designed to acquaint students with Bible history, both to see the way that God showed his love to his people throughout history and to learn how to reflect that love in attitudes, actions, and decisions. These classes also serve as a good preparation for confirmation classes in seventh and eighth grade. *Note: Sunday School will not meet today.*

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY - Our Sunday Bible Study is taking a look at the spiritual truths in the new anniversary edition of the catechism published last year for the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. Not only will these topics provide a wonderful review of the things you learned in your own catechism instruction, they will also introduce you to the way this new edition has been designed to serve as a devotional book in addition to a book of instruction. Bible Study meets in Room 3 (at the top of the ramp).

This week: Sanctification: The Work of the Holy Spirit (continued)

Next week: Good Works: Good Works and Gifts of the Holy Spirit

FAMILY OF THE WEEK - Each week, we highlight a family in our bulletin as our “Family of the Week.” That family also serves as greeters that week. We’re hoping that everyone can serve - and be introduced to the congregation - in this way. If you haven’t been able to serve yet, please contact Jane Bergman to schedule a time when you can.

This week: *Barbara Hoff* was born in Marshfield and lived there only a short time before her parents moved back to Brownsville. She has been a member of St. Paul’s ever since. She graduated from Winnebago Lutheran Academy in 1979 and joined the US Coast Guard in 1987. She retired from the Coast Guard in 2015 after 28 years serving tours of duty in Alameda, California; Cape Cod, Massachusetts; New London, Connecticut; Bethesda, Maryland; on the Coast Guard Cutter Midgett in Seattle, Washington; North Bend, Oregon; and once more in Alameda. She has returned to Brownsville, has purchased her parents’ home on Highland Ave. and is working part time at Jesus’ Little Lambs at Good Shepherd in Fond du Lac. She has taken several trips with Tom’s Christian Tours, including one to the Luther sites in Germany and one to Ireland, and is looking forward to a trip to Alaska in 2019.

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY and BREAKFAST - meets every other Friday at 7:00 a.m. at Bublitz’s Restaurant. We enjoy breakfast and a discussion of articles in the current “Forward in Christ.” Next meeting: Friday, October 19

JOINT LADIES’ BIBLE STUDY - will continue to meet the first and third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. here at St. Paul’s (in Room 3). This class is led by Mrs. Naomi Schmidt and is currently studying 2 Peter. Ladies from several area congregations are attending. Next meeting: Monday, October 15.

DISTRICT COUNCIL - Pastor Carter will attend the fall meeting of the district council this Thursday and Friday. The district council, which consists of the district’s officers, circuit pastors, and the chairmen of district committees, meets twice a year to discuss their work to oversee doctrine and practice in the district and to encourage the called workers and congregations in their work.

REFORMATION FESTIVAL - Our area WELS congregations are invited to a Reformation festival on Sunday, October 28, at 1:30 p.m. at St. Peter, Fond du Lac. Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary President, Rev. Paul Wendland, will preach. The WLA choirs and band will participate as well. What an opportunity for us to rejoice together in the full and free forgiveness we have through Christ.

AFTER SERVICE FELLOWSHIP - If you’re interested in serving refreshments in the entrance after one of our Sunday services, please sign the sheet on the counter at the back of the sanctuary. We’re not hoping or planning to have fellowship every week, but are thinking it would be something good to do a little more often than once in a while. Look to see when you’d like to serve.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION UPDATE (news from area WELS schools)

Extended Care - We are looking for help in all areas of St. Luke’s Extended Care Program. This program exists to help working parents with child care before and after school. We have available positions for morning, after school, and director positions. We are especially looking for help on the later days of the week. If you would like to work in our program, earn some extra money, and help our school, please contact Principal Kaleb Buch at 920-973-0439 or at principal.buch@stlukesoakfield.com.

Over 80’s Dinner Twice a year St. Luke’s Ladies’ Fellowship hosts a dinner for the members of their congregation who are more than eighty years old. There is fellowship, a meal, Bingo (with prizes), and singing. The students of St. Luke’s help serve the meal, help with playing Bingo, clean up, sing, and sometimes even sit and have lunch with their guests. They have invited our members who are 80 or older to join them for this meal, fellowship, bingo, and singing next Wednesday, October 17, from noon until about 2:00 p.m.

Love and Logic Parenting Course - St John’s, Lomira invites you to join them for a parents’ course based on the impactful series “Love and Logic” on October 18 at 7 p.m., led by Principal Obermiller. Following that, the plan is to meet once per month. Plan on one hour per session. Childcare will be available. “Never before in history have parents faced so many challenges! That’s why the Love and Logic approach provides a variety of simple and effective strategies for parenting children birth to adulthood.” We have so many important responsibilities to consider as parents-not the least of which is that our children need us to train and nurture them into respectful relationships; why not set aside time and make the investment to grow in your parenting!

**NEWS AND NOTES FROM
WINNEBAGO LUTHERAN ACADEMY**



Estate Planning Seminars - WLA is hosting two (1 hour) Christian estate planning seminars to help thankful Christians create a God-glorifying legacy. Wills, trusts, powers of attorney as well as charitable giving will be discussed. Pastor Dennis Kleist, our WELS Christian giving counselor for estate planning, and WELS attorney, JoAnn Gromowski, will be the presenters, at 10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 11. This opportunity is being provided at no cost or obligation to members of WLA association congregations. The seminar will be held in the media center. Light refreshments will be served. For more information or to reserve a place at the seminar, please contact Aaron Bilitz, Coordinator of Mission Partnerships, (abilitz@wlvikings.org) or call the WLA office by Monday, October 8.

WLA Blood Drive - Wednesday, October 24, WLA will host a Community Blood Center blood drive from 12:00 - 3:30. To schedule an appointment, go to communityblood.org, click on Donate, then Find a Blood Drive, and enter FD26 as the Sponsor Code. Students will be able to donate blood during Study Hall.

Vacation Hosts - Several of our international students who are staying in a dormitory in Oshkosh will need places to stay during the Thanksgiving break (Nov 21-25) and the Christmas break (Dec 22 - Jan 1). See the bulletin board in the entrance for more information. That note includes an email address for the dormitory manager and several questions she needs you to answer before assigning you a student.

SCRIP - hours will be Tuesdays from 12:30-3:30, Wednesdays from 2:30-5:30, and Thursdays 12:30-3:30. If you come before the end of the school day, please enter through Door #5 on Merrill. If you come after school, you may use Door #1 on the north side of the building.

Upcoming Events at the Academy:

You can always check out the school website (www.wlvikings.org) or Facebook page ('Winnebago Lutheran Academy') for the latest information and announcements. In addition, please make note of the following upcoming events at Winnebago Lutheran Academy:

- Oct 11 Estate Planning Seminars (10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.)
- Oct 21 WLA Fall Concert (7:00 p.m.)
- Oct 24 Blood Drive (12:30 - 3:30 p.m.)

FLYWAY OWLS - The next meeting of Flyway OWLS Chapter 77 (Organization of WELS Lutheran Seniors) will be at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 16 at St. Peter, Fond du Lac (1600 S Main St.). Please note that this is one week later than usual due to the Annual OWLS convention.

Our October speaker will be Erik Opsahl. His topic that he will discuss is: Can Christians Be Soldiers? A Lutheran View. The focus is based on the 2,000 year old question that St. Augustine, Martin Luther, and many of us today ask. There are misunderstandings about the issue that still cause difficulties in the United States. Various answers will be examined.

We will have a brief business meeting following our speaker. Because we do not hold a December meeting, we start collecting annual dues during October and November. Membership is \$15.00 per year. If you have not joined yet, please consider doing so. The dues money supports the national office in New Ulm, and the European Civilian Chaplaincy Program. You will receive a quarterly newsletter with timely information and other interesting articles. We invite all WELS people over the age of 55 and spouses under the age of 55 to join us.

There are no local chapter dues but a free will collection is taken at each meeting to defray expenses of speakers and the support of the European Civilian Chaplaincy which is a national project of the OWLS. Everyone is welcome to come and hear our speakers at any of our meetings. We look forward to having you as our guest. Coffee, juice, snacks, and hospitality will be served. If you have any questions, please contact Stefanie Gutermann at 920-583-2166 or gutermann@utilitytool.com.

Hearing the Word of the Lord

| | Sep 30 | YTD | Avg. | Pct. |
|--------------------|--------|-------|------|-------|
| Worship Attendance | 49 | 2,969 | 76.1 | 25.8% |
| Last Year | 78 | 3,160 | 81.0 | 25.9% |

Serving in the House of the Lord

Ushers this week: Dale Schraufnagel, *captain*

Gregg Hansmann, Josh Scharf, Mike Zastrow

Communion Assistants this week: Dan Robinson

Greeter this week: Barbara Hoff

Ushers next week: John Hall, *captain*

Chris Emmer, Matthew Reible, Kelly Thomas, Dean Wells

Greeter next week: Linda Knebel-Essman

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

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| Today, | 9:00 a.m. | Communion Service |
| | 10:15 a.m. | NO Sunday School Bible Study - Catechism Connections |
| Tuesday, | afternoon, | <i>Oshkosh Shutins</i> |
| Wednesday-Friday, | | OWLS Nat'l Convention-Elkhart Lake |
| Thursday-Friday, | | Pastor attending District Council |
| Friday, | 8:15 a.m. | Chapel - St Luke's |
| | 5:00 p.m. | Wedding Rehearsal |
| Saturday | 2:00 p.m. | Loduha-Respalje Wedding |
| Next Sunday, | 9:00 a.m. | Worship Service |
| | 10:15 a.m. | Sunday School Bible Study - Catechism Connections |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Council of Elders (Budget) |

OCTOBER CALENDARS - are available on the east counter at the back of the sanctuary.