



ST. PAUL'S
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THE BLIND MAN SAID,
" *Rabbi,*
I want to see."

Mark 10:51, NIV



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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.

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: The Church: The Communion of Saints (continued)

Next week: Forgiveness: We Are All Sinners

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.

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: *Al & Judi Messner* - have been married since 1965 and have lived just outside of Oak Center the whole time. Al is a life-long member of St. Paul’s. Judi was born in California and became a member of St. Paul’s by adult confirmation in 1966. Al retired in 1998 after spending his entire career as a science and math teacher at Oakfield High School. Judi mostly stayed home to raise the children and help on the Messner family farm, which was a dairy farm for a while, then went to heifers, and then a couple steers and cash crops. She also did a bit of substitute teaching. Their son Jeff lives next door and works as a millwright in Oshkosh. Their son Todd and their daughter Ami are both math teachers, Todd in Seymour and Ami in Oshkosh. Al and Judi now have five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. They enjoy traveling and like to do some camping and biking in the summertime.

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: next Friday, November 2.

JOINT LADIES’ BIBLE STUDY - this 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. Their next meeting will be Monday, November 5.

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.

AREA REFORMATION FESTIVAL - Our area WELS congregations are invited to a joint 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 be the guest preacher. The WLA choirs and band will participate as well. What an opportunity for us to come together and rejoice in the full and free forgiveness we have through Christ our Savior.

MISSION and MINISTRY SUNDAY - To the Ends of the Earth

On Sunday, November 4, our worship service will give us the opportunity to focus on our own mission and ministry, along with the mission and ministry we share with the other congregations of the WELS. Our service that morning will remind us of the roles we have in sharing the gospel with family, friends, and neighbors, as well as in mission fields to the ends of the earth.

The worship service that morning will be a bit shorter than most services, so that we can also watch the new outreach movie, “To the Ends of the Earth.” Together, the service and the movie will encourage to think about ways we can reach out to family, friends, and neighbors.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - WELS Christian Aid and Relief is looking for folks who can safely operate a chain saw or help cook a meal (sounds maybe like husband/wife teams) to spend some time in Florida to help folks in the neighborhoods of the congregations that were in the path of Hurricane Michael. Christian Aid and Relief will cover the cost of air fare and other travel costs. If you think you’d be able to help in this way, or if you have any questions, please contact Beth Zambo at 920.723.8021.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION UPDATE (news from area WELS schools)

No School - Teachers Conference - All three area WELS schools will not have class this Thursday and Friday (Oct 25-26) because their teachers will all be attending the WELS State Teachers Conference in Milwaukee those dates. We pray that the Lord would bless all who attend.

Parent Meeting - The second parent meeting of the year will take place Wednesday, November 7 at 6:00 p.m. There will be classroom updates, organizational and procedural information for St. Luke’s. These meetings are very important for parents to stay connected with their children’s education! More information on the meeting will be coming soon.



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.

Holiday Trip - Members of the association are invited to join the WLA international students as we kick off the holiday season with a day of fun in Milwaukee on November 17. We will start the day with a private tour of the Pabst mansion for the Grande Avenue Christmas. From there we will go to the Domes for Scrooooooge! the Holiday Floral Show and also a visit to the indoor farmers' market. Next we will go to the Christkindlmarkt which will be held for the first time at the brand new Fiserv Forum. Then we will make a stop at the Holiday Folk Fair International at State Fair Park. We will finish out our day with a ride on the Jingle Bus and a look at the holiday parade of lights. We will leave WLA at 7:45 a.m. and plan to return around 8:30 p.m. Cost per person is \$30 and covers admission to all events and the bus. Food is not included in the cost, please plan to bring cash. To sign up please email kmose@wlvikings.org

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 21 WLA Fall Concert (7:00 p.m.)
- Oct 24 Blood Drive (12:30 - 3:30 p.m.)

Hearing the Word of the Lord

	Oct 14	YTD	Avg.	Pct.
Worship Attendance	64	3,101	75.6	25.6%
Last Year	78	3,327	81.1	25.9%

Serving in the House of the Lord

Ushers this week: Dennis Weigand, *captain*

Dan Loduha, Dan Robinson, Jon Schraufnagel, Scott Wells

Communion Assistants this week: John Hall, Dan Loduha

Greeter this week: Al & Judi Messner

Ushers next week: Bob Dabringer, *captain*

Tom Larsen, Gary Goebel, Steve Scharf

Greeters next week: Dennis and Ardis Weigand

ALTAR FLOWERS - this week were placed to the glory of God on the occasion of the birthdays of Ed and Stefanie Gutermann Ed's on Monday, October 15, and Stefanie's on Saturday, October 20. Thank you.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Today,	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School Bible Study - Catechism Connections
Tuesday,	6:30 p.m.	Council of Elders
	afternoon	<i>Theresa and West Bend Shutins</i>
Wednesday,	8:00 p.m.	Education Committee
Thursday-Friday,		No School-Teachers' Conference
Next Sunday,	9:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School Bible Study - Catechism Connections