

November 2025

# St. Paul Lutheran Church



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## Mission Statement

*"Proclaiming  
the saving  
grace of Jesus  
Christ to all."*



**"Every good gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change." James 1:17**

My guess is that when most people think of November they think of Thanksgiving. Of course, a lot of things come to mind when people think of Thanksgiving, but most of them don't have much to do with giving thanks. The Thanksgiving holiday has definitely changed over time.

Giving thanks is a natural part of the Christian life. Our verse from James one shows us why it is that Christians are moved to give thanks. We recognize that all good gifts that we receive in this world come down from heaven. God is the giver of all good gifts. He gives us the eternal salvation that we truly need, and He gives us the things of this world besides. He pours out so many blessings on us in this world. All of us have food, clothing, wonderful families, and so many other things. We realize that all of these gifts come down from above. It is when we stop and realize how generous God is to us that we cannot help but give thanks.

We certainly have much to be thankful for as a congregation as well. We see how richly God has blessed St. Paul, and we thank Him. You will recall last month that I talked about the significant budget shortfall that the congregation would face if offerings did not increase. We give thanks to God that offerings have significantly increased since then. At this point, we have not incurred the type of deficit that was anticipated. We give thanks as a congregation for the generosity of those who have increased their offerings. We are reminded of the words of 2 Corinthians 9:7 where the Apostle Paul tells us that God loves a cheerful giver. We are reminded that our giving is not to be done under compulsion but joyfully.

I want to thank those who have responded to the needs of the congregation and increased their giving. I also want to encourage those who have not. The congregation still faces a challenging budget situation this year. The only way that we can meet that challenge is if all of the members of the congregation continue to look at how God has blessed them and consider how they might respond to all that God has given to them.

In His service,  
Pastor Olson

## Sermon Texts and Titles

**October 30 & November 2:** On November 2, we observe All Saints' Day. The text for the sermon will be the epistle reading from I John 3:1-3. The title of the sermon will be "Saints Now and Then." This is the day when we remember those who have gone before us with faith in Jesus. We are reminded that through faith in Jesus we are saints now, and we will be saints forever.

**November 6:** The sermon text for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost will be the Old Testament reading from Exodus 3:1-15. The title of the sermon will be "Who Am I?" Our Old Testament reading is the account of Moses and the burning bush. We recall that God spoke to Moses from the burning bush and told him that he was going to lead the Children of Israel up out of the land of slavery. We see that Moses immediately responds by asking "Who am I?" Moses immediately questions whether or not he has the qualifications to take on such an enormous and important task. There are plenty of times in our lives when we question our identity. God responds by telling us who He is and telling us that He will use us for His purposes.

**November 9:** The sermon text for the Veterans' Day service will be from Jeremiah 29:7. The title of the sermon will be "Seek the Welfare of the City." Jeremiah reminds us that as God's people we are not solely focused on our citizenship in heaven. As God's people, we also seek the good of the nation that we are living in while in this world.

**November 13 & 16:** The sermon text for the 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost will be the epistle reading from 2 Thessalonians 3:1-13. The title of the sermon will be "Honoring the Word of God." As we get to the end of the church year, our attention begins to shift to the end times. The Apostle Paul talks about the Word of God being honored in our lives as we wait for Jesus to return.

**November 20 & 23:** The sermon text for the Last Sunday of the Church year will be the Old Testament reading from Malachi 3:13-18. The sermon title will be "Serving to the End."

**November 27:** Our Thanksgiving service will be on Thanksgiving Eve at 7:30 pm.

**November 30:** The text for the First Sunday in Advent will be the Gospel reading from Matthew 24:36-44. The title of the sermon will be "You Must be Ready for Christ."

**St. Paul Lutheran School News**  
***Excellence in Christ-Centered Education***

**Walk a Thon:** The walk-a-thon raised \$22,233 this year. That is an increase from last year's total. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this event such a big success for our school. All of the money raised goes to support the mission of St. Paul Lutheran School: Excellence in Christ-centered Education.

**Accreditation Visit:** The accreditation visit will take place November 3-5. If you are in the building, you may see people you don't know observing classrooms, pick up time, and various other aspects of the school day.

**4K Registration:** Registration for the 2026-2027 school year will be open for member students on November 3. Registration will open to all others on December 1. You can contact the school office for more information or to request a 4k packet. St. Paul offers a full five day a week program. Busing is also available from the LC and Kewaunee districts at the beginning and end of the day. St. Paul also participates in the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP) as well as the Special Needs Scholarship Program (SNSP). These vouchers cover the costs of all educational expenses for qualifying students. This includes the 4k program. You can contact the school office for more information on these programs.

**First Quarter:** The 1<sup>st</sup> quarter ends on November 7. Report cards will be able to be viewed through Fast Direct on November 13. Please make note that hard copy of report cards will not go home as they are able to be viewed in Fast Direct.

**Veterans Service:** We will be having our veterans service again this year. It is a wonderful opportunity to recognize those who have served in the military. The students will sing at this service on November 9. There is also a lunch served after the service.

**Thanksgiving Break:** There will be no school November 26-28. We give thanks to God for the many blessings that He pours out on us. The Thanksgiving Eve service will be held on November 26 at 7:30 pm. You are invited to join us as we give thanks to God for the many gifts which He gives to us.

**Christmas Bingo:** Christmas Bingo will be held on December 17. Chapel will be at 8:15 am in the church followed by bingo in the school gym.

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**Carillon Update**

The Carillon fund has reached its goal. Thanks to the last very generous donations of members, the goal has been reached. The Verdin Supreme Touch carillon has been ordered and will hopefully delivered and installed in 2-3 months. Thank you!! Any questions, please contact Sherry Byrne- 920-606-2000.

## Book Fair

St. Paul Lutheran School is hosting a Blue Ribbon Book Fair. We hope you can make it over to the school gym November 16<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> . We will be open

Sunday: 8:30-11:30

Monday: 8:00-3:30

Tuesday: 8:00-3:30

Wednesday: 8:00-3:30 & 5-7pm

Thursday: 8:00-2:00

**We hope you can find a book or two.**

## Day School and Sunday School Chapel Project 1st Quarter

The children of Sunday School and the Day School have been collecting money for our chapel project. The money that we are collecting is going to the Lutheran Heritage Foundation. The LHF takes the money and is used to write songbooks for children in Africa, each book is \$5 and we have collected over \$700.

It's hard to believe that it's November already! The first quarter has flown by quickly. Our students have been working hard and playing hard! We administered our beginning of the year assessments in October. It's always a long week, but we all pushed through!

The Luxemburg Fire truck came to visit recently and spoke to our 4K-2nd graders about fire safety. We learned so many wonderful things but our favorite time was when they sprayed the big hose from the truck!



Our 3rd-6th graders visited the Weidner center on October 21st. They went to see Bounce, the musical. It was an educational show discussing social and emotional learning.

Our fall sports teams have worked hard and accomplished success in so many ways! Our 3rd-8th grade girls volleyball teams have been busy the past two months with the season culminating in a 1st place win at the Lakeshore Lutheran tournament for the A-team.



Our cross country team doubled in size this year and had four meets. There were many personal records set at each meet. Congratulations to all of our fall athletes!



We'd like to thank all who donated to support our annual walk-a-thon. We greatly appreciate your help! This year we are happy to announce that we raised \$22,233.00!! Our students traveled to N.E.W. High School and walked many laps for this fundraiser and attended a fun pep rally!



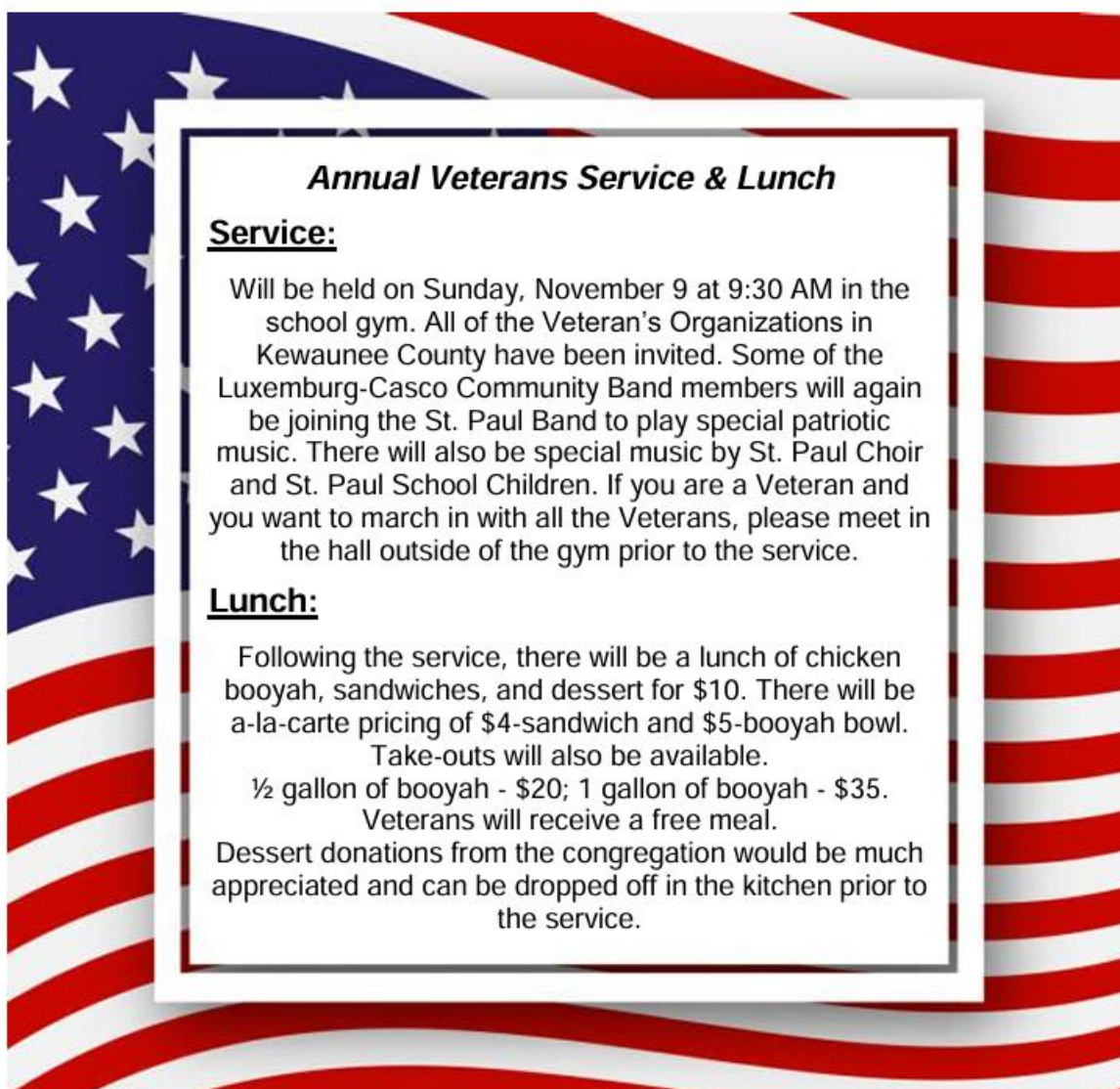
During October our students also enjoyed a great time at the Fall Family night. We made S'mores, watched a movie outside, sipped on hot chocolate and cider, munched on hot dogs and decorated pumpkins for a contest. It was a great time for all who attended. Thanks to the parents who helped out and Mrs. Pahnke for organizing the event.

Parent/Teacher conferences were held in October. We are so grateful for the "family" we have at St Paul. We enjoy working as a team with parents to help support students in any way we can.

Lastly, since this past October was both Pastor and Custodian appreciation month, I wanted to take a minute to say how grateful we are for Tara and for Pastor Olson. Our school wouldn't be the same without them. Our students made colorful pictures for both of them and the teachers celebrated them as well. They are both an important part of our team!

Praying you have a wonderful November, filled with family, friends and a grateful heart for all Jesus has done for us.

In Christ,  
Kristen Zeitler

The background of the flyer is a stylized American flag with red and white stripes and a blue field with white stars.

***Annual Veterans Service & Lunch***

**Service:**

Will be held on Sunday, November 9 at 9:30 AM in the school gym. All of the Veteran's Organizations in Kewaunee County have been invited. Some of the Luxemburg-Casco Community Band members will again be joining the St. Paul Band to play special patriotic music. There will also be special music by St. Paul Choir and St. Paul School Children. If you are a Veteran and you want to march in with all the Veterans, please meet in the hall outside of the gym prior to the service.

**Lunch:**

Following the service, there will be a lunch of chicken booyah, sandwiches, and dessert for \$10. There will be a-la-carte pricing of \$4-sandwich and \$5-booyah bowl. Take-outs will also be available.

½ gallon of booyah - \$20; 1 gallon of booyah - \$35.  
Veterans will receive a free meal.

Dessert donations from the congregation would be much appreciated and can be dropped off in the kitchen prior to the service.

## STEWARDSHIP NEWS AND VIEWS

### Harmonious Stewardship

"For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another" (Romans 12:4-5).

One of the most forgotten concepts in stewardship is the interdependent nature that makes up the Body of Christ and the way that body supports the shared work of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This is experienced in the local congregation, as well as in broader mission and ministry efforts at the district and Synod levels. Yet in these words, St. Paul reminds the Romans and us that we are indeed members of one another. This is true in our worship. It is also true in our stewardship of the Gospel. Stewards of all shapes and sizes, ages and abilities, affluence and influence are all assembled around Word and Sacrament in the local congregation with no one being more important than the other.

Part of this forgetting lies in what the eyes see and how our human mind operates. Our eyes and our minds are quick to come to the erroneous conclusion that the person who writes the biggest check is the more important steward. Human logic, flawed by sin as it is, could make a claim that the youngest child or the most infirm, aged member of the congregation would certainly be considered something less than important when it comes to the stewardship of the Gospel.

Paul makes it clear in these words that this is not how stewardship of the Gospel is measured in the Body of Christ. Rather, it would be better to view local stewardship like the lost art of harmony in congregational singing. This has been lost not only due to the performative nature of the lead singers of the local praise team, but also because modern hymnals are written to almost force the novice hymn-singer into unison voice. Creative harmonization by talented organists is beautiful to listen to, but does not always support the people in the pews in singing in parts. This is a loss in demonstrating a very practical aspect of whole-body stewardship.

The sound that builds when choral and congregational singers settle into their voice parts is nothing short of heavenly! Yet when altos, tenors and bass sing their individual parts without any concept of how they fit together, the music doesn't sound as powerful. The narrow range of the typical alto line almost sounds monotonous. The tenor line can get painfully high, and the base line can get uncomfortably low. But, when interdependently entwined, along with the melody that is so often carried by the sopranos, the music becomes a tremendously powerful tool in communicating the Gospel.

The same is true of individual stewards. Certainly, stewards with more financial means are in a unique place to "carry the tune" for ministry in a local congregation. But that doesn't rule out the faithful stewardship of the saint-like 94-year-old Hulda, who prayed for her young pastor in German every night while the aches and pains of arthritis and the grief of losing a daughter to cancer kept her awake. This does not rule out Jimmy, the

profoundly developmentally disabled confirmand whose basic but dramatically eloquent confession of the faith left an impression on a congregation long after he went to be with Jesus. It doesn't rule out the single parent, the recovering addict, the family coming out of bankruptcy, the elderly widow and everyone in between.

The Lord has entrusted all the baptized with stewardship of the one thing needful: the Gospel of Jesus Christ. No one member of any congregation is more important than another when it comes to this stewardship. The biggest check isn't always the best way to communicate the Gospel. In fact, it is almost always better communicated with the widow's mite, the tenacious stewardship of the talents and so much more.

In the local congregation and beyond, our corporate stewardship of the Gospel needs each other to fill out our great confession. It is not about equal amount. It is about interdependence that only the Holy Spirit can work! Each of us has a role to play, a harmony to sing. The standard for that role is faithfulness. We do not have the same function, but we have the same Jesus! As we sing the parts entrusted to us by the Holy Spirit, the sweet music of the Gospel goes out!

In Christ,  
Debbie Delebreau, Candy Krohn, Hans Shin

### **St. Paul Youth Fundraiser**

We have faith. We have hope. But your car needs some soap!

The Kwik Trip Car Wash is five Ultimate car washes, valued at \$50, for only \$36! The card can be used at ANY Kwik Trip. Please help sell this card by asking friends, family, and co-workers. Also makes a perfect gift!



Order forms are in your pigeon hole and the back of church. Return your order form with cash or check to the office or to the box in the narthex by November 23, 2025.

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Questions: please contact Renee Koenig (920) 857-8911.





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1. Youth Group
2. Tuition Reimbursement
3. St. Paul Building Fund
4. General Scrip Fund

**AUCTION COMMITTEE:** The St. Paul Auction Committee held its initial meeting to prepare for the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Auction, which is currently scheduled for Saturday, February 28, 2026 at Beverly Gardens in Denmark. **We are still desperately short of volunteers to hold this event. If additional volunteers do not step forward soon, the event will have to be cancelled.** The Committee is looking for volunteers to solicit businesses, as well as to set up and help the day of the event. If you or someone you know would be interested in helping, please contact Jeremy Belter at 920-850-0675



# St. Paul Chargers Volleyball

## Congratulations on your season!

### Girls B-Team Volleyball

**Girls B-Team Players:** Lily Budnik, Aeva Dahlke, Brielle Dahlke, Ruby Duescher, Melody Enderby, Skye Enderby, Aubree Engbose, Anna Schantz, Eden Vandebush, Cora Simonar-Wochos

**Coaches:** Brittney Duescher and Stephanie Enderby

### Girls A-Team Volleyball

- **1st Place Champions at the Lakeshore Lutheran League Tournament**

**Girls A-Team Players:** Madelyn Duescher, Calleigh Engbose, Kaylin Gerlikowski, Chloe Kilgore, Jolee Ledvina, Ella Siegmund, Olivia Simonar-Wochos, Zoey Vandebush, Bryn Vaughn, Addie Veaser

**Coaches:** Stacie Duescher and Carrie Gerlikowski

**Thank you** to the coaches and helpers for volunteering their time to coach these students in the Lakeshore Lutheran League and other games of Lutheran fellowship.

**Thank you** to Amanda Kilgore and Stacie Duescher for coordinating games, concessions, and all the individuals/parents that worked concessions.

**Thank you** to all the individuals that refereed, kept clock, line judged, and kept score book.

**Thank you** to all the individuals that attended a game to cheer on the Chargers!

# St. Paul Chargers Cross Country

## Congratulations on your great season!



The Lakeshore Lutheran League held two cross country meets this year, one at First German and one at Two Rivers. The runners also competed at St Mark, Green Bay and Luxemburg-Casco Russ Fameree meets.

**Girl Runners:** Emma Porath, Madelyn Duescher, Melody Enderby, Ruby Duescher, Skye Enderby, Sylvia Schmoll

**Boy Runners:** Brantley Larscheid, Chase Belter, Eli Duescher, Jack Porath, Landon Schmoll, Mason Budnik, Trent Koenig, Trevor Raduenz, Wesley Boeder

**Coaches:** Andrea Boettcher

**Thank you** to the coach and helpers for volunteering their time to coach these students in the Lakeshore Lutheran League and Lutheran fellowship.

**Thank you** to all the individuals that attended the races to cheer on the Chargers!



**Come Cheer on Your Chargers!** (revised 10/20/25)

## **2025-2026 St. Paul Chargers Basketball Schedule**

Lakeshore Lutheran Leagues

CB=C Team GB=Girls B Team, BB=Boys B Team, BA=A Team

**Start time 5pm each game to follow**

Friday, November 21st **Home** vs Algoma GB, BB

Friday, December 5th **Home** vs Rantoul/Immanuel, CB, GB, BB, BA

Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at Trinity Lutheran, Kiel (387 Cemetery Road, Kiel, WI 53042), GB, BB, BA

Friday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at **Home** vs St Peter's, Sturgeon Bay/FG, GB, BA, BB

Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup> Trinity Lutheran, Brillion (601 E. National Ave, Brillion WI 54110) GB, BB

Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at St John's Maribel (14323 South Maribel Road, Maribel, WI 54227) GB, BB, BA

Tuesday, January 27<sup>th</sup> Home vs Algoma/First German, CB, BB, BA

Feb 6-7 Tourney-B Teams in Manitowoc

Feb 14-15 Tourney-A Team in Manitowoc

### C Team

Friday, December 5th Home vs Rantoul 5pm

Saturday, January 17th St John's, Two Rivers (3607 45th Street, Two Rivers, WI 54241)

Tuesday, January 27th Home vs Algoma 5pm

Saturday, January 31st - Wayside Tournament (8374 County Road W, Wayside/Greenleaf, WI 54216)

### **Lakeshore Lutherans for Life:**

The next LFL meeting is Monday, December 1st at 6 PM at St Paul Lutheran Church meeting room. Please join us as we speak up for life issues.

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**DVD's** are available of the church service. Call the church office at 920-845-2095 and one of our volunteers will deliver it to you.

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**Newsletter Deadline:** the 21<sup>st</sup> of the month.

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# November 2025

| SUNDAY  | MONDAY                 | TUESDAY                            | WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY                 | SATURDAY |
|---|------------------------|------------------------------------|---|--|------------------------|----------|
| <div>FLOWER GUILD: Marilyn Hrabik</div>   |                        |                                    |   |  |                        | 1        |
| 2<br>Bible Study/Sunday School 8:30 am<br><b>Divine Service 9:30 am</b>                               | 3                      | 4                                  | 5<br><b>Chapel 8:15 am</b><br>Confirmation 5:30 pm<br>Handbells 6:15 pm<br>Choir 7:00 pm                          | 6<br>Band 6:30 pm<br><b>Divine Service 7:30 pm</b>         | 7                      | 8        |
| 9<br>NO Bible Study or Sunday School<br><b>Veteran's Worship Service 9:30 am</b><br>Followed by lunch | 10                     | 11<br><a href="#">Veterans Day</a> | 12<br><b>Chapel 8:15 am</b><br>Confirmation 5:30 pm<br>Handbells 6:15 pm<br>BOCE Meeting 6:45 pm<br>Choir 7:00 pm | 13<br><b>Worship Service 7:30 pm</b>                       | 14                     | 15       |
| 16<br>Bible Study/Sunday School 8:30 am<br><b>Divine Service 9:30am</b><br><i>Book Fair</i>           | 17<br><i>Book Fair</i> | 18<br><i>Book Fair</i>             | 19<br><b>Chapel 8:15 am</b><br>Confirmation 5:30 pm<br>Handbells 6:15 pm<br>Choir 7:00 pm<br><i>Book Fair</i>     | 20<br><b>Divine Service 7:30 pm</b><br><i>Book Fair</i>    | 21                     | 22       |
| 23<br>Bible Study/Sunday School 8:30 am<br><b>Divine Service 9:30 am</b>                              | 24                     | 25                                 | 26<br><b>Divine Service 7:30 pm</b><br><b>NO SCHOOL</b>   | 27<br><a href="#">Thanksgiving Day</a><br><b>NO SCHOOL</b> | 28<br><b>NO SCHOOL</b> | 29       |
| 30<br>Bible Study/Sunday School 8:30 am<br><b>Divine Service 9:30 am</b>                              |                        |                                    |   |  |                        |          |

**Scrip for sale Thursday evening 7:15-7:30 and Sunday mornings after service for 15-20 minutes**