

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: November 1 – November 8, 2020

### Sunday:

- 8:00-8:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study (also live-streamed on Facebook)  
9:00 a.m. Divine Service (also live-streamed on Facebook & Radio 1170AM/106.3FM)  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Divine Service w/Holy Communion

### Monday:

- 10:00 a.m. Bible Class  
1:00 p.m. Small Group Communion (please call church office to pre-register)

### Tuesday:

- 10:00 a.m. Prayer Team  
1:00 p.m. Quilters  
7:00 p.m. Board of Elders

### Wednesday:

- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study  
1:00 p.m. Board of Evangelism  
3:30 p.m. 6,7,8 Catechism  
7:00 p.m. Board of Trustees

### Thursday:

- 6:30 a.m. Bible Breakfast @ Jonnie Beans  
5:30 p.m. Board of Education  
6:00 p.m. Board of Stewardship

### Friday:

- 5:00-7:00 p.m. Hot Beef Commercials & Pie @ American Legion (Youth Mission Trip fundraiser)

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10:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Divine Service  
11:30-1 p.m. Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Event

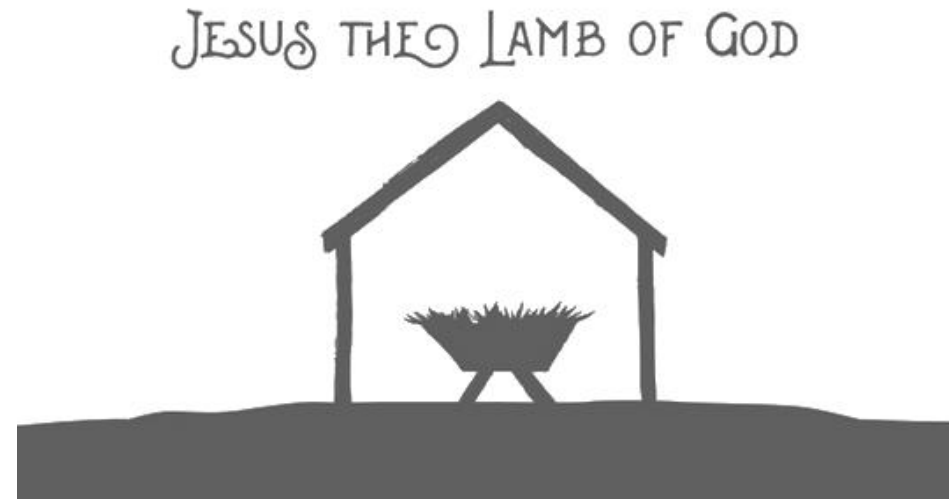
## SERVING THE LORD IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE:

### THIS WEEK:

- ORGANIST:** Kaleb Schmidt  
**ACOLYTE:** Jaya Kunkel  
**ELDER/DEACON:** Dick Arnold/Dallas Lemmen  
**RADIO MONITOR:** Cindy Gilmore

### NEXT WEEK:

- ORGANIST:** Cindy Wood  
**ACOLYTE:** Elijah Johanneck  
**ELDER/DEACON:** Dick Arnold/Dallas Lemmen  
**RADIO MONITOR:** Kathy Flogstad



## ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH - (MISSOURI SYNOD)

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### Mission Statement

*“Empowered by God’s Word, we joyfully share the Love of Jesus with all people.”*

### Vision Statement

*“We will be a vibrant, welcoming church serving the needs of our members, community, and missions by partnering with other churches and organizations while preaching and teaching the inspired Word of God and our Savior Jesus Christ.”*

## SUNDAY MORNINGS:

- ✚ Adult Bible Study: 8:00 a.m. (also Facebook Live-streamed)
- ✚ Divine Services:
  - 9:00 a.m. (also Facebook Live-streamed; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)
  - 10:30 a.m.
- ✚ Sunday School: 10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

### Rev. Dr. Larry Griffin, Intentional Interim Pastor

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### Rev. Dr. Giles Zimmer, Visitation Pastor

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **TODAY! Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Event today from 11:30 – 1:00 PM. Everyone is invited to help lend a hand with this important initiative.**
- **BAKE SALE TODAY!** Cotta Guild will be hosting a Bake Sale TODAY in the Fireside room. All proceeds will go towards Mallorie Gehloff's trip to Africa in December.
- **Today our Adult Bible Class** will be studying I John 2, verses 18 and following. What does it mean to "abide" in the Word of God? What do we know about the Antichrist and antichrists? What does it mean to practice righteousness?
- **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** November 16-23 is national shoebox collection week and St Paul Lutheran Church is once again our area drop off location. We will be looking for volunteers to sign-up to help to collect shoeboxes. There will be a sign-up sheet on the scrip office door. Due to COVID this year we will be doing things a little different and be collecting curbside. Thanks for your help. Any questions please feel free to contact me. --Aimee Hill
- **JOIN US NOVEMBER 15: The Board of Stewardship is hosting a special seminar** by Matt Steiner from the LCMS Foundation on Sunday, November 15th at 10:30. Matt will have a short presentation followed by any question's attendees may have regarding Lifetime Plan for Giving. Hope to see you there!
- **FOOD SHELF DONATIONS:** We are collecting non-perishable, non- expired food items for the Waseca County Food Shelf during the month of November. Food items can be placed in the plastic bins located at each entrance of the church. Thank you in advance for your donations! --Board of Evangelism
- **NEEDED:** Live Nativity Drive through Team is looking for your tangled-up Christmas lights, to use for the decorating of the parking lot. No need to untangle. Drop them off at the Church at the South end of the Parish Hall. and/or If you feel so inclined to donate a box of new lights, they will be welcomed and can be dropped off in the same place.
- **Our Sunday morning schedule will continue as follows, at least through the end of December.**
  - Adult Bible Class will be from 8-8:45, and also Facebook Live-Streamed.
  - The 9 a.m. service will continue to be broadcast on the radio and Facebook live-streamed.
  - Every Monday, we will celebrate Small Group Communion at 1 p.m. Please call the church office to pre-register.
  - We continue to offer a 10:30 service, unless otherwise noted.
  - Our next "Drive-through / parking lot" Holy communion will be Nov. 22.

## UPCOMING SERMONS:

### **Four Part Sermon Series: 20/20 Vision**

- November 8 - Focused on Jesus the Bridegroom
- November 15 - Focused on Jesus the Master
- November 22 - Focused on Jesus the Judge

### **Thanksgiving Day: "God and Country"**

## INTENTIONAL INTERIM MINISTRY CORNER



- **Call Process Update:** We anticipate that within three weeks, our Call Committee will be receiving from our Minnesota South District President a list of pastors, along with biographical information. Our Call Committee will be prayerfully studying that information at their December 5 meeting and bringing to a future Voters' meeting a list of candidates to be considered for a Call.
- Our Transition Team Steering Committee has now combined with our Revitalization Task Force and will continue to give guidance to our elected boards regarding moving forward with mission and ministry here at St. Paul Lutheran.
- Our Transition Team Steering Committee has agreed on two particular priorities/goals to our congregation in our preliminary report to the July Voters' meeting  
**Goal #1 -Reach out** with the love of Christ to attract and engage all ages, especially young families with children.  
**Goal #2 - In-reach** with the love of Christ to engage and challenge our own members, with a focus on less active members.

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER:

A focus on wills is focusing on what happens to you after the Lord has called you home. But Power of Attorney documents or even a Revocable Trust can lay out your wishes for what happens to you while still alive on earth if you become incapable of making your own decisions. Your LCMS Gift Planning Counselor can help you to start thinking about those wishes, preparing you for working with your attorney. Come learn about other important aspects of documenting your estate plan and more ways to make gifts to St. Paul: Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup> during the Sunday School hour. Or, contact Matt Steiner- Gift Planning Counselor, MNS District/Concordia St Paul – 651-641-8243

*--Board of Stewardship*

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- November 6 - Hot Beef Commercials & Pie @ American Legion (Youth Mission Trip fundraiser)
- November 8 - Sunday School children sing at 10:30 service
- November 8 - Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Event, 11:30-1:00 PM in the Parish Hall
- November 15 - 10:30 - "Lifetime Plan for Giving" presentation by Matt Steiner from The Lutheran Foundation
- November 16-23: Operation Shoebox Collection Site for Waseca Area
- November 23 - Council Meeting @ 6 PM – 2021 Budgets & Board Nominations
- November 26 - Thanksgiving Day Service @ 9 AM
- November 27 - Dec. 4: Pastor Griffin on Vacation
- December 6 - Sunday School children sing at 10:30 service
- December 13 - Voters' Meeting with Elections and Budget Approval
- December 18 & 19 - 5-8 p.m. / Live Nativity

**All Saints' Day** **November 1, 2020**

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**OPENING HYMN:** *"Jerusalem the Golden"* **# 672**

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**SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**INTROIT**

**KYRIE** Page 152-153

**HYMN OF PRAISE:** *"Another Time, Another Place"* sung by Aimee Hill & Kelli Lenz

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**FIRST READING:** *Revelation 7:9-17*

<sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, <sup>10</sup> and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup> And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup> saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." <sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" <sup>14</sup> I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup> "Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. <sup>16</sup> They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. <sup>17</sup> For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL**

**SECOND READING:** *1 John 3:1-3*

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup> Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall

be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup> And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**ALLELUIA and VERSE:** Common Page 156

**GOSPEL READING:** *Matthew 5:1-12*

Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

<sup>2</sup> And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup> "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup> "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

<sup>5</sup> "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup> "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

<sup>7</sup> "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup> "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

<sup>9</sup> "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

<sup>10</sup> "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup> "Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

*"Wonderful Merciful Savior" [please use reusable song sheet distributed Elder]*

**SERMON:** First in a Series of Four, **"20/20 Vision"**

**"Focused on Jesus the Lamb"**

Rev. Dr. Larry J. Griffin

† *Truth #1 about 20/20 vision that the Lamb has given us every reason to be grateful here and now.*

† *Truth #2 about 20/20 vision is that the Lamb has given us every reason to be delighted about the future.*

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**HYMN** [9:00 AM]: *"Lamb of God"* **# 550**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**OFFERING** *(offering plates are located at each entrance)*

[10:30 AM] SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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     *“Lamb of God”* # 550  
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CLOSING HYMN: [9:00 AM] *“The Lamb”* # 547  
 [10:30 AM] *“For All the Saints”* # 677

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IN OUR PRAYERS:

**Hospice:** Irene Fogal (sister-in-law to Margaret Schwarz)

**Illness:** Gary Schwartz (friend of Anita Nelson)

**Recently Hospitalized:** Geraldine Wegner (now in recovery at New Richland Care Center for approx. one month)

**Thanksgiving & Continued Recovery:** Mike Buker, Eddie Bethke, Makayla Clark, Loren Frink, Thomas Guggisberg, Kassidy Kirtz (great-granddaughter to Russ & Joy Weir), Kathy Lenz, Margaret Schwarz, Benjamin Waters, Duane Wyffels

**Treatment:** Eva Bickell, Charles Matz (brother to Karen Berg), Marcia Meiners (daughter of the late Lorraine Miller), Brian Schroeder

**Serving in the Military:** Noah Berg, Ryan Berg, Jacob Claybaugh, Jordan Labiack, Jacob Lemmen, Aaron & Sarah Lenz, Jason Paschall, David Reinsbach, John Thompson

**Waseca Circuit Missionaries:** Rev. Edward Naumann (Sri Lanka), Rev. Dr. Stephen Oliver (Taiwan), and John & Jenn Wolff (Kenya)

**For our congregation as we proceed with the Call process.**



# St. Paul Lutheran Church

- **Preparing for Holy Communion:** To assist our time of preparation, prayers are located in the front cover and on pages 329-330 of your hymnal. Both individual cups and the common cup are offered on both sides. For anyone with alcohol concerns, diluted cups are located in the center of the tray. Gluten free communion wafers are available upon request.
- **Facebook Live-stream and Radio Broadcasts:** Our worship service is live-streamed on Facebook each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. (in Facebook search for: @stpaulwaseca to locate our Facebook page.) Our worship service is also Radio Broadcast each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. on Radio 1170 AM or 106.3 FM, and also on the internet via www.theradiotrain.com
- **Lutheran Hour:** “The Lutheran Hour” can be heard on the following radio stations: WCCO, 830 AM radio, Minneapolis, Sunday, 6:05 AM; KDHL, 920 AM radio, Faribault, Sunday, 6:00 PM; KJLY, 93.5 FM, Owatonna, Sunday, 6:00 PM; and KJLY, 104.5 FM, Blue Earth, Sunday, 6:00 PM.
- **Prayer Team:** If you would like to add someone or something to the prayer team, please call the church office at 835-2647.
- **Sunday School:** Join us for Sunday School at 10:15-11:15, or through the end of the late worship service, for ages 3 through grade 8. Today’s Bible lesson is: The Egypt Exit - Exodus

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## The Lord’s Supper

- ✚ We believe, teach, and confess in accordance with Holy Scripture that the Lord's Supper is a precious gift from God, in which Christ gives us His true body and blood, in, with, and under the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith.
- ✚ The Bible teaches that this sacrament may also be spiritually harmful when misused, (*For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death till He comes. Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord’s body. For this reason many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep. 1 Corinthians 11:26-30*)
- ✚ The Lord’s Supper is a testimony of the unity in faith. We ask that only those who have been instructed and who are in fellowship with the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod come with a contrite and joyful heart to the Lord’s Table. (**Acts 2:42** *And they continued steadfastly in the apostles’ doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers*)
- ✚ Any guest wishing to receive communion here at St. Paul Lutheran Church, please speak with the Pastor or the Elder on duty, prior to the church service.