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## *Jesus Loves*

### *September 2023*

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<sup>22</sup> And he said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. <sup>23</sup> For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. <sup>24</sup> Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! <sup>25</sup> And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? <sup>26</sup> If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? **Luke 12:22-26**

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

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Church Office Hours (Mon-Fri): 9am-1pm

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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."*

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### **SUNDAY MORNINGS (SEPTEMBER - JUNE):**

✠ **Divine Service w/Holy Communion:**

○ 9:00 a.m. (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)

✠ **Adult Bible Study at 10:30 a.m.**

✠ **Sunday School at 10:15am**

**Pastor:**



*St. Paul, Waseca Newsletter September 2023*

Dear St Paul Lutheran members,

This article for the September newsletter is a joy to write, we at St Paul have been praying for a called pastor for the last 15 months. As of this letter we have been blessed with a call from Pastor Michael Grannis and his family. We continue to pray for their safety as they move from Michigan to Minnesota. What a blessing he will bring to our church.

It has been a privilege for DiAnna and I to assist you during your vacancy. We have all worked hard to keep the congregation moving forward during this time. I appreciated your willingness to welcome me and assist where needed. St Paul has much to offer the community. I have enjoyed your fellowship and will miss the many who have stopped in for a visit. The quilting club, Bible Studies and youth events have all been a blessing. I wish to thank the elders, council members, board members, musicians, administrative support, custodian, and all the volunteers for the education, youth and church events. You have all given tirelessly of your talents. I'm especially proud of how hard the youth and their parents have worked toward their goal of attending the Colorado Event this year.

I will miss teaching the confirmation students. I have enjoyed sharing Word and Sacrament in worship. Thanks for putting up with my stories and dry sense of humor.

I would also like to thank the great kitchen staff. Their food was legendary and I was the recipient of many of their fine efforts.

Blessings in your future endeavors at St Paul Lutheran.

May God bless you and keep you safe.

In Christ,

Pastor Bob Lund

## Mark your Calendars for these upcoming event



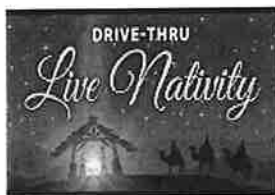
Will resume on **September 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 with RALLY SUNDAY starting with breakfast in the Parish Hall hosted by the Board of Education and then followed by special lessons and fun** in the old Parish Hall. Every Sunday following Rally Sunday we will meet in the old parish hall for Snacks, music, crafts and activities, lessons and a whole lot of fun!!! Please fill out your student's registration form and return to the church office so we make sure to have enough supplies. See you then!!

*Thank you!*

The Board of Evangelism would like to give a **BIG THANK YOU** to everyone who helped with and came to the Corn of the Cob Feed!!!



**FALL WOMEN IN MISSION GATHERING:** Fall Mission Gathering of the Owatonna Conference Lutheran Women's Missionary League will meet Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church [2500 7<sup>th</sup> Ave NE Owatonna, MN] Registration and Brunch is 9:00- 9:30am. Cost is \$10.00. The program follows at 10:00 am and ends at noon. The Theme is: "Women at the Well" from John 4. Speaker is Coral Rose, MSD LWML, Heart to Heart Sister. Coral says: "God worked in every season of my life, preparing me for my 8 years of missionary service in Africa. God knows our life histories and loves us in spite of /because of then. Christ came to be a part of that story". See the bulletin board for more information.



There will be a Nativity Scene meeting on **Wednesday September 13<sup>th</sup> at 6pm**. Anyone who is interested in participating in this year's Drive Thru Live Nativity is welcome to come to this meeting or to contact Dale Rudolph at 507-461-0741. Dates for this event will be December 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>.



**CONFIRMATION CLASS**  
Parent Meeting Wednesday Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Classes begin Wednesday Sept 20<sup>th</sup> with the 6<sup>th</sup> grade meeting from 3:30- 4:30pm and 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade from 4pm -5pm.



## **Bible Reading Schedule**

When Christ commissioned the Apostles to evangelize the world, He said that they should make disciples in all nations by means of baptizing and by teaching them everything He had commanded them to teach (Matthew 28:18-20). As the education programs of the church and state gear up again, note how God's Word speaks about teaching in our Bible Reading Schedule this month (Ezekiel 44:23; Daniel 1:4; Luke 11:1; 12:12). God's Word teaches a Christian life-style different from the sinful life-style of the world (Daniel 3 & 6). A Christian life-style is one of hearing God's Word, confessing one's sins to God, and believing that for the sake of Christ we will be forgiven (Daniel 9:1-19; Psalm 111). It is a life lived knowing that by God's grace in Christ one will rise from death to eternal life in heaven. (Ezekiel 37; Revelation 21-22)

### **SEPTEMBER:**

1. Ezekiel 15,16; Psalm 70; Revelation 6
2. Ezekiel 17,18,19; Rev. 7
3. Ezekiel 20,21; Psalm 111; Revelation 8
4. Ezekiel 22,23,24; Rev. 9
5. Ezekiel 25,26,27,28; Rev. 10
6. Ezekiel 29,30,31,32; Rev. 11
7. II Kings 25; II Chron. 36; Jeremiah 40,41; Revelation 12
8. Jeremiah 42,43,44; Psalm 48; Revelation 13
9. Lamentations 1,2; Obadiah; Revelation 14
10. Lamentations 3,4,5; Rev. 15
11. Daniel 1,2; Psalm 87; Rev. 16
12. Daniel 3,4; Psalm 81; Rev. 17
13. Ezekiel 33,34,35; Rev. 18
14. Ezekiel 36,37; Psalm 110; Revelation 19
15. Ezekiel 38,39; Psalm 145; Revelation 20
16. Ezekiel 40,41; Psalm 128; Revelation 21
17. Ezekiel 42,43,44; Rev. 22
18. Ezekiel 45,46; Luke 1
19. Ezekiel 47,48; Luke 2
20. Daniel 5,6; Psalm 130; Luke 3
21. Daniel 7,8; Psalm 137; Luke 4
22. Daniel 9,10; Psalm 123; Luke 5
23. Daniel 11,12; Luke 6
24. Ezra 1; Psalm 84,85; Luke 7
25. Ezra 2,3; Luke 8
26. Ezra 4; Psalm 113,127; Luke 9
27. Haggai 1,2; Psalm 129; Luke 10
28. Zechariah 1,2,3; Luke 11
29. Zechariah 4,5,6; Luke 12
30. Zechariah 7,8,9; Luke 13



**ACOLYTE SCHEDULE**

Please arrange a replacement if you can not acolyte at the service assigned to you. Please notify the church office at 507-835-2647 when you have changed with another acolyte. Please arrive to the church 20 minutes before the service begins, as the candles are to be lit 10 minutes before the service.

**September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023: (Sunday) Wyatt Arndt**

**September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023: (Sunday) Owen Arndt**

**September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023: (Sunday) Nalyce Quillen**

**September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023: (Sunday) Alex Bethke**

# #29ERS

Will meet September 27<sup>th</sup> at Mark and Debbie Pherson's house at noon!!

Come join us



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

*(Please note: If your name is not listed; we do not have your birthdate in our church records. Please contact the church office and we will update our records. Thank you!)*

Name	Birthday			
Abel Hanks	September 1st		Christine Worke	September 16th
Terry Roemhildt	September 1st		Jessica Guggisberg	September 17th
Alex Ross	September 1st		Gail Kennedy	September 17th
Katherine Claybaugh	September 2nd		Sarah Arnold	September 19th
Michelle Hammer	September 2nd		Jane Lau	September 19th
Linda Peterson	September 3rd		Randy Baumgard	September 20th
Maddyx Fogal	September 4th		Amanda Duval	September 20th
Mary Wyffels	September 5th		Nicole Thompson	September 21st
Lois Roemhildt	September 6th		Owen Arndt	September 23rd
Brenten Hanks	September 7th		Leena Flogstad	September 24th
Lucille Gregor	September 8th		Trent Flom	September 26th
Thomas Roemhildt	September 8th		Elizabeth Manthe	September 26th
Vivienne Mueller	September 11th		Carol Preuss	September 27th
Annette Rosenthal	September 11th		Pamela Gentle	September 28th
Joseph Schumacher	September 11th		Gary Hein	September 28th
Lorraine Brase	September 12th		Sara Roemhildt	September 28th
Roger Rucker	September 13th		Mitchell Vangen	September 28th
Cayde Duval	September 15th		Edward Klinger	September 29th
Avery Gaul	September 15th		Amalia Paulson	September 29th
Daniel Nelson	September 16th		Mark Weiske	September 29th
			Steven Flogstad	September 30th

# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS:

**Sunday School Resumes on Sunday September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Bring your child(ren) to hear and know the greatest true love story! We begin at 10:15 am, immediately following Fellowship time in the Parish Hall.

Ages 3 through 8th grade begin with Opening and Music, followed by Bible stories, crafts and activities. Small group and special events are planned! Students are released to their parents at 11:15am.

Contact Aimee Hill or the Board of Education to get involved in this rewarding ministry. Church office phone 507-835-2647 or email [stpaulwaseca@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulwaseca@gmail.com).

## **Pack a Box!**

### **Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes**

Box packing has already started! Sunday School students and youth will be packing boxes during their regular events. Adults can too – ask Jen LaCroix or Aimee Hill to get a box, pack it, and return it filled with toys, personal supplies, and school supplies. We will still have a packing party in November, but are hopeful for a more manageable number of boxes on that day.

School supply sales, summer clearance clothing racks and clearance toy bins are a great way to stock up for shoeboxes. Items will be stored in a locked room until the November packing party. Items are needed for boys and girls ages 2-14. Monetary donations are also accepted for the \$10 shipping cost per shoebox. Please note: no liquids, gum, gels, pastes, doughs, military toys (water guns) or candy allowed. All items must fit into a medium-sized shoebox. Please pray for the program and the children around the world who will receive the Christmas boxes. Questions? Please contact Aimee Hill in the church office at 507-835-2647 or Jen LaCroix at 507-384-1079 or [jenlacx@gmail.com](mailto:jenlacx@gmail.com). Thank you!

### **Current needs:**

Monetary donations for \$10 shipping per box – to pack and ship 200 boxes, we **NEED \$2000**

Toothbrushes (no toothpaste)

Washcloth wrapped around bar soap with rubber band – ~~need about 50 more~~ **Have, THANK YOU!**

Pens in black, red, blue – **NEED up to 300 more**

Pencils – **NEED up to 1200 more**

Colored pencils and Markers – **NEED up to 60 more sets of each**

Crayons – ~~NEED 100 more~~ **Have, THANK YOU!**

Erasers, Dry watercolor paint sets

Small pencil sharpeners – ~~NEED up to 175 more~~ **Have, THANK YOU!**

Coloring books and Notebooks of all sizes, lined or unlined – **NEED up to 200 more**

Combs, Brushes, Hair accessories

Wow! Toys for boys such cars/trucks, balls that fit in shoebox – **NEED up to 100 more**

Wow! Toys for teens

Cups or Water bottles

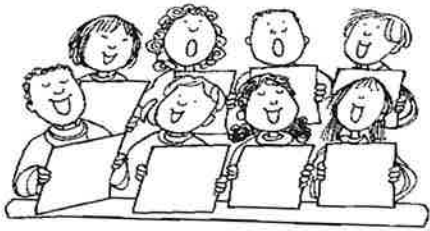
Jump ropes, Marbles, Jacks, Outdoor activities

Playing cards, small games

Solar calculator

Sunglasses, Band-Aids

Sock



Anyone 9<sup>th</sup> grade to 100 who loves to sing and is interested in being part of the St Paul Lutheran Church Senior Choir or the Contemporary Ensemble in 2023-2024, please meet in the Fellowship Hall by the piano on **Wednesday September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7pm**. If you have any questions, please contact Kelli Lenz.

## COTTA GUILD NEWS:



**Lutheran  
Women  
in Mission**

### August Cotta Guild Meeting:

1. We met at 1pm with bars and coffee served by Linda's circle. Barb opened with a devotion entitled "Grandma's Building Blocks"
2. July minutes and treasurer reports were read and approved.
3. Our MITE collection on August 16<sup>th</sup> netted over \$90.00
4. Our LWML fall rally will be held on Sept 30<sup>th</sup> at Good Shepherd in Owatonna.
5. Pastor Lund's farewell will be held August 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:15am. Cotta Guild will serve rolls, fresh fruit, coffee and juice. Judie needs 4 workers for helping.
6. Our new pastor has accepted our call. Date of arrival not finalized yet.
7. Cotta Guild will serve bars on August 20<sup>th</sup> for coffee hour.

### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Selling honey for Dakota Boys Ranch on Sept 10<sup>th</sup> and Sept 17. Two volunteers will be needed for each Sunday, one by the elevator and one at the North entrance of church.
2. Kelly, from Care Givers, would like to approach the congregation after our new pastor arrives.
3. Rhonda will put out the MITE box for collection on September 10<sup>th</sup>.
4. Pastor Appreciation will be held on Sunday October 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:15am
5. August birthdays were Lois Spies and Ester Dietrich.

Kathy Flogstad  
Secretary



LWML will be putting out a mite box on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month to collect mites for missions' projects. Thank you for your support on this project.

Our "Mites for Missions" donations support outreach with the Gospel in many places in the world.

And let us not grow weary of doing good,  
for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up  
(Galatians 6:9).

Lutheran Hour Ministries (LMH): what do those three words conjure up in your mind's imagination? Perhaps you enjoy reading or listening to Lutheran Hour programming and devotions. Or maybe you're a lifelong member of the Lutheran church – Missouri Synod who recalls "This is the Life" television programming in the 1950's and 1960's or watched their children's videos at Sunday school in the 1970's and 1980's.

Maybe you've never even heard of LHM, and that's okay too! At the 40<sup>th</sup> Biennial LWML Convention in Milwaukee, our national voting delegates voted to support not one, but TWO mission grants requested by LHM. Over the next two years, our contributions to these two vital mission projects will total \$200,00, more financial funding than any other organization we support. Having attended the Mission Impact luncheon hosted by Kurt Buchholz, LHM's president and CEO, during the national convention, I'd love to share some of what I learned.

LHM has existed since the first program was broadcast on October 2, 1930, and continues on the air today, making it the world's oldest continually – broadcast Christ – centered radio program. LHM reached into more than 60 countries, often bringing Christ to places where no other Christian evangelistic organizations are present. The greatest areas of growth are the regions encompassing the Middle East and North Africa, and Mongolia, where more than five hundred baptisms have occurred since LHM opened a ministry center there in 2014, (You may recall that through our district grant to Mission Central, we are supporting the Baker family, who serves there).

Though the Gospel is shared through LHM programs, services, or materials more than 163 million times each week, Kurt told us that there are more than 3 billion people in the world who still need to hear about Jesus. To that end, we will support two national mission grants:

1. Sharing Christ with Women and Children in Kazakhstan (\$100,000) – this grant will provide Christian training programs, resources and media to women and children in both the urban areas and remote villages of Kazakhstan. Outreach through media and Christian discipleship materials allows families to hear God's message of salvation in their own language and in culturally appropriate ways.
2. Expanding Gospel Outreach to Hispanics in the U.S. (\$100,000) – Hispanics have become the second largest ethnic population in the United States, and the need to share the Gospel of Jesus is great! This grant involves far more than just translating existing materials into Spanish. Rather, programming, media content, and print materials are being written for Hispanics by Hispanics, who are aware of cultural sensitivities and are better able to discern specific needs.

As you pray for all the newly adopted mission grants, give thanks to God for the faithful ministry of the Lutheran Hour and its partner ministries around the globe. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16). "Don't overcomplicate church," Kurt told us. "People are just interested in learning about Jesus, and what He says. Start there."

Faithfully submitted  
Molly Loder  
VP of Gospel Outreach, 2022-2026

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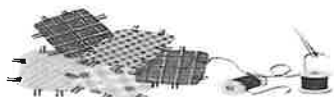
- **Board of Stewardship** would like to thank everyone who have contributed to the food shelf donation boxes located by the elevator. Another 12 pounds of food were delivered to the food shelf.



Are you in need of transportation to appointments or to the store??  
 Are you able to drive someone to an appointment or to the store??

If you fit into either of these categories, please call the church office so we can help you coordinate a driver.

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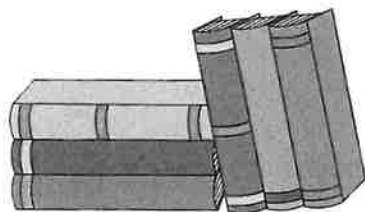
The Quilters will begin meeting again on Tuesday September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 1pm. If you have the time and talent to share, or wish to learn how to quilt with a group of wonderful, fun loving individuals please contact Donna Hildebrandt. Everyone is welcome!!!

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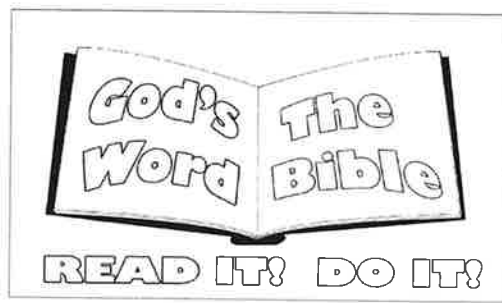


Please remember to mark on your offering envelope if you wish to give to any area of the church besides the general fund. Some options are: Church Improvements, Caring fund, Scholarships, Mission Trips, Memorial Fund, Pastors Discretionary Fund or the Organ Repair Fund.

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Remember to stop and check out library. Find a book to take home, or pull up a chair and relax with a cup of coffee !!!



**Our Prayer Team:** continues to meet on Monday mornings from 10-11 am to pray for what God is doing here at St. Paul Lutheran, for those with health concerns, and for all matters on our hearts. You're welcome to join us!  
**\*\* There will be NO Prayer Team on Monday September 4<sup>th</sup> due to Holiday \*\***

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Will meet on September 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am! Everyone is welcome to join us.

**BIBLE BREAKFAST:** Meets every Thursday at 6:00 am at Jonnie Beans

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY:** Meets every Sunday morning at 10:30 am in the Parish Hall

**YOUTH GROUP:**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Every Sunday morning starting September 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 am

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**FAMOUS WORDS FROM OUR CHURCH PRESIDENT:  
"Bible Quiz"**

Q: Who was the greatest financier in the Bible?

A: Noah. He was floating his stock while everyone else was in liquidation.

Q: Who was the greatest female financier in the Bible?

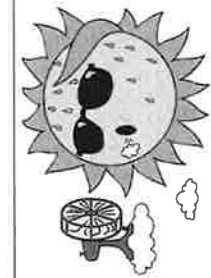
A: Pharaoh's daughter. She went down to the bank of the Nile and drew out a little prophet.

Q: What kind of man was Boaz before he got married?

A: Ruth – less

Q: Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible?

A: Samson. He brought the house down.



# September 2023

## St. Paul Lutheran Church – Waseca

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1. 10:00 am Education	2.
3. 9:00 am Divine Service 10:15 am Bible Study	4. NO Prayer Team today OFFICE CLOSED LABOR DAY	5. QUILTERS 1:00pm 6:00 pm Elders 6:00pm Stewardship	6. 9:30am Women's Bible 7pm Evang. & Trustee	7. 6:00 am Bible study @ Johnnie Bean	8. 5P-7P Hot Beef Commercial drive thru	9.
10. 9:00 am Divine Service 10:15 am Bible Study 10:15 am Sunday School	11. 10:00 am Prayer Team	12. QUILTERS 1:00pm	13. 6pm Live Nativity Mtg 6pm Parent meeting for confirmation classes 7pm Senior Choir 8pm Cont. Ensemble	14. 6:00 am Bible study @ Johnnie Bean 1:00 pm Cotta Guild	15..	16.
17. 9:00 am Divine Service 10:15 am Bible Study 10:15 am Sunday School	18. 10:00 am Prayer Team 6:00 pm NSC Board News Letter Articles Due	19. QUILTERS 1:00pm	20. 9:30am Women's Bible 3:30 – 4:30 6 <sup>th</sup> grade 4p-5p 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> grade 7pm Senior Choir 8pm Cont. Ensemble	21. 6:00 am Bible Study @ Johnnie Bean	22.	23. Waseca Classic Parade 12pm
24. 9am Divine Service 10:15am Bible Study 10:15 am Sunday School	25. 10:00 am Prayer Team	26. QUILTERS 1:00pm	27. 3:30 – 4:30 6 <sup>th</sup> grade 4p-5p 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> grade 7pm Senior Choir 8pm Cont. Ensemble Noon 29er's @ 12pm at the Pehrson's house	28.. 6:00 am Bible Study @ Johnnie Bean	29.	30.

