

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH - (MISSOURI SYNOD)

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Church Office Hours (Mon-Fri): 9am-1pm Email: stpaulwa@hickorytech.net

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 (SEPTEMBER – MAY)

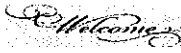
- ✠ Divine Service w/Holy Communion: 9:00 a.m.
(Also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)
- 10:15 – 11:15 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Adult Bible Study and Coffee Hour

Pastor: Rev. Bob Lund (Vacancy Pastor)

Mobile Phone: (651) 324-9229

Email: bltpbj@yahoo.com

ANNOUNCEMENT'S:

-  **WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!** If you are a visitor, we look forward to visiting with you today and in the near future. Please write your name, address, and phone number in our visitor's book located at the back of church at the visitor's desk. We invite you to fellowship, coffee & treats following the worship service. Adult Bible Study begins at 10:30 a.m. with Sunday School at 10:15 a.m.
- **Individual or Family Pastoral Care:** *Please remember that Private devotion and Holy Communion are available for individuals or couples that are homebound, at greater risk for COVID, or in times of emergency. Call the church office at 507-835-2647 to schedule an appointment when needed.*
- **Live Streaming on Facebook** for the 9:00 worship service for your convenience.
- **Adult Bible Study**, today we will be continuing the topic of "Christian Myths". We hope to see you there!!
- **CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING** Monday November 21st at 6pm.
- **Community-wide Thanksgiving Dinner:** St. John Lutheran will be serving the community-wide Thanksgiving Dinner this year DINE IN from 12 to 1pm with Pick-up and Delivery starting at 11am on Thanksgiving Day, November 24th, 2022. Menu: Turkey, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, salad, dessert and coffee. Limit of 5 meals per household. Free-will offerings accepted. Sign-up by calling St John's Church Office (833-1703) by Nov. 14th. Sponsored by the Greater Waseca Ministerial Association.
- **Interested?** Anyone interested in serving on a Board, please contact the church office by the second week in November.
- **Sunday November 13th** there will be a free will offering for Mites at the front and back of Church.
- **Women's Bible Study** will meet Wednesday November 16th from 9:30am to 10:45am. Come join us if you can!!
- **Shoebox Packing Party:** Will be held today, November 6th. Anyone interested in helping our Sunday School students pack shoeboxes, meet in the Sunday school wing at 11am. There will be NO MEAL this year.
- **Shoebox Collection Site:** November 14-21 is National Shoebox Collection Week and St Paul Lutheran Church is once again our area drop off location. Volunteers needed to help collect shoeboxes. A sign-up sheet is on the scrip office door. If you would like to help collect boxes as they are dropped off, please sign up. Thanks --Aimee Hill
- **There will be NO Quilters on Dec 13th, 20th and 27th. We will see you all back in January.**
- **Secret Sisters**, please remember to send a card with a note to your Secret Brother or Sister this month and continue to pray for him/her.
- **With the Holiday's fast approaching**, keep in mind the gift of SCRIP, and remember a percentage of all purchases go to the Youth. Thank you for your support.
- **Characters Needed:** If you have a desire to be apart of the Live Nativity this year and would like to be a character, part of the set up and take down crew, please contact the church office, Anita Nelson or sign up on the bulletin board by the elevator. Thanks
- Come join other Grandparents from our community, to hear the speaker on the topic "They can not KNOW what they do not HEAR." So many parents are TOO BUSY to get our grandchildren to Sunday School to hear God's promises for them. GRANDPARENTS are the 2nd most influential people in their lives. Then teachers and coaches. Come listen at our "**Grandparenting Matters**" **workshop topic on Nov 7th at 7pm** St. Paul Lutheran Church. Use East Middle door or West Handicap entrance please.

ALL SAINTS' DAY

The Blessings of the Saints

November 6th, 2022

AS WE GATHER

In our Confessions, we say that we remember the saints so we may give thanks for them and their witness, so we might be strengthened by their example, and so we might be moved to follow them as they followed Christ. This is not about hero worship, but it is about recognizing the faithful who went before us, who trusted in Christ, and who were received into His mercy. It is about being encouraged as we fight the good fight here and now. It is also about looking to the great reunion when finally, all the faithful will be together forever.

✠ PREPARATION ✠

HYMN "Ye Watchers And Ye Holy Ones"

[LSB 670]

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

People: **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

✠ WORD ✠

KYRIE

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For [Minnesota South District president Woodford], for all pastors in Christ, for all servants of the Church, and for all the people, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For [President Biden, for all public servants, for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Let us pray.

Lord, remember Your Church throughout the world; make all its members grow in love for You and for one another. As You have received our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of the resurrection to eternal life, bring us at last with them into the light of Your presence, that in union with all Your saints we may give You glory forever, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.
O God of majesty and might, whom the saints and angels delight to worship on high, we give You thanks for the faithful who have gone before us and now live in Your nearer presence. Give us not only the blessing of their witness, but the grace to live as faithfully within our own time and amid our own challenges. Bring us together when we stand before Your glory; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

FIRST READING Revelation 7:2–17 (The Lamb will be their shepherd)
² Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, ³ saying, “Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.” ⁴ And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

⁵ 12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed, 12,000 from the tribe of Reuben, 12,000 from the tribe of Gad, ⁶ 12,000 from the tribe of Asher, 12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali, 12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh, ⁷ 12,000 from the tribe of Simeon, 12,000 from the tribe of Levi, 12,000 from the tribe of Issachar, ⁸ 12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun, 12,000 from the tribe of Joseph, 12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE 1 John 3:1–3 (Beloved, we are God’s children now.)
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. ² 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. ³ And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

VERSE Hebrews 12:1a, 2a

Pastor: Alleluia. Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us look to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith. Alleluia.

PSALM Psalm 149;

Praise the Lord!

Sing to the Lord a new song,

his praise in the assembly of the godly!

Let Israel be glad in his Maker;

let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!

Let them praise his name with dancing,

making melody to him with tambourine and lyre!

For the Lord takes pleasure in his people;

he adorns the humble with salvation.

Let the godly exult in glory;

let them sing for joy on their beds.

Let the high praises of God be in their throats

and two-edged swords in their hands,

to execute vengeance on the nations

and punishments on the peoples,

to bind their kings with chains

and their nobles with fetters of iron,

to execute on them the judgment written!

This is honor for all his godly ones.

Praise the Lord!

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 5:1–12 (Rejoice and be glad, for great is your reward)

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

2 And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

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

4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

5 "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

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

7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

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

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

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

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY "For All the Saints"

[LSB 677]

SERMON

CREED APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into

heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray.
Lord God, heavenly Father....Lord in Your Mercy.
Hear our prayer

through Christ Jesus, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

HYMN "Create In Me A Clean Heart" [LSB 192-193]

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE 2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: You are worthy of all honor, praise, glory, and worship, O Lord, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, but especially do we give You thanks for the great crowd of witnesses throughout every age and generation, who knew the mystery of Christ by faith and give testament to His saving Gospel in word and work but now rest from their labors. With them we join the great company of the prophets, apostles, evangelists, and all the saints in heaven, with angels and archangels, and laud Your glory and sing their unending hymn:

SANCTUS Holy, Holy, Holy

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord, God of our fathers, who from the foundation of the world did prepare for salvation to be revealed in Your Son and who did elect us according to Your mercy to be His own, now and forevermore. Recalling with joy His one, all-sufficient sacrifice of His body and blood on the cross, we gather in His name to receive the fruits of His redeeming work in the Holy Sacrament He instituted, of which He is both host and food, according to His own testament:

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26-28

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ....

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST 1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9-13

People: **Our Father who art in heaven...Amen.**

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI Lamb Of God

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“Rejoice O Pilgrim Throng” [LSB 813]

“Behold A Host Arrayed In White” [LSB 676]

“Jerusalem The Golden” [LSB 672]

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, God of all grace, govern our hearts that we may never forget Your blessings but steadfastly thank and praise You for all Your goodness in this life until, with all Your saints, we praise You eternally in Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24–26

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

HYMN “Fight The Good Fight” [LSB 664]

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God.

1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
Raise the glad strain: "Alleluia!"

Cry out, dominions, pryncedoms, pow'rs,
Virtues, archangels, angels' choirs:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"

2 O higher than the cherubim,
More glorious than the seraphim,
Lead their praises: "Alleluia!"
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"

3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye patriarchs and prophets blest:
"Alleluia, alleluia!"
Ye holy Twelve, ye martyrs strong,
All saints triumphant, raise the song:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"

△4 O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing:
"Alleluia, alleluia!"
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"

1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

3 Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old
And win with them the victor's crown of gold!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

4 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

5 And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

6 The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

7 But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day:
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of Glory passes on His way.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

△8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

IN OUR PRAYERS:

- **Called Home:** Linda McBurney (sister of Roger Rucker)
- **Hospitalized:**
- **Illness:** Cindy Kuschel, Pastor Loeslie from Bethlehem Lutheran Morristown
- **Thanksgiving & Continued Recovery:** LeeAnn Paulson, Pastor Rosenau, Ken and Kathy Lenz, Rus Weir and Joy Weir, Geri Kuschel
- **Treatment:** Tim Andree (friend of Matt Klingler),
- **For those with Covid-19**
- **Those who are sick and/or in need and wish to remain unnamed.**
- **All the service men & women who are serving in the military:** Noah Berg, Matthew Gilmore, Jacob Lemmen, Aaron & Sarah Lenz, Jason Paschall, David Reinsbach, John Thompson
- **Waseca Circuit Missionaries:** Rev. Edward Naumann & Rev. Dr. Stephen Oliver (Taiwan) & John Wolff (Kenya)
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St. Paul Lutheran Church

- **Preparing for Holy Communion:** To assist in a time of preparation, prayers are located in the front cover and on pages 329-330 of your hymnal. 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 www.newstalk1170.com
- **Prayer Chain:** If you would like to add someone or something to the prayer chain, please call the church office at 835-2647.
- **Sunday School: Begins on September 11th, 2022, please** join us for Sunday School at 10:15-11:15, for ages 3 through grade 8.

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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. Thank You

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: November 6th - November 13th, 2022

Sunday (6th):

9:00 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)

10:15 am Sunday School at Shoebox Packing Party at 11am

10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study

Monday (7th):

10:00 am Prayer Team

7:00 pm Grandparenting Class

Tuesday (8th):

1:00 pm Quilters

3:30 pm Adult Confirmation

7:00 pm Live Nativity Meeting

Wednesday (9th):

3:30 - 4:30 pm Confirmation 6th - 8th grade

7:00 pm Senior Choir and Contemporary Ensemble practice

Thursday (10th):

6:00 a.m. Bible Breakfast at Jonnie Bean

1:00 pm Cotta Guild

Friday (11th):

Saturday (12th):

Sunday (13th):

9:00 am Divine Service w/Holy Communion (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)

10:15 am Sunday School

10:30 am Adult Bible Study and coffee hour

SERVING THE LORD IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE:

THIS WEEK: November 6th:

ORGANIST: Cindy Wood

ACOLYTE: Alex Bethke

ELDER/DEACON: Dick Arnold/Kraig Deling

RADIO MONITOR: Kathy Flogstad

FACEBOOK LIVE: Geri Kuschel

READER: Rhonda Christianson

NEXT WEEK: November 13th:

ORGANIST: Cindy Wood

ACOLYTE: Alexa Welander

ELDER/DEACON: Dick Arnold/ Kraig Deling

RADIO MONITOR: Cindy Gilmore

FACEBOOK: Kathy Flogstad

READER: Bill Kuschel

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:

Worship Attendance on October 30th: 106 Bible Study: 26 Sunday School: 13

General Fund (in person & Direct Deposit) October 30th: \$2708.00

Dedicated Funds: Pastor Discretionary Fund: \$90.00

Improvement Fund: \$ 50.00

Memorial: in memory of Ray Gerlach: \$100.00