



## *Destined for Salvation*

St. Paul Lutheran Church  
Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod  
Columbus, Indiana

25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
November 19, 2023

## Welcome to St. Paul!

We are glad that you have come to God's house to be fed and strengthened by His holy Word. The order of service for today is printed on the **insert** in this bulletin. Guests, we extend a special welcome to you this morning. We are privileged to have you as our guest today and encourage you to worship with us again soon.

**The Family Quiet Room and Restroom** are located outside the doors of the sanctuary and to the left. In the Family Quiet Room, you can hear and see the service. **Assisted hearing devices** are available for the service. Please contact an usher.

Do you need prayer support? Please call Bonnie England at 812-392-2732 to activate our **Prayer Chain**. Your fellow church members will pray for you.

**Our Communion Practice:** Scripture teaches that the Lord's Supper is a meal for baptized believers where the bread and wine are the true body and blood of Jesus Christ, and that through this Sacrament God grants us the forgiveness of sins and strength for our faith. Holy Scripture reminds us in 1 Corinthians 11:27-34 that those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great harm. It is out of love and care for each individual that comes to the Lord's Supper that we ask that those who hold a different belief or church membership than that of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, are not instructed and confirmed in the faith, or doubt the presence of Christ and His power in the Sacrament to refrain from attending the Lord's Supper. Please respect our position of love in this matter of pastoral care and speak with a pastor with any questions regarding the Lord's Supper.

**Communion Preparation:** To prepare for the Lord's Supper, you may wish to pray the prayer on the inside cover of the hymnal or review the Christian Questions and Answers on pages 329-330.

### Today's Christian Education Opportunities

First Steps of Faith (Infants and Toddlers with a parent) meet in the Nursery

Sunday School classes for ages three-sixth grade

Confirmation Instruction (grades 7-8) led by Pastor Patterson Sr. High Youth in the Youth Room

*The Faith in Art* led by Deaconess Fickenscher meets in the conference room

*Connected to Christ in Worship* led by Pastor Bauman meets in the fellowship room

### Serving Today

Organist: Kantor Dan Mau

8 AM Service Acolyte: Julia Burbrink

10:45 AM Service Acolyte: Jesse Wofford

## Church Calendar

Church Office Closed Wednesday-Friday

No School this Wednesday-Monday 11/26

Today	<b>8:00 AM Divine Service</b> 9:10 AM Fellowship 9:30 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Radio Service WYGS 91.1 FM <b>10:45 AM Divine Service—English and Spanish</b> Noon Lunch 12:15 PM Spanish Bible Study 12:15 PM Confirmation 12:30 PM Jr. Handchimes 1:15 PM Jr. Handbells 1:45 PM Choristers 7:00 PM Lutheran Hour WYGS 91.1 FM
Monday	<b>8:20 AM Chapel for Doves and Kindergarten</b> 9:30 AM Homeschool Religion Class 11:00 AM Small Group Handbells
Tuesday	<b>8:20 AM Chapel for Lambs</b> 6:30 PM Girls Scouts
Wednesday	9:00 AM Bible Study <b>7:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Service</b>
Thursday	Thanksgiving Day
Next Sunday	<b>Christ the King Sunday</b> Stained Glass Windows Hymn Festival <b>8:00 AM Divine Service</b> 9:10 AM Fellowship 9:30 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Radio Service WYGS 91.1 FM <b>10:45 AM Divine Service—English and Spanish</b> Noon Lunch Noon SPY and C4Life Servant Event 12:15 PM Spanish Bible Study 12:15 PM Confirmation Make-up/Work Ahead Session 12:30 PM Jr. Handchimes 1:15 PM Jr. Handbells 1:45 PM Choristers 5:00 PM Pitch-in Supper 6:00 PM Annual Meeting 7:00 PM Lutheran Hour WYGS 91.1 FM

**DECEMBER NEWSLETTERS AND ANNUAL MEETING PACKETS...** are available in the gathering space. The newsletter is also available on the church website.

# 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

## Preserving the Past – Embracing the Future Centered in Christ

**Next Sunday, November 26—Hymn Festival:** We are blessed with beautiful stained-glass windows in our sanctuary that tell the story of salvation from Christ's birth to His coming on the Last Day. November 26<sup>th</sup> is the Last Sunday in the church year when we celebrate the triumphant return of Christ the King. We will celebrate the entire church year, as well as the Reformation and the history of our church, using our eight stained glass windows as our focus of the service of song. Our Jr. Choir, Sr. Choir, and Sr. Handbells will enrich our services as we celebrate that Christ our King reigns forever. Please plan to attend and invite others.

**Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>—RFD-TV Filming Day:** RFD-TV will be highlighting our church for their Christmas special. They will conduct interviews in the afternoon and will be recording our choirs and congregation before, during, and after the advent service. Pre-service music will be from 6:30-6:45 PM, and the service will begin at 6:45 PM.

**Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>—Together as a Family Day:** Adults and children will gather together for Sunday School. We will celebrate Christ's birth and have a special presentation on German Christmas customs. Plan to attend this time of learning and celebrating together with your church family.

**IN OUR PRAYERS... Sick and Recovering:** Miriam Brower, John Jones, Charlotte Williams, Dawn Deiwert, Sharon Cline, Kay Newton, Nora Cleary, Walter and Debby Rhodes, Jan Sherbundy, Gloria Schultz, Kathy Adams, Gayle Tertocha, Dorothy Hischke, Phyllis Fox, Kathy Hoover, Rick Sapper (Cleary's brother-in-law), Lewis Pollert (Bruce's brother), Steven Alderson (Lisa's husband), Donna Glick (Marybeth Glick's mother-in-law), Bruce Lagneau (John's brother), Rena Dillman (Kris Taylor's friend), Andrew Hamm (Nikolai Haak's friend), Preston Humbel (Woffords' friend), Susan (Arnholt) Hornback, Henrietta Nyffeler, Jeff Dyer (Nancy Dyer's son), Brent Pavey (Dean and Donna Hartke's son-in-law), Charles Oliver (Corbin Oliver's grandfather), Connie Ball (Jan Voelz's friend), Janeen Blomenberg, Regan Hoeverner (Kristy Hall's sister-in-law), CW Milam (Sandy Lagneau's brother), Ron and Dianne Hargraves (Carolyn Schuette's sister and brother-in-law), Naomi Gillespie (Haak's great-niece), Noah LaSpina (Renee Strietelmeier's friend); **Active Military:** Noah Hoeltke

**BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST...** We rejoice as Jeffery James Tucker, son of Justin and Elizabeth, is born again of water and the Spirit at the 10:45 AM service this morning. Sponsors are Daniel and Mackenzie Wint. May God bless and keep JJ in His saving grace all his days.

**TODAY'S RADIO MINISTRY...** is sponsored in loving memory of Joan Scheidt on the occasion of her birthday on November 20<sup>th</sup> by her children Colin and Tim Scheidt and Natalie Pollert.

### SUNDAY LUNCH MENUS...

Today: Sandwich Bar

Next Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>: Pizza; Gingerbread dough making day

December 3rd: Latino families providing meal

December 10<sup>th</sup>: Spaghetti

December 17<sup>th</sup>: Pancakes

**JR. CHOIR SINGS...** Today and next Sunday at both services. Third-sixth graders will gather in the music room at 7:30 AM to rehearse.

**INSTALLATION SERVICE...** St. John's, White Creek invites you to the installation service of Rev. James Haugen as their pastor **this afternoon** at 3 PM. A meal follows the service.

**HAM AND TURKEY SUPPER...** St. Paul, Dewberry invites you to their ham and turkey supper **today** from 4-6 PM. The church address is 5588 East 900 South, Cross Plains, Indiana.

**LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTIONS...** If you are a current subscriber, or would like a new subscription, please send in \$23.16 in your Lutheran Witness envelope or place a check in the offering plate with "Lutheran Witness" on the memo line. All orders need to be turned in **today**.

**YOUTH DEADLINE...** Today is the deadline to sign up for the Y4Life Conference in Washington, DC (grades 9-12) and the Summer Servant Event in St. Louis (grades 8-12).

**THANKSGIVING CHAPEL SERVICES...** You are invited to join our early childhood ministry students for Thanksgiving chapel. Kindergarten and Little Doves chapel is **tomorrow, November 20<sup>th</sup>** and Little Lambs is **this Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>**. Both chapels begin at 8:20 AM.

**THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE...** This Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 PM we will gather to give thanks to the Lord for all His blessings. Before you gather with your family on Thanksgiving Day, please take time to gather with your eternal family of faith to give thanks. Holy Communion will be celebrated. The theme of the service is *I Am Content*.

**THANKSGIVING SCHOOL SCHEDULE AND OFFICE HOURS...** Thanksgiving vacation for the early childhood ministry is from this Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> through Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup>. The church office will be closed Wednesday-Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>. If you need pastoral care, please call one of the pastors directly.

**POINSETTIA DEADLINE...** is **next Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>**. Please use the order form included in this bulletin.

**GINGERBREAD BAKING...** Volunteers are needed to help bake gingerbread houses beginning **Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup>** 9 AM-noon and **Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>** from 8 AM-2 PM. Volunteers are needed on **Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>** to construct gingerbread houses beginning at 10 AM.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY...** meets **Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup>** at 7 PM in the fellowship room. All women are invited to join us as we study *More Than Anything: Loving God More Than Anything Else*.

**NO ONLINE SERMON...** Please note that there will not be a sermon posted online **next Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>** due to the hymnal festival.

**CHURCH AND SCHOOL APPAREL AND DECALS...** Decals with our new logo are available for a freewill donation on the table in the gathering space. It's not too late to order church and school apparel. Forms are available on the table in the gathering space or you can place an order through the church or early childhood ministry Facebook pages.

**MILITARY CARE PACKAGES...** Do you have a friend or family member serving in the military? St. Paul LWML would like to send Christmas cards and CARE packages to members of the armed forces. Please provide names and addresses to Sally Haak at [mrs.haak@pax-domini.org](mailto:mrs.haak@pax-domini.org)

**RFD-TV TO HIGHLIGHT OUR CHURCH...** RFD-TV has chosen to highlight our church for their Christmas special. They will be sending a camera crew to record for a 30-minute program on **Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>** featuring our choirs and interviews. The cost for this outreach opportunity is \$5,500. To reach this goal we need **\$3,050** in additional contributions. If you would like to donate to this endeavor, please use your designated offering envelope and indicate that your gift is for RFD-TV Special.

**2024 FLOWER AND RADIO MINISTRY CHARTS...** are posted in the gathering space. The cost to sponsor the radio ministry is \$105 (sponsors our Sunday radio worship service at 9:30 AM and the Lutheran Hour at 7 PM).

**THANKS TO...** everyone who assisted with the church cleanup yesterday.

## **The Response of God's People** **Last Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>**

Divine Service Attendance: **371** Communion: 296

Sunday School Attendance: **202**

Offering: **\$8,169.87** Needed Weekly: \$14,426

Additional Gifts: \$2,350 Friends of Clifty Church; \$93.48

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