



St. Paul Lutheran Church
1417 11th Street, P.O. Box 126
Wichita Falls, TX 76307

Our Weekly Divine Service Schedule

Sunday

9:00 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Class
10:15 a.m. Divine Service
(Holy Communion offered every Sunday at St. Paul)

Divine Service



The Messenger

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September 2022

It has finally happened!

The rains have come and the temperatures have finally dropped! When you feel you can't stand the situation any longer, relief comes and it feels so good. We have had a complete turn around in our weather. After not mowing grass (weeds) but one time at my house this year, winter grass (wild rye) is coming up all over the place. It's like we were never short of rain for a whole year.

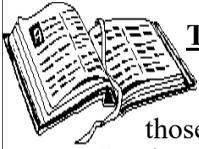
Just like the loss of the rains, even we sometimes feel lost, irritated at our life's situation whether it is pain from the loss of a job we love, or the loss of a loved one, wishes unfulfilled, or any number of disappointments we experience, we feel alone, abandoned and depressed.

Then, like the returning rain, we come to church on Sunday and see our friends and family. We hear our pastor tell of the love, forgiveness and grace our heavenly Father has for us and receive Jesus body and blood given for us because of our sin and miserable condition. We hear the promise he made to us when He said "I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Remember, He has been given "all authority in heaven and on earth." So, we can ask for relief, help and understanding and in faith, He will answer our prayers. Whether it is for a pain free back, a new better job, a more loving relationship with husband, wife, children or friends. Then, all at once we suddenly realize the pain, irritation or situation is gone and then we realize we had nothing to do in changing the situation. "To God be the glory, great things He has done."

Please continue to pray for our church, the call committee, the constitution committee, all the boards and the health of all of our members. We are one body in Him and we treasure every one of us. And....thank Him for the rain!!

Blessings,
William Parker

Adult Education



The Adult Bible Class meets every Sunday morning before Divine Service. Our goal is to have 40 people in Adult Bible Study. We want to come together and study God's Word, and reap the benefits that God promises to those who remain in His Word (John 8:31-32). Please plan on joining us each Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday school for all ages starts at 9:00AM each Sunday morning. The Scriptures are clear, "Train up a child in the way he should go: and **when he is old, he will not depart from it.**" (Prov. 22:6). Help demonstrate to your children, good Bible Study habits as the spiritual leaders of your homes! See y'all there!

If you or someone you know needs a ride to Divine Service or any other church activity, please call the church office at (940) 322-6112 and we will see what we can do to arrange that for you.



BACK TO SCHOOL

School is back in session!

Please pray for the teachers, administrators and students throughout the year. Pray that they will have a productive and safe school year.

Memorials & Tributes



In Memory of Dennis Keethler:

Window Fund by Ruth Rathgeber, Lois Kramer, Ken & Kathy Schkade, and Hank & Judy Hancock.

St. Paul Lutheran Church by Vicki Holland, Larry and Nancy Martinez, Virginia Martinez, and Randal Schoppa.

North Campus by Ben & Darla English.

Altar Guild by Janice Wiechman.

In Memory of Dorothy Kutzler:

Window Fund by Lois Kramer.

In Memory of my husband, Ervan, and my son, Merle:

Window Fund from Del Tech.

In Memory of Pastor Roses' grandmother:

North Campus Fund from Ben & Darla English



We served a meal at Faith Mission on August 13th. We served 35 pizzas along with salad and desserts. We served a total of 120 clients at Faith Mission.

Thank you to Eugene Kruger, Randal Schoppa, Leanne Roten and Lisa Schur for volunteering their time to serve this meal.

St. Paul Crochet Camp has been a great success and a lot of fun. So we are going to continue our sessions so we can crochet and have fellowship.

Family Center Mowing Schedule

The Trustees had a very good response for volunteers to mow at the family center. Below is the mowing schedule for the September-October:

Sept 5-9	Darla English
Sept 12-16	Jimmy Martinez
Sept 19-23	Bo Hardi
Sept 26-30	Randal Schoppa
Oct 3-7	Lisa Schur
Oct 10-14	Ronny Martinez
Oct 17-21	Darla English

Check at least once during your week to see if it needs mowing.
Hank Hancock

If you are unable to mow during the week stated above, please contact someone on the list and see if you might be able to trade weeks. Nina Keethler has volunteered and said she is available if needed.

Never argue with a fool, onlookers may not be able to tell the difference.
Mark Twain (1835-1920)

The **LWML Ladies Group** will meet on **Thursday, Sept. 13 at 1:00 PM.**

All ladies interested are very welcome to join them!

The Fall Rally for the Red River Zone will be **October 15** at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Wichita Falls starting at 9 AM.



Our next fun and games date will be **Sunday, Sept. 25 at 4:00 PM.** Come out and join us for dominoes and cards. Bring your favorite snack to share and bring a friend along with you!

See y'all there!

Hmong International Mission

Kalia, Mercy, and Fung Lo continue their ministry with the Hmong in Southeast Asia. During their time this past year, they traveled 45,000 miles. Visited 35 churches in Kentucky, Tennessee, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Michigan, and Las Vegas. They presented to 10 Circuit Pastor forums, 4 LWML Rallies, showcased the Lord's work at 7 Pastoral conferences and District conventions with many other accomplishments. They hosted 1 open house for HIM, sent out 11 newsletters, produced 11 ministry videos, sent out 650 Semi-annual reports, and sent out 550 Christmas cards. They hosted 4 theological training sessions with 35 different groups on-line, trained 150 individuals in our Lutheran doctrines and confessions. Three matching fund campaigns were fully matched. The authority arrested 1 of our evangelists for witnessing the Gospel. They gave 4 motorbikes to 4 evangelist to do outreach. Most important, through your prayers and financial support, 11,283 individuals heard the Gospel, 1,110 individuals came to faith by the grace of God, and 649 individuals were baptized. They started 26 new ministries and constructed 4 new church buildings.

One of their supporters has offered to match dollar-for-dollar all gifts up to a total of \$5,000 to continue the Lord's work through their family. We will be taking up a collection for the Lo family on **September 4 & 11.** Please make a note on your check or envelope that it is for the Lo family.



Please Pray

Please continue to pray on a daily basis for:

- ✦ For our Call Committee as they begin the process to find a Shepherd for our congregation.
- ✦ Darla English, Leo Tulagan, Organist
- ✦ Lisa Schur, Parish Office Worker
- ✦ The leadership of our church, all boards and committee members.
- ✦ The mission of Paul Lutheran Church.
- ✦ All those sick or suffering in our church family.
- ✦ Church unity.
- ✦ Our nation and governmental leaders.

Prayers of God's People

FOR THOSE WITH CANCER:

Lee Shores, Kay Castleberry, Chad Brown, James Sheppard, Cash Cochran, Rachel King, and Maureen Rose.

PHYSICAL AND OTHER CONCERNS:

Ronnie Newman, Dean Miller, Jesse Flick, Katey Lewis, Tyler Sherrod, Jordan & Dustin Randall, Ben English, Jennifer Olsen, Drew Susac, Shelby & Sawyer Susac, Jordan Susac, Kathy Schkade, Pamela Diane Susac, Tyler Sherrod, Larry Martinez, Thelma Copeland, Butch Susac, Steve Susac, Kenneth Schkade, Rita Poore, Darrell Kaiser, and Sarah Beth Popp.

SYMPATHY: The family of Kent Striet, Randal Schoppa's cousin.

SPECIAL PRAYERS: Continued prayers for the Call Committee and the Constitution Committee.

HOMEBOUND/SHUT-IN MEMBERS: Lois Kramer (Rolling Meadows), and Jesse Flick.

ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL: Whitney Colligan (Air Force), Eli Buckmaster (Marine Corps), Brian Clayton (Army), Kate Ridinger Dozier (Navy), Trent Meisel (USAF), Zachary Wied (National Guard), Richard Townes (Army), Tim Rosenthal (Air Force), Jacob Naughton (Air Force), Taylor Dickins (Air Force), and Calub Loos (Air Force).



September Birthdays!

- 3- Janice Wiechman
- 8- Bo Hardi
- 17- Stephen Myers
- 19- Jamie Rangel
- 20- Callie Theimer
- 28- Lori Susac
- 29- Delores Palmatary

Please continue to fill your
Mite Boxes!

The LWML needs your
continued love and
support to meet our
Mission Goals.





Wedding Anniversaries!

Sept. 14 – Freddie & Annie Smith

Sept 16– Hank & Judy Hancock



Interfaith Outreach Services

July Pantry Needs

Mixed Vegetables
Soup
Spaghetti Noodles
Paper Bags



Do you ever think, “wow, the grass at the church looked so good today!” or “the sanctuary looks clean and smells fresh”. Do you ever wonder how the fellowship hall and kitchen stay so clean, or who puts out paper goods in the rest rooms in the different areas of the church? Do you ever wonder who takes care of the property at the family center? Well, it is the hard work of church members who volunteer their time to keep everything going in and around the church. Do you have a talent or the time to help around the church? If you do and you would like to help, let one of the Elders or Trustees know.

Thank you to all of those who give their time and talents to the church. We appreciate all of your hard work and dedication.

Lutheran Hymn Festival

September 18, 2022 at 4:30 PM
Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center, Dallas Texas

The 2022 Lutheran Hymn Festival’s theme this year is “O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High”.

The festival will be led by guest organist Kantor Kevin Hildebrand with support from brass, tympani, adult and children’s choirs.

Ticket Prices:

\$20.00 each (Orchestra Floor, Terrace, 3rd & 4th floor boxes)
\$15.00 each (Dress Circle, Grand Tier)

Tickets may be purchased at www.lutheranhymnfestival.org/tickets

For questions or information: Contact Adam Hengeveld at 972-646-0905 or tickets@lutheranhymnfestival.org.

God's People at Work during September

Elders

William Parker
Kenneth Schkade
Kevin Copeland
Russell Heineken

Ushers

Randal Schoppa
Eugene Kruger

Altar Guild

Set Up: Nancy Martinez, Debra Truette
Take Down: Leanne Roten

Greeters:

Sept. 4– Del Tech, Penny Becker
Sept. 11– Delores Palmatary, Ruth Rathgeber
Sept. 18– Lisa Schur, Leanne Roten
Sept. 25– Hank & Judy Hancock

Lay Readers:

Sept. 4– Cliff Susac
Sept. 11– Kevin Copeland
Sept. 18– Eugene Kruger
Sept. 25– Kenneth Theimer



For staying up-to-date on all church activities, tune into our St. Paul Facebook page. Plus, while your there, you get to look at all the cool pictures of our church activities!

Thank You

We wish to thank those who served last month:

Organist: Darla English, Leo Tulagan

Elders: Kenneth Schkade, William Parker, Kevin Copeland, and Russell Heineken

Sound man Eugene Kruger, Randal Schoppa

Altar Guild: Janna Buckmaster, Janice Wiechman (setup) Vicki Holland, Lisa Schur, Nina Keethler (take-down) (And all members!)

Greeters: Delores Palmatary, Ruth Rathgeber, Lisa Schur, Leanne Roten, Hank & Judy Hancock, Kevin Copeland, Det Tech, Penny Becker, and all greeters.

Ushers: Randal Schoppa, Eugene Kruger, and all who volunteer on Sundays

All Church Council members

All Board and Committee members

Treasurer: Nina Keethler

Church Sexton: Randal Schoppa

Faith Mission

The immediate needs of Faith Mission are as follows:

Diapers, Size 4 only

Travel Size Shampoo, conditioner,

lotion, shaving cream, bar soap,

toothpaste, and deodorant

Razors

Water

Capri Sun drinks

Sliced bread

Cheese Slices

Chips

Men's small, medium, and large Boxer briefs

Individual packaged desserts

Mustard & Mayo Packets

Toilet Paper & Paper Towels

8 1/2 x 11 Copier Paper