### ST. PAUL VISITOR NOVEMBER 2024

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The Mission Of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church Is To Celebrate And Proclaim To All The Saving Grace Of Jesus Christ In Word And Deed.





# Quilts of Valor® Quilts = Healing!

Join us on Sunday, 10 November 2024 during The Service beginning at 10 AM, when nine of our St. Paul veterans will be awarded with a Quilt of Valor hand made by the St. Paul quilters and friends. A Quilt of Valor is an award not a gift that is meant to cover service members and veterans with comfort and healing. Each of the different quilts were stitched with prayer and gratitude for our veterans' sacrifices to serve our country. Two of our veterans received their quilts prior to this event.

In order to honor all of the veterans who are special to those in the congregation, the quilters are offering a lapel poppy with the names of special veterans, family or friends, living or dead. Please complete the blue form by Sunday November 3, and you can place the form with your check or cash (\$5 per name) into the offering plate. The poppies will be available in the Narthex on the 10<sup>th</sup>.



Join us on November 3 at 10:00am as we celebrate the saints who have gone before us this year:
Ingeborg White

Julia Sullivan

Al Schneider

Ernie Golder

### Pastor's Reflections

As I sit at my desk on a beautiful Autum day, I am wondering what to write about. It is November and in November lots of things are happening. See some of my thoughts below and more explanation throughout this newsletter.

Fall break with school – YEAH! I get to sleep in and neither Kathy nor I have to take Alex to school. That means no waking up at 4:30 am to have some quiet time before the morning school routine.

Council meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> to talk about a proposed budget to fund the ministry and the work we do in Christ's name at St Paul.

Thanksgiving is November 28 – seems late this year. That of course is silly because it is always the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday in November probably by an act of congress.

Alex is taking a driving course through the AAA in Ironton. I am taking her to Ironton for this driving with a "certified – nonparent" to teach her driving skills probably way better than I have been doing through the raising of my voice and the stomping of my foot as I sit in the passenger seat.

November 24 is the last day of the church year – Christ the King or in other words The Reign of Christ Sunday.

The Christmas Basket ingathering begins in November. This is the time we gather goods to fill the Christmas baskets that we will gift to members in the larger Huntington community.

Finally in November we will celebrate – All Saints Sunday on November 3, Our Veterans on November 10.

That seems like a lot of stuff happening in November. Are your calendars full of stuff like mine? Ministry happens as we do stuff, but it also happens when we gather in small groups like the choir and the quilters and the ministry committees. It happens when we receive a prayer chain email and take time to pray for the person in the email. It happens when we see someone in need and pass out one of the blessing bags we put together. It happens when the Holy Spirit empowers us to share a word of love and grace and forgiveness.

May your November be filled with the "stuff" of God who blesses you daily.

Peace,
Pastor KLM <><







### Dear St. Paul Congregation,

We've had a beautiful Reformation Sunday Service end of October with a moving solo in the anthem "Built On a Rock" by Keith Wellman (baritone), and a wonderful celebration of Carolyn Becker's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday in the end of September, with musical contributions of her daughters and grandson. It's always a pleasure to make music with the Becker family! (I would have written about this in the last newsletter, but it was meant to be a surprise for Carolyn...).

In the last newsletter, I promised to share a little more about playing the organ. Today, I am going to introduce the different ranks (set of pipes) to you. Generally, there are two types of pipes: flue pipes and reed pipes. Flue pipes produce sound the way one would while playing a recorder or flute, and reed pipes produce sound via a beating reed. In addition to its name, each organ stop includes a number. 8' means it sounds at concert pitch. 4' indicates it sounds one octave higher, and 16' it sounds one octave lower. By pulling the stops on the organ console, the organist can activate any rank of pipes, or a combination thereof in connection with one of the two keyboards.

The organ at St. Paul has 13 ranks of pipes that can be divided into four groups:

- The principals. They are the foundation of the organ and provide the typical organ sound. They do not imitate any other instruments. You will hear them when I accompany hymns during Worship. Examples are the Diapason 8' and the Principal 4'.
- The flutes. The flutes sound... you guessed it... like flutes. They are a little softer than the principals and include the Gedeckt 8' (German word for "muted") and the Flute 4' on St. Paul's organ.
- The strings. We don't have any pure strings on our organ, but we do have two beautiful flute/string hybrid ranks that sound warm and comforting. I only use them for special registrations, as they are very soft and will almost disappear when combined with louder ranks: the Gemshorn 8' and the Salicional 8'. Both can be paired with the Celeste 8', which is slightly out of tune on purpose to create the pulsating string sound in tandem with the Gemshorn or the Salicional.
- The reeds. They are the most powerful sets of pipes. The St. Paul organ features the Fagot 8' (that's the Dutch/German name for bassoon) and the even louder Trumpet 8'. I use the reeds sometimes in hymns for last stanzas or as solo stops (see: last newsletter), or in festive, grand settings of preludes or postludes.

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I am grateful for everyone who provided food, and helped in any way to celebrate the wonderful surprise for my 90th birthday party in our Social Hall at 12:30pm on September 29.

My love and thanks, Carolyn Becker



Two friends who helped organize and made plans with Kathy Mackey, Jennifer Murray and church members, Sandy White and Janina Michael. Not shown Jewell Matthews and Paige Cruz.

Fall happens so quickly. The season changes so abruptly, the temperature drops, the leaves fall and our lives seem to pick up the pace as well. We start with fall activities, football, parades, Trunk or Treats, Blessing of the animals, Fall Harvest, and the festivities seem to increase each year. So, by the time November rolls around, we are so thankful to take time and appreciate all of God's blessings and just be thankful for time to give thanks.

October has been an action-packed month. A few of our older youth went to the Mercy Me concert downtown at the Marshall Health Network Arena. Cochren and Company and Crowder were the opening bands. The concert was spiritually uplifting and renewing. It was a girl kind of night and we all danced, sang, praised and enjoyed the overall joyous atmosphere. The Holy Spirit moved through the crowd like a wave in the ocean. It reminded me of that wonderful presence that was felt when we were in New Orleans. What a great way to spend a Saturday night, praising God and singing your heart and soul out to the Lord while dancing. We all need a little spiritual revival from time to time. It is good for our well-being and our overall, mind, body, and spirit.

Our Trunk or Treat and Blessing of the animals was a great success. We had over 20 stations this year. The weather was beautiful and the crowd of families from the community was a sight to see. It was a wonderful fall event. The animals did well even with all the costumes. The animals received a gift and treat as well. The families enjoyed the food and festivities. Everyone seemed to embrace the food and socialization. The kids learned some things about the ambulance and the EMS and I think they even got a new recruit. We had so many fun decorated trunks, from spiders, to beehives, to Ohana, to Sesame Street to Jesus and the Holy Ghost. We had several games such as a witch hat toss, plenko, cookie walk, and hand painting. We had popcorn, cotton candy, a firepit to make smores, hotdogs, pizza, apple cider, water and hot chocolate. We had over 100 kids attend this year. We had over 20 animals that were blessed. We had a wonderful evangelism table to share our Worship time and Sunday School times with others in the community. I am truly pleased and thankful for all the help and efforts of our Girl Scout troops and our congregation to make this event so successful. Let us continue to do God's work with our hands and bring his children together to share in His love and Good News.

Our Sunday School classes and CCC group have been working on different types of service. We have worked out back to clean up our surroundings and playground. We have taken down a bulletin board and put up a new fall one. "Fall for Jesus. He never leaves." The youth did an amazing job. We have celebrated a few birthdays at CCC. All our youth are growing! The youth have also been working on gifts for our veterans for Veteran's Day. We have been discussing our faith and how important it is to always help others. The youth have shared about passing out the blessing bags we made at the church picnic. They are seeing the action and that is the most powerful thing to see God at work though ourselves. We become an instrument of HIs love and grace.

We will be starting Christmas program practice on November 3rd. We will practice on Wednesdays and Sundays again. We will have a bell choir, so if anyone is interested in joining bell choir, please let me or Barbara Garnett know. I will let all parents know our rehearsal schedule. We may be few but we will share Jesus' birth in a GREAT way.

Always remember, Deuteronomy 31:8-" He will be with you. He will not leave you." I always tell the youth, just cover your heart with your hands and know God is always right here with you. I am thankful for our wonderful family at St. Paul Lutheran. It warms my heart to see our good works and to count all my blessings. I cherish each and every one of you.

Your Loving Sister in Christ,

Jill





### WORSHIP HELPERS FOR NOVEMBER

November 3

Reader: Steve Golder

Assisting Minister: Bernadette Wellman Communion Deacon: Cheryl Conzett

Acolyte: Daniel Kist

Ushers:

**Bread Provider:** 

Children's Sermon: Annette DuVall

November 10

Reader: Mary Lou Pratt

Assisting Minister: Steve Golder Communion Deacon: Jan Kirby

Acolyte: Jaylyn Garnett Ushers: Shannon Walker

Bread Provider: Mary Lou Fricke

Children's Sermon: Jill May

November 17

Reader: Annette DuVall

Assisting Minister: Keith Wellman Communion Deacon: Cheryl Conzett

Acolyte: Jackson Wellman

Ushers: Julie Huron Bread Provider:

Children's Sermon: Emma Kist

November 24

Reader: Mary Lou Fricke

Assisting Minister: Ruthann Arneson Communion Deacon: Steve Golder

Acolyte: Kennady Kist Ushers: Julie Huron Bread Provider:

Children's Sermon: Pastor Mackey

ALTAR GUILD Cam Hale and Jeanna Bell



Sanctuary and Chapel Lamps Mary Lou Fricke

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

15 GARY AND KATHY REA



### **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

3 Toby Brumfield

4 Cam Hale

15 Zoie Fornash

17 Emily Conzett; Shelly

Tucker

19 Judi Korstanje

20 Sharon Tucker

21 Poppy Cartee

22 Daniel Brown

Join Our Bible Study Group

We will be looking at the Weekly lessons

THURSDAYS AT NOON BRING YOUR LUNCH ALL ARE WELCOME



BLESSING OF THE QUILTS November 24 at 10:00am

We have a wonderful group of dedicated quilters who create beautiful quilts to include in our Christmas baskets each year. Join us on Sunday, November 24 as we dedicate these quilts to the glory of God.







Please bring the following items on the dates listed to help fill our Christmas Baskets that will be given to families in need this Christmas. Items can be left in the narthex.

Nov. 3 Box of instant mashed potatoes

Nov. 10 Canned Vegetables

Nov. 17 Canned chili or soup

Nov. 24 Box of Spaghetti and canned sauce

Dec. 1 Canned Fruit

Dec. 8 Box of Cereal

We need volunteers to shop for perishables. If you can help please sign up in the narthex and pick up a list of items to purchase.



Please continue to bring in your used ink cartridges. We receive \$2.00 for each cartridge at Office Depot. You can leave them in the church office or give to Kathy.



The Book Club will meet on November 20 at 10:00am. in the parlor. We will be discussing "The Book of Lost Names" by Kristin Harmel. Please join us!

### DID YOU KNOW?

A few of our members have been able to get grants from Thrivent Financial to use for various projects. Here are some of the projects the grants helped this year:

- Fabric for our quilters
- supplies for Trunk or Treat and Blessing of the Animals
- Extra items for the Christmas baskets
  - Blessing Bags
  - Scrubs for Dress for Success

If you are in need of Financial products you might want to check out www.Thrivent.com.





Our sympathy to the family of Pastor Jeff Wick. Pastor Wick died on October 29. Our prayers are with the family. Pastor Wick was a former pastor here at St. Paul.

# wikiHow

### Advent Mid-Week

Pastors Kevin Mackey, Warren LaHammer, Randy Richardson, and Darick Biondi will travel to all the churches to lead worship. Please watch the bulletin for more information in the coming weeks.

The readings listed below are emailed to the congregation Monday-Friday along with a suggestion for contemplating the scripture. If you are not currently receiving the daily devotional and would like to please contact the church office.

# DAILY DEVOTIONAL IN BOX

October 28-Nov. 1: Isaiah 25:6-9, Psalm 24, Revelation 21:1-6a, John 11:32-44

Nov. 4-8: I Kings 17:8-16, Psalm 146, Hebrews 9:24-28, Mark 12:38-44 Nov. 11-15: Daniel 12:1-3, Psalm 16, Hebrews 10:11-25, Mark 13:1-8 Nov. 18-22: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14, Psalm 93, Revelation 1:4b-8, John 18:33:37

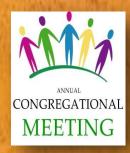
Nov. 25-29: Jeremiah 33:14-16, Psalm 25:1-10, I Thessalonians 3:9-13, Luke 21:25-36

### WE PRAY FOR:



LaDonna, Helen,
Deanna, Laura, Sue,
Meredith, Francesca,
Lauren, Carissa, James,
Curt, David, Cindy, Gloria
, Jeff and the family of
Pastor Jeff Wick.

 If you would like to add someone to the prayer list please call the church office.



The annual congregational meeting will be held on Sunday December 8 after worship. We will be voting on new Council members, passing the Mission Finance Plan (budget) and discussing other business.

### **Cridlin Food and Clothing Pantry**

For the month of November we will be collecting boxes of Hamburger Helper for Cridlin.

Please leave your donations in containers in the narthex.



We have collected \$853.00 so far!

### **NOISY OFFERING FOR ELCA WORLD HUNGER**

**Start collecting your change!!** Through the end of the year, on the first Sunday of each month, our youth will collect a "noisy offering" in celebration of ELCA World Hunger's 50th Anniversary.

Our goal is to raise \$1000.00 by December 31.

Your change can make a big change for those who are hungry!

We will have a couple of special collection days:

November 17 for Thanksgiving
December 24 Christmas Eve worship

### SCHOOL HAS STARTED!

Your donations will help provide weekend meals for students at Southside Elementary School.

Backpack items are an ongoing need throughout the school year. We provide 25 backpacks each week! If you can help by donating any of the items below, please leaven them in the containers in the narthex or bring to the church office.



fruit cups applesauce
Mac and Cheese Beef-a-Roni
Beef sticks Cereal
Pop Tarts Fruit snacks

Drink boxes Shelf stable milk

tuna salad/crackers chicken salad/crackers

All items need to be individual sizes and not contain peanuts.

Please leave your items in the container in the narthex or bring to the church office.



We are greatly in need of snack items for the school backpacks. If you can donate any individually packaged snacks it would be appreciated. Some ideas for snacks:

Cookies Little Debbie snacks Brownies
Microwave popcorn Boxes of raisins Pretzels

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Christ the King Sunday 10:00am Worship/ Blessing of the Quilts 11:15am Adult Forum/Sunday School		9:30am Quilting		Office closed	Office closed	





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## ST. PAUL MINISTRIES



Quilting





Christmas Baskets



Cool to be a Christian Club



Camp Luther



Lutheran Youth Organization





Trunk or Treat



Prayer Shawl Ministry



Blessing of the Animals



Christmas in August



Vacation Bible School



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