

ST. PAUL VISITOR  
NOVEMBER 2025

JOIN US EACH SUNDAY  
AT 10:00AM FOR  
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The Mission Of St. Paul  
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Church Is To Celebrate  
And Proclaim To All The  
Saving Grace Of Jesus  
Christ In Word And  
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BLESSING OF THE  
QUILTS  
November 16 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 16  
as we dedicate these quilts to  
the glory of God.



Join us on November 2 at 10:00am as we celebrate the  
saints who have gone before us this year:  
Pastor Jeff Wick, Martin Maeland, David Porterfield,  
Joseph Snavey, Nellie Kirby, Clarice Kumlien, Laura  
Pemberton Baker, Wilda Maynor and Pastor Donald  
Moeser.

## Pastor's Reflections

November is and always has been a busy month in the liturgical year. We begin November with All Saints Sunday. All Saints Day is always the first Sunday in November. This is the day after All Hallows Eve or Halloween. The second and third Sundays of November we go back to "days after Pentecost". The fourth Sunday in November is Christ the King Sunday and the final Sunday, November 30 is the first Sunday in Advent. All of this change makes a busy time for the Altar Guild ministry people in November. Changing the altar cloths to the different colors each week can be an arduous task.

November is also a transition month in the church year. The word liminal comes to my mind. Liminal is a term that reminds us about transitional times. It's like the text from Ecclesiastes: a time for every purpose under heaven. I have written to you all a lot about "times". I guess it is because it seems to me that times are upon us. Not sure what that means except that times always are upon us. Maybe it is also because I am getting older. Maybe it is because I will miss my father in particular this coming All Saints Sunday. He was a faithful servant with the patience of Job that many times was tested by me and my siblings. He and my mom also brought us to worship every Sunday and upheld the Word of God in our home.

The other "time" I celebrated on October 19 was 39 years of ordained ministry! That's a lot! There are too many places I have seen and the people I have encountered along the way to list here. Suffice it to know that many of them are/were faithful servants of Christ who love the church and the community that encompasses them in all "Times".

In whatever time it might be I try to remind myself that God is with us. The promise of the incarnation – God made flesh is not just something we remember and celebrate at Christmas time. It is a powerful reminder that God is with us. For me this seems hard these days with the division in our country.

I pray your "times" are filled with love and mercy. I pray God bless you and your family daily. I pray your November be filled with grace upon grace.

Alleluia, Amen

Pastor KLM <><





Dear St. Paul Congregation,

I'd like to thank my student Stephen for filling in for me while I was playing violin/piano concerts in Mansfield and Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania. I heard that many of you enjoyed his Filipino postlude. I will need to travel to Williamsport and Wilkes-Barre in Pennsylvania November 5-9 for two more concerts (different program, this time piano quartets by Brahms and Bridge) and Keith Wellman has generously agreed to play for Worship on November 9. Thank you, Keith!

I also want to express my gratitude to St. Paul for allowing me to travel. I do not like to miss Worship or teaching at Marshall, but these professional opportunities are not something I can reasonably forego, and they are part of what it means to be a musician. In general, there are two reasons for me to not be there on any given Sunday: 1) concerts, conferences, music festivals etc., and 2) visiting family. I appreciate your understanding!

The choir has a total of 17 members right now – that's the largest number we've had since I came to St. Paul in 2017 (not everyone can always be there, of course). There are 5 sopranos, 5 altos, 4 tenors, and 3 basses.

Updates on the organ after the next Council meeting, but things are moving forward.

You may have noticed that I have been playing the occasional organ arrangement of praise-themed hymns by Jacob B. Weber as preludes or postludes. They fit well in October and November, and the arranger is a younger American Lutheran organist and composer (b. 1988) whose work I like.

Barbara Garnett has already picked out Christmas music for the bell choir and it is being ordered.

The choir has been working on a rather tricky arrangement of "Now Thank We All Our God" and we are planning to sing it for you on Thanksgiving Sunday.

Last but not least: Welcome back sound and safe to Carolyn Becker from her trip to Norway!

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Dear St. Paul Congregation,

We began the month with Harvest Sunday. The church was decorated beautifully with all of the mums, pumpkins, gourds, and fall colors. The following week we delivered trunk or treat Flyers through the Neighborhood and community. We talked about the importance of sharing God's love with all that we meet and in the area that we live and all around us. At CCC, we practiced being thankful and praising God for all the things we are blessed with. The children shared praises of their animals, their friends, their family, and the beautiful sky, grass, and trees. We practice praying out loud as a group and praying for the things that mean the most to us and that are near and dear to our hearts.

Our annual Blessing of the animals and Trunk or Treat was a true success. The weather was perfect and there were over 20 stations filled with crafts, candy games, fun and food. We had many families from the neighborhood and enjoyed the fellowship, food, and fun. We had several animals, mostly dogs, but also a turtle and a rabbit. It proved to be a perfect night to enjoy hot dogs, popcorn, cotton candy, snow cones, and s'mores. We had so many creative trunks and our local EMS joined us with the ambulance as well. We had over 125 children this year come and enjoy our fall festivity. The following week we got to see our evangelism take effect. We had two little girls from the neighborhood join us for CCC. They also were reunited with youth members of our congregation and these girls were so excited to rekindle their friendship. This is just another beautiful example of God's work in our hands! Please Lord, continue to work through us to help serve you and to love and share your word with others around us.

We continue to have Sunday school as we have just finished a couple of classes with Pastor Mackey and learning about Holy Communion. We celebrated the first Holy communion for Jackson Wellman. All the youth were celebrated as well and received a certificate commemorating the day and completion of course. The youth made communion bread with Pastor Mackey and this was the bread that was broken and shared with our whole congregation during communion. The congregation and youth enjoyed donuts and refreshments following worship. The youth will meet for CCC until advent. They have enjoyed making Halloween crafts together, playing new games and getting to know new friends. I hope our youth continue to grow in heart, mind, and soul as we also grow together in God's love. We will start to prepare for our children's Christmas program in the beginning of November. This is one of the most important times of learning for our youth. The children get to embrace the story and make it come to life for our whole congregation during worship. This is one of my favorite times to watch the youth shine their lights and embrace being a child of God. As we enter the month of Thanksgiving, we practice giving thanks to God every day and truly appreciate what we are given. We will honor our Veterans and give thanks for their service. In the days ahead, help us all to give praises to God and be thankful for every day we are given to love one another, help our neighbors, and be a light for the world to see. Our St. Paul family seems to be branching out and growing, so let's keep sharing and spreading God's love and word to all we meet.

God's Blessings!

Your Loving Sister in Christ,

Jill

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3 Toby Brumfield  
 4 Cam Hale  
 15 Zoie Fornash  
 17 Emily Conzett; Shelly Tucker  
 19 Judy Korstanje  
 20 Sharon Tucker  
 21 Poppy Cartee  
 22 Daniel Brown  
 23 Linda Pleasants; Custer Maynor  
 26 Piper May  
 29 Wylma Slean



## WORSHIP HELPER SCHEDULE

DATE	READER	ASSISTING MIN.	COM. DEACON	CRUCIFER	ACOLYTE	USHERS	BREAD
Nov. 2	Barb Garnett	Emma Arneson	B. Wellman	Daniel Kist	Kennady Kist	M.L. Prat	Arneson
Nov. 9	Owen Murray	Ruthann Arneson	Jenny Murray	Daniel Kist	Jaylyn Garnett	M.L. Pratt	Arneson
Nov. 16	Mary Lou Pratt	B. Wellman	Martha Danelle	Daniel Kist	Willow May		Arneson
Nov. 23	Annette DuVall	Keith Wellman	Cheryl Conzett	Daniel Kist	Jackson Wellman		Arneson
Nov. 30	Mary Lou Fricke	Ruthann Arneson	B. Wellman	Daniel Kist	Willow May		Arneson

Altar Guild: Jeanna Bell and Cam Hale

Sanctuary and Chapel Candles: Mary Lou Fricke

## ADVENT MIDWEEK

"Magnificat: My Soul Magnifies the Lord"

Wednesdays at 7:00pm beginning December 3.

Light meal served at 6:00pm





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 November 19 at 10:00am. We will be discussing "When We Meet Again" by Kristin Harmel. Please join us!



### OFFERING ENVELOPES

New offering envelopes for 2026 are available in the narthex. Boxes are labeled with your name.

Any questions please see Kathy Mackey.



Join us for Coffee and Fellowship after worship each Sunday in the parlor.



### Cridlin Food and Clothing Pantry

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

Please leave your donations in the containers in the narthex.



In order to honor our veterans, the St. Paul Quilters are offering a lapel poppy with your favorite vet's names on Sunday, November 9. Forms will be available on Sunday November 2 if you would like to pre-order a poppy. Please fill out the form and place it in the offering plate along with your donation of \$5.00 per name. The proceeds will help the quilters cover the cost of fabric in the coming months.



## CHRISTMAS BASKETS

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. 2** Box of instant mashed potatoes

**Nov. 9** Canned Vegetables

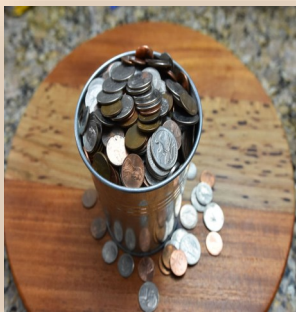
**Nov. 16** Canned chili or soup

**Nov. 23** Box of Spaghetti and canned sauce

**Nov. 30** Canned Fruit

**Dec. 7** 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.



## NOISY OFFERING

On the first Sunday of each month we will be collecting change for the Backpack Program. Please leave your change (or paper money) in the bucket in the narthex. So far we have collected \$451.00.

## 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 leave 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.***

**Currently we are in need of lunch and dinner items  
such as mac and cheese and beef a roni.**



# November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
All Saints Sunday 10:00am Worship 11:15am Fellowship 11:15am Sunday School 11:30am Council	1:00pm Woman's Club	9:30am Quilting	5:30pm CCC 7:00pm Choir	Noon Bible Study 5:00pm Confirmation at CTK		10:00am Staff Meeting
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# ST. PAUL MINISTRIES



Quilting



School Backpack Program



Christmas Baskets



Cool to be a Christian Club



Camp Luther



Lutheran Youth Organization



Worship in the Park



Trunk or Treat



Prayer Shawl Ministry



Blessing of the Animals



Christmas in August



Vacation Bible School

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