

The St. Paul Lutheran News

St. Paul Lutheran Church is called to be an Inviting, Christ Centered Spiritually Growing and Community Serving Church where we are led by love to implement Jesus' teachings.

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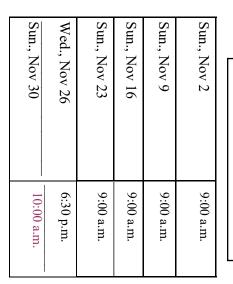
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November Worship Schedule

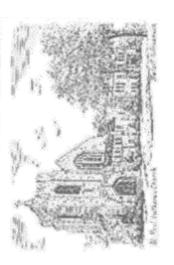


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St. Paul Lutheran Church 617 St. Lawrence Avenue Beloit, WI 53511



NOVEMBER 2025 ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

In-Person & Online Worship

Livestreaming worship with St. Paul available on Facebook & YouTube

SUNDAY	Mon	Tue	WED	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 9:00 a.m. Worship- In Person & Online Coffee Hour Immediately Following 11:00 a.m. Worship at San Jose ALL SAINTS SUNDAY	3 3:15p.m-5:30 p.m. C.A.M.P. 7:00-8:45 p.m Boy Scouts	4 5:30 p.m Worship & Music Meeting	5 Noon-Soup Lunch 2:00 p.mWorship at Beloit Senior Living with Pastor Amy	6 3:15 p.m5:30 p.m. C.A.M.P.	7	8
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30 10:00 a.m. Worship -In Person & Online combined service with San José . NOTE TIME CHANGE. Coffee Hour immediately following	24 7:00-8:45 p.m Boy Scouts	25	26 No Soup Lunch 5:30-Choir Practice 6:30 p.m Thanksgiving Eve Service, Dessert following service	27 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED CLOSED CLOSED	28 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	29

St. Paul Lutheran Church NOVEMBER Celebrations!

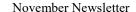
NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Lyn Cruse 11/2
Tyler Kothe 11/3
Jane Ashpes 11/5
Katie Hassenfelt 11/6
Mary Petersen 11/6
Pat Radke 11/9
Zach Fillbach 11/12
Dan Hughes 11/14
Carol Josh 11/17
Jamie Gurholt 11/19
Greg Stolze 11/19
Joann Rosenow 11/22
Melanie Schneider 11/24
Karen Rosecker 11/27
Roger Neitzel 11/29











In worship on October 26, I shared a *Reformation Refresher*. As always, you can view the Reformation Day Worship Service on St. Paul's YouTube channel (@st.paul.beloit) but I'd like to share more here.

Martin Luther, German Monk and Priest living in the 1500s, didn't set out to create another Christian denomination. Rather, he wanted to *reform* the Catholic* church of his day. These reforms included using the local language, not Latin, for worship so everyone present could understand what was going on. Luther absolutely insisted on the primacy of Scripture over the word of the Pope, or any earthly ruler. He also called for financial transparency in offerings. Martin Luther believed that the endless funding and building of cathedrals did not glorify God as much as caring for those in need.

As you might imagine, the Catholic church of the early 1500s didn't take kindly to Luther's reforms. Martin Luther was told to recant or face the consequences. As we all know, however, when we really believe something, we simply can't take it back! Luther was labeled a heretic and a protestor. The people who followed his teachings were derisively called *Lutherans*. Following further theological divisions, the different groups of protesters were called Protestants.

Protestant.

We descend from a long and honorable line of protestors and we're still at it, even though most of our protests may look like ministry as usual to many of us. After all, we stand for the truth as firmly as Martin Luther did in the 1500s. We, too, believe that God's living Word, that is Jesus Christ, is our ultimate authority. No nation, no appointed or elected leader, no policy or tradition can ever mean more to us than our Savior, Jesus Christ. Our citizenship is in heaven, and we strive to follow Christ. So, we welcome the stranger. We feed the hungry. We visit the sick. We celebrate all people because we know that God created all skin tones, hair textures, accents, family units. Above all we resist the pressure to discriminate. We refuse to divide into us versus them no matter how different from us they may seem.

Steeped in scripture and bound by the love of God, we love our neighbors as ourselves. If others see this as protest, so be it. In these days, we must stay strong in and be vocal about in our faith in Jesus Christ and His love.

With joy, Pastor Amy

*Capital "C" Catholic means the Roman Catholic Church or faith. Lower case "c" catholic means *universal*. Remember this when we confess our faith using the Apostle's Creed.





SOUP LUNCH FESTIVITIES WITH OUR VOLUNTEERS IN OCTOBER!

A Bubble gum machine, a witch and Holy Cow!!!!

FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

St Paul Lutheran Foundation Committee in accordance with the Foundation by-laws is accepting requests for grants up to \$500.00 for the purpose of supporting creative programming in community outreach, ministry partners and/or toward one general budget item. All members of the congregation are welcome to apply for a grant. A written proposal explaining what the funds will be used for and accounted for is due November 23, 2025. The Foundation committee will notify grantees on December 15, 2025. Grant awards will be disbursed January 2, 2026. Grantees have 1 year to use the funds as proposed. Accounting of funds must be reported. The by-laws of the Foundation state that 10% of assets at the beginning of the current year (2025) plus earnings from the past year (2024) may be distributed by the Foundation Committee each year. If there are any questions, please contact committee members: Jan Knutson, Denise Organ, Jane Carr, Karen Moe or Marilyn Harris.

THANKSGIVING OFFERING

Please use your special Thanksgiving offering envelope to give an additional offering to St. Paul's general fund. Any loose offerings will be shared between local food pantries.

Our deepest condolences are extended to Jeanette Briscoe and family as our brother in Christ, Carl, has went to be with our Lord and Savior. Funeral arrangements are pending. Please keep the Briscoe family in your prayers.

Our deepest sympathies....

Newsletter

Just a note to remind everyone that the deadline to submit items for the December newsletter is Friday, November 21st.

Thank you and God's Blessings.

Pastor Amy Notes...

Pastor Amy will be hosting worship at Beloit Senior Living at 2:00 p.m. the first Wednesday of every month for as long as she as serving at St. Paul.

Mark your calendar: **Meeting Matthew: an advent study with Pastor Amy. RSVP** to join Pastor Amy for an overview of Matthew's Gospel message with a deep dive into chapters 1-3. This class is open to everyone-no Bible Study experience necessary!

Sunday, December 14, 10:30 a.m. Michael Chapel. Bring your Bible or borrow one from Pastor Amy or St. Paul. Coffee, Tea, and snacks optional!!

Sign up sheet is on the board next to the office!

Want to connect with Pastor Amy? You can reach her at revamythegood@gmail.com. She's here two days a week: always in Wednesday + a floating day.

PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Terry (Billie Kenitzer's brother);

Chuck F.; Carol M.; Michelle C.; Marge K.; Marilyn F.;

Patricia E.; Will S.; Kathy P.; Anne S.; Colin C.; Patrick S.; Linda M.;

Amber V. (Judelle & Ray Murphy's daughter);

Kristina (Pat Baker's granddaughter); **Ray O.** (Chet Organ's brother); **Juelane** (Mark Mueller's sister);

Kyle & Kim R. (Marge Kline's grandson & his wife);

Jeanette and Carl B.; Sheri H.;

John P.;

all those who have been affected by COVID-19 and other illnesses; all those affected by the violence in our nation and around the world. all those who seek shelter; and friends and family in the military.

Please let us know if you have any additions to or removals from the prayer list.





SOUP LUNCH

Soup Lunch attendance for the month of October was 284.

Please mark any financial donations for "Soup Lunch." We are also in need of gas station and food gift cards (Subway, McDonald's, etc.).

You can **help support our Soup Lunch ministry** by mailing your donations to:

St. Paul Lutheran Church, 617 St. Lawrence Ave., Beloit, WI 53511 or by going to: https://tithe.ly/give?c=531526

A Novelist's Christmas Carol "The Life of Charles Dickens" Presented by Michelle Gibbons Thurs. December 11, 10:00 am Coffee at 9:30 am

St. Paul Lutheran Church 617 St. Lawrence, Beloit For Res. Ph: (608) 365-7064

Email: secretary@stpaulbeloit.org

Please RSVP

You are invited to <u>St. Paul's OWLS</u> group meeting to hear Michelle Gibbons, Historical Presenter and Storyteller, travel on a theatrical journey with "The Ghost of Christmas Past".

Presentation at 10:00 am, followed by a potluck lunch at noon. Please bring a dish to pass.



Michelle Gibbons



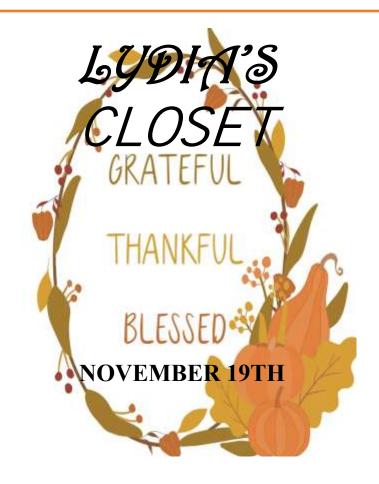
ATTENTION BAKERS

The holiday season is right around the corner, which means we will be making Cheer Boxes for our shut-ins.

Please make an extra dozen (or 2) cookies while you're baking. If you don't bake but would like to contribute, we also will need wrapped candy, fruit cups and Cuties tangerines.

Watch for further information in the December newsletter. We will probably be assembling the boxes on Saturday, December 13, and would love to have you help.

Thank you, Sharyn Pann



DESIGNATED MISSION OUTREACH

Sparrow's Nest

For vacancies or to volunteer or donate, please call (608) 362-8215.

Sparrow's Nest in Beloit provides up tto 30 days of emergency shelter for single men and women, free of charge.

They are an overnight emergency shelter, with people coming in for the night and leaving in the morning. There is a 30 days limit on stays.



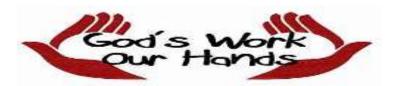
THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE: WORSHIP HELPERS Wednesday, November 26 6:30 p.m.

Council & Reader: Melanie Schneider

Assisting Minister: Jean Neitzel Communion Server: Karen Moe Power Point: Chuck Hughes

Welcoming Committee: Karen Moe/Carol Josh

Fellowship and Pie immediately following our service. Other area Churches have been invited to worship with us. Please come and enjoy our Community Choir as well.



MINISTERS OF WORSHIP-NOVEMBER

Altar guild: Karen Moe & Katie Hassenfelt

Date	Time	Council	Assisting	Reader	Communion	Tech /	PowerPoint
Date	1 ime	Councii	Assisting Minister	Keuaer	Assistant	Livestream	PowerPoini
2	9:00 a.m	Jean Neitzel	Sharyn Pann	Melanie Schneider	Carol Josh	Murry Hughes-	Ken Harris
COFFEE HOUR SPONSORED BY: RUTH CIRCLE; WELCOMING COMMITTEE: Kathy Pohl/Donna Blum							
9	9:00 a.m.	Tori Carr	Martha Stolze	Sharyn Pann	Jean Neitzel	Murry- Hughes	Chuck Hughes
Coffee Hour Sponsored by: OWLS; Welcoming Committee: Roger Neitzel/Carole Spreitzer							
16	9:00 a.m.	Melanie Schneider	Jane Carr	Melanie Schneider	Jackie Ueland	Hughes-Murry Team	Jan Knutson
Coffee Hour Sponsored By:Soup Lunch; Welcoming Committee: Dave Knutson/Jackie Ueldand							
23	9:00 a.m.	Martha Stolze	Marilyn Harris	Martha Stolze	Glenda Liptow	Hughes-Murry Team	Ken Harris
Coffee Hour Sponsored by: Chet & Denise Organ; Welcoming Committee: Chet Organ/Sharyn Pann							
30	10:00 A.m.	Jane Carr	Sharyn Pann	Greg Stolze	Carol Josh	Hughes-Murry Team	Jan Knutson

Coffee Hour Sponsr: Ken & Marilyn Harris; Welcoming Committee: Kathy Pohl/Donna Blum

November 30th combined service with San Jose, Note: time change.

November Soup Lunch Menu

5-Broccoli Cheese Soup

12- Chicken Noodle Soup

19- Lasagna Soup

26- Closed for Thanksgiving



Remember Caritas when you are out and about shopping.

God's Blessings to all!

Basket Guild will be held Monday, November 17th at 9:30 a.m.

Come on out and join us!

This months **OWLS Meeting** will be held the <u>SECOND</u> Thursday, November 13th At Noon with a Turkey Dinner supplied by HY-Vee Catering. Cost is \$15.00 Sign up sheet is on the entryway Bulletin board. Let us be Thankful!

St. Paul Lutheran Church Council Members

President	Jean Neitzel	608-362-8324	
Vice-President	Chet Organ	608-751-8020	
Secretary	Jane Carr	608-436-0868	
Treasurer	Ken Harris	608-365-6871	
Worship	Melanie Schneider	608-436-6336	
FAITH Formation	Tori Carr	608-436-9397	
	Martha Stolze		

C.A.M.P. UPDATE

Our Children's After School Ministry program Open House was held on Thursday evening.

We did not have an overwhelming response however, our HOPE is in the Lord for us to continue listening for his guidance as to what He wants to happen next.

The plan, as of today, is to be here Monday afternoon, Nov 3rd, to hold class, as we may have some children from San Jose attend.

Thank you to everyone who helped in preparing for the Open House and for your support. Also, a huge thankyou to Pastor Amy and Pastor Dan in supporting this vision.

We are asking that our congregation continue lifting up our program in prayer.

God's Blessings, Kellie and Reyna.





Monday, November 17th.

6:30-8:00 p.m. We meet at Donna's House.

ALL ARE
WELCOME!
Reach out to
Katie Hassenfelt
or the church
office. for more
info.

"CHOSEN" video series and discussion is the ongoing topic at this time.