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St. Paul's Lutheran Church ELCA 401 Mill Street Wilton, WI 54670

Sept - Oct 2023 Bi-Monthly Newsletter



September 10, 2023 - 10:15 Worship Service

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We are looking forward to seeing the children in Sunday school, beginning on September 10th at 9:00. We will also return to having the children sing during the 3rd Sunday worship service. We may be small in numbers, but we will be enthusiastic and might even take the opportunity to teach the congregation some new songs. If you are willing to serve as a substitute teacher please let Greg or Justin know.

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given of a Special Congregation Meeting to be held Sunday, September 17, 2023, immediately following the worship service.

Agenda Item: Organ project discussion and possible action.

From Council Minutes:

Organ Blower: – We will need to replace the current blower in view of the proposed lift needing the area in which the blower is located. The cost will exceed the council's spending limit and will necessitate a special congregation meeting.

ELECTRONIC OFFERINGS

Have you considered electronic offerings? St. Paul's vendor for this service is VANCO Payment Solutions (endorsed by ELCA). We currently have a small number of members using this service. The expression "out of sight, out of mind" can apply to church offerings. Attend the service and the offering is usually dropped in the plate. Unable to attend the service and the offering is often not made



the plate. Unable to attend the service and the offering is often not made or made-up.

For most members, electronic payments to public utilities or other businesses are common. With electronic offerings, you may choose the amount as well as the timing, i.e. weekly, biweekly, and monthly, etc. You may also determine your funding source, checking, savings, credit card. You may establish electronic offerings either directly with VANCO or through the church office. Nalani will provide you with additional information, if you so desire.

Church Contact Information

In case of emergency, you may contact:

Nalani at 608-387-2311. Nalani also texts

To activate the prayer chain, please contact Nalani (608-387-2311)

Office Hours: Wednesday, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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Dear Friends in Christ,

I don't know about you, but as I look around at what is going on in our world now, I see nothing, but a mess and I wonder how things got this way. I see people angry with one another, family break ups and the destruction of this wonderful world that God has given us. Then I think to myself has God forgotten us? Well, I know that God has not forgotten us. Jesus' life on earth was lived with the intention of making you a child of God. He is not overlooking you, regardless of your circumstances or the circumstances around you. God sees you now. He knows you now. He loves you perfectly now, even during these hard times.

The most important thing we can know and understand is that we are God's children and that he



loves us. Let that sink in... we are his children. This means that he takes care of our needs, whether physical, emotional or relational. John 3:16 tells us that God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son, that whoever believes in Him will not perish but have everlasting life. No matter what the world looks like or is telling us we are His children. He will never forget us, that He is in the midst of everything we do. Our job is to stay connected to Him in prayer, church and reading our bible. My encouragement to you would be that we find that peace that can only come from trusting our Father to lead us and provide for us. Stay connected to him and you will find life that is abundant and fulfilling.

Pastor Karen

Troubles of Life

When the troubles of life surround you and you feel like you can't find your way, just call out to the Great Shephard

for He's never far away.
His ear is attentive to your cry.
for He knows your every need.
He'll perfect the things which concern you
to pastures He'll lead.

There's nothing more precious to the Shepherd.
Than sheep that need His care.
So, let Him pick you up and hold you
You'll be safe and sheltered there.
So, while you're facing this challenge
Let Him put your mind at rest;
He's already been your future
and let me tell you
He wants you to be blessed.
But you can call Him person to person
and His number is always toll free.
Why, it's even listed in Jeremiah 33:3
No good thing will He withhold from you
is what the Bible says;
In the wonderful days ahead!

CALENDAR

BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

SEPTEMBER					SEPTEMBER	
	READERS			2 nd Bart Arndt		
	3 rd	Arlis Ballwahn		3 rd	Janelle Buchholz	
	10 th	Barb Bever		4 th	Kay and Gene Dougherty	
	17 th	Lori Arndt		7 th	Rhonda Cook	
	24 th	Leonard Arndt		13 th	Bryce Gruen	
				15 th	Lois and Gordie O'Rourke	
Altar: Greg & Nalani Bever			16 th	Darcy Buchholz, Gloria Meltesen		
Ğ				Nolan Buchholz		
Sun.	3 rd	*Worship	9:00 AM	20 th	Julitta and Marty Arndt	
Thurs	7 th	W-ELCA Gen Meet	10:00 AM			
Sun.	10 th	Sunday School	9:00 AM	24 th	Barb Bever	
		**Worship	10:15 AM	28 th	Joanne Schachtely, Kari and Kurt Radke	
Sun.	17 th	Sunday School	9:00 AM	29 th	Ava Gruen	
		Worship/Cong.				
		Meeting to follow	10:15 AM	30 th	Kathy Cale	
Sun.	24 th	Sunday School	9:00 AM		BIRTHDAYS	
		Worship	10:15 AM			
		Church Council	11:30 AM		ANNIVERSARIES	
		OCTOBER		. st	OCTOBER	
	. st	READERS		1 st	Judy Arndt, Mary Ann Arndt,	
	1 st	Carolyn Dougherty		- nd	Brady Zimmerman	
	8 th	Karen Arzt		2 nd	Angie and Jared Gruen	
	15 th	Joel Arndt		4 th	Jan Brandau, Ed Ross, Jr.,	
	22 nd	Justin Arndt		_th	Duane Roscovius	
	29 th	Bud Osteboe		7 th	Sierra Cook, Mark Gruen	
				9 th	Kirstin and Justin Arndt	
	Altar:	Lila Speicher & Nalani Bever		10 th	Kaden Brandau, Marcus Buchholz	
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Sun.	1 st	Sunday School	9:00 AM	13 th		
	th.	***Worship	10:15 AM	14 th	Marah Gruen, Brek Anderson,	
Sat.	7 th	Blood Drive	7:00 AM	th.	Joanne and Jim Schachtely	
Sun.	8 th	Sunday School	9:00 AM	15 th		
	+h	Worship	10:15 AM	16 th	Tim Deichler	
Sat.	14 th	LWR Quilts & Kits	7:00 AM	17 th	Ann Anderson	
Sun.	15 th	Sunday School	9:00 AM	19 th	Barb and Ron Savall	
	nd	*Worship	10:15 AM	20 th	Deb and Morry Paeth,	
Sun.	22 nd	Sunday School	9:00 AM	nd	Wanda and KenThorsen	
	+h	Worship	10:15 AM	22 nd	, ,	
Sun.	29 th	Sunday School	9:00 AM	24 th	Richard Cale, Rhonda and Todd Cook	
		Worship	10:15 AM	25 th	Linus Arndt	
				27 th	Sarah Gruen	
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	***	Pastor Arends				

WORSHIP NOTES

September & October 2023

The following are the Scripture readings being shared in worship during the months of September and October 2023.

Sept. 3rd – 14th Sunday after Pentecost

<u>Jeremiah 15:15-21; Psalm 26:1-8;</u> <u>Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28</u>

Sept. 10th – 15th Sunday after Pentecost

Ezekiel 33:7-11; Psalm 119:33-40; Romans 13:8-14; Matthew 18:15-20

Sept. 17th – 16th Sunday after Pentecost

<u>Genesis 50:15-21</u>; <u>Psalm 103:[1-7] 8-13</u>; <u>Romans 14:1-12</u>; <u>Matthew 18:21-35</u>

Sept. 24th – 17th Sunday after Pentecost

<u>Jonah 3:10--4:11; Psalm 145:1-8;</u> Philippians 1:21-30; Matthew 20:1-16

October 1st - 18th Sunday after Pentecost

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32; Psalm 25:1-9; Philippians 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32

October 8th – 19th Sunday after Pentecost

<u>Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:7-15;</u>

Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46

October 15th – 20th Sunday after Pentecost

<u>Isaiah 25:1-9; Psalm 23;</u>

Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14

October 22nd – 21st Sunday after Pentecost

<u>Isaiah 45:1-7</u>; <u>Psalm 96:1-9 [10-13]</u>; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22

October 29th – Reformation Sunday

<u>Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18; Psalm 1;</u>

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 22:34-46

IN THE MILITARY

Jacob Picha, Dylan Dougherty, Danelle Dougherty, Matthew Dutton, Robert Cale

IN OUR PRAYERS

Gloria Meltesen, Darlene Babbitt, Judy Bever, Craig King, Mary Leis, Tracie Herman, Dave Dechant, Jayden Shea, Erin Long, Sandra Lamb, Roger O'Gara.

CALENDAR

Sun., Sept. 3 Worship 9:00 AM							
Wed., Sept. 6 Parsonage	Movie Night	7:00 PM					
Sun., Sept. 10 AM	Sunday School	9:00					
	Worship (Communion)	10:15					
AM	Hudsen Galetta Brueg	gen Baptism					



Pastor Pursley

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MOVIE NIGHT

PLAN TO ATTEND "MOVIE NIGHT" ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 7:00 PM IN THE PARSONAGE LIVING ROOM. WE WILL WATCH THE FIRST TWO EPISODES OF THE CHOSEN, THE FIRST MULTI-SEASON SHOW ABOUT JESUS' LIFE. THE SHOW HOPES TO TAKE YOU DEEPER INTO GOSPEL STORIES BY RETELLING AND EXPOUNDING ON THE CHARACTER AND INTENTIONS OF JESUS AND THOSE WHO KNEW HIM. TWO EPISODES ARE THE EQUIVALENT OF THE TIME OF ONE MOVIE IN A THEATRE. POPCORN AND DRINKS WILL BE FURNISHED THROUGHOUT.

W-ELCA

W-ELCA September October Newsletter



W-ELCA activities will resume in September. New hands and minds are needed. Come and find out what fun quilting can be. While the women of the church continue to serve food for funerals, help is always in short supply. Please consider volunteering for this mission.

A General Meeting is scheduled for September 7 at 10:00 am in the church basement. All are welcome. Quilting dates for September and October will be determined at that meeting. Look for dates of quilting and other activities in the Sunday bulletins.

During the previous 5 years, St. Paul's has sent 100 quilts to Lutheran World Relief. These quilts were taken to the warehouse in Minneapolis to be shipped where needed all over the world.

Who made these 100 quilts for St. Paul's? The quilt tops were constructed by several women sewing at home. Then several women gather in the basement to put together a top, a lining and a back, by a method called tying. Five years ago there were 7-10 women involved. Sadly, the group has dwindled. When we resume in the fall, there likely will be only 3 "quilters". There is danger of the project being suspended.

Are you interested in joining this project? This is really quite basic straight sewing, no patterns involved. Those who aren't sewers can help too. We have several who have expressed an interest in the quilt projects. We will be planning a training session in the near future.

Contact Louise Buchholz(435-6435), Arlis Ballwahn(435-6406), Carolyn Dougherty(435-6265), or Nalani Bever(387-2311), if you have questions or are interested in the quilt project for Lutheran World Relief.

All women of St. Paul's are members of W-ELCA and new faces are always welcome at any and all events.



Inviting people to journey with Christ's family in spreading God's love and mercy.





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