

**THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S**  
**October 20-26**

**Sunday**

**9:00am**      **Worship Service**

10:30am      Voter's Meeting

**Monday**      **1 Kings 22 (Daily Bible Reading)**

12:30pm      Prayer Shawl

5:00-8:00pm      HSRC (FH Rental)

**Tuesday**      **2 Kings 1 (Daily Bible Reading)**

2:00pm      Sunrise Retirement Home Worship

6:00pm      Grief Share

**Wednesday**      **2 Kings 2 (Daily Bible Reading)**

9:30am      Bible Study

6:00pm      Sr Choir Practice

7:00pm      Wednesday Evening Bible Study

**Thursday**      **2 Kings 3 (Daily Bible Reading)**

8:30am      SSHS – Fellowship Hall

9:00am      Quilting Group

5:00-8:00pm      HSRC (FH Rental)

**Friday**      **2 Kings 4 (Daily Bible Reading)**

Noon      4-H Meeting

**Saturday**      **2 Kings 5 (Daily Bible Reading)**

7:00am      Men's Bible Study

8:30-11:00am      Food Pantry

9:00am      Leave for Fright Fest



# ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*“Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it!” Luke 11:28*

## 22<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Sunday, October 20, 2024**

### SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament Reading      Ecclesiastes 5:10-20    p.706

Second Reading                Hebrews 4:1-16    p.1277

Holy Gospel Reading         Mark 10:23-31    p.1076

**Altar Flowers** are given in thanks and praise to God and in honor of Blake & Stephanie Watson’s 1<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

### SERVING THIS WEEK

Elder – Mike Najewski

Acolyte – Savannah Golf

Usher – Dennis & Elaine Schmeckpeper

Pianist – Carol Schoeling

Praise Team -Jim McEnroe, Cheryl Ruger, Kathy & Don Smith,

Pete Whalen & Matt Schulz

Tech Team – Paul & Logan Szymanski, Scott Schulz, Jack Fleming & Bob Coen

Altar Guild – Vivian Purnell & Mary Schmidtke

Counters for the weekend – Rosanne Tadsen & Rich Treichel

Sacred Grounds Hosts – The Troester’s

**Congregational Meeting** – Our Voters Meeting is today right after the worship service. We will be voting on Officers and Board Chairpersons 2025. All confirmed members are eligible to attend and vote. **Please make sure that you sign the attendance sheet** when you come to the meeting.

**2025 National Youth Gathering** – If you have a high schooler interested in attending the National Youth Gathering next July, please have them fill out the registration form and **return to Paul Szymanski by October 20<sup>th</sup>**. Additional forms can be found in the narthex. You do not have to be a member of St. Paul's to attend.

**Fright Fest** – We will attend Fright Fest at Great America on **Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>** departing St. Paul from the back parking lot at 9:00am. Sign up in the narthex and indicate if you will need a ticket and/or transportation.

**Trunk or Treat – Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5:30 – 7pm** - Bring the family for Halloween fun! For children of all ages! Candy, hotdogs and chips for everyone who comes. **If you can come early** and help with the hot dogs and chips (Please come around 4:00pm), **or, come and open** your trunk and hand out treats and enjoy some fellowship. (Please come around 5:00pm to park your car for safety reasons). **There is a sign-up sheet on the info table if you can come early to help or open your trunk and hand out treats. We are taking candy donations** (bin located in the narthex). Let His light shine through you!

**Game Night** – We will do another game night on **Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup> from 6:30-9:00pm**. Bring your favorite beverage and game to play. Dinner and snacks will be provided. This is a great opportunity to fellowship with other members of the congregation as well as engage with some of our youth. Please sign up in the narthex if you plan to attend so we can plan appropriately for food.



**All Saints Sunday is November 2<sup>nd</sup>** and we will be remembering those who have died within the past year. If you would like someone remembered, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex or you can contact the church office.

**Stockings for the Troops** – On **November 3<sup>rd</sup>** we will begin collecting treats for the 100 stockings to be sent to the troops. Chocolates will be allowed. On Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> all ladies are invited to come at 12:30pm to help fill the stockings. A prayer square and cards will be included. This our chance to brighten the holidays for soldiers away from during this time, and spread the news of Jesus birth.

**Focus Mission for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter is Lutheran Church Charities – LCC is there** to share the Mercy, Compassion, Presence and Proclamation of Jesus Christ to those who are suffering and in need. On Sunday, Nov. 24, Pastor Singer, President of LCC will be our guest, along with a Comfort Dog, and we will have our Noisy Offering that day. LCC is sending support to those impacted by the recent hurricanes in the form of money and work teams. **If you wish to give your offering to LCC only; please mark it on the other line of offering envelope.**

**Altar Guild Members** - The November Altar Guild Schedule is in your mailboxes.

**The College Corner Ministry** would like to thank the members of St. Paul's for adopting our 23 college students. The packages were sent out on Tuesday this past week. We will be hosting our next adoption event on November 10th. We are now up to 24 students. You can support this ministry through the "other" line on your offering envelope, to help cover the cost of materials, treats, and postage.

**Thank You** – Diane and I are very thankful for the wonderful celebration of 40 years since my ordination and for all your gifts. We are blessed.

**Happy Birthday** – It's Elliott's 90 birthday this week on October 26th. If you'd like to send a card his address is: Elliott Fasel C/O Ignite Medical Resort, 1555 S. Main St., Crown Point, IN 46307. Room A149

### IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Lorrie Fitzpatrick, Janice Pikalek, Elliott Fasel, Sandy Stricklin, Janet Dougherty, Bill Ryden

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### TOGETHER BEING CHURCH

Weekly	Needs	Receiving
Current	\$8,852	\$51,275.30
Building Fund	\$577	\$1,000
Mission	\$327	\$60

Discretionary Fund-\$5,160; Scholarship Fund-\$75; St. Matthews-\$5,010; Prison Ministry-Lori Wilbert-\$5,030; Troops Care Packages-\$50; Sacred Grounds-\$55; Food Pantry-\$50; Quilting-\$30; College Corner-\$200; LCC-\$650; Ladies Aid-\$50; National Youth Gathering-\$50

### MARY'S CORNER

The first thing that comes to mind when I think of October is colorful leaves. How did God create something dying look so beautiful? Before the leaves die and fall to the ground leaving the trees bare, go for a ride or maybe just out your door and enjoy the beautiful display God created, just for your enjoyment.