### THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S October 27 – November 2

Sunday

9:00am Worship Service

10:30am Adult Bible Study – Meeting Room10:30am Bible Basics – Education Building

10:30am Sunday School/Confirmation/High School & Beyond-Education Bldg

11:30am Rejoicing Ringers Practice

Monday 2 Kings 6 (Daily Bible Reading)

12:30pm Prayer Shawl

5:00-8:00pm HSRC (FH Rental)

6:00pm Stephen Ministry Meeting

Tuesday 2 Kings 7 (Daily Bible Reading)

2:00pm Sunrise Retirement Home Worship

6:00pm Grief Share

Wednesday 2 Kings 8 (Daily Bible Reading)

9:30am Bible Study

6:00pm Sr Choir Practice

7:00pm Wednesday Evening Bible Study

Thursday 2 Kings 9 (Daily Bible Reading)

8:30am SSHS – Fellowship Hall

5:30-7:00pm Trunk or Treat

Friday 2 Kings 10 (Daily Bible Reading)

6:30-9:00pm Game Night

Saturday 2 Kings 11 (Daily Bible Reading)

7:00am Men's Bible Study

8:30-11:00am Food Pantry

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

## REFORMATION DAY OBSERVED ACOLYTE RECOGNITION SUNDAY Sunday, October 27, 2024

#### SCRIPTURE READING

First Reading Revelation 14:6-7 *p.1320*Epistle Reading Romans 3:19-28 *p.1197*Holy Gospel Reading John 8:31-36 *p.1138* 

Altar Flowers are given in thanks and praise to God and in honor of Ladies Aid.

#### **SERVING THIS WEEK**

Elder – Rich Treichel Acolyte – Asher Huber Usher – Don & Yvonne Blume

Music – Paul Szymanski & Song Leaders

Tech Team - Mitch Troester, Bill Miller & Bob Coen

Altar Guild – Shirley Adams & Marlene Steinhauer

Counters for the weekend – Kathy Dahlman & John DeVries Sacred Grounds Hosts – Brian Smith & Marilyn Micetich

**Today is Acolyte Recognition Sunday**. We are blessed to have 5 acolytes this year. We have 2 that will receive a cross for acolyting one year as a thank you – Savannah Golf & Griffin Schmeckpeper. We welcome our new acolytes: Katie Fleming, Sky Habenicht & Asher Huber.

**Sunday Bible Basics –** How should we live? Join us today as we study Jesus' teaching on the Christian life from Matthew 5, the Sermon on the Mount. See you after worship in the Education Building.

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 STILL 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.

The College Corner Ministry would like to thank the members of St. Paul's for adopting our 23 college students. 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.

Focus Mission for the 4th 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.

NID Prison Ministry - The Stateville Penitentiary in Joliet has closed and all inmates have been moved to other facilities. Additionally, Lori Wilbert who has joyfully and faithfully served as the Deaconess for the NID Prison Ministry - Behind the Walls for over 35 years, has retired from ministry. As a result, there is no longer a prison ministry in the Northern Illinois District. A motion was approved in the October Voters' meeting that all contributions designated for NID Prison since July 1<sup>st</sup> and all future contributions designated for NID Prison Ministry will be sent to Returning Citizens – an organization committed to assisting men released from prison get back on their feet in the "outside world." Please contact Scott Schulz if you have any questions.

#### IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Janice Pikalek, Elliott Fasel, Sandy Stricklin, Janet Dougherty, Diane Hattendorf, Corinne Dituri

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#### TOGETHER BEING CHURCH

Weekly	Needs	Receiving
Current	\$8,852	\$5,478.26
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$577	\$225
Mission	\$327	\$140

Discretionary Fund-\$50; St. Matthews-\$60: Returning Citizens-\$30: Troops Care Packages-\$5; St Paul Alaska Mission Trip-\$100; Sacred Grounds-\$46; Food Pantry-\$125; Prayer Shawl-\$20; LCC Disaster Fund-\$100; National Youth Gathering-\$25

#### **MARY'S CORNER**

Remember when you are in a judgmental mood, some of the world's greatest sinners, have become some of the world's greatest Saints. It is never too late to ask for God's forgiveness.