

# You Otto Know

## St. Paul's Lutheran Church



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### Angelfood Ministries

Angelfood Ministries is a non profit food distribution program. Each month orders are taken in person or online at [AngelfoodMinistries.com](http://AngelfoodMinistries.com) . Since our beginning we have been able to help many local families get low cost nutritional food. As a benefit to our church we receive \$1 for each box purchased. This money is sent to us every 3 months. The recent check was \$58.00. As this program continues to grow, that money will increase. Volunteers are needed to fill many rolls. We need order takers, people to go pick up the monthly order and people to set up and help with distribution day. Please consider volunteering as this program will not succeed with only limited support.

### Young Adult Group

As a mother of children that are out of High School I was concerned that their needs were not being met here. I am so pleased to see the new Young Adult group in action. This is a bible study with Pastor Schultz were they can interact with their peers and discuss the Bible in a non-intimidating arena. As they learn and grow in the faith they will begin to feel a deeper connection to God and to the Church. I have seen a renewed interest in Bible study among the young adults. It is neat to see them excited about Bible study. If you have any young adults in your family looking for a Bible study encourage them to join.

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### November Birthdays *Happy Birthday!*

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|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Gabriel Aiello (11-2)     | Viola Miller (11-2)    | Madison Perkins (11-13) |
| Melanie Weibrecht (11-13) | Linda Ehlmann (11-16)  |                         |
| Kyle Ehlmann (11-18)      | Bryan Goforth (11-18)  |                         |
| Ruth Chapman (11-20)      | Kenton Ehlmann (11-20) |                         |
| Matthew Kassel (11-22)    | Virgil Benson (11-24)  |                         |
| Michael Kelly (11-28)     | Cheri McGuire (11-30)  | Alice Mertens (11-30)   |





## Message from Pastor Schultz

I want to take this opportunity to update you on a couple of exciting activities that are taking place here at St. Paul's. First of all, the Mission/Vision Task Force is finishing up their surveys of the community and has studied the demographics of the area. On Sunday November 7<sup>th</sup> Deaconess Ruth will conduct member interviews from 11:15 until 6:00. Please call me to sign up for a time if you haven't yet. It is vital that you make your opinion known through these interviews. The Task Force will meet again on Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> to evaluate all of the data that was collected from surveys, interviews, demographics, etc. Mark your calendar for Saturday Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>! This will be our Visioning Day in which all members of the church will be invited to set the vision of St. Paul's for the next 5-10 years. I hope that you are as excited about the future of St. Paul's as I am.

The other activity is the formation of a young adults group here at St. Paul's. The group has met for Bible study on Sunday mornings. They are currently studying the book of Acts. The group will also plan social events as well as service opportunities in the future. We have had five young adults meet for Bible study and know that this group will grow in the future. If you have a child, family member, or friend who is between the ages of 18 and 30 who would be interested in this group please call me with their information. I have also set up a group on Facebook called St. Paul's Young Adults, the groups is closed to non-members but if you would like to be a member please send me a message on Facebook.

I feel that these are two important and exciting activates that are currently taking place and I hope that you will support them in whatever ways that you can.

Blessed to be a Blessing,

*Pastor Schultz*

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## The Pastor's Library

I was hoping to have more to report on from "The Fire and the Staff: Lutheran Theology in Practice", but this past month didn't afford much time to read as I spent quite a few days in Chicago dealing with the illness and death of my father. So now my goal for November is the same as the one that I had last month; *finish this book and put it to rest!* Remember that my library is accessible to you anytime that I am in my office. Please share with me any books that you have read recently or books that you would like me to read.

## Thank You

We want to thank all of you for your kind words of sympathy. Your cards, flowers, thoughts, and prayers have sustained us during our time of sadness. We are also thankful for the time that we were able to spend with family and friends sharing fond memories. We are truly blessed to be surrounded by a congregation that cares for their pastor and his family. May God bless you and you have blessed us.

## *A Stewardship Renaissance*

This past summer Resolution 4-01A was passed at the convention of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. This resolution encourages a stewardship renaissance in all districts and Synod. What will be needed to accomplish a stewardship renaissance (renaissance means a renewed interest in)?

Consider the following four items:

### **A stewardship renaissance must be built on a sound theological base.**

Resolution 4-01A encourages congregations to search the Scripture for stewardship examples and study biblically based stewardship principles. A proper Law/Gospel distinction must be maintained in the teaching of Christian stewardship. The Christian steward is motivated and empowered by the Good News of salvation in Jesus Christ. Christian stewardship must be centered in the cross of Christ. The Christian steward is instructed by the Law. The steward's desire is to live in obedience to God's Word as a grateful response to all that God has freely given.

### **A stewardship renaissance must have a reeducated and transformed leadership at all levels.**

One of the difficulties encountered in Christian stewardship is the mistaken notion that stewardship is solely or primarily about money. Many Christians and many Christian leaders hold that view. Christian stewardship has to do with our whole life. Money is a part of it, of course, but only a part. There is so much more. We are stewards of all that God has entrusted to us. One of the most important elements of a stewardship renaissance will be leaders who understand the biblical definition of Christian stewardship and teach it regularly and intentionally. *Christian stewardship is the free and joyous activity of the child of God and God's family, the Church, in managing life and all of life's resources for God's purposes.* Stewardship is more a heart issue than it is a money issue.

### **A stewardship renaissance will return the concept of the godly steward to the daily vocabulary of Christian life and worship.**

A godly steward is one who recognizes that all he/she has is given by God as a trust to be used for His purposes. We are stewards not owners. As Christian stewards we are forgiven in Christ and so are freed to live joyously and generously. To understand and live out this identity as steward is vital to a stewardship renaissance.

### **A stewardship renaissance will recognize that the Christian life is to stand out in the world.**

In Matthew 5 Jesus says, "let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven." In Titus 2, St. Paul encourages stewards to be "zealous for good works." As was mentioned earlier, the steward's desire is to live in obedience to God's Word as a grateful response to His love in Christ. How we live is a reflection of who we are. How we live is to bring glory to our heavenly Father. How we live is a witness to those around us. A stewardship renaissance will remind us, as Saint Paul does in Ephesians 5, "Be very careful, then, how you live-not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is."

A stewardship renaissance in The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod will not be quick, easy, or simple. There are no shortcuts or "silver bullets" when it comes to Christian stewardship. The Holy Spirit works through His Word as His people hear, read, and reflect on that Word. May God grant us a stewardship renaissance as we "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now and forever."



## Schedules for November

### USHER

	<u>7:30am</u>	<u>10:00am</u>
7th	Matthew Carver/Jerry Burchett	Virgil Benson/Justin Benson <u>Jonathon Schultz/Michael Carver</u>
14th	Matthew Carver/Jerry Burchett	Bill McClain/Elmer Held Jr. <u>Esther Carver/Becky Vogel</u>
21st	Matthew Carver/Jerry Burchett	Gary Hagan/Jason Schaub <u>Nancy Brooks/Diane Benson</u>
28th	Matthew Carver/Jerry Burchett	Charlie Friedman/Bill Weeke <u>Mary Nahlik/Soyna Jeffries</u>

### Greeter

	<u>7:30am</u>	<u>10:00am</u>
7th	Richie Hogan	Colleen Schultz
14th	Rich & Kim Hogan	Ginny Todd
21st	Nancy Oxmann	Mary Nahlik
28th	Jerry & Roselyn Burchett	Nancy brooks/Lean Kelly

### Reader

	<u>7:30 am</u>	<u>10:00 am</u>
7th	Amy Held	Fern Schuessler
14th	Matthew Carver	Jonathon Schultz
21st	Amy Held	Dick Burgdorf
28th	Matthew Carver	Edith Burgdorf

Thank you to all of our readers. If you are interested in becoming a reader please talk to Pastor Schultz or call the Church Office to be added to the schedule.

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## Fun Facts

### About

### Thanksgiving

Americans eat 535 million pounds of Turkey each Thanksgiving.

The oldest passenger on the Mayflower was 64.

Turkeys can drown if they look up while it is raining.

Pilgrims did not have buckles on their clothing or hats.

Thanksgiving became a National Holiday in 1941.

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We're on the web!

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**Worship Services:**  
Sunday at 7:30 a.m.  
and 10:00 a.m.  
Holy Communion  
celebrated at both  
services.

**Bible Study & Sunday  
School:**  
Sunday 8:45 am. Bible  
Study & Sunday School

Adult Bible Class--  
Wednesday 10:00 am

#### Are you on Facebook?

If so come join our group. It is St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Search for us and join. If you have comments to make or just want to keep updated on recent or upcoming events stop by. If you need help setting up an account with facebook (it is free by the way) or if you need help finding the group ask any of the youth or stop by the office.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School Christmas service Jesus Born for Us Sunday, December 19th at 10:00 service. Practices will be Sundays December 5th and 11th after church until 1:30pm also Saturday December 18th from 9 am- noon. Any questions just let one of us on Board of Ed. know

## SUPER SAVERS

Dollar stores can be a great place to save money but there are a few things to look out for. Check out the ingredients because sometimes in order to save money the dollar store version of your favorite food may substitute cheaper and less healthy ingredients. Also stay away from the produce. Dollars stores get their produce after all other stores so often it is of the lowest quality. Be sure to check expiration dates on the products. Some of the best buys are on personal and household items. As with any store know your prices before you begin shopping. Please remember when shopping try to pick up an extra item or two to donate to a local food pantry.

## **Scrip**

Dear Friends,

St. Paul's joined the Great Lakes Scrip Fundraising Program a few months ago. While many are familiar with the Scrip concept, we are finding that many would like some more information. In a nutshell, the Scrip program is all about Gift Cards. St. Paul's can order on your behalf Gift Cards to your favorite Retailer at a discounted price. You pay \$25 for your \$25 Gift Card. Depending on the Retailer, St. Paul's purchases the Gift Card for 2% to 10% less - - that's the fundraising.

Example:

You spend \$300 a month at Walgreens for medications. Instead of writing a \$300 check to Walgreens, you buy a \$300 Walgreens gift card from St. Paul's thru the Scrip Program. Walgreens offers a 6% discount on the Gift Card. You spend your \$300 at Walgreens as normal and St. Paul's receives the 6% savings - - \$18!

You can find a complete listing of participating Retailers and the % savings they offer in the Narthex or visit [www.glscrip.com](http://www.glscrip.com) for the latest list and any special offers that Great Lakes Scrip Center is currently offering.

The Scrip program works well for those who are great planners! Gift cards orders received on Sunday should be available the following Sunday. If we can provide you with additional information, please contact a member of the Stewardship Board.

Yours in Christ,

Nancy Brooks, Bryan Goforth, & David Frank

## **Ladies Aid**

The Ladies want to thank all of you who gave mite offerings in October. If you are using a personal mite box you may empty coins into the large mite box in the narthex any Sunday. If you want to donate by check please make it payable to St. Paul's Ladies Aid. Our treasurer Edith sends the money to the Iron Mt. Zone treasurer. She send 75% to MO District + 25% to National LWML. These organizations have separate grant projects the fund.

Mark down on your calendars to remember our cookie sale Dec. 5th. We will keep the price the same \$5 per pound. Proceeds from the sale will again be used to sponsor our Seminary student Michael Fiekerborn. We also donate money to other agencies and Charities in December. More information will be given to you in November. Thank you for buying honey. I'm sure the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch will appreciate