



St. Paul's

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Reaching, Serving, and Growing Disciples

Receive God's love.

**Church, School and
Early Childhood Center**

210 E. Pleasant St.
Oconomowoc, WI 53066
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262-567-5001

Worship Schedule

Saturday: 5pm traditional
Sunday: 8am traditional
Sunday: 10:30am contemporary

Advent, Lent, Summer special services

A member of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

August 11th & 12th, 2018

Rev. Lance Armstrong O'Donnell, Senior Pastor
Rev. Steven Scharnell, Associate Pastor
Rev. Paul Borgman, Pastor Emeritus
Jill George, Principal
Volume 24

Adam Tanney, Youth Director
Diane Bleke, Organist/Choir Director
Christine Flores, Early Childhood Center (ECC) Director

Office Hours - 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Number 31

WELCOME to everyone, especially our guests.
Your presence is important to us.

St. Paul's is an evangelical Christian congregation, embracing historic Christian teaching on all doctrines, centered on Jesus Christ. Our desire is to bring the Gospel both to those who are searching for answers to the meaning of life and to those who desire a closer relationship with God. We here at St. Paul's have chosen to align ourselves with the teachings of the Lutheran Reformation, due to the clarity with which these help us to see the true meaning of God's Word. Specifically, St. Paul's is a ministry of the Lutheran Church -- Missouri Synod, one of America's truly biblical churches!

- **Members and guests:** please fill out an attendance card and place it in the offering plate to indicate your presence today. For Holy Communion, please read our confession and indicate your agreement with our beliefs by checking the box next to the names of those communing.
- Those sharing our beliefs, especially from parishes in fellowship with us, are welcome to receive.
- If you desire Holy Communion but hold a confession differing from that of this congregation, please speak with a Pastor or an Elder.
- Non-communing, baptized children are welcome to come to the table for a blessing.

Please note: Half the inner circle of individual glasses in each tray contains water with **one drop** of communion wine for those hesitant to drink larger amounts of wine. Those glasses with wine are rose in color.

THE 12th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Come to worship. As the prelude begins, worshippers are encouraged to conclude conversation and quietly prepare to enter into the experience of worship.

Pastor: Lance Armstrong O'Donnell

Theme: *A Battle for the Ages*

Traditional Worship

Lutheran Service Book, Divine Setting 4, pg. 203

Contemporary Worship

Special Order

BIBLE STUDIES

Summer Bible Study

567-5001 Sun. - 9:15 a.m. Fellowship Hall

Connected in Christ

567-5001 Wed.—6:15 p.m. Room 219

Women of Joy Bible Study

490-2879 Sat. (1st & 3rd) – 8:00 a.m. Whelan's

Journeymen (Men's Bible Study)

567-5001 Sat. (2nd & 4th) – 7:30 a.m. Maxim's

The **radio broadcast** and **altar flowers** are sponsored by Harry & Dorothy Peterson in praise to God for their 65th wedding anniversary on August 15th. St. Paul's 8:00 am church service can be heard Sunday over WTKM (104.9 FM) and worldwide at wtkm.com.

REACHING DISCIPLES

LORD'S CUPBOARD SCHOOL SUPPLIES & SURPLUS GARDEN VEGETABLES

It's that time of year for families getting ready for the new school year. Please pick up some extra school supplies for our kids that come to the Lord's Cupboard. Place the items in the basket in the narthex or in the Lord's Cupboard box in the Fellowship Hall or put a gift card or a cash donation in an envelope in the offering plate marked for Lord's Cupboard school supplies or take it to the office and we can purchase school supplies. Also, **donations of your surplus garden vegetables will be welcome when they are ready! The pantry is on the 1st and 3rd Mondays so please drop them off in the kitchen by those days and mark them for the Lord's Cupboard.** *Thank you for your prayers for the families that we serve and for our dedicated volunteers.* Want to help? Please contact Mary Hickenbottom with questions. 414-333-3421 or mary@splco.org.

SERVING DISCIPLES

BUSINESS MANAGER POSITION

The South Wisconsin District LCMS is in need of a business manager. A position description is available from the SWD office or the church office. Resumes are requested. If you are interested and qualified, please contact Rev. Dr. John C. Wille for more information. President Wille's contact information is as follows: wille@swd.lcms.org. Phone: 414.464.8100.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Church Leadership Team (CLT) is looking for four volunteers from the congregation to serve on a committee to review St Paul's Constitution and Bylaws.

This committee would be responsible to:

- review the existing constitution and bylaws
- make recommended changes
- changes would need to be published and reviewed with the congregation
- changes would need to be voted by the congregation for adoption
- changes would need to be approved by the South Wisconsin District Office

Please contact Heather in the church office if you are interested at 262.567.5001 or heather@splco.org.

GROWING DISCIPLES

WE ARE GEARING UP FOR SUNDAY MORNING TIME TO GROW!

If you would like to share your love for Jesus with the children, please consider helping out. We need teachers, assistants and subs. If interested contact the church office at 262.567.5001.

12TH ANNUAL - ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN ATHLETIC GOLF OUTING

The Warrior Golf Outing will once again be held at Iron Wood Golf Course in Sussex. This year's outing will help pay for new volleyball and basketball equipment. Please stop by one of the two booths for more information. The first booth is found in the lobby to our school, the second is found in the narthex of the church. Any questions or concerns, please call or text Ben Mueller at 262-370-6575. The date for this year's outing is Tuesday, August 21st. We are looking forward to another great outing. Please come and support your Warrior Athletics!

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR

The antidote to despair is not autonomy (1 Kings 19:4). God only gives (or reserves!) daily bread to draw hearts into the bakery and unto the Bread-Maker (John 6:35, 44). He has designed human beings for community (1 Kings 19:7), and our opponent has no countermeasure for compassion. When we don't apathetically abandon those facing life-or-death situations but instead embrace and assist, we receive them as treasures from heaven. *Giver of Life, strengthen us to strengthen others with Your ways. Amen*



Ephesians 5:6-7 *"Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not associate with them."*

The wrath of God is a real thing and we do well to reflect on this. As the Small Catechism states: God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands.

Witness: Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you. *Colossians 3:13*

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost: A Battle for the Ages

August 5–12, 2018

A Battle for the Ages

God the Father sent His Son into the world, so that the world might have life in Him. Now He “draws” you to His Son, Christ Jesus, by the preaching of His Gospel. “Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father” comes to Jesus, who will never cast him out but “will raise him up on the last day” (John 6:44–45). He is “the bread of life,” who “comes down from heaven” in the flesh, that you may eat of Him and “live forever” (John 6:48–51). Although, as the Lord told Elijah, “the journey is too great for you,” in the strength of this food you shall come to “the mount of God.” Do not be afraid, and do not despair, but “arise and eat” (1 Kings 19:5–8). And “no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds” (Eph. 4:17), but “walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us” (Eph. 5:2). In Him, you have been “created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness” (Eph. 4:24). Therefore, “be imitators of God, as beloved children” (Eph. 5:1), and make the weekly worship of Christ the organizing event of your life, for in worship we receive Christ’s love and hope, his forgiveness, and learn to “forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you” (Eph. 4:32).

The Order of Meditation and Prayer

Pray and confess out loud as much from the order of meditation and prayer as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Apostles’ Creed

Christ-Centered Theme: Christ calls us to worship, to receive His love, that we may learn to live from His love and have true life.

Verse: John 6:63 It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and *they* are life.

Psalm: Psalm 50 and/or the appointed daily psalms for General Psalms in Psalm Schedule **LSB, p. 304**

	Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Daily Psalms								
Morning	110	62	13	96	116	85	61	103
Evening	66, 23	73, 8	36, 5	132, 134	26, 130	25, 40	138, 98	117, 139

The Catechism: The Lord’s Prayer—First Petition

<p><i>The Lord’s Prayer (First Petition)</i> Hallowed be Thy name.</p>	Preschool +
<p><i>What does this mean?</i> God’s name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also.</p>	2 nd Grade +
<p><i>How is God’s name kept holy?</i> God’s name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God’s Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this, heavenly Father!</p>	3 rd Grade +

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost: A Battle for the Ages

Day	Bible Stories for the Family & School	Daily prayer readings from LSB, p. 299	
Sun.	Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector—Luke 18:9-14	1 Sam. 28:3-25	1 Cor. 6:1-20
Mon.	Jesus Is the Light of the World—John 8:12-30	1 Sam. 31:1-13	1 Cor. 7:1-24
Tue.	The Truth Shall Make You Free—John 8:31-41	2 Sam. 1:1-27	1 Cor. 7:25-40
Wed.	Jesus Is Confronted by the Unbelieving Jews—John 8:42-59	2 Sam. 5:1-25	1 Cor. 8:1-13
Thur.	A Man Born Blind Receives His Sight—John 9:1-34	2 Sam. 6:1-19	1 Cor. 9:1-23
Fri.	Lutheran Service Book Readings	2 Sam. 7:1-17	1 Cor. 9:24-10:22

Prayers: Collects for the Week, Daily Themes for Prayer, In Our Prayers at St. Paul’s
 Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Daily Themes for Prayer

- Sunday:** *Pray for the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and Sacraments.*
- Monday:** *Pray for faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for one’s calling and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for schools, colleges, and seminaries; for good government and for peace.*
- Tuesday:** *Pray for deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing, the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with besetting sins.*
- Wednesday:** *Pray for marriage and family, that husbands and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to the Word of God; for parents who must raise children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods.*

- Thursday:** *Pray for the Church and her pastors; for teachers, deacons, deaconesses, and other church workers; for missionaries and for all who serve the Church; for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed sacrament of Christ's body and blood.*
- Friday:** *Pray for the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for the spread of His knowledge throughout the whole world; for the persecuted and oppressed; for the sick and dying.*
- Saturday:** *Pray for faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for receptive hearts and minds to God's Word on the Lord's Day; for pastors and people as they prepare to administer and receive Christ's holy gifts.*

In Our Prayers this Week

Those sick or hospitalized: MEMBERS – Sue Lindeman—recovering from knee surgery; Pastor Paul Borgman—melanoma; Jackie Meyer; Don Goose; Shirley Dibble; Laura Gruen—brain tumor; Lucille Campbell—cancer treatment; Mary Buss—cancer; Ann Duggan; Marilyn Marohn; Katie Waldorf; Rob Bratz Jr—throat cancer; Glenn Gartzke—Melanoma; Frieda Antoniak—breast cancer; Larry Hansen; Timothy John Bratz—cancer; Bill & Margaret Voss; Ken Groenke; Louise Lang; Mabel Fredrick; Linda Hansen (Steve's wife); Marian Faltersack; Rick Ware; Harry & Dorothy Peterson (Shorehaven); Barb Krug; Crystal Parker

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS – Those with cancer: Erin (Mileager) Rayborn—Hodgkins Lymphoma; Peggy Lauber—liver and bone cancer; Mark Jorgenson—pancreatic cancer; Pastor Darrell Stuehrenberg—cancer surgery; Peg—breast cancer; Mary Sprague—breast cancer; John Witmar (friend Pastor & Angie Scharnell)—prostate cancer; Daina Boppre—bone cancer; Sandy—kidney cancer; Jimi Duer—pancreatic cancer; Debra Thurow (Dona's daughter); Kathy Berkgigler (Pat Borgman's cousin)—breast cancer; Beth—Lymphoma; Naomi Morris; Janice (Diane Bleke's sister); Tom—stage 3 bladder cancer; Liz (Barb Allwardt's sister)—colon cancer; Dylan Coughlin—3 year-old with brain tumor; Mike—bone cancer; Roy Hyatt—cancer returned; Quinn—breast cancer; Julie; Kayla (7 years-old)—brain cancer; Jack Anderson; Kim B.—breast cancer; Jeanie; Karen Peskie (Mike & Cheryl Reiner's sister-in-law)—Lymphoma; Dan (stage-four prostate cancer); Crystal Schultz; Joann Romain—kidney cancer; Ron Rafalski—throat cancer; Nancy—breast cancer

Other: Donna (Diana Radtke's sister)—tick bite; Jeffery Barney; Silas; Jim (Jackie Meyer's dad)—recovering from stroke; Robert—recovering from brain surgery; Ashlin Sanders—kidney transplant; Jon Bahr—continued healing; Matt Schroeder—serious leg injury; Kerry—relapse and leg infection; Dan (Joann West-Spransy's brother)—COPD; Robert Morgan—recovering from a bad fall; Marilyn Hastert (Angie Scharnell's stepmom); Ray Kugler (Cris Parker's friend)—aneurysm surgery; Lynn Kysely—spine/back issues; Pauline Nagobads (Nicole Duchow's mom)—hospice; Karen Beardsley (Sharon Peterson's sister)—heart issues; Susan—memory issues; Sharon—circulation problems; Carol (Mark Prange's mom); Rev. William Meyer; Sicily (3 year-old)—Guillain-Barre syndrome; Shirley Katusich; Merita Dinnauer; Sue Jansen (Shirley Dibble's niece); Rebecca Mills; Gail Albright; Chelsea Bunker—severe brain injury; Marlene Wille (wife of Jim, former St. Paul's members)—stage 3 colon cancer; Dan; George (Jamie's brother)—liver disease; Karen Nicholson; Armin Tessmann—strength in walking; Michael Hamton; Karen Christenson—dementia & stroke; Regina Mills; Dory Schultz; Phyllis Ecklor (Shirley Dibble's sister)—hospice; Shawn—vascular problems; Kristal—lung surgery; Jonathan (Marilyn Marohn's nephew)—in need of a kidney; Doug—CCL; Megan Bertram; Clem—high calcium heart; Bob—prostate problems; Linda—diabetic dementia; Barb (Dave Schlomer's mom)—severe headaches; Sharon—probiotic/kidney problems; Pat—afib; Fred (Lynda Rades's brother); Joel (Tina Gartzke's nephew); Clarence; Pam; Scott Kleist (Jim & Ann Duggan's son)—MS; Paul Fellin

Those serving in the military-deployed: Justin Michener; PFC Nicholas Lang; Zach Howard, Theresa; Phil Preston; Casey, Phil, Andy & Steve Koth; Luke, Jacob, Brian, Randy, Kyle, Jake, Jeff, Matt, Tom, Brad, Ben, Mike & Rob

Those serving God as missionaries: Christie Nelson (China), Ray Wigdal (China), Dennis Denow (Thailand), Bob & Chris Prouty (Australia), Pastor Reinke (Deaf Ministry), Rev. Bud Palmer

Those in need: Our Shut-Ins; a family going through marriage difficulties; an Okauchee resident to know God's love; those struggling with addiction-Bob, Andy, George, Dan, Dee; Sarah, Keri

Anniversary: Harry & Dorothy Peterson—65th—August 15th

Lord's Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism

Hymn of the Week: "Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor"

LSB 534

Looking forward to The 13th Sunday after Pentecost

_____ August 18/19, 2018

Hymns: 798 [v. 1-5], 798 [v. 6-9] (625, 712, 818) 813

Another Beautiful Sunrise (Pastor Kelling)

Jesus is the divine Word by whom all things were made, who has become flesh and dwells among us. He gives His flesh "for the life of the world," not only as a sacrifice for sin but as "the living bread" from heaven (John 6:51). Eat His flesh and drink His blood (John 6:54-57), and no longer walk in the darkness of sin, but walk in His light. "Arise from the dead" and live in Him, because you are "light in the Lord" (Eph. 5:8, 14). Being filled with His Spirit, confess Him to "one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart" (Eph. 5:18-19). Fear, love and trust in Him, "and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness" (Josh. 24:14). For He has brought you "out of the house of slavery" by His cross and resurrection, and now He does "great signs" in your sight (Josh. 24:17). Indeed, He is the divine wisdom, who has built His house, prepared His feast and set His table; He bids you to recline and eat of His bread and drink of the wine He has mixed (Prov. 9:1-5).

BACK-TO-SCHOOL ALL CONGREGATION WORSHIP SERVICE

August 26th

**10:30 am in the Sanctuary
(This will be the only worship service that weekend.)**

During this special Worship Service, we will ask God to bless the upcoming school year and have a special *blessing of the backpacks service* in which ALL school-age children (St. Paul's and all other schools) will have the opportunity to have their backpacks blessed.

The worship service will be followed by our annual picnic which will be a fundraiser for the 7th graders to earn money for their South Dakota trip in fall of 2019.

If your last name begins with (please bring):

A-L
Side Dish

M-Z
Dessert



Scan the QR code with your smartphone to be directed to St. Paul's online giving webpage.



For the most current information on St. Paul's happenings, please visit our website at splco.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS: August 13th – 19th

ADVANCE THE MISSION

REACHING, SERVING & GROWING DISCIPLES

TUESDAY August 14 th	Operations Committee Meeting Board of Elders' Meeting Praise Team Practice	Room 201 Room 219 Church	6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY August 15 th	Summer Lakeside Worship	Backyard	6:30 pm
THURSDAY August 16 th	Praise Team Practice	Church	7:00 pm
SATURDAY August 18 th	Women of Joy Bible Study Traditional Worship AA Meeting	Whelan's Church Fellowship Hall	8:00 am 5:00 pm 8:30 pm
SUNDAY August 19 th	Traditional Worship Coffee Fellowship Hour Adult Bible Study Contemporary Worship	Church Hallway/Outside Fellowship Hall Church	8:00 am 9:15 am 9:30 am 10:30 am

Wednesday Summer Worship Services

Lakeside Summer Worship (in our backyard) will run through August 29th at 6:30 pm. Bring your lawn chairs! Sermons will be from the prior Sunday. (If there is inclement weather, services will be moved into the sanctuary.)

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

1 Kings 19:1–8 ~ ESV

Pew Bible pg. 382

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there. But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. And the angel of the Lord came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

Ephesians 4:17–5:2 ~ ESV

Pew Bible pg. 1244

Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. But that is not the way you learned Christ!— assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, Put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and give no opportunity to the devil. Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

John 6:35-51 ~ ESV

Pew Bible pg. 1134

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day." So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'" Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me—not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."