



St. Paul's

LUTHERAN CHURCH

A member of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

Receiving and giving the love and hope of Christ



Worship Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm traditional • Sunday: 8:00 am traditional

Sunday: 10:30 am contemporary

Special services during Advent, Lent, & Summer

210 E. Pleasant St., Oconomowoc, WI 53066 | 262-567-5001 | www.splco.org

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, School & Early Childhood Center

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

Amanda Rosenberg, Youth Director
Diane Bleke, Organist/Choir Director
Christine Flores, ECC Director

Volume 24

Office Hours: 7:00 am – 4:00 pm

Number 44

Please fill out an attendance card
and place it in the offering plate.

GUEST INFORMATION

Welcome! If you are a guest, the following information may help you:

If you have questions, or would like more information about St. Paul's, an usher will be happy to help you.

Please fill out an attendance card, located on the pew in front of you, and place it in the offering plate.

If you have small children, there are activity bags located behind the back pews that might be helpful for your child.

HOLY COMMUNION

Please read our confession found on page 329-330 of the Lutheran Service Book and indicate your agreement with our beliefs by checking the box next to the names of those communing.

Those who share in our confession of faith of the Lord's Supper are welcome to receive.

If you hold a confession differing from this congregation, please speak with a pastor or elder.

Non-communing, baptized children are welcome to come to the table for a blessing.

If you are physically unable to come to the table, please let an usher know and the pastor will come to you and give you communion.

Communion Wine

The wine glasses in the center of each tray contain **one drop** of communion wine. The glasses that contain more wine are rose in color.

As the prelude begins, worshipers are encouraged to conclude conversation and quietly prepare for worship.

October 28, 2018

THE DAY OF REFORMATION (obs.)

Pastor: Lance Armstrong O'Donnell

Theme: *Forgiveness Isn't Cheap*

Traditional Worship

LSB, Divine Service 2, pg. 167

Contemporary Worship

Special Order

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

5:00 pm – 91 **Total: 392**
 8:00 am – 121 **Members: 367**
 10:30 am – 180 **Visitors: 25**

Scan the QR code and give electronically. This is a safe and easy way to offer your gifts to God.



THIS WEEKEND

	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Music Leaders	Diane Bleke	Diane Bleke	Look2Him
Special Music	Parish Choir	All SPLS Children/Adult Choir	
Acolytes	TBD	Nadine Tanner	Gabby Meyer
Altar Guild	Wendy Tesch	Donna Andrus	Cheryl Oelsner
Elders	Mike Tesch	Rick Zastrow	Jon Schmeling
Greeters	Michelle & Brigitte Schlomer	Jim & Judy Braatz (church) Jim & Marlene Steinberg (school)	Tom & Denise Showen
Lectors	Barb Brockway	Jim Steinberg	
PowerPoint	N/A	N/A	Leah Johnson
Radio	N/A	Steve Hansen	N/A
Ushers	Todd Leonhardt	Rick Zastrow	Truman Seifert

SPONSORS

Radio Broadcast: Don & Harriet Groose in praise to God for their 62nd wedding anniversary on October 28th

Altar Flowers: Dave & Kim Hottinger in praise to God for Jacob Hottinger's & Kayla Miller's wedding on October 27th

Our 8:00 am Worship Service is broadcast live on WTKM 104.9 and at wtkm.com

Families with small children:
 There are activity bags located in the back of the church that might be helpful for your child.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

In the past many of you have helped the Ladies Aid have a very successful bake sale. If you have the time, we would greatly appreciate any baked goods for St. Paul's Craft Fair on Saturday, November 3rd. If possible, please have them to the church by Friday afternoon. Also, if anyone would like to help, we will be decorating cut out cookies on Thursday, November 1st, at 2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you for all your past support. Any questions, call Sharon Peterson (262-490-8671)

St. Paul's Journeymen meet the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at Maxims from 7:30am to 9:00am

We are currently working through the book: *MAN UP! The Quest for Masculinity*

What makes a man a man? *Man Up!* cuts through all the noise of the world's ideas of masculinity and goes back to what our Creator says about being a man in His creation.

It isn't about taking down the feminists or reclaiming your rights as a man. It's about living in the example and grace of Jesus. So fix your eyes on the Man up on the cross and embark on a journey to become more masculine (no weight-lifting required). Books are \$14 and available for purchase at Journeymen. Our group is open all confirmed men of St. Paul's.

LWML

We will be packing shoe boxes for OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD at our meeting on November 6th. If you would like to donate items for these boxes below is a list of suggested items. Place them in the bin in the Fellowship Hall.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Shoe Boxes

Items needed:

TOYS: small cars, balls, dolls, yo-yos, small Etch-a-Sketch, toys that light up (with extra batteries), slinky, etc.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: pens, pencils w/sharpener, crayons, coloring books, solar calculators, markers, stamp pad sets, scissors, paper, etc.

HYGIENE ITEMS: soap, comb, washcloth.

OTHER: sunglasses, flashlights w/extra batteries, ball caps, socks, T-shirts, toy jewelry, hair clips, watches, etc. (NO war toys, liquid or breakable items, candy or gum please).

Are you interested in becoming a Stephen Minister?

A brief presentation titled "What is Stephen Ministry?" will be given in room #204 after each church service next weekend. Members of your Stephen Ministry team will be available to answer your questions.

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer
The Day of Reformation (obs.): *Forgiveness Isn't Cheap*
October 28-November 4, 2018

Forgiveness Isn't Cheap (Pastor Lance Armstrong O'Donnell)

We were created to be full of faith, hope and love...yet sin marred that in the most profound way. Adam and Eve and their descendants (Indeed, the whole creation!) groaned in eager expectation for God's deliverance. Jesus came for just that purpose, but our freedom was not free. The price of our restoration was extraordinarily high: the death of the Son of God himself. By the hearing of that Gospel of Christ Jesus, "whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith" (Rom. 3:25), "you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free" (John 8:31-32). This freedom is for all "those who dwell on earth, ... every nation and tribe and language and people" (Rev. 14:6). That includes you. Christ has rescued you by His grace from the slavery of sin and death, that you might eat and drink with Him in His Kingdom and "remain in the house forever" (John 8:35). How does that truth impact how you live?

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's forgiveness was not cheap. We were bought with a price; therefore, we honor God with our lives.

Verse: Isaiah 53:5 He *was* wounded for our transgressions, *He was* bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace *was* upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed.

Psalm: Psalm 7 and/or the appointed daily psalms for General Psalms in Psalm Schedule **LSB, p. 304**

Daily Psalms	Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Morning	19	136	123	15	36	130	56	67
Evening	81, 113	97, 112	30, 86	48, 4	80, 27	32, 139	100, 62	46, 93

The Catechism: The Creed: The Second Article

<p><i>The Second Article</i> And [I believe] in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate Was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.</p>	<p>Preschool +</p>
<p><i>What does this mean?</i> I believe the Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord.</p>	<p>1st Grade +</p>
<p><i>What does this mean? (continued)</i> Who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death.</p>	<p>2nd Grade +</p>

The Day of Reformation (obs.): *Forgiveness Isn't Cheap*

Day	Bible Stories for the Family & School	Daily prayer readings from LSB, p. 299	
Sun.	The Kingdom of God Suffers Violence—Matt. 11:12-19 (Reformation)	Deut. 30:1-20	Matt. 19:1-15
Mon.	The Drought Ends and Elijah Escapes Jezebel—1 Kings 18:41–19:9a	Deut. 31:1-29	Matt. 19:16-30
Tue.	The LORD’S Revelation to Elijah—1 Kings 19:9b-21	Deut. 31:30-32:27	Matt. 20:1-16
Wed.	Naboth’s Vineyard—1 Kings 21:1-16	Deut. 32:28-52	Matt. 20:17-34
Thur.	The LORD Condemns Ahab—1 Kings 21:17-29	Deut. 34:1-12	Matt. 21:1-22
Fri.	Lutheran Service Book Readings	Jer. 1:1-19	Matt. 21:23-46

Prayers: Collects for the Week, Daily Themes for Prayer, In Our Prayers at St. Paul’s

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, 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 – Carolyn Pankow; Marilyn Roecker; Don Gauerke; Ryan Miller—recovering from knee surgery; Jim Braatz; Darryl Wickersham—sore knee; Pastor Paul Borgman—Melanoma; Peggy Lauber—liver and bone cancer; Shirley Dibble; Laura Gruen—brain tumor; Lucille Campbell—cancer treatment; Mary Buss—cancer; Marilyn Marohn; Katie Waldorf; Glenn Gartzke—Melanoma; Frieda Antoniak—breast cancer; Larry Hansen; Timothy John Bratz—cancer; Bill & Margaret (Lake Country Rehab) Voss; Ken Groenke; Louise Lang; Mabel Fredrick; Linda Hansen (Steve's wife); Marian Faltersack; Rick Ware; Dorothy Peterson (Shorehaven); Crystal Parker

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS – Those with cancer: John Henke (Skye's dad) – stage IV Melanoma; Vicki—4th stage esophageal cancer; Fran Meyer (Chris Hesse's aunt)—Multiple Myeloma; Jennifer Lemke (Judy Mueller's niece/Wendy Sallam's sister); friend of Marilyn Roecker—pancreatic cancer; MaryAnn—recurring cancer; Tanya Schoenberger (Richie & Lucy Fredrick's daughter)—breast cancer; Betty (Heather Scheuer's aunt); Erin (Mileager) Rayborn—Hodgkins Lymphoma; Mark Jorgenson—pancreatic cancer; Peg—breast cancer; Mary Sprague—breast cancer; John Whitmar (friend of Pastor & Angie Scharnell)—prostate cancer; Daina Boppre—bone cancer; Sandy—kidney cancer; Jimi Duer—pancreatic cancer; Debra Thurow (Dona's daughter); Kathy Berkbigler (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: Gracie Brehm; Victoria Lilliard and family; friend of Virginia Meintz recovering from open heart surgery; John Meisenheimer; Bob Hackbarth; Betty Dricken (Joe’s grandma)—broken pelvis; Bob (friend of Scharnell’s)—Lou Gehrig’s disease; Allanah—healing from back surgery; Angie & Oliver; Karen Beardsley (Sharon Peterson’s sister); Dennis—diabetic with sore on foot; Jessi Oates; Anna Mae (George Urban’s mother)—hospice; Jeffery Barney; Susan—memory issues; Sharon—circulation problems; Rev. William Meyer; Merita Dinnauer; Sue Jansen (Shirley Dibble’s niece); Gail Albright; Dan; George (Jamie’s brother)—liver disease; Karen Nicholson; Armin Tessmann—strength in walking; Michael Hamton; Karen Christenson—dementia & stroke; Dory Schultz; Phyllis Ecklor (Shirley Dibble’s sister)—hospice; Shawn—vascular problems; Kristal—lung surgery; 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, 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 member’s children and grandchildren come to know our Lord and commit their lives to Him; a family going through marriage difficulties; those struggling with addiction—Bob, Andy, George, Dan, Dee; Sarah, Keri, Sam

Anniversary: Don & Harriet Groose – 62nd – October 28th

Thanksgiving: Katie Waldorf for great care at Mayo Hospital

Lord’s Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism
Hymn of the Week: “Built on the Rock”

LSB 645

Looking forward to All Saints’ Day

November 4, 2018

Hymns: 982, 670 (677, 932, 725) 676

Communion of Saints (Pastor Steve Scharnell)

“A great multitude ... from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages,” cry out, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne” (Rev. 7:9–17). Faith-filled saints from every place and time, with unified voices, eternally magnify the Lamb of God. As His beloved children, we, too, “shall see him as he is” (1 John 3:1–3). Joined with the throng of angels and myriad saints, we shall “serve him day and night in his temple” (Rev. 7:9–17). In our earthly tension vacillating between saint and sinner, faith and doubt, sacred and profane, we earnestly seek Jesus to calm our fears, comfort our spirits and forgive our sins. The Holy Spirit through faith in Christ propels us forward, fortifying us in Word and Sacrament, to our eternal home. In the midst of our constant struggle as believers, we need to be blessed. And so we are. The poor in spirit, the meek, the hungry, the thirsty, the merciful, the pure and the persecuted are all blessed, and we will most certainly inherit the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 5:1–12).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Paul's Craft Fair

Our Craft Fair will be held on Saturday, November 3rd, from 9am to 4pm. We will have many new vendors, a 50/50 Blessing Bowl and the traditional Ladies Aid Bake Sale. St. Paul's Lutheran School's 7th graders will be selling concessions to earn money for their South Dakota trip in September of 2019. We hope to see you at the fair!



Romans 3:20: *"For by works of the law no human being will be justified in His sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin."* The Law of God is good – it's just that we sinners cannot save ourselves by the Law. Salvation is a free gift of God because that is the only way we could ever be saved. The Law shows us God's holiness and thus our own sin. And now in Christ we can look at the Law and see it in a new light as well – as a guide for how to live a godly life in thanksgiving to God for His gracious forgiveness in Christ.

Witness: Forgive as the Lord forgave you. *Colossians 3:13*

New Member Sponsor Committee

We are looking for volunteers who are willing to share their joy of being a member of St. Paul's with new members. We have all been so blessed, so please think about sharing those blessings with our new members! If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Jim or Marlene Steinberg at 262.569.0817. Thank you!

The November Epistle is online at www.splco.org

WEEK AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY October 30	Praise Team Practice	Church	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY October 31	Parish Choir Life Together Adult Choir	Balcony Room 219 Balcony	5:20 pm 6:15 pm 7:20 pm
THURSDAY November 1	Ladies Aid Praise Team Practice	Fellowship Hall Church	6:00 pm 7:00 pm
SATURDAY November 3	Women of Joy Bible Study St. Paul's Craft Fair Traditional Worship Stephen Ministry Presentation AA Meeting	Whelan's Varied Church Room 204 Fellowship Hall	8:00 am 9:00 am 5:00 pm 6:15 pm 8:30 pm
SUNDAY November 4	Traditional Worship Service Stephen Ministry Presentation Blood Pressure Screening Public School Confirmation Time to Grow (Sunday School) Adult Bible Study Contemporary Worship Service Stephen Ministry Presentation Special Voters' Meeting Kiwanis Shrimp Dinner Sunday Night Alive Youth (HS)	Church Room 204 Church Office Room 219 Meet in Gym Fellowship Hall Church Room 204 Church Gym Room 138/Gym	8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 11:45 am 12:00 pm 12:00 pm 6:00 pm

BIBLE STUDIES

Adult Bible Study

Sunday: 9:30 am - Fellowship Hall
262-567-5001

Journeymen

Saturday (2nd & 4th) - 7:30 am
Maxim's

Women of Joy

Saturday (1st & 3rd) - 8:00 am
Whelan's

Life Together Bible Study

Wednesday: 6:15 pm
Room 219

NEXT WEEKEND

	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Readings	Rev. 7:9-17	1 John 3:1-3	Matt 5:1-12
Acolytes	Levi Benes	Bobby Edwards	Gabby Meyer
Altar Guild	Martha Blanck	Shirley Dibble & Marena Pine	Sarah Neff
Elders	Chad Eberhardt	Bryan Polinske	John Melvin
Greeters	John & Margie Hertneky	Chuck & Jenny Laabs (church) Ralph & Donna Andrus (school)	Wayne & Diane Gartzke
Lectors	Chad Eberhardt	Glenn Gartzke	
Power Point	N/A	N/A	Cheryl Oelsner
Radio	N/A	Jim Steinberg	N/A
Ushers	Wilbur Pieper	Dan Friedrich	John Melvin

November 4, 2018

ALL SAINTS' DAY (obs.)

Pastor: Steve Scharnell

Theme: *Communion of Saints*

Traditional Worship Lutheran Service Book,
Divine Service 2, pg. 167

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READINGS FOR THE DAY OF REFORMATION (obs.)

Revelation 14:6-7

Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. And he said with a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

Romans 3:19-28

Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God’s righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

John 8:31-36

So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free’?”

Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.