



St. Paul Church & School News

A Weekly News Edition for the week of November 27, 2022



MINISTRY

Food Ingathering—Thanks to all who contributed to our Food Pantry on Thanksgiving Eve. Many people will benefit from your generosity. Please come and help put all the food collected away on Friday, November 25, at 1:00pm.

Women’s Monday Morning Bible Study— This is a LifeLight Bible study open to all women of the congregation. We meet Monday mornings at 9:00am in the lounge. A new study of *Confession* from the *Lutheran Difference* series begins this week. All women of the congregation are welcome! Please contact Janet Dunker 248-459-9156 for questions.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS—Thanks to all who ordered Poinsettias. The Altar should be beautiful! Plants can be picked up after the 10:00am Christmas worship service. Call the church office at 248-541-0613 with questions.

The **St. Paul Young Adults Group**, (20-30 something) will be meeting with the Atwater Small Group (Historic Trinity group) again this Fall! We will be meeting every other **Tuesday at 7:15pm** at the **Atwater Brewery in Detroit** and studying the Book of Romans. NO meeting on December 27 due to the Christmas holiday. Whether you’re a regular, a newcomer, or just haven’t been in a while, it would be great to see you there!

SCHOOL NEWS

High School Students—There will be NO Bible Study held today; however, the group will be meeting for breakfast and a time of fellow-

ship next Sunday, December 4, 9:30am at Leo’s Coney Island, 110 South Main Street in Royal Oak.

School Christmas Shoppe—Will be held all day Friday, Dec. 9 in the school gym. Donated handmade gifts are in need. Call or text Anne Sagan at 248-224-0968 with questions.

School Yearly Fundraisers:

Little Caesars Pizza Box Bar Codes—We continue to collect these bar codes found on the pizza boxes. Please bring them in to the church or school. The school gets cash towards school items we could use or so we can have an all-school pizza party.

Box Tops—Find and clip **Box Tops** from various food packages for our school! They are each worth 10¢. Leave them at the school in the box near the office or in the pinned up plastic baggie on church bulletin board. Thanks for supporting the school.

CHURCH NOTES

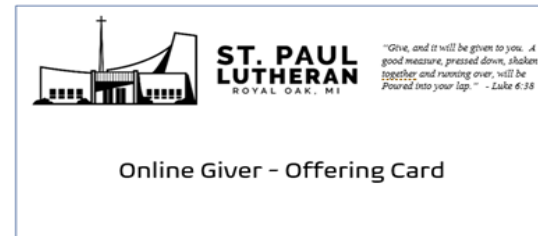


Advent Season is here! Lutheran Hour Ministries seasonal devotion booklets are now available for you and your family to use during the Advent season, or give one to a neighbor or friend and invite them to worship with us this holiday season. The books are available for pick up in the church lobby with the holiday worship schedule on the inside cover. Advent season begins today.

Church and Tree Decorating—On Sunday, November 27, church and tree decorating will begin at 1:00pm. Lots of help is needed and lunch will be provided. Come one, come all!

Online Giver Offering Cards are now available. For members who give offering electronically, you can pick up an *Online Giver Offering Card* from the Welcome Center each week be-

fore entering worship. Giving our tithes and offerings reflects a grateful heart that wants to give back to God a portion of what He has given us; in reality, what is already His. This is our opportunity to show God that He is first in our lives. When we join for offering, simply place the card in the offering plate as an **intentional act of worship and thankfulness**. The cards are reusable and will be available for all services moving forward.



Christmas Card Packets—Thanks to all who helped put together the Christmas Card packets for the Book Nook. These CHRIST-centered cards are now available in the Book Nook for \$4 per dozen.

Book Nook—Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas cards are now available! You can also choose beautiful cards with Scripture for your friends & family for only 50 cents each. Check out the many Bibles, books, gifts & children’s items. For DIY sales: choose your items, pay cash or check (to “*Martha Smyth*”) by depositing payment into the cash box attached to the brick wall next to the card rack. Questions, special orders & imprinting requests go to Martha at 248-284-3790 or smythfam4@aol.com.

Operation Christmas Child—Each month a different item(s) will be listed in the monthly/ weekly bulletins. You can place items in the wood box located in the lobby coatroom. Items needed will be posted beginning in January. **Rachel Andrzejewski has volunteered to become our new coordinator. Thank you Rachel!** You may contact her with questions at 734-262-3501. Thank you members for all your

contributions. There were 26 boxes packed. A special THANK YOU goes to Lynda Dirkse who solo packed all 26 boxes! WOW! Also, thank you to Cheryl Dirkse who coordinated this program for so many years.

Prayer Care—If you are in need of a prayer spoken or meditated on by St. Paul’s prayer warriors, there is a group of individuals who are ready to pray for you. At any time, please feel welcome to submit your prayer request to Chris Steiber via text/call 248-515-1983 or email her at christinemsteiber@gmail.com. All prayer requests will be kept confidential. Please note: for public prayer in worship services led by Pastor Andrzejewski on behalf of the church, you must contact the church office. Additionally, if you would like to serve as a prayer warrior who will pray for these specific prayer requests, contact Chris Steiber. Prayer requests will be sent to prayer warriors via email..

2 WAYS TO MARK YOUR ATTENDANCE—
Live-Streaming Services Online? You may key in your attendance from the form at www.stpaulroyaloak.org/attendance if you are livestreaming the service .

Or in-house? We have TWO kiosks in the narthex to be able to check in your attendance! Simply type your phone number and check your name(s)! See an usher for assistance. NOTE: If your number does not work, please submit an attendance card with your updated information to the church office! Visitors should fill out a card located at the kiosks or in the pews. Thank you.



MEMBERS

Current Health Needs

Don Storck (recovery & rehab)

Long-term Needs

Bill Carpenter (continued care)
Natasha Loretitsch (concerns)
Patricia Walker-Bill (health concerns)
Maureen Walsh (health concerns)

Prayers for our Homebound

Bill Fortner Jeanette Till
Margaret Kuhlmann Kathleen Ulrich
Donna McMinn
Ralph Schroeder
Charlette Schroeder

Prayer for our Missionaries

Rev. Gary & Stephanie Schulte, Africa



Flowers on the Altar are in
Memory of
Bill and Dolores Gralinski
by Tom Gralinski

**You may order flowers/eternal light for special occasions, eg. anniversaries, birthdays etc. or in memory of someone by filling out the chart in lobby.
\$20 per bouquet or \$10 for eternal light. Checks payable St. Paul Lutheran.
Leave in office. Thank you.*

If prayers need to be removed or added, please contact the church office.
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FAMILY & FRIENDS

Kate Baker, (health concerns), sister of Karen Charnawskas
Steven Beattie, (cancer) brother of Anne Sagan
Colin Desmond, (tumors), Historic Trinity member
Grant Haley, (health concerns) former student of Al Manteuffel
George Hoemke, (heart surgery & cancer), Jeanne Valdes' brother
Sarah Kubik (health concerns), sister-in-law of Scott Manteuffel
Matt Mackinder, (Diagnosis: MS) Marshall's brother
Kris Morey, (cancer), sister-in-law of Cheryl and Bob's sister
Janie Nelson (health concerns), Tim Woodward's mother
Daniel Tharpe (continued care), grandson of Bob & Denise Rutledge
Robert Tharpe, (leukemia) son-in-law of Bob & Denise Rutledge
David Wendland (health concerns) son of Jack Wendland

ALL MILITARY FAMILIES & FRIENDS

Eric Banker	Brendan Sharp
Mark Bowdich	Hayden Sharp
Paul Bowdich	Joe VanDamme
Sam Eskew	Tirzah VanDamme
Ryan Espinoza	Jason Zuniga
Trevor Guilmette	Gabrielle Zuniga
Brandon Newton	



Matthew 21:3 – “If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” Just a colt and her foal. How significant could they be? Could they really be used by the Lord for some great, heavenly purpose? This is one facet of stewardship we often forget. The blessing it is to us to be of service in the Lord's Kingdom. What honor the Lord bestows upon us by using our gifts for His goals!

Weekly News & Events

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“Equip, Support, Serve, Witness Where God Calls Us!”

HAPPY NOVEMBER

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, Nov 27

8:15 AM WORSHIP
9:45 AM BIBLE CLASS (ADULT, YOUTH CONF CLASS OR SUNDAY SCHOOL)
NO HS BIBLE STUDY TODAY

11:00 AM WORSHIP C

1:00 PM CONGREGATION CHURCH TREE DECORATING, LUNCH PROVIDED

MONDAY, Nov 28

9:00 AM TRUSTEES
WOMEN'S BIBLE CLASS

WEDNESDAY, Nov 30

8:30 AM SCHOOL CHAPEL
10:00 AM BIBLE CLASS
12:00 PM SCHOOL STUDENTS (HISTORIC TRINITY)
6:00 PM ADVENT POTLUCK (TENTATIVE)

7:00 PM WORSHIP ADVENT 1

THURSDAY, DEC 1

8:00 AM MEN'S BREAKFAST (THE AVENUE)
6:00 PM PRAISE PRACTICE
7:00 PM CHOIR PRACTICE
8:30 PM BELLS PRACTICE

FRIDAY, DEC 2

6:30 PM WOMEN'S ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

SUNDAY, DEC 4

8:15 AM WORSHIP C
9:30 AM SR. HIGH BC (LEO'S CONEY ISLAND)
9:45 AM BIBLE CLASS (ADULT, YOUTH CONF CLASS OR SUNDAY SCHOOL)

11:00 AM WORSHIP

12:30 PM VOTERS MTG (NOVEMBER'S MTG)

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