



St. Paul Church & School News

A Weekly News Edition for the week of December 1, 2024

WELCOME GUESTS!

It's nice to have you with us today! Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church! We greet you in the name of Jesus Christ. We are glad that you are worshipping with us. We know that God will come to us through His Word this day to bring us new life in Christ.

MINISTRY



Advent Season- Lutheran Hour Ministries seasonal devotion booklets are 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 today in the church lobby with the holiday worship schedule on the inside cover. Advent season begins today. We have **Wednesday Midweek Advent services at 7:00 p.m.** which begins December 4th. **Potluck Dinner at 6:00pm** Bring a dish to pass. Sign up at welcome center please.

Help Needed!! Church and Tree Decorating TODAY-

Following the late service. Lots of help is needed. We have several trees to decorate throughout the church and the outside building. Come one, come all! Purchase children's hats, scarves and mittens to be hung on one of



the Christmas trees for the Wellspring LCFS foster kids.

Tis the Season-Come out to RO Farmers Market at 6:00 pm Thursday, December 5 for the annual RO Holiday Magic event. Hear our school choir sing at about 6:20pm and our bell choir play around 7:00pm Lots of Christmas songs. Fun family night out.

Mom Small Group—"Keeping Your Kids on God's Side" Join us Tuesday, Dec 17th at 8pm in the church lounge as we go through Part 2 of "Keeping Your Kids on God's Side" by Natasha Crain. Please note: books will need to be purchased. All moms—new, seasoned, or expecting—are welcome! For questions, contact Krista Zenk (989-245-2052) or Amanda Brandt (313-319-4341). We look forward to seeing you! . Thank you.

SCHOOL NOTES



School Christmas Shoppe

On December 13th, the students of St. Paul School will have an opportunity to do all their Christmas shopping for their family and friends and buy handmade gifts for \$1-5. This is an affordable and fun way for the students to get quality gifts for everyone on their list. Crafts are fun! If you are interested in making a dozen or more items to donate to our Christmas Shoppe. This year, we are also accepting gently used or like-new toys, as well as regifted items, to help make this event special for the children. Please contact Julie at the school office for further information 248 546-6555 or Ann Sagan 248-224-0968 or Meredith Sanislo 248-766-9189.

Help Us Make the Spring Auction a Success! The PTL is calling on ALL St. Paul families, staff, and church members to support this year's spring auction! Please

take just 2-3 minutes to complete our Auction Questionnaire. This is a simple but vital step in ensuring our event is a success. Whether you can help us secure auction items or donations—big or small—or provide insight into attendance, your input makes a difference! The questionnaire includes:

- Details on the types of donations we're seeking
- A chance to let us know if you'll attend
- An opportunity to share questions or suggestions

With your participation, we can create a memorable event that strengthens our school community. Thank you for your time and support! Go to: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1-R_LJPIY_Ltr4PQrJGCzG0Z2goJMr2sZuYxKEKP8OWo/edit?ts=672141d2&hl=en&pli=1 Thank you for your help!

UPCOMING EVENTS & NOTES

Book Nook—You can choose beautiful cards with Scripture for your friends & family for only 50 cents each for all occasions throughout the year. DIY sales: choose your items, cards or gifts from cabinet, pay cash or check to *Women's Guild*, deposit payment into the cash box attached to the brick wall next to the card rack. We have **CHRISTMAS cards.**



Advent by Candlelight Tea—'Celebrating Mary's Story'

Attention women of the congregation, join us on Saturday, Dec. 7 at 11:00 am. A light luncheon is served prior to the program in the lounge. Attendees are asked to bring a dessert or plate of cookies to share. Sign up at the Welcome Center along with what you are bringing. Contact

Lisa Kokko, text: (586) 899-3502 or email: kokkopuff@comcast.net for questions.

Woman of the Year Nominations We are looking to get nominations of women who exemplify Christian service to our Lord within the church and community. This is open to all women of the congregation. Place forms in box at Welcome Center, will be taken until December 8th with voting the rest of month, ending December 29th. Winner will be announced at church on January 5, 2025. A special luncheon in March and celebrated with other area churches WoY candidates.



Nativity Displays-Bring your Nativity Set to share with the church. Will be displayed in the lobby through December 15. P/U any time after that date. We would

love to see all varieties. Tables will be set up to display YOURS!. Please write a post-it with your name and place next to display.

Informational Voter's Meeting coming between services December 15. Mark your calendars.

Lutheran Witness Magazine is the official periodical of The LCMS and is published 11 times a year. Orders must be in to the office and paid for by **December 15**. NO late orders accepted. Cost is \$21.20. Checks payable to St. Paul Lutheran. Subscriptions begin in March, 2025.

Thank You—Operation Christmas Child is officially closed. Our goal was 60 boxes and we ended with a total of 91 boxes!! I am so proud of our St. Paul family!

Be a Christmas Card Evangelist—Send Christmas cards that proclaim the joy of God's plan of salvation. Most people leave their Christmas cards out for several weeks, so they will have a daily reminder of God's love and the true meaning of Christmas.



MEMBERS

Current Health Needs

Patricia Brown (recovery)
Margie Topous (recovery)

Long-term Health Needs

Fay Brown (health concerns)
Jeff Lehman (cancer)
Natasha Loretitsch (concerns)
Patricia Walker-Bill (health concerns)

Prayers of Sympathy

For family and friends of *Eleanor Wendland* upon her recent death.

Prayers for our Homebound

Donna Brewer Don Storck
Margaret Kuhlmann Jeanette Till
Irma Pope Don Whitbeck
Charlette Schroeder

All Military Family & Friends

Mark Bowdich Hayden Sharp
Paul Bowdich Tirzah VanDamme
Trevor Guilmette Jason Zuniga
Brandon Newton Gabrielle Zuniga
Brendan Sharp



Flowers on the Altar

In memory of *David Woodward* by
The Woodward Family &
The Charnawskas Family

**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. Just \$20 per bouquet or \$10 for eternal light. Checks payable to St. Paul Lutheran. Leave in office. Thank you.*

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Sharon Charnawskas, (health concerns), *sister-in-law* of Jim Charnawskas
Palmer Charnawskas, great niece of Jim Charnawskas
Collin (cancer), grandson of Peggy Schwartz
Janet Dunker, former member, (cancer)
Anne Gabriel, (stage 4 cancer), friend of Anne Sagan
Grant Haley, (continued care), former student of Al Manteuffel
Darlene Holan, (health concerns), friend of Margie Topous
Kerry Hill, (ovarian cancer), niece of Patricia Brown
Brian Kitz, (cancer), friend of Mike Rasmussen
Matt Mackinder, (Diagnosis: MS) Marshall's brother
David I. & Tracy M., (cancer), family of Scott Manteuffel
Sam Major, (cancer), family friend of the Carpenters
Bill Merte, (arm nerve damage), friend of Mike Rasmussen
Roberto Munoz (cancer), son-in-law of the late Eyla Russ
Janie Nelson, (health concerns) Tim Woodward's mother
Tom Noonan, (cancer), friend of Chris Schultz
Michele Polito, (cancer), friend of Chris Schultz
Jeff Rinkus, (brain tumor), father of Craig Rinkus
Kelsey Ritscher (brain tumor), Lacey Lefere's mother
Roe, (health concerns) mother-in-law of Chad Heins, Dawn's son
Ted Stephens, (cancer), friend of Mike Rasmussen
Don Squires, (cancer treatments), son-in-law of Mila Jackson
Daniel Tharpe, (continued care) grandson of Bob & Denise Rutledge

If prayers need to be removed or added, please contact the church office, 248-541-0613.



Luke 19:31 – “If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’” Consider the faithfulness of that man who owned the donkey and colt. All he needed to hear was, “The Lord has need of it,” and he willingly gave. The Lord has given each of us various callings in life (in our homes, in the church and in the communities we live in). In each calling we have good work to do, which comes from the Lord's hand. The Lord has need of us in each calling. How is He calling you to generous giving in each of your vocations?

Weekly News & Events

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CALENDAR

Sunday, Dec 1

8:15 am Worship c
Vestry Input (between services)
9:45 am Bible Class
11:00 am Worship
12:00ish pm Church Decorating for Christmas

Monday, Dec 2

9:00 am Trustees
 Woman's Bible Class
7:00 pm Elders Meeting

Wednesday, Dec 4 Advent 1

8:30 am Chapel
10:00 am Bible Class
6:00 pm Advent Potluck Dinner
7:00 pm Advent Worship c
Lessons & Carols-LHNW

Thursday, Dec 5

8:00 am Men's Breakfast-The Avenue
11:00 am Drive Thru Food Pantry
6:00 pm Bell/Kids Choir (RO Holiday Magic @ Farmers Mkt)

Friday, Dec 6

Set-up-Advent by Candlelight

Saturday, Dec 7

11:00 am Advent by Candlelight

Sunday, Dec 8

8:15 am Worship
9:45 am Bible Class
11:00 am Worship c

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Community Food Pantry Monthly:

1st Thursday (drive thru) 11am-1pm and
2nd & 4th Mondays (walk-in) 9am-12pm

***SERVICES LIVE-STREAMED ARE THROUGH**
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