

~NOTES AND NEWS~ St. Paul Lutheran Church, September 13, 2026

WELCOME: A warm welcome to all worshipers on The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Empowered by our Lord's Spirit, we continue to run the race of faith! This is an important "training stop" along the way as together we grow in faith and worship our loving Lord Jesus. We thank the Lord for your presence with us today.

COMMUNION IN THE PEW: If it has become necessary for you to have communion brought to you in the pew, please notify the pastor or an Elder. We are pleased to assist you in receiving this great blessing on a regular basis.

Servant Role	9/13 - 8:30 AM	9/13 – 11:00 AM
Usher	Singers & Larry M	Singers & Larry M
Elder	John Weidman	Dave Hoard

Attendance last week: 70

Offering: \$8,430.10 **Needed:** \$8,844.88

- **BULLETIN DUE DATE:** Do you have something for the bulletin? Please have anything for the bulletin to the church office or Secretary's mailbox by noon on Wednesday for the upcoming Sunday. Thank you.
- **FELLOWSHIP PAD:** Visitors & Members - please sign the Fellowship Pad. Visitors, please include your address and/or phone number. If you do not have a church home, are interested in joining our church family, or would like information about St. Paul, please speak with Pastor Stahl, an Elder, or an usher, who will be happy to assist you.
- **GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION WAFERS:** We are happy to be able to provide Gluten-free communion wafers. If you need a gluten-free wafer, please inform Pastor and/or the Elder on duty before service. If a gluten-free wafer is not offered to you while you receive communion, quietly ask for one.
- **WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICES NOTIFICATION:** Since the contract with Pastor Boshoven has come to an end, the church is in a pastoral vacancy status. We have discontinued Wednesday night services until future notifications.
- **NEW FELLOWSHIP PAD HOLDERS:** Thank you to Ray & Lisa Stec for the new Fellowship Pad Holders.
- **EDUCATION SUNDAY:** Education Sunday is September 13. All children ages 3 yrs. - 8th grade, along with parents or guardians, join us at the Sunday School building at 9:45 AM to register and meet the Sunday School staff. Parents and guardians are welcome to join their children for the Sunday School hour after registration. High School students will be meeting in the Youth Room downstairs for Bible Study and adults meet in the Meeting Room for Bible Class. There's something for all ages!
- **LWML:** Ladies – LWML will be starting back up on **September 15 at 6:00 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. If you are a confirmed member of St. Paul, you are a member of LWML. We will be installing our new secretary, Marilyn Hinderer, and Treasurer,

Linda Bitzer. Our guest will be Cathy Omig, a representative from Embrace Grace, which is a new program that our Evangelism team is starting. Join us!

- **PURSE COLLECTION:** Do you have gently used purses? Through the "Purposely Purses" initiative, we are collecting bags for a local community mission that provides essential first-day bags to women entering the shelter. Your donated bags will bless someone going through a hard situation. A big thank you for your support—one batch has already been collected and distributed!
- **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** The Women's Bible Study has started back up. They meet every **2nd and 4th Thursday from 10:00 - 11:30 AM**. The next one will be **September 24th**.
- **THE WELCOME NOOK:** The Welcome Nook will start back up on **September 13th** after each service. Sign up in the Narthex if you'd like to bring a treat, set up, serve, or clean up. See details on the sign-up sheet.
- **PING PONG BALL DROP:** Proceeds will be used for Internal / External outreach. Tickets are available between and after services to purchase or sell, or call Kathy Smith 989-325-1038 if you need tickets or information. -Kathy Smith
- **JOY:** Just Older Youth will meet in the church at **noon on Sunday, September 20**, and go to Bay City for lunch at Grampa Tony's. Then we will go see the Bay City Players' performance of "Leading Ladies" by Ken Ludwig. Twenty tickets have been reserved at a cost of \$18 each. Reimbursement can be made to Karen. JOY includes everyone 50 and older. Please see the sheet in the Narthex for more info and sign up there.
- **OCC:** Operation Christmas Child Ingathering will begin Sunday, September 27th. Further details are in the September newsletter.
- **EVANGELISM TEAM:** If you are interested in helping with the Evangelism team, please contact Cindy Morley or Kathy Smith for further details.

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Sunday, September 13	8:30 AM – Traditional Worship with Communion 9:45 AM – Bible Class 11:00 AM – Traditional Service with Communion 12:15 PM – Confirmation Class Begins 6:30-8:00 PM – Youth Group
Monday, September 14	5:30 PM – Choir 6:30 PM – Handbells
Tuesday, September 15	8:30 AM – Quilters 5:30 PM – Contemporary Rehearsal 6:00 PM – LWML
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