



# St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran

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### Worship Schedule This Week:

**Saturday at 6:30 PM and Sunday at 7:45 AM & 10:15 AM**

**Online services, materials and so much more can be found at**

**www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com or follow us www.facebook.com/stpaulsnfdl**

November 15, 18 & 19	Pentecost 25	Hymns
<b>Order of Service:</b>  <b>Sermon:</b>	The Service Setting Two Page 172  Matthew 25:14-30  Saved to Serve	921 Psalm 24 739 754:5-6 672 & 663 951

### Welcome to St. Paul's!

- **Parents, please feel free to use the child training room** to calm or feed small children. It's located across from the restrooms and is equipped with sound and light controls as well as one-way shades in the smaller section past the room divider.
- **A t-coil hearing loop system** is active for those with hearing aids. Headsets are also available. Ushers can help if you have questions.
- **Large print copies** of our service are available in the entryway.
- **Restrooms** with changing stations are to the right as you exit church.
- **Offerings** are gathered during worship. *As the offering plates are brought forward, please stand and sing 754:5-6.*

**Ushers** this week (18 & 19) are teams 3 (M. Peachy), 4 (C. Hintz), and 5 (B. Tabbert). Greeters are J. White, D & K Thurow, K. Sebestyen. Next week (25 & 26) will be teams 6 (M. Ewerdt), 7 (D. Preissner), 8 (C. Williams). Greeters will be B. Ewerdt, R. Eggers, K. Fischer. Our organist this week is Trevor Kuphal. Thank you all for your service to our Savior and St. Paul's.

## God's Word This Week:

Pentecost 25

### A TIME FOR FAITHFUL SERVICE TO OUR KING

As we wait for Christ our King to return, we are not to be sedentary. The reason Christ has not yet returned is that there is still work to be done. Christ carries out His good work through us, His Church. So, until Christ comes again and says, "Stop!" believers will be busy with faithful service. Christ has given every believer gifts and talents. And when Christ entrusts us with those gifts and talents, He calls us to use them all for His glory. In the time between Christ's first and second coming, we use everything the Master has given us to live according to His will and to carry out His mission

### November 15 - 26, 2023

11/15	<b>Wed.</b>	8:45 AM	Adult Bible Class
		6:30 PM	HUNTER'S SERVICE with Holy Communion
11/16	<b>Thur.</b>	6:30 PM	Church Council Meeting
11/17	<b>Fri.</b>	8:35 AM	School Chapel (Pastor Kampman)
11/18	<b>Sat.</b>	6:30 PM	WORSHIP with Holy Communion [#3]
11/19	<b>Sun.</b>	7:45 AM	WORSHIP with Holy Communion [#4]
		9:00 AM	Sunday School, Adult Bible Class, Bible Information/New Member Class
		10:15 AM	WORSHIP with Holy Communion [#5]
		1:00 PM	Joyful Witness Practice
11/20	<b>Mon.</b>	6:15 PM	Public/Homeschool Catechism Class
		6:30 PM	Choir Practice
		7:30 PM	Chimes Practice
11/21	<b>Tues.</b>	8:35 AM	School Chapel (Mr. Hartwig)
		6:30 PM	Worship at the Cross (at Faith/Fond du Lac)
<b><i>No SCHOOL 11/22 -11/24</i></b>			
11/22	<b>Wed.</b>	8:45 AM	Adult Bible Class
		6:30 PM	THANKSGIVING WORSHIP
11/23	<b>Thur.</b>	9:00 AM	THANKSGIVING WORSHIP
11/25	<b>Sat.</b>	6:30 PM	WORSHIP [#6]
11/26	<b>Sun.</b>	7:45 AM	WORSHIP [#7]
		9:00 AM	Sunday School, Adult Bible Class, Bible Information/New Member Class
		10:15 AM	WORSHIP [#8]
		1:00 PM	Joyful Witness Practice

## **The Lord's Supper**

Today we have the privilege of receiving Christ's true body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine of Holy Communion. In this sacrament, the Holy Spirit seals to us the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation for the strengthening of our faith. Scriptures teach that as we commune together, we are publicly testifying to a complete unity of faith based on a confession of all of God's Word. We respectfully request that all who are not members of the WELS or our sister ELS please speak with one of our pastors before communing with us. Thank you.

## **NEW Bible Class, Many Cultures, One Gospel, Has Begun!**

The Gospel is the most beautiful message ever spoken. It proclaims salvation for all people of all time. As a Christian, you know that the Gospel heals the unique burdens that sin causes in your walk of faith. Across the globe, humans are aching for this same Gospel message in what may seem to us as unexpected ways, as sin infects our unique world cultures. Our class will cover some different cultural responses to the problem of sin. Most importantly, we will learn to appreciate how the unique Gospel message works powerfully across all cultures of all times, including our own!

## **Christmas Decorating HELP is needed!**

On December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8:30 AM, we will gather to decorate the church for the Advent and Christmas seasons. As always, the more help we have the faster everything goes. 5-6 trees, banners, paraments, altar garland, a nativity scene, and more offer plenty of opportunity for everyone to help. Please consider helping that morning even if it's only for a half hour or so. There will be donuts and coffee!

## **Christmas Cookie Decorating**

On Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> after the Children's Christmas Practice concludes at 9:45 AM, our Christian Education Society will be hosting Christmas Cookie Decorating in the fellowship hall. Everyone at St. Paul's Church and School is invited to come! If you would like to sign up to bring cookies, icing, sprinkles, etc, please check out this link, [www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com/cookie](http://www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com/cookie).

## **WLA's Presentation of Anastasia**

Last weekend WLA's Theater performed the musical Anastasia. *About 1/4 of the cast and crew was comprised of St. Paul's alumni!* Congrats to the St. Paul's graduates who so wonderfully represented their congregation and school in the performance.

## **Seminary Christmas Gifts – ALL GIFTS MUST BE IN BY MONDAY**

The Fond du Lac area WELS churches gather to supply Christmas Gift Cards to the married students at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Thiensville. We try to give each couple \$100 in cards offering support for students who sacrifice a great deal to study for ministry. Special offering envelopes for these gifts are available in the rotating tract rack in the narthex. Collections can be made through this weekend and delivered the first week in December.

## **Meal Train for Pastor Boehringer's family**

St. Peter's has begun a meal train for Pastor Boehringer who has begun chemotherapy treatments for abdominal cancer. If you want to help, visit ([mealtrain.com/trains/07o4m3](http://mealtrain.com/trains/07o4m3)). Would you prefer to give a gift card? Drop them off at St. Paul's church office and we will take what we have down to St. Peter's each Friday, or you can always drop them off at the St. Peter's office too.

## **Lisa Haag Memorial Fund**

The Lisa Haag Memorial Fund was created to help offer support to families with children battling cancer. The recipients of a t-shirt sale are two WLA association students one of whom is Mackenzie Christensen, who used to belong here and attended our school. She was diagnosed with Ewing Sarcoma in her thumb in September. It was caught early enough that the prognosis is good but chemotherapy and radiation and/or surgery will still be needed to ensure it stays at bay. More details can be found by following the link below [www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com/Haag](http://www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com/Haag).

## **WLA Call Report**

Mr. Mark Heckendorf has accepted the call to serve at Mt. Olive in Overland Park, KS. His call will include serving as Staff Minister and Principal. We ask God's blessings on the Heckendorfs as they plan for this change in ministry. Please keep WLA in your prayers as we make plans to call to fill this position for next school year.

## **Upcoming Events at WLA. Mark Your Calendars!**

<b>November</b>	22-24	Thanksgiving Break
<b>December</b>	2	Band Concert
	18-20	Semester Exams
	19	Christmas Concert 7 PM
	20	Christmas Concert 1 PM
	21-Jan 2	Christmas Break

## **Thanksgiving Services – Nov. 22 at 6:30 PM & Nov. 23 at 9 AM**

Thanksgiving is just around the corner. We would love to have you and your family join us in worship as we give thanks together. We provide two service times to give thanks for all God's blessings. *We will also collect a special offering for those in need at these services along with the following weekend's services.*

## **WELS & ELS Singles Facebook Group**

If you're single (unmarried, divorced, widowed) and looking to socialize, make friends, or enjoy fellowship with other singles who share your faith, we encourage you to join our Facebook group! The group consists of 1100+ members with ages ranging from 18-65+. We're an active group sharing Biblical encouragement, prayers, Lutheran memes, personal victories, and food! Our page is full of discussion posts and we hold regular online and in-person get-togethers. Visit [facebook.com/groups/wels.els.singles](https://facebook.com/groups/wels.els.singles) for more.

## **Calendars for 2024**

Our WInGS group has made calendars for 2024 available again this year. \$5 takes one home. Find them by the Martin Luther Room. They usually go pretty quickly. Get one while our supply lasts.

## **Advent by Candlelight – Save the Date**

Our Women In God's Service (WInGS) Group is once again putting on its annual Advent by Candlelight event for all women of the congregation. The fun starts at 6:15 pm on December 5<sup>th</sup> with snacks and fellowship. ½ hour of games will follow at 6:30 pm and the Advent by Candlelight presentation will start around 7:00 pm. As one member and regular attendee put it, "It's always just so wonderful and a special way to prepare for the celebration of our Savior's birth." *Sign up by the Martin Luther Room if you plan on attending so the ladies can prepare the fellowship hall accordingly.*

## **School & Sunday School Offering for the first half of the year.**

The weekly mission offerings collected during the first semester in school and Sunday School are going to the Military Services Committee (MSC). MSC provides face-to-face ministry to WELS military personnel serving at installations in the United States and in Europe, as well as resources for those serving on ships or deployed somewhere else in the world. The mission offering total last week was \$46.36. The total for the semester is \$906.05.

## Greeters & Ushers Needed

It's always nice to see a smiling face! If you would like to say hello for the ½ hour before worship, contact the office so we can include your name when the new lists come out in December.

## Offerings

We offer a variety of options to support the work of the Gospel:

- Place your gift in the offering baskets here at church in worship.
- Send your gift to St. Paul's at 1010 Adams Ave., NFDL, 54937.
- Place your gift in the birdhouse post near the office entrance.
- Scan the QR Code to go to our giving site or visit [www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com/offerings](http://www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com/offerings)
- Use Automatic withdrawal from checking.



- Sign-up sheets are available on our website or across from the office. Contact the office to set it up.
- Use “Vanco Mobile” found in your phone’s app store. Search for “North Fond du Lac, WI” and choose St. Paul’s. The Church account is for offerings. The School Account is for tuition.

## New Matching Opportunity

Some generous members have offered to match deficit reduction funds dollar for dollar up to \$25,000 through the end of 2023. Special offering envelopes are available in the narthex on the information centers but any envelope marked deficit reduction will do. Members, please record your offering envelope # to include your gift in your yearly giving totals. \$5,100 has been given to date.

## Last Week's Offerings

God's people presented the following gifts to their Lord: Current - \$10,704.70; Missions - \$937.50; Improvement - \$230; Mortgage - \$1,228.78; Preschool Tuition - \$483; Extended Care - \$706.25; Seminary Gift cards - \$140; LMSG Offering - \$420; Deficit Reduction - \$4100 (matched); St. Paul's Student Aid Fund - \$20; (Electronic funds included in these gifts - \$2,080.95; all offerings totaled \$18,970.20; Weekly Budgeted Target \$18,960). 275 people attended worship (66, 163, 46 [livestream - 43]). **Memorials** were given in loving memory of Jeff Krug (9-13-2023) to the Current Fund and Diane Kieckbusch (5-23-2020), Yvonne Schmolesky's daughter to the Mission Fund.

Current Fund Deficit \$129,690.65

Deficit Reduction \$53,927.65(+\$5,100)

Current Fund Checking \$66,163.13

Current Fund Savings \$171,251.93

Deficit reduction subtracted from the Current Fund Deficit gives the current total behind.