

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, School, & Preschool (WELS)

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Worship: Thursdays and Saturdays at 6:30pm and Sundays at 9:00am

Online services and materials can be found weekly at www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com

October 22/24/25, 2020

Pentecost 21

Order of Service: Service Folder

Sermon: Philippians 4:8,9

Christians Are Role Models

We follow Christian role models

We are to serve as Christian role models

Welcome to St. Paul's!

- **Seating:** *Please sit on the end of the pew where the blue tape is located.* If you have a larger group, please sit in a longer pew. *For the benefit of all, please observe proper spacing.*
- **A t-coil hearing loop system** for those with hearing aids is available. We also have headsets to use without hearing aids. An usher can help if you have questions.
- **Service folders** are on stands near the sanctuary doors. These folders contain the entire service. *Please take it and the bulletin home with you.* Large prints are available on the info center.
- Parents, please feel free to use the **child training room** to calm or feed small children.
- **Restrooms** are to the right as you exit the sanctuary.
- **Your offering** may be placed in baskets on stands near the door.
- After the service, please visit outside. Thank you!

Ushers this weekend are teams 12 (J. White) and 14 (D. Babler). Next weekend (Oct. 31/Nov. 1) teams 15 (B. Tabbert) and 1 (D. Schumacher) will usher. If you'd like to join an ushering team in 2021, please let the pastors know soon. Thank you!

God's Word this week: Are you worried about what the future holds? Are you sure of your heavenly inheritance? Are you dressed for reception into the heavenly wedding banquet? Thanks to Jesus and his perfect life and substitutionary death, we confidently answer all three questions in the affirmative. What a grand and glorious day it will be when we find ourselves seated at God's heavenly banquet table!

October 22 - November 1, 2020

10/22	Thu	6:30pm	Worship
10/24	Sat	6:30pm	Worship
10/25	Sun	9:00am	Worship
		10:00am	Bible Study (in the church)
		10:00am	Bible Information Class (fellowship hall)
10/26	Mon	6:10pm	Confirmation Class
10/28	Wed	8:45am	Bible Study
		6:30pm	Worship at the Cross
10/29	Thu	6:30pm	Worship with communion
10/31	Sat	6:30pm	Worship with communion
11/01	Sun	9:00am	Worship with communion
		10:00am	Bible Study
		10:00am	Bible Information Class

Other worship opportunities:

- Online at www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com (recorded service available anytime or livestream at 9:00am Sundays)
- *St. Peter's, Fond du Lac*, 8:00am Sundays on AM1450 KFIZ
- *St. Paul's, Appleton*, 8:00am Sundays on AM1280 WNAM
- *St. Stephen's, Beaver Dam*, 9:30am Sundays on AM1430 WBEV
- *Time of Grace* (TV) on Green Bay NBC-26 Sundays at 6:30am and Milwaukee CBS-58 Sundays at 10:30am.

For safety, attendance is currently limited to about 90 worshipers per service. Please sign up at www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com via *Sign-up Genius* or call 922-1080. If you forget to sign up, please come and worship anyway. **We will continue our "summer" worship schedule through at least November:** Thursdays and Saturdays at 6:30pm and Sundays at 9:00am.

Bible Study for all ages takes place on Wednesday at 8:45am and Sunday at 10:00am in the church. We are looking at interesting facts about Bible life, times, and places to help the Scriptures come alive as we read and hear them.

Wearing masks: The Lord directs us to obey authorities unless they demand that we disobey God's commands (Rom. 13:1-5; Acts 5:29). Please wear a mask while inside the building. Please also remember that some do not wear masks because of health or age exemptions.

Offerings: For those not yet attending because of the pandemic, here are some options for sharing the gospel with your gifts:

- Send it to St. Paul's Lutheran, 1010 Adams Ave., NFDL, 54937;
- Drop it off in the lock box post near the office entrance;
- Use Vanco electronic options, including your smart phone. Go to your phone's app store under "Giving Plus."

Last week's gifts: Current Fund-\$8,696.45; Missions-\$950; Improvement Fund-\$340; Mortgage Fund-\$2,028; Organ/Piano-\$125; St. Paul's Student Aid-\$70; Altar-\$75; Worship at the Cross-\$37.25 (Electronic funds included in these gifts total \$6,291.54). **Memorial:** A gift was given to our Student Aid Fund from Carol Batterman in loving memory of Dale Batterman at his death on 10/28/2009.

Stewardship Moment: "When we love God, we will love our neighbor. When we are not on good terms with God, as a rule we will not be on good terms with other people. God, who created right relationships, wants to get through to us that we are to avoid all prejudices and, more, that we love one another." (*The Stewardship Struggle*, page 47)

Divine Call Extended for Associate Pastor: The voters met last Sunday and, guided by the Lord, issued a divine call for an associate pastor. He is *Pastor Matthew Mueller* (his wife is Holly), who currently serves Living Hope Lutheran Church in Peoria, IL. Pastor and Mrs. Mueller have five children ages 8,7,5,3, and 3 months. Please keep them in your prayers as Pastor Mueller deliberates whether to accept this call or remain in Peoria serving the flock there. More information about Voters Meeting decisions and board elections are in the newsletter on the table in the narthex.

Bible Information Class (BIC) for those interested in membership, or for those who would like to refresh their Bible knowledge, takes place Sunday mornings at 10:00am in the fellowship hall.

Calendars and newsletters for November are available on the table in the narthex.

Secretarial position available beginning mid-December: St. Paul's is looking for resumes from members interested in our church and school secretary position. The position will pay \$14 hourly and offer 40 hours/week during the school year and 30 hours/week in the summer. The position will require data entry & some computer skills, a friendly personality, the ability and desire to learn various church and school programs, and the ability to keep all office information and communication confidential. More information and a fuller listing of duties can be found online or across from the office. If you are interested, please submit a resume to the church office **by the end of October**. Candidates best fitting needs of the position will be interviewed in November. Our hope is for the position to begin mid-December to allow some training with Karen before she retires at the end of the year.

Helping Our Heroes: Nurses are appreciated. Local businesses are supported. People are blessed. The Lord Jesus himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35). Helping Our Heroes is a way to thank the nurses and respiratory therapists at St. Agnes Hospital for all they are doing during this difficult time. In the last week of October, we will give cards of thanks and a gift card to a local restaurant. Our goal is to collect \$6,000 in total donations this weekend so we can thank every nurse and respiratory therapist at our hospital. If we exceed \$6000, gifts will then go to nursing staff at senior care facilities and first responders in our county. Anything placed in the designated baskets will go to this initiative, or digitally: <http://weblink.donorperfect.com/HelpingOurHeroes>. Helping Our Heroes is a community care initiative by WELS Lutheran churches and schools in Fond du Lac County. Any questions can be directed to jborgwardt@redeemerfdl.org.

*"It is not good to eat too much honey,
nor is it honorable to seek one's own honor."*

Proverbs 25:27

Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the LORD Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples, a banquet of aged wine -- the best of meats and the finest of wines. ⁷ On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations; ⁸ he will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove the disgrace of his people from all the earth. The LORD has spoken. ⁹ In that day they will say, "Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us. This is the LORD, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation."

Philippians 4:4-13

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵ Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸ Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable--if anything is excellent or praiseworthy -- think about such things. ⁹ Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me -- put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you. ¹⁰ I rejoice greatly in the Lord that at last you have renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you have been concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. ¹¹ I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. ¹² I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. ¹³ I can do everything through him who gives me strength.

Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying: ² "The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. ³ He sent his servants to those who had been invited to the banquet to tell them to come, but they refused to come. ⁴ "Then he sent some more servants and said, 'Tell those who have been invited that I have prepared my dinner: My oxen and fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet.' ⁵ "But they paid no attention and went off--one to his field, another to his business. ⁶ The rest seized his servants, mistreated them and killed them. ⁷ The king was enraged. ⁸ "Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come. ⁹ Go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.' ¹⁰ So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, both good and bad, and the wedding hall was filled with guests. ¹¹ "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. ¹² 'Friend,' he asked, 'how did you get in here without wedding clothes?' The man was speechless. ¹³ "Then the king told the attendants, 'Tie him hand and foot, and throw him outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴ "For many are invited, but few are chosen."