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St. Paul Lutheran Church

News & Views

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October

Readers for October:

Oct 4th - Johnny Johnson
Oct 11th - Debbie Matthys
Oct 18th - George Matthys
Oct 25th - Steve Morgan

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Church Financial Summary



	September	Annual/Cumulative
Monthly Budget	\$26,388	\$237,492
Monthly Contributions	\$21,284	\$208,817



It's time for 'Mums'

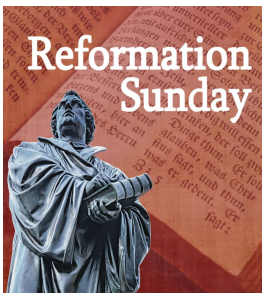
If you would like to purchase 'Mums' to decorate the church for All Saint Days on November 1st, see the order form on page 8. Orders are due by October 26, cost is \$12/ea.



Birthday Celebration

Happy birthday to Lydia Burow who celebrated her 101st birthday on September 16th. We wish her all the best and many more birthdays to come!!

Reformation Sunday



Reformation Sunday

Join us on Sunday October 25th to celebrate Reformation Sunday, a Protestant holiday commemorating the Reformation movement started by a German monk named Martin Luther when he nailed his 95 Theses to the door of the Wittenberg Church in 1517.

St. Paul Lutheran Child Development Center



October CDC Newsletter

October means a trip to the United Methodist Church to tour the pumpkin patch. It is one of the kid's most favorite things to do. The younger kids love getting to ride the "big white bus" and listen to a story before looking at the pumpkins. After the story and touring the pumpkin patch they are given the opportunity to pick out their very own pumpkin. This year because the Taylor ISD will be out for an entire week October 12 – 17 the older class will be able to go to the pumpkin patch as well. And we have planned a "Seek and find" adventure for them instead of the story time.

October is Fire Prevention Month so the Taylor Fire Department will be coming by the daycare to let the kids see the fire engine and learn about fire prevention & safety. Of course Sparky the dog will be with them. It is always good for the children to see the firemen in their full suit. Helps them to understand that behind that mask and heavy suit is an actual person so that in the event they ever have a fire the children will not be afraid of the firemen.

October 31st falls on a Saturday so the CDC children will have their class parties on Friday, October 30th. Parents are invited to attend and join in the fun.

Exciting news – Rita has picked the dates for the Garage Sale. It will be on Friday, November 13 and Saturday, November 14. Please spread the word and save the date to come shop to your heart's content. Always something for everyone. If you have extra time and would to help put everything out, please call Rita at 512-352-2773 or 512-914-7734, we can always use an extra pair of hands. It is usually a great time for fun and fellowship.

God blessings from the CDC.

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Church Statistics for September

Sunday Worship

Average Attendance

65



Please remember that the deadline for the monthly newsletter is the 20th of each month by 5:00 pm.



St. Paul Church takes pictures and videos which will be posted on our social media, web pages and printed material.

Dear St. Paul Lutheran Church Family,

Special thanks to Rita Kelm, Carmen McCleery and their team of helpers for leading our wonderful St. Paul 112 year church anniversary celebration. The meal was magnificent, with lots of activities and prizes. Our celebration truly witnesses 112 years of service and outreach to the Taylor community.

Rylen Burrow and Garryn Chandler have completed their First Communion instruction and Acolyte training. They will be celebrating their First Communions with their extended families during October and November.

Our Youth Group had a great outing to view Daniel and the Fiery Furnace at Cinemark. The movie really made the story come alive and we shared refreshments after the show. We are all looking forward to our next activity.

Elaine and I participated in the LCMC Gathering at Lutheran Church of Hope in West Des Moines on October 4-7 and joined with others in packaging hygiene kits for Convoy of Hope who assist people in need. Convoy of Hope partners with local churches, businesses, civic organizations, and government agencies for disaster response, community outreach and children's feeding initiatives. These kits will be sent to people in the U.S. and 120 countries worldwide suffering from disasters.

My Pastor's Bible study will begin an introductory study on the prophets beginning on October 14 at 2:00 PM in the Conference Room at the St. Paul House. Our studies this year will focus on the major and minor prophets.

During September we have celebrated milestone birthdays for Lydia Burow at 101 and Carol Lantzsch at 88. Inez Sladek will celebrate her 96th birthday on October 25. Congratulations on lives well lived for the Lord Jesus.

Our Reformation Sunday worship service will be held on October 25. Come join us for a reflection on who we are as a Lutheran people witnessing for Christ Jesus.

Thank you all for your prayers and support of our outreach to new people moving into Taylor as the Samsung facility fully comes online. Elaine and I are always happy to share the Good News of Jesus as part of serving you in ministry.

Blessings,

Pastor George



Mission Moment

by Pastor Bryce Formwalt
Director of Mission Growth



Double Honor

October is Pastor Appreciation Month and faithful people in congregations across the country will be blessing their pastors with gifts and acts of thanksgiving and kindness. From greeting cards to gift cards and from free cups of coffee to all-expense paid vacations, these gestures communicate to pastors that they are loved and appreciated.

Paul writes in 1 Timothy 5:17-18, The elders who are good leaders are to be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who work hard at preaching and teaching ... "The worker is worthy of his wages." Double honor, understood biblically, refers to demonstrating respect in addition to providing ample compensation for pastors as their livelihood.

If you spend any significant time talking to a pastor about their work, you are likely to learn about the ways that ministry is a joy and what they love about their calling. But if go a little deeper and the pastor speaks freely, you will also discover some of what is not so great and the weight of responsibility that many pastors carry.

Pastors report some of the highest rates of job-related stress. Just dealing with the pastoral care needs of a congregation can be a significant burden: visiting the sick and shut-ins, comforting those mourning, helping families and marriages in trouble, nurturing the faith of those struggling, dealing with crises that come at all hours. Never mind the fact that the pastor has a sermon, a Bible study, and a confirmation class to prepare; worship services that need planning; staff that needs guidance and supervision; committees or ministry teams that need input; and a disgruntled church member that demands attention and things to go their way! All the while the pastor wonders whether they are neglecting their own family's needs or their own self-care.

Shepherding a congregation is difficult work and faithful pastors often silently bear these burdens instead of burdening the people they are called to lead, love, and serve. So how might your congregation double honor your pastor not just in October, but all year long? Here are three practical steps you can take to care for your pastor.

First, speak well of your pastor. Do this both directly to your pastor as well as in conversations when they are not around. In 1 Thessalonians 5:13, Paul says to regard pastors very highly in love because of their work. A specific, heartfelt word of encouragement can be a way God uses you to help fill your pastor's tank. Be specific about how they have been a blessing and be sure to tell others, too, both in your church and in your community.

Second, guard your pastor's rest. When the pressures of ministry mount, the first thing to go for a pastor typically is their own sabbath rest. Protect their day off, encourage them to take their vacation time as well as to attend retreats and conferences that refresh their soul and renew their minds. Adopt a sabbatical policy to provide for extended leave (Contact me for a sample sabbatical policy). A rested, encouraged pastor is a gift to the whole church.

Third, provide for your pastor generously. The primary reason good pastors consider new calls is insufficient compensation. Fair and faithful compensation is biblical. And remember, there likely is another church searching for a pastor that's offering a much more generous compensation package. Reviewing your pastor's salary and benefits each year with honesty and generosity is the most concrete way a congregation shows double honor. When a church cares well for the one who labors among them as their spiritual leader, they free their pastor to serve fully in the ministry of the gospel.

Caring for our pastors is not a distraction from our mission; it is essential to it. Honored, well-supported pastors are leaders God is using to carry the mission of God forward in and through our congregations for this generation to the next. So this October, do more than sign your name to a card. Offer the shepherd God has given you the double honor that Scripture calls for.

Pastor Bryce Formwalt is the Director of Mission Growth for LCMC Texas District and Program Director of Harvest Workers, an online ministry training program (learn more at www.harvestworkers.net). Residing in Georgetown, Pastor Bryce is available to coach congregations on mission. Please contact him with any questions or comments: 512-942-7776 or bryce@lcmctexas.org.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 9:00am Handbell Choir Practice - Sanctuary 10:00am Worship - Sanctuary (112th Church Anniversary) 11:00am Brunch, Sunday School, Confirmation and Adult Education 12:00pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM	28 8:00am Church Office - Open	29 8:00am Church Office - Open 6:30pm Cub Scouts 167 - Fellowship Hall	30 8:00am Church Office - Open 8:30am Folding Bulletins 1:30pm Prayer Time	1 8:00am Church Office - Open 9:30am Ruth Circle Meeting	2 Church Office Closed Pastor's Day Off	3 Pastor's Day Off
4 LCMC National Conference (West Des Moines, IA) 10:00am Worship with Holy Communion - Sanctuary 11:00am Brunch, Confirmation, Sunday School and Adult Education 12:00pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM	5 8:00am Church Office - Open LCMC National Conference (West Des Moines, IA)	6 8:00am Church Office - Open LCMC National Conference (West Des Moines, IA) 9:30am LCMC Pr Cluster Mtg - McDade 6:30pm Cub Scouts 167 - Fellowship Hall	7 8:00am Church Office - Open LCMC National Conference (West Des Moines, IA) 8:30am Folding Bulletins 1:30pm Prayer Time	8 8:00am Church Office - Open	9 Church Office Closed Pastor's Day Off	10 Pastor's Day Off
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18 10:00am Worship with Holy Communion - Sanctuary 11:00am Brunch, Sunday School, Confirmation and Adult Education 12:00pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM	19 8:00am Church Office - Open	20 8:00am Church Office - Open Newsletter Articles Due 9:30am LCMC Pr Cluster Mtg - Deanville 6:30pm Council Meeting - St. Paul House 6:30pm Cub Scouts 167 - Fellowship Hall	21 8:00am Church Office - Open 8:30am Folding Bulletins 11:30am Ruth Circle Birthday Lunch - Sifolin Stockade 1:30pm Prayer Time 2:00pm Pastor's Bible study - St. Paul House Conf Room	22 8:00am Church Office - Open	23 Church Office Closed Pastor's Day Off	24 Pastor's Day Off
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We Remember in Prayer

If someone needs to be removed from the prayer list please call the church office

Our Members:

Carol Wilson, Diane, Mark Lindell, Kent Safarik.

Our Shut Ins:

Shirley Evans, Olin Tiemann, Wandeen Sakewitz, Glenn Minzenmayer, Aileen Bunge, Mary Miller, David Kuempel, Gloria Bartosh, Carol Lantzsch, Inez Sladek, Grace Bulgerin, Geraldine Steger, Lomis Weber, Lisa Cox.

Our family, friends, and loved ones:

Teresa Talley, William Shelton, Joe Gamez, Dave Martinka, Andrea Carrizales, Richard, Glynda Vanecek, Naomi Ochoa, Rick Mosley, Don Williams, Bill Cody, Randel Duelm, Penny Dittman, Alan Debus, Robert Harty, Jack Dismukes, Calvin and Rosalie Jechow, Sandra Milner, Dora Brittian, Ryan Richey, Mary Perez, Rob Randig, Gayla Lantzsch, Tommy Harrison, Walter Moldenhauer.

Assisted Living/Nursing Home:

SPJST Assisted Living:

Wandeen Sakewitz
Shirley Evans

Taylor SPJST Nursing Home:

Geraldine Steger
Mary Miller
Carol Lantzsch
Gloria Mae Bartosh
David Kuempel

Falcon Ridge:

Glenn Minzenmeyer

80th Birthdays & Above Inez Sladek 10/25/30 96Yrs Eloise Brackenridge 10/22/39 87Yrs Loren Dittmeyer 10/21/40 86Yrs Donald Janke 10/5/42 84Yrs	OCTOBER  BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES	25th Anniversary: None 30th Anniversary : None 40th Anniversary: Tim & Donna Vanecek 10/4 40 Yrs 50th Anniversaries & Above Dan & Glenda Jansky 10/2 55 Yrs Larry & Janie Stefek 10/18 51 Yrs Billy & Beverly Turner 10/30 50 Yrs
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Alleluia Ringers

The St. Paul handbell choir will be starting up this year under new leadership after Glynda Vanecek's retirement. The handbell choir will be practicing from 9-9:45 am on the following Sundays:

Oct 11 & 25 Nov 15 & 22 Dec 13 & 20

The handbell choir is always looking for new members. Please contact Debbie Matthys (512)771-3914· dkmatthys@gmail.com or come to practice if you are interested in joining!

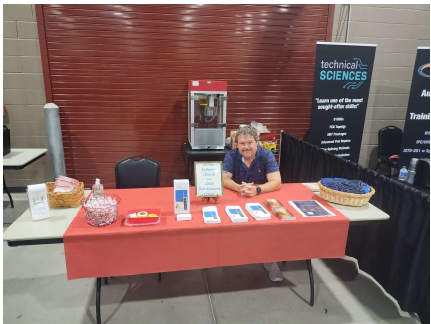
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Getting the word out!

Last month Pastor George and Steve manned the desk during the East Wilco Business Expo, greeting attendees, distributing information about St. Paul Lutheran Church and sharing some popcorn!



We have a Winner! The cross was won by Melissa Roman, daughter of Eva Roman (pictured with the cross).



I would like _____ (number) of Chrysanthemum plant(s) to decorate our church for All Saints Day. The plants are \$12.00 each and the order deadline is:

Noon - Monday, October 26th

Please include payment with this order form.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

My Chrysanthemum(s) is given in memory of: _____

Number of Chrysanthemum(s) ordered _____

X \$12.00 _____

Total Enclosed: _____

You may put this form in the offering plate, deliver it to the church office between 8:00 Am to 1:00 PM, or mail to: St. Paul Lutheran Church, MUM order enclosed, 401 W 7th St., Taylor, TX 76574.