

# ST PAUL'S

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# SEPTEMBER

CALENDAR YEAR

CALENDAR MONTH

SUNDAY

FIRST DAY OF WEEK

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	31	01
<b>Worship 9am LS</b> Family Fellowship 10am	03	School Starts School Chapel 8:00am Stewardship 6:30pm	Trustees 5:00pm Bible Class @School 10am PSC 6:15-7:30pm Family Bible Night 6:30pm	Little Sprouts 9:30am Quilting 9:00am		Worship 4pm LS
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I show that I am a disciple of Jesus when I \_\_\_\_\_. How do you fill in the blank?

How would your non-Christian friends and neighbors complete the following



*<sup>6</sup>For this reason I am reminding you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. <sup>7</sup>For God did not give us a timid spirit, but a spirit of power and love and sound judgment. <sup>8</sup>So do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner. Instead, join with me in suffering for the gospel while relying on the power of God. <sup>9</sup>He saved us and called us with a holy calling, not because of our works, but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began, <sup>10</sup>and it has now been revealed through the appearance of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.*

*2 Timothy 1*

sentence? I show the person \_\_\_\_\_ the Pastor's corner I am when I \_\_\_\_\_. A clear example of this is comes from *America's Got Talent*, which I have been watching with my family. The judges ask contestants their purpose or goals in the contest and when they win the big prize. The hopes and dreams that motivate and define most contestants, admittedly a unique segment of the population, are helping their family, pursuing their dreams to perform, or promoting worldly peace.

What is it that defines you, dear Christian? Are you defined and driven by yourself, your thoughts, your feelings? In his Word God declares a reality that captivates our hearts and governs our hopes: *God has called us*. Throughout his Word God describes that call, and for this article we will limit our list to Paul's letters, where God declares that he has called us to: belong to Jesus Christ, be holy people, live in peace, live in the grace of Christ, be free, as well as to hope (in the riches of his glorious inheritance),

heavenward, to peace, to eternal life and a holy life. Do these help you fill in the first sentence of this article?

Consider Abraham, whom the writer to the Hebrews describes as following God's call by faith: <sup>11:8</sup> "By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going." What would it be like to walk in Abraham's shoes, surrounded by people and nations that reject God, travelling far from home, relying on words and promises? I invite you to join me in a study of God's amazing work in Abraham's heart and life. We will meet on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm, starting September 5. We also offer activities for children, so parents can attend a study without worrying about childcare for that hour.

Knowing and doing are two different things, and the struggle for most Christians is doing what we know. It is hard to follow what is right and true, to which God has called us, when the path of self-centeredness and "I do as I feel" is so easy and so popular. God has called us; he guides and directs our life-journey so that we are what he calls us to be: alive by grace and united in hope and love.

# *Pray for each other*

*The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. –James 5:16*

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## **PRAYER LIST**

Please pray for John Serrahn and his family; John is in hospice care\*. Continue to pray for Marilyn Nell who is still hospitalized in Madison but hopes to move closer to home this month.

\*Update: John was called home to heaven on August 30. Funeral service will be Thursday, September 6, 11am, viewing starting at 8:30am at St. Paul's Church.

# *Come and Learn, Go and Share*

*Our mission as members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church*

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**ADULT CHOIR & BELL CHOIR** – Practices will start at 6:30pm on Tuesday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> for Adult Choir and 7:30pm on Wednesday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> for Bell Choir. We are always looking for new members of each group, so please join us.

**BIBLE CLASSES** – Please consider attending one of our Bible classes:

- Sunday Mornings at 10:15am in front of church (Lessons from the Bible)
- Wednesday Mornings at 10am in school library (Difficult Sayings of Jesus)
- Wednesday Evenings at 6:30pm in school library (Life of Abraham)
- Wednesday Evenings at 6:30pm in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade room (Women's Bible Study)

Wednesday Bible Night offers Bible activities and care for children of every age, so parents can attend a study without worrying about childcare. Please come as a family!

**THANK YOU** – Thanks to all our volunteers this summer! We thank the family of Doug Zillmer for working on our float in the Shanty Days Parade. (Yes, it was a real rock on our float!) We thank all of our donors and sponsors for our golf outing. We thank all those who came to the golfing and dinner that Sunday. What a great day! We thank everyone who helped with renovation of our school rooms and installation of our early childhood playground. We thank those who cleaned our school and prepared it for this year.

**EPIC** – Our teens met in August, starting our new year of events and study. One of our main goals this year is to plan and prepare for a mission trip in summer 2019. We discussed some possible destinations and kinds of service we can do. The first step of our plan is to gather teens in our congregation and build our mission team through encouragement, Bible study and planning. We encourage all our teens, even if you cannot commit to the mission trip, to participate in our monthly events and planning. Your encouragement and participation will help the 2019 mission team and help build a program to benefit future mission teams. Our next meeting is Sunday, September 30. Watch for fun events coming soon!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** – Our Sunday School starts on September 9, 2018, at 10 am with our opening family devotion. We encourage every family of St. Paul's to enroll their children in our Sunday School. Registration forms are available at church and school. Pick up the schedule on the first day, September 9.

**ST. PAUL'S STUDENT ASSISTANCE ENDOWMENT FUND** – Applications are available at church and in the school office. Student Assistance Endowment Fund is for any member of St. Paul's that is continuing their education at a Synod school or beyond high school. The applications must be turned in by December 1<sup>st</sup> to one of the Pastors or school office.

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**LWMS** – The 2019 Fall Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) rally will be held on Saturday, November 3, 2019 at Bethany Lutheran Church in Appleton, WI. Bethany is handicap accessible and childcare will be provided. Theme - "Sing praise to him, tell of all his wondrous acts." Alicia, Michelle, and Jane Mose will share pictures, stories, and must of their music ministry which they use to bring awareness to missions. The deadline to register is October 17. There will be a sign-up sheet in the communication center at church, so that we can carpool for the rally. There is an envelope in your offering box for LWMS, and those funds will be mailed to LWMS in October for the following missions: Caribbean Scholarship Fund and Proclaimers. Please contact with any questions Patsy Grasley or Charlene Beyer. For those who collect stamps for missions, this rally is the last time the stamps will be collected, so if you are saving stamps, please turn them in to Charlene Beyer.



**QUILTING** – Quilting will begin again for the winter months on Thursday, September 6 - from 9 to 1. Come and join us - bring a sack lunch. No sewing skills required. On August 20 Ray and Karen Lawrence took 24 quilts to Lutherans for Life and 33 quilts and afghans to the Institutional Ministry in Milwaukee. On September 10 they are planning take a car load of quilts to Northside Ministries in Milwaukee.

**MISSION TO THE CHILDREN OF NORTHERN MEXICO** - This year's collection for the mission is small Christmas toys for children. They should be new, unwrapped items for children ages 0-15 valued less than \$10 and no larger than a football. No play guns or weapons of any kind! Please do not send gifts that use batteries because the people there cannot afford new batteries. Gift suggestions include: action figures, books in Spanish, dolls, stuffed toys, outdoor toys such as balls, Frisbees, deflated soccer balls, and gloves, craft and art kits, cars and trucks for younger kids, jewelry and watches for older children, and the like. Please also give Walmart and Target gift cards for shoppers in Arizona to buy more toys, so that we save the cost of shipping gifts there. Please put donations in the labeled box in the church entryway by the end of September. Questions can be addressed to Patsy Grasley or Charlene Beyer, Co-Reporters for Lutheran Women's Missionary Society.

**GRIEFSHARE** – The loss of a loved one is one of the most difficult experiences we will face in our earthly lives. Many times after the funeral our friends and family return to their lives and we are left to struggle with profound pain, emptiness, tangled emotions and questions. In a non-judgement setting Griefshare can help. During 13-weeks topics such as: why do I feel the way I feel, the journey of grief, lessons of grief, grief and my relationships, why and heaven are discussed in an open, confidential setting with others that are suffering just as you are. Beginning on Thursday, Sept 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the church library St. Peters Lutheran Church, 108 W. Maple St. Sturgeon Bay, will offer Griefshare with facilitators that will walk through your pain with you. This caring ministry is offered to everyone in the community that needs a shoulder to lean on during these difficult times. Call Bob Johnson at 920-743-4431 for more information. Pre-registration not required, use the Larch Street entrance in the back of the church and follow the signs.

# *St. Paul's Lutheran School*

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## **PRINCIPAL'S PAGE**

What a Summer 2018! We are extremely grateful to have the remodeling project completed. Our new Administration Offices, Early Childhood room, Early Childhood playground, and Library will be a tremendous blessing to our students, staff, congregation, and community throughout the coming years of St. Paul's ministry.

Our school year begins with an opening service on Tuesday, September 4th. Everyone is invited to attend ...there will even be coffee and donuts for parents who come to drop of their child or children.

Our enrollment is up again this year with three new students in our elementary grades and a whole new group of three-year-old children entering preschool. We are so thankful that God blesses us with more opportunity to proclaim Christ to families!

Our theme for the 2018-2019 school year is "Growing and Building in Love", taken from Paul's letter to the Ephesians, chapter 4, verses 15-16. What a timely theme for St. Paul's as we just finished a building project to grow our love in Christ throughout our community. Our prayer is that God would continue to guide and bless our students, staff, and parents as we begin another school year under His Grace.

**SCHOOL ENROLLMENT** – If you haven't already, please enroll your child at St. Paul's school. Every day at school our children get to sit at the feet of their Savior and grow in their faith. If you have a neighbor or friend who is interested, please invite them to visit, get more information and enroll their children.

**LUNCH PROGRAM** – As we enter the year, please consider donating food and gift cards to our hot lunch program. Many members have also used their Thrivent action dollars to support this program.

**LITTLE SPROUTS PLAYGROUP** – We welcome new people all the time. We meet at our school on September 6 and 20 at 9:30 am. Please share this info with families who have children ages 0-5.

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**FISHBOIL @ ST. JOHN'S, VALMY** – The members of St. John, Valmy, invite you to join us on Sunday, September 16th, both for worship and our annual fish boil. Worship at 10:00 a.m. and the fish boil will begin after worship at or near 11:00 a.m. Depending on the number of attendees, there will be two boils, so if you can't make it for worship, a second boil will be ready between 11:30 - 11:45 a.m. The boil will consist of trout, onions and baby red potatoes. There will also be hot dogs for those who don't care for fish. Please sign up by email to Pastor Enstad: [pastor@stjohnvalmy.com](mailto:pastor@stjohnvalmy.com). We need a final count for attendees no later than September 11th, so that we can plan to supply the appropriate amount of food. There will be a free will offering gathered at the fish boil. Proceeds will help cover some of the costs of the meal (if needed). All other monies raised will be given to the Zion School Wish List Fund.

**TOUR OF GREECE** – You are invited to join a 10-day tour to Greece..."In the Footsteps of Paul". The tour, May 27 - June 5, 2019, includes a 3-day Mediterranean Cruise. Places of special interest include Phillippi, Corinth, Ephesus, Athens, Meteora, and Santorini. There is also an optional 3-day extension to Rome. For details, contact retired WELS pastor Eugene Kock at [pastorkock@yahoo.com](mailto:pastorkock@yahoo.com).