



FALL FUN FESTIVAL & TRUNK OR TREATING

Saturday, October 23, 2021

12:30 - 3 pm

SIGN UP: We're looking for volunteers to decorate their car and hand out candy or volunteers to help with games or serve food!!

Sign-up in the narthex today.

Do you have putters or golf balls we can borrow for a game at The Fall Fun Festival? Please put your name on your stuff so we make sure it gets back to you!

Contact Sue Werner with any questions at 517-304-4611.

This Week For The Lord	Looking Ahead One Week
10/10 Worship 8:30 "When God's People Pray" Group 10 AM Holy Communion 10 AM Confirmation Ministry 11:15 AM 10/11 "When God's People Pray" Group 6:30 PM 10/12 "When God's People Pray" Group 10 AM "When God's People Pray" Group 7 PM 10/13 "When God's People Pray" Group 7 AM "When God's People Pray" Group 7 PM	10/17 Holy Communion 8:30 "When God's People Pray" Group 10 AM Worship 10 AM 10/18 "When God's People Pray" Group 6:30 PM 10/19 "When God's People Pray" Group 10 AM College Packing 6 PM Board of Directors 6:30 PM "When God's People Pray" Group 7 PM 10/20 "When God's People Pray" Group 7 AM "When God's People Pray" Group 7 PM 10/23 Fall Fun Festival & Trunk or Treat

Serving in God's House:

Pastor Rev. Paul Werner
Organist Oziah Wales
Elders Jeff Krupp (E) Bruce McGlothlin, Bob Steindl (L)
Readers Christine Krupp (E) Tina Muska (L)
Acolytes Gwen Krupp (E)
Greeters Chuck & Fran Draga (E) Karen Anderson (L)
Sound Bruce McGlothlin, Priscilla Harden (E) Darren & Ann Conley (L)
Altar Guild Edna Klenz, Wanda Aschenbach
Head Usher Ron Fisher
Ushers Chuck Draga, Danny Kemery, Bob Kemmerle (E) Deby Lasko (L)

St. Paul Lutheran Church & Preschool

Sunday Worship Services: 8:30AM & 10AM

in-Person or Live Stream @ www.stpaulamherst.com

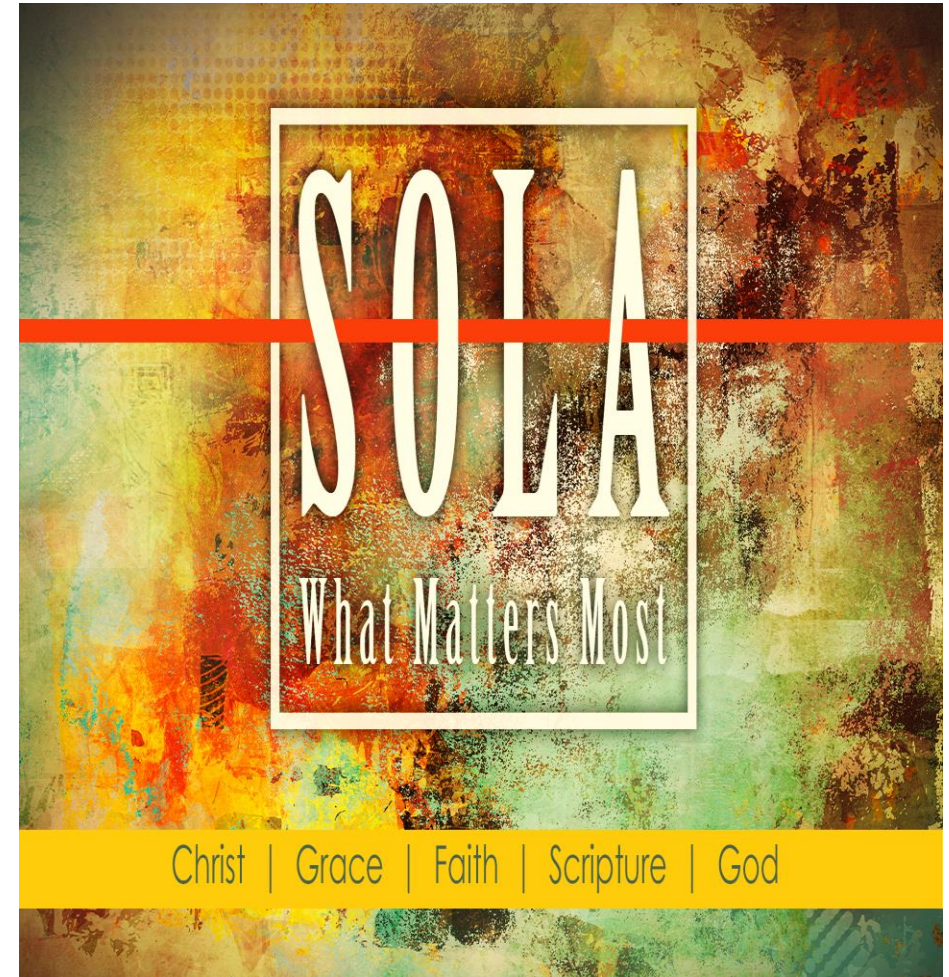
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Sunday, October 10, 2021

IN TODAY'S WORSHIP: As Children we learn quickly! Bad behavior results in unhappy discipline from mom or dad. Good behavior earns their praise, and maybe even a trip for ice cream. We learn that we get what we deserved. Grace is counter-intuitive. Grace is receiving way better than we ever deserve or earn. God gives His grace to you not because of what you've done, but because of who you are. You are His dearly loved child. Isn't God's grace amazing? Today we celebrate *Sola Gratia* – which means "Grace Alone." This core truth of the Reformation declares that forgiveness and heaven are yours, not because of anything you've done, but because God has made you His child.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Holy Spirit, as I enter to worship, open my heart and mind to Your working, that Your Word may grip my heart, working in me comfort and peace knowing my sins are forgiven by grace through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. Amen.

Whether this is your first time at St. Paul, or you're a "regular," we hope you see that our welcome mat is out for you. If you're a guest with us for the first time, we hope you'll find today's experience helpful to you, and you are invited back any Sunday at 8:30 AM or 10:00 AM.

Ushers are standing by to assist you in locating a seat, directing you to restrooms, coat racks, and any other help you might need.

Kids' Activity Bags are filled with crayons and coloring booklets, and other quiet things to keep kids' attention. They are in the back of the worship center or see an usher for these.

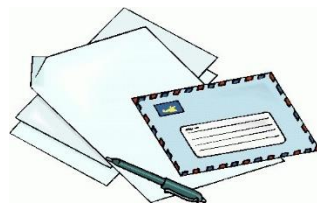
Worshippers who wish to receive Holy Communion are encouraged to thoroughly read the announcement on the following page regarding Communion reception.

Please Complete a Communication Card No matter whether this is your first time at St. Paul or you're a seasoned veteran around here, please fill out a Communication Card and place it in an offering plate at the sanctuary door. You'll find Communication Cards at the doors as you enter and in each pew. Thanks!

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Barb Spieker in remembrance of her husband, Dave Spieker.

College Addresses Needed

We are gathering addresses of our college students for the College care Package Event. We would like to send them a care package from their church family even if they are home and commuting to college. If you have a college student, please send their address to Judy at churchoffice@stpaulamherst.com by Sunday, October 17, 2021.



PRAYER Requests

- Pray for Steve Warnock and his family upon the death of his mother, Millie, in California. Millie lived a long full life, yet pray for God's comfort in their loss.
- Pray for Ida Horvatich who is going through rehabilitation in assisted living in Vermillion.
- Pray for Ron and Sherry Fisher who are recovering from covid. Ron was hospitalized several days with complications. Pray for full recovery for both of them.
- Pray for Ruth Williams who is recovering from covid at home.
- Pray for Eleanor Norheim and Ida Horvatich who are quarantined due to covid cases in their buildings.
- Pray for Cheryl Street and for Marty Offineer both who are in hospice care, and for their families. Pray that God give faith, peace, and guidance through the days and weeks ahead, and that they find great hope in God's promise of life everlasting.
- Pray for Connie who has pancreatic cancer; Roger who has leukemia; Summer (Katie Steindl's godmother) who is going through reconstructive surgery following mouth and throat cancer; Debbie Raesler who is struggling in her battle against cancer; Sherry (Kevin Starbuck's mother-in-law), Naomi Yates, Chris (sister-in-law of Virginia Warnock), Cindy Cole (cousin of Laurie Beran), and Michelle (friend of Beth Albrecht) who are battling cancer.
- Pray for those who have on-going chronic illnesses or shut-in: Danny Koch, Eleanor Norheim, Charles Waryu, Don Lamoreaux and Don Gramer, Ruth Pasta and Ruth Murdy, Wade Hubbard, Jack & Marilyn Green, Dorothy Barckert, Phyllis Darakis, Will & Lydia Rice, John Harden.
- For those celebrating birthdays this week: Karen Green, Jack Coleman, Ed Deidrick, Kathryn Moore, Emma Sekerak, Charles A. Draga,

Give your new neighbor a Fall Family Night What a great welcome gift basket that *you* can give to *your* new neighbor. It's in the narthex. All you need to do is write down the address on an entry form in the narthex. Do it today!

Kids' Church Has Resumed In the 10AM worship service kids can grow their faith in Jesus in a fun, kid-friendly way. At the beginning of the 10AM service children join their families in the worship sanctuary. Before the sermon, kids are invited to go to follow the adult leader to the upper level for Kids' Church. Kids will return to their families in the worship sanctuary.

COVID19 Prevention @ St. Paul Covid sicknesses are surging in our community. Some schools and businesses require wearing masks and proof of vaccination. Many people are becoming loudly critical of other people whose approach to the pandemic is different from their own. Here at St. Paul your Elders are keeping a close watch on this issue. We have discovered that the reasons a person decides to receive a vaccine or not, wear a mask or not are personal and carefully considered. We can't assume what personal factors move another person to respond as they do. So we do not want to hastily judge another person's response to covid. Please extend grace to one another as brothers and sisters in Christ as together we live through this time of pandemic. At St. Paul we ask each person and family to use their best judgement, deciding what is their best action to prevent the spread of the covid virus. If you choose to wear a face mask, please do. Free face masks are available at the main entrance if you would like one. Hand sanitizer is positioned throughout the church building. If you wish to keep social distance between yourself and others, please do so, and kindly ask others to respect your wishes. Thank you.

Sign Up today for Your Photo Time. To help us know one another better, we are making a new photo directory of St. Paul people. **It's FREE** to have your family picture taken. Each family photographed receives a free 8" x 10" photo, a church member photo directory booklet, and an amazing smart phone app that links you to St. Paul. That's right, your participation helps us know one another and it's free to you. You may choose to buy extras photos on your own, or have Christmas, anniversary, or graduation, pictures taken. The professional photographers will be at St. Paul, Thursday, November 11, 2pm-8:30pm; Friday, November 12, 2pm-8:30pm; and Saturday, November 13, 10:30 am-4pm. **Sign up today in the narthex/lobby before and after worship services.** You can also schedule your photo time now on-line Monday – Friday at www.ucdir.com. Enter our church code: OH2460. The user password is "photos."
Looking for volunteer to help on picture day to check families in. The shift we need to cover is Friday, November 12, from 5:30 to 8:30. If you can volunteer call Cindy Klein (440) 988-5649.



When God's People Pray

Plug in to a "When God's People Pray" Small Group Bible Study!

Check the Sign-Up Board in the Narthex for a Group that Fits You!

Participant's Discussion Books are available by the Sign-Up Board.

The Photo Directory Won't Be Complete Without *Everyone's* Picture. If you are going to be out of town or away at college when the photographers visit St. Paul November 11-13, we still want to see your smiling face in the new photo directory! Simply email a digital picture into the church office (churchoffice@stpaulamherst.com) by Friday, November 5th. You can even snap a beautiful mug shot from a phone! Physical photographs are also OK and can be mailed in or placed in the Church Drop Box under the portico at the main entrance. Physical photographs, however, can't be returned to you.

Opportunity to Serve ... Our church needs the cloth upholstery on the fellowship hall chairs cleaned. Over the years they have caught too many spills. It's a great opportunity for someone who likes to serve with their hands and behind the scenes. Contact our custodian, Tina Muska (440/985-2356 tinamuska@yahoo.com) to volunteer.

Nominations for Board of Directors and Preschool Board - Its that time to ask members of our church family to service as leaders. The Board of Directors oversees the growth of the church and handles the business matters that must be dealt with. The Preschool Board oversees and assists St. Paul's Preschool. The Nominations Committee is inviting members to serve in these boards. If you would like to nominate someone you think would be great in one of these roles, please contact Billy Swanzer (billy@swanzer.com) or Sandy Binggeli (sjbing2008@gmail.com). You may nominate yourself too.



College Care Package Donations

Each fall we send our college students a care package to remind them that their church family is supporting them. Items vary from chap stick, candy, small tissues, individually wrapped cookies, mints, gum fruit snacks, granola bars, hot coco. Items can be dropped off to the church office or in placed in the narthex. Also, to help defray the shipping cost of the boxes cash donations can be given to Judy Bloom. We will be packing the boxes on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 @ 6pm in

the open area of the education wing. Any questions contact Lee Steindl or Judy Bloom.