

St. Paul's  
**Family Fall Festival**  
 Trunk - or - Treat

Costumes Games  
 Fun Friends  
 Hot Dogs Crafts



SATURDAY OCT. 28th  
 11AM - 2PM



Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>  
**ONE Worship Service Together**  
**10:00 AM**  
 Lunch & Fellowship After Worship

**St. Paul Lutheran Church & Preschool**

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Sunday Worship Services: 8:30AM & 10AM

In-Person or Live Stream @ [www.stpaulamherst.com](http://www.stpaulamherst.com)

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**BEING**  
 CHALLENGE



**Prioritize Prayer**



## **Welcome to our Guests!**

**We're glad you're here!** 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. Please fill out a white "Communication Card" found in front of you in the pew rack, and place it in the offering plate later. And about the offering ... don't feel obligated to participate in giving because we – and God – are really glad you are here as our guest!

**Ushers are standing by to assist you** in locating a seat, directing you to restrooms, coat racks, and to our nursery.

**Nursery is available for children ages 3 and under.** An usher will be happy to direct you to our Nursery where parents may care for infants, and rambunctious toddlers will find a place to be ... themselves.

**Kids' Church** Families please join in the 10AM Worship Service, and kids will be excused to leave for Kids' Church, then return to parents at the end of the service.

**Kids' Activities** to keep little ones busy during the worship service – There are cloth bags filled with crayons and coloring booklets, and other quiet things to keep kids' attention. They are in the back of the worship center hanging on a small coat rack.

**IN TODAY'S WORSHIP** As we explore the five keystone habits of Jesus to help us grow in our relationship with God, today we focus on the third keystone habit: Prioritize Prayer. We live in a world in constant communication 24/7. Our most important communication is with our Father in heaven. God does more than just "put up with" our prayer, He invites us, welcomes our prayers, listens, and answers! He invites us to ask, seek, and knock. As we seek to grow closer to God, and as we seek to represent Him well to our world, we turn to Him in prayer.



**PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP** Father in heaven, in Your goodness You pour out on Your people all that they need, and satisfy those who persist in prayer. Make us bold in asking, thankful in receiving, tireless in seeking, and joyful in finding, that we may always proclaim Your coming kingdom and do Your will on earth as in heaven. Amen

**Altar Flowers given to the glory of God by** Carl & Karen Saegert celebrating their wedding anniversary and remembering their parents on their anniversary.

**HEAT IN ST. PAUL'S CHURCH BUILDING** - Our old heating boiler is running and providing sufficient heat right now. We have, however, ordered new equipment and we are waiting for installation.

**NEXT SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE @ 10 AM -- Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> is our next Fellowship Sunday.** Please join us as we worship *together* in one worship service at **10:00 AM**, and receive Holy Communion together. Then stay for lunch together in the fellowship hall. Main dish is provided and sign up to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert. Church pot-luck meals are always amazing! Sign up is in the narthex. This is part of St. Paul's ministry plan is that we grow in love for one another. We have stated, *All St. Paul members will feel known, loved and celebrated in Christ-centered relationships in the Body of Christ, and our love for one another will draw unbelieving people to the Church and to Christ.*

This Week For The Lord	Looking Ahead One Week
<b>10/22</b> Worship 8:30 AM Holy Communion / Kids Church 10 AM <b>10/24</b> Being Challenge Small Group 10 AM Being Challenge Women's Small Group 7 PM <b>10/26</b> Mens "Brotherhood, Bibles, & Brew" 7 PM ESP Brewing Co. 8055 Leavitt Rd, Amherst <b>10/28</b> Fall Festival / Trunk or Treat 11 AM	<b>10/29 Fellowship Sunday</b> Holy Communion 10 AM Fellowship Lunch 11 AM <b>10/31</b> Being Challenge Small Group 10 AM <b>11/2</b> Mens "Brotherhood, Bibles, & Brew" 7 PM ESP Brewing Co. 8055 Leavitt Rd, Amherst

### **Serving in God's House:**

<b>Pastor</b>	Rev. Paul Werner
<b>Elders</b>	Chuck Draga, John Kirschner (E) Darren Conley (L)
<b>Readers</b>	Sandy Long (E) Sue Werner (L)
<b>Acolytes</b>	Steve Warnock
<b>Greeters</b>	Mike & Debbie Smith (E) Karen Anderson (L)
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Donna Kemmerle
<b>Head Usher</b>	Ron Fisher
<b>Ushers</b>	Harold Gibson, Jeffrey Krupp, Steve Warnock (E) Brad Draga (L)

**Prayer Requests this Week:**     *“The Lord is Near to all who Call on HIM.”* Psalm 148:18

- Pray for Dave Bender and his family, as Dave’s father died suddenly on October 4<sup>th</sup>, and a Christian funeral took place yesterday in Michigan. Pray that God comfort them.
- Pray for Rev. Garrett Buvinghausen and the people of Bethany Lutheran Church of Wellington as Pastor Buvinghausen becomes their new pastor through the Rite of Installation on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Pray for St. Paul’s Family Fall Festival which takes place next Saturday, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>. Pray that God blesses as we share Jesus’ love.
- Praise God that Shirley Brumfield had a successful surgery, is recovering well, and she is at home now.
- Pray for Dorothy Barckert who is in Amherst Manor for rehab.
- Pray for Don Lamoreaux in the hospital with an infection.
- Please pray for Edna Klenz for healing in her arm and in her lungs.
- Pray for Elija to receive a kidney for transplant.
- Pray for Marilyn Novak, sister-in-law of Barb Spieker, who fell and broke her ankle.
- Pray for Jeff Howells who had a brain bleed and is in the hospital.
- Praise God that the immunotherapy Carole Naro is receiving as follow-up to surgery to remove cancer is going very well with few side effects.
- Pray for Geri Deidrick and Ed as Geri begins a treatment of chemotherapy to follow up surgery removing cancer.
- Pray for Lori Gingrich, sister of Lynn Jiovanazzo and Terri Gerber, who is now home doing rehab therapy and she will start chemo soon.
- Pray for Kuno Josupeit as he is home recovering and pray that his immune system can fight off an infection. Pray for Ron Klein, and Don Lamoreaux that they gain strength as they recover and receive therapy in their homes.
- Please pray for Paxton Roby as she has cancer; Bill Przbilowicz (neighbor of Don & Diane Lamoreaux) who has bone cancer; Eddy Daniels, a friend of Ron & Tina Muska, that the treatment for his cancer works and prolongs his life; Priscilla Harden’s sister in California who has cancer; Pat who has a brain tumor; Heather, a young mother of 3, who has cancer; Laura Stanley, (Ron Muska’s sister) who has lung cancer; Nelson Paquette (cousin of Laurie Beran) who has pancreatic cancer; Sherry (Kevin Starbuck’s mother-in-law); Chris (sister-in-law of Virginia Warnock); and pray for Pat Kidder.
- Pray for those who have on-going chronic illnesses or shut-in: Charles Waryu, Don Lamoreaux and Don Gramer, Ruth Murdy, Jack & Marilyn Green, Dorothy Barckert, Dale Mack, Phyllis Darakis, Will & Lydia Rice, John Harden, Andy Lasko.
- Pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Jackson Hopkins, Bob Kemmerle, Nate Hubbard, Will Hubbard, Kim Nabakowski, Deb McGlothlin, Geri Draga

**Letter from Ohio District President Rev. Dr. Kevin Wilson** ~ President Wilson has written a letter to all congregations and church members in our District of Ohio, W. Virginia, and Kentucky. Printed copies are available today on the table at the entrance to the Worship Sanctuary.



**Don’t forget to turn your clocks BACK 1 hour** before going to bed on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> so that you can make it the worship service on time on Sunday morning, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Annual Voters’ Assembly Meeting**

**Sunday, November 19, 2023 9:30am – 10:00am**

Please join us between Sunday morning worship services on November 19<sup>th</sup>. As a family of God we will elect officers for the next 3 years, consider the annual 2024 budget, and get updates on changes taking place in your church.

**YOUR SUGGESTIONS, PLEASE!** St. Paul’s Christmas Offering will be here soon. Every year we gather a special gift, above and beyond our normal offerings, as a “thank you” gift to God for sending us His Son, our Savior at Christmastime. This year-end gift has been a great blessing to accomplish some wonderful projects. We would like your suggestions of worthy recipients of this gift. The need can be local, national, or across the globe. We would prefer to support a worthy need that also agrees with our Christian Faith. Please submit your ideas in writing by Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. You may place a note in the offering plate, in the drop-box under the portico, or email to the church office ([churchoffice@stpaulamherst.com](mailto:churchoffice@stpaulamherst.com)). Please include your name in case we need to ask for more information such as address, website, etc. thank you, your Board of Directors.