

# WEEKLY CHURCH NEWS

July 6, 2025

St. Paul Lutheran Church  
10792 North 210 East • Seymour, IN 47274  
The Reverend Stephen Wood, Pastor

***OUR MISSION: Walking in Faith – Sowing Christ’s Love***

**TODAY’S WORSHIP  
LEADERS**

**Leaders:**  
Pastor Steve Wood

**Organist:** Olga Otte

**Deacons:**  
Dan Holle; Karen Dringenburg

**Communion Assistant:**  
Lou Ann Hoevener

**Communion Prep:**  
Lou Ann Hoevener

**Lectors:**  
Laberta Otte

**Acolytes:**  
Wyatt Hoevener

**Projectors:**  
Michelle Wood

**Camera:**  
**Need volunteer**

**Altar flowers are provided by:**  
Shirley Lewis

**St. Paul Lutheran Church** is a congregation of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (E.L.C.A.). It is referred to as “Borchers” since Rev. Henry Borchers, who served our congregation from 1857-1881, advised and influenced a small group of pioneer settlers that wanted to establish a congregation in the area. This year we celebrate 173 years of life and ministry. We look forward to many more years of growth and change as we seek continually to be faithful to God’s call to mission.

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion** is offered at the 8:00 a.m. services on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays and at the 10:15 a.m. service on the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month. Christians who believe in the true presence of Christ in the bread and wine for our forgiveness and salvation are invited to receive Holy Communion.

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**STAFF**

The Reverend Stephen Wood.....Pastor

Trish Tangman.....Care Team Director

Jamie Baker.....Youth & Family Ministries  
and Technology Director

Maddie Whiteside.....Youth & Family Ministries

Jennifer Duncan.....Borchers Preschool Director

Michelle Wood.....Secretary

Jennifer Duncan & Sam Plumlee.....Custodians

We gather today as God’s beloved children to worship our Heavenly Father. We praise his holy name, we listen eagerly for his words of comfort, hope, and challenge to us, and we offer ourselves to him in dedicated service. May you be blessed as you worship here today.

<b>This week: July 6-12</b>		
Sunday 6th	9:00 am	1 service NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
Tues. 8th	9:30 am	Bus leaves for Bell Ford Bridge Project trip
	4:00 pm	Bus returns
Thurs. 10th	9:00 am	Borchers Breakfast Club
	9:30 am	Tai Chi
Sat. 12th	2:00 pm	Open House for Florence Otte's 90th birthday (until 4:00 pm)

Pastor Steve & Michelle  
will be gone July 7-18

<b>Next week: July 13-19</b>		
Sunday 13th	Newsletter deadline	
	8:00 am	Communion
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	Worship
Tues. 15th	8:00 am	Bus leaves for Holiday World Trip
Thurs. 17th	9:00 am	Borchers Breakfast Club
	9:30 am	Tai Chi
	1:00 pm	Ruth Circle at San Marcos
Sat. 19th	9:00 am	Sporting Goods & Entertainment Swap (until 10:30)

**HEARING ASSISTANCE**—We have headphones available for those in need of assistance with hearing. They are located on the table at the entrance of the sanctuary.

**GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION WAFERS**—We have gluten-free communion wafers available. Indicate to the pastor when you come up for communion if you need these.

**FOOD PANTRY**—The food pantry items being collected in July are oatmeal, cereal and maple syrup. Please place your donations in the wooden box near the kitchen marked “Food Pantry”, or in the basket near the main entry doors. Items are given to Anchor House and Provisions.

**TURNING POINT**—In July, we are laundry detergent for Turning Point domestic violence shelter. There is a collection box near the kitchen.

## Summer Sunday School

### Needed:

Volunteers to lead

Volunteers to supply snacks

**Please sign up at the Welcome Center.** Any questions, talk to Jamie Baker

## **Bell Ford Bridge Project Trip**

Tuesday, July 8  
9:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Church bus is on the move! We're headed to Fishers, IN to see the installation of a portion of the Bell Ford bridge that originally spanned the White River between Cortland and Seymour. Afterwards we will have lunch at Foxgarden Family Kitchen, and do a bit of shopping at Hamilton Town Center. Sign up at the Welcome Center.

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## **Stock the Pantry for Intern Beth**

All our items have been filled! Thank you for supporting Intern Beth! Bring items back to church and place them in the designated container by **Sunday, July 13th**.

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## **Open House for Florence Otte's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

Saturday, July 12 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
in the fellowship hall

Everyone is welcome! No presents please! Let your presence be your present. If you are unable to attend, please send a card and say a prayer for this most blessed day! Cakes, cookies, snacks & drinks will be served.

RSVP to Leah

*Hosted by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren*

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## **Holiday World Trip**

*Jr. High, Sr. High & College students*

**Last day to sign up is July 13!**

Tuesday, July 15

Cost: \$20 for students

Spots on the bus are first come, first served. Extra drivers and chaperones may be needed. Extra tickets can be purchased at the group rate (\$40) if other family members would like to visit on the same date. For extra attendees, you must provide your own transportation and supervision.

## **Ruth Circle**

Thursday, July 17 at 1:00 p.m.

at San Marcos, 501 N. Ewing St., Seymour

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## **SWAP/GIVEAWAY**

### **Sporting Goods & Entertainment**

(books, DVDs, CDs, games)

SATURDAY, JULY 19

9:00-10:30

*(will remain on display Sunday, July 20)*

There has been interest expressed in "getting rid of our stuff". Things accumulate over the years and before we know it we just have too much stuff! Bring your excess themed stuff (clean and in working order, please!) to give away to others, and take what you need! Anything left over is then donated.

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## **Summer Garden Share**

On Sundays in July and August, there will be a table set up outside the front doors. If you have extra produce/vegetables from your garden, feel free to leave it there on Sunday mornings for others to take! Anything remaining after second service will be removed and taken to the Anchor House Food Pantry on Monday morning, by some of our congregation youth.

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## **Red Cross Blood Drive**

Tuesday, July 22

1:00 – 6:00 PM

in the fellowship hall

Please contact Joe Tormoehlen directly to schedule your donation time. Tell your friends and family about the next blood drive date at St. Paul! Thank you for continuing to remember the need for donations in our area.

## **Ladies' Lunch**

Tuesday, July 22 at 11:30 a.m.  
at the Jackson County Fair

Meet by tree near Sauers food booth

All are welcome for a short devotion, lunch and fellowship. Everyone pays for themselves.

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## **Daycamp Pool Party**

July 23      6:30-8:30 p.m.  
at Brownstown Pool

All welcome! *An adult MUST be present with their child their entire time at the pool*

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## **Updating Small Phone Directory**

Changes due by July 31

Please give address, email and phone number changes to the church office.

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## **CORN NEEDED**

We are in need of 40 gallons of freshly frozen corn for the Borchers Supper in November. Please sign-up at the Welcome Center if you can help.

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## **Women's Group Ideas**

I've had some people talk to me about possible ideas for new women's groups. If you are looking for something to enrich your spiritual and fellowship life, let me know what you're looking for. Hopefully we can get some new groups together.

—Michelle Wood

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## **Borchers Preschool Registration Forms**

Registration forms for the 2025-26 school year are available at the Welcome Center.

July 6,  
2025

# GOING DEEPER

The purpose of this page is to provide a tool or instrument for your spiritual growth. This page contains a brief synopsis of the readings as well as some questions for your reflection to help you go deeper with the Word. On the back is a day by day listing of scripture readings with possible prayer request. Individuals are listed on their day of birth—so that you might pray for them on their birthday. Also on the back is the prayer list for the congregation. Keep on Growing Spiritually!!

## READINGS FOR THE DAY:

**Isaiah 66:10-14:** Those who returned from the exile found that the hopes for the glorious restoration of Judah were not completely fulfilled. For these disappointed people, the prophet envisions salvation in the image of a nursing woman. Mother Jerusalem and a mothering God remind the community how they are sustained and supported.

**Galatians 6:1-16:** In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one another in 'the family of faith.'

**Luke 10:1-11, 16-20:** Jesus commissions harvesters and laborer to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.

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## QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

- 1—How do you make a joyful to God, all the earth? (Psalm 66:1-9)
- 2—What practices in your life are most important to you right now as public signs of your faith? (Galatians 6:1-16)
- 3—How might you be 'overpacking' for your faith journey? (Luke 10:1-11, 16-20)
- 4—How do these texts speak to you today?

**Prayer:** *O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world. Amen.*

## NOTES

## MEMORY VERSE: GALATIANS 6:2

<sup>2</sup>Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

# GOING DEEPER IN PRAYER

## Sunday 7/6

Esther 10:1-3  
Hebrews 11:1-40  
✦ world peace

## Monday 7/7

Job 1:1-22  
Hebrews 12:1-29  
✦ Sage Zakrzewski  
✦ people who work outside

## Tuesday 7/8

Job 2:1-13  
Hebrews 13:1-25  
✦ Spencer Parrish  
✦ Sweet Cheeks diaper pantry

## Wednesday 7/9

Job 3:1-26  
James 1:1-27  
✦ Hannah Young, David Bode  
✦ the president

## Thursday 7/10

Job 4:1-21  
James 2:1-26  
✦ the ministry of the congregation

## Friday 7/11

Job 5:1-27  
James 3:1-18  
✦ Florence Otte, Sailor Rust, Carmen Herkamp, Jacoby Begley  
✦ people undergoing cancer treatments

## Saturday 7/12

Job 6:1-30  
James 4:1-17  
✦ Christians in Jordan

## PRAYER LIST

### Recent Hospitalizations:

Dot Goodwin (*fall*)  
Dan Anderson (*surgery*)  
Dustin Jones (*broken neck—relative of Molly Claycamp*)  
Jetlyn Walls (*infant-heart surgery-niece of Shelby McCory*)

### Other Prayer Requests:

Family & friends of Nancy Fox (mother of Ben Fox)  
Family & friends of Maverick Flinn (great-nephew of Ben Fox)  
Charlie Fox (father of Ben Fox)  
Family & friends of Curt Benter (father of Susie Schnitker)  
Mark Rorick (*heart attack*)  
Pastor John Wanamaker (*cancer*)  
Bob Butcher (*health issues—friend of Susie Alstatt*)  
Sandy Smith (*Robert Smith's mother*)  
Doris Otte (*pneumonia*)  
Gary Mellencamp (*heart*)  
Pete Engalau  
Ed Engalau (*cancer*)  
Betty Cox (*heart—friend of Sharon Carpenter*)  
Courtney Hardebeck (*illness—friend of Cassie Fox*)  
Lisa McGaha (*cancer—friend of Amy Rosenberger*)  
Steve Starr (*health issues*)  
John Schafstall (*heart*)  
Jan Otte (*foot surgery*)  
Pegi Bricker (*spinal surgery—friend of Kendra Harris*)  
Ainsleigh Knight (*accident—friend of Kathy England*)  
Kermit Paswater (*brother of Daryl Paswater*)  
Megan White (*leukemia—friend of Kendra Harris*)  
Keila de Oliveria (*mother of Jordana Hendrix*)  
Monty Reynolds (*prostate cancer—friend of Kathy England*)  
Hallie Crane (*leukemia—friend of Heidi Wheatley*)  
Annie Walton (*friend of Carrie Morrison*)  
Hannah & Jimmy Whitaker  
(*medical concerns—friends of Kathy England*)  
Paul Lewis (*melanoma-step-dad of Tim England*)  
Mark Gillespie (*cancer-friend of Charlotte Guinn*)  
Kyra Groves (*cancer—friend of Kirstie Newkirk*)  
Ernie Kleffman (*back*)  
Treva & Danny Edwards  
(*health issues—relatives of Robert Smith*)  
Michelle Sallee (*cancer—friend of Gretchen Lawles and Linda Guinn*)  
Debbie Schroer (*kidney cancer-mother of Tracey Engalau*)  
Carol & Floyd Browning  
Doug Stickles (*blood disorder-friend of Donald Schnitker*)  
Steve Smith (*cancer—brother-in-law of Mark Rorick*)

### Prayer for Homebound Individuals:

Patty Herkamp; Selma Mellenbruch, Paul Newkirk

### Prayer for Long Term Care Issues:

Helen Carter; Andy Runge; Gavin Brown (friend of Leah Otte); Robert Noblitt (Chris Kleffman's father)

### Prayers for those in Military Service:

Noah Hendrix (nephew of KY Hendrix); Nate Otte (Chris Otte's cousin); Andrew Yerrell (Roger Douglass' grandson); Seth Douglass; Conner Douglass

## OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

### We Worshipped:

June 29—8:00 service: 98      10:15 service: 53

### Financial Report:

June 22—Spending Plan: \$3,161.00   Other giving: \$180.00   New parsonage: \$235.00  
TOTAL: \$3,576.00

June 29—Spending Plan: \$4,972.83   Other giving: \$915.85   New parsonage: \$60.00  
TOTAL: \$5,948.68

### WORSHIP LEADERS FOR JULY 13:

**Communion Assistant:**  
*NEED VOLUNTEER*

**Communion Prep:**  
Jodi Brown (8:00)

**Lectors:**  
Audrey Newkirk (8:00)  
Judy Wanning (10:15)

**Acolytes:**  
Caleb Baker (8:00)  
Kayla Franke (10:15)

**Projectors:**  
Susie Schnitker (8:00)  
Matt Tangman (10:15)

**Camera:**  
Tim England

**Altar flowers are provided by:**  
**Need volunteer**

**Sunday School leader:**  
*Need volunteer*

**Sunday School snacks:**  
Herbert family

### READINGS FOR JULY 13:

Deuteronomy 30:9-14  
Psalm 25:1-10  
Colossians 1:1-14  
Luke 10:25-37

### OUR CORE VALUES:

1. **Spirituality** – to worship, grow and develop spiritually as Christians.
2. **Outreach** – to spread the message of God's love and grace by word and action
3. **Service to Others** – to live Christ's message to love one another

You can support the mission of our church by coming to worship, engaging in study, sharing the word, bringing a friend to church, taking part in Care Team initiatives, volunteering at church or in the community and loving one another. We invite you to join us in this journey.

### HOW TO CONTACT US:

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Web Site: [stpaul-borchers.org](http://stpaul-borchers.org)

Michelle's office hours:  
Monday—8:30-2:30  
Wednesday—8:30-2:30  
Friday—8:30-12:30

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