

# WEEKLY CHURCH NEWS

June 7, 2026

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  
Intern Beth Sheedy

**Organist:** Olga Otte

**Deacons:**  
Dan Holle; Gerald Wayt

**Communion Assistant:**  
Dan Davis (10:15)

**Communion Prep:**  
Linda Guinn (10:15)

**Lectors:**  
Amy Rotert (8:00)  
Lois Bryden (10:15)

**Acolytes:**  
Wyatt & Willie Hoevener (8:00)  
Sage Zakrzewski (10:15)

**Projectors:**  
Sam Engelau (8:00)  
Michelle Wood (10:15)

**Sunday School Leader:**  
*Need volunteer*

**Sunday School Snacks:**  
*Need volunteer*

**Altar flowers are provided by:**

**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 174 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  
Beth Sheedy.....Pastoral Intern  
Trish Tangman.....Care Team Director  
Jamie Baker.....Youth & Family Ministries  
and Technology Director  
Jennifer Duncan.....Borchers Preschool Director  
and Custodian  
Michelle Wood.....Secretary

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.

**This week: June 7-12**

Sunday 7th	8:00 am	Worship
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	Communion
	1:00 pm	Daycamp set-up
	6:00 pm	Anniversary Commi.
Monday 8th	9:15 am	Doors open
	9:30 am	Daycamp begins
	11:30 am	Preschool pick-up
	2:30 pm	Elementary pick-up
Tuesday 9th	9:15 am	Doors open
	9:30 am	Daycamp begins
	11:30 am	Preschool pick-up
	3:00 pm	Carnival (until 4:30)
Wed. 10th	9:15 am	Doors open
	9:30 am	Daycamp begins
	11:30 am	Preschool pick-up
	2:30 pm	Elementary pick-up
	6:00 pm	Family Pool Night (until 8:00 pm)
Thurs. 11th	8:45 am	Senior Daycamp Trip leaves
	9:15 am	Doors open
	9:30 am	Daycamp begins
	11:30 am	Preschool pick-up
	3:00 pm	Bike Ride/Hay Ride (until 5:00 pm)
Friday 12th	9:15 am	Doors open
	9:30 am	Daycamp begins
	11:30 am	Preschool pick-up
	2:30 pm	Elementary pick-up

**Next week: June 14-19**

Sunday 14th	Daycamp kids sing at both services	
	Gerkensmeyer deadline	
	Newsletter deadline	
	8:00 am	Communion
	9:00 am	Sunday School
Monday 15th	10:15 am	Worship
	6:30 pm	Mission Trip Parent Meeting
	7:00 pm	Church Council
Tuesday 16th	11:30 am	Ladies Lunch at Taku
	7:00 pm	Internship Committee
Wed. 17th	1:00 pm	Widows Group
Thurs. 18th	9:00 am	Borchers Breakfast Club
	9:30 am	Tai Chi
	7:00 pm	Men's Group

**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.

**MAGNIFYING SHEETS** 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 item being collected in June is canned fruit. Please place your donations in the wooden box near the kitchen marked "Food Pantry", or in the basket near the main entry doors. Donations are taken to Provisions, Anchor House or Jamestown Apartments.

**TURNING POINT**—In June, we are collecting hair brushes, combs, hair spray, hair mousse, hair gel for Turning Point domestic violence shelter. There is a collection box near the kitchen.

# Summer Sunday School

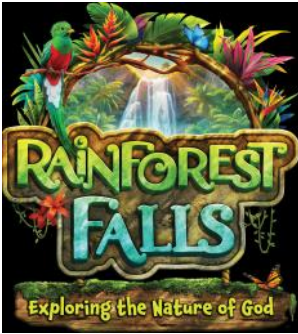
## NEEDED:

Volunteers to lead — Volunteers to supply snacks

Please sign up at the Welcome Center

Any questions, talk to Jamie Baker

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## Daycamp

June 8-12

You can still register!

Daycamp kids will sing at both services on June 14

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## 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee

TODAY at 6:00 p.m.

in the Jr. High Sunday School room

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## Senior Daycamp Trip

Louisville, KY

Thursday, June 11

The Borchers Breakfast Club will have its annual Daycamp outing when the facilities are overrun by children. We will head south to Louisville and Riverside, the Farnsley-Moreman Landing for a tour of the historic home and grounds of this 300-acre farm which overlooks the Ohio River. We will have lunch at Mike Linnig's Seafood followed by a visit to Little Loom House for a tour and a mini-lesson in weaving a coaster to keep. Bus will leave at 8:45 AM and return around 4:00 PM. All expenses are paid for BBC participants and a guest by Borchers Breakfast Club. **Regular BBC will not meet on that Thursday.**

# **Gerkenmeyer Scholarships**

**Due date: June 14**

The Emil Gerkenmeyer Foundation awards a \$3,000 scholarship to students who have (1) been confirmed at St. Paul's, (2) continued active membership here, and (3) completed one year of education beyond high school. This tax-exempt foundation was created with the proceeds of Emil's estate, and is administered by the pastor, council president, and Sunday School superintendent. Please submit a letter of request along with a copy of your transcript to the church office by June 14. Please put in the Gerkenmeyer Foundation mailbox.

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## **Newsletter Deadline**

June 14

Please give information to the church office.

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## **Mission Trip Parent Meeting**

June 14 at 6:30 p.m.

We will go over a detailed itinerary, expectations, packing lists and answer any questions. Please bring signed forms for the trip — one form must be NOTARIZED. Extra forms are located in the high school room.

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## **Ladies Lunch**

Tuesday, June 16 at 11:30 a.m.

Taku, 305 Fourth St., Columbus

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## **Group for Widows**

Wednesday, June 17 at 1:00 p.m.

Grief is hard. If you are a widow, you may find that caring support from other widows can help you on your grief journey. No matter how long you've been on your journey, if you feel sharing your experiences with other widows would be helpful, please reach out to Debbie Rust or Trish Tangman.

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## **Men's Group**

Thursday, June 18 at 7:00 p.m.

We meet the 3rd Thursday of each month. Come for Bible study and fellowship. **All men are welcome!** Questions? Talk to Chris Otte or Dean Dringenburg.

# **Hospice Presentation**

Tuesday, June 23  
7:00-8:30 p.m.

Rachel Bullard, a registered nurse and director of Home Health Care and Hospice at Schneck Medical Center, will give a presentation on hospice care.

She will discuss: when is the right time, what is covered under the Medicare benefit, services that are offered, and advanced care planning. Any questions, talk to Trish Tangman.

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## **Help Needed: Funeral Dinners**

WELCA is asking for 4 volunteers to be on a rotation for funeral dinner kitchen leader. The leader will be responsible for overseeing the dinner. The current sign-up sheet for donations and helpers will continue. If willing to be a leader or have questions, contact Linda Newkirk.

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## **PICNIC GROVE MOWING VOLUNTEERS**

are needed through October.

Please sign up at the Welcome Center.

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## **Bazaar Craft & Bake Sale Area**

We sold out of lots of items last Fall, so we need people to be crafty this summer and think about homemade canned goods when planting and harvesting their gardens. Any questions, talk to Mandy Otte.

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## **Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Summer Camps**

Information is available at the Welcome Center.

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## **Borchers Preschool Registration**

Forms for 2026-27 school year are available at the Welcome Center.

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# 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:

**Hosea 5:15-6:6:** Because the people have trusted in military powers instead of God and have engaged in idolatrous worship practices, God decides to withdraw until Israel acknowledges its guilt and seeks God's face. The response of the people does not acknowledge this guilt and is as fickle as fog or dew burned away quickly by the sun. God desires loyalty rather than words or meaningless deeds.

**Romans 4:13-25:** Paul presents Abraham as a living model of right relationships. For Abraham and for us, a right relationship with God involves trusting that God's promises will be fulfilled because God makes the dead alive and calls into existence what otherwise does not exist.

**Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26:** Jesus demonstrated God's mercy and power, accepting the unacceptable and curing the incurable. Even the dead receive new life.

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## QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

- 1— What does it mean that God 'desires steadfast love and not sacrifice'? (Hosea 5:5-6:6)
- 2—How easy or difficult has it been for you lately to trust in God's promises? (Romans 4:13-25)
- 3—How do you resemble the leader in the synagogue? (Matthew 28:16-20)
- 4—How do these texts speak to you today?

***Prayer:*** O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son. Amen.

## NOTES

## MEMORY VERSE: HOSEA 6:6

<sup>6</sup>For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

# GOING DEEPER IN PRAYER

## Sunday 6/7

Jeremiah 21:1-14  
Matthew 24:1-51  
✦ Brooke Schafstall  
✦ world peace

## Monday 6/8

Jeremiah 22:1-30  
Matthew 25:1-46  
✦ Grace Otte Moore, Ben Peek, Annabelle Johnson  
✦ DayCamp

## Tuesday 6/9

Jeremiah 23:1-40  
Matthew 26:1-35  
✦ Joe Tormoehlen, Gwen Newkirk  
✦ Provisions

## Wednesday 6/10

Jeremiah 24:1-10  
Matthew 26:36-75  
✦ Dan Hoene, Maggie Rorick  
✦ NAMI

## Thursday 6/11

Jeremiah 25:1-38  
Matthew 27:1-31  
✦ Anna Holle, Charlena Warfield, Sara Rapp,  
Tiffany Otte, Joshua Rotert  
✦ missionaries

## Friday 6/12

Jeremiah 26:1-24  
Matthew 27:32-66  
✦ Cole Fosbrink  
✦ people seeking employment

## Saturday 6/13

Jeremiah 27:1-22  
Matthew 28:1-20  
✦ Lainey Jackson  
✦ Christians in Indonesia

### Prayer for Homebound Individuals:

*Patty Herkamp; Selma Mellenbruch,  
Paul Newkirk, Sonna Wentz, Shirley Runge*

### 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);  
Andrew & Joanah Yerrell (Roger Douglass'  
grandson & wife); Seth Douglass*

## PRAYER LIST

### Recent Hospitalizations:

Jim Hoffmeier (father of Mark Hoffmeier)  
Calleigh Kidd (*relative of Kathy Kidd*)  
Lisa Bergman (*brain surgery—sister of Clayton Franke*)  
Amelia Jessup (*heart—granddaughter of Loyal Waltz*)

### Other Prayer Requests:

Family & friends of Jan Otte  
Family & friends of Glen Schurman (father of Gwen Newkirk)  
Family & friends of Hannah Ray (friend of Mindy Siffard)  
Dave Bode (*eye surgery*)  
George Rorick (*cancer—brother of Mark Rorick*)  
Leai Easley (*granddaughter of Carmen Herkamp*)  
Melissa Newberry (*brain surgery—friend of Kathy England*)  
Darrin Davis (*cancer—brother of Susie Alstatt*)  
Adelee Davis (*cancer—relative of Daryl Paswater*)  
Myra & Jerry Mellencamp  
(*health issues—friends of Dave Bode, Bill & Judy Wonning*)  
Florence Otte  
Olga Otte (*surgery*)  
Marilyn Saum (*friend of Doris Sparks*)  
Donald Schnicker (*knee*)  
Phil Hardwick (*cancer—brother-in-law of Tim Hoevener*)  
Sharon Carpenter (*cancer—mother of Holly Otte*)  
Lori Hatfield (*knee replacement*)  
Betty Toxey (*broken hip—grandmother of Erik Zakrzewski*)  
Bev Alstatt (*health issues—mother of Kendall Alstatt*)  
Alice Bayman (*cancer—Olga Otte's sister*)  
Barbara Otte (*health—aunt of Ruth Ann Hendrix*)  
Kim Dringenburg (*surgery*)  
Maura Alicia Amador (*health—friend of Ruth Ann Hendrix*)  
Bufard Fields (*heart issues—step-father of Gerald Wayt*)  
Lisa Magaha (*cancer—friend of Amy Rosenberger*)  
Tucker Wathen (*brain cancer—friend of Karen Brigdon*)  
Sandy Smith (*Robert Smith's mother*)  
Paul Franke (*heart—Clayton Franke's father*)  
Haylee Stuckwisch  
(*pregnancy issues—friend of Carrie Morrison*)  
Randall Frost  
(*cancer—uncle of Chris Otte and friend of Dave Bode*)  
Sandy Kovener (*heart—friend of Shirley Lewis*)  
Stephanie Griecius (*cancer—friend of Karen Dringenburg*)  
Kay Hoene  
Bonnie Herkamp (*cancer-relative of Carmen Herkamp*)  
August Herkamp (*granddaughter of Carmen Herkamp*)  
Jaxon Reinhart (*cancer—friend of Grant & Caleb Wheatley*)  
Patricia Lewis (*cancer—Tim England's mother*)  
Brooke Elmore (*cancer—friend of Tammi Reinbold*)  
Kevin Trask (*cancer—friend of Chris Otte*)  
Linda Lloyd (*medical—Tim England's aunt*)  
Olivia Sons (*epileptic seizures—friend of Kathy England*)  
Monty Reynolds (*prostate cancer—friend of Kathy England*)  
Paul Lewis (*melanoma—step-dad of Tim England*)  
Mark Gillespie (*cancer-friend of Charlotte Guinn*)  
Ernie Kleffman (*back*)  
Treva Edwards (*health issues—relatives of Robert Smith*)  
Michelle Sallee (*cancer-friend of Gretchen Lawles &  
Linda Guinn*)

## OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

### We Worshipped:

May 31 — 8:00 service: 115      10:15 service: 63

### Financial Report:

May 31— Spending Plan: \$2,994.00    Other giving: \$140.00    New parsonage: \$120.00  
TOTAL: \$3,254.00

{The weekly amount needed to cover expenses in the  
2026 Spending Plan is \$8,149.00}

### WORSHIP LEADERS FOR JUNE 14:

#### Communion Assistant:

Lou Ann Hoevenner (8:00)

#### Communion Prep:

Phyllis Cupp (8:00)

#### Lectors:

Erin Otte (8:00)

Leon Seitz (10:15)

#### Acolytes:

Emily Morris & Ben Rapp (8:00)

Emma Franke (10:15)

#### Projectors:

Abe Engelau (8:00)

Matt Tangman (10:15)

#### Sunday School Leader:

*Need volunteer*

#### Sunday School Snacks:

*Need volunteer*

#### Altar flowers are provided by:

Laberta Otte

### READINGS FOR JUNE 14:

Exodus 19:2-8

Psalms 100

Romans 5:1-8

Matthew 9:35-10:8-23

### 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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Michelle's office hours:

Monday—8:30-2:30

Wednesday—8:30-2:30

Friday—8:30-12:30

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Services are available on YouTube:

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