# Weekly Church News

## November 1, 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

**Leader:**
Pastor Steve Wood

**Organist:**
Olga Otte

**Deacons:**
Dan Holle; Gerald Wayt

**Communion Assistant:**
Tammi Reinbold (8:00)
Larry Guinn (10:15)

**Communion Prep:**
Wanda Engelau (8:00)
Teresa Browning (10:15)

**Lector:**
Amelia Shaw (8:00)
Lois Bryden (10:15)

**Acolyte:**
Wade Rapp & Connor Shaw (8:00)
Sage Zakrzewski (10:15)

**Projectors:**
Abe Engelau (8:00)
Kathy England (10:15)

**Altar flowers are provided by:**
Kendall & Susie Alstatt

**Sunday School Snacks:**

**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 2nd and 4th Sundays and at the 10:15 a.m. service on the 1st and the 3rd 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

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: November 1-7**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Sunday 1st | | Daylight Savings Time ends |
| | | All Saints Day |
| | | God's Global Barnyard banks distributed |
| | | Luther League deposit due |
| | 8:00 am | Communion |
| | 9:00 am | Sunday School |
| | 10:15 am | Communion |
| Monday 2nd | 9:00 am | Preschool |
| | 10:30 am | Bookmobile |
| | 8:00 pm | Dartball at home (Immanuel 1) |
| Tues. 3rd | 6:30 pm | Kids bells |
| Wed. 4th | 9:00 am | Preschool |
| | 6:30 pm | Bazaar Table Set-up |
| | 6:30 pm | Wednesday Night Youth |
| | 7:30 pm | Adult Bells |
| Thurs. 5th | | NO DEVOTIONS |
| | | NO BBC |
| | | NO TAI CHI |
| | | NO WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY |
| Friday 6th | 9:00 am | Preschool |
| | 9:00 am | Bazaar prep begins |
| | 9:00 am | Turkey & dressing due |
| | 12:00 pm | Crafts & baked goods due |
| | 1:00 pm | Salads & desserts due |
| | 4:00 pm | Meal begins (Until 7:00 pm) |
| | 6:30 pm | Confirmation students leave for retreat |
| Sat. 7th | | Confirmation Retreat at Lutheran Hills |

**This week: November 8-14**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Sunday 8th | 8:00 am | Communion |
| | 9:00 am | Sunday School |
| | 10:15 am | Worship |
| | Approx. 12:00 pm | Confirmation Retreat youth return |
| | 6:00 pm | Anniversary Committee |
| Monday 9th | 9:00 am | Preschool |
| | 8:00 pm | Dartball at Dudleytown N |
| Tues. 10th | 1:00 pm | Prayer Shawl |
| | 6:30 pm | Kids bells |
| Wed. 11th | 9:00 am | Preschool |
| | 6:30 pm | Wednesday Night Youth |
| | 7:00 pm | Bazaar Re-cap meeting |
| | 7:30 pm | Adult Bells |
| Thurs. 12th | 9:00 am | Borchers Breakfast Club |
| | 9:30 am | Cybersecurity Seminar at BBC |
| | 10:00 am | Tai Chi |
| | 4:30 pm | Cell Phone Rescue (until 5:30) |
| | 7:00 pm | Women's Bible study |
| Friday 13th | 9:00 am | Preschool (Doughnuts with Dad) |

**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** – In November, we are collecting microwave mac & cheese/SpaghettiO's. Please place your donations in the wooden box near the kitchen marked "Food Pantry", or in the basket near the main entry doors. Donations will be taken to Provisions, Anchor House, or Jamestown Apartments.

# WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Michelle will be making the worship helper rotation list for December-May soon.
***If you have any changes, dates to avoid, etc., please let her know.***

Job descriptions are listed below:

- ***Communion Assistant*** — helps distribute communion during worship service
- ***Communion Prep***—helps prepare communion before the worship service & cleans up after
- ***Lector***—reads the lessons during worship service
- ***Projectors***—runs the slides on the projector screens during worship service
- ***Cameras***—operates the cameras remotely during live streaming at 8:00 worship service

***We can always use new volunteers! If you're interested, please talk to Michelle.***

---

# God's Global Barnyard Banks

AVAILABLE TODAY

We are once again collecting money in barn banks for Thanksgiving to purchase animals through ELCA Good Gifts to help those in developing countries. Please return your bank at our Thanksgiving Eve service on **November 25**. Banks can also be left in in the bin at the sanctuary entrance by **November 29**. Sunday School classes will vote on animals to purchase with the donations.

---

# National Youth Gathering Deposit

## DUE TODAY

Luther League reminder that the deposits for the Youth Gathering trip this summer ($100) are due on November 1 to make sure we secure the best scheduling and rates. Deposit amounts will go up after this date, if space is available. Details given out at the September and October meetings, are found in GroupMe, and printed in the high school room. Contact Jamie Baker with any questions.

# Young Adult Gathering

Young adults, ages 18 to 25, that have an interest in planning a trip to the Young Adult Gathering at the same time as the Youth Gathering in Minneapolis this summer, please contact Jamie Baker to discuss group options.

---

# Bookmobile at St. Paul

November 2, 15 and 30 10:30-11:00 a.m.

Every other Monday the Jackson County Library Bookmobile will visit our Borchers Preschool. During that time, the public is invited to visit the Bookmobile as well!

# BORCHERS SUPPER & BAZAAR

## November 6 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Supper includes a turkey and ham dinner with all the trimmings

*FREE-WILL DONATION -- Dine-in or Carryout*
*25% of proceeds benefit World Hunger*

**The following things are still needed.**
**Please sign up TODAY**

**Kitchen Crew**
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 2
3:45-5:30 2
5:15 – 7:00 3

**Bazaar table**
3:45-5:30 1
5:15 – 7:00 1

**Greeting table**
5:15-7:00 1

**Carry Assistance**
3:45-5:30 2

**Dishwashers**
3:00-5:30 2
5:30-8:00 2

**Bus tables** (clear and clean tables)
3:45-5:30 4
5:15-7:00 1

**Serving Line Tables** (monitor serving line & notify kitchen to replenish food)
3:45 – 5:30 1
5:15 – 7:00 1

**Wipe trays**
3:45-5:30 1

**Clean-up Fellowship Hall** 2

**Clean-up Kitchen** 6

| | |
|---|---|
| Lettuce salads (overnight, taco salad, etc.) | 4 |
| Vegetable salads (coleslaw, broccoli& cauliflower, etc.) | 3 |
| Jello salad | 7 |
| Crème pies | 8 |
| Fruit pies | 4 |
| Pecan pies | 4 |
| Blackberry cobbler | 1 |
| Lemon Robert Redford | 2 |
| Peach Cobbler | 2 |

## Table Set-up for Bazaar

**November 4 at 6:30 p.m.**

Come help if you can!

## Friday, November 6

**Bazaar Prep**
Begins at 9:00 a.m.

**Turkey & dressing due**
9:00 a.m.

**Crafts & baked good due**
12:00 p.m.

**Salads & desserts due**
1:00 p.m.

## Bazaar Recap Meeting

Wednesday, November 11
7:00 p.m.

# Confirmation Retreat

## November 6-8 at Lutheran Hills

Bus leaves at 6:30 pm on November 6.
Extra copies packing lists are available online and at the YFM bulletin board.

---

# It's Dartball Season Again!

Beginning in November 2

Dartball is a game in which darts are thrown at a large wooden board that resembles a baseball field with colored areas which denote bases. We play other Lutheran churches in the area. Games are on Monday nights at 8:00 p.m. Contact Merrell Otte if you are interested in playing.

---

# Anniversary Committee

Sunday, November 8 at 6:00 p.m.

---

# Cyber Security Seminar at Breakfast Club

Thursday, November 12th, starting at 9:30 a.m.

Matt Scholber and Bryan Kovener of Prosperity Financial will present a half-hour Cyber Security seminar during Borchers Breakfast Club. The program will highlight current methods for securing computer accounts against scammers, with no product pitch involved. Matt and Bryan will also join us for breakfast and devotions that morning. ***Please note that Tai Chi will be moved to 10:00 AM on November 12th to accommodate the presentation. ALL ARE WELCOME!***

---

# Cell Phone Rescue

Thursday, November 12
4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the narthex seating area

Another session of help with cell phone questions is being offered! Karen Brigdon is again volunteering her time. Bring your phone and your questions and Karen will try to help!

---

# Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, November 24

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.

# Going Deeper

**November 1, 2026**

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:

**Revelation 7:9-17**: John describes a magnificent vision of a countless multitude from every nation, tribe, people, and language gathered before God's throne in worship. These faithful ones, having endured great suffering, are now sheltered in God's presence, where hunger, thirst, sorrow, and death are overcome. The Lamb becomes their shepherd, guiding them to the water of life, while God wipes away every tear.

**I John 3:1-3:** John celebrates the extraordinary love of God, who calls us children of God—not simply as a future promise, but as our present identity. Although we cannot yet fully comprehend what we will become, we are assured that we will be transformed into Christ's likeness when we see him as he is. This hope inspires us to live faithfully as God's beloved children.

**Matthew 5:1-12**: In the Beatitudes, Jesus proclaims God's blessings upon those whom the world often overlooks: the poor in spirit, the grieving, the meek, the merciful, the peacemakers, and those who suffer for righteousness. These blessings reveal the surprising values of God's kingdom, where greatness is measured not by power or possessions but by humility, mercy, and faithfulness. Jesus assures his followers that even amid hardship and persecution, they can rejoice in the promise of God's kingdom.

## Questions To Ponder:

***1*— How does the promise of being gathered with all God's saints, where suffering and sorrow are no more, bring us comfort and hope in our lives today? *(Revelation 7:9-17)***

***2*— How might recognizing ourselves and others as beloved children of God change the way we live and treat one another? *(I John 3:1-3)***

***3*— Which of the Beatitudes challenges or encourages you most, and how might it shape the way you live out your faith? *(Matthew 5:1-12)***

***4*—How do these texts speak to you today?**

## Notes

## Memory Verse: Matthew 5:9

9Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God

# Going Deeper in Prayer

**Sunday 11/1**
Haggai 2:1-23
Galatians 2:1-21
✞ James Rotert
✞ world peace

**Monday 11/2**
Zechariah 1:1-21
Galatians 3:1-29
✞ Max Claycamp, Saige Plummer
✞ firefighters

**Tuesday 11/3**
Zechariah 2:1-13
Galatians 4:1-31
✞ Merrisa Claycamp
✞ elections

**Wednesday 11/4**
Zechariah 3:1-10
Galatians 5:1-26
✞ Elias Hendrix, Mallory McIntire
✞ preparations for the Harvest Diner

**Thursday 11/5**
Zechariah 4:1-14
Galatians 6:1-18
✞ Sonna Wente, Sean Searcy
✞ Community Diner

**Friday 11/6**
Zechariah 5:1-11
Ephesians 1:1-23
✞ Michelle Wood, Becca Herbert, Audrey Newkirk
✞ the confirmation retreat

**Saturday 11/7**
Zechariah 6:1-15
Ephesians 2:1-22
✞ Paxton Culbreth
✞ Christians in Iran

**Prayer for Homebound Individuals:**
Patty Herkamp; Selma Mellenbruch, Paul Newkirk, Sonna Wente, Shirley Runge, Betty Toxey (grandmother of Erik Zakrzewski)

**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,* Hunter Matheny (*fiancé of Sarah England)*; *Isaac Rust*

## Prayer List

**Recent Hospitalizations**:
Scott Sparks *(car accident/burns – son of Doris Sparks)*
Bufard Fields *(step-father of Gerald Wayt)*
Adelee Davis *(cancer—relative of Daryl Paswater)*

**Other Prayer Requests**:
Pam Claycamp *(heart procedure)*
David Bode *(eye surgery)*
Don Claycamp *(fall)*
Mark Anderson (son-in-law of Carmen Herkamp)
Mark Rorick (back surgery)
Donald Schnikter *(knee replacement)*
Marsha Bode *(eye surgery)*
Jennie Hoene
Nola Grube
(brain surgery—friend of Elsie Herbert & Ella Kruse)
Levi Hickey (amputation – friend of Jennie Hoene)
Jan Smith (cancer--Holly Otte's aunt)
Nathan Herkamp *(cancer – relative of Carmen Herkamp)*
Barbara Davis (cancer—mother of Susie Alstatt)
Maryellen Pollett *(cancer—friend of Tim Hoevener)*
Ellen Kraftchick *(lymphoma-friend of Doris Sparks)*
Jim Hoffmeier *(father of Mark Hoffmeier)*
Leon Seitz *(pancreas and kidney cancer)*
Lisa Bergman *(brain surgery—sister of Clayton Franke)*
Amelia Jessup *(heart—granddaughter of Loyal Waltz)*
George Rorick *(cancer—brother of Mark Rorick)*
Darrin Davis (cancer—brother of Susie Alstatt)
Myra & Jerry Mellencamp
(friends of Dave Bode, Bill & Judy Wonning)
Olga Otte *(healing from surgery)*
Marilyn Saum *(friend of Doris Sparks)*
Phil Hardwick *(cancer—brother-in-law of Tim Hoevener)*
Sharon Carpenter *(cancer—mother of Holly Otte)*
Bev Alstatt *(health issues—mother of Kendall Alstatt)*
Maura Alicia Amador *(health—friend of Ruth Ann Hendrix)*
Lisa Magaha *(cancer—friend of Amy Rosenberger)*
Tucker Wathen *(brain cancer—friend of Karen Brigdon)*
Sandy Smith *(Robert Smith's mother)*
Randall Frost
*(cancer—uncle of Chris Otte and friend of Dave Bode)*
Sandy Kovener *(heart—friend of Shirley Lewis)*
Stephanie Gricius *(cancer—friend of Karen Dringenburg)*
Jaxon Reinhart *(cancer—friend of Grant & Caleb Wheatley)*
Patricia Lewis *(cancer—Tim England's mother)*
Brooke Elmore (*cancer—friend of Tammi Reinbold)*
Linda Lloyd (*medical—Tim England's aunt)*
Olivia Sons (*epileptic seizures—friend of Kathy England)*
Paul Lewis *(melanoma-step-dad of Tim England)*
Mark Gillespie *(cancer-friend of Charlotte Guinn)*

**Names are listed for 4 weeks. Let the church office know if you want name to remain after that ..**

## Our Response to God's Love

**We Worshipped:**
**October 25** — 8:00 service - 92  10:15 service - 55

**Financial Report:**

**October 25—** Spending Plan: $3,336.00  Other giving: $175.00  New parsonage: $6,068.02
TOTAL: $9,579.02

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

## Worship Leaders for November 8:

**Communion Assistant:**
Tammi Reinbold (8:00)

**Communion Prep:**
Tammi Reinbold (8:00)

**Lector:**
Leah Otte (8:00)
Lois Bryden (10:15)

**Acolyte:**
Lettie Morrison & Kasen Nichalson (8:00)
Emma Franke (10:15)

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

**Altar flowers are provided by:**
Kendall & Susie Alstatt

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

## Readings for November 8:

Amos 5:18-24
Psalm 70
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13

## 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:

Office: 522-7364
2nd Line: 522-7484
Pastor Steve: 812-498-7827

Email: stpaullutheran@stpaul-borchers.org

Web Site: stpaul-borchers.org

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

Facebook:
St. Paul Lutheran Church-Borchers

Services are available on YouTube:
St. Paul Lutheran Church-Borchers