

First Sunday in Advent

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Welcome to St. Paul Chuckery. Whether you are here for the first time or are a life-long member, we are glad to have you worshipping with us today. The Lord in his great mercy has called us together as a community of believers to have fellowship with him and with one another. We are pleased to share in that fellowship together with you. If there is any way that we can serve you or your family, please feel free to contact any member of our staff. We truly hope that the Lord bless you in His service to you today.

Today

Greeters: Scott & Michelle Thrush and Steve & Rita Rinehart

Acolytes: Autumn Scheiderer & Garrett Dellinger

Ushers: Ron Burns, Dan Burns, Jerry Burns, & Greg Dellinger

Next Sunday- Dec. 9

Greeters: Carol Tillman and Colin & Gretchen Robinson

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This Week at St. Paul

Monday 7:00 pm Church Council

Tuesday 6:30 pm Ladies Bible Study

7:00 pm Elders Meeting

Wednesday 7:00 pm Advent Worship

8:00 pm Choir

Thursday 8:00 pm Dartball

Next Sunday 11:30 am Cookie & Buckeye Production in the Kitchen

1:00 pm Gym Reserved

Attendance for Nov. 21 & 25, 2018

Worship Attendance Thanksgiving Eve. 31

Sun.25th 90

Adult Bible Class 17

Children 14

Teachers 5

Offering Report for Nov. 21 & 25, 2018

	21st	25th
Loose	\$ 80.00	\$ 45.61
Envelopes	\$ 611.00	\$3,424.00
Latchkey		\$ 48.44
Gym Rent		\$ 50.00
Total	\$ 691.00	\$3,568.05
Grand Total		\$4259.05

Flowers on the **altar** are placed by Tony & Sue George

Feed Children From Thailand: Tori Schlueter will be selling candy bars after church to raise enough money to pay for a special KFC meal for the children in Thailand served by Concordia Welfare and Education Fund Thailand. This meal will be a very special treat for them.

Seminary Student Miguel (and Rachel) Gonzalez: Would you like to share a Christmas greeting with our Ladies Aid supported seminarian? Here is their address: **14 Founders Way, Unit B, St. Louis, MO 63105**

We received an update about their time at the seminary just a couple of weeks ago. It is posted with their picture on the narthex table. Proceeds of the cookie sale will go to our continued support Rachel and Miguel.

Special Thank You to all those that helped make Breakfast at the Manger this morning a wonderful event to celebrate the beginning of Advent. A special thank you to Kathy Picklesimer for her work at coordinating the entire event!

LWML Mites: Please bring your filled mite boxes to church next Sunday and place them in the large box on the Narthex table or set them beside this box. Let's keep up the great support. Last month we sent in over \$100.

LWML Quarterly and Ohio District Edition, LWML are available on the Narthex table for you to take home and read. They have lots of news and Bible Studies for you to meditate on. Interesting fact: Check out the ODE to see how our Mite Donations at St. Paul compare to the rest of the Ohio District LWML units!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Cookie & Buckeye orders DUE Today!** \$6/dozen – Order forms are on the Narthex table. Proceeds support our Seminary student.
- **Scrip Gift Card Orders DUE Dec. 9th!** Forms are on the Narthex table as well.
- **Cookie & Buckeye making - Sunday, Dec. 9 after Church –:** Join us to make cookies and buckeyes. If you can't come, consider taking some home just to bake. Sign up on the sheet in the narthex to let us know how you will be able to help. Contact Fran Nicol at 614-296-7446 with any questions!
- **Cookie Packaging - Saturday, Dec. 15th 9:00 am** – All the cookies will be packaged for pick up on Sunday the 16th.
- **Cookie, Buckeyes and Scrip Gift Cards available for pick up Sunday, Dec. 16th**
- **Christmas at the Parsonage - Sunday, Dec. 16th 5:30 pm** Details to come! All the Ladies are invited!
- **Children's Christmas Eve. Rehearsal - Tuesday, Dec. 18th at 6:00 pm** – Pizza and cookies included.
- **Advent Worship – Wednesdays at 7:00 pm** – 5th, 12th & 19th
- **Christmas Eve Children's Service – Dec. 24th 7:00 pm**
- **Christmas Day Worship – 10:00 am**

Christmas Walk at **St. John Lutheran Church**, 6135 Rings Road, Dublin, OH this coming **Saturday, December 8 from 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm**. Come and journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem for the amazing Christmas Story. Meet the young girl whose story has been told for many years. Along the way you will encounter King Herod, who is not known for his kind demeanor. Witness the Innkeeper who struggled to find room for all of the travelers. You will saunter through the fields and meet shepherds among their sheep. End up in Bethlehem for the end of the story, or is it just the beginning? Come and see.

Live animals – Live people – Refreshments.

Entry Fee: non-perishable food item to be donated to the Dublin Food Bank.

Scrips Gift Cards: Take advantage of shopping gift cards through our Scrip orders. St. Paul will reap some benefits if you do. The orders will be **due by December 9th**. The order forms will be placed on the table in the Narthex. Your scrips will be **delivered to you at church on Sunday, December 16th**, in plenty of time for Christmas! Ask Larry Nicol if you have questions. His email is lanicol50@gmail.com

Revised Ladies Aid Constitution and Bylaws are now available on the Narthex table. Thank you to Phyllis Bouic and Karen Boerger for their diligent work.

Missing Flower Vases: Do you happen to have some flower vases from when you put altar flowers in church? If so, please return them to the flower room as these are used over and over.

Thank you to the many members that helped both of us as Ann recovered from her surgery. All the food, extra help, visits, and prayers were greatly appreciated. Jerry & Ann Burns

Gift Giving Ideas: As a church, St. Paul receives many requests for funding of programs each week throughout the year. This year, you might consider a donation to one of the various Lutheran ministries as a way of sharing Christmas Joy with them. A few of what we have received are posted on the hanging bulletin board. There are several ideas in the November and December newsletter as well.

Check your Mailbox: Your bulletin isn't in your church mailbox, but make sure to periodically check it for:

- Monthly newsletter (usually there on the last Sunday of the month)
- Offering Reports (handed out quarterly)
- Christmas, birthday or anniversary cards from members to members
- Special Event Invitations

Cookbooks For Sale: You may have heard that St. John's Lutheran Church, Marysville published a new 827 recipe cookbook. If you are interested in purchasing one, see Kathy Picklesimer. They are \$20

Golden Eagles Nashville Trip –The itinerary with details and registration forms are on the Narthex table. This trip is **May 2-5, 2019** and includes a stay at the Opryland Hotel and a night at the Grand Ole Opry.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT:

Luke 19:31 – “If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’ ” Consider the faithfulness of that man who owned the donkey and colt. All he needed to hear was, “The Lord has need of it,” and he willingly gave. The Lord has given each of us various callings in life – in our homes, in the Church, and in our communities. In each calling we have good work to do, and that comes from the Lord's hand. The Lord has need of us in each calling. How is He calling you to generous giving in each of your vocations?

A MOBILE LUTHERAN BIBLE STUDY...Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: 4th Century Pastor Saint Nicholas of Myra, The Movie "Fantastic Beasts 2," 16th Century Ruler Philipp of Hesse, The Book of Amos, 8th Century Hymnwriter John of Damascus, The Birth of Jesus Foretold and more. You can listen at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.

Private Confession and Absolution: The practice of Private Confession and Absolution is a practice that was established by Jesus (*If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.* John 20:23) and has been in use in the Church throughout its' history, including our history as Lutherans. (*What sins should we confess? Before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord's Prayer; but before the pastor we should confess only those sins which we know and feel in our hearts.* [Small Catechism: The Keys]) Pastor is available for private confession at any time during the week by appointment. Please call him at (937) 594-1575.

334 O Lord, How Shall I Meet You

- 1 O Lord, how shall I meet You,
How welcome You aright?
Your people long to greet You,
My hope, my heart's delight!
O kindle, Lord most holy,
Your lamp within my breast
To do in spirit lowly
All that may please You best.
- 2 Your Zion strews before You
Green boughs and fairest palms;
And I too will adore You
With joyous songs and psalms.
My heart shall bloom forever
For You with praises new
And from Your name shall never
Withhold the honor due.
- 3 I lay in fetters, groaning;
You came to set me free.
I stood, my shame bemoaning;
You came to honor me.
A glorious crown You give me,
A treasure safe on high
That will not fail or leave me
As earthly riches fly.
- 4 Love caused Your incarnation;
Love brought You down to me.
Your thirst for my salvation
Procured my liberty.
Oh, love beyond all telling,
That led You to embrace
In love, all love excelling,
Our lost and fallen race.
- 5 Sin's debt, that fearful burden,
Cannot His love erase;
Your guilt the Lord will pardon
And cover by His grace.
He comes, for you procuring
The peace of sin forgiv'n,
His children thus securing
Eternal life in heav'n.
- 6 He comes to judge the nations,
A terror to His foes,
A light of consolations
And blessèd hope to those
Who love the Lord's appearing.
O glorious Sun, now come,
Send forth Your beams so cheering,
And guide us safely home.

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Stand

Opening Versicles

- L This is the day which the Lord has made;
C **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**
- L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**
- L Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.
C **Our God shall come; He does not keep silence**
- L Prepare the way of the Lord.
C **Make His paths straight.**
- L Shower, O heavens, from above, and let the skies rain down righteousness.
C **Let the earth open, that salvation may sprout forth.**
- L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**
- C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Old Testament Canticle

LSB 261

- C **The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.
With joy will you draw water from the wells of salvation.
And you will say in that day:
"Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name,
make known His deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that His name is exalted."
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.
Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.
Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitants of Zion, for great in your midst is the
Holy One of Israel.
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.**

- ¹To you, | O LORD,*
I lift | up my soul.
- ²O my God, in you I trust;
let me not be | put to shame,*
let not my enemies exult | over me.
- ³Indeed, none who wait for you shall be | put to shame,*
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly | treacherous.
- ⁴Make me to know your ways, | O LORD,*
teach me | your paths.
- ⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my sal- | vation,*
for you I wait all the | day long.
- ⁶Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your | steadfast love,*
for they have been | from of old.
- ⁷Remember not the sins of my youth or my trans- | gressions,*
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for the sake of your goodness, | O LORD!
- ⁸Good and upright | is the LORD,*
therefore he instructs sinners | in the way.
- ⁹He leads the humble in | what is right,*
and teaches the humble | his way.
- ¹⁰All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and | faithfulness,*
for those who keep his covenant and his testi- | monies.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16

L A reading from Jeremiah, the thirty-third chapter.

¹⁴"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'"

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

1 Thessalonians 3:9–13

⁹What thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, ¹⁰as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith?

¹¹Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, ¹²and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, ¹³so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Luke 19:28–40

²⁸When [Jesus] had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, "Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this: 'The Lord has need of it.'" ³²So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. ³³And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴And they said, "The Lord has need of it." ³⁵And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, ³⁸saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" ³⁹And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." ⁴⁰He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Responsory

- L Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch.
- C **This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.**
- L He shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.
- C **This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.**
- L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- C **This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.**

Stand

Ten Commandments

- C **You shall have no other gods.**
You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
Honor your father and your mother.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Apostles' Creed

- C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**
**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.**
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
**He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

**C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Sit

332 Savior of the Nations, Come

1 Savior of the nations, come,
Virgin's Son, make here Your home!
Marvel now, O heav'n and earth,
That the Lord chose such a birth.

2 Not by human flesh and blood,
By the Spirit of our God,
Was the Word of God made flesh—
Woman's offspring, pure and fresh.

3 Here a maid was found with child,
Yet remained a virgin mild.
In her womb this truth was shown:
God was there upon His throne.

4 Then stepped forth the Lord of all
From His pure and kingly hall;
God of God, yet fully man,
His heroic course began.

5 God the Father was His source,
Back to God He ran His course.
Into hell His road went down,
Back then to His throne and crown.

6 For You are the Father's Son
Who in flesh the vict'ry won.
By Your mighty pow'r make whole
All our ills of flesh and soul.

7 From the manger newborn light
Shines in glory through the night.
Darkness there no more resides;
In this light faith now abides.

△ 8 Glory to the Father sing,
Glory to the Son, our king,
Glory to the Spirit be
Now and through eternity.

Sermon

Offering

Stand

Prayer

L In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For . . . [*additional bids for prayer may be inserted here*] . . . let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

Collect of the Day

L Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Collect for the Word

- L Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

Morning Prayer

- C **I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.**

New Testament Canticle

LSB 266

- C **Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.
Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed.
Raised from the dead, He will never die again.
Death has no more dominion over Him.
Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.
Dying, Christ dies to sin, once for all.
Living, He lives to God.
Count yourselves as dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus, our Lord.
Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Blessing

- L Let us bless the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**
- L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
- C **Amen.**

673 Jerusalem, My Happy Home

- 1 Jerusalem, my happy home,
When shall I come to thee?
When shall my sorrows have an end?
Thy joys when shall I see?
- 2 O happy harbor of the saints,
O sweet and pleasant soil!
In thee no sorrow may be found,
No grief, no care, no toil.
- 3 Thy gardens and thy gallant walks
Continually are green;
There grow such sweet and pleasant
flow'rs
As nowhere else are seen.
- 4 There trees forevermore bear fruit
And evermore do spring;
There evermore the angels dwell
And evermore do sing.
- 5 Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there
Around my Savior stand;
And soon my friends in Christ below
Will join the glorious band.
- 6 O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare
For that bright home of love
That I may see Thee and adore
With all Thy saints above.

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Congregation at Prayer

Invocation: In the name of the Father and the Son + and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Memory: John 10:27-28

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand.

Meditation: (*Portals of Prayer / Devotion*)

Daily Readings

Dec. 3 Isaiah 9:8—10:11	1 Peter 5:1–14
Dec. 4 Isaiah 10:12–27a, 33–34	2 Peter 1:1–21
Dec. 5 Isaiah 11:1—12:6	2 Peter 2:1–22
Dec. 6 Isaiah 14:1–23	2 Peter 3:1–18
Dec. 7 Isaiah 24:1–13	1 John 1:1—2:14
Dec. 8 Isaiah 24:14—25:12	1 John 2:15–29
Dec. 9 Isaiah 26:1–19	1 John 3:1–24

In our Prayers this Week: (on back)

Collect: Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Apostles' Creed

Lord's Prayer

Benediction: May the Lord Almighty bless our days + and our deeds in his peace. Amen.

The following is a list of prayer concerns. Please use this as a daily reminder in your Prayer Time.

Members who are ill, recovering or seeking medical treatment: Erin Andrews, Harold Burns, Bob Dellinger, Idella Eickhoff, Sharon Gale, Bill Headings, Linda and Raymond Scheiderer, Ann Schmidt, Bonnie Thiergartner, and Jeanie Thiergartner

Shut-ins:

Idella Eickhoff – Heartland	Virginia Greenbaum– Walnut Crossing
Jane Nicol – Gables	Elton Rausch – home
Margia Renner – Edgewater	Helen Scheiderer – Brookdale
Jeanie Thiergartner – Home	Martha Wolff – Brookdale

Public/National Service: Darrell Breneman (Sheriff's deputy), Joshua Dillahunt (police), William Harms (Prison Guard), Nathan Burns (firefighter), and Shane McNae (police), Pleasant Valley Fire Department and Plain City Police Department (pray for their safety).

Miscellaneous: Epiphany Ministries, Loving Care Hospice and Home Health, Grief Share and Concordia Welfare and Education Foundation – Charities in Thailand, Miguel & Rachel Gonzalez Feliciano (Ladies Aid Seminary Student), and New Path Pregnancy Resource Center

Birthdays: 4 – Jenny Burns; 5 – Beverly Burns; 6 – Bonnie Thiergartner & Victoria Easterday; 7 – Rick Peterman

Anniversaries: John & Cheryl Alexander and Kelly & Angel Agner;
6 – Trevor & Michelle Burns