

***The Mission and Ministry Statement for St. Paul's:*** We, the members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, in gratitude to The Triune God for His love for us in Jesus Christ, dedicate ourselves as individuals and as a congregation to learning, teaching and sharing God's Word, caring for others, and living in God's grace through Word and Sacrament.

***To our visitors:*** In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we welcome you to our church with God's richest blessings. Please sign our guest register in the narthex today. We invite you to make St. Paul's your new church home. If you are interested in church membership, or have questions, please contact Pastor Burns.

***Friendship Pads:*** Please take a moment to fill in the Friendship Pad, listing **each family member separately**. Please indicate on the Friendship Pad if you are receiving Holy Communion. Children that are receiving the blessing should not be marked as such or as receiving Holy Communion. **Visitors** please complete the form in its entirety.

***Children and the Divine Service:*** Thank you for bringing your children with you to church. The Scriptures tenderly tell of Jesus' love for little children. Jesus wants your children in His Company, to hear His Word and receive His gifts given to all in the Divine Liturgy. If you feel your child would benefit by leaving the worship service for a short period of time, you are welcome to use the Narthex. There is a speaker and chairs so you may continue to hear and participate in the worship service. If you need any assistance, please let us know how we can help.

***The Holy Communion:*** The Lord's Supper reflects our unity of faith and doctrine. Therefore, we assume that all those attending Holy Communion with us are members of a congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. In love and concern, we ask that all others speak with the pastor before communing.

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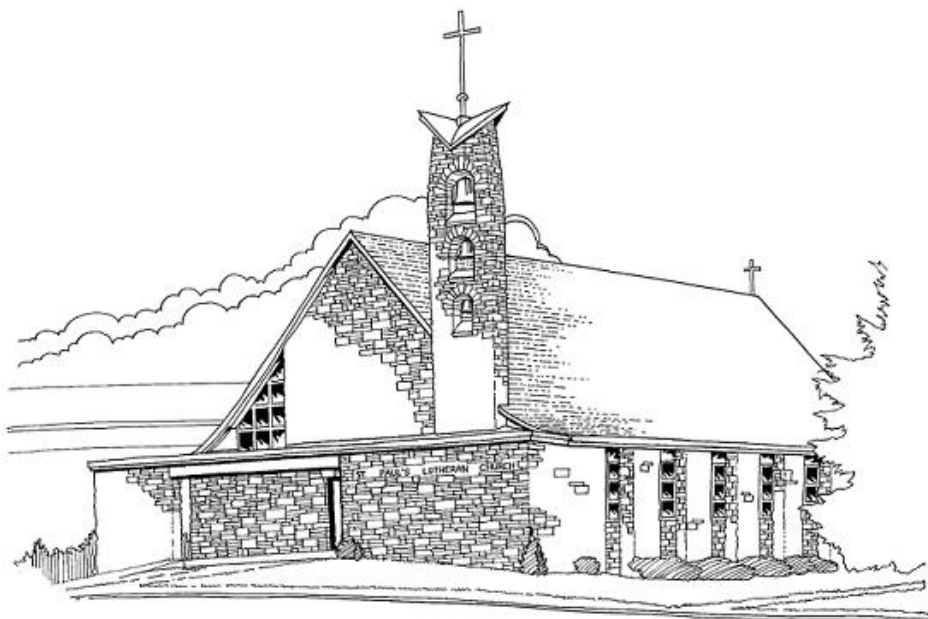
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**23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
*Sunday, November 12, 2017*



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Lutheran Church**

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**As We Gather:** Please be respectful of those who are in the pews preparing their hearts and minds for worship.

*As you prepare for worship, you may pray the following prayer:* O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

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**Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost: Matthew 25:4:** "... but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps." Why did they take flasks of oil with them? Because they listened to the Bridegroom's words and believed them. Our actions always start with and flow from our beliefs. What do your actions in the realm of stewardship say about what you believe?

The Day of the Lord is "*darkness, and not light*" (Amos 5:18, 20) for all who trust in their own righteousness and piety. The Lord will not accept their "*burnt offerings and grain offerings,*" nor will He look upon their "*peace offerings*" (Amos 5:22). Instead, He desires a heart of faith that trusts in Him, which lets "*justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream*" (Amos 5:24) in love for the neighbor. In order for the "lamps" of our lives to burn brightly with such love, we must be filled with the "oil" of forgiveness through faith in our Bridegroom, Jesus Christ (Matt. 25:1-4). Therefore, as we await His coming, wisdom directs us "*to the dealers*" (Matt. 25:9), that is, to the ministers of His Gospel. Thus we wait upon the Lord, and we "*encourage one another with these words*" (1 Thess. 4:18). Waking or sleeping, we are prepared to meet Him when He comes "*with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God,*" and "*we will always be with the Lord*" (1 Thess. 4:16, 17).

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***Thank you to St. Paul's members for the cards sent to us on the death of Ted's brother, Arnold.***

***Ted & Gladys Goerke***

# ***Special Prayers today:***

*We are praying for the following:*

**Rose Ebert**, at home, recovering from stroke,  
**Terry Benson**, recovering at home,  
**Ken & Val Craven**, health issues,  
**Maverick Titus**, grandson of Tom & Debbie Hanna,  
**Barney Olson**, Jeff Olson's father, cancer treatment,  
**Blake Iverson**, undergoing treatment for a brain tumor,  
**Doris Krause**, continued improvement at home,  
**Duane Opsal**, treatment,  
**Melissa Lee**, living with MS,  
**Marian Bothe**, health issues,  
**Lela Heuer's family**, upon her death and funeral this past week,  
**New Life (Neej Tshiab) Lutheran**, worshipping at Redeemer Lutheran, Robbinsdale and Pastor Yia Lo and Pastor Jonny Vang,  
**Our Armed Forces**, at home and abroad,  
**Missions and Christians worldwide.**

*Always take your Bulletin home with you so you have the week's calendar handy. Thank you.*

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*Operation Christmas Child boxes are available for families to fill. Collection date is November 19.*



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## **New Look Of The Narthex!!!**

Thank you to Cyndi and Roger Zeman for acquiring new artwork for the Narthex. Also, thank you to Allen Haslach for putting it up. This artwork will be dedicated this morning.

## THOSE WHO SERVE IN NOVEMBER

|   | Elder                     | Ushers  | Acolytes                                  |
|---|---------------------------|---|---|
| <b>8:00 AM</b>                            | <b>Bruce<br/>Thompson</b> | <b>Amy Boettcher*</b><br><b>TBD</b>   | <b>Elijah Slack</b><br><b>Aysia Hovde</b> |
| <b>10:30 AM</b>                           | <b>Joel Pickett</b>       | <b>Arnie* &amp; Lynette<br/>Jensen</b><br><small style="text-align: right;">*Head Usher</small> | <b>Alex Kosloski</b><br><b>Zach Burns</b> |
| <b>7:00 PM</b><br><b>Thanksgiving Eve</b> | <b>TBD</b>                | <b>Amy Boettcher*</b><br><b>TBD</b>   | <b>Elijah Slack</b><br><b>Aysia Hovde</b> |

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Calling all 18+ (graduated from high school)! We will be starting up an alternate **Bible Study** on **TODAY, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 AM** in the Rainbow Room. This Bible Study titled, "Gory Deaths", studies Sodom and Gomorrah, David and Goliath and John the Baptist just to name a few. Come as you are able! These studies are independent of each other so you will not be lost if you miss one. Hope to see you there!

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Please consider helping to defray the cost of our Christmas poinsettia display by using the envelopes found in the Bulletin. Thank you.

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**Trim the Tree**  
**Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**at 6 PM**



*(The tree will be chosen Saturday and brought in to the Sanctuary after services on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Help is needed with the move and set-up on Sunday and volunteers are greatly appreciated, as will help decorating on Monday! Thank you in advance.)*

## ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS

|                |                |          |
|----------------|----------------|----------|
| Sunday Nov 05  | 8:00 AM        | 10:30 AM |
| Attendance     | 76             | 46       |
| Offering       | 5408.00        |          |
| Tuesday Nov 07 | Morning Prayer | 16       |

### THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

|                  |  |   |
|------------------|--|---|
| Nov 12<br>Sunday | Worship Service<br>SS/Youth/AB Class<br><b>"Gory Deaths" Bible Study Starts</b><br>Communion Service   | 8:00 AM<br>9:15 AM<br>9:15 AM<br>10:30 AM             |
| Nov 13           | Strategic Planning Committee   | 6:30 PM   |
| Nov 14           | Bible Study<br>Morning Prayer<br>Board of Elders<br>All Other Boards<br>Council Meeting  | 9:15 AM<br>10:30 AM<br>6:30 PM<br>7:00 PM<br>7:45 PM  |
| Nov 15           | Campanas<br>Confirmation 2 & 3<br>Confirmation Music<br>WEB Meeting<br>Chancel<br><b>Newsletter Deadline</b>                                     | 6:00 PM<br>6:00 PM<br>6:50 PM<br>7:00 PM<br>7:15 PM   |
| Nov 16           | <b>Give to the Max Day</b>   |   |
| Nov 17           | Family Day for Pastor  |   |
| Nov 18           |  |   |
| Nov 19<br>Sunday | Communion Service<br>SS/Youth/AB Class<br>"Gory Deaths" Bible Study<br>Worship Service<br>Congregational Meeting<br>Return Christmas Child Boxes | 8:00 AM<br>9:15 AM<br>9:15 AM<br>10:30 AM<br>11:30 AM |



*Lutheran Humor* - You might be a Lutheran if... the doilies underneath the Thanksgiving flowers make nice snowflakes at Christmas.

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***Give to the Max Day November 16***



2017  
*Thanksgiving Outreach  
Meal Program*

Grace Lutheran (LCMS) Outreach Board of Ministries and Thrivent Action Team are planning our **4<sup>th</sup> Annual Thanksgiving Meal collection.**

Do you know a person or family in our local community who is struggling and may not have the resources for a Thanksgiving Meal? Please share with us the name of a family that would benefit from a complete Thanksgiving Meal (Turkey and all the fixings)!

**Deadline for Names to be submitted is Wednesday, November 15.**

**Submit to:**

**Grace Lutheran Church (LCMS)  
Thanksgiving Outreach  
6810 Winnetka Avenue North  
Brooklyn Park, MN 55428**

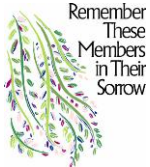
**or**

**Call: Church office (763) 533-4411  
Email: [Grace@gracelcms.com](mailto:Grace@gracelcms.com)**

**Meal Pick-Up is at Grace Lutheran Church Saturday, November 18 from noon to 2 pm.**

(Orange sign-up sheets on the table in the Narthex).

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Lela Heuer, a member of St. Paul's in respite care, passed away on Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, and her funeral was here at the church on Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. She is survived by her husband of 68 years, Don, her children Larry (Margaret) Heuer, Dean (Karen) Heuer and Judy (Phil) Blanchard; seven grandchildren and siblings, Pat (Darlene) Mack and Susan (Ron) Davis. Please remember the family in your prayers.

Strategic Planning Committee meeting is changed to Monday  
November 13 at 6:30 PM.

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St. Paul's members are cordially invited to attend the Installation Service and Celebration Dinner of **Pastor Matthew Moss** at *St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church* in Corcoran, MN. The date is **TODAY**, November 12, 2017: Service at 3 PM.

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# 2 and 1 Club

## Chili Cook-off & Cribbage Tournament

**When:** Saturday, November 18 from 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Where:** Aalbers Place ([6604 105th Trail N, Brooklyn Park, MN 55445](#)).

**What:** Chili cook-off!!

Do you have that family recipe you'd like to share? Something you cook up on game days every fall? Whip up a batch and bring it to the chili cook-off.

We will also be running the cribbage tourney. Jeff Iverson will be looking to defend his title. Experienced or inexperienced players are welcome. We will have other games available too if cribbage is not your thing.

RSVP's to Jeff at [952-220-4087](tel:952-220-4087) or [jeff.aalbers@gmail.com](mailto:jeff.aalbers@gmail.com) are not required but appreciated so we can make sure we have enough tables, cribbage boards, and condiments.



# S.P.Y. NEWS

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Youth and Family Board Chair: Sherry Glauvitz 763-234-0015 [mncpca@yahoo.com](mailto:mncpca@yahoo.com)

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Ethan Burns, David and Sam Glauvitz, Kim and Kyle Glauvitz, Mindy Jones and Kenzie Rick-Moores, Elijah and Sandy Slack, Leah and Mo Pitts, Leah Pickett, Kandi Newton.

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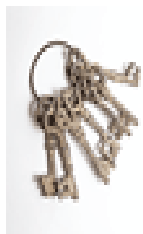
FMSC offers volunteers a one-of-a-kind experience. You'll hand-pack rice, soy, dried vegetables and a nutritionally complete blend of vitamins and minerals into bags which are then sealed, boxed, placed on pallets and shipped to our incredible partners working hard to reach the neediest children around the world. Our group is scheduled to pack on **Nov. 10th 6:00-8:00 PM** at **Concordia St. Paul!** We will meet at church at 5:00PM. This is set up so anyone from 3rd Grade and up from our Congregation can help! Go to [fmcs.org](http://fmcs.org) to sign up: Volunteer at Mobile Pack Event, St. Paul and **our join code is 1248043**. If you can't attend the packing we will be accepting donations.



**Next Teen Life Session** will be **Nov. 26th** during the Sunday School hour 9:15-10:15 for all Youth 6th-12th grade. We will meet in the Youth room.

**Watch the S.P.Y Bulletin** for details of a new fundraiser involving **shopping and gift cards** that will kick off in November!





If anyone has keys to the church that they no longer need/use or wish to be responsible for, please turn them in to the office with your name attached to the key. Thank you for your help in locating the church keys.

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## December 2 & 1 Club Theatre Night

# YELLOWTREE THEATRE

**When:** Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM

**Where:** Yellow Tree Theatre in Osseo

**What:** The play is “*A Gone Fishin’ Christmas*” is guaranteed to tickle our funny bone and cast us into the Christmas spirit!

If you would like to attend, please call **The Yellowtree** at [763-493-8733](tel:763-493-8733). Mention St Paul's Lutheran church when calling to reserve your seat.

Any questions please call Cindy Pomerleau [612-964-5953](tel:612-964-5953).

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The November 2017, issue of *The Lutheran Witness* is available in the Narthex and at the front of the Sanctuary. Please help yourself to an issue.