#### **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 4 <sup>th</sup> 6 <sup>th</sup>	Matthew Rhode Darlene Scheibe Tiffany Gorges Robert Luedtke Anthony Brandt	17 <sup>th</sup> 21 <sup>st</sup> 24 <sup>th</sup> 26 <sup>th</sup> 27 <sup>th</sup>	Paula Bunnell Nikki Bunnell Franklin Roesler Ricky Buman Seth Harrmann
13 <sup>th</sup>	Tyler Brandt	27 <sup>th</sup>	David Magolski
16 <sup>th</sup>	Connor Grossman- Powell, Terry Selle	<b>29</b> <sup>th</sup>	Marcella Bartelt

### **NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

11/4/1961 Jerry & Jean Smith 11/13/1971 David & Marie Thiel 11/26/1977 Lee & Candy Kohler



PLEASE NOTE: If we have missed your birthday or wedding anniversary, please let Pastor Finn know so he can update our lists

#### OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

October 28 Plate Offerings: \$2,121.00
Weekly Electronic Offerings: 100.00
Total Offerings this past week = \$2,221.00



OFFERINGS RECEIVED YTD (43 wks) \$95,857.21

TOTAL OFFERINGS NEEDED YTD = \$98,642.00

YTD DEFICIT = (\$2,784.79)

AMOUNT NEEDED EACH WEEK: \$2,294,00 TOTAL FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS = \$5,253.00

#### **ELECTRONIC OFFERINGS**



St. Paul, Dale can receive gifts electronically through a secure online website. Scan the QR code with your smart phone or tablet and you will be redirected to St Paul's online giving portal, or visit *www.stpauldale.com* and click on the online giving link. The option "Special Projects" can be used to give toward our Painting Project.



#### "Making Friends for Eternity"

Est. 1859

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#### Dear flock of God at St Paul,

Once when I was younger, I was riding along in the car with my father and he asked me, "Billy, do you think you will go to heaven some day?"

"Yes!" I quickly answered.

Then he asked, "Well, how sure are you about that?"

"100% sure!" I said.

"Why are you so sure?" my father wanted to know.

"Because I know Jesus died to take away all my sins."

"That's good." My father replied.

We drove along some more, and my father asked me a similar, but different question: "Billy, you see all the people in the cars driving around us today?"

"Yes," I said.

"How many of those people do you think are going to heaven?" he asked, to which I admitted that I simply didn't know.

"What will happen to them if they don't know about Jesus?" my father then asked me.

"They'll go to hell," I answered softly.

"Maybe," he suggested, "we should try to tell as many of them about Jesus as we can, too."

I don't know exactly what prompted my father to ask me about all that, but I'm guessing it was either a devotion he read that day or a sermon he heard his Pastor preach recently.

How many people do you think live around us? Recently, I signed our church up with an account to a demographics service ("MissionInsight"). It turns out that within a 3.5 miles radius of our church in Dale, there are approximately 3,090 people.

#### **Breaking it down:**

- 1,112 households;
- Avg. age: 41 yrs.
- 34 births in the last 12 months and 23 deaths.
- Age 0-29 = 1,142
- Age  $30-49 = \underline{641}$
- Age 50+=1,307



Members of St Paul, do you see a mission field? (Experts predicted moderate growth in our area over the next ten years).

Jesus reminds us in his word that most people won't have faith when he returns to the earth. He tells us that hell is a terrible place of suffering without end apart from God, and that heaven is a place of wonderful joy. If believe what we believe about heaven and hell, we have work to do!

St Paul writes, "God was reconciling the world to himself in christ, not counting men's sins against them." (2 Cor.5:19) Most people don't know that. Many of them don't even give it a second thought. Our mission is to turn their thinking in an eternal direction and to get them thinking about heaven and hell, and Jesus. That's our mission. Worship isn't our mission (it's the reason for our existence); sharing the good news about Jesus is our mission. Worship is something God tells us our life is for--the reason we exits--and that we'll be doing that forever in heaven. Sharing Christ with others is our temporary task until God brings all things in this temporary world to an end and eternity begins.

As I write this, there are 52 days until Christmas Eve. With that remaining time, I'm asking that members of St Paul come up with a list of people you'd like to invite to church here this Christmas season. Send me their names and mailing addresses. As a church we'll send them an invitation to visit us at Christmastime.

The time is ticking. Who needs Jesus that you know? Let's get it!



FREE EVANGELISM MOVIE AVAILABLE AT CHURCH (50 left)





**NEW IN THE SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY--**A SIX WEEK STUDY begins soon that features scenes from the new WELS movie **"To the Ends of the Earth"** (Starts Sun, Nov 11 and runs through Sunday, Dec 16). Meets downstairs each week after 9 am worship.

#### C18: Outreach Initiative for Christmas 2018

Did you know that Congregations in the WELS are setting a goal to reach one million souls this Christmas Eve? It's an aggressive goal, but given the size of our



church body, it's realistic. Some of those one-million will hear the gospel as they accept your invitation to join our congregation on Christmas Eve here at St Paul, Dale.

Through a grant we received 1,000 post card invites to use in mass mailing or as personal invitations.

Pastor Finn asks that members of St Paul email him with the <u>names and mailing addresses</u> of friends, relatives, acquaintances and neighbors that you would like to receive an invite card from the church. Give it some prayerful thought and let him know sometime during the last week in November.

Let's do our part to take the Gospel to the ends of the earth, starting right here in our little corner of the world!

#### **PAINTING PROJECT ON SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY 2019!**

Altogether we have received \$5,253.00 to date in funds for our



chancel painting project (the very front of church). The work will begin shortly after Christmas in the month of January. The plastering will cost \$1,950 and the painting \$2,340. That leaves a balance of \$963.00 for repainting the symbols on the chancel ceiling (Still trying to acquire bids for this). Once again, a sincere thank you to everyone donating to

this project. It promises to be a nice improvement to our sanctuary that will glorify the Savior we worship here!

#### **GUEST SPEAKER & PRESENTER - NOV 4**



Pastor James Mattek, is Director of Ministry at WLCFS-Christian Family Solutions. He travels throughout the country to get the word out about the healing and helping ministries of WLCFS. After preaching in worship (Theme: "Helping Hurting Hearts"), Pastor Mattek will share more about WCLFS ministries, featuring a live video demonstration of how their Christian counselors can connect with clients via secure video now to provide counseling services. Please also note: A door offering will be collected after worship to support the work of WLCFS--Christian Counseling.

#### NOTES from the QUARTERLY VOTER'S MEETING:

A voters' meeting took place Tuesday, Oct 30th (6:30 pm). Membership changes since the April were ratified:

- Transfer In: Mr.&Mrs Eugene (June) Magadanz (Emanuel, NL)
- Transfer Out: Mr. James Magolski (Emanuel, NL) Membership totals after these changes: 245 (B), 208 (C) The 2019 budget of \$118,203.00 was approved (a decrease of \$1,177,00 from the previous year).
  - Robert Grunwald will serve another one-year term as President in 2019 (5th term).
  - Bonnie Finn serves again as Treasurer
  - David Herzfeldt & David Magolski serve as Trustees.
  - We also thank newly elected Chris Ploense who accepted nomination as Trustee in the new year, too.
  - Scott Mueller & Lee Kohler (Elders); Warren Mueller (Properties Coord); David Thiel will serve as Financial Secretary
  - Auditors: Beverly Herzfeldt & Kathy Heise (3rd yet to be appt).

An opportunity to explore membership at St. Paul...



A spiritual and personal study to grow closer to God through

- Four key words and
  - Six key questions

about Christianity

## KEYS TO LIFE IS A BIBLE STUDY FOR ANYONE WHO WANTS TO:

- Explore the basic beliefs of Christianity
- Gain a more thorough understanding of the Bible.
- Gain confidence in telling others about Christianity.
- Understand St. Paul and the Lutheran Church better.
- Join our congregation.

Pace yourself. Take just a few keys at a time (ie. the four key words), then see if you want to keep going. Or, study all ten key words and questions in a row).



**Key WORDS:** Sin & Grace



**Key WORDS:** Faith & Works



**Key Question:** What is the Bible?



**Key Question:** What is God like?



**Key Question:**Who is Jesus Christ?



**<u>Key Question</u>**: Why is baptism so important?



**Key Question:** Why did Jesus give the Lord's Supper?



**Key Question:** Why do we need the Church?

Schedule your Keys to Life start with Pastor Finn Today!



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Worship with us on Livestream

DALE, WISCONSIN

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
FALL 3	ALTAR FLOWERS Carol Linstedt  HAND OUT BULLETINS (Need someone)	GREETER (Need someone) SET UP HC Nov 11-Lee & Candy K Nov 25-Bonnie F	OUTSIDE FLOWER BOX - Stan Buman, David & Denise Wishman	7:00-Teen Bible Class	2	Lutheran Women's Missionary Society LWMS RALLY (9-12:30 am) Bethany, Appleton PAPERLAND CIRCUIT (8am Registration)
4 Turn back clocks Sat nitel	5	6 Election Day!	7	8	9	10
8:00 – Sunday School 9:00 – WOR SHIP Guest Preacher from WLCFS 10:15–Guest Presenter		8:15-9:00 a mPastor teaching at Bethlehem		8:15-9:00 amPastor teaching at Bethlehem		
DOOR OFFERING WLCFS  1" Sunday of End Time	6:00-Choir Practice	1:00 pmWomen's Fellowship	6:30-7:45pm-Gr.7-8 Catechism (TEST)	7:00-Teen Bible Class		Martin Luther's Birthday
11 "Food Pantry Sunday"	12	13	14	15	16	17
8:00 – Sunday School 9:00 – WOR SHIP (HC) 10:15 – Adult Bible Study J=4 Souday of End Time (red) Last Judgment	6:00-Choir Practice	10:30 am Pastor's Circuit Mtg. 6:30-Church Council Meeting	8:15-9:00 amPastor teaching at Bethlehem 6:30-7:45pmGr.7-8 Catechism	7:00-Teen Bible Class		
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It's time to start thinking about our Worship Servers for the year 2019. Sign-up sheets will soon be available in the back of church. Please consider ways you can help serve in the areas listed. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask Pastor or Bonnie Finn. Thank you for serving!