



THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL

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| TODAY (Oct 28) Sunday School | 8:00 am |
| WORSHIP w/HC (<i>Bible study follows downstairs</i>)..... | 9:00 am |
| MON (Oct 29) Choir | 6:00 pm |
| TUES (Oct 30) Qtly Voters' Meeting | 6:30 pm |
| WED (Oct 31) Gr.7-8 Catechism class | 6:30-7:45 pm |
| THURS (Nov 1) Teen Bible class | 7:00 pm |
| NEXT SUN (Nov 4) Sunday School | 8:00 am |
| Guest Preacher & Presenter from WLCFS | 9:00 am |
| WORSHIP (<i>WLCFS Presentation follows</i>) | |



OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

October 21 Plate Offerings: \$1,980.00
 Weekly Electronic Offerings: 100.00
 Total Offerings this past week = \$2,080.00
 OFFERINGS RECEIVED YTD (42 wks) \$93,636.21
 TOTAL OFFERINGS NEEDED YTD = \$96,348.00
 YTD DEFICIT = (\$2,711.79)
 AMOUNT NEEDED EACH WEEK: \$2,294.00
 TOTAL FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS = \$5,253.00



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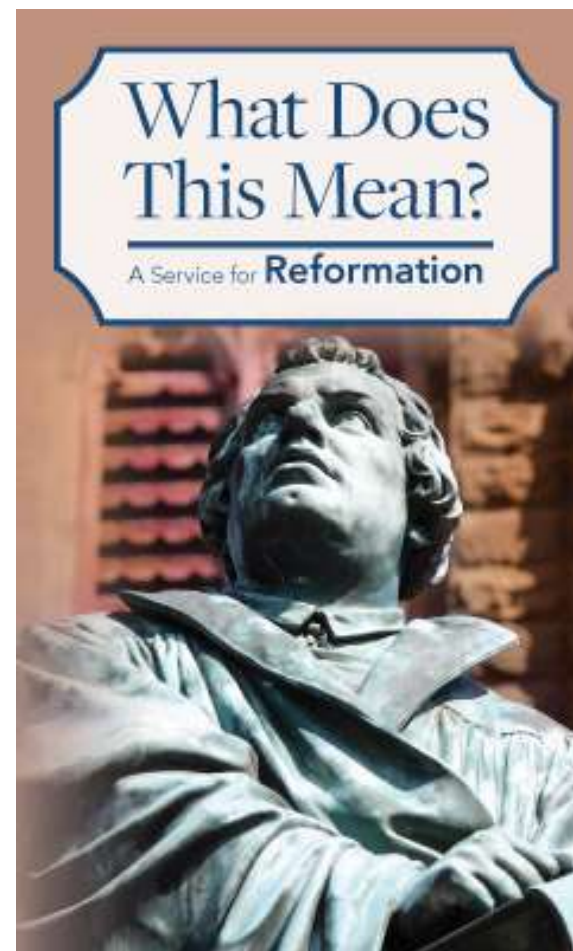
BIRTHDAYS: Wish the following members a "Happy Birthday!"
 this week: **Oct 29th**—Evelyn Ruppel, Ben Harrmann; **Oct 30th**—Ryan Huettl; **Nov 1st**—Matthew Rhode; **Nov 2nd**—Darlene Scheibe.

FLOWERS ON ALTAR: We thank Stan Buman for providing altar flowers this month--the roses today are in loving memory of his wife, Molly (Married October 26, 1963).

QUARTERLY VOTER'S MEETING: THIS TUES - 6:30 pm.

TRUNK-OR-TREAT THANKYOU!! Thanks to everyone that donated or handed out candy yesterday for our "Trunk-Or-Treat" event--once again a wonderful way to reach out to our community!

FREE MOVIES!! Many DVD copies of "To the Ends of the Earth" are still available to members and guests at worship today. Take one for yourself or for a family member, relative, acquaintance or neighbor today--TAKE 1 or MORE (Also take one of the inserts for inside the DVSD dust jacket)



THE FESTIVAL OF THE REFORMATION Sunday, October 28, 2018

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The Festival of the Reformation

Sunday, October 28, 2018

Worship today...

At the Festival of the Reformation we give thanks that we have been rescued from the false ways of salvation that could only lead us to ruin and doom. We owe God eternal thanks that rescue accomplished by his grace alone, on account of Christ's merit alone, and through the means of grace alone. At the same time we remember that apart from unqualified commitment to his Word, grace can be lost and with it the saving faith created through the Word in the one and only Christ, our one and only Savior. Therefore, let us hear the Word of the Lord! Prompted by his grace let us recommit ourselves to purity of doctrine that comes alone from the Word, and to a life that reflects our devotion to the Savior who gives himself for us and then to us in his pure Word and sacraments.

"My Very First Bible" - In the service today the following Gr.3-6 children will be presented with gift Bibles: *Chad & McKenzie Grunwald, Ryan Dougherty, Kylie & Parker Heise, Kaden Herbst & Olivia Peters, Brealyn Huetl, Jaxon Laabs.*



GUEST PREACHER & PRESENTER NEXT SUNDAY, NOV 4



Next Sunday (Nov 4) Pastor James Mattek, Director of Ministry at WLCFS-Christian Family Solutions will preach and present at St Paul. After worship he will share more about WLCFS ministries, including **a live video demonstration** showing how our Christian counselors can connect with clients via secure video to provide counseling services. Many of the services WLCFS offers can now be provided anywhere in the country or the world.

Learn more about all the Christian counseling services offered through WLCFS, including services for seniors at their website.

www.ChristianFamilySolutions.org

Since 1965, the mission of WLCFS has been to heal and help people in need through the ministry of Jesus Christ. WLCFS is widely recognized as a premier provider of quality Christian care to individuals, families, congregations, and communities through counseling services, home care, and senior living solutions.

We offer the following services and programs:

**Christian Counseling • The Gardens of Hartford Assisted Living
In-Home Care Programs • Member Assistance Program •
Wisconsin Lutheran Living Center**

CLOSING BENEDICTION, Based on Ephesians 3:16-21

P: According to the riches of his glory, God grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit,

and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. May you have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

C: Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Closing Hymn: #201 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

A mighty Fortress is our God, a trusty Shield and Weapon;
He helps us free from ev'ry need that hath us now o'ertaken.
The old evil Foe now means deadly woe; Deep guile and great might
are his dread arms in fight; On earth is not his equal.

With might of ours can naught be done, soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the Valiant One, whom God himself elected.
Ask ye, who is this? Jesus Christ it is. The Almighty Lord,
And there's none other God; He holds the field forever.

Though devils all the world should fill, all eager to devour us.
We tremble not, we fear no ill, they shall not overpower us.
This world's prince may still scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none, he's judged; the deed is done;
One little word can fell him.

The Word they still shall let remain nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain with his good gifts and Spirit.
And take they our life, goods, fame, child and wife,
Though these all be gone, our vict'ry has been won;
The Kingdom ours remaineth.

Opening Hymn: "What Does It Mean?" [TUNE: #203]

What does it mean that God's good will,
Once thundered down from Sinai's hill,
Is uttered now to pierce our hearts,
Commandments that our God imparts?

P: The days are coming declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah.

What does it mean, what doubts relieve,
That we may speak what we believe
And in confessing witness bear
To Father, Savior, Comforter?

P: This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my Law within them, and will write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

What does it mean that we may pray
To God as Father day by day,
Make known our needs, God's grace implore,
And vow allegiance evermore?

P: No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other,
"Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord.

What does it mean, that water poured
Conveys the promise of the LORD,
And in the forms of bread and wine,
We gather in Christ's love to dine?

P: For I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sins no more.

What does it mean? God's on our side;
By grace we have been justified
Through faith in Jesus Christ, our LORD,
As taught in God's unbroken Word.

Prayer of the Day, Spoken by Pastor

First Lesson.....Exodus 13:3-10,14

Moses said to the people, "Remember this day on which you came out of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, because the Lord brought you out from there by strength of hand; no leavened bread shall be eaten. Today, in the month of Abib, you are going out. When the Lord brings you into the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which he swore to your ancestors to give you, a land flowing with milk and honey, you shall keep this observance in this month. Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, and on the seventh day there shall be a festival to the Lord. Unleavened bread shall be eaten for seven days; no leavened bread shall be seen in your possession, and no leaven shall be seen among you in all your territory. You shall tell your child on that day, 'It is because of what the Lord did for me when I came out of Egypt.' It shall serve for you as a sign on your hand and as a reminder on your forehead, so that the teaching of the Lord may be on your lips; for with a strong hand the Lord brought you out of Egypt. You shall keep this ordinance at its proper time from year to year. When in the future your child asks you, 'What does this mean?' you shall answer, 'By strength of hand the Lord brought us out of Egypt, from the house of slavery.'"

Bibles presented to youth

Children Sing: "The Doxology" [TUNE: #334]

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

Second Lesson.....Acts 2:1-12

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit

blessedness. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O Holy Spirit, we acknowledge all the blessings of God today only because you have called us by the Gospel, enlightened us with your gifts, sanctified and kept us in the true faith. By your power in Word and sacrament keep us gathered in the one true faith. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O Holy Spirit, through your Word and our witness continue to call, gather, enlighten, and sanctify more souls in to your Holy Christian Church on earth, and keep them united with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. Forgive our sins, and on the last day raise us up to life everlasting. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We give you endless praise, through your Son, Jesus Christ, who has taught us to pray:

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.

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A WORD FOR OUR GUESTS ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION -

In keeping with the Lord's own instruction about this supper in His Word, we practice "close communion" at St. Paul. This means that if you are not a member of this congregation or another WELS or ELS congregation, we ask you to wait before communing with us until after you speak with our pastor. Thank you.

DIST. HYMN: #390 "Salvation Unto Us Has Come"

AFTER THE SACRAMENT: "SONG OF SIMEON," hymnal page 24.

CLOSING BENEDICTION, Printed on next page

and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs — in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?”

Sing [TUNE: #551]

The Holy Spirit, as the Lord foretold, With flames of fire descending
now behold, That all might gather in the Shepherd’s fold.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Gospel Lesson.....John 8:31–36

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?” Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

Sing [TUNE: #551]

Christ’s true disciples let us prove to be, Firm in the Word remaining
steadfastly, Blest with the truth that makes us truly free.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Homily: “What Does This Mean?”

After the Message Sing: The Apostles’ Creed [Tune: #322]

The Father’s mighty word once said, “Let there be light!”
Chaotic darkness heard and yielded to his might.
Things great and small,
God’s saints confess his pow’r to bless; God made them all!

Christ Jesus we believe, who came at God’s own hour,
Whom Mary did conceive by God the Spirit’s pow’r.
Great peace he gives:
The Crucified who for us died forever lives!

God’s ransomed saints believe in God the Holy Ghost,
By whom we all receive the faith in which we boast.
Forgiven, we
Shall flee our graves. The Lord who saves has set us free!

The Offering and Prayers

P: O God the Father Almighty, you knit us together in our mother's womb; you are the reason that we and everything else exists in creation. For giving us our bodies and souls, eyes, ears, and all our members, our mind and all our abilities, and for providing for us richly and daily, we give you heartfelt thanks. Help us to take our body and life and use them to your glory—to see opportunities to serve, to hear people in need, to set our minds on your holy will. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from all eternity, for us and for our salvation you became true man. You purchased and won us from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil—not with gold or silver, but with your holy precious blood and your innocent suffering and death. Keep us firm in that saving faith. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O Jesus Christ, true God and true man, we eagerly await the day when you will come again to take us to yourself in heaven. In the light of that free gift, help us always to live under you in your kingdom and to serve you in righteousness, innocence, and

WORSHIP SURVEY



- ☐ I like Thanksgiving Worship on Thanksgiving Day (9:00 am) and think we should keep it that way.
- ☐ No, I think we should move Thanksgiving Day Worship to the Wednesday night before and have Thanksgiving Eve Worship (6:30 pm).
- ☐ I would attend a Saturday Evening service at 4:30 pm (No accompanist yet-- Hymns will be sung w/o piano)
- ☐ I am a member of St Paul (or interested in becoming a member) and can alternate as an accompanist on Saturdays.

OTHER IDEAS ABOUT WORSHIP TIMES HERE:

Complete survey and place in basket by entrance to worship