



## ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*We celebrate God's love and forgiveness by living the Word and sharing the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.*

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### ST. PAUL "MESSENGER"

NOVEMBER ~ 2023

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*

(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

Dear Friends in Christ,

It is God's good pleasure that we should at all times and in all places give God thanks and praise. In this earthly realm it isn't always easy to find reason to rejoice; especially when the world is in such turmoil. If the Bible teaches us anything, it teaches that the world since the time of original sin has always been in turmoil. Brother against brother, war upon war, and persecutions of the righteous for righteousness' sake. We live in difficult times, but God has seen worse times and has brought God's people through.

The Apostle Paul visited Thessalonica and because of his teachings, the Holy Spirit moved many people to believe in Jesus Christ. Many Thessalonians were persecuted by the Roman armies because of their belief in Jesus as the Son of God. Despite these persecutions and personal fear of death, the people of Thessalonica continued to obey and serve God and spread the love of Jesus.

Paul's letter to the Thessalonians encourages them to persist in the way of righteousness; allowing God's will to be done in them through Christ Jesus. We, like the Thessalonians, are not called to rejoice over suffering and death, but rather rejoice, pray, and give thanks for the gift God has given us through Jesus Christ, God's Son and Savior of all. Jesus is our hope and refuge.

Our world is in turmoil, it always has been and it probably will be, until the day Christ returns to liberate us from all evil. Because we believe and live in the promises of Jesus, we are free to rejoice and give thanks in all circumstances according to God's will, remembering to pray without ceasing for peace, mercy, and grace that provides hope in the midst of troubled times.

Thanksgiving Day is celebrated in the United States on the fourth Thursday of November. It is a day set aside for giving thanks for the harvest and the gifts of this land. The book, "Bread for the Day Daily Bible Reading and Prayers 2023," from Augsburg Fortress, offers a *Blessing of the Household for Thanksgiving Day*. I share a modified version with you here, so that you might use it as you prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving with family and friends:

*"We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ."*  
(1 Thessalonians 1:2-3)

Let us pray: God most provident, we join all creation in offering you praise through Jesus Christ. For generations the people of this land have sung of your bounty. With them, we offer you thanksgiving for the rich harvest we have received at your hands. Bless us and this food that we share with grateful hearts. Continue to make our land fruitful and let our love for you be seen in our pursuit of justice and peace and in our generous response to those in need. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May Christ, the living bread, bring us to the feast of eternal life.

Minister Deb

**ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023 – 7:00PM**

**Attendance:** Minister Deb Noll, Mary Coldren, Nathan Cowan, Jane Follas, Amy Gibson, Jan Grieser, Laurie Laird, Jake Leu, Tom Marquart, Natalie McClelland, Mike Stoltz, Tammy von Stein, Jenny Welte

CALL TO ORDER – Laurie Laird

Chairperson, Laurie Laird, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, and opened with a review of our 2023 Book Study, “Grounded in Prayer” (Week 5 – Days 1–5). Written by Brent W. Dahlseng.

The September 12, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes approved as written.

**FINANCIAL REPORT – Jake Leu**

Checking account balances as of September 30, 2023

Current	\$151,558.52
Building	\$175.03
Improvement	\$1,367.39
Missions	\$9,783.86
<u>Special Projects</u>	<u>\$39,287.82</u>
TOTAL	\$202,172.62

Savings - General Memorial \$8,852.62

- Account balances for September 2023 and current profit & loss statement comparing budget vs. actual were reported along with July checks written. Contributions to the Current Fund as of September 30, 2023, totaled \$185,299.13 vs. a budgeted \$148,457.22. Expenses for the same period totaled \$160,150.42 vs. a budgeted \$127,692.22.
- Jan Grieser made the motion to leave \$40,000 in the current checking account and transfer the remaining balance into the new money market account to earn higher interest. Natalie seconded. Council approved.

**TRUSTEES REPORT – Natalie McClelland**

- The Critter Gitter was called to spray and remove the bees inside parsonage. If the bees come back, he will return to the parsonage and spray again.
- The rope lights have been replaced on the outdoor cross on the church.
- A new sign will be placed on the corner of County Road 9 and State Route 103. The sign will cost \$130. Natalie will look at the other signs for potential replacement.
- Beagle Electric fixed the lights in Gary Wilson’s Sunday School classroom.
- AED is still out of order; Andrew Follas is working on getting the unit updated.
- The east wing exit has not been cleaned since last month’s discussion on cleaning.
- Bushes, trees, and landscape at the parsonage and church are in need of trimming. Laurie mentioned the new owner of New Leaf could do the job and would provide a 10% discount for their services. The best time to take care of this would be November. She will schedule this work to be done and provide a rough estimate to the church.

**Word for Thought:**

*We make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it. 2 Corinthians 5:9 (NIV)*

The CPE application required making a list of three goals to focus on during the ten weeks of training. The question reminded me of the importance of setting goals. Goals give individuals something to strive toward. Goals keep individuals focused on what is important in his/her life. The verse above reminds us of a very important goal: “to please God” wherever we are. When was the last time you thought about setting goals for yourself? Is pleasing God at the top of your list?

**Activity Since the September Council Meeting:**

**Worship and Church Functions**

- Worship Services (x7)
- Congregational Gatherings (x2, Shipwreck meal, Youth Italian Dinner)
- Youth Board Meeting (x1)
- Parish Board Meeting (x1)
- Staff Meeting (x1)
- St. Paul Women of the ELCA (WELCA) (x1)
- Confirmation Classes (x3)
- Sewing Day Luncheon (x1)

**Member Contacts Outside of Worship**

- Christian Care Consultations (x5) (2 at home; 1 in office 2 by phone)
- Arlington Homecoming Parade
- Thursday Evening Card Group “The Jokers” (x4)
- Care-cards sent (x26)

**Related Church Activities**

- Pericope (Text) Study – Marion Area Clergy Group Zoom (x2)
- Synod Authorized Minister Cohort Zoom (x1)
- Synod Authorized Minister Evaluation Meeting (x1 w/ SAM Supervisor & Council Chair)
- Worship with residents @ Good Samaritan Society (x1)
- Central Conference Ministerial Gathering (x1)

**Shipwreck Sunday/10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

- Wonderful Day – have heard only positive feedback.
- 7 friends attended from Cardington area, 3 for the first time—praised our hospitality and loved the music.
- Letter sent to the family that visited from Bluffton.

**Ecumenical Relationships and Community Contacts**

- Pastor Matt Blau, Pastor Steve Ramsey, and I met Wednesday, September 20, to begin the conversation of having some shared ministry and fellowship opportunities.
- Service of Thanksgiving
  - Sunday, November 19, 2023, 7:00pm

- St. Paul Lutheran Church to host
- Lisa Gossman is available to play for the service (need to pay her for an extra worship service)
- Pastor Blau to give the message; Pastor Ramsey will preside over worship; Minister Deb to do the welcome and prayers.
- Light refreshments to follow (cookies, punch)

### **Synod Authorized Minister**

- Renewal Process (*Deadline for emailing all items to the Synod Office was October 1, 2023*)
  - SAM, SAM Supervisor, and Congregational Council Chair met to review and discuss the SAM's evaluations, the meeting went very well.
  - All required documents were submitted to the Synod Office by the deadline.
- SAM Informational meeting November 11, 2023, 9:00 a.m. @ Peace Lutheran Bowling Green, for SAM, Supervising Pastor, and Congregational Council Chair

### **Continuing Education**

- Stephen Ministry St. John Lutheran Church (x1)
- Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE)
  - Begins October 18 through December 20, 2023 (Ten weeks)
  - Had an Initial interview, via Zoom, with Rev. Karen Huddleson, coordinator of the CPE program.
  - Requirements of CPE: Visitations, journaling, reading, writings (journal reflection, verbatims or case studies regarding Christian-care visits), one one-hour Zoom meeting per week with Rev. Karen, weekly check-in with CPE supervisor, one five-hour Zoom gathering with CPE coordinator and pier group.

### **Upcoming Events to be Aware and Thinking About**

- April 8, 2024, Solar Eclipse – How can we extend Christian Hospitality while being good stewards of our property?

### **YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR REPORT – Amy Gibson**

- The youth spaghetti dinner raised \$577, along with an additional \$93 raised for the “guessing jar”. 52 meal tickets were purchased.
- The corn maze trip is tentatively scheduled to take place at Ghost Town this year.
- Youth Board is still looking at updating the youth room with things such as storage, new paint, and pictures for walls.
- Amy is requesting a locking file cabinet for her room versus a small fireproof lock box and a new chair. The existing chair is old and falling apart.
- The Giving Blitz may be moving to the Spring, depending on when the Trust Committee can provide the funds.

### **PARISH EDUCATION – Amanda Price**

- Kids praise begins Wednesday, October 18, with a light meal served at 5:45. The theme this year is “To Eternity and Beyond” starting at 6:15pm and ending at 7:30pm.
- On November 8th Dick Noll will be hosting a science night.
- Wednesday Night Live will now be opened to youth from grades 6–12 and will be running at the same time as Kids Praise. Topic this year will be Life Hacks.
- Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat is Sunday, October 21. Trunk or Treat will begin at 6:00pm following with youth hayride, and games, from 6:30pm–8:00pm.

- Sunday October 22, the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders will be presented with Bibles. Minister Deb will be meeting with the children during their Sunday School hour on this date. December 10<sup>th</sup> heaven and nature sing.

**OUTREACH** – Nothing new to report.

**OPERATIONAL ISSUES** —

**Old Business:**

- Council reviewed the 2024 Budget. Nathan moved to approve the budget draft and present to congregation at the Annual Meeting. Mike Stoltz seconded; council approved.
- A Special Congregational Meeting to approve handicap door will be held Sunday October 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:15am. 50 members are needed to be present to vote and approve this purchase. This meeting should only take 15 minutes.
- November election – 2 positions open.
  - Trustee
  - Parish Board Asst. Superintendent
  - Natalie McClelland has agreed to move to Recording Secretary
- Megan O’Brien, a representative from Luther Home of Mercy, in Williston, Ohio, will be the guest speaker on Harvest Home Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business**

- Annual meeting will be held Sunday November 19<sup>th</sup> during the Sunday school hour.

**ADJOURN**

- Meeting adjourned with the Lord’s Prayer at 9:01pm

*Tammy von Stein, Recording Secretary*

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**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR NOVEMBER 2023**

**SENIOR CHOIR DIRECTOR:** Lisa Gossman  
**PRAISE TEAM DIRECTOR:** Jan Grieser  
**HANDBELL CHOIR DIRECTOR:** Tammy Robinson  
**AUDIO VIDEO:** Jacob Orwick and Marty Grieser  
**ALTAR GUILD:** Mary Coldren  
**WEBSITE COORDINATOR:** Chelsea Boehm

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**PRAYER CHAIN CONTACTS**

Nadine Boehm — nadineb@thewavz.com or 419-722-6370  
 Pam Hoffman — pkhoffman87@gmail.com or 419-358-1682

**HOSPITAL STAYS**

It is important to the church that we support you through illness and hospitalizations. If you are admitted to Blanchard Valley Hospital for an overnight stay we would like to know.

If you are planning an admission to any hospital, please call the church office at 419-326-3535 to let us know the date you are entering and how long you anticipate staying.

At admission to BVH, *planned or unplanned*, you (or your spokesperson) will be asked several questions,

1. Religion: this may be asked at pre-registration or at admission along with your address, phone number, etc. Please give our denomination.

2. If you wish to be on the Hospital Directory and the Religion List. These questions will be asked of you (or your spokesperson) during the “Consent to Treatment” process. Please answer “yes” to both.

In order to protect your privacy the hospital does not routinely call the church to tell us you have been admitted, unless you specifically ask them to call us. We depend on you or your family to let us know if you have been admitted.

If you have been in the hospital for a day or two and have not been visited, please ask your family or nurse to contact the church office.

A new federal law greatly restricts the disclosure of patient information by hospitals. As a result, the pastors and church office may not know that a member of the church has been admitted to the hospital. If you are hospitalized and would like to notify the pastor, it is important that you or a member of your family inform the church office as soon as possible at 419-326-3535 and the secretary will contact the pastor.

**PERSONS ST. PAUL HAS PRAYED FOR DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2023:** Karen Beard (*Jessica Kemerley’s mother*); Frank Buck (*husband of a friend of Sally Valentage*); family and friends of Chase Clark (*teenager killed in an accident*); Ann Demler; Don Drummer (*uncle of Mike Hoffman*); Mark Hoffman (*Mike’s brother*); Mike Inbody; Daryl Ingram (*Mike’s brother*); Jim Jones (*brother-in-law of Sally Valentage*); Annette Kerr; John Krock (*Christine Kemerley’s brother*); Kyle McDowell; Jolene Mintley (*friend of Sally Valentage*); Larry Parke; family and friends of Dixie Stump (*Jane Wilch’s sister*); family and friends of Esther Toncre (*sister of Rachel Hartman*); all military personnel including — Griffin Hartman, Lance Leisure, Evan McMonigal, Justin Riegle, Nate Sheets, Colin Tobin, and Alex vonStein — Songambele Lutheran Church; Navajo Lutheran Mission School, Rock Point, AZ; Hancock County Religious Education; and Mission Possible for Haiti.



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**Congratulations to Michael and Samantha [Colburn] Bower on their marriage on Saturday, October 7, 2023.** Parents of the groom are Timothy and Deb Bower and grandparents of the groom are Keith and Loretta Bower. Michael and Samantha’s address is: 2801 South Main Street, Apt. B-5, Findlay, OH 45840. May God’s Blessings be with them as they begin their married life together.

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***Thank You ~ Thank You ~ Thank You ~ ~***

**I would thank everyone** for all the cards, phone calls, and prayers while I was in the hospital and home recovering. They were all very much appreciated.

*Larry Parke*

**Thank you to those who** attended, donated, supported, and worked the Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser! We raised \$577! Thank you to those who played our guessing jar games! Noah Cowan won the candy jar. Denise Durliat won the dog biscuits. We raised \$93!

**Thank you for your many prayers, kind words, cards, and phone calls for the passing of my sister, Dixie Stump.** I would tell Dixie that so many of you were praying for her and she so appreciated all your prayers. She will be missed but we know that she was welcomed into heaven by so many family members and friends who went before her. Again, thank you so much for everything you have done for my family.

Blessings, *Jane Wilch*

**We would like to thank all** of our church family and friends for their help in getting our yard and trees cleaned up. And the wonderful meal the church women prepared for all of us after the work day. And the prayer Minister Deb gave before our clean up began. We greatly appreciate it. God Bless each and everyone of you. Thank You.

*Sarah Lucius, Stephen Welly, Onna Fisk, and Lee and Deb Best*

**THANK YOU** for the beautiful flowers and gift cards given me and by extension Dick for Pastor/Minister Appreciation month. We continue to be humbled by the gracious generosity and support given us by the wonderful people of St. Paul. Our hearts are filled with gratitude for all of you, our St. Paul family. Thank you, again,  
*Minister Deb and Dick*



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**SAVE THE DATE: The St. Paul Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:15AM.**

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**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE**

There is 1 church position open for 2024. The position needed is: Parish Board Assistant Superintendent. If you are interested in serving in this position, please contact Laurie Laird or Jan Grieser. We would like to have that position filled before the Annual Congregational Meeting, which is scheduled for Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:15AM.

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**AUTOMATED ENTRY DOOR UPDATE**

The congregation supported the installation of the automated entry door at our Special Congregational Meeting on Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. The company has been notified and the mechanisms have been ordered for the installation. We will keep you informed when they plan to do the work.

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**A SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING will be held here at St. Paul on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM.** Reverend Matthew Blau of Arlington Methodist Church will give the Message, with Pastor Steve Ramsey of Good Hope Lutheran and Minister Deb Noll participating. Refreshments and fellowship will follow the Service.

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**MINISTER DEB'S FALL HOURS:** During the ten weeks of Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) Minister Deb's office hours will be:  
Monday — scheduled day off  
Tuesday — 9:00am to 4:00pm (*evenings available for church meetings*)  
Wednesday — 9:00am to 5:00pm (*10:00am to 4:00pm Blocked for CPE & SAM Zoom sessions*) Evenings available during Kid's Praise  
Thursday — 9:00am to noon in office and 1:00pm to 3:00pm Member Home Visits  
Friday — 9:00am to 5:00pm  
Saturday — 9:00am to noon (*in office as needed, otherwise available at the parsonage*)  
Sunday — 8:00am to 1:00pm Worship, and 4:30pm to 6:00pm Catechism  
Hours are subject to change as necessary. Minister Deb is available 24/7 for emergency and crisis situations. Phone contact: Cell 419-560-1988 / Church 419-326-3535.

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**THE NOVEMBER SEWING DAY will be Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> from 9:00AM – 2:00PM.** Bring a dish to share for lunch.



Bibles were given to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders on Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Those receiving a bible were Andrew Clark, Kaelynn Hirschy, and Brantley Price. Minister Deb provided an education for them during their Sunday school hour.



**Kids Praise began on Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>.** We are again providing a meal for those space explorers, parents, teachers, and helpers who will be attending. The food for the main meals has been donated, but we are in need of applesauce, fruit, jello or pudding cups, cookies, and punch (no red please). You will find a donation sheet on the Information Counter in the Welcome Space. Thank you for helping us to provide these meals as the children learn about “Eternity And Beyond / Living Life with Eternity in Mind”.

**Kids Praise began on Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> for Pre-school — 5<sup>th</sup> Grade.** There is a meal at 5:45PM and classes end at 7:30PM — “Eternity And Beyond / Living Life with Eternity in Mind”.

**There were 36 kids and 24 adults at the 10/18/2023 Kids Praise.  
There were 36 kids and 24 adults at the 10/25/2023 Kids Praise  
There were 31 kids and 23 adults at the 11/1/2023 Kids Praise**



**“COATS FOR CHRISTMAS” — Beginning on Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>** there will be a large box available in the church entrance to collect new or gently used coats, hats, scarves, mittens, and new heavy weight socks. **The collection box will be available until Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to drop off coats, hats, scarves, mittens, and new heavy weight socks at City Apparel, 116 East Main Cross Street, Findlay please do so from Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> – Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**Altar Guild and WELCA sign-up for 2024** – It is time once again to sign-up for Altar Guild, WELCA meetings and Shut-in Visiting for 2024.

**Altar Guild in 2024** – If you would be willing to serve on Altar Guild, please sign up for the month you would prefer to serve. One or two people may sign up each month. If you would like to just **un-cover** before the early service or just **cover** after the late service, please note that desire and we’ll find someone else to do the other. If you are unsure of what this involves, please ask any member of WELCA and we will be glad to let you know what all is involved.

**WELCA meetings** – If you attend our monthly meetings and would be willing to give devotions, be hostess for a month or just sign up to visit our shut-ins for a month, please sign up for the month you prefer.

**Shut-in Visiting** – Even though you may not attend the WELCA meetings, if you would be willing to help us out, take a month, and **visit our shut-ins**, please sign your name(s) and the month you would prefer.

**Sign-up sheets are located on the Information Counter in the Welcome Space.** Thanks so much for being the hands and feet of Jesus. Many hands make light work!

### **CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER**

**Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Confirmation Class — 5:00PM – 6:00PM**

**Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> Confirmation Class — [NOTE: Time Change] — 2:30PM – 3:30PM**

**Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup> NO Confirmation Class**



## **ReFUEL MEETINGS SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER**

Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> ReFUEL Meeting — 6:00PM – 8:00PM

Sunday November 19<sup>th</sup> — Giving Blitz — 4:00PM – 6:00PM

\*\* YOUTH — Snow Trails, Saturday, February 18, 2024 — Tickets: \$15.00 — Sign-up Deadline is Sunday, November 12, 2023.

YOUTH — Volunteers Needed — Our Youth Room is in need of revamping! Looking for a group of youth to share ideas and re-decorate our space! If interested in this challenge, contact Amy.



Bible Study meets in the Library at 9:30AM and they are studying the Book of Ruth and also studying Deborah. All are welcome.



Once again the St. Paul LYO will be selling poinsettias to decorate the church for the holiday season.

**THE PROCEEDS FROM THIS POINSETTIA SALE WILL GO TOWARDS:  
St. Paul Youth Projects**

The poinsettia plants will come in a 6½ inch container with 4–5 blooms at a cost of \$11.00 per plant.

Colors available are: Red — Burgundy — Ice Crystal

Order forms are available on the Information Counter in the Welcome Space. Fill in the order form and return to the church secretary or leave the order form and money in the secretary's box outside the church office. Payment must accompany orders, and checks need to be made payable to: St. Paul Lutheran LYO.

**Deadline for placing orders will be — SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26<sup>th</sup>**

### **St. Paul Outreach Committee Focus Statement for 2023**

“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.” Galatians 6:9–10

The St. Paul Outreach Committee will be using this Bible verse in 2023 to focus our efforts on needs closer to home. As a body of believers in Jesus we want to come alongside people in our community who are in need. That way we can do what Paul calls “carrying each other’s burdens.” (Galatians 6:2) Relying on God’s strength, we listen, we empathize, we help where we can, and we can also pray for them. We can look for ways to “do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.” Paul says that when we do so, we fulfill the law of Christ: to love God and love our neighbor as ourselves. The burdens of life can be heavy, but praise God, he’s given us our church family to lighten the load. If you know of a “neighbor” who could use some help, please let us know and we’ll prayerfully consider what we as a church family can do to help.

**The November Outreach Mission is sending care packages to our servicemen.** Thank you, St. Paul Outreach Committee

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## **2023 Daily Bible Readings**

*The Year of Story* is the Northwestern Ohio Synod's theme for 2023. Each year, Bishop Daniel Beaudoin encourages Church leaders and congregations to engage in daily Bible reading. The readings this year will walk readers through "The Story of Jesus." Together, let us read His story and ponder what God's Word reveals to us. The list of readings for the entire year may be found at:

<http://nwos-elca.church/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/2023-Bible-Reading-Guide.pdf>

### **The readings for November are:**

#### **JESUS' MINISTRY IN JERUSALEM (CONTINUED)**

Nov. 1	<i>Passover with the Disciples</i>	Matthew 26:17–20; Mark 14:12–17; Luke 22:7–14
Nov. 2	<i>Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet</i>	John 13:1–20
Nov. 3	<i>Jesus Foretells His Betrayal</i>	Matthew 26:21–25; Mark 14:18–21; Luke 22:21–23; John 13:21–30
Nov. 4	<i>The Last Supper</i>	Matthew 26:26–30; Mark 14:22–26; Luke 22:15–20
Nov. 5	<i>The Dispute about Greatness</i>	Luke 22:24–30; Matthew 20:24–28; Mark 10:41–45
Nov. 6	<i>A New Commandment</i>	John 13:31–35
Nov. 7	<i>Peter's Denial Predicted</i>	Matthew 26:31–35; Mark 14:27–31; Luke 22:31–34; John 13:36–38
Nov. 8	<i>Two Swords</i>	Luke 22:35–38

#### **THE FAREWELL DISCOURSE (ACCORDING TO JOHN)**

Nov. 9	<i>Let Not Your Hearts Be Troubled</i>	John 14:1–14
Nov. 10	<i>The Promise of the Holy Spirit</i>	John 14:15–31
Nov. 11	<i>Jesus the True Vine</i>	John 15:1–17
Nov. 12	<i>The World's Hatred</i>	John 15:18–27
Nov. 13	<i>On Persecutions</i>	John 16:1–4
Nov. 14	<i>The Work of the Holy Spirit</i>	John 16:5–15
Nov. 15	<i>Sorrow Turned to Joy</i>	John 16:16–24
Nov. 16	<i>Peace for the Disciples</i>	John 16:25–33
Nov. 17	<i>Jesus Prays for His Disciples</i>	John 17:1–26

#### **THE ARREST, CRUCIFIXION, AND BURIAL OF JESUS (ACCORDING TO MATTHEW)**

Nov. 18	<i>Gethsemane</i>	Matthew 26:36–46; Mark 14:32–42; Luke 22:39–46; John 18:1
Nov. 19	<i>Jesus Arrested</i>	Matthew 26:47–56; Mark 14:43–52; Luke 22:47–53; John 18:2–11
Nov. 20	<i>Jesus Before the Sanhedrin</i>	Matthew 26:57–68; Mark 14:53–65; Luke 22:63–71; John 18:12–14, 19–24
Nov. 21	<i>Peter's Denial</i>	Matthew 26:69–75; Mark 14:66–72; Luke 22:54–62; John 18:15–18, 25–27
Nov. 22	<i>Jesus Before Pilate</i>	Matthew 27:1–2; Mark 15:1; Luke 23:1; John 18:28
Nov. 23	<i>The Death of Judas</i>	Matthew 27:3–10
Nov. 24	<i>The Trial Before Pilate</i>	Matthew 27:11–14; Mark 15:2–5; Luke 23:2–5; John 18:29–38
Nov. 25	<i>Jesus Before Herod</i>	Luke 23:6–12
Nov. 26	<i>Jesus or Barabbas</i>	Matthew 27:15–23; Mark 15:6–14; Luke 23:17–23; John 18:39–40
Nov. 27	<i>Pilate Delivers Jesus to Be Crucified</i>	Matthew 27:24–26; Mark 15:15; Luke 23:24–25; John 19:1–16
Nov. 28	<i>The Soldiers Mock Jesus</i>	Matthew 27:27–31; Mark 15:16–20; John 19:1–3
Nov. 29	<i>The Road to Golgotha</i>	Matthew 27:32; Mark 15:21; Luke 23:26–32; John 19:17
Nov. 30	<i>Crucifixion</i>	Matthew 27:33–44; Mark 15:22–32; Luke 23:33–43; John 19:18–27

## November 2023 Birthdays

Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> Claire Fisher  
 Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> Arianna Kroske  
 Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> Katelynn Solt  
 Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> Marc Depuy  
 Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> Collin Haley  
 Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> Judy McDowell  
 Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> Pam Pepple  
 Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> Carly Amos  
 Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> Melissa Kroske  
 Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> Reid Rammel  
 Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> Ron Riegle  
 Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> Kerwin Gillespie  
 Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> John Rettig  
 Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> Bryce Geissinger  
 Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> Sarah Grostick  
 Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> Wanda Renner  
 Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> Ryan Wilhelm  
 Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> Ed Boehn  
 Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> Max Langhals  
 Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> Jacob Leu  
 Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> Phil Riegle  
 Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> Lisa Creque  
 Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> Shane Grieser  
 Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> Cameron Huss  
 Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> Charles Breitigam  
 Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> Barbara Bower  
 Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> Rebecca Peyton  
 Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> Brantley Trout  
 Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> Everly Trout  
 Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> Jaron Welty  
 Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> Alex McDowell  
 Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> Jenna Stoltz  
 Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> Rebecca Stoltz  
 Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> Emma Smith  
 Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> Amber Durliat  
 Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> Lauren Etler  
 Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup> Lisa McDowell  
 Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> Aaron Korte  
 Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> Kennedy McCasland  
 Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> Bailey Parke  
 Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> Tammy vonStein  
 Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> Brittany Robinson  
 Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> Jacob Russell  
 Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> Wyatt Wilson

Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> Deb Bower  
 Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> Berkley Grieser  
 Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> Elizabeth Haley  
 Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> Cheryl Lentz  
 Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> Hannah Rader  
 Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> Grant Wilson  
 Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> Carrie Ludwig  
 Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> Tammy Robinson  
 Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> Cameron Haley  
 Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> Melissa Solt  
 Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> Zachary Durliat  
 Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> Ryan Wolford




## November 2023 Anniversaries

Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> Steve and Emily Clark – 17  
 Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> Mark and Morgan Tiell – 16  
 Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> Robert and Leilani Beery – 44  
 Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> Jaron and Taylor Welty – 6  
 Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> Ryan and Brittany Robinson – 12  
 Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> David and Jackie Bayer – 31  
 Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> Robert and Evelyn Robison – 54  
 Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> Charles and Carol Breitigam – 62  
 Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup> Richard and Jean Crooks – 56  
 Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> John and Mary A. Wilson – 58



# ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH ~ NOVEMBER 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>Lector:</b> Steve Clark Family <b>Altar Guild:</b> Mary Coldren <b>Organist:</b> November 5 <sup>th</sup> , 12 <sup>th</sup> , 19 <sup>th</sup> , and 26 <sup>th</sup> : Lisa Gossman			<b>1</b> 5:45PM Meal before Kids Praise 6:00PM – 7:30PM Kids Praise / WNL <b>NO</b> Senior Choir Practice 8:00PM Bell Choir Practice	<b>2</b> 9:30AM Bible Study / Library 6:00PM Sunday School Room reserved by “The Jokers”	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY</b> <b>DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS / FALL BACK</b> 9:00AM Traditional Worship / Communion 10:15AM Sunday School 11:15AM Contemporary Worship / Communion 5:00PM – 6:00PM Confirmation 6:00PM – 8:00PM ReFUEL	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 7:00PM Worship Committee Meeting	<b>8</b> 9:00AM – 2:00PM Sewing Day 5:45PM Meal before Kids Praise 6:00PM – 7:30PM Kids Praise / WNL 7:00PM Senior Choir Practice 8:00PM Bell Choir Practice	<b>9</b> 9:30AM Bible Study / Library 6:00PM Sunday School Room reserved by “The Jokers” 7:00PM Parish Education Board Meeting	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY</b> <b>AFTER PENTECOST</b> <b>YOUTH / SIGN-UP DEADLINE FOR SNOW TRAILS – 2024</b> 9:00AM Traditional Worship / Communion 10:15AM Sunday School 11:15AM Contemporary Worship / Communion 5:00PM – 6:00PM Confirmation	<b>13</b> 7:15PM Youth Board Meeting	<b>14</b> 7:00PM Congregational Council Meeting	<b>15</b> 5:45PM Meal before Kids Praise 6:00PM – 7:30PM Kids Praise / WNL 7:00PM Senior Choir Practice 8:00PM Bell Choir Practice	<b>16</b> 9:30AM Bible Study / Library 6:00PM Sunday School Room reserved by “The Jokers”6:00PM	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> AM — Kitchen reserved by Emily Clark
Minister Deb and Dick on vacation – November 16 <sup>th</sup> — November 18 <sup>th</sup>						
<b>19 TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</b> <b>ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – 10:15AM</b> 9:00AM Traditional Worship 10:15AM Annual Congregational Meeting 10:15AM Sunday School 11:15AM Contemporary Worship / Communion 12:15PM – 3:00PM Fellowship Hall reserved by the Boehm Cousins 2:30PM – 3:30PM Confirmation 4:00PM – 6:00PM YOUTH / Giving Blitz 7:00PM Community Thanksgiving Service	<b>20</b> 7:30PM Dartball St. Johns @ Jenera Jr. Jenera Sr. @ Salem, Findlay	<b>21</b> 7:00PM WELCA Meeting	<b>22</b>	<b>23 THANKSGIVING DAY</b> Church Office Closed  NOON – 5:00PM Fellowship Hall reserved by Rachel Hartman  	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26 CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY</b> <b>DEADLINE FOR POINSETTIA ORDERS</b> 9:00AM Traditional Worship / Baptism of Ila Eter 10:00AM – 2:00PM Fellowship Hall reserved by Eter Family 10:15AM Sunday School 11:15AM Contemporary Worship / Communion	<b>27</b> 7:30PM Dartball Jenera Jr. @ Jenera Sr.	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 7:00PM Senior Choir Practice 8:00PM Bell Choir Practice	<b>30</b> 9:30AM Bible Study / Library 6:00PM Sunday School Room reserved by “The Jokers”		