



St. Paul's Messenger

A monthly newsletter for friends and family

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EVENTS

- Nov. 5 Daylight Saving time (fall back)
All Saints Day
Congregational vote
- Nov. 8 Church Council
- Nov. 15 Ladies Lunch Bunch
- Nov. 16 Mobile Food Pantry
- Nov. 23 Thanksgiving Day

Attendance

October 1	100
October 8	100
October 15	84
October 22	86
October 29	

Thank you to Cathy Retzer for sponsoring the November newsletter.

A MESSAGE FROM COUNCIL PRESIDENT VAL BACH

Greetings everyone,

We have an exciting Sunday coming up at St. Paul's on Sunday, October 29. This date is the first official joint worship service held between Our Saviour's and St. Paul's that is being hosted by St. Paul's. What a wonderful way to continue getting to know our partnering parish members. To add to the fun and fellowship of the service and potluck meal following the service, we will be hosting a Trunk or Treat event for the kids right after Sunday School and worship which will take place in the parking lot.

One of the trunk or treat displays I volunteered to create (along with Dave's help, of course) was Noah's Ark – "Saved by God – Just Like You and Me." Noah trusted in God, God kept his promise and Noah and his family along with all the animals were saved from the devastating flood. This is one of my favorite Bible stories.

So, the past couple of days it was "all hands-on deck" literally. My husband and I spent an entire day constructing the front of an ark; one that would fit in the back of his truck. And, of course, we had to build the ramp for the people and animals to get on and off the ark with.

As we were heavy into the construction, I found myself thinking of my dad a lot. He's been gone almost 18 years and was a carpenter who could build anything. Any time that I got an idea in my head to build something, he would take me out to the shop and "we" (or should I say he) would start cutting the wood, nailing it together and by the time we were done we had beautiful pieces of art. One of my most favorite building projects was constructing a vertical plant stand which we used for displaying poinsettias and Easter Lilies. I am so thankful for the time I did have with my dad and all that he taught me in life; including him instilling in me a strong Christian upbringing.

So, even though our angle cuts were far from perfect, and we had a couple we cut wrong more than once, I know he was smiling down as he watched me sketch out the design and measure and mark so Dave could make the cuts and then screw it together.

And, I had lots of help from my grandkids; coloring posters, pairing up sets of stuffed animals for the ark and offering suggestions for what treats they would like. My two 5-year-old grandsons were over Sunday after church and asked what we were building. I told them we're building Noah's Ark, and I reminded them of the story of how God told

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Noah he needed to take his family and two of every animal onto the ark because there was going to be a great flood and this ark would save them. And I used that opportunity to explain that because Noah trusted God, God saved him and all the animals and that's why we need to love God and trust him always. I am looking forward to sharing our Sunday worship and fellowship with the members of Our Saviour's and St. Paul's. Please join us for the festivities on Sunday. And remember how amazing God's love is and how powerful it is to put your trust in God.

God's Work, Our Hands.

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR BOB GIESE

Dear members and friends of Our Saviour's/St. Paul's:

Here it is mid-autumn when our thoughts turn to our Thanksgiving celebrations. With that in mind, here is one of my favorite passages about giving thanks: 1 Thessalonians 5:18 - "give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." Notice it does not say "give thanks *for* all circumstances." No, we don't have to be thankful we have cancer or a hip replacement or other traumatic events, though we certainly can be thankful for the miracles of modern medicine which help us to live more productive lives in spite of these problems. But in every situation we find ourselves we can certainly examine our lives to find the blessings we do have from God even in the midst of our struggles and give thanks for those blessings. In fact, studies have shown those who have positive outlooks and can be thankful for what they do have even in the midst of great struggles fare better in the long term than those who only dwell on their problems without seeing the good things in their lives. So, whatever your circumstances you find yourselves in during this season of thanksgiving, I hope you are able to turn your problems over to God, see the blessings you do have, and give God thanks for those blessings.

With that in mind, I want to turn your attention to my favorite passage from the Old Testament and ordination passage: Micah 6:6-8 "6 "With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? 7 Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" 8 He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" In my thinking this passage tells us how to best give thanksgiving to God for our blessings. While our words of thanksgiving are important, what their real purpose is is to direct our thoughts outward to the needs around us - in our families, in our church family, in our communities, and in the world.

When we direct our energies (financial, physical, emotional, spiritual) to the people and situations around us where there is need, we are showing we are truly thankful for what God has given us.

So, as you raise your voices in thanks-giving this Thanksgiving, I urge you to think about how you can demonstrate your thanks-giving tangibly. We often call this "stewardship." How can you be a good steward of the blessings God has given you through your good stewardship of and generosity with your time, talents, and treasures? How will you "do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with your God?"

At the end of my letter, I'll include some of the possible ways you can show your thanksgiving by participation in the life of the congregation. But there are many ways to serve in the community at large, as well. And, every day we are presented with opportunities to "give to show our thanksgiving." Let the Holy Spirit guide you to know how to turn your words of thanks into actions of thanksgiving.

In thanks!

Pastor Bob Giese

P.S.: I am particularly thankful for my speedy progress in healing from my total hip replacement in October. After only 17 days (the time of this writing), I am already walking mostly without my walking stick and riding my recumbent trike (indoors) every day. I hope to soon be back among you in person.

Ways to be involved: Church Council member, liturgist, communion server, acolyte (kids), usher, Sunday School teacher, confirmation helper/teacher, quilter, grounds keeper, scrip seller, fellowship server, WELCA, musicians, AV worker, visitation helper.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School children have been busy learning about Solomon and how he built a temple for the Israelites as a place for them to worship God. Each student was able to build their own temple using some Bible vocabulary as they constructed their work through cooking and art.



Another Bible story that was discussed was about the Israelites wandering in the wilderness and how God provided them with all the food and drink they requested. We used science and cooking to demonstrate this concept by talking about the food chain and the energy we get from the sun along with different ingredients we use to create our own meals.

Don't forget that October 29, we will not have Sunday school due to our joint church service. Trunk and Treat and a brunch will follow that service. Then mark your calendar for December 17, for our Christmas program.

Sunday School Coordinators,
Heidi Haynes and Kathy Hackbarth



CONFIRMATION

I would like to take this month to thank all the help we have been getting. I am going to try and name them all but if I forget someone, I apologize. Dawn Harder is helping out with the skits once again. She really puts a nice touch on them. I also want to thank her for all the group emails she does to keep the parents informed. Dan Higgins has been a devoted volunteer for many years. I don't want to say the number because I would probably be wrong. He helps every Wednesday with preparing/serving and cleaning up after the meal and is also one of our table leaders. Chris Finkler is once again helping us as a table leader and also helping Dan in the kitchen to help everything go smoothly. We would like to welcome Sam Cook to our volunteer list for confirmation as she has stepped up to help with the skits and also as a table leader. Of course I can't forget Leon Gasek as the instructor and all the hours he puts in the lessons so the youth learn about our church and church family. I guess I should include myself but I always feel so blessed with all the help we get that I feel all I have to do is float around in case there are questions that come up.

I can't forget the parents that have volunteered to bring the meals for Wednesday nights. We know most of the parents work but they still find a way to help provide a meal for the kids.

Lastly I would like to thank each and every parent for entrusting their child with our team to show them the love of God through the word, service and the skits.

Faithfully submitted by
Kim and Leon Gasek



**Sunday, November 12 - 8:10 a.m. rehearsal
and recording for November 19 service**

No rehearsal on November 19, or November 26,
due to the hunting and holiday season.

WORSHIP TIMES

**Our Saviour's Lutheran
St. Paul's Lutheran**

**8:00 a.m.
9:15 a.m.**

Every 5th Sunday – 9:00 a.m. joint worship: to be hosted on
a rotating basis between Our Saviour's and St. Paul's.

December 31 – Joint service will be held at BS Bar.

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

The Mobile Food Pantry served 88 households on October 19, 2023.



62 individuals ages 0-17
76 individuals ages 18-59
75 individuals ages 60+
213 total number of individuals

57 individuals visited the pantry for the 1st time.

3,681 pounds of food were distributed. Food included: peanut butter, potatoes, cheese, cottage cheese, yogurt, oatmeal, blackberries, snack bars, apples, chicken, pears, bread, and bakery.

If you would like to help sponsor the food pantry, simply make out your check to **St. Paul's Lutheran Church** and include "food pantry" in the memo line. Business and individual sponsors are welcome.

The next Mobile Food Pantry will be on Thursday, November 16. Volunteers meet at 1:00 p.m. Distribution begins at 4:00 p.m.

Thank you Julie & Sam Scott for sponsoring the October Mobile Food Pantry. Thank you to the many volunteers that came to help distribute the food.

**CONGREGATIONAL VOTE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5**

St. Paul's will be holding a congregational vote on Sunday, November 5, following the 9:15 worship service. The purpose of this meeting is to vote on proceeding with replacing the shingled portion of the roof at St. Paul's, including the drive-through section. The age and condition of the roof requires a complete replacement. We received two quotes and the Council made a decision on the contractor we would like to utilize. The contractor would like to order the materials now to lock in the price and avoid any unexpected cost increases. The actual work will be performed in the spring.

St. Paul's needs a congregational vote to approve moving forward with this building project.

Please plan to attend this special meeting and participate in this important congregational vote on Sunday, November 5.



The SHOWCASE PLAYERS

Present

"The GREATEST STORY EVER TOLD"

SUNDAY - DECEMBER 10, 2023 @ 10:45 A.M.

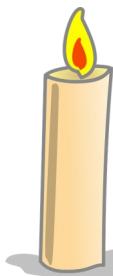
OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH in HOLWAY
W7809 APPLE AVE
MEDFORD WI



**ALL SAINTS DAY
Sunday, November 5**

During the service we will recognize those members who have passed since All Saints Day 2022.

Families of those members are encouraged to attend this special service.



LADIES LUNCH BUNCH

WHEN: Wednesday, November 15
Time: 11:15 a.m.
Location: Marilyn's
148 S. Whelen Avenue
Medford, WI

All are welcome to enjoy fun and fellowship.

For more information, contact
Chris Finkler at 715-748-6848 or
Michelle Danen at 715-748-4397



NEEDLES FOR NEEDS COMMUNITY QUILT GROUP

We've had quite a busy year so far! After getting our 336 quilts delivered to the Ingathering in Wausau on October 7, the shelves are bare again and ready for more quilts. We are currently prepping batting, cutting jeans, and making our plans for the next quilting "season." We are hoping to get more quilts made for the veteran apartments and have some flexibility in our schedule to switch gears and make homeless veteran quilts again if they are needed. If you would like to help during our quilt work days, we meet from 9-2 every Tuesday - come for an hour or the whole day - all helpers are welcome! If sewing at home is more your speed, we have precut bundles of fabric to make 60"x80" quilt tops ready to go.

We would also like to **thank you** for your generosity in giving towards the quilt shipping fund - *\$460 was donated this year!*

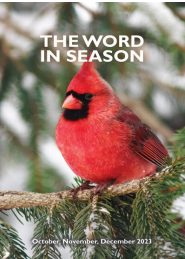
Also, a big thank you to our anonymous donor that gave us funds to purchase many rolls of batting and other supplies - we are so grateful!!

If you have any extra cotton/cotton blend flat sheets or embroidery floss taking up valuable space in your home - please consider donating to our quilt ministry - you will likely see it again next fall before it moves on to help someone in need.

God's Work, Our Hands.
Tonya Albers

NOVEMBER 2023 WORSHIP ASSISTANTS


DATE	MESSAGE	GREETERS	COMMUNION SETUP CLEANUP	ACOLYTE	LITURGIST	USHERS	COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	AV
11/05/23	Mike Kessling	Saige Fettes	No Communion	Austin Faber	Sally Lemke	Kyra Scheithauer Saige Fettes	No Communion	Ross Hackbarth Cathy Retzer
11/12/23	Barb Krug		Dan & Kathy Higgins	Sam Lubahn	Tony Schumacher	Eve Wojcik	Sada Carstensen Sophie Sperl open	Ross Hackbarth Cathy Retzer
11/19/23	Barb Krug		Jo Cypher	Sam Lubahn	Gail Heurung	Brock Anderson	Lauren Cady Briley Schilling Billie Schilling	Ross Hackbarth Cathy Retzer
11/26/23	Pastor Nancy Amacher	Alyssa Doriot Stacy Doriot	Dan & Kathy Higgins	Sam Lubahn	Cathy Retzer	Carmyn Alexander Trista Shore	Chris Konieczny Dawn Kasper open	Cathy Retzer



THE WORD IN SEASON

Daily Devotionals

St. Paul's offers free devotional books to assist you with your daily meditations.



November 22, 2023

Please contact the church office if your contact information has changed.

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BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2023

Nov. 1 Lynette Pernsteiner
 Nov. 2 Lisa Preuss
 Nov. 3 Adam Kmiecicki
 Nov. 4 Jeff Nuernberger
 Jason Seifert
 Nov. 5 Nicholas Doriot
 Nov. 6 Tammy Anderson
 Lori Waldhart
 Nov. 9 Alyssa Willner
 Nov. 10 Kurt Alexander
 Landon Preuss
 Nov. 11 Chell Anderson
 Jenny Higgins
 Nov. 13 Ian Emmerich

Nov. 14 Jeanne Zirngible
 Nov. 15 Austin Johansen
 Nov. 17 JoAnne Scheithauer
 Nov. 18 Cade Alexander
 Priscilla Bergman
 Graham Mildbrand
 Broden Schilling
 Nov. 19 Eve Wojcik
 Nov. 20 Dale Bender
 Dennis Cypher
 Nov. 21 Tina Dassow
 Nov. 22 Sue King
 Nov. 23 David Hrabý
 Jason Rappe

Nov. 24 Carter Dombroski
 Krista Meier
 Nov. 25 Aileena Patterson
 Ashley Stillman
 Nov. 26 Bruce Brunner
 Nov. 27 Emily Schafer
 Nov. 29 Kaelynn Balciar
 Nov. 30 Steve Balciar

Anniversaries

Nov. 9 Jelaine & Jerry Carstensen

A Meditation Moment

Courtesy of the Kuse Farm Museum and
 Nature Preserve webpage

<http://www.kusemuseum-naturepreserve.org>

Northern Red Oak (*Quercus rubra*)

The people said to Joshua, “The LORD our God we will serve, and him we will obey.” So, Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem. Joshua wrote these words in the book of the law of God; and he took a large stone, and set it up there under **the oak in the sanctuary of the LORD**. Joshua said to all the people, “See, this stone shall be a witness against us; for it has heard all the words of the LORD that he spoke to us; therefore, it shall be a witness against you, if you deal falsely with your God.” Joshua 24:24-27

Whom have we promised to serve? Long ago, God’s people promised to serve the Lord alone.

Oak trees can become very old. Their leaves are blown far from the tree and may be mingled with those of other trees that have fallen to the ground.

The Red Oak leaf has sharp points. Its nuts are prized by squirrels, deer, and turkeys. People use the acorns to create crafts. The wood is strong and firm and makes fine furniture.

As oak leaves are raked think of the promises we have made. Whom do we serve?

Dear Lord,

The oak tree is sturdy and strong. Strengthen our faith and make us strong in and through you. Help us to keep our promises to serve you. In your name we pray. Amen.



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RESCUED

 REDEEMED

RESCUED & REDEEMED

St. Paul’s is currently joining forces with Our Saviour’s Lutheran for a mission project called “Rescued & Redeemed.” The Rescued & Redeemed organization helps survivors of sex trafficking reclaim their lives and promote healing.

Rescued & Redeemed raises money through gently used donated clothing and soft goods. Each pound of donated items is equated to a financial donation to the mission.

If you have items to donate, please bring them to church and place them in the large box in the Welcome Hall. All donations should be placed in plastic bags. This project is ongoing.



Church Council Meeting
Wednesday, October 11th, 6:00 p.m.

Members attending: Leon Gasek, Dan Higgins, Kathy Hackbarth, Heidi Haynes, Sally Lemke, Dave Hruby, Carrie Zirngible, Val Bach, Marie Koerner and Gail Heurung.
Guests: Nancy Jones, Tina Dassow, and Pastor Bob (via Zoom).

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. By Val Bach

Opening prayer was led by Pastor Bob.

Motion by Marie, seconded by Kathy to accept the agenda – motion carried.

Motion by Leon, second by Dan to accept the previous meeting minutes with a change to the person seconding the motion on the minutes the previous month. - Motion carried.

Business:

A motion by Heidi, seconded by Marie to accept the August and September Treasurer's Reports. - Motion carried.
All bills for the repairs to the church are now paid. Lynette Pernsteiner informed Val that due to some personal commitments she will be unable to perform the annual audit. Val will try contacting suitable people to see who can fulfill this task.

A motion by Carrie, seconded by Dan to pay the copier contract for \$853.50 for the coming year. - Motion carried.

Discussion on our current offering envelopes which need to be reordered. Decided to keep Regular/General, Mortgage (still have one), Facility Maintenance and other categories.

Collection plate discussion, decided to leave things as they are. The financial recording secretary sorts them all anyway.

Worship Team:

Bob has the pulpit supply handled through the end of the year. Barb will be doing the services on November 12 and 19. Music is selected through the end of the year...with the exception of Christmas Eve. Will see what our pulpit supply wants to suggest for that. Discussion on Advent services. Val will touch base with Our Savior's Church to discuss.

Sunday School, Confirmation and Adult Bible Study:

Sunday School is a larger group – good to see it growing. Could use more teachers and or helpers. Have been putting the announcement out there but so far, no luck.

Confirmation is good. Question about youth setting up and taking down communion. (Underage) However, there is not an issue with that legally per Ken Coyer. A couple of our 8th graders are planning a duet on November 5...and there is a skit planned for October 29.

Adult Bible study is now on track – will go 6 weeks for now, take a break and then do 6 more as there are 12 chapters to this current study.

Faithful Innovations, Fresh Expressions and Visitation Training:

FIN is really not viable at this time...replaced by Fresh Expressions. Leon stated that the other members of FIN have decided to drop off...leaving at this time just him. Pastor Bob said there is a training coming up for this program. Visitation training was held via Zoom. Val, Kim Gasek, Cathy Retzer attended. Chris Konieczny is also interested in doing visitation.

Call Committee:

Nothing new at this time. Per Pastor Bob, we will re-address what might need to be done again in January.

Roof Repair Estimates:

We have the estimates for replacement of the roof on the original church building. We will call a church congregational meeting to discuss and present the estimates. With the notice needed for a church vote, we will plan to hold the meeting Sunday, November 5, following the church service.

As a side note – the eaves troughs on the church are inadequate. Look at getting an estimate on replacing them when we are getting everything else taken care of.

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New vacuum for the Custodian:

We have a request from the Custodian to replace the vacuum. Nancy will work with Dawn to select a vacuum. They are authorized to spend up to \$500. If the cost is more than that, they will bring the request to the council meeting in November.

Flower Bed Discussion:

Prior to the meeting – while still light outside – the council went out and looked at the flower bed in front of the church. It is dangerous the way it is now. Marie said she is willing to supply and replant the new bed, but the determination is to get a skid steer in and clean that all away. The cross will still stand, with the new flower bed around it. The rest will be made into lawn. We have a water issue on the east side as well. The re-vamping of the bed and possible changes to the roof and eaves troughs should alleviate this. We will look for the proper people to handle this task, but it may be tabled until spring.

Joint Parish:

Next meeting is yet to be determined. Right now, there are no changes to the financial agreements. The 5th Sunday worship is next at St. Paul's on October 29. Val asked that the council members do the egg bakes with the potluck request to fill in. Our Savior's will be bringing the beverages. This worship will be at 9:00 a.m.

Nicole Harder requested permission to hold a "TRUNK OR TREAT" in the parking lot that morning for the kids.

Permission was granted. Will also put out a box for anyone willing to donate treats.

December 31, will be a Joint Service – scheduled for BS Bar with lunch. More info to follow on that.

Pastor Bob:

Currently no changes – all going well.

Benevolences:

Discussion on giving to the synod. We had done \$2500 earlier this year. A motion by Dave, seconded by Marie to send an additional \$2500 at this time - Motion carried with one abstention.

Insurance renewal:

Leon met with the insurance person and found some cost saving measures we could employ. A motion by Dave, seconded by Dan, to make the changes to save the money on the renewal.

New Business:

The suicide support group requested the use of the building another night each month. Permission was given.

Suggestions for holding a bake sale to raise funds for global outreach. Heidi said she would organize this . Dave reminded the council that personal Action Team \$ can be donated for something like this and for any fundraiser held for the flower bed. \$250 a year per person.

Discussion regarding having a clothing collection to benefit the group from Eau Claire who came and talked to us regarding the Trafficking that is a problem in Wisconsin. We will hold collections to benefit this group. Sally will organize this project.

Our next council meeting will be November 8 at 6:00 pm.

A motion was made by Marie, seconded by Gail to adjourn – motion carried.

The council closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted:

Gail Heurung, Secretary

***Thank
you to...***

- Deb Metz, Kathy Higgins, Linda & Randy Sackmann, and Tim Lemke for supplying and/or baking treats for our Sunday fellowship time.
- Allan Brandl for repairing two of the round tables in the Welcome Hall.
- Sally Lemke for heading up the Rescued & Redeemed mission project.
- The volunteers that are supplying the Trunk or Treat activities for the children of the congregation and neighborhood.

TREASURER'S REPORT

	2023		2022		YTD % of Change
	September	YTD	September	YTD	
General Giving	8,233	89,739	9,086	89,871	-0.1%
Mortgage Giving	2,055	17,890	1,930	19,840	-9.8%
Total Giving	10,288	107,629	11,016	109,711	-1.9%
General Expenses	3,801	53,718	7,401	66,677	-19.4%
Mortgage Expense	2,782	25,038	2,782	24,066	4.0%
Total Expenses	6,583	78,756	10,183	90,743	-13.2%
Net Surplus (Deficit)	\$3,705	\$28,873	\$833	\$18,968	
Designated Giving	3,067	128,353	1,243	34,081	276.6%
Designated Expenses	9,043	111,562	3,413	29,290	280.9%
Net Designated Income	(5,975)	16,791	(2,170)	4,790	
Net Combined Income (Deficit)	(\$2,271)	\$45,664	(\$1,337)	\$23,758	

Bank Accounts - As of:	9/30/23	YTD Change		Comments
<u>General Checking</u>	\$136,186	\$25,013	\$100,576	
<u>Designated Funds in Checking</u>				
Building Maintenance	37,678	\$32,605	2,287	
Comfort Quilts	516	(\$229)	495	
Designated Memorials	3,298	\$420	2,878	
Fair Trade Sales	673	\$150	523	
Mortgage Fund	0	\$0	(926)	
Thrivent Choice	332	(\$10,947)	11,203	
Mobile Food Pantry	5,386	(\$1,268)	4,993	
Sunday School	1,102	(\$355)	1,550	
Youth Group	11,417	\$377	10,952	
Total Funds in Checking	\$196,590	\$45,767	\$134,531	
<u>Other Accounts</u>				
Events/Fund Raiser Acct	3,332	12	2,148	
Needles for Needs Acct	2,112	(997)	1,933	
Scrip Acct	4,964	(1,000)	8,454	
Total Other Accounts	\$10,408	-\$1,984	\$12,535	
Total - All Accounts	\$206,997	\$43,783	\$147,066	
PPP Loan Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0	Loan forgiven 3/15/21
Mortgage Balance	\$79,849	-\$65,115	\$166,880	

St. Paul's Giving Options

Mail your check to St. Paul's Lutheran Church,
321 N. Park Ave., Medford, WI 54451

Simply Giving contributions are deducted from your checking or savings account.

Giving via St. Paul's Website

E-Giving Download the app "GivePlus Church"



SCRIP cards make great gifts for weddings, graduations, or other special occasions. A portion of each gift card purchase enables St. Paul's to do ministry. Check at the SCRIP counter on Sunday morning or call the office and someone will help you.

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Mission Statement:

Saved and strengthened by Christ, we proclaim God's love through worship, education, and service to our congregation, community, and the world.

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Additional Information

Sunday Service:	9:15 a.m.
Sunday School	9:15 a.m. (during school year)
Office Hours:	Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Facebook:	StPaulsMedford
Website:	www.stpaulsmedford.org



Please read the prayer list in the weekly service. If there is someone that needs to be added or removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office at 715-748-4909 or send an email to: stpaulslutheranmedford@gmail.com

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November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>November 5</p>			<p>1 4:00 p.m. Confirmation</p>	<p>2 6:30 p.m. Bible study</p>	<p>3 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting</p>	<p>4 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Girl Scouts</p>
<p>5 9:15 a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Sunday School Congregational vote after the service</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs Work Day 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts</p>	<p>8 4:00 p.m. Confirmation 6:00 p.m. Church Council</p>	<p>9 6:30 p.m. Bible study</p>	<p>10 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting</p>	<p>11 Veterans Day</p>
<p>12 8:10 a.m. Choir 9:15 a.m. Worship / Communion 9:15 a.m. Sunday School</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs Work Day</p>	<p>15 11:15 a.m. Ladies Lunch Bunch 4:00 p.m. Confirmation</p>	<p>16 1:00-5:00 p.m. Mobile Food Pantry</p>	<p>17 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19 9:15 a.m. Worship / Communion 9:15 a.m. Sunday School</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs Work Day 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts</p>	<p>22 No Confirmation Look for ecumenical Thanksgiving services in the community Newsletter Deadline</p>	<p>23 Thanksgiving Day</p>	<p>24 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26 9:15 a.m. Worship / Communion No Sunday School 6:00 p.m. Suicide Support Group</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs Work Day</p>	<p>29 4:00 p.m. Confirmation</p>	<p>30</p>		

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