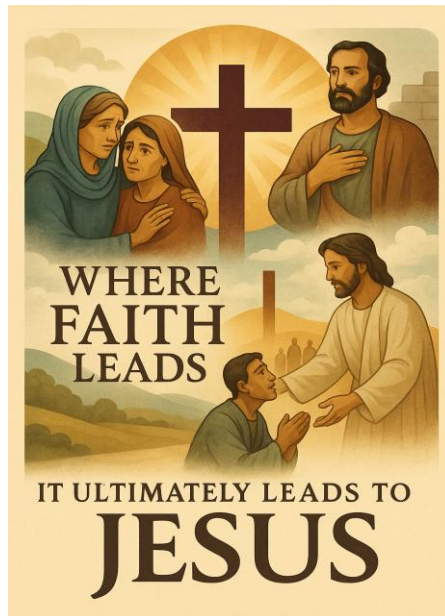


EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

11:00

October 12, 2025



Guided by Faith

AS WE GATHER

In our Readings today, we see not only where faith guides but also to whom it ultimately leads. In Ruth 1, we learn of Naomi's difficulties as she faced numerous instances of grief. Yet her faith remained in the Lord and His provision, which would lead her to Judah. Faithful to her mother-in-law, Ruth would be guided not only to a new land but also to the knowledge of the one true God. In 2 Timothy 2, even amid imprisonment and suffering, Paul points young Timothy and all hearers in faith to remember Jesus Christ, reminding of the One who remains faithful despite earthly troubles. In Luke 17, ten lepers encounter Jesus and beg for His mercy. Jesus heals them all and then affirms the faith of the cleansed Samaritan, making him well spiritually. As we are called, gathered, and enlightened by the Holy Spirit, who gives and sustains the gift of faith still, we are guided by Scripture and led through it to our Savior, Jesus, in whose name we worship in our prayer, our praise, and our thanksgiving for all He has done.

WELCOME – Pastor Jim Frusti

RINGING OF THE BELL

We lift our hands in the Sanctuary

We lift our hands in the sanctuary.
 We lift our hands to give You the glory.
 We lift our hands to give You the
 praise.
 And we will praise You for the rest of
 our days.
 We sing Hosanna for the rest of our
 days.

We lift our hearts in the sanctuary.
 We lift our hearts to give You the glory.
 We lift our hearts to give You the
 praise.
 And we will praise You for the rest of
 our days.
 We sing Hosanna for the rest of our
 days.

Jesus, we give You the praise.
 Emmanuel, we lift up Your name.
 Heavenly Father, coming Messiah,
 And we will praise You for the rest of
 our days.
 We sing Hosanna for the rest of our
 day.

We clap our hands in the sanctuary.
 We clap our hands to give You the
 glory.
 We clap our hands to give You the
 praise,
 And we will praise You for the rest of
 our days.
 We sing Hosanna for the rest of our
 days.

Sing Hallelujah in the sanctuary.
 Sing Hallelujah to give You the glory.
 Sing Hallelujah to give You the praise,
 And we will praise You for the rest of
 our days.
 We sing Hosanna for the rest of our
 days

Jesus, we give You the praise.
 Emmanuel, we lift up Your name.
 Heavenly Father, coming Messiah,
 And we will praise You for the rest of
 our days.
 We sing Hosanna for the rest of our
 days.

We sing our song in the sanctuary.
 We sing our song to give You the glory.
 We sing our song to give You the
 praise,
 And we will praise You for the rest of
 our days.
 We sing Hosanna for the rest of our
 days.

Jesus, we give You the praise.
 Emmanuel, we lift up Your name.
 Heavenly Father, coming Messiah,
 And we will praise You for the rest of
 our days.
 We sing Hosanna for the rest of our
 days.

Jesus, we give You the praise.
 Emmanuel, we lift up Your name.

Heavenly Father, coming Messiah,
And we will praise You for the rest of
our days.

Sing Hallelujah for the rest of our days.
We shout "Hosanna" the rest of our
days

Yes, will love You for the rest of our
days.

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 111:1–8*

Pastor: Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

People: Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.

Pastor: Full of splendor and majesty is His work, and His righteousness endures forever.

People: He has caused His wondrous works to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and merciful.

Pastor: He provides food for those who fear Him; He remembers His covenant forever.

People: He has shown His people the power of His works, in giving them the inheritance of the nations.

Pastor: The works of His hands are faithful and just; all His precepts are trustworthy;

People: they are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *2 Timothy 2:1, 3, 8a, 11–13; Psalm 111:9–10*

Pastor: As we come before the Lord with humble and contrite hearts, we hear the words of encouragement from Paul to young Timothy: "You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus."

People: God of grace, we ask Your forgiveness for the times we seek strength away from where You promise to be present with Your Word and in Your means of grace, and for the times we have not desired the grace found in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Pastor: "Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus."

People: We confess we have chosen the easy way out when our following and serving of Jesus becomes difficult for our lives, forsaking Your name and the name You have given us in Baptism.

Pastor: "Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead."

People: We confess we have not remembered the victory Jesus Christ has won for us over sin, death, and the devil, through His sacrificial death and rising from the dead. Because of this, we have not loved You with all our heart, soul, and strength, and have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: The saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with Him,

People: we will also live with Him;

Pastor: if we endure, we will also reign with Him;

People: if we deny Him, He also will deny us;

Pastor: if we are faithless,

People: He remains faithful—for He cannot deny Himself.

Pastor: Our faithful God, the one almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: He sent redemption to His people; He has commanded His covenant forever.

People: Holy and awesome is His name!

Pastor: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.

People: His praise endures forever!

You Are Good

Lord, You are good,
And Your mercy endureth forever;
Lord, You are good,
And Your mercy endureth forever.

Lord, You are good,
And Your mercy endureth forever;
Lord, You are good,
And Your mercy endureth forever.

People from every nation and tongue,
From generation to generation.

People from every nation and tongue,
From generation to generation.

We worship You,
Hallelujah, hallelujah;
We worship You for who You are;
We worship You,
Hallelujah, hallelujah;
We worship You for who You are;
For You are good.

We worship You,
Hallelujah, hallelujah;
We worship You for who You are;
We worship You,
Hallelujah, hallelujah;
We worship You for who You are;
For You are good.

✘ **WORD** ✘

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, in times of suffering, You invite Your people to call upon You in the day of trouble, for You will deliver and Your people will glorify You. In our times of need, be with us.

People: **As we follow and bear Your name in our lives and in our witness, through Your Spirit enliven our faith that we may be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, who we are called to always remember is risen from the dead;**

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Ruth 1:1–19a* (Ruth's loyalty to widow Naomi)**Naomi Widowed**

1 In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. **2** The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. **3** But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. **4** These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, **5** and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

Ruth's Loyalty to Naomi

6 Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the Lord had visited his people and given them food. **7** So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. **8** But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. **9** The Lord grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. **10** And

they said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." ¹¹ But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? ¹² Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, ¹³ would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the Lord has gone out against me." ¹⁴ Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

¹⁵ And she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." ¹⁶ But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. ¹⁷ Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the Lord do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you." ¹⁸ And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more.

Naomi and Ruth Return

¹⁹ So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem. And when they came to Bethlehem, the whole town was stirred because of them. And the women said, "Is this Naomi?"

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *2 Timothy 2:1–13*

(A good soldier of Christ Jesus)

2 You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, ² and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also. ³ Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴ No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. ⁵ An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. ⁶ It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. ⁷ Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, ⁹ for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! ¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. ¹¹ The saying is trustworthy, for:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he also will deny us;

¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

for he cannot deny himself.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 17:11–19*

(Jesus cleanses ten lepers.)

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³ and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." ¹⁴ When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶ and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? ¹⁸ Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



Death Was Arrested

Verse 1

Alone in my sorrow and dead in my sin
 Lost without hope with no place to
 begin
 Your love made a way to let mercy
 come in
 When death was arrested and my life
 began

Verse 2

Ash was redeemed only beauty
 remains
 My orphan heart was given a name
 My mourning grew quiet my feet rose to
 dance
 When death was arrested and my life
 began

Chorus

Oh Your grace so free washes over me
 You have made me new now life
 begins with You

It's Your endless love pouring down on
 us
 You have made us new now life begins
 with You

Verse 3

Released from my chains I'm a pris'ner
 no more
 My shame was a ransom He faithfully
 bore
 He cancelled my debt and He called
 me His friend
 When death was arrested and my life
 began

Chorus

Oh Your grace so free washes over me
 You have made me new now life
 begins with You
 It's Your endless love pouring down on
 us
 You have made us new now life begins
 with You

Verse 4

Our Savior displayed on a criminal's cross
 Darkness rejoiced as though Heaven had lost
 But then Jesus arose with our freedom in hand
 That's when death was arrested and my life began

Chorus

Oh Your grace so free washes over me
 You have made me new now life begins with You

It's Your endless love pouring down on us
 You have made us new now life begins with You

Oh we're free, free, forever we're free
 Come join the song of all the redeemed
 Oh we're free, free, forever amen
 When death was arrested and my life began (2X)

When death was arrested and my life began
 When death was arrested and my life began

SERMON – Pastor Jim Frusti – *“Faithful God, Faithful People***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** *2 Timothy 2:8, 13*

Pastor: Let us pray for the people of God in Christ Jesus, for His church, and for all people according to their needs.

God of everlasting mercy, You offer Your salvation and redemption to all people with forgiveness assured through faith in Your Son. As You did for Your people of old, including Ruth and Naomi, grant us trust in Your provision and direction, even amid trials we may face. Help us to endure and to also point others to the help and hope You offer and sustain by Your grace. As we remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead,

People: hear our prayer, for You remain faithful.

Pastor: Ever-sustaining Lord, who strengthens by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, encourage us by Your servant Paul. As he endured persecution and prison for the sake of Your Gospel for the salvation of the world, sustain us in our faith and in our witness. Grant strength to endure the trials and sufferings in this world, and

to remain firm in faith when we bear Your name as Your baptized and redeemed people. Soften hearts of those who reject Your Word and grace and pour out Your Spirit that many more may come to know Your mercy, which is known and shown through Your Son. As we remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead,

People: hear our prayer, for You remain faithful.

Pastor: Healing Lord, out of compassion, Jesus healed the ten lepers afflicted by disease. Be with those who suffer in body and mind with disease, diagnosis, and despair. We especially lift up to You those who have asked for our prayers, [*including . . .*]. For those afflictions and ailments known only to You, grant the comfort of Your presence and healing according to Your will. We thank You for the healing of our greatest afflictions faced against the world, the devil, and our sinful flesh. Through hardships, as we remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead,

People: hear our prayer, for You remain faithful.

Pastor: Into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

If you brought your offering today, you are welcome to leave it in the offering box you will find at the back of the church. **Thank you.**

We invite our guests and members to fill out our Friendship Card during worship, which is found on the back of the pew. Please leave your card at the end of the pew near the center aisle as you leave.

The Lord's Prayer

Verse

Father, let your kingdom come.
 Father, let your will be done
 On Earth as in Heaven,
 Right here in my heart.

Father, let your kingdom come.
 Father, let your will be done
 On Earth as in Heaven,
 Right here in my heart.

Chorus

Give us this day our daily bread.
 Forgive us, forgive us
 As we forgive the ones who sinned
 Against us; forgive them.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 But deliver us from the evil one.
 Let your kingdom come.

It's yours, it's yours,
 All yours, all yours.
 The kingdom, the power,
 The glory are yours.

It's yours, it's yours,
 All yours, all yours.
 Forever and ever
 The kingdom is yours.

Verse

Father, let your kingdom come.
 Father, let your will be done
 On Earth as in Heaven,
 Right here in my heart.

Father, let your kingdom come.
 Father, let your will be done
 On Earth as in Heaven,
 Right here in my heart.

Father, let your kingdom come.
 Father, let your will be done
 On Earth as in Heaven,
 Right here in my heart.

Father, let your kingdom come.
 Father, let your will be done
 On Earth as in Heaven,
 Right here in my heart.

Bridge

On Earth as in Heaven,
 Right here in my heart

CLOSING SENTENCES *2 Timothy 2:1, 3, 8a, 11–13*

Pastor: Be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus.

People: Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead.

Pastor: Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus.

People: Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead.

Pastor: If we have died with Him, we will also live with Him; if we endure, we will also reign with Him; if we deny Him, He also will deny us; if we are faithless, He remains faithful—for He cannot deny Himself.

People: **Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead.**

God is Good

May your struggles keep you near the cross
And may your troubles show that you need God
And may your battles end the way they should
And may your bad days prove that God is good
And may your whole life prove that God is good
(2x)



BENEDICTION

Pastor: The blessing of almighty God—the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit—be with you.

People: **Amen.**

THE INVITATIONS

Preach (I Want My Life to)

Verse 1

I talk about grace
 I talk about love
 I talk about faith
 But some days I don't have enough
 I talk about forgiveness
 I'm still learning how to give it
 Lord I need your strength to live what I
 believe

Chorus

I want my life to preach
 Every breath every beat
 I want my life to preach
 When I'm strong when I'm weak
 Through valley lows and mountain highs
 Every moment testifies
 Further than my words could ever reach
 I want my life to preach
(I want my life to preach,
I want my life to preach -2x)

Verse 2

I talk about peace
 And I talk about hope
 I talk about serving others
 But most days I don't
 I talk about freedom
 But getting lost in religion
 Lord give me strength to live what I
 believe

Chorus

I want my life to preach
 Every breath every beat
 I want my life to preach
 When I'm strong when I'm weak
 Through valley lows and mountain highs
 Every moment testifies
 Further than my words could ever reach
 I want my life to preach
(I want my life to preach,
I want my life to preach -2x)

Bridge

Turn my days into your canvas
 Let me stay open handed
 With a humble heart to serve the least of
 these
 (and be your hands and feet)
 I want my faith to be in action
 Let this flame of compassion
 Be louder than every word I speak

Chorus

I want my life to preach
 Every breath every beat
 I want my life to preach
 When I'm strong when I'm weak
 Through valley lows and mountain highs

Every moment testifies
Further than my words could ever reach
I want my life to preach

*I want my life to preach,
I want my life to preach -2x*

I want my life to preach



Need some PRAYER? Anyone who desires special private prayer with a pastor or a Stephen Minister may do so by coming forward after service to one of the front pews.

Our Vision — a place to come for comfort, support, answers, opportunities to serve, and to strengthen a salvation relationship with Jesus



WHERE WE SERVE

Preacher/Officiant	Pastor Jim Frusti
Music Director	Paul Ventimiglia
Family Life	Jeanette Koch
Elder	Mark Baumgarten
Greeter	Potter Family
Welcome Center	Beth Hempel
Tech Team	James Nordbeck
Altar Society	Jan Paver Lisa Fairbairn
Praise Team	Hannah Hughes Sarah Hughes Linda Johnson Chris Englert Kurt Menhart

Bible Study and Small Group Opportunities

WEDNESDAYS: Women's Bible Study- Wednesdays @ 9:30am in the church Parish Hall.

SUNDAYS: Join us for bible study and fellowship @ 9:45am in the church Parish Hall.

SATURDAYS: Men's Bible Study – Every 1st and 3rd Saturday @ 9:00am – Parish Hall

Attendance Last week: 10.05.2025– Attendance – 8:30am – 91 + 11:00am – 71 = 162

Communion - 145

Received week of 10.05.2025- for Church (Envelopes + loose plate)- **\$ 7,796** total includes online giving School - **\$16.20**

12	OCT, SUN	● 8:30 – 9:30am	Worship w/Communion
		● 9:45 – 10:45am	Sunday School & Youth Bible Study
		● 11am – 12pm	Worship
		● 7 – 9pm	Adult pick up basketball school gym
13	OCT, MON	● 6:30 – 7:30pm	Board of Day School Parish Hall
14	OCT, TUE	● 10am – 2pm	School Hot Lunch - Kitchen
		● 5:45 – 6:45pm	Little League BQ Practice - Parish Hall
		● 7 – 8pm	Allen Terrace Harvest Meal- Parish Hall
		● 7 – 8pm	JV/Varsity BQ Practice - Parish Hall
15	OCT, WED	● 9:30 – 10:30am	Ladies Bible Study -Church Parish Hall
		● 5 – 9pm	Family of God Mission Dinner Kitchen 2-5pm 7354 Whittaker St
		● 7:30 – 9pm	Northville Swim Club (NSC) Room #3
16	OCT, THU	● 10am – 2pm	School Hot Lunch - Kitchen
		● 4:30 – 5:30pm	Choir Practice
		● 5:45 – 7pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal - church
17	OCT, FRI	● 7 – 9pm	AA Mtg. church parish hall
18	OCT, SAT	● All day	Men's Bible Study Parish Hall

Altar Flowers



One vase for Breast Cancer Awareness Month from Claudia and Mike Williamson.

One vase in honor of my daughter Brooke's birthday from her mother Jean Peedle.

Please arrange to pick up your flowers after the 11 am service

Remember Our Shut-Ins

Ruth Natiw
 Story Point of Northville
 44600 Five Mile Road
 Northville Twp., MI 48168



Newcomer Class is beginning soon! Are you **NEW** to St. Paul Lutheran? Join us Wednesday evenings **October 22nd , October 29th and November 5th - 6:30pm** in the church parish hall. This group will explore the unique, unequalled story of how God's remarkable love gives direction and meaning to your life, today and always. Whether you are new to our church or looking to transfer from another church home, this open discussion group is designed for those who are interested in learning or reviewing the foundations of the Christian faith. Please call the church office to register! 248-349-3140 ext. 10. **All are welcome!** If you are looking to join St. Paul Lutheran Church,

THIS IS THE GROUP FOR YOU!

Childcare provided – please call church office if needed. 248-349-3140

\$\$\$\$ **Endowment Fund News** \$\$\$\$

Our grant window is now open through November 14th for the second half of 2025, and we have \$2575 in grant dollars remaining. Please contact the church office for an application.



St. Paul's Endowment Fund 2024 year-end balance was **\$96,665.36** which generates **\$4825** in grant dollars available for 2025. We are headed into our fourth year of grants and have been able to give over \$13,750 in total grants. Here is a re-cap of what the Endowment Fund

has supported thus far:

- \$1600 St Paul's National Youth Gathering in Texas
- \$450 Belize mission trip
- \$1200 Protect Young Eyes Tech talk 101 event
- \$470 Hand Bell Choir storage cases
- \$3365 Church administration office space construction
- \$2000 Church Roof
- \$450 VBS T-Shirts
- \$500 Bible Quizzers
- \$1000 New Church Website
- \$500 School science experiment/chemistry supplies
- \$2000 Church sign refurbishment project (2025)
- \$250 Bible Quizzers (2025)

Thank you to everyone that has donated and continues to donate to our Endowment Fund.

Be part of the St. Paul group in support of AWPC at the Fall Banquet



St. Paul has 3 tables reserved so we can sit together. The tickets are \$50 until October 1. If you reserve through McGuigans you can avoid the service charge and we will add you to our list. We are ready to take reservations. If you are paying by check, write the check out to Pat McGuigan (not AWPC) for \$50 per ticket or pay cash and your meal choice of either chicken or vegetarian. Questions contact Bob @ 734-751-3018 or Pat @ 734-718-8597.

Rebekah's powerful story of reversing a chemical abortion and choosing life for her son is a testament to courage and redemption.

Another MOST eyeglass mission trip is currently being planned for April 11-18 2026 at a mission church in the town of Pasaquina in El Salvador. MOST has only recently established a presence in El Salvador, and we are excited to be among the first MOST missions to that country. We are establishing an email contact list for anyone who would like to be kept informed as we go forward with the planning. The list is not only for "goers", people considering going on the trip, but also for "senders", people who might want to be involved with supporting the team with fundraisers, etc. There is no commitment so if you would like to be kept informed, please forward your email address to Chris Burgess at chris.burgess917@gmail.com.

October 1st, 2025 (Wednesday) I took a group to **Family of God** to serve a special "Chinese" dinner, complete with : egg rolls, spring rolls, crab rolls, two kinds of rice, chow mein, dumplings, orange chicken, sesame chicken, beef and broccoli, beef and peppers, fortune cookies, almond cookies, salad, fresh fruit, multiple desserts , chop sticks, Chinese to go containers, and drinks- it was a big hit! If you haven't already been down to serve at Family of God in southwest Detroit, consider going- you won't regret it, it is a low commitment, family friendly fun way to show God's love to our brothers and sisters by serving a hot meal to them- Saint Paul commits to twice a month- the first Tuesday of the month and the third Wednesday. October 1st was a bonus meal 😊 If you have any questions, feel free to call the church office 248-349-3140 ext. 10 blessings, Margo.





St. Paul Bible Quizzing - Kids & Adult Volunteers Needed!

This year we'll be learning Paul's letters of 1&2 Corinthians. Kids in 2nd-12th grade are welcome to join. Membership at St. Paul is not required. All experience levels welcome (no prior Bible knowledge required!). Practices will be in the church Parish Hall on Tuesdays @ 6:45PM (2nd-6th grade) or @ 7PM (7th-12th grade), starting August 26. Competitions are 2nd Saturdays from October to March.

Adult volunteers are also needed! No knowledge of the material or Bible Quizzing rules is required. We just need lots of helpers who are good with kids to help at 1 practice each week and monthly competitions!

Interested in quizzing or volunteering? Talk to Jake Fairbairn <jakecfairbairn@gmail.com, (248) 231-9684>.



Sunday School - Sunday School classes for children in grades PreK – 6th grade begin on Sunday, September 14, 2025, and are held from 9:45 a.m. – 10:50 a.m. in Room 5 in the school. If you have any questions about Sunday School class, please see Mrs. Goodman - (248) 662-7580. If you have any questions about praise music for children at St. Paul church, please see Mrs. Huggins – (248) 787-0480. Confirmation class is for those in grades 7 – 8 and is held in Room 3 in the school starting at 10:00 a.m. If you have any questions, please see Jeanette Koch or Pastor Chris. The High School Sunday Morning Class (grades 9-12) will begin meeting (in our new room #13 located in the lower level of the school.) next Sunday September 21 @9:45am. Come check out our new space!

Surviving the Holidays seminar for people facing the holidays after a loved one's death will be held Saturday, November 1, from 9:00am-12:00pm at Christ Our Savior Lutheran (14175 Farmington Rd, Livonia). The seminar features practical suggestions and encouragement through video interviews with counselors, grief experts, & other people who have experienced the holidays after their loved one's death. Topics to be discussed include dealing with hard-hitting emotions, what to do about traditions, how to survive social events, & where to find comfort & strength. Please RSVP by Oct. 26 online (<https://www.griefshare.org/events/262273>) or with Josh Kittleman (586-453-9399 or joshk@christoursavior.org).



Thank You for Supporting the

Baby Bottle Drive!

Thanks to your generous hearts, **\$2,712 was raised in the Baby Bottle Drive** to support Another Way Pregnancy Center. Your gifts help extend Christ's love to women and families facing unplanned pregnancies, offering hope, healing, and life-affirming care.

"Let all that you do be done in love."
— 1 Corinthians 16:14

Thank you for being a part of this life-affirming mission!





Ladies, we would like to invite you to attend our Lutheran Women in Mission Fall Rally, October 25, 2025. We will be at St Michael in Wayne, registration begins at 9:00 and the rally begins at 9:30. We invited Rita Carioti, she is the founder of "We Are Planners". Margo uses her plastic crocheted mats for her blessing bags. There will be a business meeting to follow, you are welcome to stay or leave after the speaker. We will have snacks all morning. The ingathering is small clothes 0-6 months, diapers (especially 3-6) and wipes for the Swaddling Clothes Ministry at St. Michael. If you would like, you can bring a few plastic bags, scissors and a ruler to try to make the plarn (plastic yarn). They use a special 'Q' crochet hook but we will not be doing that at our rally. She will have some available for purchase at \$3.00 if you want. Contact Nancy Berg or Sue Poole if you have any questions. We hope to see you there.

BUY-A-BRICK FUNDRAISER



You can choose Memorial
or Honorium brick
to support the new church sign.
Cost of each brick will be
\$125.00 (\$6 extra for symbol)
We will be laying the brick garden in
front of the new sign.
More information to follow

GRADES 5TH TO 12TH GRADE



ALL MISSIONS ARE IN
NORTHVILLE

**ROAD RALLY
GOOSECHASE**

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

**ST PAUL
NORTHVILLE
HOSTING**



**SATURDAY
11/22/25
2:30-6:00**

**DON'T MISS
OUT ON A
FUN TIME!**

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League, LWML, supports a large number of national and Michigan grants through the MITES we collect every year. October is one of four times a year that MITE boxes are collected. For the month of October, our local chapter, Women in Christ, is supporting a mission grant requested by POBLO International for starting an Afghan Ministry in Michigan. The grant funds raised, \$1,550, will be used to support a female Afghan bilingual coordinator as well as provide Bibles and Luther's Small Catechism in the refugees' native language. Transportation to programs and events will also be provided for all participants. Women in Christ graciously thanks you for helping us fulfill our mission grants over the years

Help Continue the Legacy of St Paul's Lutheran School for Generations to Come

Our St. Paul's family would like to sincerely thank you for your continued support of our school over the years... We sadly are faced with the possibility of our precious preschool being closed due to low enrollment. This would be important for the future of our school. With the help of your generous donations and a leap of faith, we are asking to share this GoFundMe link and QR Code with all your friends, family and even employers.



The proceeds of this GoFundMe will be offsetting the deficit of this MAP year and providing the preschool with the ability to continue to enroll students and support its devoted staff. We already have children attending the preschool program and are continuing to receive in-person tour requests as well as submissions to our online enrollment portal.

We are hoping to enroll students and reach this goal by November 21st of 2025.

* In the event we do not reach our goal of \$50,000 all donors will be given the option to be refunded or have their donation go towards supporting our K-8 program.

Please pray for our school... We love our children and want them to continue to grow in their faith and love of Jesus.



Carry one another's burdens; in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.
Galatians 6:2

DETROIT LUTHERAN SINGERS

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF CHRISTOPHER L. HALL

2025 Fall Concert Series

Trinity

Join us for a presentation of music that explores themes of the Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit from classical and current composers including: Benjamin Britten, Dan Forrest, Rosephayne Powell, Randall Thompson and more.

Saturday, October 18, 2025
@ 7:00 PM
Meadowbrook
Congregational Church
21355 Meadowbrook Road
Novi, Michigan

Sunday, October 19, 2025
@ 3:00 PM
Lutheran Church of the Redeemer
1800 W. Maple Road
Birmingham, Michigan

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR OR ONLINE
WWW.DETROITLUTHERANSINGERS.COM

GENERAL ADMISSION \$15 / STUDENTS & SENIORS \$10 / CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER FREE

HELP ST. PAUL LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL
RAISE MONEY

RETURN BOTTLES

OCTOBER 6TH
THROUGH
NOVEMBER 7TH



Bottle Return Drive

WINNING CLASSROOM GETS A SPECIAL PRIZE!

Drop off @ school foyer



WHAT: St. Paul Annual Trunk 'n Treat

WHEN: October 31 (6 pm – 8 pm)

WHERE: St. Paul Parking Lot and Church Parish Hall

HOW YOU CAN HELP: Watch for Signup Genius or a sign-up

poster if you prefer. We need help with set up, kitchen and servicing, candy and door prize donations. Our biggest need though is trunks with a goal of 8.

Let's welcome our Northville neighbors and show them a good time with free parking as a bonus for the community.