



Our Journey

October 2026

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A week after the wonderful celebration of my 40th anniversary of ordination, I was presented with a huge and amazing book of remembrances. It is filled with greetings and stories from so many of you spanning the past forty years. I have spent hours reading these notes—reliving those moments with tears of both joy and sorrow—while giving deep thanks for all of you.

I have a pastor friend who regularly asks her parishioners where they have seen God in the past week. Reading your notes reminded me once again that

I have seen God in so many places and in so many of you. It hasn't always been easy. Alongside incredible times of celebration, we have also walked through times of deep pain and grief. Yet through it all, the one constant is that we have been bound together by our Lord. He is the one who gathers us, loves us, forgives us, and cares for us—and then sends us out to do the same for one another.

Words cannot adequately describe my love and gratitude for this community. I am so thankful to the Lord for bringing us together on this journey. Perhaps the Norwegians sum it up best: *"Takk for alt."* Thanks for everything.

God's peace to you...

Pastor Cindy +

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St. Paul's Mission Statement:
Go in peace, devoted to faith, hope and love.



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God's work. Our hands.

August minutes were approved at the September Council Meeting. September's minutes will be approved at the October meeting. Congregational minutes from the August 30th meeting were approved.

Finance reported receipts are over by 41%. Expenses are over by 26%, but when you factor out the special projects they are at 92 % of budget. We are very blessed to be in the great position we are in.

Pastor reported that she is very thankful for the celebration of her 40th Ordination Anniversary. A good time was had by all, and the hall was beautifully decorated, food was phenomenal.....sincere thanks to all.

MerriLee's Bible Study is starting back, The Chosen is starting up, Sunday School is starting up.

Outreach is planning a special lunch and learn aligned with All Saints Day. Ornaments will be created in remembrance of those who have passed. There will be three different ornaments to choose from. There will be a sign up sheet.

Worship and Music reported altar rails will be replaced once the screens are moved.

Multi Media reported the HDMI converter is being replaced after a glitch during a funeral.

Property reported the floor project is completed, and all looks very nice. The congregational meeting about landscaping went well with plenty of questions and discussion. It was noted that the presentation was done very well.

Complete council minutes are available in the church office in the binder on the counter.

Church Council Members

President/Worship and Music

Ken Wiele, 262-331-3344

Vice President/Memorials

Marilyn Jensen, 262-445-0809

Secretary/Staff Support

Dawn Burford, 262-771-6542

Treasurer/Finance

Lyn Stevens, 262-909-3833

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Megan Ernst, 262-960-5755

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Dean Knutson, 262-914-5772

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Judy Jankiewicz, 262-705-3977

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Jim Janda, 262-948-1792

Outreach

Janet Hogan, 262-652-9415



Operating Update

August Monthly Income \$ 37,068

August Monthly Expenses \$ 23,780

YTD Income \$302,788

YTD Expenses \$273,522

PASTOR APPRECIATION WEEKEND

October 10/11, 2026

This pastor appreciation poem is based on Ephesians 4:8-24 which reads, "When Jesus ascended to the heights, he led a parade of captives and gave gifts to his people. He is the one who gave these gifts to the church: Pastors and teachers. Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ...."

When Jesus celebrated his victory over sin and death,

He chose to send gifts to those he set free.

He could have, of course, chosen to give us anything: Knowledge, spiritual growth, protection from the Evil One, or even comfort during trials.

In the end, though, when Jesus celebrated his victory over sin and death, He chose to give us all these things, because Pastor, He chose to give us you.

By Daniel Sherman



We would like to honor our Veterans at the services on Saturday, November 7 and Sunday, November 8. Please fill out the following form, and return to the church office by Sunday, October 25. IF WE HAVE YOUR INFORMATION FROM OTHER YEARS, it is not necessary to complete this form as we will use that information.

Name _____

Branch of Service _____

Where did you serve and when _____

ALL SAINTS – REMEMBRANCE ORNAMENTS

Navigating loss – whether it's a family member, close friend or Church member – requires patience, Grace and time to heal. Our church family has experienced much loss in the past few years, but particularly in this past year. It is in recognition of these losses that we wish to honor the memory of our loved ones. We will do so by providing families with the opportunity to create unique, person-specific remembrance ornaments. Creation of the ornaments will take place in a thoughtful, supportive and prayerful environment.

This opportunity will be provided through a special Lunch and Learn. This Lunch and Learn will be held on October 28 from 12-2:30 PM and again from 5-7:30 PM. A light meal will be provided at both times. Each session will open and close with prayer. Anyone wishing to create an ornament(s) may participate, whether your loss was 3 months ago or 30 years ago.

Details and sign-up will be posted on the church bulletin board. Registration will be required in order to ensure availability of enough materials. A display of examples of the ornaments (3 styles available) will be set up in the Narthex prior to the event. For any questions, please contact Janet Hogan.

There is no better compass than compassion. Amanda Gorman

Your story is what you have, what you will always have. It is something to own.
Michelle Obama

You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream. C. S. Lewis

It is during our darkest moments that we must focus to see the light. Aristotle

If you don't like the road you're walking, start paving another one. Dolly Parton

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND MORE

Birthdays

2 Dennis Eirich
Lillian Erickson
4 Catherine Mossman
5 Jacob Gerzel
7 Jeff Peterson
Gerald Solberg
8 Debbie Broerman
Robert Vogt
9 Janice Hagberg
Cora Hamilton
10 Matt Werve

12 Dorothy Whyte
13 Richard Darula
Lisa Glista
Maverick Lund
15 Ruby Glogovsky
17 George Sorenson
18 Emeron Dorst
19 Dawn Burford
20 Eugene Brookhouse
Nathan Specht
21 Stephanie Kuehl
23 Noah Burford
Brittany Schulz
26 Louise Bakke
Kathleen White
28 Mary Ann Maki
Randy Rash
30 Brady Glenn
31 Jean Geyer

Anniversaries

2 Ruth & Dean O'Hanlon
Jennifer & Richard Becker
3 William & Joyce Thomas
Jim & Judy Fulghum
6 Andrea & James Janda
7 Susan & Jerry Green
14 Terri & Scott Sorensen
15 Jack & Cheryl Kasdorf
18 Lisa & Greg Gerzel
21 George & Terry Sorenson

23 Morrey & Kathy LaBelle
Cynthia & Steven Aasen
24 Jacob & Ashley Smith
25 Gary & Linda Smith

Worship Schedule

5:00 p.m. Saturday
Worship with Coffee and
Fellowship after service

9:00 a.m. Sunday
Worship with Coffee and
Fellowship after service

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8:00 a.m./Noon
Monday thru Thursday

Secretary's Office:
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Monday thru Thursday

Thank You

Many thanks to those ladies who have sat at my desk while I was on vacation. I am very grateful for your help.
Olga

Thank you to the Garden Team for your ideas and efforts at creating a lovely flower area. The enthusiasm and cooperation are much appreciated.
Deb Vash

New Members

Patricia Demos
131 – 43 Avenue
Kenosha 53144
262-945-0158

Linda Wadham
Library Terrace
7905 – 36 Avenue
Apt. 11
Kenosha 53142
262-287-3971

New Contact Information

Ron Daniels
710 Pine Haven Drive
710
Eagle River, WI
54521-6507

Jan Duncan
Cell: 262-945-6557
Land line cancelled
(262-697-9339)

Please notify the church office:

- When you or a loved one has entered the hospital. The hospitals do not always contact us.
- When you move or have a change in telephone number or email address.

SERVING SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 2026					
	3 /4	10/11	17/18	24/25	31/Nov. 1
Assisting Ministers					
5:00 p.m.	Matthew Johnson	Heather Miles	Matthew Johnson	John Aasen	Heather Miles
9:00 a.m.	Marilyn Jensen	Tim Van Berg	Tim Van Berg		
Lectors					
5:00 p.m.	Heather Miles	Athy Mossman	John Whyte	John Aasen	MerriLee Unrath
9:00 a.m.	Carla Van Berg	Madysen Ernst	Carla Van Berg	Terry Sorenson	Marie Persinger
Communion Assistants					
5:00 p.m.	Heather Miles Bert Felland	Barb Mason John Aasen	Steve Aasen	Jan Duncan	
9:00 a.m.	Cori Mueller Gary Olson	Madysen Ernst Megan Ernst	Steve Aasen		
Greeters					
5:00 p.m.	Bernie/Deb Vash			Jan Duncan	
9:00 a.m.	Denny/Marie Persinger	Susie Puett		Marie/Denny Persinger	
Ushers					
5:00 p.m.	Steve Aasen			Jan Duncan	
9:00 a.m.	Kim Cochran				
PowerPoint					
5:00 p.m.	Rich Miles	Rich Miles			Rich Miles
9:00 a.m.		Russ Pearson	Marie Persinger	Russ Pearson	
Video					
5:00 p.m.		Joshua Cook		Joshua Cook	
9:00 a.m.	John Aasen	John Aasen	John Aasen	John Aasen	John Aasen
Coffee Hour					
5:00 p.m.	Rich/Heather Miles	Aasen Family	John/Dorothy Whyte		
9:00 a.m.		Megan/Bob Ernst			
Counters					
	Bob DeYoung Kim Cochran	Pam Mitchell Jean Sevey	MerriLee Unrath Dawn Burford	Matt Johnson Kathy Follak	Lyn Stevens Lori Turner

ST. PAUL'S ANNUAL PET BLESSING

This event is held annually at St. Paul's and this year it will be held on Sunday, October 11 at 1:00 p.m.

We do pet blessings for many reasons including to thank God for the joy pets bring, to pray for the health and safety of companion animals, and to honor the memory of St. Francis of Assisi and his love for nature.

The pet blessing is open to dogs, cats, birds, reptiles, and other pets. Please be sure your animal is able to be restrained - in a cage, on a leash, however you restrain your animal safely.

St. Paul's Annual Ladies Advent Tea

Save the date: This event will take place on Saturday, December 5 beginning at 1:00 p.m. Would you like to host a table? Or, would you like to be a guest at a table? Watch the Narthex for sign up sheets - to be a hostess or to be a guest.

SAVE A LIFE!

St. Paul's will be volunteering at Feed My Starving Children, located at 742 East Park Avenue in Libertyville, Illinois on Saturday, November 7. Please join us as we pack meals from 9:00 a.m./ 10:45 a.m.

Register at <http://www.fmssc.org/join-group?joincode=WBVEX>

You can also call Patti Ginnow at 262-914-2860 or email pginnow@wi.rr.com.

FACEBOOK



Like us on Facebook - we are there.....

Check us out, see what others are saying, see what's happening at St. Paul's.



SOCKTOBER

October 1st through October 31st we will once again be collecting new and “very gently used” socks to benefit the ELCA Outreach Center, Kenosha Welcome Center, the Shalom Center, Dayton Care Center, and Women’s and Children’s Horizons. Men’s, women’s and children’s socks are needed – any size or color, but [please think winter socks, not summer](#).

You can donate by:

- Bringing your new or “very gently used” socks to church and putting them into the blue bin in the Narthex.
- Contributing to the ‘Noisy Offering’ on the Second Saturday/Sunday in October; money will be used to buy socks.

Thank you for helping fill a great need!! Socks are one of the most needed items in our shelters and help centers.



SAVE THE DATE

Harvest of Hope

AN EVENING TO BENEFIT THE
ELCA OUTREACH CENTER
AND GIVE THANKS TO OUR
DONORS, VOLUNTEERS AND COMMUNITY

NOVEMBER 5TH 2026 | 5:30PM

Parkway Chateau – Kenosha, WI

Invitations available September 15th



GIFTS OF A MEAL

We are very happy to offer the gift of meals for members who might appreciate this kind of assistance due to illness or hospital stay. If you would like to be part of this ministry, or if you know of someone who would benefit from meals, please contact Darlene Specht, 262, 942-7064.

REFORMATION

The weekend of October 24 and 25 the Lutheran Church celebrates Reformation. We wear RED clothing on Reformation. Why? Red is the liturgical color because Red represents the Holy Spirit. Luther believed that the Reformation was a direct result of the Holy Spirit moving him and others to action. This day is a celebration of the Holy Spirit that continues to move us toward the grace and mercy of God, even today.

DECEMBER/JANUARY NEWSLETTER

For the last few years St. Paul's has produced one newsletter covering December and January. If you have any information for that combined newsletter, please be sure to get it to the office no later than November 15. We appreciate your help with this planning.

ALL SAINTS DAY

This year All Saints will be celebrated on Saturday, October 31 and November 1. Please feel free to list the name(s) of your loved ones who have passed away since All Saints Day in 2025. There is a special book on the table in the Narthex for you to enter names. On All Saints during worship, those persons listed in the book will be once again remembered.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Please be sure to set your clocks BACK before you go to bed on Saturday, October 31. Daylight Savings Time ends this year on the 31st, so we get an extra hour of sleep on Halloween!



Create a legacy for the ministries you love.

**Free charitable and estate
planning is available to you
through the ELCA Foundation.**



Support the ELCA ministries you care about most through a gift that reflects your faith and values. Through charitable planning, you can help sustain your congregation, global ministries and the work of the ELCA for generations to come.

The ELCA Foundation walks alongside you as you explore giving opportunities that align with your goals, creating a lasting legacy of faith in action.

Gift Planning

Explore charitable giving options that support your ministry passions while helping you steward your resources.

Endowment Stewardship

Support the long-term vitality of congregations and ministries through professionally managed endowment funds.

Ready to get started?

Connect with your gift planner today.



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A JOURNEY THROUGH GERMANY 2027

WITH ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH KENOSHA, WI

September 7-16, 2027

STEP INTO THE HEART OF GERMANY ON THIS UNFORGETTABLE JOURNEY THROUGH THE LAND OF MARTIN LUTHER.

Discover the rich heritage of the Lutheran Reformation while exploring the culture, history, and traditions that make Germany truly unique. From an immersive food tour through the vibrant streets of Berlin to a guided tour of historic Frankfurt, each day offers new experiences and deeper connections to this remarkable country. Come see the places that shaped history, savor authentic German flavors, and experience the beauty and spirit of Germany for yourself.

HOSTED BY: PASTOR CINDY AASEN OF ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Tour Highlights:

- ✳ Journey through Germany's most historic Reformation sites.
- ✳ Explore iconic cities including Frankfurt, Mainz, Leipzig, Berlin, and Potsdam.
- ✳ Visit legendary landmarks like Wartburg Castle, Brandenburg Gate, & Sanssouci Palace.
- ✳ Enjoy authentic German cuisine, rich history, & unforgettable cultural experiences.

and so much more!



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STARTING AT
\$5499/ PERSON**

To Register:

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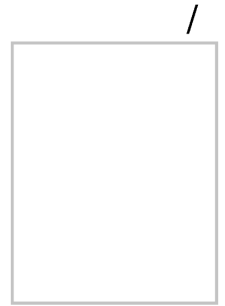
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
				8:30am - Men's Bible Study 10am - MerriLee's Bible Study 6:30pm - Council	OFFICE CLOSED	5pm - Worship
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9:00 a.m. Worship 10am - School	10:30am - Staff Meeting 3pm - Prayer Shawl Group 5:30pm - Southport Quilters 6pm - Prayer Shawl Group 6:30pm - Choir	9am - Men's Breakfast 6:30pm - Properties???	6pm - Bells	8:30am - Men's Bible Study 9am - Karing Krafters 4:30pm - Wedding Rehearsal 5:30pm - NAMI	OFFICE CLOSED 4:30pm - Wedding	PASTOR APPRECIATION 5pm - Worship
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
9:00 a.m. Worship PASTOR APPRECIATION 1pm - Animal Blessing	10:30am - Staff Meeting 3pm - Prayer Shawl Group 6pm - Prayer Shawl Group 6:30pm - Choir	12:15/6 The Chosen 9am - Men's Breakfast 9am - Pastor/Outreach Center	4:30pm - Cardmakers 6pm - Bells	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 8:30am - Men's Bible Study 10am - MerriLee's Bible Study 6pm - Outreach Committee	OFFICE CLOSED 10am - Funeral for Gary Allen 6pm - Wedding Rehearsal	1pm - Wedding 5pm - Worship
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
9:00 a.m. Worship 10am - School	10:30am - Staff Meeting 3pm - Prayer Shawl Group 5pm - Worship and Music 6pm - Prayer Shawl Group 6:30pm - Choir	9am - Men's Breakfast 4:45pm - Evangelism 5:30pm - Christian Ed Team	Stewardship/Package Stuffing 12pm - Ladies Lunch 6pm - Bells	8:30am - Men's Bible Study 10:15am - Primrose Worship 5:30pm - NAMI	OFFICE CLOSED	5pm - Worship
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
9:00 a.m. Worship	10:30am - Staff Meeting 3pm - Prayer Shawl Group 6pm - Prayer Shawl Group 6:30pm - Choir	12:15/6 The Chosen 9am - Finance Committee 9am - Men's Breakfast	8am - Outreach Center Board 12pm - 5:00 pm Lunch and 6pm - Bells	8:30am - Men's Bible Study	OFFICE CLOSED	12pm - Trunk or Treat 5pm - Worship



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Address Service Requested



WEATHER-RELATED CANCELLATIONS

of church activities (choirs and committee meetings) will follow
Kenosha Unified school closings.

Announcement will appear on Milwaukee channels NBC and ABC.

Worship services will be a separate decision. Decision will be made by 6:00 a.m., or earlier.

Please call the church office when in doubt for worship closings: 262-694-3101.

Articles or information for the newsletter should be submitted to the church office electronically by the 15th of the month.

(Bulletin deadline is Tuesdays 8:00 a.m.)

The church's e mail address is stplc.office@sbcglobal.net All information may be edited and printed, as space allows.

The home page of our website, www.stpaulskenosha.org, has a link to the current newsletter as well as to the current calendar.