



# The Messenger

Reformation (observed) & Stewardship Sunday ~ October 27, 2024

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School

1126 S. Barr Street, Fort Wayne, IN 260-423-2496

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### **Worship Schedule:**

Sunday, October 27

Reformation (observed)

9:30 a.m. Divine Service

Wednesday, October 30

Twenty-third Week after Pentecost

8:45 a.m. Matins (Student Chapel)

### ***TODAY IN THE DIVINE SERVICE***

*Today we welcome Maddox Ryan LoVerde, son of Michael and Raven LoVerde, to the waters of Holy Baptism. We give thanks to our Lord that He continues to bless His church on earth.*

### Our Giving For October 20

Unavailable for this week.

### Attendance Last Week

**Sunday, October 20 ~ 9:30 a.m.**

N/A

### Serving This Week and Next

**Sunday, October 27 ~**

**Altar Guild:** *Carrie Gutman and Wendy Linnemeier*

**Elder:** *Paul Kroenke*

**Ushers:** *Dave Geller, Matt Geller, David Kruse, Dan Kramer, Dean Trainer, Russ Harges, Jack Hall, Sam Lind*

**Sunday, November 3 ~**

**Altar Guild:** *Sally Ware and Pam Johnson*

**Elder:** *Neill Germann*

**Ushers:** *Dave Evans, Dan Ernst, Ethan Ernst, John Mader, Davis Dean, Tyler Germann, Austin Germann*

### Altar/Chancel Flowers

*The Altar flowers have been given to the glory of God, by Dan and Melissa Kramer, in honor of their 30th wedding anniversary.*

*The Chancel flowers have been given to the glory of God by Tony Bowen and Julie Nadel, in loving memory of Beverly Maxfield on the anniversary of her passing.*

### ***Bible Study Opportunities***

#### **Sunday Morning Bible Study—10:45 a.m.**

There is no Bible study today due to the special voters' meeting. Join us in the sanctuary as we consider a recommendation by the church council for the sale of Kramer Park.

#### **Sunday School—Sundays at 10:45 a.m.**

Youth ages 2 through high school meet your teachers in the back pews of the church. They will be holding signs for each class. Once your class is together, your teacher will walk with you over to the school. Parents, please pick up your children at the front door of the school after Bible study.

#### **Monday Night Women's Bible Study—6:30 p.m.**

Join Pastor and Kristin Hoem at their house as we learn what it takes to be a Proverbs kind of woman. Call the church office for details.

#### **Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study—2:00 p.m.**

Join us for midweek Bible Study with the "Life of David" (from I and II Samuel). Investigate the Shepherd-King from Bethlehem and the line that God draws to David's "greater Son" and LORD, Jesus the Christ. Meet on the first floor of the Indiana District Office, Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m. with Pastor Cage.

#### **Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study—7:00 a.m.**

Men, start your day in God's Word as we prepare for the upcoming Sunday Divine Service. Meet with Pastor Cage on the first floor of the Indiana District Office.

#### **Thursday Morning Bible Study—9:00 a.m.**

Dr. Geoffrey Robinson teaches on Psalms at the District Office (1145 Barr Street).

**Announcements For Consideration Are Due By Wednesday at Noon**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

### **Special Voters' Meeting**

Please join us for a special voters' meeting following the Divine Service. The purpose of this meeting is to consider a recommendation from the church council regarding the sale of Kramer Park. Meet in the sanctuary.

### **Opportunities for Fellowship**

Please welcome Andrea Machemer as our new Volunteer Coordinator. She will be making calls and suggesting fellowship opportunities for you and your family.

### **St. Paul's Supper Club-5:30 p.m. Wednesday**

**November 6**—Mission BBQ (407 W. Coliseum Blvd.) Call the church office (423-2496) by noon the day of so we can make reservations.

### **Teacher Openings for 2025-2026**

St. Paul's Lutheran School is now accepting teacher candidates for the 2025-2026 school year. There will be openings at the elementary and middle school levels. Interested candidates may contact Principal Andy Whirrett at [awhirrett@stpaulsfw.org](mailto:awhirrett@stpaulsfw.org) or 260-424-0049.

### **Music Scholarship Fund**

A generous donor has provided funds to begin a scholarship fund for our school music program. We know that music is important to our congregation and we are asking for donations to support this new music scholarship fund. A donation of \$500 could help 1-2 students pay for their lessons. You may drop off or mail a check to the school office. Checks should be made out to St. Paul's Lutheran School with "Music Scholarship Fund" written in the memo.

### **The Shepherd's Hand**

The Shepherd's Hand Community Outreach Center is excited to host their 15th annual meal and blessing bag give-a-way. They are asking for donations of \$25 cash/checks to The Shepherd's Hand to buy food for the community. Your \$25 donation will purchase one blessing bag per family to take home so that when families leave their Thanksgiving meal on November 24 they'll have a full bag of food to celebrate with on Thanksgiving Day. Donations are collected through October in the white box near the glass case in the narthex. If you have any questions, please reach out to Deaconess Jana Peters at 260-424-2224 or email [shepherdshandfwd@gmail.com](mailto:shepherdshandfwd@gmail.com).

### **October Is Pastor Appreciation Month!**

Feel free to drop each of our pastors and their families a note of thanks and encouragement sometime during the month. Please contact the church office if you need their home address. Thank you for showering them with love and encouragement during the month of October!

### **November Music Events at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne**

Dr. Jeffrey Smith of Indiana University will perform an organ recital on Sunday, Nov. 10, 4:30 p.m. The Schola Cantorum, orchestra, and soloists will sing at a choral vespers that evening at 7:30 p.m., including Bach Cantata 9, "Salvation unto Us Has Come." On Monday, Nov. 11 at 5:00 p.m. the St. Paul's Choristers will be singing at the Service of Evening Prayer, followed by the annual hymn festival at 7:30 p.m. featuring the Kantorei. All events are in Kramer Chapel, free and open to the public. These events are part of the annual Good Shepherd Institute conference. For complete details about the conference, visit [www.ctsfw.edu/gsi](http://www.ctsfw.edu/gsi).

### **Hurricane Relief through LCMS World Relief**

To give, visit [lcms.org/givenow/disaster](http://lcms.org/givenow/disaster). You can also text "LCMSDISASTERS" to 41444, or call the LCMS toll-free gift line between 8 a.m. and 4:10 p.m. central time at 888-930-4438. Another option is to mail checks payable to "The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod" (or "LCMS"). On the memo line, write "Disaster Response" and mail to: LCMS, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861.

### **LCMS Foundation**

God has entrusted you with His gifts to apply them to care of family and support of ministry. You want to be sure that after the Lord has called you home, your intentions are followed. You may be concerned that some family members, or ministry recipients, will be overwhelmed by the responsibility of being good stewards with lump sum distribution of these gifts. You may want a plan with accountability for that plan, to make sure the wishes God has planted in you are accomplished. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help. Contact Mark Muehl at 260-241-4842 or [mar.muehl@lfnd.org](mailto:mar.muehl@lfnd.org).

### **October 27—Reformation**

Bartimaeus' neighbors found his disability inconvenient and even burdensome. But Jesus drew near to affirm, support, and even restore his humanity and sanctity. All humankind suffers sin's brokenness, but the Lord our God does not allow this to disqualify anyone. We get to receive every life as special, precious, and priceless, no matter what age, appearance, or ability.

# October 2024

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6 9:30am - Divine Service 10:45am - SCRIP Sales 10:45am—Bible Study & Sunday School Kick Off in the School Gym	7 4pm—Handbell Practice 6:30pm—Women's Bible Study— <b>Canceled</b>	8	9 8:45am - School Chapel 2pm - Bible Study—IN District Office 7:30pm - Choir Practice School Music Room	10 7am - Men's Bible Study—District Office 9am - Bible Study—District Office 5:30pm - Elders Mtg 7pm - Church Council	11	12
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20 <b>CLHS A Cappella Choir</b> 9:30am - Divine Service 10:45am - SCRIP Sales 10:45am—Bible Study & Sunday School	21 6:30pm—Women's Bible Study	22	23 <u>St. James of Jerusalem Brother of Jesus &amp; Martyr</u> 8:45am - School Chapel 2pm - Bible Study—IN District Office 7:00pm - Choir Practice School Music Room	24 7am - Men's Bible Study—District Office 9am - Bible Study—District Office	25 Trunk—or—Treat Nelson's Chicken—8th Grade Fundraiser for D.C. Trip	26
27 <b>Stewardship Sunday</b> 9:30am - Divine Service 10:45am - SCRIP Sales 10:45am—Bible Study & Sunday School	28 <u>St. Simon &amp; St. Jude, Apostles</u> 6:30pm—Women's Bible Study	29	30 8:45am - School Chapel 2pm - Bible Study—IN District Office 7:00pm - Choir Practice School Music Room	31 <u>Reformation Day</u> 7am - Men's Bible Study—District Office 9am - Bible Study—District Office	1 <u>All Saints' Day</u>	2

# PRAY

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1 THESSALONIANS 5:17

## **St. Paul's Students and Their Families:**

† *Beverli Mae, Malai, Reign, Brooklyn*

## **Gathering In Christ:**

† *God's continued blessing of our "Gathering In Christ" building project.*

## **Baptismal Life:**

† *For Maddox Ryan LoVerde, baptized today.*

## **Ongoing Chronic Concerns:**

† *John Furniss & Susan Balsamo-Furniss*

† *Harris Beck*

† *Bob Demaree*

† *Joanne Engstrom*

† *Carolyn Falkenstern*

† *Dennis Harmeyer*

† *Terry Harmeyer*

† *Mary Hathaway*

† *Judy Helmchen*

† *Lonni Helmchen*

† *Jerry Huitt*

† *John Huitt*

† *Roy Huitt*

† *Ruth Huitt*

† *Juanita Jefferson*

† *Karen Johnson*

† *Mark Knoblauch*

† *Kelly Kochensparger*

† *Jodi Kreiger*

† *Diane Lewis*

† *Gail Ludvigson*

† *Sandy Macon*

† *John Mader*

† *James Maier*

† *Leah Maier*

† *Eleanor Marine*

† *Joan Messmann*

† *Mary Mundt*

† *Sara Nordling*

† *Juan Perez*

† *Ron Rastl*

† *...and those who care for them.*

† *Andrew Scholes*

† *Wanda Schweyer*

† *Fred & Norma Scott*

† *Amanda Seeger*

† *Sam Suarez*

† *Denise Trentadue*

† *Mark von der Lage*

## **Comfort, Health, and Recovery:**

† *Judy Backs*

† *Roger Couch*

† *Nick Demaree*

† *Pam Johnson*

† *Dennis and Jane Jordan*

† *Barbara Nelson*

† *Judi Parrot*

## **Our Homebound Members:**

† *Neva Aldridge*

† *Joan Badders*

† *Myra Carrier*

† *Mary Ann Cordes*

† *Jane Doehrmann*

† *Phoebe Fett*

† *Rodney Hall*

† *Jan Leffel*

† *Lois Meyer*

† *Ernestine Morrison*

† *Larry Murphy*

† *Esther Pinnow*

† *Leona Puff*

† *Carolyn Reincke*

† *Susan Schamberg*

† *Walter Schroeder*

† *Rev. Ralph Seilaff*

† *Dorothy Taylor*

† *Mary Weick*

† *Sharon Williams*

## **Serving in the Armed Forces**

† *KiVuan Edwards*

† *Cierra Germann*

† *Rev. Brian Hamer*

† *Zachary Harmeyer*

† *Jasmine Jackson*

† *Austin Kerr*

† *Courtney Linnemeier*

† *Sharia Macon*

† *Jamara Moore-Chambers*

† *Rev. Joshua Schiff*

† *Brandon Screeton*

† *John Sheaffer Jr.*

† *Ryan Sheaffer*

† *Brandon Skalicky*

\* Pray for these saints throughout the week.

Please submit prayer requests by calling the church office at 260.423.2496 ext. 310