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Readers for Nov:

Nov 3rd

- Chris Rohlack

Nov 10th

- Katie Safarik

Nov 17th

- Paula Safarik

Monthly Budget

Monthly Contributions

Nov 24th

- Debbie Matthys

Missions Of The Month







Church Financial Summary

October Annual/Cumulative \$23,778 \$237,780 \$17,109 \$235,040

Monthly Contributions does not include funds received for dedicated purposes, only those funds received for budgeted operations.



There will be a congregational budget meeting on November 24th immediately following the worship service. Proposed 2024 Budgets will be available.

St. Paul Lutheran Church



St. Paul Lutheran Child Development Center

November Child Development Center News



Thanksgiving is not only a day for family to gather to share a meal – it is every day. But we stop for one day to come together to share a meal and time together to show our Thanksgiving. Here at the CDC, we get the opportunity to daily see all that we are thankful for. We have a great support system. Our Church, Pastor George & his wife, all the Church members, our parents and the children for that we are thankful. Give yourself time everyday to remember all that you have to be thankful for.

Rita has set the dates for the garage sale. It will be Friday, Nov. 8th and Saturday, Nov. 9th from 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. each day. The set up will begin Sunday, Nov. 3rd following Church and will continue until the garage sale starts on the 8th. If you have a few minutes, hours or a day to help, it will be appreciated. Contact Rita at 512-352-2773.

Taylor ISD is out for Thanksgiving break November 25 – 29. The CDC will be closed on the 28th & 29th to allow our teachers time to be with their families.

Wishing everyone a blessed Thanksgiving,

The CDC

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Church Statistics for October

Sunday Worship Average Attendance

72

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Please remember that the deadline for the monthly newsletter is the 20th of each month by 5:00 pm.



St. Paul Church takes pictures and videos which will be posted on our social media, web pages and printed material. November 2024 Page 4 Pastors Page

Dear St. Paul Lutheran Church Family,

We had an exciting 110th Anniversary celebration, with lots of door prizes, and silent auction items, along with filming for the Church Kitchen Ladies. Thanks to Rita and all who made our celebration so much fun. My special thanks to Jason Richter who helped me clean up the Prayer Garden.

As we move into November, we will be holding our CDC Garage Sale in the Fellowship Hall, along with an autumn workday to do cleanup and painting around our church campus. Watch the Sunday bulletins for further details. Our annual congregational meeting will be held on November 24 immediately following our worship service. The annual budget materials will be available for pickup and examination on Sunday, November 10 in the Narthex.

Please remember to do your duty as an American and vote on November 5.

I have announced to the Church Council that I will be retiring on December 31, 2027. I am giving a three-year notice so we can together complete all the outstanding church repairs/upgrades and have them paid for before the next Pastor arrives. I will continue to emphasize visitation, Biblical education and outreach during my last three years with you. When I retire, I will be 80 years old. Your new Pastor will bring new and exciting possibilities and a fresh vision to our congregation. Elaine and I have truly enjoyed our years with you. We anticipate retiring to our home and will remain active in the Taylor community. With the anticipated startup of the Samsung facility in 2026, our community will see a myriad of changes. I look forward to assisting you with this transition during my last three years of active ministry.

I was happy to assist our Scout troop 167 on October 8 as we held our organizational meeting for new Cub Scouts with our Scout Master Martin Oranday and Blackland Prairie District Scouting Executive Brian Booms. I had the good fortune to meet several families and our future Cub Scouts. We continue our almost 100 years of Scouting activities with great expectations.

Youth Group activities are ongoing in our congregation based on time availability of our youth. Our kids are involved in many school evening and weekend activities. Steve and Elizabeth Morgan continue to explore new Biblical study and fun activities for our kids.

Bo Stiles will be restarting the Sunday morning Crossways Bible Study on November 10. We will be celebrating All-Saints Sunday on November 3. Remember Daylight Savings Time ends on November 3, so set your clocks back. On November 24, we will be celebrating our annual Thanksgiving Sunday worship. Please remember to support Shepherd's Heart with your gifts of food, turkeys and monetary assistance during the months of November and December for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

Please continue to remember the Beran family in your prayers at the death of Carl, and to greet all the new people you meet at our local stores with an invitation to come worship with us on Sundays. Carol Lantzsch, Billie Turner, and Mel Bullock continue to do well in recovering from their surgeries.

Again, my friends, it is my joy to serve as your Pastor and to proclaim the good news of Jesus' love and forgiveness to the Taylor community. Elaine and I look forward to these next three years of ministry together with you.

Blessings,

Pastor George

Lord, Teach Us to Pray

Guest Author, John Waak

Weeks of worry brought a woman to the surgery waiting room. Nagging symptoms in her husband's body grew to the point that not even manly denial could dismiss the feeling that something was not right. His wife, with womanly strength, bore the torch of hope -a hope that said, "You're going to the doctor!" He went. The prognosis was serious but hopeful, but surgery was required to understand what was truly going on. So, there we sat, she and I. We chatted about meaningless things, and then in words that were few, she talked about her worst-case fears. I am sure that somewhere in there we prayed. Then the Doctor came out. As compassionately as he could, and with words that plainly explained what he found, he shared that the situation was terminal and fast-acting. She was stunned into silence until at last, realizing that she needed to say something, quietly uttered a one-word expletive. In that word I clearly heard something that came from the depth of her soul. It wasn't offensive, but honest; not dirty, but pure; not profane, but prayer. It was the most authentic prayer I have ever heard next to Jesus praying, "My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken me?"

The ancient teachers of Christian faith have taught us that two situations teach us to pray authentically, that is, from the heart. One is the experience of being awed at the magnificence of something astoundingly beautiful. The individual experiences a kind of emptying, and rises in heart-felt worship for that which one has now experienced. And when experienced, the experience longs to be shared. The other situation is in great suffering. Here, too, there is an emptying, but in anguish. The mind fails for words, but the heart speaks its own prayer in a language known and heard by the Spirit of truth. Here too. where there is an emptying there is a great filling, a filling of grace. The woman above uttered a one-word prayer. She was filled with a grace that bore her husband's suffering and eventual death. She was, by grace, the incarnation of God's love, and was herself healed by her faith.

So there you have it. Emptying and filling, dying and rising. One is in the presence of overwhelming beauty, the other in the presence of overwhelming suffering. Yet both result in worship and the experience of the Love that surpasses all understanding. Both are sacred. Both are missional. Both situations demand that you be present to that which is right there before you. Both demand that you pay the price. Both result in divine love flowing like a torrential river for your neighbor. Are you willing to rejoice for the love God has for your neighbor? Are you strong enough to be weak in tears and steadfast in compassion? Do you really want the Lord to teach you to pray? You may find He is teaching you to love. You may find He is teaching you to live. You will certainly find that you are not the object of your prayer, but its fulfillment, by grace, to His glory, as it was for the disciples of old.

John Waak is recently retired from Martin Luther, Giddings, a member of the LCMC Texas District Council, and instructor of the Old Testament, and Spiritual Formation, in Harvest Workers, an online ministry training program (learn more at www.harvestworkers.net).

St. Paul Lutheran Church, LCMC†

November 2024

Monday
8:00am Church Office - 8:00am Church Office - Open Orders for Mums Due today by Noon
8:00am Church Office - Open Church Office - Open CDC Garage Sale Set-up (All Day) - Fellowship Hall 9:30am LCMC Pr Cluster Mfg
8:00am Church Office - 7:00pm Scout Committee Closed Today Mtg - FH Conf Rm
8:00am Church Office - Open Open 9:30am LCMC Pr Cluster Mig 6:30pm Council Meeting - St. Paul House
25 8:00am Church Office - Open Open

We Remember in Prayer

If someone needs to be removed from the prayer list please call the church office

Billie Turner, Inez Sladek, Elaine Oser, Brunner Grau, John Harper, Kent Safarik, Pr. Michael Domenech.

Our Shut Ins:

Dorothy Grimm, Grace Bulgerin, Lydia Dowling, Mary Miller, Lorene Prinz, Geraldine Steger, Joanne Rummel, Lomis Weber, Carol Lantzsch, Lisa Cox, Geraldine Cox, Carolyn Jacobson, Ella Kuhl.

<u>Our family, friends, and loved ones:</u>
Terri Abert, Authur Moreno, Jack Dismukes, Calvin and Rosalie Jechow, Edward Morgan, Sandra Milner, Dora Brittian, Ryan Richey, Randell Duelm, Alma Russell, Rachel Maloy, Tori Harris and baby, Andrea Carrizales, Melissa Balderas, Mary Perez, Iris Rangel and family, Kelly Clines Thompson, Rob Randig, Laurie Kirven, Gayla Lantzsch, Fred Bittner, Tommy Harrison, Rhonda Aikey, Walter Moldenhauer, Sandra Milburn.

Assisted Living/Nursing Home:

SPJST Assisted Living:

Geraldine Cox Grace Bulgerin Carol Lantzsch **Taylor SPJST Nursing Home:**

Geraldine Steger **Mary Miller**

Joanne Rummel **Dorothy Grimm**

The Monarch:

Falcon Ridge Rehabilitation

Lydia Dowling

Will-O-Bell (Barlett):

Ella Kuhl

Brookdale Assisted Living:

Carolyn Jacobson

Trinity Care Center (Round Rock):

Lorene Prinz

80th Birthdays & Above

Lomis Weber 11/15/29 95 Yrs Verlyn Huber 11/2/37 87 Yrs Elfie Rinderknecht 11/25/39 85 Yrs Kenneth Heselmeyer 11/1/43 81 Yrs



25th Anniversary:

None

30th Anniversary:

None

40th Anniversary:

None

50th Anniversaries & Above

LaVerne & Dennis Richter 11/26

1 - Isiah 33	
2 - Isiah 34	
3 - Psalm 122-124	
4 - Isiah 35	
5 - Isiah 36	
6 - Isiah 37	
7 - Isiah 38	
8 - Isiah 39	
9 - Isiah 40	
10 - Psalm 125-127	
11 - Isiah 41	

Daily Bible Reading Guide November
12 - Isiah 42
13 - Isiah 43
14 - Isiah 44
15 - Isiah 45
16 - Isiah 46
17 - Psalm 128-130
18 - Isiah 47
19 - Isiah 48

20 - Isiah 49
21 - Isiah 50
22 - Isiah 51
23 - Isiah 52
24 - Psalm 131-133
25 - Isiah 53
26 - Isiah 54
27 - Isiah 55
28 - Isiah 56
29 - Isiah 57
30 - Isiah 58

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Thanks to all who attended the celebration service and luncheon celebrating the 110th Anniversary of St. Paul Lutheran Church.

