

Welcome!

We gather today as God's beloved children to worship our Heavenly Father. We praise his holy name, we listen eagerly for his words of comfort, hope, and challenge to us, and we offer ourselves to him in dedicated service. May you be blessed as you worship here today.

Leading and Assisting in Worship

July 28, 2019

Leader: Pastor Steve Wood

Organist: Olga Otte

Deacons: Dean Dringenburg; Jim Rotert

Greeters: need volunteer (8:00)

Larry and Linda Guinn (10:15)

Communion Assistant: Ruth Ann Newkirk (8:00)

Communion Prep: Phyllis Cupp (8:00)

Lectors: Jodi Brown (8:00)

Amy Rotert (10:15)

Acolytes: Greta Brown (8:00)

Saige Plummer (10:15)

Projectors: Natalie Fish (8:00)

Eli Wood (10:15)

Flowers: WELCA

Welcome Center:

Terry Searcy (8:00) Laberta Otte (10:15)

St. Paul Lutheran Church is a congregation of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (E.L.C.A.). It is referred to as "Borchers" since Rev. Henry Borchers, who served our congregation from 1857-1881, advised and influenced a small group of pioneer settlers that wanted to establish a congregation in the area. This year we celebrate 166 years of life and ministry in this beautiful country setting in Southern Indiana. We look forward to many more years of growth and change as we seek continually to be faithful to God's call to mission.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is offered at the 8:00 a.m. services on the 2nd and 4th Sundays and at the 10:15 a.m. service on the 1st and the 3rd Sundays of the month. Christians who believe in the true presence of Christ in the bread and wine for our forgiveness and salvation are invited to receive Holy Communion.

Sunday School classes are held each Sunday for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Visitors are welcome to attend.

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The Reverend Stephen Wood.....Pastor
Trish Tangman.....Care Team Director
Jennifer Duncan.....Borchers Preschool Director
Michelle Wood.....Secretary
Mandy Otte and Amy SheltonCustodians
Jamie Baker..... Director of Technology

HEARING ASSISTANCE: We have head phones available for those in need of assistance with hearing. They are located on the table at the entrance of the sanctuary.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS—There are a handful of large print bulletins available. They are located on the table at the entrance of the sanctuary.

CALENDAR

Today: 8:00 am LBW Communion
 9:00 am Quarterly Congregation Mtg.
 10:15 am LBW Worship
 11:30 am Sunday School Teacher Mtg.

Monday 29th 3:00 pm Community Diner

Thurs. 1st 8:30 am Devotions in the sanctuary
 9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club
 7:00 pm Ruth Circle

Next week: August 4-10

Sunday 4th 8:00 am LBW Worship
 9:00 am Fair Displays in fellowship hall
 9:15 am Confirmation Parent Meeting
 10:15 am WOV Communion
 12:00 pm Bus leaves for dinner theatre
 7:00 pm Youth Ministry Board

Tuesday 6th 6:30 pm Borchers Preschool
 Back-to-School Night

Thurs. 8th 9:00 am Borchers Breakfast Club

Sat. 10th 9:00 am Borchers Golf Scramble
 at Hickory Hills

BUSY BAGS for children to use during worship are available just outside the sanctuary. We also have children's bulletins available on the table outside the sanctuary.

GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION WAFERS—We have gluten-free communion wafers available. Indicate to the pastor when you come up for communion if you need these.

CLOTHING CENTER DONATIONS—We are NOT accepting items at the church at this time. Donations can be dropped off at the center in Seymour, or if you need help, contact Mandy Otte.

CONGREGATIONAL QUARTERLY MEETING will be TODAY at 9:00 a.m. in the sanctuary. **We will be discussing the Interim Youth and Family Ministry position.**

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS MEETING will be TODAY at 11:30 a.m.

COMMUNITY DINER meal will be prepared by St. Paul-Borchers on Monday, July 29. If you are willing to help with donations please sign up at the Welcome Center. Questions? Ask Joe Hoene or Trish Tangman

BUS LEAVES CHURCH AT NOON NEXT SUNDAY, August 4th for a trip to Hope, IN for Willow Leaves of Hope's dinner theatre production of Anne of Green Gables. Lunch will be enjoyed at 1:00 followed by the play at 2:00. Fifteen seats have been reserved for our group. Those who have signed up are asked to please pay Trish in advance for your tickets (\$26 each).

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE will be held on Thursday, August 1 at 8:30 a.m. in the sanctuary.

RUTH CIRCLE will meet on Thursday, August 1 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Delores Douglass. Delores will lead the Bible study.

FAIR DISPLAYS— On Sunday, August 4, if you entered anything in the local county fairs, either through 4-H or otherwise, we would love to see what you have created! Please bring your things (or pictures of them), along with ribbons you may have won. We will have a display in the fellowship hall between services so that all church members can see everyone's work.

CONFIRMATION PARENTS MEETING—All Confirmation parents are requested to come to the meeting on Sunday, August 4 at 9:15 a.m. in the Adult Sunday School Room. If you cannot be there, please talk to Pastor Steve.

YOUTH MINISTRY BOARD will meet on Sunday, August 4 at 7:00 p.m.

BORCHERS GOLF OUTING will be on Saturday, August 10 beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Hickory Hills. No fundraiser this year, just a time to fellowship and play golf. Cost: \$28 per person. Food and drinks available at the clubhouse. To speed up check-in, please provide names of players when signing up. Sign up at the Welcome Center.

BORCHERS PRESCHOOL BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT will be held on Tuesday, August 6 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Classes for 3/4- year-olds and 4/5-year-olds will begin on August 12. Classes for 2/3-year-olds will begin on September 6.

NEW PRESCHOOL TEACHER—Welcome to our new Borchers Preschool Teacher, Bobby (Searcy) Marley. Other staff are: Jennifer Duncan, preschool director; Jamie Baker and Mandy Kleffman.

TIME TO LOOK FOR SCHOOL SUPPLIES !
Look for items that are included in School Kits:

- 70 sheet notebooks (wide or college-ruled)
- black **OR** blue ball point pens (no gel ink)
- 2.5" erasers
- blunt scissors
- unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- 30 cm rulers
- 16 **OR** 24-count crayons

Please put items in the LWR box near the kitchen.

BUS OUTING TO MONTGOMERY, IN on Tuesday, August 27th. Join the fun as the church bus heads to the Gasthof Restaurant for a tasty buffet lunch with all the Amish fixings. We'll also check out Gasthof Village & flea market and take a driving tour of the beautiful Amish farmsteads in the area. Details and a signup available at the Welcome Center.

FOOD PANTRY—Our focus for the month of August is macaroni and cheese. Please place your donations in the wooden box in the hallway near the kitchen, or in the basket near the main entry doors. Donations will be given to Anchor House and Provisions.

COLLECTING PILL BOTTLES—We continue to collect empty pill bottles to be delivered to Matthew 25 Ministries in Cincinnati. Pill bottles will be used in developing countries. Donation container, with specific directions, is by the Welcome Center.

FIT FOR FUN FRIDAYS—Come to Seymour Crossroads Community Park and learn how to use our fitness equipment! All levels of activity will be available on August 2 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Bring water and wear comfortable clothing. In case of inclement weather, will be held at CrossFit Gym at 209 E. Second St. For more information contact RaeAnn Mellencamp at 812-569-0261 or Ruth Ann Hendrix at 812-707-1452.

TRAVELING LUTHERANS AND FRIENDS will meet at noon on Wednesday, August 7 at St. Peter's Lutheran in Brownstown for a pitch-in cookout. If the weather is good, we will meet in the shelter house in back of the church. If the weather does not cooperate, we will meet in the Fellowship Hall. The committee will prepare hamburgers and hot dogs and provide table service and drinks. Please bring a side dish to share. Following lunch we will talk about plans for the next year followed by games. Please call Joyce Stuckwisch (812-525-7138) by Monday, August 5 so we have sufficient food and supplies.

OUR MISSION:

Walking in Faith – Sowing Christ’s Love

The mission of St. Paul Lutheran Church is derived from our core values - the essence of our purpose for existence and the criteria we should use to guide our congregational decisions and actions.

Our Core Values:

- 1. Spirituality** – to worship and to grow and develop spiritually as Christians.
- 2. Outreach** – To spread the message of God’s love and grace by word and by action.
- 3. Service** to Others – To live Christ’s message to Love one another.

You can support the mission of our church by coming to worship, engaging in study, sharing the word, bringing a friend to church, taking part in Care Team initiatives, volunteering at church or in the community and loving one another.

We invite you to join us in this journey.

Our Response to God’s Love

We Worshipped:

July 21—8:00 service: 98 10:15 service: 64

Total Offerings for:

July 21— \$4,124.00 Spending Plan—\$3,989.00 Other giving—\$135.00

{The weekly amount needed to cover expenses in the 2019 Spending Plan is \$5,264.00}

Readings for August 4:

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23
Psalm 49:1-12
Colossians 3:1-11
Luke 12:13-21

Lector:

Audrey Newkirk (8:00)
Need volunteer (10:15)

Those assisting with worship August 4:

Greeters:

need volunteer (8:00)
Kendall & Susie Alstatt (10:15)

Communion Asst:

Kendall Alstatt (10:15)

Communion Prep:

Alstatt family (10:15)

Acolyte:

Bryce Rorick (8:00)
Rusty Harris (10:15)

Projectors:

Erin Otte (8:00)
Charlotte Rust (10:15)

Flowers:

Ruth Ann Newkirk

Welcome Center:

Delores Douglass (8:00)
Laberta Otte (10:15)

Sunday School Kick-off

Sunday, August 11 • 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship Hall

Join your Sunday School teachers for a fun fall kick-off with music, games and activities to start a new school year!

Students will have a chance to meet their new teachers and visit their classrooms.

Sunday School Classes will begin on Sunday, August 18 with Opening in the sanctuary at 9:00 a.m. Go to classrooms at 9:15 a.m. (Toddler lessons will also be available in the library beginning August 18)

Volunteer Opportunities



During Sunday School Kick-off there will be sign-up opportunities for volunteering throughout the year including helping with Christmas Shoeboxes, making copies for Sunday School classes, preparing crafts, organizing holiday events and more! Please check the volunteer table in the fellowship hall to see how you can serve!



Adult Sunday School Class

Sunday, August 11 • 9:00 a.m.
Adult Sunday School Room

The Adult Class will begin a new study focusing upon the religious festivals of the 3 major monotheist religions (Christianity, Judaism and Islam).

We will talk about the festivals for each of these faiths, the history behind them and the practices associated with them. The plan is to begin with Christian festivals and holy days, then move to Jewish festivals and finally Holy Days of Islam.

This study will help us to understand our own faith practices as well as gain greater insight into faith practices of others.

Any questions, please talk with Pastor Steve.



The Science of Belonging

a documentary film

Wednesday, August 21st

at 6:00 PM

in St. Paul's Fellowship Room

The film takes an in-depth look at social rejection with a solution-oriented focus on the roots of suicide, bullying, and violent behavior. After the screening, there will be a facilitated discussion about the film, the effects of ostracism, and ways to overcome and prevent violence and tragedy in our own communities. Please plan to stay for both the screening and the discussion afterwards. The wrap-up goal is 8:00 PM.

Since this issue is such an important one, an effort is being made to encourage participation in this event by as many folks as possible.

An evening meal will be served and a sitter will be available for small children. Please let Trish know in advance if you'll need a sitter, so adequate arrangements can be made. More information, as well as a signup, is available on the Welcome Center.

****THIS FILM AND DISCUSSION WILL STRONGLY BENEFIT PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, COACHES, MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS, CLERGY, COUNSELORS, AND SOCIAL SERVICE PROVIDERS. ANYONE WHO HAS INFLUENCE OVER OTHERS AND IS IN A POSITION TO FOSTER ACCEPTANCE CAN BENEFIT FROM WATCHING THIS FILM. ****

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Going Deeper

The purpose of this page is to provide a tool or instrument for your spiritual growth. This page contains a brief synopsis of the readings as well as some questions for your reflection to help you go deeper with the Word. On the back is a day by day listing of scripture readings with possible prayer request. Individuals are listed on their day of birth—so that you might pray for them on their birthday. Also on the back is the prayer list for the congregation. Keep on Growing Spiritually!!

Readings for the Day:

Genesis 18:20-32: In today's reading, Abraham undertakes the role of a mediator between God and sinful humanity. Appealing to God's justice, Abraham boldly asks for mercy for the city of Sodom, for the sake of the few righteous people who are in it, including Abraham's nephew, Lot.

Colossians 2:6-15: Paul warns his congregation in Colossae about 'the empty lure' of philosophies and traditions that compromise faith. Through the gift of faith, the church is mystically connected with Christ in his death and resurrection, which is enacted in baptism.

Luke 11:1-13: In teaching his disciples this prayer, Jesus also reminds them to focus on God's coming reign, God's mercy, and the strengthening of the community. Jesus encourages his disciples to child-like trust and persistence in prayer.

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Questions To Ponder:

- 1— Like the exchange between Abraham and God (Gen 18:20-32), how does your faith live in certainty and mystery?
- 2— How do you offer thanks and praise between grief and joy, loneliness and love, failure and success? (Ps 138)
- 3— Jesus was praying in a "certain place" (Lk 11:1). What is your favorite place to pray?
- 4—How do these texts speak to you today?

Prayer: *O God, your ears are open always to the prayers of your servants. Open our hearts and minds to you, that we may live in harmony with your will and receive the gifts of your Spirit.
Amen.*

NOTES:

Memory Verse: Luke 11:13

¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

Going Deeper in Prayer

Sunday 7/28

Numbers 30:1-16
Colossians 2:1-23
✦ Laberta Otte
✦ world peace

Monday 7/29

Numbers 31:1-54
Colossians 3:1-25
✦ Samuel Hoene
✦ Heifer International

Tuesday 7/30

Numbers 32:1-42
Colossians 4:1-18
✦ National Park Rangers

Wednesday 7/31

Numbers 33:1-56
I Thessalonians 1:1-10
✦ Marc Fountain, Talea Fields, Mandy Kleffman,
Shonna Wikel
✦ Provisions

Thursday 8/1

Numbers 34:1-29
I Thessalonians 2:1-19
✦ Porter Purdue
✦ Big Brother/Big Sister program

Friday 8/2

Numbers 35:1-34
I Thessalonians 3:1-13
✦ Evan Marshall, Owen Newkirk
✦ Christians in Gambia

Saturday 8/3

Numbers 36:1-13
I Thessalonians 4:1-18
✦ Brittany Schwartz, Beau Cragun
✦ Substance abusive counselors

Prayer List

Prayer for Homebound Individuals: *Evelyn Otte; Dorothy Fleetwood (sister of Lois Rust), Betty Melloncamp (Sarah Rotert's sister); Patty Herkamp; Doris Kleffman, Selma Mellenbruch; Eunice Lutes;*

Prayer for Long Term Care Issues: *Helen Carter; Walter Von Fange (Bertha Otte's brother in-law); Andy Runge; Pauline Isaacs (mother of Jack Guffey); Rick Shoemaker (brother-in-law of Howard Wentz); Glenn Johnson; Glen Waldkoetter (relative of KY Hendix); Gavin Brown (friend of Leah Otte);*

Recent Hospitalizations: *Dean Dringenburg (appendix), Maggie Beth Rorick, Ron Speer (aneurysm—friend of Bill Kidd)*

Other Prayer Requests: *Shirley Lewis; Jacob Rotert (surgery on finger); Dan Hall (cancer—friend of Susie Alstatt); Lonny Gibson (cancer—friend of Jeff Lane); Linda Starr (cancer—friend of Bonnie Lane); David Manuel (cancer); Jon Hancher (brother of Jan Otte); Jim Rotert (knee surgery); Betty Moorman; Karen Davis (cancer surgery); Larry Greenawalt (bypass surgery—friend of Chris Otte); Pat Otte; Wilma Claycamp; Doris Voss (back fracture—mother of Joe Tormoehlen); Don Claycamp (heart); Dorothy Dooley (mom of Jennifer Duncan); Linda Seitz (heart); Becky Helwig Webber (cancer—niece of Carol Browning); Gene Templar (father of Amy Underwood); Cheryl Underwood (mother of Scoey Underwood); Kevin Tracy (cancer—cousin of Carol Browning); Mildred Carter, Evan Wieneke (cancer—friend of Cassie Fox); Kim East (cancer—cousin of Robert Smith); Doris Rorick (cancer); Lilly Hatfield (awaiting kidney transplant—friend of Chris Otte); Duane Morris (cancer—friend of Brent Lawles); Carol Mansfield; Gail Helt (lung issues—neighbors of Bill Kidd); Michelle Riley (lymphoma—friend of Susie Alstatt); Rhonda Dunn (cancer—friend of Terri DeVoe); Debbie Michaels (physical healing—sister of Karen Hoene); Bonnie Harper (cancer—aunt of Beth Claycamp); Debbie Meyers (cancer—friend of Luci Angel); Connie Riley (cancer—friend of Susie Alstatt); Carolyn Ross (Beth Claycamp's mother); Joe Ross (Parkinson's—father of Beth Claycamp); Bryce Tormoehlen (leukemia—friend of Carolyn Jones); Charlie Castillo (cancer—friend of Benny Kleffman); Luther Piel (poor health); Missy Walker (niece of Karen Hoene)*

Prayers for those in Military Service: *Nate Otte (Chris Otte's cousin); Cam Mansfield (son of George & Tiffany Mansfield); Adrian Sanders (husband of Jessica (Rotert) Sanders); Erik Hoene (grandson of Paul Hoene); Kyle Albert (grandson of Karen Hoene); DJ Snyder (Cathy Wentz's nephew); Zachary Rieker (Jerry & Pixie Otte's Grandson); Andrew Yerrell (Roger Douglass' grandson)*