

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

January 19, 2020

Leader: Pastor Steve Wood

Organist: Olga Otte

Deacons: Dean Dringenburg; Kendall Alstatt

Greeters: Delores & Roger Douglass (8:00)
Kathy & Tim England (10:15)

Communion Assistant: Leon Seitz (10:15)

Communion Prep: Linda Seitz (10:15)

Lectors: Lou Ann Hoevenner (8:00)
Leon Seitz (10:15)

Acolytes: Brayden Rorick (8:00)
Need volunteer (10:15)

Projectors: Erin Otte (8:00)
Sam Browning (10:15)

Flowers: Linda Guinn

Welcome Center:
Need volunteer (8:00) Laberta Otte (10:15)

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Jennifer Duncan.....Borchers Preschool Director
Michelle Wood.....Secretary
Mandy Otte and Amy SheltonCustodians

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 167 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.

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	Newsletter deadline	
	8:00 am	LBW Worship
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	LBW Communion
	NO KIDS BELLS	
	11:30 am	Bell Chorus (Adult group)
	11:45 am	Mini Daycamp
	5:30 pm	Safety Class
	7:00 pm	Bell Group (Jr./Sr. High)
Monday 20th	9:00 am	Preschool
	1:00 pm	Blanket making
	8:00 pm	Dartball at Zion
Wed. 22nd	9:00 am	Preschool Preschool Chapel
Thurs. 23rd	9:00 am	Borchers Breakfast Club
Friday 24th	9:00 am	Preschool
	1:00 pm	Blanket making
	6:00 pm	Family Game Night
Next week: January 26-February 1		
Sunday 26th	8:00 am	LBW Communion
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	LBW Worship
	NO KIDS BELLS	
	11:15 am	Annual Congregation Meeting
	5:30 pm	Safety Class
	7:00 pm	Bell Group (Jr./Sr. High)
	7:30 pm	Bell Chorus (Adult group)
Monday 27th	9:00 am	Preschool
	1:00 pm	Blanket making
	1:00 pm	Book Buzz
	8:00 pm	Dartball at Dudleytown
Wed. 29th	9:00 am	Preschool Preschool Chapel (Stone Soup—all classes)
Thurs. 30th	9:00 am	Borchers Breakfast Club
Friday 31st	9:00 am	Preschool
	1:00 pm	Blanket making
	6:00 pm	Family Game Night (backup date)

BUSY BAGS—Busy bag stands are located in the back of the sanctuary. These are available for children to use during worship. Children's bulletins are available on the table outside the sanctuary.

GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION WAFERS are available. Indicate to the pastor when you come up for communion if you need these.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS TODAY—Please give info to Michelle or leave in the church office.

KIDS BELLS—NO practice on January 19 and 26. We will practice on February 2 and 9. We will play on February 16.

MINI DAYCAMP IS TODAY from 11:45 a.m.-1:45 p.m. in the fellowship hall. All ages are welcome! This is a sneak-preview of this year's Daycamp "Roar" Theme. Lunch will be provided after second service; activities will begin around 11:45am.

SAFETY CLASS IS TODAY from 5:30-7:00 p.m. The YFM Board has organized these events with leaders from Turning Point and Seymour Community Schools Resource Officers to discuss safety, relationships, technology and other relevant topics the groups would like to cover. Separate classes will be offered for students in grades 6-12 and adults on both evenings. Adults will meet in the Adult Sunday School room and Youth will meet in the High School room. We will also have another class on Sunday, January 26. **Each class will cover different material! Any adult is welcome to come!** Any questions, talk to Jamie Baker.

JR./ SR. HIGH BELL GROUP will practice TODAY and January 26 at 7:00 p.m. We will play on February 2.

BELL CHORUS (ADULT BELL GROUP) will practice TODAY at 11:30 a.m. and on January 26 at 7:30 p.m. We will tentatively play on February 9.

CONGREGATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING is on Sunday, January 26 after the 10:15 service.

SOME TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Summer Sunday School

Sunday School families/parents are encouraged to attend the annual meeting on January 26 to participate in the discussion and possible vote on Summer Sunday School plans. Baby-sitting will be available to make it easier for our younger families to participate and in the decision-making process.

Monetary Limits for Church Council Approval

We recently had work done on the HVAC system, including replacing of a compressor. The total exceeded the \$2500 limit that church council can approve. Since the work was done, the invoice was paid. We will discuss how to address this type of situation in the future.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT & PITCH-IN will be on Friday, January 24 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Bring your favorite game(s) to share and enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship. Drinks and table service will be provided. *Sponsored by Ruth Circle. (In case of bad weather moved to January 31)*

BOOK BUZZ will meet on Monday, January 27 at 1:00 p.m. in the narthex. We will discuss "11/22/63" by Stephen King. This book takes readers on a journey into the assassination of JFK and the possibility of altering it. All are welcome!! Any question, talk to Trish Tangman or Michelle Wood.

SOUP MAKERS NEEDED! It's time again to provide soup for local seniors in January. If you are willing to help with this project, please sign up at the Welcome center. Choose a date and list what type of soup – any type you'd like to make is great! And any amount from one gallon to four gallons is appreciated! Questions? See Trish

SUPER BOWL PARTY—The 10th Annual "Indoor Super Bowl Tailgate" Party will be held Sunday, February 2 beginning at 5:00 pm at George & Tiffany Mansfield's (8688 Beacon Hill Dr., Seymour) Beverages and George's "World Famous Tailgate Chili" will be provided. Please bring your favorite tailgating food, munchie, and/or dessert. Even non-football fans will have activities to entertain themselves. Kids are welcome. Any questions, please call 524-9484.

GIVING STATEMENTS for 2019 are available in the narthex.

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2020 are available in the narthex. If you don't have envelopes and would like some, please talk to Pastor Steve.

GREETER SIGN-UP FOR 2020 is available at the Welcome Center. Remember: you can sign-up for just 1 Sunday, or as many as you wish.

TURNING POINT DONATIONS—We are now supporting Turning Point monthly with donations just like we do for the food pantry. January's item is laundry detergent. Please place in the box near the kitchen labeled "Turning Point". Turning Point serves victims of domestic violence in the surrounding counties.

FOOD PANTRY—Our focus for the month of January is soup. 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 this month to Provisions or Anchor House.

BLANKET MAKING—It's time again to make blankets for Lutheran World Relief. We will meet on Fridays and Mondays at 1:00 p.m. in the adult Sunday school room. Come join us! We work January-March. Any questions, talk to Wanda Engelau or Olga Otte.

BLANKETS READY TO BE TIED are available by the mission outreach closet.

SMALL PHONE DIRECTORY—Updated directories are available at the Welcome Center.

CHURCH WEATHER CANCELLATION POLICY

Church services will be held, unless a travel ban has been issued for Jackson County. Please make your own decision if you want to venture out in inclement weather. **WE WANT EVERYONE TO BE SAFE! *If there is a travel ban in Jackson County, all church activities will also be cancelled.***

BORCHERS BREAKFAST CLUB WEATHER CANCELLATION POLICY

Borchers Breakfast Club will coincide with the Seymour School Corporation's decisions for school closings and delays. If Seymour schools are closed OR delayed, Borchers Breakfast Club will be CANCELLED. Please listen to WZZB 1390 AM or 99.3 FM, or watch for closings on television stations.

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:

January 12—8:00 service: 111 10:15 service: 62

Total Offerings for January 12: \$6,213.25
Spending Plan Giving—\$4,498.25 Other Giving—\$1,715.00

{The weekly amount needed to cover expenses in the
2020 Spending Plan is \$5,725.13}

Readings for January 26:

Isaiah 9:1-4
Psalm 27:1, 4-9
1 Corinthians 1:10-18
Matthew 4:12-23

Lector:

Mark Rorick (8:00)
Lois Bryden (10:15)

Those assisting with worship January 26:

Greeters:

Delores & Roger Douglass (8:00)
Kathy & Tim England (10:15)

Communion Asst:

Tammi Reinbold (8:00)

Communion Prep:

Doris Rorick (8:00)

Acolyte:

Jay Herbert (8:00)
Rusty Harris (10:15)

Projectors:

Natalie Fish (8:00)
Elizabeth Rust (10:15)

Flowers:

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January 19,
2020

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:

Isaiah 49:1-7: Here the servant, identified as Israel, speaks for herself and describes her honored mission. Called before her birth like Jeremiah and John the Baptist, the servant is not only to restore Israel. The servant's ultimate assignment is to bring news of God's victory to the ends of the earth. God in faithfulness has chosen Israel for this task.

I Corinthians 1:1-9: Though God's church in Corinth is a fractious congregation beset with many conflicts, Paul opens this letter by spotlighting the multiple ways God has enriched and sustained its life as part of the divine call into the fellowship of our Lord Jesus Christ.

John 1:29-42: John the Baptist's witness to Jesus initiates a chain of testimony as his disciples begin to share with others what they have found.

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Questions To Ponder:

- 1— Have you ever felt your witness to God has been in vain? If so, how are Isaiah's words comforting? (Isa 49:4)
- 2— To sanctify means "to make holy" or "to set apart." How can you tell you have been sanctified? (1 Cor 1:2)
- 3— What assurance would you demand before following someone? Would you have left all to follow Jesus? (John 1:37)
- 4—How do these texts speak to you today?

Prayer: *Lord God, you showed your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son. As he brought gladness and healing to his people, grant us these same gifts and lead us also to perfect faith in him. Amen.*

NOTES:

Memory Verse: John 1:29

²⁹[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"

Going Deeper in Prayer

Sunday 1/19

II Kings 9:1-37
John 21:1-25
✦ world peace

Monday 1/20

II Kings 10:1-36
Acts 1:1-26
✦ Kori Otte, Darla Rorick
✦ the Indiana-Kentucky Synod

Tuesday 1/21

II Kings 11:1-21
Acts 2:1-47
✦ Cassie Rotert, Kevin Kruse, Erin Engelau, Kayla Brigdon, Kim Douglass
✦ prison chaplains

Wednesday 1/22

II Kings 12:1-21
Acts 3:1-26
✦ Eunice Lutes, Benny Kleffman, Jack Hoene, Rick Brown
✦ elected officials

Thursday 1/23

II Kings 13:1-25
Acts 4:1-37
✦ Debbie Rust, Beth Albert, Sunny Nearing
✦ Luther League

Friday 1/24

II Kings 14:1-29
Acts 5:1-42
✦ Kristina McIntosh, Ben Rorick
✦ Christians in Sudan

Saturday 1/25

II Kings 15:1-38
Acts 6:1-15
✦ Pastor Steve, Jason Engelau, Abby Hoene
✦ Red Sky Rescue

Prayer List

Prayer for Homebound Individuals: *Betty Melloncamp* (Sarah Rotert's sister); *Patty Herkamp*; *Doris Kleffman*, *Selma Mellenbruch*; *Eunice Lutes*; *Marilyn Tangman*; *Mildred Carter*, *Pixie Otte*,

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 Wente); *Glenn Johnson*; *Glen Waldkoetter* (relative of KY Hendix); *Gavin Brown* (friend of Leah Otte); *Gene Templar* (father of Amy Underwood); *Luther Piel* (poor health);

Recent Hospitalizations: *Braylee Churchill* (cancer—newborn of co-worker of Mindy Siffard)

Other Prayer Requests: *Kenny Runge*; *Betty Moorman* (surgery); *Ralph Walker* (friend of Kendall Alstatt); *Linda Smith* (biopsy—co-worker of Heidi Wheatley); *Barbara Davis* (blood clots—Susie Alstatt's mother); *Jan Otte* (infection); *Pat Otte* (surgery); *Mark Rorick* (shoulder surgery); *Arlene Yarnell* (Michelle Wood's mother); *Lilly Hattfield* (kidney transplant—friend of Chris Otte and Sabrina Wanning); *Clinton Walls* (infection); *Dan Hoene* (infection); *Lefty Bryden* (shoulder surgery—Bill Bryden's father); *Florence Otte*; *Richard Frost* (spinal surgery—Chris Otte's uncle); *Ron Speer* (aneurysm—friend of Bill Kidd); *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); *Dorothy Dooley* (mom of Jennifer Duncan); *Becky Helwig Webber* (cancer—niece of Carol Browning); *Cheryle Underwood* (mother of Scoey Underwood); *Kevin Tracy* (cancer-cousin of Carol Browning); *Evan Wieneke* (cancer-friend of Cassie Fox); *Kim East* (cancer—cousin of Robert Smith); *Duane Morris* (cancer—friend of Brent Lawles); *Michelle Riley* (lymphoma—friend of Susie Alstatt); *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);

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

(Names will be on the prayer list for 4 weeks, if you want the request extended, you may re-submit your request.)

READ IT

This week's Bible story is

The Lamb of God

from John 1:29-42.



Epiphany 2

Look! Through Jesus, God lives among, teaches, and saves us.

Ask each other what you remember about:

- Lamb
- Anointed
- Reveal
- Spirit
- Dove
- Rabbi
- Testify

Jesus may be called the Lamb of God as a reference to Isaiah 53:7 in which an innocent servant dies without complaint and atones for the sins of others.

Read the whole story together in the Bible!

Spark Story Bible pages 246-247

Spark Bible pages 171-1171

Family Prayer

Dear God, despite causing a stir and gaining a following, John the Baptist did not lose focus. He did not give into self-importance but continued to prepare the way for and direct the crowd's attention to Jesus. Help us to follow John's example. Help us live our lives in a way that will direct others to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

TALK ABOUT IT



Family Conversations

- 1 What is it like to be the center of attention?
- 2 Who are the stars/main characters of your favorite movies or books? Who are the supporting actors, actresses, or other characters?
- 3 Would you rather have the central or a supporting role in a movie or book? What about in your own story in your head—who has the central role in your life? What role does God play?
- 4 Imagine you are casting a story about the second coming of Christ. Who will be there? What roles will each member of your family play? Who will be the star?



Eye Spark

Who is in the media spotlight? Can you imagine those stars redirecting the cameras to Jesus?



Ear Spark

Who is being talked about in the media? Why are they being talked about? Compare those reasons to the reasons Jesus got attention.

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LIVE IT

For families to do together

Pick a family story to act out—one in which everyone has a role to play. Act it out as you remember it. Now imagine how the story might change if Jesus had a central role. Can you act it out again with someone playing Jesus?

For younger kids

Draw a picture with Jesus in the center. Draw yourself and loved ones all around listening to Jesus.

For older kids

Younger siblings can feel overshadowed by older ones who often beat them at games. Spend some time playing a game with a younger kid where your goal is to help that younger kid learn or improve their skills. Make it your goal that, by the time you finish playing, s/he is a stronger player.

