

The Herald October 2021

Greetings

Dwelling in Scripture during October...

Let's dwell together, my friends in Christ, over the next month! I propose we consider the beloved text from Ecclesiastes 3:1-8. It celebrates the harvest, the changing seasons and reminds us we are grounded in the work of serving our neighbors and being self-aware of how we relate to our surroundings. Ponder some questions.

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:² a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;

³ a time to kill, and a time to heal;

a time to break down, and a time to build up;

⁴ a time to weep, and a time to laugh;

a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

⁵ a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;

a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;

⁶ a time to seek, and a time to lose;

a time to keep, and a time to throw away;

⁷ a time to tear, and a time to sew;

a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

⁸ a time to love, and a time to hate;

a time for war, and a time for peace.

- 1) Where do you hear your own longings in this text?
- 2) What "time" is God preparing for you in your journey?
- 3) How would you describe your current *context*?
- 4) With the fall season upon us, where are you connecting with God, the Creator?
- 5) If there were ever a time for _____. What word would finish your sentence?

Peace Be with You and Yours,
Interim Pastor Dayna

Sip-n-Chat Wednesdays

Starting **October 13th**, from 9:30am-10:30am, join me in fellowship hall for coffee and conversation! If the weather is nice and folks are interested, we can move the gathering outside. The idea is to have time for fellowship in a relaxed environment. I look forward to getting to know you all better.

We will try this through October. The day and time can then be adjusted as needed. Bring your thoughts and ponderings. We'll be open to where the Holy Spirit moves us!

In Christ,, Interim Pastor Dayna



DO WE HAVE YOUR EMAIL??????? If you have not been getting emails from Anita about announcements and worship, please share your email ASAP. We don't want to exclude anyone



Do have you news that you would like to share with the faith community? Email Anita Fry at a_frymom@yahoo.com or call 815-745-2066

Don't Forget !! St. Paul's website -

The web address is www.stpaulswarren.org

Facebook – “St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Warren, IL”
Announcements, Encouragement, and Insights throughout the week



St. Paul's Lutheran Church Council Meeting for August 24th, 2021.

Present: Kathy McKee, Roger Kent, Daylon Niemann, Linda Balbac, Anita Fry, Danica Skattum **Absent:** Sue Bourquin. We started our meeting with prayers by Linda Balbac.



Secretary's Report: Minutes were presented from Council Meeting of July 14th, 2021. Linda moved to accept the Secretary's Report. Danica seconded. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report: Report was presented for July 2021. Sue is going to work with Rachel Brinkmeier for some concerns that she has. Danica made a motion for Sue to go ahead with this. Roger 2nd and motion carried. Anita made a motion to approve the reports. Danica 2nd and motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Parish Education:

- Hope to have Vacation Bible School normal days next year.
- Would like to plan some Sunday School times again for this year.

Properties Committee:

- Randy Long repaired the air conditioning unit at the parsonage.
- I replaced the thermostat, two combination carbon monoxide/smoke detectors, and the ceiling fan in the kitchen at the parsonage
- The parsonage upstairs bathroom could use some updating.
- There is a used refrigerator in the garage that needs a home.

Stewardship:

Worship/Evangelism:

- Will be scheduling time to meet with Dayna.

Memorial Committee: Roger reported a balance of \$10,948.55. Danica is looking into technology items to continue with using Facebook live.

Mutual Ministry: No Meeting.

Welca: Checking: \$1369.30, Savings: \$5,756.96. Anita asked about closing out the Welca accounts and putting the monies into general and savings. More on this later.

Pastor's Report:

Old Business: None at this time.

New Business:

- Snow removal. Danica will get an ad placed in the Flash.
- It was asked about putting plaques on memorial items if the family would want it. Kathy is going to ask around to see why it was discontinued.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 22nd at 6:30pm. We closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer. Minutes submitted by Anita Fry

Lessons & Hymns for the Month of October



October 3 – 19th Sunday After Pentecost

Genesis 2:18-24
Psalm 8
Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12
Mark 10:2-16

ELW Holy Communion –

“How Firm A Foundation ” - ELW 796
“Blest Be The Tie That Binds ” - ELW 656
“Go My Children, With My Blessing ” - ELW 543

October 10 – 20th Sunday After Pentecost

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15
Psalm 90:12-17
Hebrews 4:12-16
Mark 10:17-31

ELW Holy Communion –

“Gather Us In ” - ELW 532
“Take My Life, That I May Be ” - ELW 685
“God Of Grace And God Of Glory ” - ELW 705

October 17 – 21st Sunday After Pentecost

Isaiah 53:4-12
Psalm 91:9-16
Hebrews 5:1-10
Mark 10:35-45

ELW Holy Communion –

“Now We Join In Celebration ” - ELW 462
“Will You Let Me Be Your Servant ” - ELW 659
“Lord, Whose Love In Humble Service ” - ELW 712

October 24– 22nd Sunday After Pentecost

Jeremiah 31:7-9
Psalm 126
Hebrews 7:23-28
Mark 10:46-52

ELW Holy Communion –

“God, Whose Almighty Word ” - ELW 673
“Healer Of Our Every Ill ” - ELW 612
“Amazing Grace How Sweet The Sound ” - ELW 779

October 31 – Reformation Day

Jeremiah 31:31-34
Psalm 46
Romans 3:19-28
John 8:31-36

ELW Holy Communion –

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God ” - ELW 504
“Lord Keep Us Steadfast In Your Word ” - ELW 517
“Great Is Thy Faithfulness ” - ELW 733

October Ministry Highlights

A goal of mine is to continue getting out among the community on behalf of St. Paul's. For October, there will be several opportunities to be out and about: truck at the Food Pantry on the 4th, lunch at the American Legion on the 6th, Sip-n-Chat Wednesdays (starting the 13th), roast beef dinner at the Methodist church on the 16th, Bible study St. John's Pearl City on the 19th and Trunk-n-Treat night on the 24th.

The finale of the month will be celebrating Reformation Sunday in our sanctuary on October 31st. The color of the day will be red. We'll remember some key moments in St. Paul's history.

Walking in Peace,
Interim Pastor Dayna

Fall Events at St. Paul's



The next gathering for the combined Women's Bible Study at St. John's in Pearl City is Oct. 19th at 9:45am. They are using the bible study found in the ELCA Gathered magazine for September-October as their resource.

The topic is the Holy Spirit and how it reveals itself and supports us in our lives. It's not necessary to have a subscription to the magazine to join in because they provide a copy of the text and the accompanying bible verses at the study.

Shirley Miller and I went in September and found it to be a good bible study and enjoyable time of fellowship with the St. John's ladies. Let Shirley or Linda know if you would like to participate and ride with us on that day.

The ladies also have a Sit and Sew session following the bible study, if you want to stay. You can bring a project you are working on or work on quilts that they are doing at St. John's. If staying for that, each person is bringing their own sack lunch.



The November bible study is Tuesday, Nov. 16th at 9:45am.



Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 6th and 7th, will be our remembrance services for All Saints at St Paul's.

We will have a special service on Saturday evening at 5pm with music performed by the No Worries gospel group to lift up with prayer, worship, and music our friends and loved ones that have passed away in the last year. A light lunch will be served after the

service. Sunday will be our traditional worship service at 10am again with remembrance of the saints in our lives.

Please submit names of people that have passed since November 1, 2020 to Interim Pastor Dayna or Linda Balbac by October 20th to be remembered at our All Saints services.

On Sunday afternoon, Dec. 12th 2pm, we are invited to go to Timber Lake Playhouse with the Pearl City Women to see the Christmas Show "What a Wonderful World" a new musical adaptation of how Santa and Mrs. Claus met and fell in love in the late 1950's.

They have purchased 49 tickets. The tickets are \$20 and Linda will need to have the reservations and money by Wednesday, Nov 17th, if interested. If writing a check, make it out to St. John's Women's Gathering. We will carpool together that day.



Here are quite a few opportunities for worship and fellowship. With the Holy Spirit to guide us, let's get together and share our time in community with each other.



Thank you for all the wonderful birthday wishes. The thoughtful cards, phone calls, visits, and food made my 90th birthday special!
Jim Wood

Card Lady for October – Donna Doubler

Upcoming Schedule for the “No Worries” band

OCTOBER SCHEDULE---

Sunday Oct 3--9 am (outside) - St Paul’s Lutheran, Elizabeth--

Sunday Oct 10--10 am - Gospel Outreach, downtown Freeport--

Sunday Oct 10- 2 pm *Morseville church, rural Stockton--
2231 E. Morseville Rdbi-annual church service--refreshments in the
basement afterwards--ALL are welcome!

Thursday Oct 14-1 pm, Lena IL - Friendship Club--Good Shepherd Lutheran--

Saturday Oct 16--- St. John’s Lutheran, Pearl City IL---Fall Family Fun night--dinner 4-6 pm, youth activities
outside 6-7 pm, No Worries band inside 5-7 pm--Community event--ALL are welcome!

Sunday Oct 17--9 am - St Pauls Lutheran, Elizabeth--

Sunday Oct 24--9 am - Derinda Trinity Lutheran

Sunday Oct 31--9 am - St Paul’s Lutheran, Elizabeth



In response to the hurricanes that have battered the Southern and Eastern coasts of the U.S. in the recent months, St. Paul's will be taking a collection to support relief efforts for victims in these areas. This collection will be sent to the Red Cross to help where it is most needed. There will be separate envelopes included in the Sunday Bulletins for worship each week until October 10th. If donating by check, please write "Red Cross" on the memo line so it will be counted separately from the offering.

For those worshipping from home and wishing to donate, please mail a check to the church to be included in the funds. This has been a particularly active hurricane season and according to the National Hurricane Center September 10th marks the peak of the season which lasts until November 30th, so there could be more violent storms yet this year. Please help St. Paul's join the Red Cross to support those in need.

Thank You

October						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Pastor Dayna's Day Off	2 9 am Food Pantry
3 10am Worship	4 10:30 am Food Pantry Food Truck Delivery	5	6 11am-1pm Chew & Chat at Warren Legion	7	8 Pastor Dayna's Day Off	9 9 am Food Pantry
10 10am Worship	11	12	13 9:30 am Coffee Time With Pastor Dayna at St. Paul's 6:30 pm Church Council	14	15 Pastor Dayna's Day Off	16 9 am Food Pantry 4:30-7 pm Warren Methodist Roast Beef Supper
17 10 am Worship	18	19 9:45 am Women's Bible Study St. John's Pearl City	20 9:30 am Coffee Time With Pastor Dayna at St. Paul's	21	22 Pastor Dayna's Day Off November Newsletter Deadline	23 9 am Food Pantry
24 10 am Worship 3-5 pm Trunk or Treat Warren School Parking Lot	25	26	27 9:30 am Coffee Time With Pastor Dayna at St. Paul's	28	28 Pastor Dayna's Day Off	30 9 am Food Pantry
31 10 am Reformation Sunday (Wear Red) Halloween						