St. Paul's Evangetical Lutheran Church 6881 S. 51st Street ~ Franklin, Wisconsin Member of the Wisconsin Evangetical Lutheran Synad Pastor Brian Adams

September 20 & 21, 2015

150th Year Anniversary Celebration

Welcome



In 1865, the Civil War in the United States had just ended. Two years later, Alaska would be bought from the nation of Russia. Four years later the West and the East would be linked together with a transcontinental railroad.

Life in the United States was changing. During the time of change in the world, a small group of German Lutherans, in

the township of Franklin, decided that they wanted to worship together. On September 21, 1865, they met together for the purpose of organizing a Christian congregation so that God's unchanging Word could be proclaimed to a changing world. They realized that they needed a house in which to worship. Soon the first church building of St. Paul's was built on what is known today as College Avenue.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church continued to grow by God's grace. Approximately, 50 years later, the congregation built a new church on 51st Street to meet the current needs and future needs of St. Paul's. Over the next 94 years, the worship facility would go through a number of changes. In 2010, the congregation made the decision to build a new





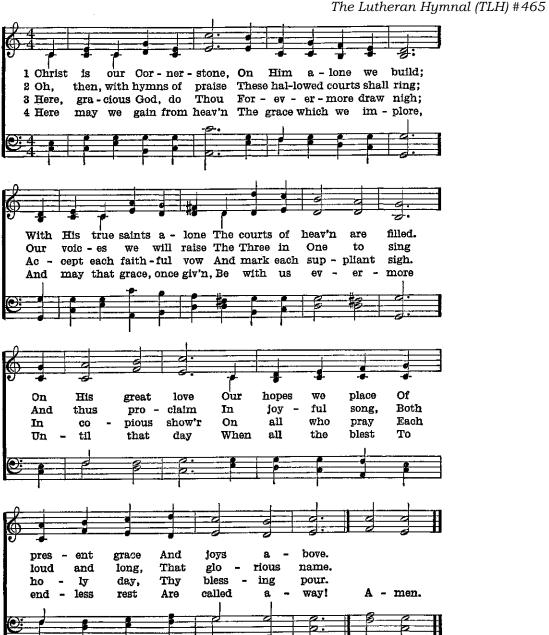
church once again. On Easter 2011, the first services were held in our new church.

As we begin celebration of the 150th anniversary of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, we will continue to look forward in spreading the message of the Gospel to the members of St. Paul's, the people of Franklin and the souls in the world.

Our church has always been about souls. It is about bringing the comfort of the Gospel to souls that are troubled and hurting. It is about strengthening the souls that are already in Christ. It is about sharing the Gospel with souls that do not yet know Christ.

There are many opportunities that lay ahead of us as a congregation. As we work and grow together in Christ, the Lord will bless us in many ways. May we all join with the Apostle Peter in saying: "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen." (2 Peter 3:18)

Over the next year, we will focus on the blessings of the past (this weekend), the blessings that our Lord is giving St. Paul's in the present and asking the Lord to continue to bless us in the future. The Lord has blessed us with his Grace for 150 years. May we continue to give thanks to God for those blessings. May we give thanks to the Holy Spirit for the faith that we have in Jesus. We trust that the Holy Spirit will guide our efforts and continue to bless the ministry at St. Paul's.



The Invocation

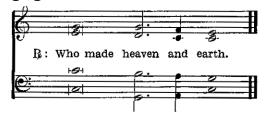
Minister: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. **Congregation:**



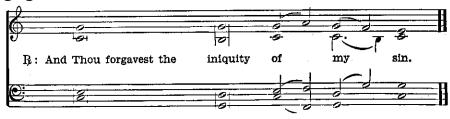
The Confession of Sins

Minister: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Congregation:



Minister: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord. **Congregation:**

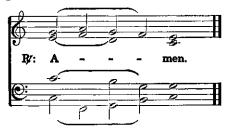


Minister & Congregation:

O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Minister: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

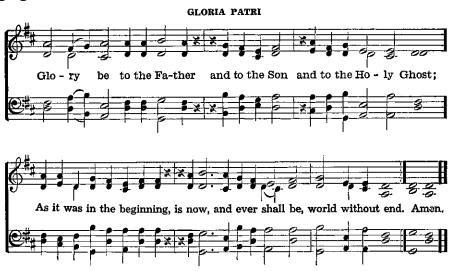
Congregation:



The Introit

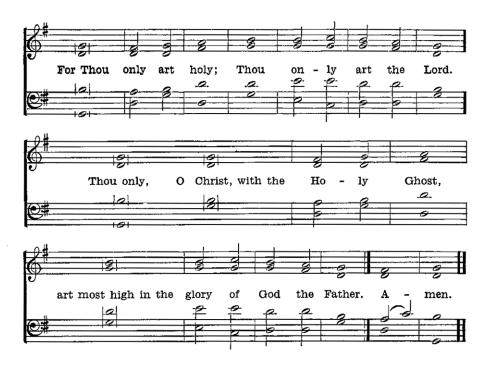
Minister: Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I cry unto Thee daily. For Thou, Lord, art good and ready to forgive: and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon Thee. Bow down Thine ear, O Lord, hear me: for I am poor and needy.

Congregation:









The Salutation

Minister: The Lord be with you.

Congregation:



The Collect for the Day:

Minister: Let us pray: Lord, we pray Thee that Thy grace may always go before and follow after us and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Congregation:



The Epistle

Minister: The Epistle for the sixteenth Sunday after Trinity is written in the second chapter of Ephesians, beginning at the first verse:

^{2:1} And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins; ² Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: ³ Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others. ⁴ But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, ⁵ Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) ⁶ And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: ⁷ That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus. ⁸ For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: ⁹ Not of works, lest any man should boast. ¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. _(KJV)

The Gradual

Minister:

The heathen shall fear the name of the Lord: and all the kings of the earth Thy glory. When the Lord shall build up Zion: He shall appear in His glory. Hallelujah! Hallelujah. Ye, that fear the Lord, trust in the Lord: He is their Help and their Shield. Hallelujah.

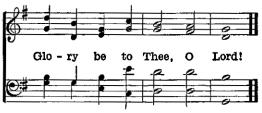
Congregation:



The Gospel

Minister: The Holy Gospel is written in the 1st chapter of St. John, beginning at the 14th verse:

Congregation:



Minister: ¹⁴ And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. ¹⁵ John bare witness of him, and cried, saying, This was he of whom I spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me. ¹⁶ And of his fullness have all we received, and grace for grace. ¹⁷ For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.

Here endeth the Gospel.

Congregation:



Congregation may be seated

Not what my hands have done can save my guilty soul, not what my toiling flesh has borne can make my spirit whole. I praise the God of grace! I trust His truth and might! He calls me His, I call Him mine. My God! My Joy! My Light! Your voice alone, O Lord, can speak to me of grace. Your pow'r alone, O Son of God, can all my sin erase. I praise the God of grace! I trust His truth and might! He calls me His, I call Him mine. My God! My Joy! My Light! Your work alone, O Christ, can ease this weight of sin. Your blood alone, O Lamb of God, can give me peace within. I praise the God of grace! I trust His truth and might! He calls me His, I call Him mine: My God! My Joy! My Light!

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

By faith we see the hand of God in the light of creation's grand design, in the lives of those who prove His faithfulness, who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth with the pow'r of His promise in their hearts, of a holy city built by God's own hand, a place where peace and justice reign.

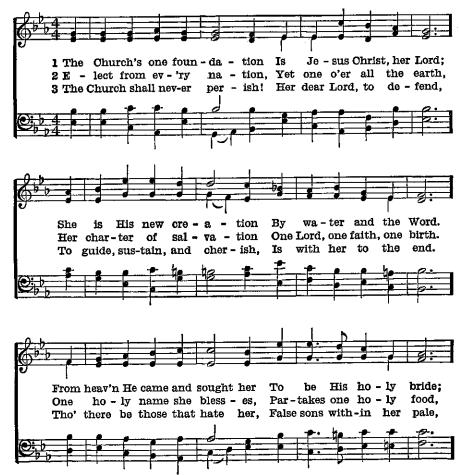
We will stand as children of the promise; We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward. Till the race is finished and the work is done, we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the church was called to go in the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost to deliver captives and to preach good news in ev'ry corner of the earth.

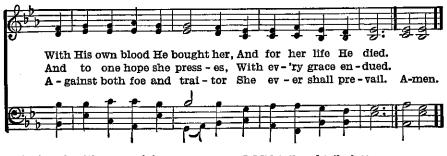
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By faith this mountain shall be moved and the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail, for we know in Christ all things are possible for all who call upon His name.

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- 4 Though with a scornful wonder Men see her sore oppressed, By schisms rent asunder, By heresies distressed, Yet saints their watch are keeping: Their cry goes up, "How long?" And soon the night of weeping Shall be the morn of song.
- 5 Mid toil and tribulation And tumult of her war She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore, Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.

The Sermon Acts 11:22-24

Celebrate God's Grace - It Changes Hearts!

22 Then tidings of these things came unto the ears of the church which was in Jerusalem: and they sent forth Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch. ²³ Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord. ²⁴ For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord. (KJV)

Please Rise



take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion; and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it.

Cast me not a-way from Thy pres-ence, and

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spir - it with-in me.

Please Rise

The Prayers

Please be Seated.

Congregation Hymn....."Now Thank We All Our God" *The Lutheran Hymnal #36*



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Please Rise

The Preface

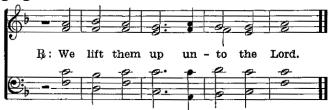
Minister: The Lord be with you.

Congregation:



Minister: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation:



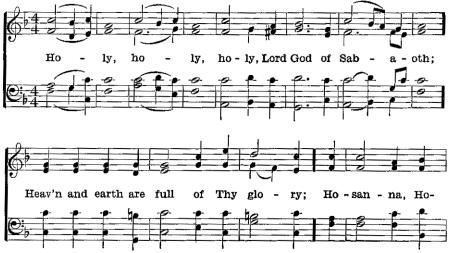
Minister: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. **Congregation:**

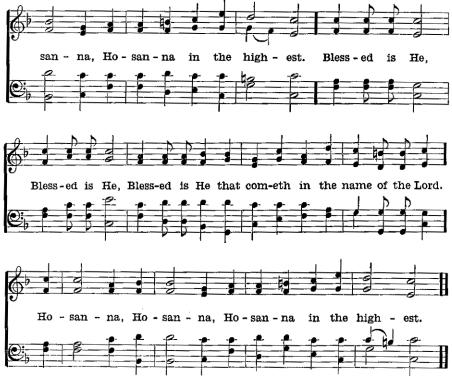


The Proper Preface

Minister: It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, Who with Thine only-begotten Son and the Holy Ghost art one God, one Lord. And in the confession of the only true God we worship the Trinity in Person and the Unity in Substance, of Majesty coequal. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and saying:

Congregation:





The Lord's Prayer

Minister: Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed by Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil:



The Words of Institution

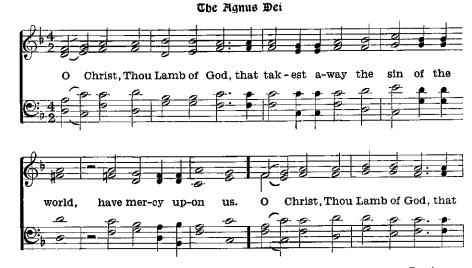
Minister: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

After the same manner also He took the cup, when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying, "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Pax Domini

Minister: The peace of the Lord be with you always! **Congregation:**





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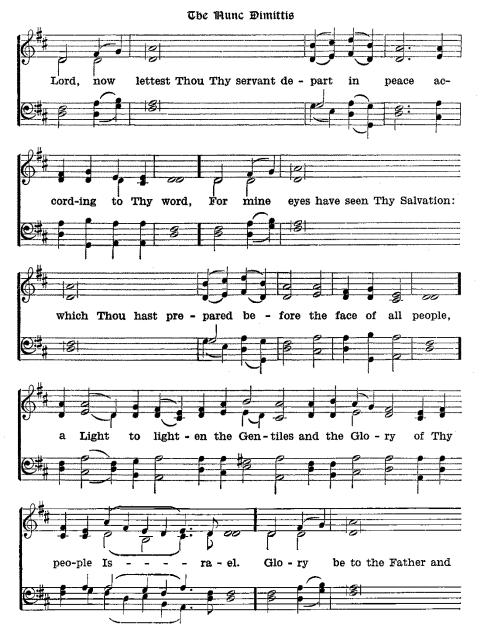


Please be seated

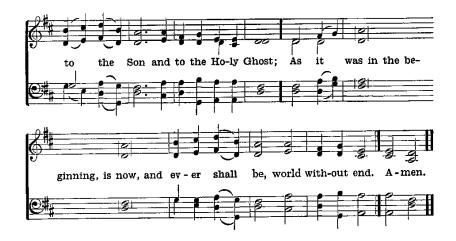
The Distribution of the Lord's Supper

Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper. The Lord's Supper is a miracle. By God's power, the Lord's body and blood are with the bread and wine. In the Lord's Supper, God gives strength and comfort to His believers. While the Lord's Supper is first about our relationship with Jesus, it is also about our relationship with fellow believers. Therefore, we practice "close communion." We invite all who are members of St. Paul's or visitors who belong to our WELS fellowship to receive the Lord's Supper with us. If you would like to learn more about being a member of our family at St. Paul's, please feel free to contact the pastor.

Following the Distribution, the congregation rises and joins in singing the Nunc Dimittis on the next page.



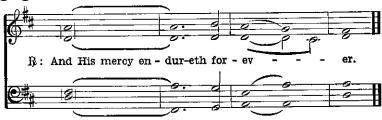
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The Thanksgiving

Minister: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

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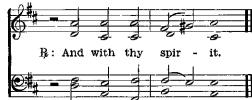


Minister: We give thanks to Thee, Almighty God, that Thou hast refreshed us through this salutary gift; and we beseech Thee that of Thy mercy Thou wouldst strengthen us through the same in faith toward Thee and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.



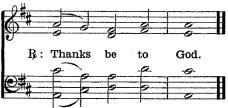
Minister: The Lord be with you.

Congregation:



Minister: Bless we the Lord.

Congregation:



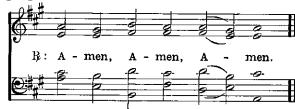
The Benediction

Minister: The Lord bless thee and keep thee.

The Lord make His face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace.

Congregation:



Please remain standing for the closing Hymn

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Worship Participants

Liturgist & Preacher	Pastor Brian Adams
_	Mrs. Bethany Parsons
	Miss Heather Schmidt & Mrs. Marie Becker
<u>-</u>	Mr. Lyle Timm

Announcements

HOSPITALIZED: Paul Larsen – St. Luke's.

"CELBRATING GOD'S GRACE" SERMON SERIES: As we begin our year-long celebration of the 150th anniversary of St. Paul's this week, we will begin a 4 week new sermon series. The themes will be:

"Celebrate God's Grace..."

"It Changes Hearts" (September 20th and 21st)

"It Never Ends" (September 27th and 28th)

"It Gives Rest" (October 4th and 5th)

"It Guarantees Heaven" (11th and 12th)

Please come and join us.

CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF GOD'S GRACE - 1865-2015: We are excited to kick off a yearlong celebration of God's blessings at St. Paul's by recognizing our "Past.....Present......Future".

Since our congregation officially began on September 21, 1865 – we will start with our 'past' by celebrating Heritage Day today, September 20th. Heritage Day will display some history and fun facts of St. Paul's starting in 1865. We hope you'll join us as we turn back the clock with games, food and fellowship with an old fashioned church picnic. Heritage Day will start at 12:00 PM until 3:00 PM

During the year we'll focus on how St. Paul's has grown from its humble beginnings in the farm fields of Franklin. We'll recognize and remember past members and events that helped shape St. Paul's.

As we look to the future and passing along our Christian heritage to the next generation, one of our celebration-long goals is to raise funds towards the purchase of a new organ.

There will be much more information about this yearlong celebration coming in the future. 150th Committee Members are: Nancy Adams, Dawn Brightsman, Jane Koplein, Sherry Kosovich, Theresa Mess, Chris Romeis, Carolyn Streeter.

THANK YOU FOR THE HISTORICAL DISPLAYS: We thank Katie Nitz for creating the historical displays in the back of church.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The altar flowers this week are given by Jane Koplein in celebration of St. Paul's 150th Anniversary.

HISTORICAL PICTURES: As we put together a history booklet over the next year, we are looking for additional pictures from St. Paul's History, especially older pictures of confirmation classes, weddings, interior & exterior pictures of the first church on College Avenue and the 1916 building that was previously on this site. We would like to use them in various ways. If you wish to have them back, please mark them so that we can scan them and return them to you. If you have any questions, please talk to Pastor or Nancy Adams.

CHRISTIAN FUNERAL: On Thursday, September 10th, the Lord called Elroy Lindner to his heavenly home. Funeral services for Elroy were this past Tuesday evening, September 15, at St. Paul's. May the Lord continue to comfort his family with the Gospel message of Jesus. "Then I heard a voice from heaven say, "Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Yes," says the Spirit, "they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them." (Revelation 14:13)

2ND PASTOR CALL MEETING: A Call Meeting has been set for Sunday, September 27th at 6:30pm. Pastor David Rutschow, the Southeastern Wisconsin District President, will lead this meeting. We trust that the Holy Spirit will guide our efforts and continue to bless the ministry at St. Paul's.

MARY MARTHA MEETING: The first meeting of Mary Martha Society will be this coming Tuesday, September 22^{nd} at 6:30pm. It will be a pot-luck salad supper meeting. (All ladies are asked to bring a salad to share.) Anyone is welcome to join them to learn more about the work they do here at St. Paul's.

LWMS DOOR COLLECTION: Next weekend, we will have a door collection after the services to help support the work of the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS).

PUBLIC SCHOOL CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTION CLASS (PSCIC): On Tuesday, September 22nd, at 6:00pm, we will begin this year's confirmation class for those students in 7th and 8th grade who attend the area public schools. We meet on Tuesdays from 6-8pm. We will meet in the Bible Class room in the church. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Adams

SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE CLASS: We will begin Sunday School and Adult Bible Class today, Sunday, September 20th beginning at 9:15 AM.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH MEETING: The Board of Spiritual Growth will meet on Wednesday, September 23rd at 6:30 PM.

CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE: We are in the process of updating the church directory. If your address, telephone, email information, etc. has changed since the last directory was printed about 2 years ago, please either call (421-1178) or email the office (office@stpaulsfranklin.org) with the current information. We would also like to update the directory information with children who may no longer reside at home or are away at school. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

ADULT CHOIR: If you missed the first scheduled rehearsal on September 16, don't worry you can still join us on September 30th at 6:30! Anyone who enjoys singing and praising God is welcome to join the choir! New and past members are always welcome. No experience is necessary to join the choir, just a positive attitude. If you are worried about making a commitment for the entire year, the choir year is divided into 4 sessions. You can join all 4 sessions or just the session(s) that fit your schedule. The Fall Festival choir is from September 16 -November 26. Rehearsals are 45 -60 minutes and take place on Wednesday evenings. Any questions please contact the choir director, Marie Becker at (262)-623-4145 or e-mail her at mbecker@stpaulsfranklin.org.

CRAFTERS WANTED: The "Colors of Christmas" craft fair will be held at Wisconsin Lutheran High School on Saturday, November 21, from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Interested crafters may contact Sandy Krueger at <u>414-870-8304</u> or at <u>craft.fair@wlhs.org</u> for information. Applications available at <u>wlhs.org/news</u>.

FUTURE PASTOR'S OFFICES: We will soon be starting construction on new offices for the Pastors. The cost to complete this project will be approximately \$18,000. To date we have received \$7,365.00. This work will be done with our own people including rough carpentry, drywall, insulation, painting, suspended ceilings and floor covering. If you are able to help financially in addition to your weekly offering, please place in separate envelopes stating "New Pastor's Offices". You may drop off your contribution in the school office, put it into the collection plate, or give it to Pastor Adams. If you have any questions, please contact Mark Derouin (414) 881-8944 or Bob Hille (414) 427-6106.

Volunteers

GREETERS THIS WEEK (September 20 & 21)

8:00 AM - Bob & Karen Hille 10:30 AM - Tim & Michelle Yenter; Lauren & Mason 6:30 PM - Joan Shevey

GREETERS NEXT WEEK (September 27 & 28)

8:00 AM - Larry & Marilee Stujenske; Courtney 10:30 AM - Jim & Karen Cyganiak; Taylor

6:30 PM - Richard & Kathy Hinz

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER:

8:00 AM TEAM #1 - Bob Hille, Lary Stujenski, Josh Ebeling, Philip Becker **10:30 AM** TEAM #5 - Mark Klein, Chris Klein, Bob Dittrich, Gary Eickhorst, Todd Grunze, Dan Mertz, Brett Abramowski

6:30 PM TEAM #9 Curt Stellwaen, Dave Long, Max Grueneberg

ALTAR GUILD:

September 16-29 TEAM#4 - Marge Gebert, Marilyn Krueger, Renate Nazimek September 30-October 13 TEAM #1 - Sherry Kosovich, Gale Bartow, Beverly Garves

GRASS CUTTING SCHEDULE

Sept. 23-26 Crew #1 Gordy Lesser Sept. 30-Oct. 3 Crew #2 Jerry Lehtinen

Oct. 7-10 Crew #3 Dave Qualmann

Oct. 14-17 Crew #4 Frank and Sam Krajewski

The Weekly Schedule

Sunday, September 20	
Worship Service with Communion	8:00 AM
Adult Bible Study/Sunday School	9:15 AM
Worship Service with Communion	0:30 AM
Heritage Day1	2:00 PM
Monday, September 21 Worship Service with Communion	6:30 PM
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Tuesday, September 22	6 00 D16
PSCIC	6:00 PM
Mary Martha	. 6:30pm
Wednesday, September 23	
Board of Spiritual Growth	6:30 PM
Thursday, September 24	
Adult Bible Information Class	6:30 PM
Friday, September 25	
School Devotion	8:30 AM
Christian Day School Early Dismissal	2:00 PM
Faculty Meeting1	

Statistics - Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 am-112, Communed-n/a 9:30 am- 153, Communed-n/a 6:30 pm-52, Communed-n/a Total Attendance 317, Total Communed n/a Sunday School-n/a; Bible Class-n/a

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