

Third Sunday of End Time Saints Triumphant November 15 & 16, 2015



Welcome in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ! We are happy to have you with us. We pray that your worship will be enriched and blessed by the Word of God. Restrooms are located in the hallway off the west side of the sanctuary. We also ask that you sign one of our Friendship Registers which are located in each of the pews. Please come and worship with us again!

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WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN....."The Day Is Surely Drawing Near"
Christian Worship #207



1 The day is sure - ly draw - ing near When God's Son,
2 A trum - pet loud shall then re - sound And all the
3 A book is o - pened then to all, A rec - ord
4 Then woe to those who scorned the Lord And sought but
5 My Sav - ior paid the debt I owe And for my



the A - noint - ed, Shall with great maj - es - ty ap - pear
earth be shak - en. Then all who in their graves are found
tru - ly tell - ing What each has done, both great and small,
car - nal plea - sures, Who here de - spised his pre - cious Word
sin was smit - ten; With - in the Book of Life I know



As judge of all ap - point - ed. All mirth and
Shall from their sleep a - wak - en And with the
When he on earth was dwell - ing, And ev - 'ry
And loved their earth - ly trea - sures! With shame and
My name has now been writ - ten. I will not

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laugh - ter then shall cease When flames on flames will
liv - ing in that hour By the Al - might - y's
heart be clear - ly seen, And all be known as
trem - bling they will stand And at the judg - e's
doubt, for I am free, And Sa - tan can - not



still in - crease, As Scrip - ture tru - ly teach - es.
bound - less pow'r Be changed at his com - mand - ing.
they have been In thoughts and words and ac - tions.
stern com - mand To Sa - tan be de - liv - ered.
threat - en me; There is no con - dem - na - tion!

6 O Jesus Christ, do not delay,
But hasten our salvation;
We often tremble on our way
In fear and tribulation.
Your saints are waiting patiently;
Come soon, Redeemer; make us free
From ev'ry evil. Amen.

Text: Bartholomäus Ringwaldt, 1532-99, abr.; tr. Philip A. Peter, 1832-1919, alt.
Tune: ES IST GEWISSLICH (87 87 887) Klug, *Geistliche Lieder aufs new gebessert*, Wittenberg, 1535.

Please Stand

THE INVOCATION

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
C: **And also with you.**

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

P: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.
C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

P: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

P: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

P: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



C: A - men.

O LORD, OUR LORD

P: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in



all the earth. Al-might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,



you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin;



you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and



ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,



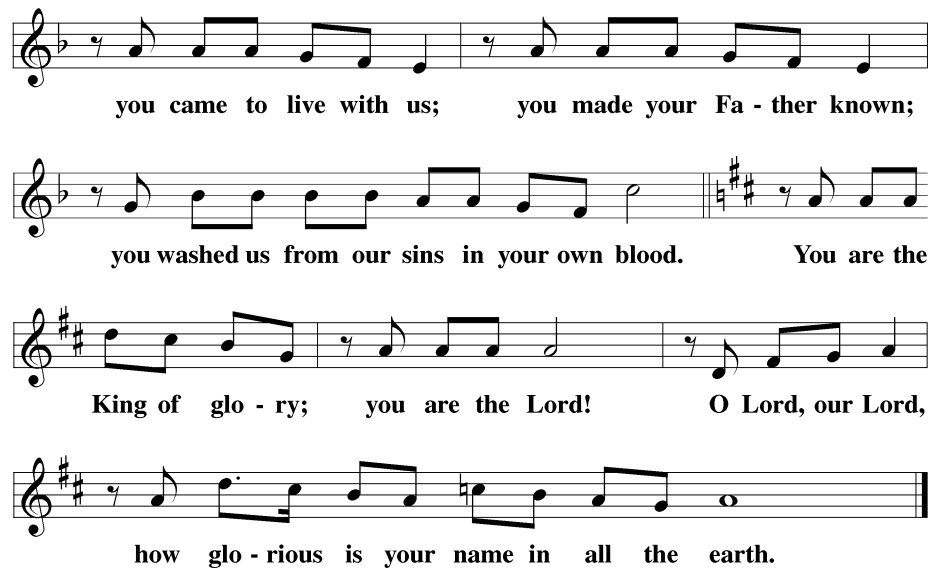
but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,



how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.



O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,



you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;
 you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the
 King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,
 how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray: Almighty God and Savior, you have set the final day and hour when we shall be delivered from this world of sin and death. Keep us ever watchful for the coming of your Son that we may sit with him and all your holy ones at the marriage feast in heaven; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

Please be Seated

THE FIRST LESSON..... Daniel 12:1-3

The God who protected his elect in this life will certainly not abandon them in death and in the Day of Judgment. Those who lived in such lowliness, following in the footsteps of their Savior in his humiliation, will rise in triumph and live with him forever in glory. The fate of the damned, who do not know or who still despise his gracious Word, impels us to labor with all our might to bring them to the righteousness of the gospel. What a glorious special reward of grace awaits all those who thus labor! What a blessed added incentive to all, especially to pastors, to share the saving Word!

12:1 “At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people—everyone whose name is found written in the book—will be delivered. ² Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. ³ Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

THE PSALM OF THE DAY..... Psalm 118

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Refrain



This is the day the Lord has made, let us re -
 joice and be glad! This is the day the
 Lord has made, let us re - joice and be glad!

Psalm tone



The LORD is my strength and my song;*

he has become my salvation.

The LORD’S right hand is lifted high;*

the LORD’S right hand has done mighty things!

I will not die but live,*

and will proclaim what the LORD has done.

Refrain

I will give you thanks, for you answered me;*

you have become my salvation.

The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;*

the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.
 This is the day the LORD has made;*
 let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
 and to the Holy Spirit,
 as it was in the beginning,*
 is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

This is the day the Lord has made, let us re-
 joyce and be glad! This is the day the
 Lord has made, let us re-joyce and be glad!

Psalm tone *

THE SECOND LESSON..... Hebrews 10:11-18

Already finished is the work of our salvation through that one great sacrifice of our Great High Priest. Therefore, clinging to his Word and animated by it, we are confident of the verdict on that great day. At the same time, likewise clinging to the Word and animated by it, we are being made holy in life; living on his forgiveness, we strive to become in life the saints that we already are by grace.

¹¹ Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹² But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God. ¹³ Since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool, ¹⁴ because by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy. ¹⁵ The Holy Spirit also testifies to us

about this. First he says: ¹⁶ “This is the covenant I will make with them after that time, says the Lord. I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds.” ¹⁷ Then he adds: “Their sins and lawless acts I will remember no more.” ¹⁸ And where these have been forgiven, there is no longer any sacrifice for sin.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. They are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple. Alleluia. (Revelation 7:15a)

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that
 Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Please Stand

Anthem “There Is a Higher Throne”
 Christian Worship Supplement - 727
 Grades 6-8 (8am & 10:30am)

1 There is a higher throne than all this world has known,
 Where faithful ones from ev’ry tongue will one day come.
 Before the Son we’ll stand, made faultless through the Lamb;
 Believing hearts find promised grace; salvation comes.

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Refrain

Hear heaven’s voices sing; their thund’rous anthem rings.
Through em’erald courts and sapphire skies their praises rise.
All glory, wisdom, pow’r, strength, thanks, and honor are
to God our King who reigns on high forevermore.

2 And there we’ll find our home, our life before the throne.
We’ll honor him in perfect song where we belong. He’ll wipe each tear-stained eye
as thirst and hunger die. The Lamb becomes our Shepherd-King; we’ll reign with him.

Refrain

THE GOSPEL LESSON..... John 5:25-29

The basis of the judgment was already set in the last verse of last Sunday's Gospel lesson (in verse 24). Our joyful certainty of the outcome of that judgment is coupled this Sunday with the encouragement to live that confidence by good works which reflect our saint status.

²⁵ I tell you the truth, a time is coming and has now come when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God and those who hear will live. ²⁶ For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son to have life in himself. ²⁷ And he has given him authority to judge because he is the Son of Man. ²⁸ “Do not be amazed at this, for a time is coming when all who are in their graves will hear his voice ²⁹ and come out—those who have done good will rise to live, and those who have done evil will rise to be condemned.



Christ’s own blood. They are ran - somed from the grave;
Sav - ior’s peace. All their sins are washed a - way;
heav’n - ly birth. One with God, with Je - sus one,



Life e - ter - nal they shall have. With them num - bered
They shall stand in God’s great day. With them num - bered
Glo - ry is in them be - gun. With them num - bered



may we be Here and in e - ter - ni - ty.
may we be Here and in e - ter - ni - ty.
may we be Here and in e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Joseph Humphreys, b. 1720, alt.
Tune: VOLLER WUNDER (77 77 77) Johann G. Ebeling, 1637–76.

THE SERMON Hebrews 10:11-18

Triumphant in Jesus!

Please Stand

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be Seated

THE HYMN OF THE DAY..... “Blessed Are the Saints of God”

Christian Worship #394



1 Bless - ed are the saints of God; They are bought with
2 They are jus - ti - fied by grace; They en - joy the
3 They are lights up - on the earth, Chil - dren of a

Hymn continues on next page

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be Seated

THE OFFERING

(We invite you to sign our Friendship Registers in each pew during the offering.)

THE OFFERING PRAYER

Please remain Seated

RESPONSIVE READING: SAINTS TRIUMPHANT

P: I am resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies;

C: **And whoever lives and believes in me will never die. (John 11:25-26)**

All: (Sing)

**For all the saints who from their labors rest,
All who their faith before the world confessed,
Your name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**You were their rock, their fortress, and their might;
You, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight
And in the darkness drear their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

(Christian Worship #551, verses 1-2)

P: Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

C: **Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. (Colossians 3:1-2)**

P: *Ronald Hudy – February 4, 2015*

P: I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth.

C: **And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God. (Job 19:25-26)**

All: (Sing)

**Oh, may your soldiers, faithful, true, and bold
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old
And win with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

(Christian Worship #551, verse 3)

P: I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes in him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned;

C: **He has crossed over from death to life. (John 5:24)**

P: *Lois Martin – March 14, 2015*

P: I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

C: **Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness. (2 Timothy 4:7-8)**

All: (Sing)

**Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle; they in glory shine,
Yet all are one within your grand design.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

(Christian Worship #551, verse 4)

P: For none of us lives to himself alone and none of us dies to himself alone. If we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord.

C: **So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. (Romans 14:7-8)**

P: *Jeanne Hamrick – June 27, 2015*

P: Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

C: **I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise. (Luke 23:42-43)**

All: (Sing)

**And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph-song,
And hearts are brave again and arms are strong.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

(Christian Worship #551, verse 5)

P: Brothers, we do not want you to be ignorant about those who fall asleep, or to grieve like the rest of men, who have no hope.

C: **We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. (1 Thessalonians 4:13-14)**

P: *Arnold Schulz – July 17, 2015*

P: In that day they will say, "Surely this is our God;
C: **We trusted in him, and he saved us.**" (Isaiah 25:9)

All: (Sing)

**The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon, to faithful warriors comes their rest.
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

(Christian Worship #551, verse 6)

P: My flesh and my heart may fail,

C: **but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.** (Psalm 73:26)

P: *Arnella Lohr – August 11, 2015*

P: Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed—in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet.

C: **For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.** (1 Corinthians 15:51-52)

All: (Sing)

**But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

(Christian Worship #551, verse 7)

P: Be faithful, even to the point of death.

C: **And I will give you the crown of life.** (Revelation 2:10)

P: *Elroy Lindner – September 10, 2015*

All: (Sing)

**From earth's wide bounds to ocean's farthest coast
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

(Christian Worship #551, verse 8)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be 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. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT

P: The Lord be with you.



C: **And al - so with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.



C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He protects and preserves his Church in every age and gives us confidence to lift up our heads and watch for Jesus with joy. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory forever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus



C: **Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.**



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.
 I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -
 va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.
 The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you
 take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
 O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 world; grant us your peace. A - men.

Please be Seated

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.

Please Stand

THANK THE LORD



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

THE CLOSING PRAYER

P: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

THE BENEDICTION

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

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THE CLOSING HYMN **"Forever with the Lord"**
Christian Worship #213



1 For - ev - er with the Lord! A - men! So
2 While time on earth is spent, Ab - sent from
3 My Fa - ther's house on high, Home of my
4 Lord, be at my right hand, Then can I
5 So when my dy - ing breath Shall rend the



let it be. Life from the dead is
him I roam, Yet night - ly pitch my
soul, how near At times, to faith's fore -
nev - er fail. If you up - hold me,
veil in two, By death I shall es -



in that word, My im - mor - tal - i - ty.
mov - ing tent A day's march near - er home.
see - ing eye The gold - en gates ap - pear!
I shall stand; With you I shall pre - vail.
cape from death To end - less life with you.

6 I'll know as I am known;
How shall I love that word
And oft repeat before the throne,
"Forever with the Lord!"

Worship Participants

Liturgist and Preacher Pastor Brian Adams
Organist Mrs. Bethany Parsons

Announcements

VOTERS MEETING RESULTS: *“Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.” (Psalm 118:1)* Out of thankfulness for God’s blessings, the Voters Assembly of St. Paul’s acted on the following items on Tuesday, November 10th:

1. The following individuals were elected to serve on the various St Paul's boards. Please thank these men for their willingness to serve in these leadership positions:
 - a. Board of Elders: *Andrew Backus, Mark Riel*
 - b. Board of Outreach: *Caleb Manske, Rick Stella*
 - c. Board of Spiritual Growth: *Peter Eppen, Pete Kosovich, Tom Strackbein, Jerry Seamandel*
 - d. Building & Grounds: *Jerry Lehtinen*
2. The Voters approved a modification to the Gift Trust Fund Bylaws that lowered the minimum amount that needs to be in the Fund before distributions are made from \$50,000 to \$40,000. This will allow support to be given to those members of St. Paul’s who are attending Martin Luther College and Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary to become teachers and pastors in our Wisconsin Synod Lutheran Churches.
3. Upon recommendation of the Ad Hoc Organ Committee and the Church Council, the voter's approved the purchase of the Rogers Artist Series Model 599 organ at a cost not to exceed \$61,300. To date, gifts and memorials in the amount of \$45,060 have been given toward this purchase. The 150th Anniversary Committee presented a fundraising plan to raise the additional funds. More information will be shared after services this weekend.

2nd PASTOR CALL RETURNED: *“Dear Members of St. Paul’s Lutheran: During the past number of weeks I have had the opportunity to deliberate the divine call you extended to me to be an Associate Pastor at St. Paul’s. I have received wise council from brothers and sisters in Christ, from many close friends, and ministry partners. After prayerfully considering my present call to God’s people in Mequon and the new call you have extended to me to serve in*

Franklin, I have decided to remain here as the pastor of St. John’s Lutheran and to decline the call to St. Paul’s. I thank you for the opportunity you have given me to consider where I may serve Christ in His kingdom, and I pray that God will provide you with a pastor soon to begin the vital task of Gospel outreach in Franklin. Blessings in Christ, Pastor Jeremy Koehler” (November 6, 2015)

2nd PASTOR CALL MEETING: A Call Meeting has been set for Monday, November 23rd at 7:30pm. We trust that the Holy Spirit will guide our efforts and continue to bless the ministry at St. Paul’s.

MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP & DINNER: On Wednesday, December 9th, we will be having our only Midweek Advent worship service. The Junior Choir, Adult Choir, Junior Handbells and Adult Handbells will be a part of this special service. The Board of Elders will also be serving a meal prior to that service beginning at 5:30pm. In order to assist in our planning for the meal, we ask you to sign-up either on the sheet in the back of church or online at our website if you are desiring to attend the meal. If you would like to help bring some of the food items for that meal, there are sign-up sheets on the counter in the narthex. (If you are donating food, please have the items at church by 4:30pm.) Monetary donations are welcome any time, and there will be a free-will offering gathered at the meal.

CHURCH COUNCIL & BOARD MEMBERS BIBLE STUDY: All who serve on the Church Council and other Boards at St. Paul’s are invited to join us on Thursday, November 19th, as we continue to study God’s Word and see God’s Mission for His Church. We begin at 6:30pm, and we will end at 7:30pm.

LIVING NATIVITY: Our Living Nativity will be the weekend of December 12th and 13th. If you are interested in helping with it or being part of the cast, please contact Pastor Adams or Mark Ziegler.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The altar flowers this week are given by Sue Herriges. In loving memory of her husband, Harlyn (November 3, 2006), whose birthday was November 18th. Last week’s flowers were given by Joe and Kay Gregorich in celebration of their 12th wedding anniversary.

BOARD OF SPIRITUAL GROWTH MEETING: The Board of Spiritual Growth will meet on Tuesday, November 17th at 7:00 PM.

FACILITY USE: If you need to inquire about the facility calendar please contact the school office. (414) 421-1930 or office@stpaulsfranklin.org.

CHRISTMAS AT WISCONSIN LUTHERAN SEMINARY: Join the Seminary Chorus on December 13th at 3:00 or 7:00 PM for Christmas at the Seminary. The 54-voice men's choir will share the story of Jesus' birth in songs, carols, and hymns. Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary is located in Mequon at 11831 N. Seminary Drive. The concert is held in the campus auditorium, and seating is available on a first-come, first-seated basis. The 3:00 PM concert is streamed live at <http://livestream.com/WLSLive>.

2016 GALA AUCTION: Hello Families! The Gala and Auction committee needs your help and creativity to plan an amazing event to be held on February 20, 2016. Currently, we need items like restaurant gift cards, event tickets, and experiences. We know that you have some great ideas and suggestions to make this event even bigger than the last time, please don't hesitate to share those ideas with us! Forms are located in the back of church on the counter in the narthex and can be returned to the office or via email to auction@stpaulsfranklin.org. Most importantly, please put this date on your calendar and invite family and friends! Tickets can be purchased at <http://bidpal.net/stpf>.

MISSION FESTIVAL 2015: Mission Festival for this year will be on the weekend of November 22-23. Our guest preacher will be Pastor John Borgwardt. Pastor Borgwardt serves at Living Word Lutheran Church in Waukesha. Living Word in Waukesha was founded in 2003 as a joint mission project of the entire Western Lakes Conference, which is basically all of the WELS churches in Waukesha County as well as others nearby that wanted to join the conference. As a result, Living Word didn't receive any subsidy from the Synod (besides the generous help from the Church Extension Fund to buy land and eventually build a facility), so each of the congregations in the Western Lakes Conference became Living Word's "mother congregations" to help Living Word until it had its own facility and could stand on its own. With the help, Living Word has now been able to purchase land across from Waukesha West High School, and hopes to build in 2017. Among its ministries, Living Word offers a more blended style of worship to appeal to those in the community who aren't comfortable with traditional worship, and it hopes to build a facility that can hold an after school program geared toward high school students. Both of these ministries will complement the other ministries the area WELS churches already offer so that we can appeal to more of the unchurched in our community and bring them into a saving relationship with our Lord Jesus. He will also have a presentation between the services about Living Word Lutheran Church.

MISSION FESTIVAL CRAFT AND BAKE SALE: The Mary and Martha Society will be holding a Craft and Bake Sale in conjunction with Mission Festival, November 22 & 23. All members of St. Paul's are invited to donate craft items and baked good to this sale. If you are donating something: Please bring your craft or baked goods to the narthex of the church on Saturday

morning, November 21st before 12:00 noon or bring them before the first service on Sunday. If you bring craft items, please pre-price them. We can price the food items for you. All donations are much appreciated and the proceeds from this sale will benefit a mission within

ADULT CHOIR: The Advent, Christmas, Epiphany choir will begin soon. The first rehearsal is December 2. 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 Advent through Epiphany choir is from December 2 -January 17. 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 email her at mbecker@stpaulsfranklin.org.

LUTHER PREPARATORY SCHOOL: LPS is happy to be celebrating its 150th Anniversary today with a worship service at 3:00 PM in the LPS gym. This special 150th anniversary has been celebrated over the past year and this worship service of celebration will be the highlight in thanking God for His blessings received at this campus in Watertown.

AUDIO-VISUAL COMMITTEE: This past week at the Board of Elders meeting, it was discussed that we once again try to put together an audio-visual committee to run the sound board at each of the worship services. In addition to putting together a group of people who would be assigned to each service, we are also looking for someone to coordinate the schedule. If you are interested or wish more information, please talk or email Pastor Adams (badams@stpaulsfranklin.org), or talk or email Mr. Steve Baade (sbaude@wi.rr.com - chairman of our board of Elders).

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 \$7,526.00. 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.

WLHS LUTHERLAND TOUR 2017: As we celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, Wisco alumni, friends, parents, and students are invited to travel to Germany to see all of

the significant sites of the Lutheran Reformation on a ten day tour from March 24 to April 2, 2017. By registering now until December 1, 2015, you will receive a special Early bird savings of \$150. This trip will be in conjunction with a WLHS special traveling choir. For more information about the tour and to register, go to www.wlhs.org/Lutherland2017.

Volunteers

GREETERS THIS WEEK (November 15 & 16)

- 8:00 AM – Dave & Marlene Horn
- 10:30 AM – Carl & Carolyn Streeter; Eli & Sam
- 6:30 PM – Dave & Janet Long

GREETERS NEXT WEEK (November 22 & 23)

- 8:00 AM – Josh & Allison Ebeling
- 10:30 AM – Dave & Cindy Wirtz; Brandon, Austin & Ian
- 6:30 PM – Richard & Kathy Hinz

USHERS FOR NOVEMBER:

- 8:00 AM TEAM #3 – Donn Johnson, John Migacz, Steve Migacz, Frank Krajewski
- 10:30 AM TEAM #7 – Dave Brightsman, Kyle Brightsman, Brandon Wirtz, Austin Wirtz, Ian Wirtz, Randy Raduenz, Peter Eppen, Ian Eppen
- 6:30 PM TEAM #9 – Curt Stellwagen, Dave Long, Max Grueneberg

USHERS FOR THANKSGIVING:

- Wednesday, November 25th 6:30 PM TEAM #4 – Pete Kosovich, Craig Gebert, Matt Gebert, Gordy Lesser
- Thanksgiving Day November 26th 10:00 AM TEAM #6 – Andrew Goede, Reed Goede, Nolan Romeis, Cooper Goede, Zach Matthews

ALTAR GUILD:

November 11-November 24- TEAM #4 Marge Gebert, Mailyn Krueger, Renate Nazimek

The Weekly Schedule

Sunday, November 15

- Worship Service with Communion 8:00 AM
- Adult Bible Study/Sunday School..... 9:15 AM
- Worship Service with Communion 10:30 AM

Monday, November 16

- Worship Service with Communion6:30 PM

Tuesday, November 17

- Pastor Circuit Meeting 10:00 AM
- PSCIC.....6:00 PM
- Mary Martha6:30 PM
- Spiritual Growth Meeting7:00 PM

Wednesday, November 18

- Family Fun Night6:00 PM
- Adult Choir Rehearsal6:30 PM

Thursday, November 19

- Senior Handbell Choir6:30 PM
- Church Council & Board Members Bible Study6:30 PM

Friday, November 20

- School Devotion 8:30 AM
- Preschool Power Hour 10:45 AM

Sunday, November 22

- Worship Service 8:00 AM
- Adult Bible Study/Sunday School..... 9:15 AM
- Worship Service 10:30 AM
- Mission Festival

Statistics – Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 am-114, Communed-n/a
 10:30 am- 144, Communed-n/a
 6:30 pm-43, Communed-n/a
 Total Attendance 301, Total Communed n/a
 Sunday School-6; Bible Class-25