

# ST. PAUL

#### LUTHERAN MINISTRIES

### Weekly News\_

Altar Guild 9/7, 9/8: TBD Greeters Next Week: 8am – J. & S. Gossens 9:30 – M. & T. Doule 6pm – Volunteers Needed

Church Cleaners: D. & M. Olson, G. & C. Petermann

Attendance Last Week: 208

**In memory of** Earl Pappenfuss, \$30 has been given toward the Kindergarten floor project from Mark Pappenfuss.

**Today's Altar Flowers** have been given by Dennis & Madelyn Olson in celebration of their 59<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on July 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Weekly Church Calendar**

Sunday	August 17 <sup>th</sup>
8:00 a.m.	Worship Service
9:30 a.m.	Worship Service
10:30 a.m.	School Regis. Day
11:30 a.m.	School Gathering @
	City Park

#### Monday August 18th

5:00 p.m.	ECC Board Meeting
6:00 p.m.	Worship Service

#### Tuesday August 19th

6:30	p.m.	Church	Council

#### Wednesday August 20th

8:05 a.m. School Chapel

\*First Day of School!\*

#### **Thursday** August 21st 2:00 p.m. Rennes Worship 3:30 p.m. Sports Parent Mtg.

Sunday	August 24 <sup>th</sup>
8:00 a.m.	Worship Service
9:30 a.m.	Worship Service

#### Monday August 25th

6:00 p.m. Worship Service

**Altar Guild Help Needed:** The Altar Guild is in need of a few more members to assist with the set up and clean up of Communion. There are no weekly or monthly meetings. If interested or would like to know more, please contact Julie Kaepernick at (920) 428-4738, or reach out to the Parish Office.

**Gift Cards for Mr. Dutcher:** Our new 4th Grade teacher, Mr. Jason Dutcher, will be installed into that teaching position during the 9:30 a.m. worship service on Sunday, August 17. One way we are welcoming Mr. Dutcher is by coordinating a Gift Card Shower for him. Bring your Gift Cards to the church or the school on Sunday, August 17. Place the gift cards in the baskets at the Church Information Desk in the entryway or in the School Gymnasium. You can also drop off the gift cards in the school office during normal business hours this week. Don't forget, you can utilize our School SCRIP program to purchase gift cards.

A New Facilities Work Request form is now in the Church Center App. All congregation members and staff are encouraged to use this form to report Church, School, and ECC maintenance and repair issues. Using this form will log the issue on our task list, and route the issue to the correct person for corrective action. We will also be able to contact you if more information is needed. To use the form in the Church Center App, select Requests, select Facilities Work Request, complete the form, and hit the submit button. If you need assistance with the Church Center App, please contact the Parish Office.

**St. Paul ECC is now hiring** 2 full time floater positions. Benefits include a health insurance option, paid time off, reduced child care rates, flexible schedule, and a competitive hourly wage. For more information, please contact ECC Director Candy Schulz at <a href="mailto:cschulz@stpaulappletonwi.com">cschulz@stpaulappletonwi.com</a>.



#### WELS Apple Valley Food Pantry news: The September 2025

collection for the pantry will be held Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The following is a list of items currently in need of at the pantry: healthy adult cereals, helper meals, boxed and bagged mashed potatoes, canned corn, peas, mixed veggies and carrots, canned, diced, stewed and sauce tomatoes, canned pasta sauce, spaghetti noodles and misc. pasta noodles canned tuna and chicken, canned pasta, canned tomato and chicken noodle soups, canned cream of mushroom and chicken soups, canned fruit cocktail, peaches and pears, applesauce, bagged pasta and rice side dishes, 1 lb bags plain rice, 14 oz instant rice, peanut butter and jam and boxed facial tissues. Thank you for continued support during the slow summer months. *Please note, there is a liability issue in donating home canned food items, so we ask that none of these items be donated, as well as long expired food items.* God's blessings to everyone!

**Riverview Lutheran Church & School Tailgate Event:** You're invited to a special tailgating event on **Saturday, September 6, from 8:00 AM to 11:30 AM** on their campus at 136 W Seymour St, Appleton, WI. We're gathering as a community to show support for Martin Luther College as they take on Lawrence University at the Banta Bowl! The MLC Knights will be visiting Riverview from 9:15 to 9:45 AM, and

kickoff is at 12:00 PM. This is a free, family-friendly event – rain or shine – with food and beverages provided. For more info click <u>HERE</u>.

National WELS Seniors Convention: Seniors are invited to the annual convention, held this year at the Oshkosh Convention Center from October 14-17. All are welcome! Information and registration can be found at <a href="wels.net/event/owls2025">wels.net/event/owls2025</a> Participants can sign up for a variety of workshops and eating options. You can attend each day or just Thursday. Join us for this uplifting event. Invite a friend!

**Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study – 1 & 2 Peter: Living Hope in a Hard World** This 10-session Bible Class will dig deep into the books of 1 & 2 Peter and will remind us that God does not abandon us in our suffering. Through the themes of suffering, the transformative power of God, spiritual authority, false teachers, and the last days, Peter directs us to the God who is faithful in our trials, working them for his glory and for our good.

Our group will meet every Tuesday morning (starting Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>) at 10 a.m. in the church basement. Contact Kathy Schultz (schultzkathy48@gmail.com) if you plan to attend this Bible Class or sign up on the Church app. Click on "More" then "Groups" then "Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study."

**New Starting Point Class Beginning 9/14:** Whether you're brand new to the Bible, exploring Christianity for the first time, or simply looking for a solid refresher, Starting Point is the perfect place to begin.

This 8-week course offers a welcoming, no-pressure environment to ask questions, discover what the Bible says, and learn the core truths of the Christian faith. We'll cover topics like:

- Who is God?
- Why do we need a Savior?
- What is grace?
- How does faith grow?
- Why the Bible can be trusted

Classes begin Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, at 9:15 in the School Learning Center and run weekly for 8 sessions. Each meeting lasts about an hour and includes discussion, guided study, and practical application. Contact Pastor J (jshrum@stpaulappletonwi.com) if you plan to attend this class or sign up on the Church Center App. Click on "More" then "Groups" then "Starting Point."

**Fall Weekday Bible Class - Quick to Listen:** Evolutionists, atheists, Bible skeptics, and LGBTQ people. For many Christians, these groups can seem intimidating, strange, unknowable, or even, regrettably, hard to love. The book *Quick to Listen* pulled back the curtain on these challenging worldviews and offered a glimpse into the minds of such unbelievers and skeptics. This Bible study builds on

those insights, offering practical tools to reach these groups with compassion and humility as we show them Jesus. It prepares you to relay the true love of God—a forgiving love that goes far deeper than mere tolerance or cultural approval—and shows you how to love them in that way too.

This six-session Bible Class will be offered on Wednesday nights (starting September 3<sup>rd</sup>) at 6:30 p.m. and on Thursday mornings (starting September 4<sup>th</sup>) at 9:15 a.m. Both classes will meet in the church basement. Contact one of the pastors if you plan to attend one of these classes or sign up on the Church App. Click on "More" then "Groups" then "Wednesday Night Bible Class" or "Thursday Morning Bible Class."

## Fall Sunday Bible Class – The Word Endures Forever: Lessons from Luther Yesterday & Today

In this Bible study, we will explore key truths from God's Word as echoed by Martin Luther during the Reformation era. By discovering the ways in which Luther taught these principles to the people of his day, we will better understand the faith of the famous reformer and grow in our knowledge of doctrines that still root the Christian faith today.

This eight-session Bible Class will be offered on Sunday mornings (starting September 7<sup>th</sup>) at 9:15 a.m. in the church basement.

**Travel with WELS Groups:** Interested in traveling with members of your faith family? The OWLS (WELS Seniors) is partnering with Father's World Tours to offer several upcoming tours that incorporate daily devotion and connections with local WELS ministries. Visit <a href="www.fathersworldtours.com">www.fathersworldtours.com</a> or contact us (<a href="mailto:steve@fathersworldtours.com">steve@fathersworldtours.com</a> or 507-217-1731) to learn more.

#### **FVL News**

**Join us for the No Frills Golf Classic** on Monday, October 6. This year, proceeds will benefit Safe Families for Children (SFFC) Green Bay & Fox Cities and FVL IMPACT trips. Go to fulhs.org/no-frills for details.

**A cheer and stunt clinic** is available on Sept. 13 for girls 5K-8. Go to fylhs.org/youth-sports for information.

**FVL Giving Day** is set for September 16 with a matching fund of \$190,000. Donations go toward making the annual mortgage payment and paying off Bond "B." Watch <u>fvlhs.org/giving</u> for details. If you have questions, contact Director of Mission Advancement Rev. Tom Mielke (<u>tmielke@fvlhs.org</u>). **Office Hours** - Regular School Office and SCRIP hours return on Monday, August 18. The SCRIP and School Offices will be closed Friday, August 29, and Monday, September 1, for the Labor Day weekend. Check the <u>online calendar</u> for special hours.