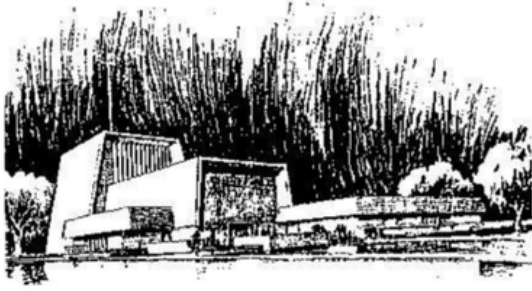


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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 Confirm 5:30p SPK 6p	2	3 Church Workday 9a-1p
4 9:15a Bible Class Service 10:30a	5 Word Ahead 9:30a	6	7 WBC 10:30a Elder's Meet 4p	8 Ladies Luncheon 12:30p Confirm 5:30p SPK 6p	9	10
11 9:15a Bible Class Service 10:30a	12 Word Ahead 9:30a	13	14 WBC 10:30a	15 Confirm 5:30p SPK 6p	16	17 Craft Fair 10a-3p MHM Auction 4:30p
18 9:15a Bible Class Service 10:30a	19 Word Ahead 9:30a	20 Council Meeting 6:30p	21 WBC 10:30a	22 Confirm 5:30p SPK 6p	23	24
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SUNDAY TEXTS

In order to help you better prepare for the reception of the Word on Sunday morning, the Sunday texts are printed for your study.

October 4, 2026

Psalm 80:7-19
First Lesson: Isaiah 5:1-7
Epistle: Philippians 3:4-14
Gospel: Matthew 21:33-46

October 11, 2026

Psalm 23:1-6
First Lesson: Isaiah 25:6-9
Epistle: Philippians 4:4-13
Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

October 18, 2026

Psalm 96:1-13
First Lesson: Isaiah 45:1-7
Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22

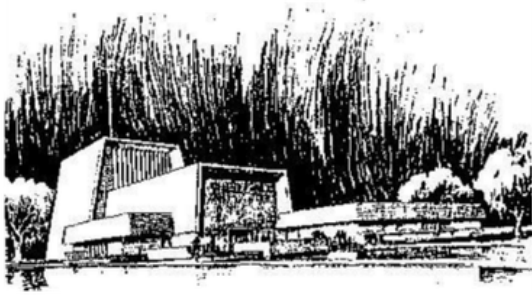
October 25, 2026

Psalm 1:1-6
First Lesson: Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18
Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-13
Gospel: Matthew 22:34-46



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Raeann M.
Grayce H.
Robin S.
Andrew H.
Gene A.
Nhadine B.
Scarlett F.
Matthew H.
Cheryl S.
Steve B.
Carla R.
Ferd H.
Christopher Y.
Elaine P.
Donelda C.



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A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Saints at St. Paul's,

The discovery or further research of an archeological site of Biblical antiquities often makes my ears perk up. Some sites are just tourist traps or a best guess. Some site and locations have not changed since the time of Christ. Recently they have concluded the research on Mount Ararat in modern day Turkey. Yes, we are talking about Noah's Ark. This year they just finished over 1000 core samples as well as GPR, ERT, and LiDAR imaging of the subsurface. The results of the mapping and all the data is due out next year.

What does this mean? As a Christian this is significant bit of science. What if we find the ship from the book of Genesis? An archeological discovery of a boat that fits the dimensions of the Biblical account of the flood and Noah's Ark on a mountain where it is said to come to rest?

As a pastor, this is an exciting piece of the story of our history. A boat found that matches the story of the biblical account. Does this discovery create faith? Does the Biblical Story of Christ Jesus coming into the world need more proof? Jesus brings salvation through his death and resurrection, and we have a savior who has forgiven us all our sins. What does this do for our faith? It is a exciting piece of the biblical account! It does not change the fact that people come to faith through the Gospel message that we have shared for the last 2000 years. The world still needs us to share the good news of Jesus. Acts 1:8 reminds us: "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

This moment is very exciting, and we have good news to share!

Many blessings in Christ Jesus.

Sincerely,

Pastor David Hardin

OCTOBER WORKDAY

October workday is scheduled for Saturday, October 3, from 9am to 1pm. We have projects for every skill level. The leaves are beginning to fall, windows need cleaning, pews need dusting and spider webs need to be swept away. Please come and join us for work, fellowship and the joy of serving our Lord. Everyone is invited and the tools are supplied by the Church.

Dale Chrisp, Properties Chairman

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

10/03 - 9am Church Workday
10/07 - 4pm Elder's Meeting
10/08 - 12:30pm Ladies Luncheon
10/17 - 10am-3pm Craft Fair
10/17 - 4:30pm MHM Dinner & Auction
10/20 - 6:30pm Council Meeting
10/25 - 12pm-2pm Oktoberfest

2026 YEAR TO DATE TREASURER'S REPORT

Church Income:	\$+10,174 /AUG	\$+169,777 /YTD
Net Operating Revenue	\$-3,934 /AUG	\$-40,147 /YTD
Preschool Income:	\$+10,887 /AUG	\$+90,861 /YTD
Net Operating Revenue	\$+3,483 /AUG	\$-18,509 /YTD

PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT

We are open 7am-5:45pm for ages 2-5 years old. Contact preschool@stpaulswoodland.org for more information, or check out our website stpaulswoodland.org/preschool.

FUNDRAISER FOR MERCY HOLISTIC MINISTRY

Save the Date: The 5th annual Mercy Holistic Ministry dinner and auction event will be held at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17 at Town & Country Lutheran Church, 4049 Marconi Avenue. Help this ministry celebrate five years of partnership and God's blessings with our partner in mission Mercy Holistic Ministry, which serves our unhoused neighbors with hygiene, haircuts and more, providing dignity and the love of Christ. Tickets are \$50. Table sponsorships are available. Ticket information will be available soon. Pastor David Hardin from St. Paul's Woodland will again be the Auctioneer for this event.

ALL SAINTS DAY LIST In preparation for All Saints Day on NOV1, kindly send names of all who passed away since OCT31 2025. These names shall be remembered in prayer during service.

YOUTH NEWS

6th-12th Grades:

Sacramento Lutheran Youth (SLY): Youth from LCMS congregations across Sacramento meet every THIRD Saturday of the month, Oct 17th, at Faith Lutheran Church in Fair Oaks for games, food, and Bible study.

Elementary:

Come to SPK Night! For ages 7-11, join us for an evening of snacks, games, and Bible study. SPK Night is held every Thursday from 6-6:30pm. Talk to Kristina or Adam Ramstad for more info.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School for 3 years old to 5th grade is held during the worship service every Sunday except the 5th Sunday of the month. Children will start Sunday service with the adults and be excused for Sunday School after the Children's Talk

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNUAL



Craft Fair

**OCTOBER 17, 2026
10 AM - 3 PM
625 W. GIBSON RD
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Oktoberfest Fall Festival

**German Food | Root Beer | Games
Brats & Hot Dogs | Bounce House**



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October
2026

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Following 10:30 am Worship Service

Everything Free - German Food Welcome

FAITHFUL GENEROSITY

As we enter the month of July, we give thanks for the many blessings God has poured into our lives. As we celebrate the freedoms we enjoy as a nation, we are also reminded of the greater freedom we have in Christ, who has set us free from sin and death through His saving work. In gratitude for His abundant grace, we respond with generous hearts, supporting the mission and ministry of our church. Through your faithful offerings, the Gospel continues to be proclaimed, faith is nurtured, and care is extended to those in need. Thank you for your continued generosity and for partnering in the work God has entrusted to our congregation.

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

One-time and recurring donations from your credit card or bank account may now be made through our website! Just go to www.stpaulswoodland.org and click on MAKE A DONATION

If you are age 73 or older and must take a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your IRA, you may choose to send some or all of it directly to the church as a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). This type of gift can help support the ministry of the church and may offer tax advantages. To qualify, the funds must go directly from your IRA to the church, not to you first. Individuals with inherited IRAs may also have required distributions. Consider speaking with your financial advisor or tax accountant about charitable giving options.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Wednesday Women's Bible Study: Women's Bible Study meets each week on Wednesday at 10:30am in Room 1, and is taught by Pastor Hardin. Women are welcome to join at any time!

Monday Morning "The Word Ahead": The Word Ahead! Study the Bible with Pastor on Mondays. Look at the readings and discuss the themes, content, history, etc. of the Sunday text to come. You do not have to be a great scholar or have any background in Biblical interpretation. We will meet in Room 1 at 9:30am. Contact [Pastor Hardin](#) for details.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS: Please join us to learn about God's word before the service every Sunday at 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall. Now through November 15th we will be studying the basics of evangelism and Christian outreach, and the reasons we witness.

FREE BOOKS Come stock up on some free religious reading material. Located in Room#1 along South wall.

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