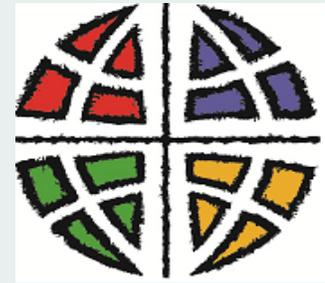


ST. PAUL

Lutheran Church



**NOVEMBER
&
DECEMBER
2018**

Church Service at 10:00 am

Rev. John Willmann (c) 832-449-2455
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Rev. Dr. David Tart (c) 979-488-4533

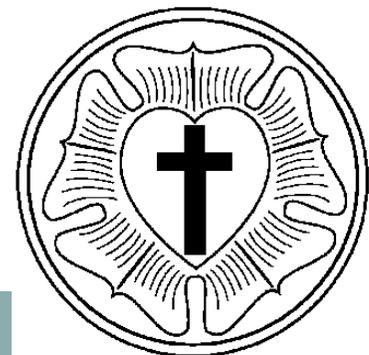


UPCOMING EVENTS

- * Nov 11: Congregation Meeting after Worship, followed by Thanksgiving Meal
- * Nov 12: Council Meeting at 6 pm
- * Nov 14: Wednesday Service at 6 pm
- * Nov 20: Christmas Parade
- * Dec 17: Caroling at 5 pm
- * Dec 2: Pot Luck after Worship
- * Dec 23: Regular Worship at 10 am
- * Dec 24: Christmas Eve Service at 5 pm

BIRTHDAYS

Nov 10	Debbie
Nov 16	Julianne
Nov 20	Imogene
Dec 2	Darrell
Dec 2	Eli
Dec 14	Maggie
Dec 16	Nick
Dec 16	Autumn
Dec 27	Holly
Dec 28	Betty Parr
Dec 28	Glenda
Dec 29	Irby



Celebrating
Pastor John Willmann and
Pastor David Tart during
Clergy Appreciation Day
in October



Congratulations and
Happy Retirement
to Rose and Mike!



Sewing Circle



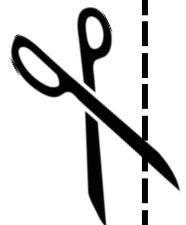
During the months of August, September and October, the Sewing Circle has been busy! In August, we took 14 "Go Bags" and 2 quilts to the Crisis Center. We also gave one quilt to a member's friend and one wheelchair bag to a WCJC Senior Citizen friend. In September, 18 quilts were donated to the WCJC Senior Citizen Center, and 6 more quilts went to member's friends. In October, one baby blanket was donated to a member's friend in Mission Valley, and 2 quilts went to WCJC Senior Citizen friends. We also had a donation of 12 twin flat sheets for the backing of quilts.

The Sewing Circle meets at Church every Wednesday from 9am to 3pm.
Come join the fellowship!

Coupons for Servicemen

We are still clipping coupons. During September and October, \$12,554.90 in coupons was sent to the Base in Germany. Keep the coupons coming in.

Thanks to everyone who contributes, collects and cuts coupons out. To the servicemen and families, this is a great help.



Those Who Serve

Nov 4 Greeter: Tanya; Ushers: Dee and Eric; Worship Assistant: Debbi
 Nov 11 Greeter: Margaret; Ushers: Darrell and Ethan; Worship Assistant: Hayley
 Nov 18 Greeter: Sheri; Ushers: Hudson and David; Worship Assistant: Donna
 Nov 25 Greeter: Amy; Ushers: Glenn and Henry; Worship Assistant: Keith

SHARE Food Drive for This Fall

The following are requested items:



November:

Manwich Sandwich	Spam/Treet
Hamburger Helper	Tuna Helper
Ketchup	Mustard
Pickles	Jelly



December:

Cake mix	Flour
Sugar	Vegetable Oil
Stuffing Mix	



We Hold in Prayer...

Those in need of Healing:

R.C.	Edward	Bobby	Flossie
Alice	Edwin	Jo Rae	Camille
Josh	Aline	Christi	Jordan
Cheyenne	Jill	Charles	Jerry
Helen	Buddy	Mike K	Peggy
Bonnie	Mike M	John	Vicky
Leslie	Karen	Bruce	Ben
Elizabeth	Glenda	Herschel	Elmer

Those Who are Homebound:

Sharline, Doris, Louise, Lowe

Those Who Protect & Serve:

Trey, Jesse, Casey, Keith & T.J.

Those on their Confirmation Journey

Baylee & Clayton

Those in High School:

Autumn & Ruben

Those in College:

Lance & Sierra

From the Pastor's Desk

Well we wish all of you a most happy of holidays of Thanksgiving, Advent, Christmas and New Years. Since we do a newsletter for two months at a time we need to be ahead of things.....



We will also we closing out a wonderful year at St. Paul with our annual meeting in November. We want to thank all you who quietly serve and do the work of the Gospel. Our community continues to be a place of grace ,hope and love and this is because of each of you. Gospel centered communities do not just fall out of a tree, but are the result of each person feeling they belong and doing what they can to bless the community with their gifts.

As we move toward these holidays let us be thankful for all of God's undeserved blessings. Let us be mindful to look and watch for the coming of Grace in our lives, now and in the future. Let us celebrate the incarnation of Christ in our world and the nearness of Christ to us. Let's us celebrate the good things of this past year and let go of those things that need to given to the past.

We continue to be thankful for our ministry at St. Paul and the support you give us. We are very much enjoying being able to focus on our pastoral work. The model of lay people running and leading the church and pastors doing pastoral work is healthy for all. We feel that this model is what the church now needs more than ever. You are St. Paul are pioneers and for that you need to be commended.

Blessings of Grace and Hope
Pastor Tart and Pastor Willmann

Christ in Our Home, Light for Today

The *Christ in Our Home* Magazine edition
for November/December is available.

Please pick up your copy from the table at the back of the Church.



Pastor's Worship Notes

We are now in the last days of the Sundays after Pentecost and our reading of the Gospel of Mark is coming to an end. In many regards, I hate to see Mark leave us. He has been a “bam, bam” Gospel and directing us to see the one who “came to serve and not be served and to give his life as a ransom for many.” This Jesus who teaches us that the first will be last and the last will be first.” This Jesus who the centurion gazes at on the cross and declares him to be the Son of God. It was a lot of fun preaching about him.

Now on December 2, we will move to a year of reading mainly from Luke. I am somewhat a fickle lover of the Gospels. I can go on and on about how wonderful Mark is and the turn around, and jump up and down in glee over the great readings from Luke. Luke is wonderful and he tells powerful stories about Jesus and his themes of compassion for all. I just know you will love Luke as much as I do. I am excited about the sermon opportunities I will have.

Our liturgy will change a bit with Advent upon us. We will be “dialing down’ a bit as Advent is a season of introspection as well as joyous hope. We will be singing some wonderful Advent hymns and doing some special things during worship to call us into prayer about the coming of Christ now and in the future.

We will be introducing another song from Marty Haugen from our worship book, “Praise to you, oh God of Mercy” as a song we sing after communion has ended and the table is being cleared. It is a joyous song that praises God for God’s faithfulness and mercy as we leave to go out into the world. I hope you enjoy it.

Blue is the color of Advent and I invite you to wear blue during the season for fun. It would be a pretty sight to see the blue color of hope throughout our gathering.

Growing in Discipleship

Fall Study: “Living our Sainthood”

We had some wonderful conversations around saints and sainthood for our Fall Study and the study was warmly received by those who attended. In fact, it was so well received there are now discussions about a twice a month Bible study on Wednesdays. If you are interested contact Melvin Ganske or Sheri Ganske.

Confirmation

Our two confirmands continue to read and discuss the Bible and the Catechism. I continue to ask you to hold Baylee and Clayton in your prayers.

Council Members on Duty:

November—Margaret and Luke; December—Eric

Altar Guild:

November—Lucy; December—Mike and Margaret

2018 St. Paul Council

Melvin Ganske, President

Luke Popp, Vice-President

Tanya Taylor, Secretary

Margaret Johnson, Treasurer

Eric Muegge

Faye Evans

Dee Taylor

*GUIDING
PRINCIPLES*

1. Jesus comes first.
2. Jesus welcomes everyone,
so shall we.
3. Celebrate the love of
Christ together.
4. Christ preaches through
us all.
5. Follow God's lead.
6. People before things.

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