

Reformation Sunday & Monday
October 26 and October 27, 2025
Our Mission: God's Love Shining through Us..
...Opening doors and changing lives!

+ ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK AT St. Paul Lutheran +

(leb=lower education bldg., ueb=upper education bldg., ufh=upper fellowship hall, lfh=lower fellowship hall, cr=conference room, tgp=the gathering place klgr = KREW large group room next to library in leb, dchr=downstairs choir room, ofa=Office Annex)

Sunday	8:00 AM 9:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:45 AM	Worship/Communion Bible Study GOD <i>COWNECT</i> S (ueb) KREW and HSBC (leb) Worship/Communion		
Monday	7:00 PM	Worship/Communion		
Tuesday	3:15 PM 6:30 PM	Bell Choir rehearsal (sanctuary) Women's Bible Class (ueb)		
Wednesday	11:00 AM	Bible Study GOD CONNECTS (ueb)		
Thursday	8:00 AM to 6:00 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	loon Office open, 12-4 Remote 1 st Year Confirmation (leb) 2 nd year Confirmation (leb) Choir Rehearsal (leb) Boy Scouts		
Friday	8:00 AM to 8:45 AM	Noon Office open, 12-4 Remote Bible study (ueb)		
Saturday	5:00 – 9:0	0PM Oktoberfest		

ATTENTION ALL GROUPS/MINISTRIES: If you have an event, meeting, function, etc., please send that information to Carolyn at stpaulnt@gmail.com, so she can list it in the above "ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK" calendar. Thank you!

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION:

OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Wednesday, 8:00am to 4:00pm, Thursdays & Fridays, 8am - Noon, Noon - 4:00pm Carolyn working remotely from home. If you need to reach Carolyn during the times she is working remotely, please leave a message on the church voicemail or send an email to stpaulnt@gmail.com. If there is an emergency during that time, you can reach Pastor Green at his home at 716-693-7044.

GREETINGS from St. Paul: All first-time visitors should stop at The Information Center in The Gathering Place (TGP) for a special gift.

+ ASSISTANCE DURING our Worship Services +

FAMILIES: - **Nursery Care** is available upon request. Please speak with an usher if you would like to use the nursery. We also have a **Cry Room**, if you would like to sit with your restless child there. It is at the rear of the sanctuary and has a speaker, so you can listen to the worship service.

PERSONAL ASSIST HEARING DEVICES are available for use during the worship services. We also have **LARGE PRINT ORDER OF WORSHIP** (with copies of hymns attached). Both items are located on the window sill, as you enter the sanctuary from The Gathering Place.

+ PRAYER CONCERNS for our St. Paul Family +

The names of our St. Paul family that are in need of prayers, are now listed on the back inside cover of the Bulletin. Please keep this handy during our Worship prayer time so these people can be lifted up in prayer in our hearts during that time. Thank you.

PRAYER REQUESTS: If you have a prayer request for our prayer chain, please contact Tom Dreier at herrdreier@gmail.com or call the church office.

BULLETIN PRAYER LIST: If you or a loved one are in need of prayers and would like your name or theirs to be listed in the bulletin - Prayer Concerns for our St. Paul Family – HEALING, now located on the back inside cover of the bulletin, please call the church office. We will keep your name on the list for 3 months unless we know that healing is still needed or unless you call us sooner to let us know of answered prayers.

IF YOUR LOVED ONE IS HOSPITALIZED, please call the church office to let us know so Pastor Green and Pastor Bill can pray for them and visit them. The hospital personnel can no longer inform us due to privacy laws.

We pray that you find God's love for you at St. Paul!

CHILDRENS' MESSAGES - if you would be interested in giving Childrens' messages, please talk with Pastor Green.

LOVE PACKAGES - we continue to receive donations of Bible devotional materials and more. Thank you! So far we have mailed 35 boxes that will bring the Gospel to people who otherwise would have not heard it!

BULLETIN ARTICLES must be in no later than **TUESDAY at noon** to be included in the following Sunday. Please email them to stpaulnt@gmail.com.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS - this week we will study lesson 6 in **GOD** *CONNECTS*, "Who is the Holy Spirit"? You are welcome to join us on Sundays at 9:30am or Wednesdays at 11:00am as we learn more about our amazing God and the faith that He gives us.

GIFT CARDS - Christmas is 60 days away! Get a head start on your shopping by purchasing gift cards to do your shopping or to give as gifts! You can contact Sue Eckstein at 716-471-2301 with any questions or to order digital gift cards.

WORSHIP ANEW is a weekly Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod (LCMS) worship service that is broadcast on WNYB every Sunday at 11:30am (local channel 26, Spectrum Channel 12 or DirectTV channel 377 (TCT). You can also view the worship service on their phone app or website worshipanew.org, any time along with finding other information. Copies of their magazine "The Broadcaster" are available on the Family Ministry Table.

FUNDRAISER FOR JASON McNAIR IS ALMOST HERE! On **Saturday, November 8**th, the doors will open at 5pm, with the band "FIVE14" playing from 6-8/8:30pm. There is no admission, but it is first come, first serve for seating. There will be a basket raffle, large ticket raffle, a Buffalo Bills items for sale table, along with pizza, snacks, baked goods and water for sale. Baskets and new or handmade Bill's items can be dropped off to the bin in The Gathering Place or to the church office during office hours through **November 3rd.** This is a Thrivent sponsored event. Please come and join us for a wonderful evening of fun and fellowship and help us raise some funds for our friend Jason. *If you have one, wear your Jesus/Jason strong t-shirt!

***We need baskets and New or Handmade Bills items! Please consider donating to this much needed cause! Thank you very much!! Please see the flyer in today's bulletin.

CONGREGATIONAL VOTERS' MEETING will take place on Wednesday, November 5th at 7:00pm in the Upper Fellowship Hall. This is an opportunity to be informed about current and upcoming events and projects that are happening at St. Paul. All members 18 years of age and older are welcome and encouraged to attend.

SAVE THE DATE!!!!! ST. PAUL CHRISTMAS DECORATING DAY AND FAMILY CHRISTMAS: Saturday, December 6, 2025. More details to follow. ~Maryann Magil

ST. PAUL PHOTO DIRECTORY - we will begin gathering and taking photos in November for an updated online and printed photo directory, along with updating information that is shared in the directory. Watch next week's "From the desk of" page in the bulletin on November 2 and 3, 2025. This process will extend into 2026.

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS' BIRTHDAY LIST - A list has been compiled with all of the names, addresses and birth dates of our shut-in, homebound and nursing home members. If you would like a copy, please call the church office. Prayers, notes of encouragement and phone calls are greatly appreciated.

UPDATE: THE BOOK CLUB will be discontinued for the time being. Prayerfully we can continue in the near future. Please watch the bulletin for further updates. Thank you. Please call Jackie Brodfuehrer at 716-692-0826 if you have any questions.

SEND YOUR LOVE AROUND THE WORLD! The Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Mission will run through November 9th. Operation Christmas Child sends boxes containing school supplies, health items and small toys along with Bible study booklets, to children in need around the world. It's easy to help! Take a post-it note from the kiosk in the Gathering Place and purchase the item(s). Return your gift by November 10 and place it in the basket below the display. Please bring only new items and keep in mind the boxes are shoebox size. Large items will not fit. Liquids and toothpaste cannot be shipped. We already have plenty of school supplies and toothbrushes donated so please consider purchasing other needed items.

If you would like to pack a box or boxes on your own or with your family, there are boxes available in the Gathering Place along with ideas for packing. Please label your boxes with the appropriate label. We are also collecting money for shipping the boxes. If you would like to contribute, please put your donation in an envelope labeled Operation Christmas Child in the wooden "For Office" box in the Gathering Place. If you have questions, feel free to call Barb Huber at 716 946-0752. Thank you!

FLYERS FROM OTHER CHURCHES AND ORGANIZATIONS - we have moved some of the flyers that do not have specific dates (such as Rainbow Rink Christian Skating, Pioneer on the Lake, Hospice and more). These flyers are now on the bulletin board on the brick wall in The Gathering Place. We will continue to have flyers with specific dates for events such as dinners and basket raffles on the small bulletin board at the top of the stairs. Please stop and take a look at both bulletin boards! You might find something that you want to do!

ARMED FORCES SUNDAY/MONDAY IS NOVEMBER 9/10. There is a list of our Active and Veteran members of the Military on the bulletin board at the top of the stairs. To help keep our list current and complete, if you are an Active-duty member, Reservist or Veteran of the military, and you **DO NOT** see your name on the list, or your status has changed, please add/change it on the form that is hanging below the list. **Please make your updates by November 3rd.**

LAY READERS NEEDED for both the First and Second Readings during the Sunday church services. For more information, please contact Dennis Gurnett.

+ SERVING our Lord week of October 26 & 27 +

ALTAR GUILD COMMITTEE: October: Nancy Witkop
Ann & Steve Heuer

FLOWER COMMITTEE:

October: Connie Maerten – 716-625-8454 Ellen McCutcheon – 716-998-3279

WEEKLY

ELDERS: 8:00 AM - Dave Demmin

10:45 AM – Brian Hapeman

Monday, 7:00 PM - Otto Achtziger

LAY READERS: 8:00 AM - Laurie Daugherty

10:45 AM – Maryann Magil

Monday, 7:00 PM - Otto Achtziger

USHERS: 8:00 AM – Jim Behnke, Dieter Zahn

Lyman Wilson, Dan Schuler

10:45 AM -

Monday, 7:00 PM - Jon Blank

GREETERS: 8:00 AM – Jackie Brodfuehrer

10:45 AM - Luis & Desirea Mojica

Monday, 7:00 PM -

ACOLYTES: 8:00 AM – Kayla Kitson

10:45 AM – Max Brothers

Monday 7:00 PM – Evan Manson

WEEK OF 10/19/2025

Offerings given for weekly operating expenses:

\$12,145.00~Thank you!!

Average needed weekly- \$12,160.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED WEEKLY

GIVING as we.....

CONTINUE TO MOVE FORWARD IN FAITH!

ATTENDANCE WEEK OF 10/19/25:

8:00am - 123 10:45am - 90 Monday - 50

COUNT ME IN! Booklets and forms have been moved to the table under the TV in The Gathering Place.

LITTLE FREE PANTRY: If you or if you know of someone in need, please help yourself. There is a bin under the table that is under the TV in The Gathering Place for your donations. Please also feel free to place your donations inside the pantry. Thank you.

ALTAR GUILD COMMITTEE is looking for new members! You can volunteer as individuals, couples, friends. You will usually be asked to serve just one month a year. If you have any questions, please see Nancy Witkop or call the church office.

GREETERS NEEDED FOR NOVEMBER: Your help with

this important ministry of handing out bulletins and greeting people as they enter the sanctuary for services is appreciated! Please sign up on the bulletin board at the top of the stairs.

YOUTH: Storm hopes to see you all at our upcoming Youth Events. Youth in grades 5 through 12 are invited to come! Bring a friend or two! **November Youth Dates:**

Sunday, November 9th is fall clean up. We will have a quick lunch at noon and then head out. We are in need of volunteers to make this happen. If you and your family can help, please let Storm Wright know as soon as possible. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board at the top of the stairs for those of you who are in need of help with cleaning up your leaves.

Youth group Sunday, November 23 from 6-8pm.

All 5th - 12th graders are welcome to meet us down in the youth room

OKTOBERFEST: November 1, 2025, 5:00pm-9:00pm.

Ticket sales will end on Monday, October 27, 2025.

All attendees will need to purchase a ticket to attend this event. Check the kiosk in The Gathering Place for further information (and the back of the bulletin) ~Maryann Magil~

OCTOBER IS CLERGY and CHURCH WORKER APPRECIATION MONTH! We are blessed with amazing Pastors, Minister of Music, Director of Family Ministry, Director of Christian Education, Director of Youth, Preschool teacher and aides, Bible Study leaders, KREW/Highschool Bible class staff and teachers, Bell Choir director and Cleaning/Maintenance crew here at St. Paul! If you need an additional Copy of the calendar of ideas on how to thank your Church Workers, there are some extra on the Information Center. Thank you for your continued support and prayers!

PREVIOUS COPIES OF ST. PAUL PHOTO DIRECTORY are now located on The Information Center. You are welcome to look at them in The Gathering Place.

- **ST. PAUL CEMETERY FALL CLEAN UP:** A reminder that all plants, wreaths and other decorative displays should be removed as soon as possible. Any decorations remaining after November 9, 2025 will be discarded. Thank you!
- **ST. PAUL WEBSITE** (www.stpauInt.com) remember to check our website for information about Upcoming Events, Preschool, Gift cards, listen to sermons and much more. There is a link to our Facebook page and also to the Online Church Directory (access is limited to those members who have their email listed in the directory). On the front of this bulletin is a QR code at the top left which will take you directly to our website.

NOAH TRIP TO SIGHTS AND SOUND THEATER: There are still about 14 available spaces for the November 4-5 NOAH trip to Lancaster, PA. A number of St. Paul members are already on board. Call tour leader Jerry Waldkoetter with Way To Go Tours at 716-693-0793 for information prices.

FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED: The North Tonawanda Inter-Church Food Pantry can always use donations. Items most needed are: personal care products such as shampoo, tooth brushes and paste, feminine care, deodorant, toilet paper, canned fruit, veggies, chicken, tuna, corned beef, Spam, quick meals such as Hamburger or Tuna Helper, Rice a Roni, Pasta roni, white or flavored rice, pancake mix, syrup, breakfast & granola bars, cereal, jello, pudding, hot chocolate, coffee, tea bags and empty deposit bottles and cans to return for cash. You can place your donations in the bin by the little library just off The Gathering Place. Thank you!!

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY ("Ministry Meals") to serve our brothers and sisters in Christ. Do you enjoy cooking or baking for others? There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board at the top of the stairs for anyone that would be interested in making a meal or dessert for a family at St. Paul that might be experiencing a serious injury, a death, sickness, caring for a loved one in Hospice, or a recent surgery. When the office receives word of a church family who is currently experiencing one of the above and would like to receive help with meals, our coordinator will then contact one or more of you who have signed up to schedule the making and delivering of meals. Please prayerfully consider joining this ministry and help us serve others at St. Paul. Thank you!

USED CLOTHING SHEDS IN OUR AREA - As you drive around town, you may pass by other churches' parking lots hosting sheds designated for used clothing drop off. These sheds are owned by St. Pauly Textile in Rochester, who partner with local churches or community centers to collect used clothing. Donations are collected and used regionally, domestically and in international markets for textiles. Hosting sites also have "first dibs" on donations to distribute locally to people in need. St. Pauly pays hosting sites \$40 per 1,000lbs of clothing collected, which can easily amount to \$100-\$300 per month to a struggling church host site. Our elders looked into hosting a clothing shed here, but determined there are ample sheds in our community where the clothing and resultant funds can do much good. When you do your spring cleaning this year, consider your old clothing to go to one of these drop off sheds. St. Matthew, St. Mark and Redeemer Lutheran Churches all have sheds in their parking lots and would appreciate your donations.