



21st Sunday after Pentecost

October 14, 2018

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PRAYER AND SUPPLICATION WITH THANKSGIVING

HOMEBOUND

Erv Hoerauf	Julie Roark	
Dorine Auernhammer	Jon Ittner	Herb Schmidt
Dolores Appold	Lorna Ittner	Rose Anne Schmidt
Gwen Bakus	Mike & Karen Kusch	Al Vogtmann
Armond Beiser	Irma McKenzie	Tim Wegener
Dorothy David	Margaret Meyer	

SPECIAL

Mary Kochalka (cancer)
People of Florida (Hurricane Michael)

THIS WEEK'S MEMBERS

Shanna, Devin, & Cassidy Brondstetter	Joshua, Kelly, Hayden, & Jack Kusterer Robin Miller
David, Stacey, Adrian, & Miranda Hildebrant	Sonya, Elizabeth, & James Rodgers Paulette Sramkoski

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL

<u>SUNDAY</u> 10/14	8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion - 1 st -4 th Grade Cherub Choir sings
	9:15 a.m. Bible Classes & Sunday School
	10:30 a.m. Worship
	4:00 p.m. Lutheranism 101
<u>TUESDAY</u> 10/16	6:00 p.m. Bell Choir
	7:00 p.m. Church Choir
	7:00 p.m. Men's Club
<u>WEDNESDAY</u> 10/17	6:00 p.m. LifeLight Bible Study
<u>THURSDAY</u> 10/18	No School - MANS Conference
	6:30 p.m. Friendship Circle
<u>FRIDAY</u> 10/19	No School - MANS Conference
<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u> 10/21	8:00 a.m. Worship
	9:15 a.m. Bible Classes & Sunday School
	10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion
	4:00 p.m. Lutheranism 101

NOTES AND NEWS

ATTENDANCE Last Sunday – 326 (155, 171)

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Oct. 14 – Ps. 115-116 Oct. 15 – 2 Cor. 10
Oct. 16 – 2 Cor. 11 Oct. 17 – 2 Cor. 12 Oct. 18 – 2 Cor. 13
Oct. 19 – Ps. 117-118 Oct. 20 – Proverbs 24

FROM THE ST. PAUL ELDERS

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. Pastor Matyas has indicated that he feels most appreciated when people participate in worship and Bible class, and basically provide an opportunity to minister in the way God has called him. (He also said he doesn't mind the mysterious appearance of coffee K-cups.) Be encouraged to pray for Pastor, attend Bible class, ask questions, invite a friend or family member, sing loudly in worship. Appreciate Pastor Matyas and the way God is using him here at St. Paul.

OPEN HOUSE

Come share Birthday Cake with Al Vogtmann on his 70th! Sunday, October 14 from 2-5 p.m. in Bay Shores Activity room. Directions: Behind the old Bay Osteopathic Hospital to the canopy. Enter under canopy and continue straight down the hall. Room is on the right across from the dining room. No presents necessary, just fellowship. Hope to see you there.

PRINCIPAL APPRECIATION WEEK

In celebration of Principal Appreciation Week October 21-27, the Board of Ed will be hosting a card shower and cake reception after both services next Sunday, October 21, in honor of Mr. Lustila. The card box will also be available at school during the week. Let us thank God for the gift of our principal!

ROLL CALL SUNDAY - OCTOBER 28

Celebrating the Confirmation Anniversaries of the Years 2008, 1998, 1988, 1978, 1968, 1958, 1948, & 1938

Worship at the 10:30 Service We will gather in the church basement (with families as well) at 10:10 a.m. to organize for processing and sitting together.

Banquet to follow at the school! If you are in one of these classes, you will receive a letter with details on the service and making reservations for the banquet. If this is your year (or someone you know), but you didn't get a letter, please let the church office know so that we can send you details and update our records. If you were confirmed at a sister congregation in one of these years, you are also invited!

GET READY FOR HARVEST FEST!

The St. Paul Harvest Fest (with Trunk-or-Treat and movie) is scheduled for Friday, November 2 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The donation board is up in the back of church and it will also be moved to the school during the week for those who are interested in donating candy or setting up a trunk for the trunk or treat. We expect a crowd, so save the date and tell your friends!

VLHS FRUIT SALE

Please support the VLHS Booster fruit sale! Fruit will be available to order through Wednesday, November 14. A 20 lb. box of

Indian River Navel Oranges, Pink Grapefruit, or mixed is \$27. A 40 lb. box of oranges, grapefruit, or mixed is \$38. A 10 lb. box of Mandarin Oranges is \$26, and a mixed carton of oranges, grapefruit, & mandarin oranges is \$35. Please call Valley's office at 790-1676 or order with a Valley student. Fruit is available for pickup on Saturday, December 8, from 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Thank you for your support!

ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP? A member needs a ride to occasional doctor's appointments and other errands. If you're willing to help, please call Bob Hofford (989-395-5862) for details.

VLHS STUDENTS WILLING TO WORK FOR HELP WITH FRANCE MISSION TRIP

This July, a team of students and chaperones will travel to Brittany, France to serve at Parole de Vie's Christian summer camp for teens. The students are willing to do leaf raking, yard work, babysit, return pop cans, and help with other odd jobs to help fund their trip. If you, or someone you know, is looking for help and would like to support this effort, please contact Madame Cristina Urbytes at curbytes@vlhs.com or 790-1676. Merci beaucoup!

GREETINGS FROM "PROTECT LIFE" —the pro-life student organization at Valley Lutheran High School. On January 18, 2019, we have the opportunity to gather in Washington, D.C. to speak out against the greatest injustice of our time: abortion. Every year hundreds of thousands of concerned citizens flood the streets of our capital to stand in the gap for those who cannot speak for themselves. And THIS is the year you could join that effort with fellow Lutherans! There are about 15 seats on the bus for daring adults (or middle schoolers with an accompanying parent). For more information and to reserve a spot, contact Cris Urbytes at curbytes@vlhs.com or 790-1676.

STEWARDSHIP Hebrew 3:18-19—"And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief." Unbelief leads to disobedience—that is, every sin expresses the opposite of faith. True and living faith guides us into the Lord's plan. And when we fall into sin it's because we are not trusting the Lord's goodness and provision. Serving the Lord as an officer of the church (Board of Education, Trustee, Youth Board, Elder, etc.) or as a Sunday School teacher or other volunteer is also part of stewardship.
STEWARDSHIP — A way of life

VLHS INFORMATION NIGHT Calling all current 7th and 8th grade students and parents to Valley Lutheran High School's Annual Fall Information Night on Tuesday, November 13, at 7 p.m. This event is a great way to get a guided tour of Valley, meet fellow students, teachers, and hear about all the great things you can be part of at VLHS. No RSVP needed; just come out for a fun, relaxed evening ~ Valley Lutheran

High School, 3560 McCarty Road, Saginaw. Questions?? email Sondra Yantz, Student Recruiter, (syantz@vlhs.com) or contact the school (989-790-1676).

AREA EVENTS

Sun., October 14, German Worship Service - St. Lorenz, Frankenmuth

11 a.m. (1030 W. Tuscola Rd.) The service will use a traditional German Service liturgy and have an English sermon entitled "Reformation Q and A" by Pastor Bill Hoesman. The congregation will join in singing familiar hymns including "Jesu, Komm Doch Selbst Zu Mir" (Jesus, Savior, Come to Me) and "Ein Feste Burg Ist Unser Gott" (A Mighty Fortress Is Our God).

Sun., October 14, Ox Roast Dinner - St. John, AuGres

11 a.m.-2 p.m. (206 N. Court St.) A hearty meal of roast beef potatoes, gravy, squash, coleslaw, and homemade desserts will be served. The dinner tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 5-12. Children under 5 eat free. Take-out dinners are also available.

Sun., October 14, Men's Club Chicken BBQ - Immanuel, Frankentrost

(8220 E. Holland Rd.) Drive thru take-outs 11:15 a.m. Dine in 11:30 a.m. Menu includes: Chicken, mashed potatoes, dressing, corn, coleslaw, cupcakes and beverage. Donations: Adults \$10.00, Children (6-12) \$5.00. Kids 5 and under FREE.

Sun., October 14, Hymn Festival - Grace, Auburn

4 p.m. (303 Ruth St.) From Time to Eternity: Waiting for the Resurrection: A hymn festival that focuses on God's precious promises in the midst of our present pain while we wait for the perpetual paradise of the life of the world to come. It will feature a mass choir made up of members of area churches, brass, organ, and other instruments. We hope to see you there!

Sun., October 21, BBQ Chicken Dinner - Trinity-St. James, Munger

11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. (119 E. Munger Rd.) Donation for ½ chicken: \$10.00; ages 5 & under free. Take-out dinners are also available, along with a Country Store too! Sponsored by the Ladies Aid; call 989-659-2506 for more information.

Thurs., October 25, Sauerkraut Dinner - Holy Cross, Saginaw

5-7 p.m. (600 Court St.) Dinner includes sauerkraut, brats, roast pork loin, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots, roll, beverages, and dessert. Adult tickets are \$11; children 6-12 are \$7; children 5 and under eat free. Takeout dinners are available during the dinner. A craft and vendor bazaar will be held in the gym from 4-8 p.m. benefitting the 2019 National Youth Gathering.

Sun., October 28, Harvest Dinner - Trinity, Monitor

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. (corner of 8 Mile and Salzburg) Dinner includes Homemade Pork Sausage and Bee. Cost: \$10.00 Adults, \$5.00 children 6-12, 5 and under free. Take outs \$10. For more information call Sandy Herzberger 274-2397.

Sat., November 3, Hope for Life Fundraiser - Beacon of Hope

3-8 p.m. (2360 Midland Rd.) Family Fun! Basket Raffle (drawing at 7:30 p.m.), Baked Potato & Soup Dinner, Live Auction (6:30 p.m.), and Kids Zone, Take-outs available for donation. \$10/adult, \$6/child, tickets available at Beacon of Hope.

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Amos 5:6–7, 10–15 (ESV)

- ⁶ Seek the LORD and live,
lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph,
and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel,
⁷ O you who turn justice to wormwood
and cast down righteousness to the earth! . . .
¹⁰ They hate him who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor him who speaks the truth.
¹¹ Therefore because you trample on the poor
and you exact taxes of grain from him,
you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not dwell in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.
¹² For I know how many are your transgressions
and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and turn aside the needy in the gate.
¹³ Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time,
for it is an evil time.
¹⁴ Seek good, and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
as you have said.
¹⁵ Hate evil, and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

EPISTLE READING

Hebrews 3:12–19 (ESV)

¹² Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. ¹³ But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. ¹⁴ For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. ¹⁵ As it is said,

"Today, if you hear his voice,
do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion."

¹⁶ For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? ¹⁷ And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? ¹⁸ And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? ¹⁹ So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

¹⁷ As [Jesus] was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁸ And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. ¹⁹ You know the commandments: ‘Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.’” ²⁰ And he said to him, “Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth.” ²¹ And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, “You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” ²² Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.