

St. Paul Lutheran Church

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The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome! *By the Voluntary Poverty of Christ, We Enter the Kingdom of God.* To love and trust in earthly wealth is vanity. For nothing of this earth will last forever, nor can any of it grant eternal life (Eccl. 5:10). But the one who trusts in God is “occupied with joy in his heart” and is able to sleep in peace, “whether he eats little or much,” because he knows that the “days of his life” are “the gift of God” (Eccl. 5:12, 18–20). The person who trusts in riches cannot sleep, because he “shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand” (Eccl. 5:15). Therefore, it is difficult “for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God” (Mark 20:23). Indeed, it is impossible for man, yet “all things are possible with God” (Mark 20:27). Thus, the Rich Man, Jesus Christ, has made Himself poor and has gone through “the eye of a needle,” through death and the grave, “to enter the kingdom of God” on our behalf (Mark 20:24–25). He is the “great high priest who has passed through the heavens” (Heb. 4:14), so that we may now enter His Sabbath rest by faith in His forgiveness (Heb. 4:3–9).

We invite you all to worship with us again.

In Our Prayers:

Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

Adelia Becker
Lori Becker-recovering
Brian Becvar (cousin of Jessica Gruetzner)
Maxine Bradshaw
Pat Hughes-recovering (friend of James and Kathy Kalbas)
William Johnson (father of Heather Perry)
Gracelyn Kalbas-recovering
Tim Kleinschmidt-recovering (friend of Delvin & Judy Boriack)
Hildegard Krause-recovering
Mary Loewe (mother of Christi Bradford)
Chris Miertschin
Shannon Miertschin-recovering
Mark Noack-brother of Lori Becker
Linda Oltmann-recovering
Glenda Paskett-recovering (mother of Lyndy Krause and Melodi Oltmann)
Ralph Pitts (uncle of James Kalbas)
Antionette Richardson-recovering
Calvin Robertson-recovering
Katie Schmidt-recovering (mother of Pastor Schmidt)
Dwayne Schulze-surgery
Laverne Schulze-recovering (sister of Judy Boriack)
Melvin Schulze-recovering
Greg Sorrento-recovering (nephew of Doris Fritsche)
Alan Turner-recovering (friend of Delvin & Judy Boriack)
Cindy Umphries-recovering (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)
Conway Whited-surgery (nephew of Ashley Schmidt)

Our members in nursing homes and our shut-ins.

Those fighting cancer including:

Annie Beasley (niece of Shorty & Sandra Schimank)
Diane Biehle (friend of Dorothy Schautschick)
Joyce Bise
Don Claxton-father of Jeff Claxton
Russell Cleghorn (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)
Ginger Clifford (sister of Nancy Kasper)
Mandie Fritsche (granddaughter-in-law of Doris Fritsche)
Franklin Hoffman (father of Maxine Bradshaw)
Ross Hughes-recovering (friend of James and Kathy Kalbas)
Steven Kelly (cousin of Jessica Gruetzner, brother-in-law of Christi Bradford)
Rev. Fred Krebs (friend of Shorty & Sandra Schimank)
Bethany Lara (daughter of Kathy Gersch)
Heather Lilly (granddaughter of Irene Noack)
Kathy Lohberg (niece of Adelia Becker and Hattie Mutschink)
Louis Muniz, Jr. (brother of Robert Muniz)
Carie Oltmann
Pat Richardson (friend of Darlene Schatte)
Diane Sanders (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)
Karen Schmidt
Jim Sladek (friend of Johnathan Noack)
Barbara Symm
Judy Westbrook (mother of Heather Krause)
Tiffany Wittman (sister-in-law of Jason & Cindy Heuermann)
Cathy Woolbright (friend of Ken & Ruby Weiser)
Those serving in the Armed Forces including:
Steven Cutlip (brother of Stephanie Symm), Fort Irwin, CA
Kosh Osmun (son of Stephanie Miertschin), Ft. Hood, TX
Coy Hunt (son of Shannon & Christine Hunt) Camp Hovey, South Korea

Prayer Requests are always welcome. To have someone included in our Sunday morning prayers either call the church office through the week or write out the request and give it to pastor on Sunday morning.

The Order of Service— 184 of the hymnal
The Hymns: 633, 712, 744, 645, 748, 770
Sermon Text: Mark 10:23-31
The Sermon: **“What Must I Do?”**

- † **The Altar flowers** are placed to the glory of God in memory of Edna Krause’s birthday by Ludwig Krause, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren
- † **Voter’s Meeting Minutes.** The minutes from the Voter’s Meeting that was held on Sunday, October 10th are included in the bulletin this morning.
- † **South Lee County Volunteer Fire Department** is preparing Barbecue Chicken on Sunday, October 31st at the Serbin picnic grounds from 10:00 a.m. – 12 noon. The barbecue is to go only. Order forms are available in the church office. If you wish to order please fill out this form and return it to the church office or contact Paul Somerfield at 713-922-7501 or St. Paul Lutheran church office at 979-366-9650 by Monday, October 25th.
- † **Trunk or Treat – Sunday, Oct. 31st from 5:30-7:00 p.m.** Halloween finds children of all ages dressing up and sharing treats with one another. We would again like to invite families to the church picnic grounds to decorate your “area”, share your treats and fellowship together. The children will then be able to walk from area to area or vehicle to vehicle to receive the treats. The St. Paul cheerleaders will be selling Hot Dogs, Chips & Drink from 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- † **PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN OLDE TYME WENDISH SUNDAY -**
The Texas Wendish Heritage Society is hosting a day of food, fellowship and fun at the Texas Wendish Heritage Museum on Sunday, October 24th. The day begins with *Kilian Kaffe Klatch* at 10am including dominoes, cards and children’s activities. Door prizes will be given throughout the day. Refreshments will be offered at 11:00 followed by a lunch of sausage, noodles, sauerkraut, green beans, beets, pickles, peaches, homemade bread, coffee & tea. Peach cobbler will be served for dessert. The lunch will be a free will donation. A brief meeting will be held just before lunch at 11:30 including a demonstration from special guest, Grace Walker. Dominoes, etc. will begin again at 1:00 until 2:30pm. **Non members are also invited to attend.** Attendees may participate in all activities or just those that fit into their schedule. PLEASE RSVP by Tuesday, October 19th either via email (museum@texaswendish.org) or phone (979-366-2441)
COME JOIN THE FOOD, FUN AND FELLOWSHIP OF AN OLDE TYME SUNDAY - Thank You!
- † **Orphan Grain Train.** Orphan Grain Train will be coming on Wednesday, October 20th. If you would like to donate to them, leave it in the church office with Orphan Grain Train written on it.
- † **Countdown to National Wreaths across America Day** on December 18th. We have identified 74 veteran’s graves on our cemetery. As of today we have sponsored wreaths for 24 veteran’s graves. **The cut-off date to purchase a wreath for 2021 is November 30th.** Won’t you please consider purchasing a wreath(s) so we can honor all of our veteran’s. Please contact the church office if you have questions or need help in navigating the website.
- † **Aluminum Cans:** Need somewhere to take your aluminum cans? There is a drop-off trailer by the pasture gate for anyone who would like to drop off their aluminum cans to be recycled. All money raised from the recycled cans will go to the Building Fund. We sold the cans this past week and raised another \$24.40 for the Building Fund. Total given to the Restoration/Building fund is \$3,286.10.
- † **Holy Communion.** As we gather at the Lord’s Table, for the sake of responsible pastoral care, members should have previously announced their intent to commune. **Please fill out a communion card, call the church office, or text Pastor Schmidt prior to Sunday morning.** This will help the Elder’s prepare as we receive God’s precious gift to us.

LUTHERAN HOUR: Next Sunday, October 24th, **“He will Take It”**. Dr. Michael Zeigler helps us to see God’s wrath within the bigger story of God’s love. (1 Samuel 15) Hear *The Lutheran Hour* each Sunday on station KBUK-FM 104.9 at 7:00 a.m. or on station KANJ-FM 91.5 at 12:30 p.m. or go to lhm.org for a link to listen to the Lutheran Hour live.

Serving today: Elders– David Fritsche and David Schmidt
Organist- Daniel Krause
Acolytes- Gabriel Bailey and Brandon Burgdorf
Head Ushers- Donald Becker
Captain- Craig Oltmann **Assistant-** Payton Oltmann
Counting and Posting offering this week:
Chairman- Johnathan Noack
 Virgil Becker, Tim Symm, Chase Oltmann

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Today **Worship Service w/Communion – 8:30 a.m.**
 Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.
 PTLs Meeting – 10:15 a.m.
 LYF Meeting & Social – 6:00 p.m.
 Monday Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
 Tuesday Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
 Wednesday Staff Bible Study – 7:30 a.m.
 School Chapel – 8:30 a.m.
 Youth Confirmation – 6:00 p.m.
 Adult Choir – 7:00 p.m.
 Thursday Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
 Friday Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
 Next Sunday **Worship Service – 8:30 a.m.**
 Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.
 Acolytes: Kaden Kasper and Trey Fritsche
 Sunday School Teacher’s Meeting – 10:15 a.m.

Birthdays: Today – Bradley Albrecht; 19th – Kamrie Stewart; 21st – Erica Iselt, Bertha Walch; 22nd – Linda Schonhoeft, Brooks Spivey; 23rd – Madilyn Kalbas, Edwin Schmidt, Jr. God’s Blessings to you.

ST. PAUL NOTES:

Attendance Last Week: Morning Worship- 264, Bible Class- 17; Sunday School- 46, Banner Classes: Grade 2, Offering- \$19.89.

Offering Last Week: \$23,837.28

Home:		Mission:	
General	\$8,910.50	Mission Festival	\$5,890.00
Sunday School	\$19.89	Lutheran Hour Ministry	\$60.00
Lunch Room	\$1,499.25	Lutheran Hour	\$70.00
ECC Operating	\$1,257.50	Mission Total	\$6,020.00
LWML	\$70.00	Savings/Other:	
Tuition	\$5,205.74	School Fund	\$25.00
Received 10/10/2021	\$16,962.88	Organ Restoration	\$30.00
		Building Fund	\$324.40
Est. needed per week	\$22,500.00	Cemetery Fund	\$125.00
Received MTD	\$48,500.38	Bus Replacement Fund	\$50.00
Est. needed per month	\$97,500.00	Scholarship	\$175.00
		Endowment	\$125.00
		Savings/Other Total	\$854.40
		Total	\$23,837.28

MEMORIALS: General: In memory of Johann & Flora Noack by the Noack Reunion - \$200.00. In memory of Harold & Edna Noack by Gene & Cathy Noack and Vic & Kathy Lohberg - \$200.00. In memory of Verna Mae Becker by Monroe Becker - \$200.00. In memory of Hattie Mutschink by Julie & Charlie Eubanks - \$25.00; by Gary & Tracy Oltmann, Tara & Chase - \$50.00; by Bruce & Sara Prellop - \$40.00; by Raymond & Lynette Kipp - \$25.00; by Peggy Bertsch - \$35.00; by Douglas Malke - \$100.00; by David & Karen Schmidt - \$50.00; by Cathy & Gene Noack, Brandon Noack & family and Blake Noack & family - \$200.00; by Kathy & Vic Lohberg, Nick Lohberg & family and Lindsey Lohberg - \$200.00; by Pam Becker - \$100.00; by Carolyn Noack - \$50.00; by Randy & Janice Becker - \$30.00; by Paul & Tina Sommerfield, Max & Macy - \$100.00; by Eldor, Lori & Jeremy Becker - \$25.00; by Doris Fritsche - \$20.00; by Dan & Suzet Engler (for 1st grade) - \$50.00; by Rev. David & Kathy Mumm - \$20.00; by James & Janet Oltmann - \$25.00; by Arthur & LaVerne Urban - \$100.00; by Carl H. Mertink, Jr. - \$25.00; by Kenneth & Lynette Wiederhold - \$30.00; by Joyce & Robert Hinze - \$40.00; by Linda Tate - \$25.00; by Janiece Becker - \$25.00; by Allen & Mildred Perry - \$30.00; by Gary & Cindy Becker - \$50.00; by Ronnie & Linda Oltmann - \$25.00; by Wilbert & Carol Jean Noack - \$40.00; by M/M Gilbert Krause - \$50.00; by Doug & Mary Jatzlau - \$25.00; by Arthur & Dianna Noack - \$50.00; by Lance Krause - \$50.00; by Kevin & Sherri Coffman - \$20.00; by the Chris Becker family - \$50.00; by Michael & Teresa Krause - \$100.00; by Pam Schmidt - \$30.00; by Keri Wolf - \$30.00. **Lutheran Hour:** In memory of Hattie Mutschink by Edwin, Jr. & Barbara Schmidt - \$40.00; by Mary Ann & Delbert Prellop - \$30.00. **LWML Quilting Group:** In memory of Hattie Mutschink by M/M Delvin Boriack - \$20.00; by Ken & Ruby Weiser - \$50.00. **Lutheran Hour Ministries:** In memory of Daniel Pietsch by Kenneth & Lynette Wiederhold - \$30.00. In memory of Delores Marburger by Kenneth & Lynette Wiederhold - \$30.00. **School Fund:** In memory of Hattie Mutschink by Tommy & Flora Fischer - \$25.00. **Building:** In memory of Harvey Symm by Curtis Oltmann family - \$100.00. In memory of Edward Mitschke, Sr. by Curtis Oltmann family - \$100.00. In memory of Hattie Mutschink by Curtis Oltmann family - \$100.00. **Cemetery Fund:** In memory of Hattie Mutschink by Carl & Ann Steinbach - \$100.00; by M/M Dennis Kurio - \$25.00. **Scholarship Fund:** In memory of Hattie Mutschink by David & Susan Michael - \$25.00; by Will, Kacie & Matthew Innes - \$50.00. **Endowment:** In memory of Hattie Mutschink by Monroe Becker - \$25.00. **Faith Lutheran High School:** In memory of Harvey Symm by Arthur & Dianna Noack - \$50.00; by James & Janet Oltmann - \$35.00. In memory of Hattie Mutschink by Gladys Arldt & Raymond - \$25.00; by Lucille Schatte, Lynette & Darlene - \$20.00.



Oktoberfest

FLHS will be hosting a family friendly event on Saturday, October 23rd at the Holy Cross Picnic grounds.

Events for the day include:

- German meal of brats, kraut, green beans, noodles, bread and coffee cake for \$12/plate. It will be served for dine in and to go from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm by pre-sale tickets only. *Available NOW!*
- Concession stand, including items like hot dogs, warm pretzels, and nuts will be open.
- Music by CK the DJ will be playing through 3:00 pm.
- Silent Auction items will be available for bidding until 1:30 pm.
- Children's games and activities will begin around 1:00 pm and include activities such as a bounce house, face painting, ring toss, photo backdrop, pumpkin painting and more!
- Domino and Cornhole tournaments will begin at 2:00 pm. \$5 entry fee per person.

How can you support FLHS for Oktoberfest?

First, come to Oktoberfest! It's going to be a great time!

Additionally, we can use help from volunteers throughout the day to help with the variety of activities. We are also seeking items for our silent auction, or donations to gather the necessary items for the event.

If you are a Thrivent member, we would also appreciate the use of a Thrivent Action Grant for Oktoberfest (see below). Please contact Mrs. Kueck at (979) 242-2889 if you would like to know more about how you can help! Thank you!

Thrivent Action Team Grants

If you are a Thrivent member willing to submit an application for a \$250 grant to be used on projects at Faith, please contact Nikki Kueck by calling (979) 242-2889. Help us to be able to take advantage of these funds for the good of our school. *We are beginning to gather grants for our Oktoberfest event on October 23rd.

Free Wednesday mornings?

Join us for our weekly Chapel Worship Service every Wednesday at 10:30. This week Ms. Katie Otto, DCE at Immanuel will be leading us. We look forward to seeing you!

Cross Country Meet

Faith Lutheran High School is hosting the 3rd Annual Private Schools of Central Texas Cross Country Meet on Friday, November 5th for students in K to 8th Grade with the first race at 2pm. We are excited to host this fun event!



OCTOBER FEST

OCTOBER 23, 2021 10:30-4:30

Silent Auction

FOOD

42 &
CORNHOLE
TOURNAMENTS

Meal Served 11-1
(Brats, Noodles, Green Beans, Potato
Salad, Kraut, Bread, & Coffee Cake)
*Pre-Sale Tickets ONLY

MUSIC BY CK THE DJ

Concession Stand
(Hotdogs, Warm Pretzels, Nuts)

KIDS

GAMES &
ACTIVITIES

Beer Stand
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FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



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