

2021

GUIDE BOOK & DIRECTORY



# St. Paul's

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## LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## MINISTRIES

**ADULT CHOIR**

***Allison Mackie 262-567-5001***

The Adult Choir is a dynamic group whose sole purpose is to praise our Lord with their voices. You are welcome to join after Confirmation. We sing a great variety of music to our Lord and give our musical offerings approximately twice a month.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

***Jean Fisher 262-567-5998***

Decorate the altar with flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, anniversaries, birthdays, etc. Just sign up on the Flower Chart, located at the west end of the Narthex. We have a florist who arranges and delivers the flowers for a donation (call the office for the amount and make check payable to the Altar Guild). During Lenten Season there are no altar flowers.

**ALTAR GUILD**

***Church Office 262-567-5001***

The Altar Guild is a volunteer group of women (though it is open to men also) who serve the congregation and the Lord through caring for the Altar and the Sacraments. Responsibilities include preparing Communion for Worship, caring for the candles, paraments, linens, Communion ware and acolyte robes, making banners and Baptismal napkins, decorating the church for holidays. All members of the congregation are welcome to join.

**BEFORE SCHOOL CARE (see EXTENDED CARE)**

## **BIBLE STUDIES**

### ***Church Office 262-567-5001***

A wide variety of Bible classes are offered through the congregation. All Bible classes are advertised in the church bulletin each week. The newsletter and the bulletin announce the beginning of new classes.

## **BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING**

### ***Marilyn Sherman 262-646-2595***

On the 1st Sunday of each month from 9:15-10:30 am come to the church office to have your blood pressure taken by a volunteer certified health care professional. This ministry is intended to reach the members of St. Paul's as well as anyone in the community who would like their blood pressure monitored. The guidelines of this ministry have been set by the American Heart Association.

## **BOOKSTORE (THEE BOOKSTORE)**

### ***Church Office 262-567-5001***

The store features many versions of the Bible, as well as Martin Luther's Small Catechism, hymnals, and study materials for Bible Classes. Christian fiction and non-fiction books for all ages are included. There are gift items (jewelry, plaques, stationary) stocked for your convenience. Greeting cards of all kinds are also available. Thee Bookstore is located in the narthex and open Sundays from 9:00-10:30 am.

## **BRASS CHOIR**

### ***Pat Borgman 262-354-4203***

Playing at festival services and for special occasions, as requested, the Brass Choir is made up of trumpeters, trombonists, and other brass players. Rehearsals are usually held between services on Sunday in the balcony.

## **BULLETINS**

### ***Heather Scheuer 262-567-5001***

Bulletins are a source of communication to members and guests attending services. They communicate news about worship services, ministries, Bible studies, special activities, events and more. Help is needed with collating and copying.

## **CARING CARD MINISTRY**

### ***Gwen Nicholson 262-567-5995***

This ministry is designed to minister to our members in times of illness, death, birth and wedding congratulations. A card is sent to the member expressing care and concern with the church's phone number and it is signed by the members of the Service and Mission Outreach board. When appropriate, a Meals Ministry bookmark is also sent.

## **CHRISTCARE MINISTRY**

### **262-567-5001**

ChristCare is a ministry of small groups that provide places of care and belonging, help build faithful disciples, and immerse group members/visitors in joy-filled Christian community. Members listen, pray together, & share one another's challenges and victories on a journey of spiritual growth and Christian service.

## **CHRISTIAN COUNSELING**

For information on confidential Christian counseling contact Pastor O'Donnell 262-567-5001 ext. 217.

## **CHRISTMAS SHARING TREE**

### ***Mary Hickenbottom 414-333-3421***

The Christmas Sharing Tree is an opportunity to provide and share the gifts God has given to us to those in need. At Christmastime members take a gift tag from the Caring Tree and buy gifts for those in need. After wrapping the gift, it is returned under the tree and distributed to those families and individuals.

## **CHURCH OFFICE**

### ***Heather Scheuer 262-567-5001***

Help is needed in the office for various tasks associated with ministries, services, meetings and special events. The office is open 7:30 am-4:00 pm M-F (unless otherwise noted). For a recording of service times or to leave a voicemail message, call the office.

## **COACHING**

### ***Ben Mueller 262-370-6575***

Adults are needed to coach our sports teams for the day school. Sports included are cross country, volleyball, golf, basketball, and track & field.

## **CONTEMPORARY PRAISE TEAMS**

### ***Church Office 262-567-5001***

There are bands that play for Contemporary Worship each Sunday at 10:30 am. It is made up of men and women, who have a special interest in and talent for contemporary Christian music.

## **COPY VOLUNTEER**

### ***School Office 262-567-5001***

Photocopying help offered to the teaching staff. Help is needed each day.

## **EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER**

### ***Christine Flores 262-567-4881***

The Early Childhood Center is a childcare ministry of St. Paul's with the mission to "Reaching, Serving and Growing Disciples." We carry out this mission by guiding young children to grow and learn academically and in the Christian faith through pre-school and child care experiences. Members & non-members are welcome to share in the unique joy of providing this opportunity for their child to share the discoveries of the wonderful world the Lord has given us.

## **EASTER BREAKFAST**

### ***Church Office 262-567-5001***

The Youth Group serves a bountiful breakfast Easter morning. Help is needed setting up, cooking, serving and cleaning up.

## **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

### ***Church Office 262-567-5001***

This committee is responsible for Christian education and the Day school, which includes the Early Childhood Center. The committee also oversees the Warrior Booster Club, Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), Library Committee, and various other curriculum committees. The committee sets and reviews policies and reviews and approves curriculum. A major goal of this committee is to assure that the mission of the congregation "Reaching, Serving and Growing Disciples" is carried out through areas of education.

## **ELDERS (BOARD OF)**

### ***Church Office 262-567-5001***

The primary concern of this board is the spiritual welfare of all St. Paul's members. This involves a variety of activities, including supervision of worship services, evaluating and reviewing worship attendance and Communion participation, the acceptance of new members, establishing and monitoring Confirmation standards and instruction, and anything that impacts our members spiritually.

## **ENDOWMENT FUND**

### ***Church Office 262-567-5001***

The endowment fund is a charitable, non-profit fund organized by the congregation. Its purpose is to receive gifts (by memorials, bequests through wills, tributes, individual giving, or beneficiary of life insurance) for the mission and ministry of St. Paul's. The fund may use income for such items as student aid, renovation, expansion, and maintenance of church property, educational needs, mission projects, social and youth ministries, and to aid in the spiritual growth of our own congregational members.

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## **EPISTLE**

### ***Heather Scheuer 262-567-5001***

The Epistle is St. Paul's monthly newsletter and is an important source of information and communication. Featured monthly are: Birthdays, Bible Studies, Board announcements, Church Calendar, Ministry updates, a listing of Sponsors, Older Adult & Women's Ministry news, Worship dates & times, Volunteer Opportunities and correspondence from our Pastors, Missionaries, Executive Director, School and Teachers. The newsletter is sent to your home or may be accessed by visiting our website: [splco.org](http://splco.org)

## **EXTENDED CARE**

### ***Chris Hesse 262-567-5001***

A ministry service for our day school children for before and after school care. Children are supervised by adults from the close of school to 5:45 pm.

## **FAMILY PROMISE OF WAUKESHA COUNTY**

### ***Church Office 262-567-5001***

Family Promise provides temporary shelter and case management services for homeless families and individuals in Waukesha County. Find out more information about Family Promise at [www.familypromisewaukesha.org](http://www.familypromisewaukesha.org).

## **FOOD PANTRY (SEE OCONOMOWOC FOOD PANTRY – LORD'S CUPBOARD)**

## **FORENSICS**

### ***Chris Hesse 262-567-5001***

Dramatic readings performed by day school children each February. Adult coaches, timers, and judges are needed.

## **FUNDRAISERS**

- **Book Fairs** – Watch for book fairs in the spring & fall. St. Paul's earns free books & cash for additional library and classroom supplies. Teacher's wish lists are available at both book fairs plus in the fall if your family purchases one book, they'll get another one free. *Contact Jill George with questions 262-567-5001 x213.*
- **Scrip** – Buy certificates for various merchants and we receive a % back. You may also apply half of the profit towards next year's tuition costs. Scrip is available in the office M-F and between services on Sunday in the Fellowship Hall. *Contact Chris Hesse 262-567-5001.*

## **FUNERAL MEALS MINISTRY**

### ***Mary Lou Pagenkopf 262-308-8184***

This ministry is for families who would like a lunch served after a loved one's funeral. Families provide the food (catered or delivered) and the Ladies Aid Society set the tables and serves the food in the Fellowship Hall. For more information, contact any Pastor and the Ladies Aid Society.

## **GIFT MATCHING**

### ***Church Office 262-567-5001***

Your offering to St. Paul's School is matched 50¢ for every \$1 by Thrivent Financial. Gifts will be matched up to \$400 per person per year (\$100 more if you volunteer 25 hrs for the school) if you own Thrivent Financial products and \$100 gift match for non-members. Fill out a form in the office, write your check to St. Paul's School, put it in a separate envelope and Thrivent will send us the matching gift.

## **GREETERS**

### ***John Melvin 262-567-3981***

At each of the weekend services, we have people who serve as greeters before the service. Because we have two main entrances (the front of the church into the Narthex and the quadruple doors by the school), greeters are stationed at both locations.

## **HIGH SCHOOL (LUTHERAN)**

### ***Chris Hesse 262-567-5001***

St. Paul's is a member of the Lutheran High School Association of Greater Milwaukee. This means that any student from our congregation may attend at Association tuition. Lake Country Lutheran High School is located in Hartland.

## **INSTRUMENTALISTS**

### ***Allison Mackie 262-567-5001***

Those interested in using their instrumental skills in worship are encouraged to do so. Our Music Director develops a schedule, by which these gifts are used in worship.

## **JOURNEYMEN**

### ***Church Office 262-567-5001***

This is a group of men, who take their responsibility as Christian husbands and fathers seriously. They want to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ and discover how exciting the "journey" with Christ through life is. They meet on the second and fourth Saturday of the month at Maxim's at 7:30 am. They also organize fellowship activities during the year.

## **LADIES AID SOCIETY**

### ***Mary Lou Pagenkopf 262-567-7905***

We welcome all women from our congregation to join us on the first Thursday of the month from September through June. Our functions include the Fall Craft Bazaar and the annual Mother-Daughter Banquet in May. We also serve for funerals and support our church and school with donations of monies and gifts.

## **LECTORS (SEE SCRIPTURE READERS)**



## **LIBRARY (CHURCH AND SCHOOL)**

***Chris Hesse 262-567-5001***

The Church and School Library are combined. During the school day, librarians are needed to work with the children in the library & help stack and catalogue books as well. On Sundays, librarians are needed to make the library available to all the members of the congregation.

## **Living OuR Dash (L.O.R.D.)**

***Pat Borgman 262-354-4203***

In support of St. Paul's mission, "Receiving and giving the love and hope of Christ," this group provides opportunities for widows, widowers, and single seniors to be an active presence at church and in the community by practicing and encouraging members to be involved in ministry, service, and fellowship. We also engage in a support group which meets monthly to share with and support those who have lost a spouse or friend.

## **ST. PAUL'S OCONOMOWOC FOOD PANTRY – LORD'S CUPBOARD**

***Mary Hickenbottom 414-333-3421***

St. Paul's Oconomowoc Food Pantry – Lord's Cupboard provides food for members of our congregation and in the Oconomowoc community at times when they have special needs. People may help by providing food, donations of money, packing groceries and delivering them. The St. Paul's Oconomowoc Food Pantry – Lord's Cupboard is open for anyone in need of assistance with groceries on the first and third Mondays 5:30-6:30 pm. A free community meal that can be eaten and or taken home is served on the third Monday. Names are kept confidential.

## **LUNCHROOM VOLUNTEERS**

***Chris Hesse 262-567-5001***

Nutritious home cooked meals are prepared daily for our day school children. There are many opportunities to help including, serving food, cleaning dishes, helping children check-in, supervision as they eat, and more.

## **LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE (LWML)**

***Dorothy Duchow 262-593-2176***

The LWML is the official women's organization of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, dedicated to all aspects of mission service through a wide variety of opportunities. St. Paul's LWML meets the first Tuesday of each month (September through May) at 7:00 pm. All women who are communicant members of the LCMS and choose to support and participate in LWML are welcome!



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## **MEALS MINISTRY**

### ***Church Office 262-567-5001***

Meals are provided for a fellow Christian whose household is disrupted due to illness, surgery, birth, or death in the family. (If the timing is not good, just say so.) Meals would be provided on a short-term basis. You would be asked about the number of people in the family, dietary restrictions, time and place to deliver the meal.

## **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

### ***Glenn Leidel 262-567-5001***

This board makes sure the building is kept clean because it is God's house. We help to keep all the boards and organizations working toward one goal—Reaching, Serving and Growing Disciples—by maintaining the property and keeping it attractive.

## **PARENT-TEACHER ORGANIZATION (PTO)**

### ***Chris Hesse 262-567-5001***

The function of the PTO is to sponsor educational events, open house, and social events connected with the day school. The executive board approves all fund-raisers and monies are distributed to educate our day school children and address church needs. Anyone with a child in the day school may participate in PTO and serve on the board.

## **PLAYGROUND MONITOR**

### ***Chris Hesse 262-567-5001***

Adults (age 18 and up) are needed to help supervise recess time during the school day.

## **PRAYER WARRIORS**

### ***Heather Scheuer 262-567-5001***

This is a group of people who want to pray for the needs of others. One phone call will start your prayer on its way. Prayers are passed on throughout the day and evening hours. Anyone is welcome to join the Prayer Warriors.

## **QUILTING MINISTRY (LWML)**

### ***Pat Menden 262-646-3508***

Members of LWML sew 60" x 80" quilts out of leftover material, drapery samples or donated yard goods. Old sheets, thin blankets or old curtains are used for filler. These quilts are used in third world countries for use as partitions, to carry belongings, as well as coverings. They are sewn most of the year and shipped in October to Lutheran World Relief or the Orphan Grain Train through the Lutheran Laymen's League.

## **RADIO MINISTRY**

### ***Heather Scheuer 262-567-5001***

Each Sunday at 8:00 am, St. Paul's Worship is broadcast live over WTKM, 104.9 FM, as well as certain other special services. Anyone who is interested may serve as an announcer. We are also looking for sponsors. Consider a special Sunday in honor or memory of a loved one, anniversaries, birthday, etc.

## **ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

***Chris Hesse 262-567-5001***

The purpose of St. Paul's Lutheran School is to expand the mission and ministry of the congregation by preparing today's children to be today's disciples. We do this through an extensive curriculum that goes beyond the 3 R's by adding a 4th R, Religion, which is integrated into all of the classes taught. Computer classes, music and choir, physical education, art, and weekly chapel services are all part of the program. To help our parents meet the demands of today's busy lifestyle, we also offer a before-and-after-school care program.

## **SCRIPTURE READERS (LECTORS)**

***Heather Scheuer 262-567-5001***

Scripture readers (or Lectors) are the people who read Scripture Lessons at Worship. A good reading voice is the only requirement. Those who are confirmed and interested in being a Lector are welcome to participate.

## **STEPHEN MINISTRY**

***Bobbie Scheuer 262-354-0033***

Our congregation is a "Stephen Series" congregation. This is a ministry for members who have a special gift of caring for people in difficult situations. This includes the death of a spouse, an illness, loss of a job, among others. This is an opportunity to express continued concern and care for a troubled brother or sister.

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

See Bible Studies.

## **TEACHER'S AID**

***Chris Hesse 262-567-5001***

Adults helping in our day school classrooms. Duties are assigned by the individual teachers.

## **USHERS**

***Rick Zastrow 262-569-9623***

Ushers help the Board of Elders during services. Responsibilities include handing out bulletins, collecting the offerings, ushering people for Communion, and straightening up the sanctuary after service. All members, male or female, who are confirmed, are welcome to become ushers.

## **VOCAL SOLOISTS**

***Allison Mackie 262-567-5001***

Those interested in using their vocal abilities in worship are encouraged to do so. Our Music Director develops a schedule, by which these gifts are used in worship.

## **YEARBOOK**

***Chris Hesse 262-567-5001***

Editors, layout people, photographers, and proofreaders are needed to put the school yearbook together.

## **YOUTH GROUP**

***Church Office 262-567-5001***

Our ministry is to the young people of St. Paul's, involving them in the work of Christ, providing for their spiritual growth and nurture, and promoting genuine Christian fellowship. St. Paul's Youth Group is for teens from 5th grade through 12th grade. Their activities throughout the year include Bible study, fall service projects, delivering Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter food bags.