

# St. Paul Lutheran Church

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## Reformation Sunday

27 October 2024

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### Welcome! *The Son of God Has Set Us Free from Sin and Death by His Grace*

“Wisdom is justified by her deeds” (Matt. 11:19), and the true Wisdom of God, Christ Jesus, the incarnate Son, has justified us by His deeds. He prepares His way by the preaching of repentance, but He has suffered the violence of the Law and voluntarily handed Himself over to violent men, that we might eat and drink with Him in His Kingdom and “remain in the house forever” (John 8:35). He is “a friend of tax collectors and sinners” (Matt. 11:18–19), and He has rescued us by His grace from the slavery of sin and death. By the proclamation of His eternal Gospel “to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people” (Rev. 14:6), “the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law” (Rom. 3:21), “that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus” (Rom. 3:26). And by the hearing of that Gospel of Christ Jesus, “whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith” (Rom. 3:25), “you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free” (John 8:31–32). We invite you all to worship with us again and ask our visitors to please sign our Guest Book. Greeting you at the register this morning, Melodi Oltmann.

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### In Our Prayers:

Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

*PJ Albrecht (nephew of Willard Albrecht and Milton Albrecht)*

*Nicole Arldt-recovering*

*Chris Birnbaum-recovering*

*George Hernandez-surgery*

*Roselie Johnson-recovering (mother of Carie Oltmann)*

*Pastor Joshua Knippa, Holy Cross, Nederland-recovering*

*Billy Krause-continued testing*

*Paula Krause-recovering*

*Mike Maass-recovering*

*Charles Malke-recovering (brother of Carol Jean Noack and Douglas Malke)*

*Douglas Malke-hospitalized*

*Alicia Moerbe*

*Russell Richards-hospitalized*

*Zelda Richards-recovering*

*Lucille Schatte*

*John Boy Weiser-recovering*

*Irene Zoch-recovering (mother of Donnie Zoch)*

**Our members in nursing homes and our shut-ins.**

**Those fighting cancer including:**

*Randy Belz (uncle of Amanda Carter)*

*Teresita Brodrick (aunt of David Wittman)*

*Vernon Bryant (friend of Arthur & Dianna Noack)*

*Russell Cleghorn (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)*

*Brandon Cleland (brother of Sonya Schautschick)*

*Ginger Clifford (sister of Nancy Kasper)*

*Sherri Fritshce*

*Ian Hailes (great-nephew of Marian Wiederhold and Stephen Kasper)*

*Dana Herzog (niece of Becky Wiese)*

*Franklin Hoffman (father of Maxine Bradshaw)*

*Devin Jackson (brother-in-law of Chris and Michelle Birnbaum)*

*Judy Kalbas*

*Brenda Karisch (friend of Bonnie Wenke family)*

*Steven Kelly (cousin of Jessica Gruetzner, brother-in-law of Christi Bradford)*

*Bethany Lara (daughter of Kathy Gersch)*

*Heather Lilly (granddaughter of Irene Noack)*

*Vic Lohberg*

*Ruby Maass (mother of Linda Schonhoeft)*

*Cannon Martin (nephew of Christopher Taylor)*

*Gladys Mathena (sister of Frances Miertschin and Marilyn Miertschin)*

*Rhonda Mitschke (friend of Christi Fritsche)*

*Keith Muessel (brother of Chris Miertschin)*

*Walter Rehle (friend of the Arldt's from Germany)*

*Carol Sander*

*Diane Sanders (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)*

*Karen Symm (sister of Michael Symm)*

*Jordan Weidemann (friend of Byron Kalbas)*

*Judy Westbrook (mother of Heather Krause)*

**Those serving in the Armed Forces including:**

*Steven Cutlip (brother of Stephanie Symm), Fort Bliss, El Paso*

*Coy Hunt (son of Shannon & Christine Hunt) Ft. Drum, New York*

*Jacob Knapp (cousin of Mark Gruetzner, son of Nathan & Heather Wenke) Ft. Stewart, Georgia*

*Randall Weise (grandson of Bernice Doebbler) Ft.*

*Huachuca, Arizona*

*Dylan Robbins (cousin of Michelle Birnbaum) Jacksonville, NC*

*Aron Marak (nephew of Mike and Susie Maass) Fr. Bragg, North Carolina*

*Kyler Brown (friend of Dorthy Schautschick) U.S. Navy-*

**Those who mourn:**

*The family of Junell Schulz*

*The family of Albert Matthijetz (grandfather of Bruce & Sara Prellop)*

**Those affected by hurricane Helene and Milton**  
**Seasonal Weather**

**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: 506, 656, 781 v. 1&2, 555. 566

Sermon Text: Psalm 46

The Sermon: **“Our Refuge and Strength, a Very Present Help in Trouble”**

K-4<sup>th</sup> Grade Anthem: *“I Am Jesus Little Lamb”*

- † **The Altar Stand flowers** are placed to the glory of God in celebration of our wedding by Bradley and Trisha Albrecht.
- † **We express our sympathy** to the family of Junell Schulz. She fell asleep in Jesus, Tuesday, October 22, 2024. Funeral services for Mrs. Schulz will be held here at St. Paul Lutheran Church this afternoon, Sunday, October 24, at 2:00 p.m. May the Lord comfort the family with His word of promise.
- † **Disaster Relief.** Donations for disaster relief totaled \$1,985.00. With that we purchased 39-\$50.00 visa cards and 1-\$25.00 visa card.
- † **Mission Goal.** In the Voters Meeting held on October 8, 2023 the Voters set our 2024 Mission goal at \$37,500.00. To date our Mission contributions are at \$22,955.00. We are **\$14,545.00** away from meeting our 2024 goal
- † **September Financial Statements** are available from the ushers this morning.
- † **November Calendar.** The November Calendar is available from the ushers and in the church office.
- † **Trunk or Treat – Thursday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> from 5:00-7:00 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 Nominating Committee** will meet Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. The nominating committee is composed of those elected officers and board members whose terms of service are coming to an end. Any voter who is unable to accept a nomination for health or other compelling reasons, please contact Chairman Rusty Mertink, Pastor Schmidt or another member of the nominating committee. If you would like to serve in a position, are over 65 and still willing to stand for nomination, or would like to recommend someone for an office, please also contact Chairman Jones or Pastor by Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.
- † **Veterans Day.** If you served in the military or, have a loved one who served in the military, would you please email Kelsey Schatte at [kschatte@stpaulserbinschool.org](mailto:kschatte@stpaulserbinschool.org). a picture, with name, branch of service and rank of the person who served by November 4<sup>th</sup>. If you are unable to email the picture, bring it by the church office and we will scan and email it. Thank you!
- † **All Saints Observance:** As a part of our worship Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> we will remember those who have entered into their heavenly rest over the course of the past year by reading their names during our worship service. Those who died as members of our congregation will automatically be included. If you have a departed family member or loved one who died in the faith this past year that you would also like remembered, please notify the church office by Wednesday, October 30<sup>th</sup> *“Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.”* (Rev. 14:13)
- † **Countdown to National Wreaths across America Day** on December 14<sup>th</sup>. We have identified **100** veteran’s graves on our cemetery. Cost of a wreath is \$17.00. As of today, we have sponsored wreaths for **67** veteran’s graves. 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.

**LUTHERAN HOUR:** Next Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, **“Working the System”**. Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God’s Law—a system” that keeps the world from flying apart while it also shows us we need the Savior Who came to live, suffer, and rise for us. (Genesis 33:8). 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](http://lhm.org) for a link to listen to the Lutheran Hour live.

**Life Through the Church Year:**

**October 27 – Pentecost XXIII**

Bartimaeus’ neighbors found his disability inconvenient and even burdensome. But Jesus drew near to affirm, support, and even restore his humanity and sanctity. All humankind suffers sin’s brokenness, but the Lord our God does not allow this to disqualify anyone. We get to receive every life as special, precious, and priceless, no matter what age, appearance, or ability.

**Serving today:** Elders– Monroe Schatte and Dwayne Schulze  
**Organist-** Susan Michael  
**Acolytes-** Addyson Early and Dylan Arldt  
**Head Ushers-** Donald Becker  
**Captain-** Michael Becker **Assistant-** Glen Albrecht  
**Ushers-** Wyatt Arldt, Gabriel Bailey, Virgil Becker,  
Jace Heuermann, Clay Mertink, Cody Mertink,  
Cole Mertink, Benjamin Schonhoeft, Robert Zoch  
**Counting and Posting offering this week:**  
**Chairman-** Glen Albrecht  
Ty Kasper, Tommy Miertschin, Payton Oltmnn  
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**THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK**

Today **Worship Service – 8:30 a.m.**  
**Reformation Sunday**  
Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School Teacher’s Meeting – 10:15 a.m.  
LYF Meeting & Social – 4:00 p.m.  
SLCVFD BBQ Chicken

Monday Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.

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Wednesday School Chapel – 8:30 a.m.  
Youth Confirmation – 6:00 p.m.  
Adult Choir – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday Staff Bible Study – 7:30 a.m.  
Luther Fest Activities – 8:30 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.  
“Trunk or Treat” Fellowship Event – 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Friday **All Saints Day**  
Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.

Next Sunday Daylight Savings-set clocks back 1 hour – 2:00 a.m.  
**Worship Service w/Communion – 8:30 a.m.**  
**All Saints Sunday**  
Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.  
Acolytes: Jasmine Bailey and Nathen Barnett  
Greeter: Dorothy Schautschick  
Adult Confirmationb – 10:15 a.m.

**Birthdays:** 28<sup>th</sup> – Jim Bob Bigon, Lori Henderson, Susanne Maass, Tyler Roeber; 29<sup>th</sup> – Mary Ann Becker, Daniel Selvey; 30<sup>th</sup> – Adam Richards, Joselyn Sanchez, Sandra Schimank, Angie Stanfield; 31<sup>st</sup> – Jeremy Davis, Leah Menzel, Jennifer Wenke; 1st – Shelby Barnett. God’s Blessings to you.

## ST. PAUL NOTES:

**Attendance Last Week:** Morning Worship- 266, Communion- 109, Bible Class- 28;  
Sunday School- 40, Offering- \$22.00.

**Offering Last Week:** 30,215.01

<b>Home:</b>		<b>Mission:</b>	
General	\$14,716.61	Mission	\$845.00
Sunday School	\$22.00	<b>Mission Total</b>	<b>\$845.00</b>
Lunch Room	\$1,538.50	<b>Savings/Other:</b>	
ECC Operating	\$5,841.90	<b>Savings/Other Total</b>	
Tuition	\$7,251.00		
<b>Received 10/20/2024</b>	<b>\$29,370.01</b>	Total	\$30,215.01
<b>Est. needed per week</b>	<b>\$29,635.00</b>		
<b>Received MTD</b>	<b>\$91,474.12</b>		
<b>Est. needed per month</b>	<b>\$128,417.00</b>		

**MEMORIALS: General:** in memory of Cindy Unphries by James & Kathy Kalbas -\$100.00. In memory of David Michael by Evelyn Buchhorn - \$50.00. In memory of Edna Noack by Gene & Cathy Noack & family and Vic & Kathy Lohberg & family - \$100.00



### 7th and 8th Grade Visit Day

Our annual Visit Day events are coming up soon!

7th grade students will be joining us on the afternoon of Wednesday, October 30th.

8th grade students will be joining us on the afternoon of Wednesday, November 6th.

This annual visit event is a great opportunity for future students to see what FLHS is all about and what high school might look like. If you have a 7th or 8th grader, and would like to bring them for visit day, please contact Mrs. Nikki Kueck at (979) 242-2889.

### 7th and 8th Grade Game Night

FLHS will be hosting a game night for 7th and 8th grade students on Friday, November 8th from 6:00 pm until 9:00 pm at Faith Lutheran High School. We will have lots of food, fun, and fellowship!

### Cross Country Meet

Faith Lutheran High School is hosting the 6th Annual Private Schools of Central Texas Cross Country Meet on Friday, November 1st for students in K to 8th Grade with the first race at 1:30 pm. We are excited to host this fun event on our campus!

### Thanksgiving Chapel and Feast

Join us Thursday, November 21th, beginning at 10:30 am for our 8th Annual Thanksgiving Celebration. Rev. Thomas Obersat will be leading us in worship. Stay and fellowship with us during our pot-luck Thanksgiving feast lunch, immediately following chapel.

### Pie Sale

FLHS will have a Pie Sale along with the Holy Cross Couple's Club fried chicken dinner, with pickup on Sunday, November 24th. All pies are a generous 9-inch size and deep-dish. PreOrders only. Pecan pies are \$30 each and Pumpkin pies are \$25 each. Place your order by calling FLHS, Ann Bamsch or the Holy Cross church office. Deadline to order is Monday, November 18th.

### Shadow Days

Shadow days are a great opportunity for prospective students to follow us for a day and experience what FLHS is all about. Parents, call us at (979) 242-2889 today to set up a shadow day for your child.

### Follow Us On Facebook!

With a new school year underway, you may want to see the exciting things happening inside here on a daily basis! By "liking" our Facebook page and "sharing" our posts, you will be in the loop on all the great things happening and you can share them with your friends!