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All Saints Sunday

3 November 2024

Welcome! Saints Are Blessed in the Eternal Presence of Christ. “A great multitude ... from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages,” cry out, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne” (Rev. 7:9–17). Faith-filled saints from every place and time, with unified voices, eternally magnify the Lamb of God. As His beloved children, we, too, “shall see him as he is” (1 John 3:1–3). Joined with the throng of angels and myriad saints, we shall “serve him day and night in his temple” (Rev. 7:9–17). In our earthly tension vacillating between saint and sinner, faith and doubt, sacred and profane, we earnestly seek Jesus to calm our fears, comfort our spirits and forgive our sins. The Holy Spirit through faith in Christ propels us forward, fortifying us in Word and Sacrament, to our eternal home. In the midst of our constant struggle as believers, we need to be blessed. And so we are. The poor in spirit, the meek, the hungry, the thirsty, the merciful, the pure and the persecuted are all blessed, and we will most certainly inherit the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 5:1–12).

We invite you all to worship with us again.

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-hospitalized

Roselie Johnson-recovering (mother of Carie Oltmann)

Nancy Kasper-recovering

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-recovering

Zelda Richards-recovering

Lucille Schatte

Koralyn Schautschick-surgery

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 Dorothy Schautschick) U.S. Navy-

**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: 670, 700, 781 v. 1&2, 748, 461, 712, 411

Sermon Text: 1 John 3:1-3

The Sermon: **“How Is Your Health?”**

- ✠ **The Altar Stand flowers** are placed to the glory of God in memory of Johnnie Noack by Wilbert & Carol Jean Noack and Arthur & Dianna Noack.
- ✠ **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 \$30,529.00 which includes \$4,789.00 Mission Festival offering that was inadvertently left out last week. We are **\$6,971.00** away from meeting our 2024 goal
- ✠ **Trustees Meeting.** The Trustees will meet tomorrow November 4th at 7:00 p.m. All trustees may pick up their packets in the church office today to review prior to the meeting.
- ✠ **The Nominating Committee** will meet Tuesday, November 12th 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 Mertink or Pastor by Sunday, November 10th.
Committee members may pick up their packet this morning in the church, or in the church office during the week.
- ✠ **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. a picture, with name, branch of service and rank of the person who served by November 4th. If you are unable to email the picture, bring it by the church office and we will scan and email it. Thank you!
- ✠ **Countdown to National Wreaths across America Day** on December 14th. 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 **80** 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. **The last day to purchase wreaths for credit to 2024 Wreaths Across America day on December 14th is November 30. Any wreaths purchased after that date will be credited to 2025.**
- ✠ **The Holy Cross Couple’s Club** will host their Fried Chicken Dinner on Sunday, November 24th, at the Holy Cross picnic grounds in Warda. Drive-thru only from 10:30-12:00. All plates are \$15 ea. and include fried chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy and green beans. Tickets are available in the Holy Cross church office or call Robert Hinze (979-540-6911) or Joyce Hinze (979-540-0355). Advance purchase only by Monday, November 18th.

LUTHERAN HOUR: Next Sunday, November 10th, **“My Name Is Now Yours”**. Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Daniel Paavola. God comes to renew us with His forgiving love, rename us in Baptism, and remain with us through His word. (Genesis 35:10-11). 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.

Life Through the Church Year:

November 3 – Pentecost XXIV

Almighty God has given us solemn privilege and responsibility to instruct children about their Heavenly Father (Deuteronomy 6:7). This absolutely includes recognizing Him alone as Lord over life-and-death decisions as well as receiving every neighbor as a blessing (Mark 12:29-31). They need to know the power and presence and compassion of Christ Jesus is sufficient (Hebrews 9:14), even in surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis.

Serving today: **Elders**– Douglas Hartfield and Michael Krause
Organist- Susan Michael
Acolytes- Jasmine Bailey and Nathen Barnett
Head Ushers- Donald Becker
Captain- Craig Oltmann **Assistant**- Payton Oltmann
Ushers- Bradley Albrecht, Thomas Birnbaum, Seth Kalbas,
Chase Oltmann, Gary Oltmann, Grant Oltmann,
Nathan Michael, Austin Schmidt
Counting and Posting offering this week:
Chairman- Rex Perry
Troy Wiederhold, John Hinze, Philip Tharp

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Today **Worship Service w/Communion– 8:30 a.m.**
All Saints Sunday
Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.
Adult Confirmation – 10:15 a.m.

Monday Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
Board of Trustee’s Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday **Election Day**
Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
LWML Quilting – 9:00 a.m.
Board of Christian Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

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

Thursday Staff Bible Study

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: Everett Corn and Trenton Grange
Greeter: Lisa Schmidt
LYF Meeting & Social – 2:00 p.m.

Birthdays: 5th – Jeffrey Claxton, Diane Habel; 6th – Dylan Glass, Dakota Reagan; 7th – Maxine Bradshaw, Courtland Tharp; 8th – Nathen Barnett, Janice Becker, Jennifer Dittmar, Allison Symons; 9th – Ashley Becker, Curtis Krause, Sydney Shaver. God’s Blessings to you.

ST. PAUL NOTES:

Attendance Last Week: Morning Worship- 272, Bible Class- 17;
Sunday School- 40, Visitors- 2, Banner Classes: Kindergarten, Grade 5, Offering- \$32.50.

Offering Last Week: \$18,946.51

Home:		Mission:	
General	\$14,878.76	Mission	\$1,475.00
Sunday School	\$132.50	Lutheran Hour	\$30.00
Lunch Room	\$348.00	Mission Total	\$1,505.00
ECC Operating	\$852.25	Savings/Other:	
Tuition	\$170.00	School Fund	\$500.00
Received 10/27/2024	\$16,381.51	Organ Restoration	\$100.00
		Building Fund	\$160.00
Est. needed per week	\$29,635.00	Tuition Assistance Fund	\$100.00
Received MTD	\$107,855.63	Scholarship	\$100.00
Est. needed per month	\$128,417.00	Endowment Fund	\$100.00
		Savings/Other Total	\$1,060.00
		Total	\$18,946.51

MEMORIALS: General: In memory of Gustav Bamsch, Lydia Bamsch, Paul Bamsch, Keith Bamsch, Bernell Bamsch Arldt, Michael Matthijetz, Charles Bamsch, Marvin Bamsch, Sharon Bamsch and Leban Bamsch by the Gus & Lydia Bamsch Family Reunion - \$250.00. In memory of Junell Schulz and Kimberly Hembry by Michael & Teresa Krause - \$50.00. In memory of Junell Schulz by Carl H. Mertink, Jr. - \$25.00; by Doris Fritsche - \$20.00; by Lynette Wiederhold - \$30.00; by Janet Oltmann - \$25.00. **Lutheran Hour:** In memory of Albert Matthijetz by M/M Mark Arldt & Boys - \$30.00. **Building:** In memory of Larry Edwards by Tommy & Linda Wilkins - \$30.00; by Robert & Brenda Muniz - \$30.00. **Texas Wendish Heritage Society** – In memory of Junell Schulz by Milton & Geraldine Albrecht - \$25.00.



Basketball Game

The first game of the season is on Monday, November 4, at 6:30 pm against Austin Classical School. This will be a HOME game, played at Immanuel Lutheran School's gym in Giddings. Come cheer on the Falcons to victory!!

8th Grade Visit Day

Our annual Visit Day events are here!

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!

5th and 6th Grade Game Night

FLHS will be hosting a game night for 5th and 6th grade students on Friday, November 15th from 6:00 pm until 9:00 pm at Faith Lutheran High School. We will have lots of food, fun, and fellowship!

Thanksgiving Chapel and Feast

Join us Thursday, November 21st, 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.

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