

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Serbin, Texas



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The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome! Our Father in Heaven Protects His Children by Giving His Holy Angels Charge Over Them. We live in “a time of trouble” (Dan. 12:1), in the midst of great tribulation. Satan and his wicked angels have been thrown out of heaven and have come down to earth “in great wrath,” with woeful “temptations to sin” and with constant accusations (Rev. 12:8–12; Matt. 18:7). Even so, we are encouraged by the presence and protection of St. Michael and the holy angels, whom God sends to help us in the strife (Dan. 10:11–13). By “the authority of his Christ,” His holy angels guard and keep us in body and soul. These heavenly servants of God preserve His human messengers on earth, the ministers of “the blood of the Lamb,” against all the power of the enemy, for by “the word of their testimony,” the Church is saved and the devil is defeated (Rev. 12:10–11; Luke 10:18–19). By their preaching and Baptism of repentance, the old Adam and the old evil foe are “drowned in the depth of the sea” (Matt. 18:6). As God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, so are His people delivered and raised from the dust of the earth through the forgiveness of their sins (Dan. 12:1–3).

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-recovering

Beverly Johnson

Roselie Johnson-recovering (mother of Carie Oltmann)

Pastor Joshua Knippa, Holy Cross, Nederland, recovering from liver transplant surgery

Paula Krause-recovering

Mike Maass-recovering

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

Braycen Mersiovsky (son of Rodney and Gina Mersiovsky)

Sylvin Mersiovsky (father of Stephen Merisovsky)

Bobby Oltmann-recovering

Ethan Ray-recovering

Zelda Richards-recovering

Bradly Schautschick-recovering

Cindy Umphries-recovering (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)

John Boy Weiser-surgery

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)

Stephen 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)

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-Bahrain

Those who rejoice: *Marvin & Charlyn Matthijetz on their 60th wedding anniversary*

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– Worship Insert

Children’s Anthem: ♪ “*Lord Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*”

- † **The Altar flowers** are placed to the glory of God in honor Marvin & Charlyn Matthijetz 60th wedding anniversary by their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren
- † **Thank You.** Our family has been blessed in numerous ways with our brothers and sisters in Christ at St. Paul Serbin. We thank you all for the prayers, kind words in your cards, texts, phone calls the visits, and food prepared. Special thanks to Pastor Schmidt for the wonderful message, Jack Wiederhold for the beautiful music and all the ladies that prepared and served the meal. *Thank You, the David Michael family.*
- † **August Financial Statements** are available from the ushers this morning.
- † **October Calendar.** The October Calendar is available from the ushers this morning.
- † **St. James Roast Beef Dinner:** You are invited to the LWML Roast Beef Dinner on Sunday, October 13, at St. James Lutheran Church in Lexington. Serving begins at 11:00, drive thru only, and plates are \$15 each. Plates include roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, homemade noodles, green beans, and dessert. This is our annual fundraiser for the LWML, and all proceeds go directly to missions. Please come and support our mission projects while enjoying some great food!
- † **South Lee County Volunteer Fire Department** is preparing Barbecue Chicken on Sunday, October 27th at the Serbin picnic grounds from 10:00 a.m. – 12 noon. The barbecue is to go only. Order forms are included in the bulletin this morning. If you wish to order please fill out this form and return it to the ushers, the church office or contact Paul Somerfield at 713-922-7501 or St. Paul Lutheran church office at 979-366-9650 by Monday, October 21st.
- † **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 **20** 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, October 6th, “**Fit to Be Tied**”. Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev, Dr. Michael Zeigler. A strong knot in the right pace holds everything together. God made Jesus to be the “Master Point” to bind all people to Himself through faith. (Genesis 30:8). 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 for a link to listen to the Lutheran Hour live.

Life Through the Church Year: September 29 – Pentecost XIX

The God of Gospel leaves no one alone. So the Christian fellowship does not ignore or avoid its members in distress. We fetch cups of cold water for each other (Mare 9:14). We absolve and intercede for one another (James 5:14-16). We assist in preserving surprise pregnancies instead of abandoning them to abortion. And we serve in terminal diagnoses instead of dismissing them to assisted suicide.

Serving today: **Elders**– Daviv Fritsche and Gary Oltmann
Organist- Jack Wiederhold
Acolytes- Cole Kalbas and Emmalynn Knott
Head Ushers- Donald Becker
Captain- Troy Menzel **Assistant**- Mark Jones
Ushers- John Hinze, Scott Jones, Russell Kappler,
Brooks Kasper, Kaden Kasper, Kyle Kasper,
Ty Kasper, Caleb Oltmann, Curtis Oltmann,
Clyde Schimank, Troy Wiederhold
Counting and Posting offering this week:
Chairman- Glen Albrecht
Ty Kasper, Tommy Miertschin, Payton Oltmann

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Today **Worship Service – 8:30 a.m.**
 Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.

Monday Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
 JV Volleyball vs. First Baptist @ Serbin – 4:00 p.m.
 JV Football vs. First Baptist @ Serbin – 5:00 p.m.
 V Football vs. Grace Lutheran @ Serbin – 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
 Board of Christian Education – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday School Chapel – 8:30 a.m.
 LWML Quilting – 9:00 a.m.
 Youth Confirmation – 6:00 p.m.
 Adult Choir – 7:00 p.m.

Thurs.-Fri Outdoor Education -5th & 6th grade

Thursday Staff Bible Study– 7:30 a.m.

Friday Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.

Saturday JV & V Volleyball Tournament @ Salem

Next Sunday **Worship Service w/Communion – 8:30 a.m.**
LWML Sunday
 Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.
 Acolytes: Kalisa Oltmann and Kylie Schmidt
 Greeter: Dianna Noack

Birthdays: Today – Camary Bradford; 1st – Troy Bise, Leonard Mitschke; 2nd – Sandra Kalbas, Gilbert Krause; 3rd – Gary Oltmann; 5th – Jozlyn Perry. God’s Blessings to you.

ST. PAUL NOTES:

Attendance Last Week: Morning English Worship- 278, Morning German Worship- 126, Sunday School- 26, Banner Classes: Grade 5, Offering- \$20.00.

Offering Last Week: \$20,516.86

Home:		Mission:	
General	\$7,576.50	Mission	\$323.00
Sunday School	\$20.00	Mission Total	\$323.00
Lunch Room	\$585.00	Savings/Other:	
ECC Operating	\$6,526.36		
Tuition	\$5,486.00	Total	\$26,516.86
Received 9/22/2024	\$20,193.86		
Est. needed per week	\$29,635.00		
Received MTD	\$136,831.18		
Est. needed per month	\$128,417.00		

MEMORIALS: General: In memory of David Michael by Marvin & Charlyn Matthijetz - \$40.00; by Floyd Kasper - \$25.00; by Christ Lutheran Church - \$100.00; by Theresa Siegler Muniz and Ollie Siegler - \$50.00; by Kevin & Kim Hinze & family - \$35.00; by Matt & Kelly Neal - \$25.00; by Lil Robertson - \$25.00. **ECC Operating:** In memory of Barbara Crocker by Arthur & Dianna Noack - \$50.00. **Faith Lutheran High School:** In memory of our Grandparents by M/M Delvin Boriack - \$50.00.



Oktoberfest Meal Tickets

Tickets for our annual Oktoberfest meal are now available! Meal includes brats, noodles, green beans, potato salad, kraut, bread and coffee cake. Drive through only meals will be available on Saturday, October 26 from 10:30 am to noon with pickup at the Holy Cross Picnic Grounds. Tickets are \$15 each and available for pre-sale only! Talk to a FLHS student, staff, board, or delegate today!!

Oktoberfest

FLHS will be hosting a family friendly event on Saturday, October 26th at the Holy Cross Picnic grounds.

Events for the day include:

- **German meal** of brats, kraut, green beans, noodles, bread and coffee cake for dessert will be served Drive Through ONLY from 10:30 to noon. Tickets are available now for \$15/plate and available by pre-sale only.
- **42-Domino Tournament** will begin at 2:00 pm - Registration begins at 1:30 pm
- **Cornhole Tournament** will begin at 2:30 pm - Registration begins at 1:30 pm
- **Battle of the Brew and Battle of the Vine Contest** judging will begin at 3:00 pm. Submissions need to be received by 2:30 pm. See our Facebook page for more information regarding this contest. Sampling of the brews/wines begin at 4:00 pm to vote for the people's choice award.
- **Children's games and activities** will begin at 4:00 pm and include activities such as a bounce house, temporary tattoos, photo backdrop, hayride, kids games and more!
- **Costume contest** judging will begin at 5:00 pm.
- **Live Auction** will begin at 5:30 pm.
- **Concession stand** will also be available for purchase all afternoon and evening with items like chopped bbq on a bun, loaded pulled pork nachos, hot dogs, warm pretzels with beer cheese, as well as other snacks and desserts.

Please visit our website for more information! (www.flhstx.org)

Free Wednesday mornings?

Join us for our weekly Chapel Worship Service every Wednesday, beginning at 10:30 am.

Share the Gift of Love

Faith Lutheran High School has a unique role in combining knowledge and God's love in a student's high school experience. We are partnering with families at the intersection of education and faith development. If you would like to support our ministry through a one-time or enduring gift, Thrivent Action Grant, or volunteer your time and talents, please contact Nikki Kueck to learn more.

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!