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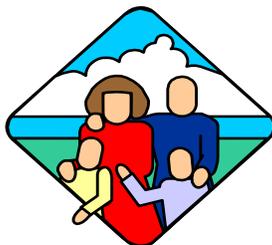
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Bits & Pieces



Dear Friends,

You will receive this about the same time that the church initiates a new church year. Christ the King Sunday will have recently been observed and we start the Christmas cycle with the First Sunday in Advent on November 28th. With Advent we also enter a new cycle of readings. In the 1970's Lutherans moved from a single, annual set of readings to a 3 year cycle.

We now use, over a three year period, a set of readings labeled Cycle A, Cycle B and (wait for it) Cycle C. In each of these cycles the first lesson may come from nearly anywhere in the Old Testament (occasionally from the book of Acts) and the second lesson will be found in one of the epistles (letters) of the New Testament. The Gospel for each of these years will, on the other hand, be more focused. In Cycle A we will hear a lesson that comes predominantly from Matthew, in Cycle B we are most likely to hear a Gospel lesson from Mark and in the third Cycle, C, we will read something from Luke. This coming Advent season takes us back to Cycle A, so we will hear the Gospel read from Matthew. But these lessons will not be in sequential order.

Our first Advent Gospel lesson is written in the last part of the 24th chapter of Matthew. The beginning of that chapter echoes the lesson we heard on November 14th from the Gospel of Luke, when Jesus tells the disciples not to follow the call of false messiahs in response to claims that the end is coming. The first Advent Gospel lesson drives home the point by declaring while no one knows the day or the hour, not even the Son, that signs will be given.

On the Second Sunday in Advent, December 5th, we discover the nature of the sign as we listen to Matthew 3. John the Baptist, identified with Elijah as the forerunner of the Messiah, declares that not he, but Jesus, is the true Messiah. As we continue to follow the story we discover the simple declaration of the identity of the Messiah is not enough. All kinds of surprises remain for both those within the story and for us.

In Matthew 11, the reading for the Third Sunday in Advent, we hear how John the Baptist is surprised. Imprisoned by Herod, John hopes Jesus has not forgotten the promises made in the Old Testament; specifically, prisoners will find release with the coming of the Messiah.

Jesus' response must give not only John, but also John's disciples, pause. We, with them, are confronted with the disappointment that comes with shattered expectations.

The last surprise given to us, although familiarity has probably jaded us to it by now, comes on the Fourth Sunday of Advent, when from Matthew 1 we hear that while engaged to Joseph, Mary has become pregnant, but not by Joseph. We now take that part of the story for granted; Joseph did not. Only the intervention of an angel with a message from God kept Joseph from abandoning Mary and the Child. Filled with threats and surprises, as the story of God's gift of the Messiah is, we should not be too surprised that God continues to surprise us today.

As you can see, the lessons of Advent encompass much of the Gospel of Matthew at the very beginning of the cycle of readings. But they have been anything but sequential. I believe the Gospel of Jesus comes to us, today, in much the same way. We need time, experience and reflection to recognize and understand how the Lord comes to us. That living presence will not, indeed, cannot be delayed. We, however, can fail to recognize it. We too experience the surprise of the Messiah's arrival. But come he has; and come he will.

Peace,



MERRY CHRISTMAS
 and
HAPPY NEW YEAR

From your St. Paul's Staff



If you are aware of someone in a hospital, nursing home, convalescing at home, or needing special prayers, please keep us informed by calling the church office.

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS FOR: Jennifer, Betty, Shirley, Walter, Ella, Helene, Nicholous, Debbie, Devry, Rose, Michelle, Becka, Megan, Tyler, Virginia, Janelle, Brian & Ann, Paula & Carris, Herb, Frances, Ramona, Willa, Ernst, Ella, Karen, Katie, Dan, Charlotte, Mildred, Mickey, Sarah, Madaline, the families of Anna Revell, Paul Juntunen, and for all those we name in our hearts.



The **DECEMBER/JANUARY** edition of our newsletter was prepared for mailing by Nita Menveg, Mary Neumann, Peggy Truttman, Evelyn Luterick, Ellie Week, and Cheryl Kinder ...

.. and our weekly bulletins were folded by Peggy Truttman...
... and our weekly CD mailings were processed by Nita Menveg ...

THANK YOU ALL!

CD / OUTREACH



For details on our audio CD program or to add someone to our weekly mailing list, please call the church office.



**ALTAR PRAYER LIST??
OR
TELEPHONE PRAYER CHAIN??**

All names placed on our Sunday morning **ALTAR PRAYER LIST** remain for a total of 4-weeks at which time we ask that you please call to renew your request(s).

ALL prayer requests will be taken by our Office Manager, Nellie Revelle, by calling 882-3020. You may leave a confidential voice mail message if you wish.

Please indicate whether your prayer request is for the **ALTAR PRAYER LIST**, the **TELEPHONE PRAYER CHAIN** or **BOTH!!! ... Thanks!**



LADIES' BOOK CLUB

Please mark your calendar and join us!

12/13 - (6:00 PM) - Christmas potluck dinner and book exchange
Meeting at the home of Sharon Melsheimer



Thank you to all who sent cards, visited me and included me in your prayers while I was in the hospital with blood clots in my lungs. I am at home now and am progressing steadily toward good health again. A special thank you to Pastor Stan for his very welcome visits.

--Most appreciatively, Sarah Jevne



... reminder ...

There will be NO Sunday School

on 12/26/10 or 1/2/11



**The
Christmas
tree reminds
us of the Christ;
its top pointing to
Heaven; its lights denoting
the Light of the World, and all
the presents beneath it reminding us
that every good gift comes from above.
Thanks
Be to
God!**

-St. Luke's United Church of Christ [Lititz, PA]



LEE GROUP

*Life Enrichment for Everyone
(aka: Lutheran Eager Eaters)*

LEE GROUP ... Our Christmas potluck luncheon will be Thursday December 2nd @ 11:30 am. Our gracious hosts will be Art & Diane Simpson and Arvessa Atwell. I hope to see all of you there to enjoy fellowship, great food and be prepared to sing a few Christmas Carols.

**Your LEE Group officers would like to extend
Best Wishes for a
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
May the Lord bless you, your family and homes this
holiday season and always**

Submitted by Linda Wilson, President



WORSHIP WITH US

**Sunday Worship Services:
8:00 AM and 10:30 AM**

Holy Communion is celebrated:
at 8:00 AM on the 2nd & 4th Sunday
at 10:30 AM on the 1st and 3rd Sunday
at both services on the 5th & festival Sundays

Healing and special services are noted
in the church calendar

Sunday School for ALL ages 9:00-10:20 AM
(September through May)



Pray for our St. Paul's family members who actively serve in the armed forces:

Mark Bordwine—David Biggers
Heather (Johnson) Brown - Ramsey Brown
Robert Brown - Jeremy & Valerie Bruffett
Manny Ceja - Al Dennis - Itai Elmalem - Peter Elverum
Rick Gonia - Tim Gridley - Nick Kauphman
Brandon Luterick - Deanna McFadden - Ike Moellendorf
Kim Neiman - Sam Osterholt - Benjamin Pesis - Jono Pesis
Andrew Seebak - Chris Steyn - Cody Watson
Samuel Weirton - Jamie Whitson - Matthew Young - Reed

**as well as those family members who serve
as Firefighters and Peace Officers:**

Perry Carlson - Mark Dickens - Shawn Goetz - John Gould -
Brian Hillenbrand - Tina Sherman - Andy Steyn

NOTE: We are updating our current military prayer list ... please contact the church office to verify that your service man/woman is still active. Also, if there are names missing, please let us know . Thank you!

Family and Community Outreach



ADVENT Potluck Soup Suppers and Communion Services

Thursday Evenings, December 2, 9, and 16

Our annual Advent Potluck Soup Suppers and Communion Worship Services will be held Thursday evenings, December 2, 9, and 16. Supper begins at 6:00 p.m. in Friendship Hall with a communion service in the sanctuary at 7:00 p.m.

Please note: the suppers are true potlucks, consisting of whatever folks bring to share. Soups, breads and crackers, salads, and desserts...all are welcome! Beverages will be provided by the Family and Community Outreach team, sponsors of the suppers. Please join us in this opportunity to rest and be thankful in the midst of the holiday zani-ness.

A word of gratitude...

Many thanks to all the usual suspects who volunteer as the Family and Community Outreach *ad hoc* team and to all those who participate in these events. Your gifts of time and energy and creativity (and great food!) are indeed blessings as we gather in community.



Women of the ELCA

WHAT'S NEW WITH WELCA?

We've had a quiet couple of months but will be having a fun event in December ... our annual Cookie Exchange and White Elephant Gift Exchange combined with a short business meeting. This will be held on Saturday, December 11, 2010 with the time to be announced. How does a Cookie Exchange work? Everyone who comes, brings in a plate of their favorite Christmas cookies. During the event we have the opportunity to sample each other's cookies and help ourselves to some for take-home. This is a fun and delicious event that everyone enjoys. We also ask that if you wish to enter the White Elephant Gift Exchange you bring in a wrapped gift, \$10 max value, and wait for the fun to start. Please mark your calendars and look for bulletin announcements.

In January, we will have our annual Bible Study and Brunch on Saturday, January 8, 2011. The Bible Study will be with Rev. Ruth Hanusa, which is always a fun and lively event each year. The Brunch will start at 9 am, a short meeting will follow, and then we will begin the Bible Study. Please join us for some New Year fun and fellowship!

**A Happy and Peaceful Holiday season to
all from your WELCA board**
Renee Woslum, Cheryl Kinder
and Charlotte LaCombe

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Celebrations For: DECEMBER

2 Marie Boone
3 Madaline Yoho
4 Gloria Marsh
7 Audrey Azadi
7 Susan Payette
8 Jean Russell
10 Cody Lopez
11 Emmanuel Alvarez
12 Bill Anderson
13 Linda Sivertsen
15 Katherine Doll
16 Mandy Chambers
16 Jan Enders
18 Bill Slabaugh
18 Steve Williams
19 Joan Schultz
20 Janet Basgall
20 Nita Menveg
21 Rick Adams
21 Bob Chambers
21 Carl Ewing
23 Karrie Alexander
23 Aubrey Alotta
24 Meghann Adams
24 Rosette Moltz
26 Alice Bloyd
26 Stevie Overlock
27 Grace Lofaro
27 Clark Russell
30 Christopher Moltz

Celebrations For: JANUARY

1 Miriam Slabaugh
3 Rhead Kinder
3 Jessica Lunz
3 Jim Martineau
3 James Opperman
3 Wanda Speidel
4 Russell Bowton
4 Skip Cannady
4 Judy Lowther
5 Ted Melsheimer
5 Traci Trenoweth
7 Peter Elverum
7 Julie Thoreson
8 Ramona Whitson
9 Carole Barker
9 Liisa Hillenbrand
9 Blake Menzel
9 Scott Thunder
10 Hope Chowanski
12 Pat Mundt
12 Connor VanDyck
13 Karen Revelle
14 David Anderson
14 John Hoole
15 Jon Cleveland
15 Betty Hirsch
16 Elizabeth Hopkins
16 Matt Reeder
17 Doris Howell
20 Clay Woslum
22 Sara Pavell
23 Carri Puentes
24 Karen Larson
25 Greg Griffith
25 Hannelore Hanke
26 Kim Hendricks
27 Mary Neumann
29 Bob Larson
29 Christopher VanDyck
31 Janis Harrell

Christmas

Recipe for Christmas All Year Long

Take a heap of child-like wonder
That opens up our eyes
To the unexpected gifts in life—
Each day a sweet surprise.

Mix in fond appreciation
For the people whom we know;
Like festive Christmas candles,
Each one has a special glow.

Add some giggles and some laughter,
A dash of Christmas food,
(Amazing how a piece of pie
Improves our attitude!)

Stir it all with human kindness;
Wrap it up in love and peace,
Decorate with optimism, and
Our joy will never cease.

If we use this healthy recipe,
We know we will remember
To be in the Christmas spirit,
Even when it's not December.

<borrowed>



COOK BOOKS

We still have a small supply of cook books (Jo Laursen's Famous Recipes) available for gift giving. Cost is \$18.00 and a portion comes back to St. Paul's.

See Nellie in the church office for all details.



DON'T FORGET THE FOOD BASKET
is available in the church entry for your donations. Cash gifts should be made payable to **FOOD FOR THOUGHT**

Microwavable soups
Individual juice boxes
Non-refrigerated pudding
Single serving trail mix
Easy Mac
Single serving beef jerky
Peanut Butter/Cheese
Crackers / Power Bars
Cheese/Beef sticks

Non-refrigerated individual
cartons of milk
Granola Bars
Instant Oatmeal
Fruit cups
Hot cocoa
Veggies (plastic containers)
Canned/Freeze Dried meats

If your name and birth date are not shown above, or if there are any corrections or additions, please call the church office ASAP. We appreciate your help in keeping our family birthday list current. *Thanks!*



ST. MARY'S HOSPICE "MEMORY TREE"

will be placed in our church entry after Thanksgiving. For each donation, an ornament (with your loved one's name) will be placed on the tree to support the various hospice programs. Please help this worthy cause as you are able.

Special donation forms will be on the Narthex cabinet.



deadline

ALL ARTICLES FOR OUR FEBRUARY EDITION are due in the church office NO LATER THAN 1/15/11

YOUR PROMPTNESS IS APPRECIATED!

SCHEDULING of ALL church events and meetings *MUST* be arranged through the church office with dates/times placed on the master calendar. It is important that the master calendar be kept current and without conflict at all times.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (Vicki Hamilton and Nellie Revelle) are available for in-home communion visits on an appointment basis. Please feel free to call and leave a confidential voice mail message on extension 4.

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL will meet for their Christmas dinner and meeting on 12/14/10 at 5:30 pm. The January meeting will be a potluck in Friendship Hall on Tuesday, 1/11/11, at 5:30 PM. Please notify the church office if you *CANNOT* attend either function.

ST. PAUL'S STITCHERS meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at 9:00 AM at the church. *Please join us!*

AIM BIBLE STUDY meets in Friendship Hall at 5:30 pm.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES meet on Wednesdays at 3:00 pm and Saturdays at 10:00 am ... your choice!



St. Paul's 2010 ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

(budget approval, bylaws, and elections)
will take place
Sunday, 12/5/10 * 11:45 AM

At our Christmas Eve services the nursery will be open for you to bring your children in; however, there will NOT be an attendant present. If you wish to use the nursery a parent **MUST** accompany the child.

Please feel free to bring your child in for short intervals if they need a break. We ask that all toys be put back on the shelves before you leave.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES is a child to be dropped off alone in the nursery.

Thank you for allowing the child care attendants to attend church with their families on Christmas Eve. The nursery will be open with regular attendants after Christmas.



We thank you for your cooperation!



WELCA BIBLE STUDY

Vicki Hamilton's WELCA Bible Study meets on Monday, 12/13/10, at 9:30 AM in Friendship Hall. Study materials are located on the Narthex cabinet. Please feel free to join us!

**2010
ANNUAL REPORTS
from ALL committees / groups / officers
ARE DUE NO LATER THAN
JANUARY 15, 2011**



ST. PAUL'S FINANCIAL STATUS

Month Ending: **October 31, 2010**

	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>YTD</u>
RECEIPTS -	\$ 17,085.31	\$ 180,847.25
EXPENSES -	\$ 16,251.27	\$ 183,330.61

UNPAID BILLS
\$6,642.50

You can find our financial chart posted on the wall outside the church secretary's office.



SIMPLY GIVING

Enrollment in this **FREE** program is ongoing and is funded through Thrivent Bank. If you wish to have your offerings electronically transferred to St. Paul's or if you have any questions, please contact Wayne Kinder at 882-6538.

OR ... for account information please call
Thrivent Financial for Lutherans
800-847-4836

THANK YOU!!

ST. PAUL'S FAMILY PORTRAITS

Introducing

FRANCES DIANE (ELLIS) LOHMANN



Frances Diane Ellis was born June 14, 1931, in Salem, Oregon. Her father, Davis Stiles Ellis, was born in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1902 and raised by his mother in Los Angeles, California. His father died in 1914 leaving four small children for his mother to raise. As an adult, he moved to Portland, Oregon, until 1933. His heritage goes back to the 1620's and includes the Mayflower, England, Wales, and Norway. He passed away in 1990.

Frances' mother, Frances (Harrison) Ellis, was born in Mercer County, Illinois, in 1900. Her heritage goes back to the 1600's in the colonies. She and Davis married in 1929 and she passed away in 1962. As for siblings, Frances (Diane) had one baby brother who died at birth and a half-brother who also passed away.

In 1933, due to the depression, the family moved from Salem, Oregon, to Seaton, Illinois, where her mother's parents lived. Next, they moved to Rock Island, Illinois, where Frances' father worked for International Harvester Company

which produced farm equipment, followed by a move to Bettendorf, Iowa, where he worked on Army tanks.

From 1938-1943, Frances started first grade in Milan, Illinois, and finished grades 1-6. In December, 1943, the family moved to Palm, California, after her mother's parents had passed away. She attended grades 8 and 9 at Emerson High School in Westwood, California, then attended University High School in West Los Angeles. She graduated in the winter of 1950, due to the school having two senior classes ... A and B.

In 1949, Frances met her future husband, Hobart Lohmann, at Luther League. They married on September 30, 1950, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Santa Monica, California. On November 8, 1950, he was called to serve in the U. S. Army. He was assigned to the California 40th Division which was sent to Japan, then Korea. Meanwhile, Frances worked for the Associate Telephone Company in West Los Angeles for nearly three years. Later, Associate became General Telephone Company.

In 1953, they had their first son, Kurt. Prior to the military, Hobart had worked for Northrop in Hawthorne, California. Following his honorable discharge, Northrop called him back and gave him credit for his earlier service plus his military service years. In 1956, Marsha was born, and in 1959, their second son, Craig, was born. As the children grew, Frances worked for the J. C. Penney Treasury Store in Torrance, California. They later purchased a dry cleaning franchise in Woodland Hills in 1972. After Mr. Penney died, she decided to sell the franchise.

Hobart retired from Northrop in 1990 at age 62. Frances attended Bryman School in Canoga Park, specializing in medical office management. In 1993, daughter Marsha moved to Minden, Nevada, and in December, 1944, Frances and Hobart bought a home and moved to Gardnerville. They joined Trinity Lutheran Church. Over the years, they enjoyed traveling to Alaska, Canada, the Caribbean, and all of the United States except for North Dakota.

On November 14, 2000, Hobart passed away due to heart problems. In 2002, Frances moved to Dayton, Nevada, and in 2004 she joined St. Paul's Lutheran Family in Carson City, Nevada. She joined Daughters of Norway in May of 2008.

Presently, Frances has 3 children, 8 grandchildren and 10 1/2 (1 expected) great grandchildren. Kurt is married and has 6 children, ages 15-36, studied engineering in college, served in the U. S. Army 20 years, and works at Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. In 1997, Marsha married James Goodman and they live in Silver Springs, Nevada. Marsha has two children from her first marriage who live in Minden. Craig lives in Palmdale, California, and works in commercial construction.

In September of this year, Frances learned that she has cancer. She remains active in church and Daughters of Norway. She is cared for by Hospice, Marsha, and her very supportive and loving family who keep in touch with her daily.

Frances is an amazing person who has devoted her life to her family, plus a wide range of friends. She has an outstanding positive attitude and faces each day with enthusiasm and joy. May God bless her now and forever.

**Submitted by Flo Bilderback
St. Paul's "Roving Reporter"
December, 2010 * January, 2011**



(St. Paul's Congregational Council meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 PM)

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Paul Goldenbaum, 2010 Council President

Email: splfcouncil@sbcglobal.net



The November council meeting focused on two topics this month: bookkeeping and next year's new council members. In the former area, we spent considerable time discussing how to manage restricted accounts which were not being spent. Restricted accounts are those to which donations are specifically made, and cannot go into the general, or unrestricted fund. Restricted accounts, therefore, cannot be used to pay expenses such as utilities, the mortgage, salaries, etc. The problem we have encountered is that many restricted accounts have simply grown over time and are not being used. Council came up with several approaches to solve this problem. In no case will these restricted funds be moved into the general fund: they will be used for the intended purposes.

Next year we will have four vacancies on the council; three from normal rotation out after serving three years, and one due to illness. We have been contacting perspective congregation members to find those who would be willing to be nominees for next year's council. Once the four nominees have been determined, we will have the opportunity to vote on their appointments at the Annual Congregational Meeting in December. My thanks go out to those who will be willing to serve.

We wish to remind everyone that our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, December 5 after the late service. Voting will take place on three matters: the 2011 budget; the four nominees for council; and the proposed changes to our constitution. We urge you to attend this very important meeting.

I will be one of the council members whose three year term is complete this year. I have been honored to be able to be a council member and to have served and worked with such wonderful people. Thank you all for allowing me this privilege and honor. Lastly, I want to wish everyone a wonderful and blessed Holiday Season. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Yours in Faith,
Paul Goldenbaum

ANNUAL STAFF GIFTS



St. Paul's Congregational Council would like to continue the tradition of giving the staff of St. Paul's a cash gift for Christmas. This is our way of saying "thank you" for their invaluable services to our church community.

If you wish to participate, please give your contribution to Paul Goldenbaum, Council President, no later than Sunday, December 12 so that he can pass your gifts on to them.

Checks should be made out to Paul Goldenbaum, with the Memo line showing it to be the Staff Gift. Please give the checks to Paul or mail them to:

Paul Goldenbaum
738 Grayhawk Dr.
Dayton, NV 89403

Thank You!!



Luke 2

(taken from the Message)

The angel said,

"Don't be afraid. I'm here to announce a great and joyful event that is meant for everybody, worldwide: A Savior has just been born in David's town, a Savior who is Messiah and Master.

This is what you're to look for: a baby wrapped in a blanket and lying in a manger."



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Renee Woslum, Superintendent

Sunday School for ages 3 through Junior High - 9:00 - 10:15 AM

(September through May)

Sunday School is forging ahead into the Advent season with the children learning Advent songs and making candles to signify the season. The Youth Group/Young Adult group has started rehearsing with the children for the upcoming Christmas play that will be held on Saturday, December 18, at 4:30 in the afternoon. The program is titled "The Legend of the Candy Cane" and the kids are learning songs and speaking parts for the presentation.

The children are very creative and very enthusiastic about the activities we do each week. We watched a video recently about Martin Luther and one about Moses, which they enjoyed.

As we come to Thanksgiving week, we will not have Sunday School on Sunday, November 28. Also, in December, we will not be holding Sunday School on Sunday December 26 and Sunday, January 2, 2011.

On behalf of the teachers and helpers, we wish you a happy and peaceful Christmas season!

Submitted by Renee Woslum, Sunday School Superintendent



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Youth Group

The youth group is going to be very busy for the next few months! We all love the holiday season and the youth are always willing to help those in need. This means they are adopting a family for Thanksgiving and also adopting a family for Christmas. If anyone is interested in helping the youth put together a basket filled with all the trimmings for a fabulous dinner for both Thanksgiving and Christmas please let me (Traci) know. Our groups love shopping so they are all excited to *shop till we all drop* for a wonderful family in need. The group will be out at the "Share Your Holiday Food Drive" all day on December 10th at the Governors Mansion. Advocates to End Domestic Violence is so lucky to have our group out there all day in the bitter cold helping load and unload thousands of pounds of food. Our group will help load over 26,000 pounds of food that day! Advocates would be lost it with out our group. Keep a watch out for some little visitors around Christmas time you never know if some elf's will stop by....

Our groups will be cooking up a storm on December 18th which will include spaghetti, salad, and garlic bread following the Sunday School Program. The young adult group is helping the Sunday School with their Christmas program. We are having fun working with the little ones! December 18th will be a fun filled night! We will have the Christmas Program at 4:30pm followed by dinner, then it is off to decorate the bottom half of the Christmas Tree! While we are decorating we will be singing Christmas Carols and eating cookies and drinking hot cocoa, and then our fabulous Pastor will read us all a great Christmas Story! It will be a great night we will have everyone home by 7:00pm! Please come out and join us and help support our kids!

The groups would like to give a **BIG THANK YOU** to all those who helped us with our Halloween Fun Night! We would like to **THANK**.... Dick and Judy Lowther, Ann Kauf, Laura Kauf, Jennifer Overlock, Candy Trenoweth, Sarah Andrews, and all the YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS!!! We could not have done it without your help. Thank you so much for everything! We had over 40 kids stop by and play with us. If you missed out on the fun we had games, snacks, crafts, and a great haunted house complete with a grave yard. It was a lot of fun and a lot of work. The kids worked for two days to transform the church and it was well worth it! Thank you all again for your support!!!



ADVENT / CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE



Thursday Evenings ... 12/2 - 12/9 - 12/16

Advent Soup Suppers (6:00 PM)

Communion Services (7:00 PM)

Saturday, 12/18/10

4: 30 PM – SS Christmas Program

5:30 PM – Congregational Spaghetti Dinner

6:30 PM – Tree Trim, Christmas Carols, Story Telling

Sunday, 12/19/10 - Lessons and Carols at both services

Friday, 12/24/10 - Christmas Eve

5:30 PM – Candlelight communion service with Bell Choir

8:00 PM – Candlelight communion service with Christmas Choir

Saturday, 12/25/10 - Christmas Day

9:00 AM - one Communion service

Sunday, 12/26/10 - 9:00 AM – one Communion service

Friday, 12/31/10 – New Years Eve

7:00 PM - Communion service



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Each year St. Paul's decorates the chancel with poinsettia plants for our Christmas services. We invite you to participate by using this form together with your check for \$10.00 per plant made payable to: ST. PAUL'S / POINSETTIAS. Please place this form in the Sunday offering plate, send it by mail, or deliver it to the church office. All plants may be picked up anytime after the 9:00 AM Christmas Day Service. If you prefer, your plants) may be given to a convalescent home or someone on our church's visitation list.

YES, I WOULD LIKE TO DEDICATE A POINSETTIA PLANT (\$10.00 EACH)
(please print)

IN HONOR OF: _____

IN MEMORY OF: _____

GIVEN BY: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

NUMBER OF PLANTS _____ My check/cash in the amount of \$ _____

Please deliver my plant to a convalescent home
or person on the church's visitation list!

Please note that the DEADLINE for all orders is 12/20/10 ... Thank You!

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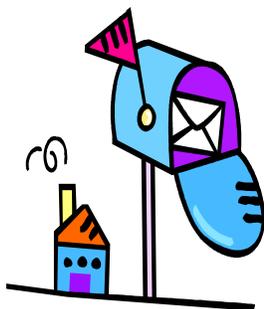


December / January

NEWSLETTER

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN FAMILY (ELCA) MISSION STATEMENT

St. Paul's Lutheran Family's highest priority is to proclaim the good news of God's love for all people through the incarnation, death, and resurrection of his Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Baptized into the family of Christ we commit ourselves to love and care for one another and to provide a safe home in which we celebrate God's love for us. In the midst of our sorrow and pain, we also embrace laughter, fellowship, work, and love for this family of God.



PLEASE HELP SAVE POSTAGE COSTS

If you have any address corrections

... or ...

if you would like to be removed from our mailing list for any reason, please notify the church office ASAP.

THANK YOU!!