

Congregational Announcements: January 9, 2022



ST. PAUL'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL
HOWARDS GROVE, WI

Pastor Adam Bode - Pastor Aaron Mueller - Principal Chad Marohn - Staff Minister Luther Curia

This Week at a Glance:	
Date	Service, Bible Study, and Class Times
Sunday, January 9	Worship Services: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Link to Online Weekend Worship Services
	9:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour
Monday, January 10	6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship
	7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
Tuesday, January 11	7:00 p.m. Adult Open Gym
Wednesday, January 12	8:45 a.m. Bible Study
	8:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Bible Study
	4:15 p.m. Public School Catechism
	5:30 p.m. Stewardship
	5:30 p.m. Evangelism
Thursday, January 13	1:30 p.m. Ladies Aid
	6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study
Saturday, January 15	10:00 a.m. Early Childhood Event - Shape the World!

- 2022 Sunday Bible Study** - Starting January 9, our Sunday morning Bible study will take us through the book of James. James warns against a dead faith that does nothing. He encourages us to be active in faith, whether going through sufferings or speaking with love, whether in praying boldly or planning humbly, helping the poor or practicing good works. Come and receive guidance in living your faith!
- New Bible Information Class** starting in January! The class is for new to the faith or renewing the Christian faith. No day/time is set, just looking to see who is interested and then to put together a schedule. Please contact Pastor Mueller if interested. So far the class is around ten people.
- Craftsmen Bible Study** - The next study will be Thursday, January 13 at 6:30 pm. Men, join us as we study the Word and apply it. Bring along a couple beverages of choice (alcoholic or not). Appetizers will be served. The focus will be on the life of Timothy. Paul the apostle trusted no one more than Timothy, a man

he called his spiritual son. Yet even though Timothy was well trusted his need to be instructed, disciplined, and encouraged didn't end with the endorsement of the early church's most famous and prominent leader. In this study we'll consider what Timothy can teach us about trust, studying the Word, traceability, relationships, and models of faith.

4. **Parenting/Family Workshop** - St. Paul's is offering the second of two unique workshops for families Saturday, February 5, 2022 from 9:00-noon. Didn't make it to the first one in October? No problem. Mr. Curia will lead the parents through NEW sessions of the time-honored Active Parenting method: Responsibility, Discipline, and Building Courage & Self-Esteem. These sessions will combine video, discussion, and activities for a fast-paced, practical approach to Christian parenting. At the same time, the faculty of St. Paul's will be leading the children (ages 3-8th grade) through some of these same principles in order to create a more peaceful home life founded on God and his many gifts, including the blessing of family. The Active Parenting workshop usually comes at a cost of \$130 per couple, but we are offering it for free. For more information about Active Parenting, [CLICK HERE](#). To register for the workshop, [CLICK HERE](#) or contact the office. Contact Luther Curia with any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org
5. **Sunday School** - Sunday School resumes this weekend. This semester the children will sing in both services on April 10 for Palm Sunday as well as for the evening Ascension service on May 26. Please speak with Craig Schuenemann or Pastor Bode if you have questions about Sunday School.
6. **Free Hymnals** - Now that we have the new blue hymnals in place, we are giving away our old red hymnals. Hymnals are a wonderful resource for home devotions, singing around the piano or playing with brass and woodwind instruments. If you'd like to take any with you, the red hymnals are located in the balcony behind the organ in medium-sized boxes.
7. **Worship Greeters** - We are seeking members willing to smile and welcome people before worship services. This is a great opportunity to get to know more of our growing congregation. If interested in more details, please see the sign-up sheet in the member room or speak with Kate Schuenemann.
8. **Mindful Moms Bible Study** - Starting January 12, plan to join us every EVERY Wednesday at 8:30am for a 45 minute Bible Study. We are beginning a book on Philippians - Living in the Joy of Christ. All participants will receive a study book. Come to be enriched in God's Word together with fellowship and encouragement!
9. **Mindful Moms NEW Playdate** Mindful Moms is excited to have NEW playdate activities at a NEW time! Join us EVERY Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 in the school gym for a Music and Movement playdate. Each week there will be a segment including fingerplays, singing, music, and/or movement songs where moms and kids can play and work together. There will also be free play time for the kids to run and explore and moms can enjoy chatting together. Hope to see you there!
10. **Shape the World** - Come and join us for our Early Childhood events on January 15th, February 12th, and March 12, 2022! These are Saturday events, starting at 10:00 am with activities, a book and a Bible Story. Then we will play. Lots of hands-on learning activities, snacks, play dough and so much more - all about shapes. All events will be Bible based and geared for children ages 0-5 along with a caregiver or two and All Are Welcome.
11. **A change to our typical schedule**, please note the January voters' meeting is on Saturday, January 29th at 9:00 am. There will be a breakfast served at 8:00am. We are planning an open forum during the Bible study hour on January 23.
12. **Tuesday night basketball** will be running again starting on January 11, 2022. It will run every Tuesday night from 7-8:30. Everyone ages 12 and up are welcome to join us.
13. **If you have interest in helping the people affected by tornados** and extreme weather recently, these people need three things. They need our prayers. They need help financially. They also need blood donations to help

them medically. You can donate to WELS Christian Aid and Relief directly (<https://wels.net/serving-others/christian-aid-relief/>) or you can donate to St. Paul's with this noted and we will send it in (up to January 31).

14. **Silent Auction Tickets** - Our St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up on Saturday, March 5. Watch for more details! Tickets are now available for purchase between services as well as during the week at the office up until February 20th. Early Bird pricing available. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions about the event.
15. **Thank you** - On behalf of all the called workers, we would like to thank the congregation for your generosity during the holidays with gifts and snacks. We are so privileged to share the riches of Christ our Savior with you and to work with you to bring the sweet gospel to others. May the Lord bless us all and advance his kingdom among us in the new year!

MLHS Announcements

1. **MLHS Call Update** -The MLHS Federation called Pastor Aaron Dolan for the theology department, and he has returned the call. The federation will call again in January. Nathan Gurgel, a teacher here at MLHS has received a call to St. Croix and he has returned the call. The federation delegates will have a special call meeting on Saturday, January 22nd at 9AM in the MLHS Choir Room.
2. **MLHS Campaign Making Progress!** - "Building Our Future on Christ" is not just a campaign theme. It's a great way to end the year and then start a new one. It's a great sentiment as we continue to do our work of helping our students become equipped for whatever paths they take in the future. The campaign is part of that ministry...and it's making progress. Here's how:
 - 1—Final design to be finished in January
 - 2—Final cost estimate in February
 - 3—Bidding starts in April
 - 4—Groundbreaking in early June
 - 5—Construction to follow starting this summer

To date over three million dollars has been donated or pledged towards the project, with over one million of that in cash right now. Site work is completed...fees have been paid...the previous debt is long gone. The time is NOW for everyone who would like to support this effort to continue with pledges or donations. Not only does it help to raise as much up front as we can, but it also provides confidence to a lender that we have a broad range of support that will last for years to come. Because we are encouraging generous gifts, donors can know that they may have up to five years (or more) if they need to pay off a generous pledge. For more information contact the mission advancement office at MLHS or visit www.mlhslancers.org/campaign. We are happy to make visits with anyone interested.

3. **Pizza Fundraising for Mission Trip**- The National Honor Students are fundraising for a mission trip to Immanuel in Taylor, AZ, and Immanuel in Springerville, AZ. The trip will take place from March 24-28, 2022. Students will help with an "Easter for Kids" activity at the local parks and hand out flyers in the nearby neighborhoods. In addition, the students will get to sing and play music at both churches for their worship services. Show your support for the Manitowoc Lutheran High School National Honor Society (NHS) Students with prayers and pizza orders! From now until **Monday, January 17th**, the NHS students will be taking orders for freshly made 12" pizzas! Visit www.mlhslancers.org/post/pizza to place your online order today and share the news! Thank you!
4. **Freshman Information Night**- Do you have an 8th grader in your family? MLHS invites all 8th graders and their parents to come to MLHS either Monday, January 24 or Wednesday, January 26th at 6:30PM to see the MLHS campus, meet our faculty, and hear more about keeping Christ in higher education. This event is NOT a binding commitment, and no fees are involved. If you are undecided about high school for next year, please

come and get a taste for MLHS. To help us plan for those nights, please provide us with some basic information about your child by going to www.mlhslancers.org/application. MLHS offers need-based tuition assistance to our families. In addition, aid is provided through the SCRIP program, from your home congregation, and you can apply for the Wisconsin Choice Voucher Program. Inquiries regarding tuition assistance will also be explained these nights. See you then! If you have any questions contact, Ryan Holper our Admissions Director at rholper@mlhslancers.org.