

# Congregational Announcements: November 12, 2023



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

**Pastor Adam Bode - Pastor Aaron Mueller - Principal Michael Wieting - Staff Minister Luther Curia**

<b>This Week at a Glance:</b>	
<b>Date</b>	<b>Service, Bible Study, and Class Times</b>
<b>Sunday, November 12</b>	<b>8:00 &amp; 10:30 a.m. Worship</b> Sunday School Sings in both services
	<b>9:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour</b>
	<b>11:30 a.m. Living Nativity Dress Rehearsal</b>
<b>Monday, November 13</b>	<b>6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship</b>
	<b>7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice</b>
<b>Tuesday, November 14</b>	<b>6:00 p.m. BIC</b>
	<b>6:30 p.m. LCMS Study</b>
<b>Wednesday, November 15</b>	<b>8:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Bible Study</b>
	<b>9:00 a.m. Bible Study</b>
	<b>9:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Music and Movement</b>
	<b>4:15 p.m. Public School Catechism</b>
	<b>6:30 p.m. School Board</b>
	<b>6:30 p.m. Pickleball</b>
<b>Thursday, November 16</b>	<b>6:30 p.m. PTF Meeting</b>
<b>Saturday, November 18</b>	<b>9:30 a.m. Women's Advent Tea</b>
<b>Sunday, November 19</b>	<b>8:00 &amp; 10:30 a.m. Worship</b>
	<b>9:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour</b>

# Grow with Christ

## Bible Studies, Worship, and more!

1. **Sunday Bible Study** - in September we began a Bible study on the book of Revelation. The book is encouraging, challenging, picturesque, and at times it puts you on the edge of your seat. Best of all, it points us all to Jesus to trust him and see his guiding hand in this shaky world until we joyfully shake his hand on the last day. The study will take place in the Harvest Room. There is child care available for younger children while parents are in Bible study. *Today we will look at chapter 13: the Beasts out of the Sea & Earth.*
2. **Wednesday morning Bible** study is on *The Theology of the Cross*. Join us at 9:00 am in the Harvest Room!
3. **Sunday School** is held each weekend for children in grades PreK through 8. The Sunday School children sing in both services today.
4. **Lutheran Churches Bible Study:** *Our last class is November 14* from 6:30-7:30.
5. **Women's Advent Tea** Join us on Saturday, November 18th, for our Women's Advent Tea from 9:30-11:00am in the Harvest Room. Guests are welcome! Come and spend the morning growing with other women in God's Word and preparing our hearts for the season of Advent and the birth of our Savior. Please RSVP and sign up to bring a dish to pass using the QR code or the sign-up sheet in the member room.
6. **Thanksgiving Worship** - Mark your calendars for Wednesday, November 22, at 6:30 pm and Thursday, November 23, at 9:00 am as worship opportunities to bring great thanks to our God for his gifts of life, forgiveness, and all other blessings.
7. **Women's Advent by Candlelight** - St. John's-St. Peter in Cleveland is hosting Women's Advent by Candlelight on Sunday, December, 3rd at 3:00 p.m.. Please contact Kelly Wall, 920-782-0821 or [kellywalljuneau@gmail.com](mailto:kellywalljuneau@gmail.com), with any questions. Also, please RSVP to Kelly by November 19th.
8. **German Christmas Service** -- Everyone is welcome to attend the German Christmas Service at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Collins on Saturday, December 9th at 2pm. The service will include familiar hymns sung in their original German, with Gemütlichkeit and Christmas goodies to follow. Knowledge of German is not required. Come celebrate the birth of our Savior like the area German Lutherans did over 100 years ago...with a Christmas message that still brings us peace and joy today. St. Peter's is located at 2501 Collins Road, Chilton, WI 53014. For more information, please contact Pastor Marcus Bode at [bodemarcusprof@gmail.com](mailto:bodemarcusprof@gmail.com) or (989) 274-4668.
9. **Youth Group Bible Study** - High School Students, we will be starting up a new Youth Group Bible Study on Sunday 11/12 during Family Bible Hour. The 4 week study entitled Gone Fishing will look at our callings in life and how we can serve as fishers of men! We will also start some planning for the 2024 WELS Youth Rally. We will meet in Room 113 – the classroom that has all the cubicles setup in it now. If you have any questions, contact Mike Leahy – [mleahy@live.com](mailto:mleahy@live.com)



## In Other News

1. **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 Katie Schuenemann.
2. **Night To Shine:** Exciting News! Manitowoc Lutheran High School was recently selected to be one of the official host sites this school year for “Night To Shine” on Friday, February 9th, 2024. “Night To Shine” is a complimentary special needs prom event that occurs every year and is open to anyone living with disabilities, ages 14 and older. It's a night where those living with special needs get to be reminded of God's love for them, too! It's sponsored by the Tim Tebow Foundation & this year there are only 4 host sites in the entire state of Wisconsin! That being said, help is going to be needed to make this night a success. If you have a heart for individuals with special needs, are curious to know more, or would be interested in helping with this event—please contact Nathan Meitner at [nmeitner@mlhslancers.org](mailto:nmeitner@mlhslancers.org) or 920-428-2010.
3. **Worship Service Ushers:** Thank you to those who regularly volunteer to serve as ushers for our worship

services. As we prepare the usher schedule, please consider serving for at least one month each year. A request for additional ushers in certain months (like July) will soon be sent via Church Community Builder (CCB). Please sign up via a response to this request or by placing your name next to a vacant position on the "Usher List" in the Member Room. Please contact Will Belitz (920-693-8837 or Cellular 920-946-6617) as questions arise. Thank you for serving your congregation.

4. **Living Nativity Posters and Postcards** are available in the member room. Please take some postcards to pass on to your family and friends. If you signed up to deliver posters, they are labeled for you.
5. **Living Nativity Cookies-** Sign-up sheets are available in the member room. Please sign up if you are interested in baking 3 dozen of your favorite Christmas cookies or candies. (No bars or cakes please). Cookies may be dropped off beginning Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup>.
6. **Living Nativity Rehearsal and Costume Assignment** is **today** right after the second service. This is our **ONLY** rehearsal and will be held around 12 noon. We will go through the script and head out cues and plan to be done quickly. We will also be assigning costumes today.  
Needs: We still are in need of a few adult angels on Friday and Sunday, a few kid angels on Friday, women greeters Friday and Sunday, a couple of Roman Guards any night, cast room food set up and clean up (food provided) Saturday, make up all nights (don't need to be there all night). Remember Sundays you are done already at 7 pm. This event takes an army of volunteers, please consider helping at this year's Living Nativity.
7. **Nativity Sets** - We would love to display any and all Nativity sets during our Living Nativity weekend for visitors to enjoy. If you have displayed one before, please bring it again. There are always new people who come and others that love to see favorites from years past. If you would like to bring a nativity set(s), please sign-up in the member room and **indicate if you are bringing more than one and what message you want displayed with your set(s)**. Your message can be emailed to [hamannlinda70@gmail.com](mailto:hamannlinda70@gmail.com) or placed in her mailbox (C20) **no later than Monday, November 20th**. New this year, please take a 4x6 picture of your set(s) for identification purposes. Please bring Nativity sets and photos to the commons area on Thursday, November 30th in the afternoon or evening or on Friday, December 1st in the morning or afternoon. You may set it up yourself or help will be available to you. Nativity sets will be monitored during Living Nativity weekend. Sets may be taken home Sunday evening after the final performance or Monday morning. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Hamann (920-565-2749).
8. **Forward in Christ Subscription Renewal** - If you are interested in renewing or to start receiving the Forward in Christ magazine, please fill out the half sheet in the member room. Submit your sheet and the \$15.00 payment, exact cash or check made out to St. Paul's Church with FIC in the memo line, in an envelope and place it in the marked drawer in the member room by Sunday, November 19h. If you have any questions, please contact the office.
9. **St. Paul's History Committee** - Over 50 items were placed in the 2023 cornerstone container. You may see the list of items on the library counter under the cross.
10. **"Dear Members of St. Paul's,** We have arrived at the end of the first quarter of the school year, which for me is a fitting time to let you know my thoughts on serving here. I feel very blessed to be part of such a wonderful school ministry. I look forward to coming to school each day. The students and my colleagues are awesome. I also want to express my thanks for the cards and gifts that were given to me at the beginning of the year. Whether it was gas cards, cash, or cheese...it was all very welcome. Please continue to pray for God's blessings on our St. Paul's ministry...from pre-K and beyond. I also ask for prayers on the other ministry I serve at Manitowoc Lutheran High School. I'll be the preacher when you observe MLHS Sunday in December! God bless you richly! In Christ, Pastor Kock"
11. **Photo Directory donations:** If you would like to donate to offset the cost of the printing of the photo directories, please place monies or checks into an envelope (available in the Member Room). Write the following on the front of the envelope: Photo Directory Donations, C/O Jim Van Alstine. Place the envelope in the Offering Box located in the Narthex. Thank you, The Evangelism Committee
12. **Marjorie E. Toepel Scholarships** - The following listed students have received the Marjorie E. Toepel Scholarship at Martin Luther College in New Ulm, Minnesota for the 2023-2024 school year.
  - a. Ellie Baldwin - Hope Lutheran Church in St. Charles, Michigan

- b. Amanda Rehberger - St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Appleton
  - c. Kayla Sprenger - St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Howards Grove
  - d. Hope Sulzle - St. John's Lutheran Church Redwood Falls, Minnesota
  - e. Emily Wittig - Peace Lutheran Church in Hartford
13. **The flowers in front of church** this morning are in memory of Tricia Dittmar. Today is Tricia's 10th anniversary in heaven.