

Congregational Announcements: June 4, 2023



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: | |
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| Date | Service, Bible Study, and Class Times |
| Sunday, June 4 | 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship |
| | 9:15 a.m. Summer Family Bible Study |
| Monday, June 5 | 6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship |
| Wednesday, June 7 | 9:30 a.m. Mindful Mom's Park Playdate |
| | 6:30 p.m. Church Council |
| Saturday, June 10 | Gym Unavailable |
| Sunday, June 11 | 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship |
| | 9:15 a.m. Summer Family Bible Study |
| | 11:30 a.m. Marohn Farewell |

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Bible Studies, Worship, and more!

- Summer Family Bible Study** - With Sunday School done for the summer, we gear Sunday morning studies for everyone from adults down to children in about 3rd grade. There is child care available for younger children while parents and older children are in Bible study. Today, we continue our life of David study focusing on David as Faith-Filled Warrior in 1 Samuel 17-18. Bible study will take place in the sanctuary.
- LWMS National Convention** will be June 22-25, 2023 in LaCrosse, Wisconsin. The theme for the 60th annual convention is "Peace Like a River." Registration forms are available online. Information on the mission speakers and workshops will be found on the LWMS website at www.lwms.org For more information, contact Marilyn Toepel.
- Interested in our Bible Information Class?** If you or someone you know would like to research our teachings and whether to partner in membership with us, please reach out to the pastors or staff minister.

Call Updates

- Calling Season** - The Lord has blessed St. Paul's this call season to fill all four of our full-time teaching/administration needs. Staffing additions for 2023-2024 include:
 - Miss Deb Doletzky - 2nd Grade Teacher
 - Mrs. Emily Panzer - 4K Teacher
 - Mr. Michael Wieting - 7th-8th half-time Teacher / Principal
 - Mrs. McLissa Wieting - 3K half-time Teacher / Early Childhood Director
- Michael and McLissa Wieting** have made an offer (and had it accepted) on a home in New Holstein. They thank you for all the home suggestions! **Deb Doletzky** plans to rent within a few minutes of church/school. **The Panzers** currently rent in Kiel.

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In Other News

- 1. St. Paul's Timber Rattlers Game:** Join your St. Paul's family Friday, July 28 for a Timber Rattlers game! There is a limit of 50 people, so get your tickets before they're gone!
Cost: \$55 (covers bus ride, ticket, buffet, and 2 drinks)
Details: Located directly behind home plate with a great view of the field, we will be in the new Diamond Seats section. It features comfortable elevated bar top seats, an all-you-can-eat buffet (BBQ pulled pork, grilled Cher-Make jumbo hot dogs, a build your own burrito bowl bar, creamy mac & cheese, potato chips, and assorted desserts), and two beverages (hard seltzer, beer, water, or soda). Diamond Seats give the convenience of being able to sit back and watch the game or stand up and mingle with friends.
Schedule:
5:15: meet at St. Paul's and head to the game together on bus
6:40: game
Post-game: fireworks at the ballpark, kids can run the bases, return to St. Paul's
Please register using this form by July 14: <https://forms.gle/ka7jDrbkdB2d9QqB7>.
Contact Luther Curia with any questions. 920.287.8575; luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org
- 2. Marohn Farewell Dinner:** On June 11, we will have a brat fry to bid farewell to the Marohn family and show our appreciation for their partnership in St. Paul's Ministry. This meal will take place following the second service. Please sign up (online: <https://forms.gle/auaTvJ1acpT7majn6> or in the member room) to help coordinate how much food to prepare. We're also asking people to sign up to bring their favorite side and/or dessert to share.
Cost: freewill offering collection
Please register by Wednesday, June 7.
Contact Luther Curia with any questions. 920.287.8575; luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org
- 3. June Bonfire:** Come and enjoy some socializing around a nice fire! The Activities Committee is hosting a bonfire 6/19 @ 7:00 p.m. on the parking lot near the garage.
*Family Friendly
*Yard Games
*Simple Snacks Provided (chips, pretzels, s'mores - Feel free to bring something else along!)
*Bring Your Own Chair
*Bring Your Own Beverage
- 4. Update from Corey Schroeder:** The Lord continues to shower St. Paul's with blessings. Since the matching gift was announced in December, an additional \$125,100 (as of 5/30) has been given or pledged, which has a total impact to the campaign of \$187,650! As a reminder, the matching gift remains open until construction is completed, or until a total of \$130,000 is given or pledged against it. Please be sure to indicate "matching gift" with any new gifts or pledges. We have much to be thankful for indeed. With the Lord's continued blessings, these and other on-going activities will help to reduce the upcoming mortgage. Thank you for your continued prayers and support!
- 5. WELS Night at The Brewers is on for 2023!** Save the date and plan to join thousands of WELS members for an evening at the ballpark on Friday, July 7 to watch the Brewers take on the Reds. Tickets are discounted up to 50% and are reserved all together in a block. **NEW FOR 2023** - Each church that purchases a group of 20 or more tickets will enter a drawing to qualify for the opportunity to have a member from their congregation represent WELS Night by throwing out a first pitch prior to the game! Please contact our office to purchase the group tickets so we can qualify for the drawing, to be seated together, and save on service fees. There is a flier with more information on the bulletin board in the commons.

6. **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.
7. **Save the Dates!** The building expansion is scheduled for completion on August 4. With that date we have planned a dedication date for the facility in our services on **August 13**. We will also install our new teachers [Deb Doletzky, Emily Panzer, and Michael & MeLissa Wieting] that day. Martin Luther College President Rev. Rich Gurgel will serve as our preacher that day. We are also planning an Open House on **August 19**.
 - a. The **Dedication/Installation** day will have no Bible study. Tours of the expansion will take place during the Bible study hour.
 - b. The **Open House** event is intended for our neighbors, community, and area WELS churches. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony and guided tours.
8. **Summer Office Hours** - The office will be open on Tuesdays, 11am - 3pm, and Thursdays, 9:30am - 2pm for the summer. If you have any questions outside of office hours, please email Erin Radue at secretary@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
9. **St. John-St. Peter Anniversary** - The members of St. John-St. Peter Lutheran Church in Cleveland, Wisconsin will be celebrating the centennial of our church on June 25. Worship will begin at 10:00 followed by a catered meal. We welcome visitors to come and celebrate with us. Go to www.stjohnstpeter.com for more info. Those who plan to attend the meal are asked to sign up in advance at our website or by calling 920-693-8612.
10. **St. Paul's Volleyball Camp** - Join us for volleyball camp Monday, June 19 - Thursday, June 22 to bump up your volleyball skills! This camp is CO-ED and for those entering grades 4-8 in the fall. We will be drilling the core skills, striving for 3 hits on a side, and working on teamwork and hustle - all while having fun! Sign up below by June 5 and reach out to Mr. Dais or Mrs. Bode for any questions. Scan the QR Code to register!
11. **St. Paul's Basketball Camp** - Come join us for a co-ed basketball camp June 12-15th. This camp is for kids entering 3rd-6th grade in 2023-2024. Camp will be from 9:30-11:00 AM. We will work on the basics and apply concepts to game play. Reach out to Mr. Dais with any questions! Scan the QR Code to register!
12. **New Church Furniture** - You may notice a new piece of furniture on the baptismal font side of church. For years members have struggled to pass between the piano as they returned to their seats from communion. Musicians also haven't had enough room for their instruments/music stands. The elders wanted to address these concerns in a way that minimally impacts seating. The front pew on that side has always been a place for instrumentalists to set their instruments and for other worship supplies to be kept. It is not often used for seating. This new piece of furniture, replacing the front pew, is shorter than the standard pew to allow more room for worshipers to return to their seats. It is also tall enough to block any unsightly music stands and microphones, which up till now have been cluttering the sacristy. There is storage to hold choir music, choir folders, and pianists' music. A drawer on the aisle side holds the hand held microphones that are used for announcements. A handrail provides support for worshipers to stand. While the piece is beautiful and blends in well with the other church furnishings, there was a small error in construction. They forgot to include a toe kick, providing room for worshipers in the pew behind to rest their feet. The company hopes to have it replaced by the end of summer. It may take a while to grow accustomed to it, but we're sure it will soon feel like this new piece of furniture was always meant to be in our worship space.

