

**THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S  
SEPTEMBER 21-27**

**Sunday**      **Ezra 4-6, Psalm 137 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**  
**9:00am**      **Worship Service**

10:30am      Adult Bible Study – Meeting Room

10:30am      Sunday School/Confirmation – Education Building

**Monday**      **Revelation 19 (Daily Bible Reading)**  
**Esther 1-5 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

12:30pm      Prayer Shawl

6:00pm      Stephen Ministry Training – Education Building

6:00pm      Stephen Ministry Meeting

7:00pm      Men's Bible Study

**Tuesday**      **Revelation 20 (Daily Bible Reading)**  
**Esther 6-10 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

6:00pm      Grief Share

**Wednesday**      **Revelation 21 (Daily Bible Reading)**  
**Ezra 7-10 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

**9:30am**      **No Bible Study – Provoking Proverbs**

7:00pm      Wednesday Evening Bible Study – Myth or Faith

**Thursday**      **Revelation 22 (Daily Bible Reading)**  
**Nehemiah 1-5 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

8:30am      SSHS – Fellowship Hall/Education Building

9:00am      Quilting Group

**Friday**      **Genesis 1 (Daily Bible Reading)**  
**Nehemiah 6-7 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

**Noon**      **4-H Meeting**

**Saturday**      **Genesis 2 (Daily Bible Reading)**  
**Nehemiah 8-10 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

7:00am      Men's Bible Study

8:30am      Food Pantry

8:30am      Praise Team Practice



# ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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A congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

***“Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it!” Luke 11:28***

## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

### SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament Reading Amos 8:4-7 p977

Epistle Reading 1 Timothy 2:1-15 p1263

Gospel Reading Luke 16:1-15 p1113

**Altar Flowers** are given in thanks and praise to God and by our St Paul Quilting Group in honor of Lutheran World Relief.

### SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Elder – Don Blume

Acolyte – Asher Huber

Ushers – Dennis & Elaine Schmeckpeper

Music – Paul Szymanski & Song Leaders

Tech Team – John Boor & Bill Miller

Altar Guild – Annette Alston & Brenda Woods

Counters – Rosanne Tadsen & Rich Treichel

Sacred Grounds – George Kraus & Betty McEnroe

**Quilting - Today**, we will have our newly made quilts and Burden Bears in the church once again. We will give thanks for all who help with this ministry as well as for the recipients of these items. We pray that they may be warmed both physically and spiritually with these gifts, knowing that someone cares about them. If there is a college student who is interested in having a blanket from the church, they may choose one as a gift today. The Burden Bears will be available for a few weeks for anyone who would like to use one to give encouragement to a friend. We do not charge for these, but our quilting group will accept donations to help cover the cost of supplies. Any questions can be directed to Karen Gustafson (312)502-2490.

Understanding our faith in God, what we believe, and how that relates to the world is harder than you think. What exactly do we believe about the church, worship, and current events in the world? How do we speak to others about what we believe? **Myth or Faith** is an 8-week series that will help us inform and strengthen what we believe regarding God and help us to share those beliefs with others. **Join us Wednesdays at 7pm in person.** There will be a zoom link available if you are not able to attend in person. Let's sharpen each other as iron sharpens iron, as we draw closer to Christ together.

**Nomination Letter** – If you were nominated to serve as an Elder or a member of the Church Council, you should have received a letter. Please take a look at the letter and pray about it; and return it filled out to the office **by October 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Thank you.

**Support our Troops – Stop!** Take a break from shopping as there are no deployed chaplains at this time; so, no care packages are being mailed. Hope to resume this ministry in the late fall.

**Rejoicing Ringers** will begin their new school year on **Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>** at 11:45am. This practice is for everyone – new ringers and experienced ringers. Practices should be over by 12:30pm. Knowledge of music is not necessary but attendance is extremely important. Come and join us as we joyfully praise God with our hands! Any questions or concerns, call Carol Schoeling (815-666-6058).

**Grief Share** - When someone you love dies and you are grieving it can be helpful to learn more about grieving and to join others who are also grieving. Griefshare meets each week here at St. Paul on Tuesdays at 6 pm. Come and give it a try and see if it is for you

**Altar Guild Members** - Please check your mailboxes for the October schedule. Thank you, Vivian

**Fright Fest** – We will attend Fright Fest at Great America on **Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>** departing St. Paul at 9:00am. **Sign up in the narthex** and indicate if you will need a ticket and/or transportation.

**Prayer Chain** – Prayer is God’s way of getting us involved in talking to Him and caring for others. Members of St. Paul have committed themselves to praying for the needs of our people and for our community. Those on the Prayer Chain pray for those prayer requests from Sunday worship, along with other prayer requests during the week. You can be a part by contacting the church office (708-720-0880 or [sec3@stpaulsonline.org](mailto:sec3@stpaulsonline.org)) and give us your email address. Each week you will get the prayer requests and then get to work praying.

### IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Peggy Smutny, Tammy Bosco,  
Marlene Steinhauer, Patti Tucker,  
Diane Hattendorf, Hollie Pequette,  
Sandy Stricklin, Janice Pikalek, Jack  
Fleming

**College Students** – Alex Hagestad &  
Courtney Hagestad

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### TOGETHER BEING CHURCH

Weekly	Needs	Receiving
Current	\$8,852	\$10,209.64
Building Fund	\$577	\$1,565
Mission	\$327	\$100

Discretionary Fund-\$35; Scholarship  
Fund-\$320; St Matthews-\$45; St Paul  
Alaska Mission Trip-\$25; Sacred  
Grounds-\$18; Food Pantry-\$220; Prayer  
Shawl-\$70; Ladies Aid-\$800; College  
Care Packages-\$20; National Youth  
Gathering-\$25

### MARY’S CORNER

God gave us the best things in life and they are Free: Sunsets, Sunrises, Big Hugs, Great Conversations, Love, Beautiful Nature, Laughter, and many more things. Enjoy them all because that is why He gave them to us. He must love us very much.