

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**WEST POINT, NE**

**September 25, 2022**

**Rev. John P. Gierke, Pastor**

**FROM THE ELDERS:**

September 23, 2022

**Worship services** are Saturday evening at 6 pm and Sunday morning at 9 am. Holy Communion is the weekend of the First and Third Sundays of the month. Services are on the projection screens. Hymnals are in the pews for those who choose to use them. We ask that you sign the fellowship pad, available in the pews, and pass it to others in your pew as you greet them. Anyone wishing to be contacted by the pastor, or join our congregation is asked to supply their contact information.

**We welcome you to view our services on our website, facebook, and the West Point cable channel 11 (Monday mornings at 10 am).**

**Meet and Greet Pastor Gierke!** Pastor Gierke and Tonya would like to get to know our church families better. Small, short “Meet & Greets” are being held in the church fellowship hall. Watch for dates as they will be announced as they are scheduled. To sign up, call Larry Abrahams at 402-380-8928 or Ann Beckenhauer at 402-372-3070. Group size is about 12-15 people per gathering, so it will take time to get everyone involved. Dessert and refreshments will be served.

**Bible Study** is held in the church basement, following our 9 am worship service. Current topic is the book of Proverbs.

**A Beacon Message** is sent out in case of changes to our worship services. If you do not receive the Beacon messages, please call the church office to have your cell phone number and/or email added to the list.

**An e-mail bulletin** is available. If you have not received this, please call the church office to update your email address.

**Christ is Risen! Alleluia!**

St. Paul Board of Elders

Larry Abrahams, Mark Groth, DJ Weddle, David Hughes, Chris Schiller, Mark Johnson

**Services at St. Paul Lutheran Church:**

**Saturday, 6 pm**

**Sunday, 9 am**

**Holy Communion is the First and Third Sunday weekends of the month.**

**Bible Study**

**In the church basement following Sunday morning worship service.**

**Children's Ministry**

**"Bible Detectives"**

**each Sunday morning following worship service.**

**Ages Pre-school through 6<sup>th</sup> grade.**

**Our Sunday Service,**

**airs each week on Monday morning,  
10 am, on cable channel 11.**

**Due to time restrictions,** the broadcast Sunday mornings at 11:30 am on KTIC FM 107.9 and AM840 is the service from the previous week.

**Our service is shown online on our website:**

**[www.stpaulwp.org](http://www.stpaulwp.org)**

**RIGHT NOW MEDIA**

Check out this digital library with numerous Christian resources for Bible Study, personal and family devotions and for living out your faith.

Link to this "Netflix of Video Bible Studies" with more than 20,000 videos, including over 2,000 safe entertaining videos just for kids.

Scan the QR code or text the code: STPAULWP to the number 49775 to welcome you to a link to register for free.

This resource is currently being provided for you by St. Paul members and Board of Parish Education.



**To Sponsor a Lutheran Hour or St. Paul radio broadcast**

Please contact the church office at 402-372-2111.

Cost is \$40 per broadcast.

**The Lutheran Hour**

September 25

*"Take This Personally"*

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Jesus wants us to take His Word seriously,  
not as a personal attack but as a word of warning—and promise.

(Luke 16:19-31)

**The Lutheran Hour**

October 2

*"You've Got It in You"*

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. John Nunes

Faith in Christ is something that's in you,  
but you didn't put it there.

(2 Timothy 1:13-14)

**The Lutheran Hour**

October 9

*"Thankfulness, Eh?"*

Guest Speaker: Rev. Cody Cooper

It's only right to be thankful for what we have and what we are.

The question is, to whom are we thankful?

(Luke 17:11-19)

**BROADCASTS ON  
AM 840 and FM 107.9**

**The Lutheran Hour, Sundays at 11 am.  
St. Paul Broadcast, Sundays at 11:30 am.**

**This week's Lutheran Hour Broadcast**

is sponsored by Gloria Luebbe  
in memory of loved ones.

**This week's St. Paul Broadcast**

is given in memory of Pearl Abrahams  
by family and friends.

### Daily Chapel:

each morning at approximately 9:45 am  
on AM 840 and 11:50 am on FM 107.9.

Cost is \$81 per week. Please make checks payable to Daily Chapel.  
Checks may be sent to St. Paul Lutheran Church office.

### This week at St. Paul Lutheran Church:

Sunday, September 25: 7:45 am – Choir Practice

9 am- Worship

Sunday School and Adult Bible Study following Worship

Monday, September 26: 10 am - Worship service on West Point cable channel 11.

5-7 pm-Visitation for Linda Binkley

7:30 pm – Circuit Forum at Zion, Bancroft

Tuesday, September 27: 7 pm – Church Council

Wednesday, September 28: 8:10 am – Chapel

No circle meetings in September

6 pm – 7/8 grade Confirmation

Thursday, September 29: 6-8 pm -Women's Bible Study.

Friday, September 30:

Saturday, October 1: 6 pm – Worship & Communion

Sunday, October 2: 8:00 am – **Oktoberfest at the Nielsen Center.**

Mums, pumpkins, silent and live auctions and much more.

**9:30 am -Worship**

**11:00 am – Lunch** - Pulled Pork & Brats/Kraut.

German Potato Salad, Cheesy Hash Browns, BBQ Green Beans,  
and a variety of desserts! Hot dogs and Mac & Cheese available for kids.

**Children's Ministry Program:** Bible Detectives. Each Sunday, 10:15-11:15 am in the church basement. Ages Preschool-6<sup>th</sup> Grade.

**Make a joyful noise!!** Welcoming everyone who would like to sing with the choir. Practice Sunday mornings, 7:45 am in the church basement. All voices welcome!

**ST. PAUL OKTOBERFEST, Sunday, October 2, 2022** at the Nielsen Community Center

Doors open & sales begin at 8 am. Tickets available at door.

Pumpkins, Mums, & MORE! Silent & live auctions.

**WORSHIP SERVICE at 9:30 am**

**Lunch begins at 11 am! Serving Pulled Pork, Brats/Kraut, German Potato Salad, Cheesy Hash Browns, BBQ Green Beans, Desserts! Hot dogs, Mac and Cheese for the kids! EVERYONE INVITED!!**

**NEEDED: Desserts for Oktoberfest! Sign up sheets are in the back of church for anyone who can help donate desserts. Recipes for Cream Puff Dessert, Fresh Apple Cake, and German Black Forest cake are available in back of church. Or you may bring any pumpkin dessert of your choice. Thank You for your help.**

### **Picture Directory!**

**Photographers will be here** Thurs., Nov 3, Fri., Nov. 4, and Sat., Nov. 5 to take pictures for our updated Pictorial Directory. Online sign ups have begun. Go to [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com) and enter the user Name-Church ID: NE180. Password: photos.



If you cannot sign up online, in-person sign ups begin Sept 24/25.

Someone will be available at church services to assist you with your sign up. If you can help by assisting others to sign up, please contact the church office. Hosts and Hostesses are needed to assist with registration at the time of pictures. Help is also needed with making phone calls,

entering updates roster information and layout. Please contact the church office to offer your talents in these areas.

A free 8x10 will be given to each family or individual being photographed. There is no commitment to buy additional pictures but the opportunity is available.

**West Point Zone Fall Rally** is Monday, October 3 at Zion Lutheran, Bancroft. Katie the Comfort Dog and her handler will make the presentation. They just returned with other comfort dogs from Uvalde, Tx. Gathering begins at 5 pm. Carpool from St. Paul church parking lot at 4:30 pm. A light supper will be provided.

**Women's Bible Study:** Thursdays, 6-8 pm, in the church basement. Topic beginning September 29: "One Thousand Gifts" by Ann Voskamp. This study is available on Right Now Media. If desired, you can get a study guide on Amazon. All women of the community are welcome.

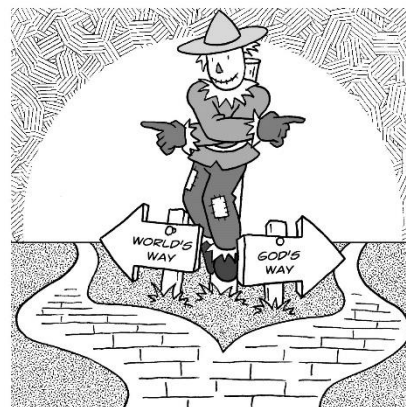
**Mae Lund** is undergoing treatment for an extended period. Please send any cards and greetings to 516 S. Bruner, West Point.

**St. John's Lutheran Church, Beemer:** 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Bake Sale & Luncheon. Saturday, Oct. 8, 11 am-1 pm at the Beemer Legion Hall. Serving creamed chicken on a bun, hot dogs, salads & Homemade pies. Greeting cards, knives & dishcloths for sale. Bake Sale of baked goods and pies.

## **STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

**ANSWER THIS QUESTION:  
IS MY PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP  
WITH JESUS TAKING A BACK  
SEAT TO MY WORLDLY  
PURSUITS?**

"But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15).



**Red Cross Blood Drive:** Monday, October 3, 12 pm – 6 pm at the Nielsen Community Center. To schedule an appointment: Call Nancy Steffen at 402-372-2180 or go online to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code: West Point. Appointments preferred.

**Use your time and talents!** Be a Lector, Video Tech, Audio Tech or Projectionist for our worship services, or serve as a Wedding Coordinator for weddings. Training is provided. Contact the church office at 372-2111.

**Missionary Support:** To financially support Jana Inglehart (Dominican Republic) or Ruth Maita (pronounced Ma-th-ia) (Puerto Rico) donations can be sent to Mission Central, 40718 Hwy E 16, Mapleton, IA 51034. Designate name in the memo line.

To support Josh Lange & family, (Asia) donations can be sent to Mission of Christ Network, PO Box 533 Concordia, MO 64020. Designate name in the memo line.

To financially support Jacob Fraher and family (Kenya) donations can be sent to Faith Aid, P.O. Box 4326, Ashburn, VA 20148. Designate name in the memo line.

### **LCEF art contest to mark Synod's 175th**

Lutheran Church Extension Fund is celebrating the 175th anniversary of [The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod](#) and is encouraging students to join them by submitting a project to LCEF's art contest, "The Only Jesus," for the chance to win an LCEF gift card and have their submission displayed during the National Convention in July 2023. (Synod's anniversary theme "Only Jesus: No Other Name," is based on Acts 4:12.)

Any student who attends an LCMS school or is a member of an LCMS congregation is eligible to enter the contest. Submissions may be two-dimensional (e.g., drawing, painting, collage, graphic design, poster) or three-dimensional (e.g., pottery, leather, metal, beads, basketry) and will be accepted in three age categories: Kindergarten through fifth grade; Sixth through twelfth grade; and College (ages 18–22).

Details can be found at <https://lcef.org/artcontest/>. Entries can be submitted from September 6 through December 1.

**Needed:** a few individuals that would help clean the altar (dusting, cleaning communion ware and changing paraments) and putting flowers on the altar for services. This would be once a week for one month only during the year. To volunteer or for questions contact Joyce Suhr, Linda Meyer or Maren Reppert.

**It's a blessing** to be able to watch the service online, on our website and You Tube. Offerings are used to help make this online service possible and to continue the work of the church and school. If you cannot worship in person, please continue to give your tithes and offerings, that we can continue the work of spreading the Good News of the Gospel. Offerings can be mailed to St. Paul Lutheran Church, 434 N. Lincoln St., West Point, NE 68788, dropped off in the mailbox at the south door of the church, or use "*Joyful Response*". Thank You.

**"Joyful Response:** your offerings go directly from your bank account to our St. Paul Lutheran Church and School account. Please call the church office to set this up. Have your bank account number and routing number when you call. Your donations can be given weekly, monthly, or bi-monthly, and you will receive a giving statement.

### **E-MAIL BULLETIN AVAILABLE.**

If you have not received this, please call the church office and update your email address.

402-372-2111

### **BECOME A TUITION ANGEL**

The Tuition Angel program gathers funds to help parents who desire a Christian education for their children, but struggle to afford it. You can help a family with all or some of their tuition costs. Though tuition rates are below the actual cost to educate a student, for many middle and low income families, that amount is out of reach. You can help with a one time donation, or monthly donation in whatever amount you choose. Please call the school office at 372-2355 to learn more.

**If you have not signed up to be included in our Church and/or School Messaging system, please call the church office at 402-372-2111.** With your cell phone number and/or email, we can keep you updated on cancellations, Church or School events and special messages.

**AMAZON SMILE:** St. Paul Church and School can benefit from your online Amazon Shopping. Amazon donates a percentage of each order directly back to the Charity YOU choose to Support. Go to: **Smile.amazon.com**—Select—**St Paul Church and School** (West Point, NE 68788) This can be done from both the App or Online.

**Please Save:** Best Choice bar codes, and Pizza Ranch Wagon Wheels for St. Paul Lutheran School.

**Download the Box Top App,** choose our school, city & state, snap a pic of your receipt and Done!