

*St. Paul Lutheran Church celebrates and shares God's love and compassion.*

**WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:** Bev Attwell, Sally VanMassenhove, Dennis Johnson, Janet Tomalia, Connie Kirchoff, Larry Ewing, Mark Moll, Jennifer Jones, Fannie Diamond, Larry Sumerix, Chuck Timm, Ruth Nensewitz, Larry Lafleure, Cindy Nensewitz, Estella Frantz, Arnie Kindt, Sally Kosloski, Val Urban, Dennis Diamond, Jeanna Wirgau, Pete Creguer, Flora Kniffin, Bernice Menck, Jean Shugert, Carol Brooks, Marty Conrad, Annette Jones, Thelma Connolly, and Karen Wallace. *Please call the church office, or have a family member call, if you are in the hospital or need a visit, at 356-1658.*

We remember our prayer partners in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod:

- \* Ascension Lutheran Church, Kentwood, Rev. Father Michael Wernick, Episcopal
- \* Southern Ohio Synod, Bishop Suzanne Dillahunt

**This week we join in prayer** with the other LARCC parishes (Grace Lutheran, Trinity Episcopal, First Congregational UCC, All Saints Parish) for the Sunday Supper at Trinity Episcopal Church.

**THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL** (foot of the cross) are given in memory of Robert and Louise Cochrane and their sons.

#### **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

Saturday (09/30) 5:30 p.m.

Sunday (10/01) 9:00 a.m.

Total

**There will be a Flu Shot Clinic here at St. Paul Lutheran Church on October 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> in the multi-purpose room.** This will be provided by Mike Lamb of LaFave Pharmacy. It will begin at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday and 8:00 a.m. Sunday, and will be held until the time the worship service starts. Bring your insurance card with you. Notification will be sent to your physician after you receive the flu shot.

**Please get all those unused board games and books to the church for the book nook at the Bazaar in November.** Children's toys and books are always a big hit with the smaller shoppers! If you have stuff you can't get to the church you can call a Bazaar Committee member and they will arrange for someone to pick it up. Thank you!

**The adult discussion group is meeting in the lounge** following worship on Sunday morning. They will be discussing, "The Lutheran Deck of Cards – Playing Our Best Hand in the 21st Century." You're invited to join them for coffee, baked goods, and fellowship.

**There are 3 First Aid Kits in the church** – in the Narthex, at the top of the stairs behind the organ, and in the kitchen. All are red tackle boxes and the doors are marked with a Red Cross logo. All kits contain orange juice, glucose tablets, and peanut butter crackers. Also, Ibuprofen (Motrin), low dose chewable aspirin and Benadryl. There are assorted Band-Aids, heavy gauze pads and tape, and blood pressure cuffs. Oxygen is available in the usher's room.

**The date for the Annual Meeting has been set for October 15<sup>th</sup>.** A potluck brunch will be held after worship with the meeting following. *Plan now to attend.*

**The Luther Movie Event will be held on Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00 p.m. Make plans now to attend.

**Time to get working on your donations for the Chinese Raffle at the annual church Bazaar.** Homemade items, themed baskets, and gift cards are some ideas. Call Kendra at 989-657-3875 if you are planning to donate anything or if you have questions on items that could be used.

**The October Service Activity is Homeless Children of Alpena.** The items needed are warm winter clothing, such as socks, mittens, hats, sweatshirts, sweaters, jackets, for any school age child. Please leave items in the baskets provided in the Narthex, at the top of the stairs by the side entrance and in the Fellowship hall in the basement.

<i>WEEK AT A GLANCE: OCTOBER 8 - 15, 2017</i>	
<u>SUN.</u>	Worship/HC – 9:00 a.m.; Sunday School – 10:15 a.m.; Education Committee – 11:15 a.m.; Catechism (St. Paul) – 12:00 p.m.
<u>MON.</u>	Girl Scouts – 6:00 p.m.
<u>TUES.</u>	T.O.P.S. – 4:30 p.m.; Stewardship – 5:30 p.m.; Cub/Boy Scouts–7:00 p.m.
<u>WED.</u>	Outreach Committee – 5:00 p.m.
<u>THURS.</u>	Choir – 6:00 p.m.
<u>SAT.</u>	Worship Service/HC – 5:30 p.m.
<u>SUN.</u>	Worship/HC – 9:00 a.m.; Sunday School – 10:15 a.m.; Annual Meeting and Brunch – 10:30 a.m.

## Hurricane Offering

The Church Council is pleased to announce that our congregation will be participating in Thrivent Financial's nationwide program that will provide up to \$3 million in matching funds to aid the victims of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. Throughout the month of October someone will be in the narthex of the church following worship on Saturday and Sunday with a basket into which you may place your cash contributions or a check made payable to St. Paul. The Trust and Endowment Committee will then match up to \$2,000 of the total donations from our members. That amount will then be matched by Thrivent when they receive the check from St. Paul.

**So if we collect \$2,000 Trust and Endowment will match it with \$2,000. Then St. Paul's \$4,000 check when received by Thrivent will be matched with another \$4,000 for a final total of \$8,000!!!!**

The need among the victims of these devastating hurricanes is immense, so please prayerfully consider what you're able to do and make your donation to St. Paul by Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>.

## Ecumenical Prayer Service

We will be hosting an ecumenical prayer service on **Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 7 P.M.** commemorating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation which is October 31, 2017. Bishop Satterlee, the bishop of our synod, and Bishop Raica, the bishop of the Gaylord Diocese of the Roman Catholic Church will be participating in this event.

This time of worship will celebrate the beliefs that unite us as Christian brothers and sisters rather than those that divide us. The Alpena LARCC congregations will be participating, with worship led by the bishops and others from the community. The evening will conclude with a time of fellowship following worship. Please mark your calendars for this very special service marking this historic event.

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