

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

**WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:** Barb Spragg, Val Urban, Glen Kett, Ken Weiler, Kayla LaHaie, Sally Muszynski, Judy Barry, Kevin Kranzo, Dennis Johnson, Mark Moll, Jennifer Jones, Ruth Nensewitz, Larry Lafleure, Cindy Nensewitz, Estella Frantz, Arnie Kindt, Sally Kosloski, Dennis Diamond, Jeanna Wirgau, Pete Creguer, Flora Kniffin, Bernice Menck, Jean Shugert, Carol Brooks, Marty Conrad, Annette Jones, Thelma Connolly, and Karen Wallace.

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

\* Victory Trinity Lutheran Church, Ludington, Rev. William Huether

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

**THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL** (foot of the cross) are given from Ruth Ohmart in memory of her parents, Ruth and Steve Jackson.

#### **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

Saturday (12/09) 5:30 p.m.

Sunday (12/10) 9:00 a.m.

Total

**The last Wednesday Advent service** is December 20. Worship is at 11:00 a.m. followed by lunch. Come and take time to quietly and reflectively prepare your hearts for Jesus to be born anew in you this Advent/Christmas season.

**As you contemplate donations this holiday season**, please keep St. Paul Lutheran Church in mind. Your contributions are needed for everything from special programs to basic operating expenses – both are deserving of your support. Please be as generous as you can this holiday season and in the year ahead. For the convenience of church members, we offer online giving. To donate visit the church website at [stpaul.org](http://stpaul.org), locate the link to our online giving page and follow the instructions, or call Linda at the church office, 356-1658.

The **Christmas Eve Services** will be at 5:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>. Holy Communion will be served at both services. We will also have services at 9:00 a.m. in the morning on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve Day, and Saturday services at 5:30 p.m. on December 23 and 30.

**If you would like to serve** as an usher, acolyte, or cross-bearer for one of the Christmas Eve services, please sign-up today on the sheet in the Narthex. *Thanks!*

**Christmas Bazaar Update:** THANK YOU for your time, donations, and support in making St. Paul 2017 Christmas Bazaar such a huge success! \$920 was tithed to Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund. \$9500.00 was donated to the General Fund at St. Paul Lutheran Church. *God bless you all.*

**Our December Service Activity is Sunrise Mission. Items Needed:** Deodorant, razors, shaving cream, hand soap (liquid), queen and single size sheets and pillow cases, toilet paper, paper towels, Kleenex, garbage bags, laundry soap, fabric softener, dish soap, feminine supplies shampoo, diapers and wipes (any sizes), car donations, meat (for the freezer) or canned meat, Dial-A-Ride money, towels and wash cloths, coffee and creamer, and funds are always welcome for our General Fund. Any questions please contact Mary Anne Kucharek at 354-3757.

**There will be NO** Adult Sunday school this week (12/17). Also, the Stitched Together group will not meet in December.

**The Church Office will be closed** Christmas through January 1st.

#### **WEEK AT A GLANCE: DECEMBER 17 - 24, 2017**

<u>SUN.</u>	Worship/HC – 9:00 a.m. – Children's Christmas Program
<u>MON.</u>	Girl Scouts – 6:00 p.m.
<u>TUES.</u>	T.O.P.S. – 4:30 p.m.; Cub/Boy Scouts–7:00 p.m.
<u>WED.</u>	Advent Worship – 11:00 a.m. (followed by a luncheon)
<u>THURS.</u>	Choir Practice – 6:00 p.m.
<u>SAT.</u>	Worship Service/HC – 5:30 p.m.
<u>SUN.</u>	Worship/HC – 9:00 a.m.; Christmas Eve Worship Services – 5:30 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. – Holy Communion will be served at both services.