

St. Paul's Epistle—October 2024



Church Council Minutes—September 12, 2024

Those present: Tim Anderson, Dave Wright, George Aitchison, Neil Manninen, Richard Christie, Tony Lucek, Stephanie Morrison, Leonard Morrison, Leanna Hasbargen and Sally Batdorf

Chairman Tim Anderson called the meeting to order and gave the opening prayer.

The Minutes and Treasurer's reports were read and approved.

Briefs: 1) There was discussion on the vacancy. 2) Water is still getting in church basement and a contractor will need to address the problem. 3) Shawn Steele has the materials and is ready to start on the outside stucco work. We may need to rent a scissor lift for him to access parts of the project. 4) We are getting two estimates for installing a new sound system. It will be paid for with a grant donation. 5) There will be a joint Call meeting on September 15th. 6) Thank you to all the crews that mowed during the summer. 7) VBS was held on August 6th. 8) We have a CD through Border State Bank that is maturing. It will be transferred to our savings account. 9) LWML Sunday is October 6th. 10) Quarterly meeting will be held on Sunday, October 13th following our 10 a.m. worship. 11) Pastor Moeller has agreed to lead worship several times per month.

Membership changes were printed.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by ~ Sally Batdorf, Secretary

Quarterly Meeting and Potluck

Sunday, October 13th, 2024

Please have reports turned into the church office by Wednesday, October 9th. A sign up sheet for the potluck is posted on the bulletin board.



Sunday School will be held on Sunday, October 13th at 9 a.m. for ages 4 thru 6th grade.

We will holding Sunday School once or twice per month, times may differ but we'll make sure parents and/or grandparents are aware of the time.

Can't wait to see your smiling faces!



Operation Christmas Child Project

We will once again be participating in Operation Christmas Child. The program begins on October 27th and the deadline to return the filled boxes to church is Sunday, November 17th. The preprinted boxes will be available at church. Just fill them with age appropriate gifts, (boy or girl ages 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14 years old) and enclose a check for \$10 for shipping. Suggested items include: school supplies, personal care items, such as combs and toothbrushes, toys, color books, solar calculators, sunglasses and crayons. DO NOT include: candy, toothpaste, gum, war related items, food, breakable or glass containers or aerosol cans.

Remember that your shoebox gift will be an expression of God's love to a child. It may be the only gift the child receives. Every box makes a difference!



Lutheran Women In Mission Sunday—October 6, 2024

This year's Lutheran Women in Mission Sunday theme is "Ready to Serve" based on Luke 1:38. As redeemed children of God, Lutheran Women in Mission give thanks for the opportunity to serve others as we have been served, to proclaim that Jesus is our Lord and that He came for all nations, and to respond with our mite offerings to support God's mission. Our example has been the widow and her mites. The offering she made was observed by our Lord leading Him to share that her copper coins, her mites, were "*everything she had, all she had to live on*" (Mark 12:43). May our mite offerings be blessed for our Lord's kingdom.



Pastoral Vacancy Update



Our joint congregations met together on Sunday, September 15th and voted to extend a Call to Pastor Kyle Whaley. Pastor Whaley is currently serving dual parishes in Polson and St. Ignatius, Montana. We are sending Pastor Whaley our information and compensation package and he will have a period to prayerfully consider the Call. Please include Pastor Whaley, his current congregations and ours in your prayers during this time.

October Birthdays

A very happy birthday is wished for these members celebrating in October!

October 3: Dana Bacon

20th: Mary Bacon and Leonard Morrison

5th: Heather Kuryla

21st: Erlene Gorder

6th: Dan Johnson

13th: Nikki Lucek & John Sirotiak

19th: Ryan Christie





