

# Congregational Announcements: September 11, 2022



**ST. PAUL'S**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL  
HOWARDS GROVE, WI

Pastor Adam Bode - Pastor Aaron Mueller - Principal Chad Marohn - Staff Minister Luther Curia

<b>This Week at a Glance:</b>	
<b>Date</b>	<b>Service, Bible Study, and Class Times</b>
<b>Sunday, September 11</b>	<b>Worship Services: 8:00 &amp; 10:30 a.m.</b>
	<b>9:15 - 10:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour</b>
	<b>11:45 a.m. Anniversary Choir Practice</b>
<b>Monday, September 12</b>	<b>6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship</b>
	<b>7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice</b>
<b>Tuesday, September 13</b>	<b>6:00 p.m. BIC</b>
	<b>6:30 p.m. World Religions Study</b>
	<b>7:00 p.m. Adult Open Gym</b>
<b>Wednesday, September 14</b>	<b>8:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Bible Study</b>
	<b>9:00 a.m. Bible Study</b>
	<b>9:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Music and Movement</b>
	<b>4:15 p.m. Public School Catechism</b>
	<b>6:30 p.m. Evangelism</b>
<b>Thursday, September 15</b>	<b>6:00 p.m. BIC</b>
	<b>6:30 p.m. PTF Meeting</b>
<b>Sunday, September 18</b>	<b>Worship Services: 8:00 &amp; 10:30 a.m. St. Paul's Celebrates 160 Years!</b>
	<b>9:15 - 10:15 a.m. Light Breakfast &amp; Brief History Presentation</b>
	<b>11:45 Church Picnic</b>

- ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** - St. Paul's will celebrate its 160th anniversary on September 18th in both Sunday services. We have invited Rev. Tom Unke (our former pastor) to preach that day. There will be a light breakfast served between services with historical displays. Dick Stoelb will also give a brief presentation on the history of St. Paul's. After the late service, we will enjoy a picnic (food provided by Three Guys and a

Grill). There is no cost for the meal, but a free-will offering will be collected to defray the costs. There is a sign-up in the member room (and online: <https://forms.gle/GsSnWjG7c1fpXWgaA>) to estimate attendance and to bring a dessert (if interested). We hope that everyone will be able to attend!

- 2. Did You Know?** In 2001, 20.2 acres of land were purchased on Millersville Ave. for our existing church and school building. Construction began in 2002. The last worship service held at the Playbird Rd./Hwy 32 church building was June 8, 2003. Our new church building was dedicated on June 29, 2003. We are thankful for 160 years of God's grace at St. Paul's and look forward to celebrating with you next Sunday!
- 3. Sunday Bible Study:** Today we continue our unit on Anniversary Reflections, reflecting on the history of the early Christian Church, the Wisconsin Synod, and St. Paul's, as we prepare to celebrate our congregation's 160th anniversary. Last Sunday, we looked at what builds and strengthens our congregation. Today we will gather in the gym to consider how God expands the church.
- 4. Sunday School** - The theme for Sunday School this year is "Built on the Rock". Classes begin today between services. Parents, please register your children by using the link on our website, [stpaulshowardsgrove.org](http://stpaulshowardsgrove.org), or fill out a paper registration in the school hallway. Printed informational pamphlets available as well. This morning in our early service, the Sunday School staff will be installed. May the Lord richly bless their efforts this year!



- 5. Child Care** - We offer child care for children who are too young for Sunday School in the Kindergarten room during Bible class. Parents who utilize the Sunday morning child care take turns staffing it. Please speak with Pastor Bode if you have questions.
- 6. This Sunday** is the last Sunday we include a livestream option. After this we will no longer live stream the 8:00am service. Please note the 8:00am service is still recorded and uploaded to our website by 11:00am! That allows us to prioritize in person worship where possible, as well as allow for video/podcast options very quickly thereafter. [This is also a major improvement from pre-Covid. People used to have to wait until Tuesday to view this on cable TV.] If you have questions or comments, please speak with Head Elder Eric Eickhoff or the pastors.
- 7. Office Hours** - Now that school is back in session, the office hours are Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.. Arrival, 8:00 a.m., and dismissal, 3:30 p.m., are the busiest times during the day. Please try your best to avoid those times. Thank you! If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Radue: 565-3780 or [secretary@stpaulshowardsgrove.org](mailto:secretary@stpaulshowardsgrove.org).
- 8. Mass Choir for Anniversary Service:** We are hoping to have a large mass choir sing for the church anniversary services on 9/18. You don't need to be part of the adult choir to participate! We will have one

practice 9/11 after late service in the sanctuary. We will also rehearse it at adult choir practice 9/12. Sheet music can be found online at: <https://bit.ly/3KBhPkJ>. There are also printed copies in the member room. Contact Luther Curia with any questions.

- 9. World Religions Study** - Join Staff Minister Luther Curia Tuesday evenings at 6:30 beginning September 6 as we examine the basic teachings of Christianity and compare them to the teachings of other world religions. This course will establish basic patterns that flow through all non-Christian religions. With this basic understanding as a foundation, class members will focus on four non-Christian religions: Judaism, Islam, Buddhism, and Hinduism. These four were chosen because of the greater likelihood of class members meeting and having the opportunity to witness to people of these religions. Application exercises are weighted with questions about the Jewish and Muslim religions as most North American Christians have the most contact with non-Christians from these religions.
- 10. Contented Parenting Bible Study** - As a parent, do you ever wish you could just stop worrying and fixating on things you can't control? Jesus gave us the key, and it all has to do with our focus. When our focus is on the world, worry is usually the result, but when we focus on Christ . . . well, that changes everything. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus called us to seek his kingdom and his righteousness first. After that, everything else falls into place. Join us as we learn of Contentment in Christ Thursday evenings at 6:30 September 22-October 20. Contact Luther Curia with any questions: [luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org](mailto:luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org); 920.287.8575.
- 11. Adult Choir Begins 9/12** - Do you have a love of singing and a love for your Savior? If so, consider joining our St. Paul's Adult Choir! It is open to all high school age students and up. We meet Monday nights from 7:00-8:00. Our first rehearsal will be Monday, September 12. You don't have to have a solo voice or be able to read notes like a pro! We'd love to have you! Childcare is available if needed (provided by the Curia children). Contact Luther Curia if you have any questions: 287-8575 or [luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org](mailto:luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org)
- 12. Wednesday Morning Bible Class begins** September 7th. People usually arrive around 8:45am and we start just prior to 9:00. The study takes place in the commons. We are studying the book of Acts this year.
- 13. Youth Night** - A new fun event was launched from this year's WELS International Youth Rally called "WELS Youth Night". This event is like a small Youth Rally, designed to get teens together from a number of area churches to spend an evening together playing games, enjoying music and God's Word, sharing in small group discussions and just having fun and fellowship together. St. Paul's will be hosting this event on Saturday, October 22nd. There are posters around the building with more details, and small informational sheets available in the member room or church office. If you plan to attend, please register online at <https://forms.gle/ASuDuxMjL9jgixRb8> - or scan the QR Code on the poster. Contact Mike Leahy or Luther Curia for any questions.
- 14. WELS Campus Ministry** - This ministry exists to connect college students across North America with spiritual comfort, community, and encouragement. If you or a family member is in college this year, please help us get them connected. You can click [on this link](#) in the announcements on our website to fill out the form, watch for an email with the link, or ask Mrs. Radue. Our office will enter their information into our synod's database so that the college students can receive devotions, articles and communication from a local pastor where available. Thank you!
- 15. Hot Lunch Helpers:** We are looking for volunteers to assist Kelly Wall in preparing, serving, and cleaning up for hot lunch. The start time is 10:30 a.m. and ends around 1:30 p.m.. Feel free to sign-up as little or as much as you would like! Did I mention you get to eat for free? A CCB need was sent out to sign-up or you can contact Mrs. Radue in the office. Thank you!

- 16. Wanna Get Away? Pastor Mueller and Pastor Don Scheuerlein [Christ Alone, Mequon]** are leading a trip to Israel in January 2023. It's a direct flight to Israel from Chicago. The dates are January 10-19, 2023. [See the itinerary here.](#) It's a trip that sees the highlights of where Jesus ministered. We also see some old Roman areas of significance. Speak with Pastor Mueller for more information. Deadline for registration is October. [pastormueller@stpaulshowardsgrove.org](mailto:pastormueller@stpaulshowardsgrove.org) September is the last month to register!
- 17. The next information class/member class** will start on Tuesday September 13th. We are also teaching it now on Thursdays starting September 15th. The times are from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. If you or someone you know would like to participate, please speak with the pastors to register.
- 18. Are you a Thrivent Member?** We are compiling a list of those who are. Thrivent members are able to do a type of grant called an 'Action Team.' When it is approved, Thrivent sends a \$250 card for an event. We have used these for the Car Show, Living Nativity, Marriage Retreats, and now we found out they can also be used for our school sporting events. We would like to strategize and maximize these for events at St. Paul's. Please speak with the pastors, Luther Curia or Andy Dais. [This is not a plug for this company, simply a request for those who already use it.]
- 19. LWMS Fall Rally** will be held October 8 at First German Lutheran Church in Manitowoc. Pastor Daniel Lor and his son Semson, a student in the Pastoral Studies Institute, will speak about the Hmong ministry at First German. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and the program will be presented from 9-12. Lunch will follow the rally.
- 20. History committee volunteers** will meet at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 17, to set up displays for the 160th anniversary celebration.
- 21. Double Kwik Trip Scrip!** During the month of September, take advantage of a 10% discount on your Kwik Trip gift cards! You can order scrip online, in the office, or between Sunday services.