

Congregational Announcements: June 30, 2024



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

Pastor Adam Bode - Principal Michael Wieting - Staff Minister Luther Curia

| This Week at a Glance: | |
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| Date | Service, Bible Study, and Meeting Times |
| Sunday, June 30 | 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Services |
| | 9:20 a.m. - 10:10 a.m. Family Bible Hour |
| Monday, July 1 | 9am Office Open |
| | 6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship |
| Tuesday, July 2 | 9am Office Open |
| Sunday, July 7 | 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Services |
| | 9:20 a.m. - 10:10 a.m. Family Bible Hour |
| | 4:00 p.m. Pastor Pechman Installation |
| | 5:00 p.m. Installation Dinner |
| Monday, July 8 | 6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship |

Grow with Christ

Bible Studies, Worship, and more!

- Worship & Bible Class Today** - We welcome WELS Planned Giving Counselor, Pastor Tom Mielke, as our worship leader and Bible study presenter. He will offer Scriptural guidance regarding the impact that faithful financial stewardship and planning now can have on our children, our congregation, and God's kingdom in the years to come. The Bible study hour will walk through the benefits and process of writing a will.
- Child Care** - During Bible study, parents attending Bible class are welcome to let their children (2nd grade and younger) play in the Garden Gym, which will be supervised by volunteers.
- Bible Information Class** - This month we began a Bible Information Class on Monday evenings and are very pleased to have 9 people enrolled. May the Lord send his Spirit and grant growth in faith and knowledge for all involved. (Due to scheduling conflicts, the class will not meet on 6/24 or 7/1.)
- Guest Preacher Next Weekend** - On Sunday, July 7, for the morning services, we welcome back a son of the congregation, seminarian Sam Eickhoff, to be our guest preacher.
- Pastor Pechman Installation** - We are excited to announce the upcoming Installation Worship Service for our new pastor, Pastor Brian Pechman, on July 7 at 4:00 pm.

Following the service, we will gather together for a delicious meal including meatballs, broasted chicken, and salads. However, no celebration is complete without a sweet finish and refreshing drinks! Therefore, we kindly request your assistance in contributing desserts and beverages to complement our dinner.

Please indicate how many people will be attending and if you would like to volunteer to bring desserts or drinks using the sign up below. This will greatly help our Activities committee plan for the event.

We look forward to your presence as we warmly welcome Pastor Pechman and family to our community and celebrate this joyous occasion together.

Cost: Free-will offering basket. (cost for food will be around \$3-5/person)

Please register at this link or using the QR code by Tuesday, July 2 so that we have enough food for you: <https://forms.gle/xJ1DFPWxnGDD4wXa7>



A paper signup is in the member room.

Contact Luther Curia with any questions. luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org

In Other News

1. **New Called Worker Welcome Items** - The Care Committee for Called Workers (CCCW) would like to welcome Pastor Pechman and Jennifer Hacker and their families with a pantry / scrip shower. Congregation members are welcome to place paper products, cleaning products, or canned goods in the labeled box by the kiosk in the Narthex. There is also an envelope box for scrip or monetary gifts. These items will be divided and given to the Pechmans and Hackers this summer. Please bring donated items by early July.
2. **Northern Wisconsin District (NWD) Convention** - As a congregation of the NWD of the WELS, our male called workers and a lay delegate, Will Belitz, were in Appleton for the biennial convention on June 11-12. We learned about many exciting things happening with Home Missions. In the 10 years leading up to 2033, we hope under the Lord's blessing to establish 100 new home missions. In 2023-2024, there have been 15 new starts, including Kronenwetter, WI, and Anchor Church in Marquette, MI. There have also been 17 mission enhancements to established congregations in these first two years of the program, including Good Shepherd in Plymouth. You can learn more at wels100in10.net. In our own NWD, there is Hispanic outreach going on from Menasha to Green Bay and in Greenleaf / Morrison, as well as Hmong ministry in Manitowoc.
3. **Funeral Planning Form** - Last week in our Gospel lesson, we heard about the death (and resurrection!) of Jairus' daughter. We encourage our members to plan for the day each of us will fall asleep in death by preparing a testimony of faith for those left behind. You may also consider Scripture lessons and hymns that will relieve loved ones of the extra pressure of planning at that time and reassure them of our risen Savior's promises. There are paper copies of our funeral planning booklet in the member room.
4. **Building Security** - In recent months, there have been a few times that various doors around the church or school have been left open or unlocked overnight. If you or a committee you are on is using the building, please double check that the doors are securely closed and locked before you leave.
5. **Good Shepherd's Pastor Installation** - All WELS members of congregations in the Sheboygan River Circuit (this includes St. Paul's) are invited to attend the installation worship service and meal for Pastor Eli Steinbrenner on Sunday, July 14, at N5990 Country Aire Rd, Plymouth. The service will be at 3:00 pm and a meal will follow in the fellowship hall. For meal planning purposes, please contact Good Shepherd's secretary Nancy Rentmeester at secretary@goodshepherdplymouth.com by June 30 if you intend to attend.
6. **St. Paul's Timber Rattlers Game:** Join your St. Paul's family Friday, July 12 for a Timber Rattlers game! There is a limit of 50 people, so get your tickets before they're gone!

Cost: \$60 (covers COACH bus ride, ticket, buffet, and 2 drinks)

Details: Located directly behind home plate with a great view of the field, we will be in the new Diamond Seats section. It features comfortable elevated bar top seats, an all-you-can-eat buffet (BBQ pulled pork, grilled Cher-Make jumbo hot dogs, a build your own burrito bowl bar, creamy mac & cheese, potato chips, and assorted desserts), and two beverages (hard seltzer, beer, water, or soda). Diamond Seats give the convenience of being able to sit back and watch the game or stand up and mingle with friends.

Schedule:



5:15: meet at St. Paul's and head to the game together on bus

6:40: game

Post-game: fireworks at the ballpark, kids can run the bases, return to St. Paul's

Please register at this link or using the QR code by July 5: <https://forms.gle/ovMppQRY87DpyfgFA>.

Contact Luther Curia with any questions. 920.287.8575; luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org

7. **Parking Lot Repair Funding Raised** - Our Church parking lot is in need of attention and needs to be repaired and sealcoated. The Trustees have a plan in place for the work to happen this summer. We have now reached our funding goal. As of June 17, we have received over \$13,000. Thank you to all who have contributed! If you have further questions, please speak with Trevor Wehrmann or Eric Eickhoff.
8. **Member Assistance Meals** - When families in our congregation are going through a difficulty or transition of some sort (such as a health struggle or the birth of a baby), we try to offer them some meals for a few weeks. If you would like to be notified of these opportunities to provide meals for others, please contact Megan Bramstedt at 920-627-3819 or megan.bramstedt@gmail.com.
9. **School Summer Cleaning** - on Saturday, July 13, there will be a school cleaning day starting at 7:00 am. We are seeking volunteers to help. We could also use extra buckets and step stools or ladders for this effort. Come when you can and stay as long as you are able. We plan to wrap up by about noon. If you are able to come, please sign up in the member room.
10. **Summer Office Hours** - Please note that the office hours have shifted this week. The office will be open on Monday and Tuesday 9:00 a.m.
11. **Cancer Benefit** - Our sister in Christ, Wendy Reinemann, has been diagnosed for a second time now with breast cancer. All are invited to come to a benefit on July 13 from 11 am - 4 pm at Butch & Anne's Pine Grove, W3225 County Rd MM, Elkhart Lake. There will be a brat fry, bake sale, and other ways to support. All proceeds will go toward Wendy's medical expenses. If you are able to help with donations or volunteering time toward the event, please call Lynn at 920-207-8186. The phone number listed last weekend was incorrect. So if you tried to reach out to Lynn and haven't heard anything back, please try calling again with the correct number listed above.
12. **Vacation** - Pastor Bode will be on vacation in Green Bay from June 30-July 6. If there is an emergency that requires pastoral care, please contact Pastor Pechman at 530-917-0682.