

The Messenger

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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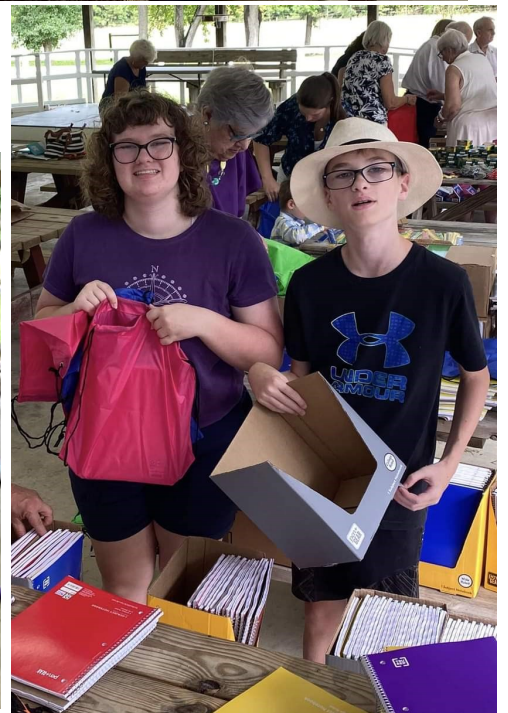
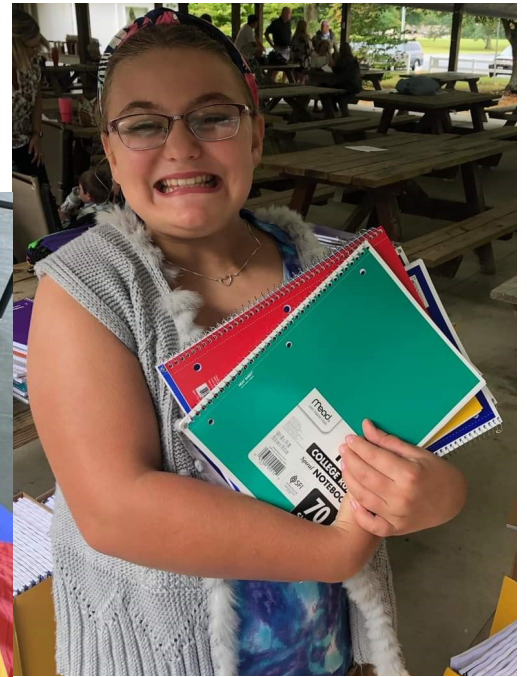


CELEBRATING
10
YEARS

“God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday

September 10
2023

A row of five icons: a blue person icon, a green leaf icon, a yellow wrench icon, a red church icon, and a purple hammer icon.



On Sunday, September 10, we gathered at the Talbot Ag Center to bless our Sunday School students, teachers and bookbags. We also celebrated God's Work Our Hands by packing 200 school kits to be distributed by Lutheran World Relief. Pastor Moyers delivered these school kits to Carroll County on



Thursday, September 14. We had additional supplies donated that were distributed to schools in our area.

MISSIONARY-MINDED PRAYER

An important part of missions is prayerfully supporting the church. Use this activity to guide your family's prayer time.



What you need:

- Plastic bag (large zippered)
- Permanent marker
- Bandage
- Toy plane
- Heart-shaped drawing or toy
- Spoon
- Coin
- Hot-sauce packet



What you do:

1. Label the bag with details about the missionaries you'll be praying for (names, location, specific needs).
2. Add small prayer-prompt objects to guide your prayer time (bandage = health, plane = travel, heart = relationships, spoon = cultural connection, coin = finances, hot sauce = boldness).
3. Include other objects that will prompt prayer for missionaries' specific needs.
4. Place the bag where it will remind your family to pray regularly.



St. Paul's 2023 OKTOBERFEST will be held **Saturday Oct 7** from 4:00 until 7:00 pm at the Talbot Ag Center.

Festivities begin at 4:00 with Bingo for adults and kids (with prizes), a Moon Bounce, and a Sauerkraut Contest (with a trophy for the winner).

From 5:00 - 7:00 there is a German DINNER BUFFET with grilled brats, hamburgers, hot dogs, sauerkraut, German potato salad, chips, more stuff, and desserts.

There will be German and domestic **BEER** and **OOMPAAH BAND** entertainment with the Alte Kumpel German Band !

At 6:45 there is a Hay Ride.

Tickets are \$16 (ages 13 and under are free). You can buy them from any Council member, Fred Meers, or the church office. See you there!

Lyn Hollingsworth



Toys for Tots was founded by Major Bill Hendricks in 1947. That year 5,000 toys were collected and distributed, with the first toy being a handcrafted doll made by his wife, Diane. The mission of the program is "to collect new unwrapped toys and distribute those toys to less fortunate children at Christmas." The stated goal is to "deliver, through a new toy at Christmas, a message of hope to less fortunate youngsters that will assist them in becoming responsible, productive, and patriotic citizens." Since the initial conception of their mission statement, Toys for Tots has expanded their efforts year-round to promote literacy amongst underprivileged children with their Literacy Program.

www.toysfortots.org

We will be collecting new, unwrapped toys this month for the Toys for Tots program. We are looking specifically for gifts for teenagers, girls 7-12 years old, puzzles, boardgames, and craft items. Please no food or clothing items. Our collection box is in the fellowship hall.

In December our Lutheran Ladies group will be delivering special Christmas tree treats to our local nursing homes and rehabilitation facilities in our area.



In mid-December we will begin collecting coats, scarves, and gloves/mittens for people in our area. Last year, in one special delivery, the coats donated were able to provide the correct sizes for almost an entire family.

COAT DRIVE

¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. -Hebrews 13:16

Our internet pen-pal program with a missionary in Bethlehem will begin after Christmas.



Blessing Box

Please remember our blessing box while grocery shopping. Supplies can be brought to the church and placed in the shed. The door is kept unlocked.

Thank you for supporting this important ministry!

Recommended Items include

- small cereal boxes
 - oatmeal
 - granola bars
 - canned soups
- other one-step dinners such as Compleats meals, Chef Boyardee, etc
 - canned meat such as chicken or tuna
- personal hygiene items such as soap, toothpaste, deodorant, toothbrushes, feminine hygiene products



“The function of prayer is not to influence God but rather to change the nature of the one who prays.”
—Søren Kierkegaard

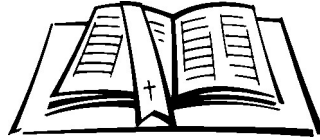
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SCHEDULE OF VOLUNTEERS

October 1 Betty Jean Mumford
October 8 Robert Saathoff
October 15 Donna Stevens
October 22 Robert Saathoff
October 29 Stevi Saathoff



Carol Meers



Tellers

October 1 Henry and Lyn Hollingsworth
October 8 Kathy Barletta and Susan Behrens
October 15 Debbie Dudrow and Donna Stevens
October 22 Henry and Lyn Hollingsworth
October 29 Lee Heinsohn and Lee Moore



Communion Assistants



Altar Flowers

October 1	Betty Jean Mumford	October 1	Robert Saathoff
October 8	Robert and Barbara Saathoff	October 8	Betty Jean Mumford
October 15		October 15	Bobbie Leaverton
October 22	Wendy Sauca	October 22	Fred Meers
October 29	Meredith Lewis	October 29	Deacon Hiner

Acolyte

October 1 Joshua Lewis
October 8 Couper Barletta
October 15 Declan Corley
October 22 Joshua Lewis
October 29 Corey Fisher

Crucifer

October 1 Morgan Sauca
October 8 Gavin Corley
October 29 Preston Rickwood



Acolytes & Crucifers

Ushers

Ushers & Greeters



October 1 Alfred and Stevi Saathoff
October 8 Kathy Barletta and Susan Behrens
October 15 Keith Davis and Donnie Davis
October 22 Henry and Lyn Hollingsworth
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God has been generous to us in many ways. We believe that sharing these gifts in His name is a tangible way of expressing one's faith. As active Christians, we are called to give generously to assist our neighbors through our time, talents and treasures. During this time of pandemic, you may not feel comfortable attending services in-person but want to still send offerings to the church. This can be done by mailing offerings to the church or by using Tithe.ly.



The direct link to our Tithe.ly account is <https://tithe.ly/give?c=1747825>
If you are having trouble with setting up your account, please contact Donna Stevens.

If you have any questions about Tithe.ly, please contact Donna Stevens, Financial Secretary 410-820-7243 or dstevens62@icloud.com

What is lament?

The spiritual discipline of lament may not come naturally, and churches rarely teach it. Because we're raised to stay silent if we can't say something nice, passionately pouring out our sorrow just doesn't seem right.

My opinion changed when I heard author Sharon Garlough Brown explain this spiritual practice from God's perspective. As parents can attest, toddlers have an innate ability to find foreign objects and put them in their mouths. Concerned parents bend down and coax the child to remove the toy, bottle top, coin or rock. "Spit it out." "Let me have it." "It's not good for you to swallow that."

As a concerned parent, God sees and knows what's troubling us. He knows that this world's woes and trials will hurt us if we keep them all inside. God, our good and gracious Father, wants us to passionately pour out our grief, so he bends down, looks us in the eyes, and says, "Spit it out." "Let me have it." "It's not good for you to swallow that."

Spend time with God, sharing your laments. God loves you and is faithful to listen well.

—Janna Firestone

*We always thank
GOD for all of you
and continually
mention you in
our prayers.*

I Thessalonians 1:2, NIV



We pray for Michael Mumford, Henry Fuchs, Barry Reusing, Charlie Marvel, George Schnoor, family of Pastor Donald McClean, Gerda Fisher, Lisa Fisher, Conroy Marth, Paul Bishop, Gordon Behrens, Edith Roe, and Diane Lewis.



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Worship Service Begins at 8:45 am

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