ST. PAUL'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

blue sheet
events & announcements

Munster, Indiana
2026
week of
November 1

Upcoming Dates:

November 7 Autumn Lights
November 11 Cook's Night Off (Chick-Fil-A)
November 14 Faith & Mental Health Seminar
November 15 TL/AHG Recognition Banquet
November 16 Voter's Meeting

Mission of the Month

LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod's (LCMS) Ministry to the Armed Forces (MAF) is authorized as the mission arm of the Synod to support and serve all miliary chaplains – active and reserve – their families and the veteran population. MAF recruits, interviews and endorses all military chaplains; sponsors annual training for all chaplains; and maintains close, pastoral relationships with chaplains after endorsement, offering counsel, training and advice throughout their entire careers.

October was Stewardship Month

Hopefully you have been inspired by the lives of Patti Wente, David Brandt and the volunteers at the Lutheran Early Response Team for the use of their time and talents to the glory of God at St. Paul's both over the years and very recently. If you did not fill out your Stewardship survey last year OR looked it over and see some new opportunities you may be interested in, please return them to the church office or Welcome Center before November 10th. (both locations will have blank copies as well). You can fill it out electronically, from our website. In addition to identifying opportunities to serve, this will hopefully help us develop a "Stewardship mentality". For example, if you ask a school child why they are signing in the choir during the church service, you may get an answer like "I want to get an A in music", "My teacher is making me" or even "Because my friends are doing it". A better thought would be: "I would like to use my time and talents with my voice to praise God" All four answers can be true, but the last answer promotes a "Stewardship mentality", using time and talents that you have to honor and praise God, and enhance the worship experience at St. Paul's for everyone.

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Regularly Scheduled Voter's Meeting on November 16, after evening service.

Correction: Veteran's Day Chapel - Invitations have been sent to all of our veterans. Please note that our special Veteran's Day Chapel will be held on Wednesday, November 11 at 2:30 p.m. We apologize for any confusion and look forward to honoring and celebrating our veterans at this special service. Thank you for your service and sacrifice!

The Giving Tree – Thanksgiving is approaching, which means the Giving Tree is coming to an end on November 11th, and the Angel Tree will be going up soon! If you have pulled a bloom, from the tree, please fulfill the request and bring it to the church office by November 23. Thank you for your generosity & be on the lookout for new blooms in the spring!

Wreath Sale Now Underway! Trail Life and American Heritage Girls are once again selling wreaths for the holiday season! If you'd like to place your order early, please contact Krystle at the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings or stop by the church office. You may also contact:

- Caroline Weller at cweller@stplmunster.com
- Mike Bergin at retz1@comcast.net

Thank you for supporting our youth programs while decorating your home for the holidays!

Marilyn's Bakery Pie Fundraiser- Support St. Paul's TAP organization by purchasing a pie for the holidays from Marilyn's Bakery! All pies are $21. From fruit pies to pumpkin pies, 15 flavors are available. Order forms are available in the church and school office, and all orders are due by Friday, November 6th. Thank you for your support!

Just a reminder we are NO LONGER collecting cans here at St. Paul's. Thank you for your years of can collecting, but the program has ended.

Autumn Lights Silent Auction Goes Live- The Autumn Lights silent auction will be live on Sunday, November 1st at 12:00pm. Use the link, https://www.32auctions.com/autumnlights or scan the QR code below to see all of the items that are available for bidding. There's something for everyone! Need help navigating the website? Stop in the church or school office during the week, or bring your questions to the website helpers at the Autumn Lights event on November 7th.

Time is running out to purchase Autumn Lights Tickets! Today is the last day to purchase your tickets. Tickets are $60 (cash and check) or $62 if you pay with credit card. Dinner and auction will be held November 7, doors open at 5pm at Teibel's in Schererville. All proceeds to benefit St. Paul's Lutheran School.

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Volunteers Needed! St. Paul's is looking for friendly faces to serve as greeters. Help create a welcoming environment for everyone who walks through our doors. Sign up today and make a difference with a simple smile and greeting. Contact the church office at churchoffice@stplmunster.com or (219) 836-6270 ext. 100.

LWML News: A great big thanks to everyone who brought in their LWML mites. Your pennies, nickels and dimes added up. $1,728.94 was collected. This will be used to spread the gospel of Jesus throughout Indiana and the world.

November Cook's Night Off- Join us for our next Cook's Night Off event at Chick-Fil-A in Schererville! From 5-7:00pm on November 11th, you can order in person, through the mobile app (use code SPS1111), or show the flyer (available at the Welcome Center or School Office) to a team member. Enjoy a night off from cooking and help raise funds for our athletics program!

The Lakeside Artists Guild invites you to join them at their annual Thanksgiving concert, "To God Be the Glory: A Musical Feast," on Saturday, November 14, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Sola Center for the Performing Arts at Illiana Christian High School. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. The concert is free and family-friendly. Donations will be gratefully accepted to help cover concert expenses. Join the door list for free at www.lakeconcerts.com

Faith and Mental Health Seminar - Do you know someone who struggles with depression, debilitating anxiety, eating disorders, self-harm, or any of the many burdens that fall under the umbrella of mental health issues? Have you wondered how faith and medical intervention relate to one another? Do you need help for yourself or want to learn how better to help a loved one who is struggling? If so, then please attend this FREE seminar on November, 14th, 2026 here at St. Paul's. Doors open at 8:30am. Light breakfast & lunch provided. Please contact the church office or sign up at the welcome center.

LWML is currently looking for donations of pint size ball jars. If you have any that you would like to donate, please drop off in the LWML bin in the fellowship area by November 2. We will be having our annual soup fundraiser in December! Thank you in advance for your donation.

EACH ONE REACH ONE

Blessing of Baby Blankets for Swaddling Clothes Ministry will take place on November 22. If you are working on afgans for the little ones – get those needles and hooks going! If you need yarn to complete your project, please contact Karen Foote or Bobbi Reyes.

Did you take some fun photographs at a St. Paul's event? Please send them to the office so we can share them on our social media pages for all members to see. You can email tengel@stplmunster.com.

Are you getting our emails? To stay up to date please make sure you are signed up to receive our emails the church office sends out a few times a week. Because of space, there is typically more information in the emails than here on these blue sheets. You can call Krystle in the church office at 219-836-6270 x 100 or, email her at churchoffice@stplmunster.com to get on the list.

Pastor Speckhard is still collecting photos for his photo book If you haven't done so already, please email or text a family photo to Pastor Speckhard-or you can email the church office and Krystle will get them printed up for him. Don't forget to include everyone's name. Thank you for everyone who has already sent them over.

Deadline for Blue Sheet and email announcements is Wednesdays at noon.

Prayer Window:

Kevin Baer, Catherine Burghardt, Pete Burkauskas Jeri Bush, Bob Butler, Eric Clark, Jim Drews, Goebel Family, Ray Hieber, Charlene Hughes, Sue Karrson, Beth Koppers, Ron & Karen Millies, Cat Oneal, Denny Robbins, Ann Schmidt, Diane Targatz, Gordon Teske, Judy Vajda, Judith Walther, Matt Wittkamp, and Marty Zimmer.

Please contact the church office with updates.

For the very latest information, please visit the website or call the church or school office (below). Requests for additions to announcements can be made through the church office email.