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The monthly newsletter of Paynesville Lutheran Church

Point others to Jesus • Love generously and gracefully • Cultivate disciples

Fall Worship Schedule **Sunday Mornings**

9:00am Worship 10:00am Education Hour/Fellowship

All Are Welcome!



Affirmation of Baptism & Reformation Sunday!

On October 30th, 2022, we will be celebrating with our students who have completed our Crosswalk confirmation program! At 10:30 am on that Sunday these wonderful students will be affirming their baptisms and leading us in worship. Every year we celebrate this occasion on Reformation Sunday because this is the day we recognize the start of the church's reforming over 500 years ago with the work of reformers like Martin Luther. More importantly we recognize on Reformation Sunday the ways that God is still calling us

to be reformed, renewed, and reenergized for the work of the Gospel in this changing world. So, it is fitting that we celebrate with our confirmands as they also help us grow and learn about what their world is like and how God is guiding us together into the future.

Trunk or Treat

Trunk & treat is back again this Halloween. Decorate your car's trunk or cargo area however you want to and meet in the church parking lot from 5:30 to 7:00 pm on Halloween night. We will hand out treats to the kids in the Paynesville community and try to guess who they are beneath

their costumes. All ages are welcome! Please bring a minimum of 300 treats to hand out. Come spend part of your Halloween evening with us and enjoy the kids of our community.





Underwear is the most forgotten, and most needed clothing item for people in need. Our Mission for the Month of October is providing socks and undies for the kids in need through our Community Service Center. The new children's socks and/or undies, including diapers can be brought to PLC during the month of October. Monetary donations are also very much appreciated and will be used to purchase additional items needed. Thank you for your generous support.



Your support is essential to the mission and ministry of Paynesville Lutheran Church. Consistent giving is a help to this congregation as we plan for ministry expenses throughout the year. If you've found it challenging to give consistently, this may be an opportunity for you to begin doing so. We thank you

in advance for all your continued gifts, financial and otherwise. Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet. Simply follow these easy steps:

- 1) Visit the church website at www.paynesvillelutheran.org,
- 2) Click on the "Online Giving" tab on the homepage,
- 3) Click on the "Online Giving" button,
- 4) Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.

You can also contact the church office for a paper form.

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October Birthday Blessings to...

- Richard Michaelis, Thomas Pierson
- Sam Eisenbraun, Bradley Vossen
- Justin Soine, Paul Stanger, Michael Tangen, Gary Schmid
- John Mehr
- Diane Dutcher
- Mike Bennett, Yolanda Lien, Laurey Malling, Matt Welling
- Mark Kulzer
- Michael Hentges
- Luke Johnson, Eric Johnson, Andrew Larson, Renae Nelson, Brandyn Ahrendt, Kirk Kleist
- 10 Ivy Andreasen, Michael Jacobson, Jaley Rosengren, Jazmine Lindeman
- Liam Pierson
- Kimberlee Schmidt, LouAnn Peterson, Sue Duscher
- Rae Eckerly, Sean Karsch
- Rhonda Brady, Greg Davis, Miller Mumm
- Barb Hoeft, Ryder Reutzel
- Jennifer Vossen
- Blake Karsch, Jim Stahl
- Carolyn Berg, Riley Fuchs
- Jennifer Welling, Whitney Woehler
- Ryan Shumaker
- Amy Eisenbraun, Nathan Martinson
- Larry Alstead, Betty Marthaler, Tony Whelchel
- Dave Hoeft, Brenda Mayer, Henry Lemke, Stan Yarmon, Jason Nordmann
- 28 Alden Ellingson, Lindy Hennen, Andrew Swenson, Paxton Williams, Angela Fuchs
- 29 Olivia Haines, Steve Moburg, Alexander Lieser, Hank Fischer, Rick Hovme
- 30 George Lemke, Joel Roeske
- Brendan Ashton, Jim Atkinson, Michelle Hanson



New Members

If you're new to PLC and have been wondering more about our congregation or would like to know more about what it means to be a member of our worshipping community, please plan on joining us for our upcoming New Member Workshop. We'll share some information about our church, our beliefs, our mission, and the ministry we share!

If you're planning on attending or if you would like to join PLC, but you are unable to make it to the New Member Workshop, please contact the church office at 320-243-3624. October 16 10:00am – New Member Workshop October 23 9:00am Worship - New Member Recognition



We've got a compelling lineup of topics for our upcoming Education Hour at PLC. Our continued goal is to provide meaningful and thoughtprovoking topics to deepen faith and encourage learning in our community. We'll do this in a

variety of ways throughout the year and we hope you'll join in on the learning and growth we'll do together.

Upcoming Topics:

October 9 - Dick Geer, Farmers Market & Minnesota Grown

October 16 - Kari Shumaker, Women of the Bible

October 23 - Arlene Sullivan, Marlys Sorenson & Lynda George, Triune Ministry

October 30 - Confirmation Sunday, no adult education



The Women's Bible study will meet on Thursday October 13, 2022 at 10:00 in the church Chapel. Bible Study October 13, 2022 at 10:00 in the church Chapel. Please bring your copy of the Gather magazine, a Bible and your prayers for those in need. Copies of

the Bible study will be available for those who need one. See you October 13.



The Men's Bible study meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at PLC at 9:00am. Join us as we enjoy time together in Bible Study and fellowship.

We're Giving Away MONEY!

The Endowment Committee is now accepting grant requests and encourages any person or organization seeking funds to apply to the Paynesville Lutheran Church Endowment. We receive applications from ministries within our congregation, community ministries, or ministries of the larger church and community. Applications can be found on our church website: www.paynesvillelutheran.org The deadline for applications is October 15.

Are You Heading South for the Winter?

If you are planning on going south for the winter please contact the church office as soon as possible. The sooner you are able to contact us the easier it will be to get things forwarded in a timely manner. If you gave us this information last year you still need to let us know so we can verify information.



Do you want to get more involved at PLC but prefer to be behind the scenes? If so, Altar Guild may be just the committee for you. Altar Guild prepares the altar before service Sunday morning and clears the altar after services. Please reach out to Stephanie Johnson at 320-221-3015 to learn more or to join Altar Guild.

Prayer Chain Team

The Prayer Chain at Paynesville Lutheran Church currently has 22 members but we are seeking more individuals, couples or families to join in this vital ministry! The power of prayer gives us a deep connection to our God. And we know that God answers our prayers often in ways we wouldn't expect.

Consider being a part of this team and lifting your friends and neighbors up in prayer!

Just a note about confidentiality. It is important for this team to keep prayers confidential as we often get requests from individuals that are not wanting their prayers to be public knowledge.

If anyone is interested in this important ministry, they may contact the church, Pastor Paul or Lynda (243-7206).



Faith Full Friends—PLC's home visitor ministry

Thank you to everyone who offered care, support and prayers for your neighbors the last several years. Now is the time to reorganize our visiting program which has been on "break" for some time. Through the years we have been fortunate to have a faithful group of people who have been committed to visiting those who have not been able to get out and about or those who have other challenges and appreciate some extra support. Visits include personal contact, phone calls, and notes, as well as prayer.

We are starting from scratch to get up and running again. We know that several Faith Full Friends kept contacts going the past several years. This is greatly appreciated. As we all are aware, the list of those who have been visiting, as well as those who have been visited, has changed over time. We need to update this information to get back on track.

Flexibility is a big part of this ministry. Visitors set their own timelines. We hope there is some continuity of visits with an aim for one about once a month. Even sharing visits with another can be an option. That way a partner visitor can be available even if one is gone for the winter months. Facetime visits may even work for some. Confidentiality is a must for all visitors. Any suggestions regarding other options will be considered. We want this to be workable for all and still be able to offer the support to others.

Please consider this ministry as you think of how you can offer care and support and live out your faith. The church office will field your calls to sign up as a visitor and can connect you with someone who can answer your questions.

Coordinators

Marlys Sorenson and Arlene Sullivan

You Shop, We Benefit!



For those who are not aware, Teal's Market has a wonderful "1% Receipt Rebate Program." It is an easy way for local non-profits to earn money for their organizations. Simply shop at Teal's Market, bring us your receipts, and we'll earn 1% back on all your qualifying purchases. Paynesville Lutheran Church already utilizes this program, so please bring your receipts from Teal's Market to church and put them in the box in the Gathering Area to help us earn more from this great program.