

We're Giving Away MONEY!

The Endowment Committee is now accepting applications 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. We look forward to reviewing applications and continuing the incredible impact of this gift we have as a congregation. Applications can be found on our church website: www.paynesvillelutheran.org **The deadline for applications is October 15.**



Paynesville Lutheran Church

September 20, 2020

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

Gospel Reading: Matthew 20:1-16

“For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Worship Guidelines

Worshipping in-person, physically distanced:

- We ask that you refrain from singing during the service. Just sit back and enjoy listening to our worship musicians!
- We appreciate your continued generosity during this time and we’ll have buckets available as you exit to drop your offering.
- Please plan ahead for bathroom needs as the church building remains closed.
- **For the protection of each other, masks are required when outside of your vehicle.** In order for this to work for the most amount of people, we ask that you please abide by this requirement.
- Physical distancing between households is encouraged at all times. Please do not congregate before or after the service.
- In the event of inclement weather, outdoor worship will be cancelled, and we will worship live online at 9:30 AM. We will make sure to inform you as quickly as possible if we need to make this change.

Worshipping in-person, remaining in your vehicle:

- You may roll down your windows and listen to the service through the speaker system or tune your car radio to **AM 1630**. (This station will only work in our parking lot.)

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Today we celebrate with our 3 year olds, Kindergarten students and sixth grade students as they receive their bibles. Thank you for joining us to share this special gift of God's Word. The Bibles are a gift from the Women of the ELCA.

Song: It Is Well With My Soul

Our scars are a sign
of grace in our lives
And Father how You brought us through
When deep were the wounds
and dark was the night
The promise of Your love You proved
Now ev'ry battle still to come
Let this be our song

It is well (it is well)
with my soul (with my soul)
It is well , it is well with my soul

Weeping may come remain for a night
But joy will paint the morning sky
You're there in the fast You're there in the feast
Your faithfulness will always shine
Now ev'ry blessing still to come
Let this be our song

It is well (it is well)
With my soul (with my soul)
It is well , it is well with my soul
Trust Your ways (trust Your ways)
Trust Your name (trust Your name)
It is well , it is well with my soul

You lead us through battles
(You lead us through battles)
You lead us to blessing
(You lead us to blessing)
And You make us fruitful
(And You make us fruitful)
In the land of our suffering God
It is well it is well with my soul

It is well (it is well)
With my soul (with my soul)
It is well , it is well with my soul
Trust Your ways (trust Your ways)
Trust Your name (trust Your name)
It is well , it is well with my soul



This fall looks different for all of us in so many ways, and your church is no different. The way we usually do things on Sundays and Wednesdays this time of year is still not possible. While we're finding that reality difficult to accept, we've channeled our energy into an experience we're excited to share with you: The Paynesville Lutheran Church Academy!

This will be an intergenerational, family centered, home-based learning experience with sets of tracks that have experiences, activities, and material for all ages. Not everything will be for everyone, but everyone will have something that meets them where they are.

Also, this is a self-led, at-your-own-pace style of program. The track model allows for you to choose the way you engage the topic you've chosen. We hope this empowers you to take learning and faith formation into your own hands, with us as your guide. By doing what works best for you, we hope this allows for richer discovery of faith in your life.

Visit our website for track descriptions, some introductory videos, and program registration and schedule. The main landing page for the tracks will also be where you'll find the track portals specific to the track you've chosen, with all the material and content you'll need. The portal pages will go live on our opening night, September 23rd.

Finally, we know it's difficult right now to carve out any extra space in our lives, but we still want to create the space for us to share in this together. So, we will gather virtually every Wednesday evening at 6:00 for worship. After worship, you're invited to join your track for a Zoom conversation about what learning you've been engaged in and what you've learned. Your time and the link to the Zoom conversation can be found on your track portal page on the PLC website. These will be great ways for us to stay connected and learn together during this time.

**PLC Academy registration is for all Sunday School, iQuest, Sowers, Confirmation, Sr. High Students, and Adults. The Academy is in place of our regular in-person Sunday and Wednesday education opportunities.*