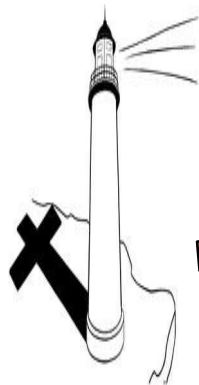


ST. PAUL'S
UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST

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Sheboygan, WI 53081

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The Beacon



NOVEMBER 2017

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-closed

Tuesday-Friday:

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Other times by appointment

CHURCH WEB SITE:

www.sspucc.org

CHURCH EMAIL:

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CHURCH STAFF:

Jeremy Hysten, Pastor

Richard Reineking,

Consistory President

John Brown, Vice President

Lisa Flook, Organist

Leslie Ellair, Choir Director

Patricia Jaberg, Handbell Dir.

Lisa Drews, Admin. Assist.

Carol Reineking, Custodian

Midweek Worship

Wednesday @ 6:00 p.m.

Sunday School

@ 8:45 a.m.

Worship Service

Sunday @ 10:00 a.m.

Communion -

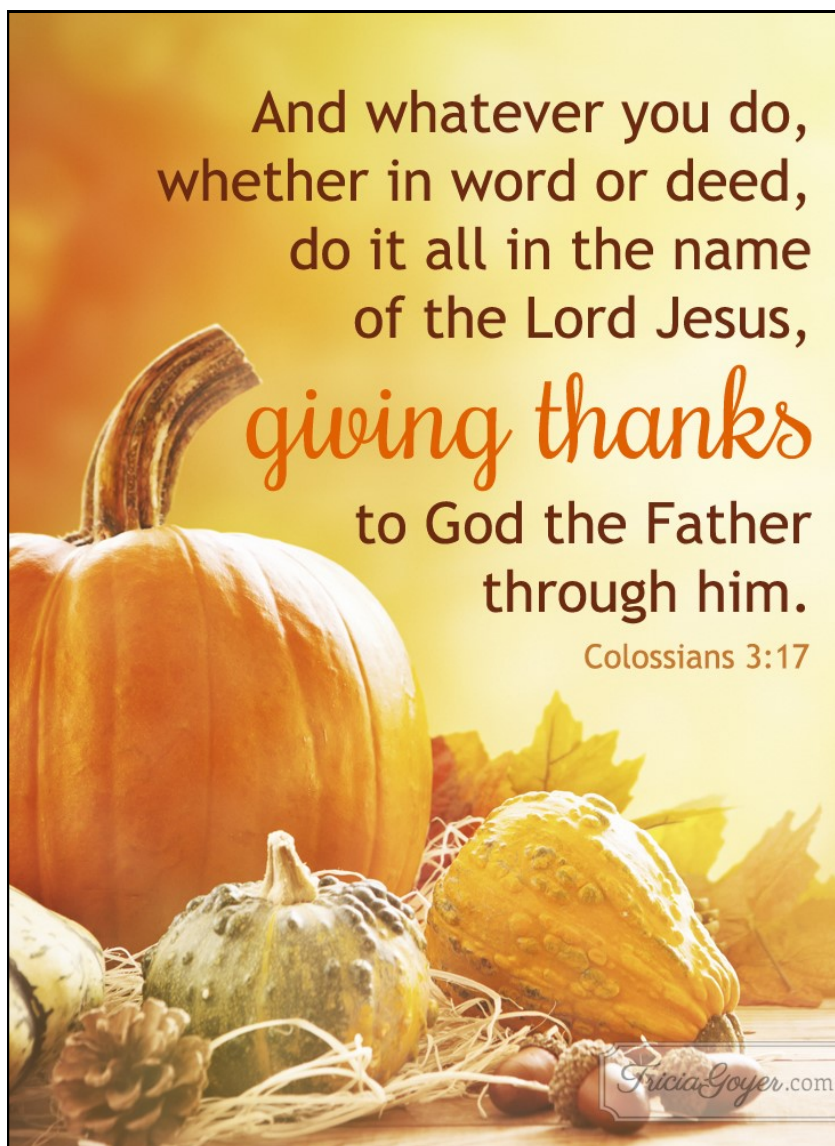
Second Sunday of each
month

Our Mission:

With love and compassion
for all, we guide and nurture
God's children, young and
old, on our spiritual journey
together.

And whatever you do,
whether in word or deed,
do it all in the name
of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks
to God the Father
through him.

Colossians 3:17



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Pastor's Page

Later this month we will gather around a table and celebrate a meal with friends and family. We will avoid talking politics and religion. We will eat too much. Someone will fall asleep (hopefully not at the table). And then we will rush into the Christmas season. But before you get to that point, I would ask you to take a moment and think about all of the things in your life that you are thankful for. For me, beyond my fabulous Laurie and fantastic little Hannah, I am so thankful for my church family. I am amazed by the continuing generosity of the people of St. Paul's--the countless hours spent caring for both the church and its people; the generous gifts that keep the church running; and most importantly, the gift of each life in service of the kingdom of God. I hope this year as you sit down to celebrate the bounty of God's blessings, you say a small thank you to all of God's little helpers here at St. Paul's U.C.C. And always remember those words from Joshua: "For me and my household, we will serve the Lord."



Thanksgiving Eve Worship - Nov. 22, 2017

St. Paul's U.C.C. is invited to attend the Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service at St. John's U.C.C. located at 1248 Lincoln Avenue in Sheboygan. The service begins at 7:00 p.m.

A Message from your Stewardship Committee

We read in the Hebrew Bible "O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures for ever." How have you experienced God's goodness in your life? Can you think of blessings in your life that are beyond your expectations? Can you see how abundant God's blessings are in your life? We hope that in this season of giving thanks, you take some time and think about how St. Paul's is a blessing in your life, and how you might share your blessings with St. Paul's. We can only truly celebrate the abundance of God if we share in this celebration together.



Trunk or Treat Thank You

A special thank you to all the Trunk or Treat volunteers: those that withstood the cold outside with the trunks, those that were inside and prepared the refreshments and worked on crafts, and those who donated candy, cookies and cupcakes.

We heard several comments on how the community loves that the church provides this event. It was fun and a huge success! We plan to repeat this event next year the weekend before Halloween on Saturday, October 27, 2018. Start thinking about your ideas for next year.

If we forgot anyone, please accept our apology. We greatly appreciated everyone's contribution!

Consistory at Work

Consistory Meeting Minutes - St. Paul's UCC, Sheboygan, WI Wednesday, October 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Jeremy Hylan (Pastor), John Brown, Charlotte Jump, Leon Jump, Mike King, Joanne Lensink, Richard Reineking, Daniel Van Straten, and Mason White. **Absent:** Linda Mueller, Donna Rautmann, and Jaymz Stempihar.

Treasurer's Report and Stewardship Report for September (Linda Mueller):

Total Income: \$8,097. Total expense: \$10,743. Net Income: \$-2,646.
Building Improvement Fund: \$32,225. Parsonage Fund: \$29,491. General Fund: \$-9,917.
Memorial Fund Savings Account: \$69,899, plus Total Memorial Monies: \$757.
Other assets: 573 shares Heartland Financial: \$26,072. Stewardship Report Weekly Giving total: \$8,029.

Head Trustee Report (Mason White):

- Furnace filters replaced.
- Good record keeping is necessary for all maintenance work performed.
- Pews at the front area of the sanctuary have been removed to make room for hand bell tables. Carpet pieces will be added to the bare tile areas.

Pastor's Report (Jeremy Hylan):

- Five Practices group focusing on survey of church members with help from the Confirmation class.
- Refinishing work on the cabinet in the Music Room is completed.

President's Report (Richard Reineking):

- Elevator maintenance costs are going to be less because of a 30% discount for limited.
- The furnaces will be repaired by a church member, reducing furnace expense at this time. Replacing the furnaces is being delayed for now.
- A total quote of \$1,300 for carpet cleaning in the Sanctuary, Gathering Area, Fellowship Hall, and Community Room was discussed. Cleaning in these areas has been delayed for a few years. Motion to approve the quote and clean the carpeting upstairs this year and downstairs before Easter.

Other Business:

- Dedication of the new digital sign board to take place at the end of October.
- The pews removed from the sanctuary are being offered to church members, and any remaining removed from the church premises.
- A bid from Ecomanity for electrical lighting savings was turned down.
- New signage within the church building is in the finishing stages.
- Different pledge forms and time and talents forms used during this year's stewardship drive. The time and talents list will be more general. Consistory members will canvas church members on what they want to do.

Respectfully submitted by Consistory Secretary Daniel Van Straten



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 9:00 a.m. Dartball Practice 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Class 6:00 p.m. Midweek Worship	2 10:00 a.m. Healing Hearts 7:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal	3	4
5 <i>*Daylight Saving Time ends @ 2 a.m.</i> 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship w/ A Time of Remembrance Children's Handbell Choir	6 1:00 p.m. Dartball Saints @ Creamers	7	8 9:00 a.m. Dartball Practice 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Class 6:00 p.m. Midweek Worship 7:00 p.m. Consistory Meeting	9 7:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal	10	11
12 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion The Bell Choir/Men's Choir Order SCRIP	13 1:00 p.m. Dartball Rookies @ Saints	14 1:30 p.m. Sisters Circle Beacon newsletter articles due	15 9 am Dartball Pr. 5 pm Confirmation 5—7 pm Messy Church 6:00 p.m. Midweek Worship	16 10:00 a.m. Healing Hearts	17	18
19 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship w/ Stewardship Dedication	20 No Dartball Games	21	22 9:00 a.m. Dartball Practice Thanksgiving Eve Worship 7:00 p.m. at St. John's UCC	23 Thanksgiving Day Office Closed 	24 Office Closed	25
26 10:00 a.m. Worship	27 1:00 p.m. Dartball Saints @ Rocks	28	29 9 am Dartball Pr. 11:30 am Lunch Bunch@ Falls Cafe 5 pm Confirm. 6 pm Midweek Worship	30 7:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal		

November Birthdays

Patti Blindauer	11/1
Henry White	11/1
Jean Dickmann	11/5
Naomi Holzwart	11/5
Tessa Englebert	11/6
Jay Englebert	11/8
Corrie Stempihar	11/8
Amy Voechting	11/10
Emma Kunstman	11/10
Florence Hamilton	11/13
Daniel Arnoldi	11/14
Dylan Herman	11/22
Mason Western	11/27
Mike King	11/28
Brian Severns	11/30

*If we missed anyone or made a mistake
please call the church office.
Thank you!*



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sheboygan Senior Community: *Jean Carlson*

Countryside Manor:

*Elaine Rautmann, Esther Hemschemeyer,
and Gladys Leonard*

Pine Haven: *Madeline Herr*

Prairie Crossing: *Bob Hollenbeck*

Sheboygan Shores Senior Living:

Elaine Born, Florence Hamilton, Luella Mueller

Schedule for November

Liturgists

- 5—Linda Mueller
- 12—Joanne Lensink
- 19—Carol Drews
- 26—Laurie Hysten

Scripture Readers

- 5—Keith Risse
- 12—Ervida Van Straten
- 19—Naomi Holzwart
- 26—Jim Schwarten

Ushers

- 5—Daniel & Ervida Van Straten, Mary & Keith Risse
- 12—Richard & Carol Reineking, Linda Horn, and Harlen Voechting
- 19—Jay Englebert, Judy & Richard Belitz, and Jim Schwarten
- 26—Mason White, Bruce & Barb Hengst, and Laurie Hysten

Acolytes

- 5—Tessa Englebert
- 12—Charlie White
- 19—Jake Englebert
- 26—Ethan Entringer

November Chancel Lady

Ervida Van Straten



SCRIP Order Dates

Monthly SCRIP orders will be taken on the following Sundays: November 12 and December 10th, 2017; and January 14 and February 11, 2018.

A Time of Remembrance

On Sunday, November 5, we will be observing a time of remembrance. We invite family members and loved ones to the service at 10 a.m. at which time we will remember the loved ones of our church families who have passed away since last December.

Lunch Bunch

The Lunch Bunch will meet at 11:30 a.m. on November 29th at the Falls Café in Sheboygan Falls. Please sign up on the yellow pad in the Community Room.

Sympathy

Our prayers and condolences are extended to the family of James Lastusky who passed away September 27, 2017. We share our love and comfort with James' family. A private family service was held with Chaplain Marianne Brandt of Sharon S. Richardson officiating.

Our prayers and condolences are also extended to the family of Phyllis Mueller who passed away October 14, 2017. We share our love and comfort with Phyllis' family. A memorial service was held at Reinbold-Novak Funeral Home on October 21, 2017. Reverend Jeremy Hylan officiated.

Baptism to Celebrate

William George Paradies -
Baptized October 22, 2017

New in the Library

"Things I Overheard While Talking to Myself" by acclaimed actor and comedian Alan Alda who takes an insightful look at questions he's asked himself: "What do I value? What is the good life?", along with funny stories from his own life.

"Wonder" by R. J. Palacio follows the struggles of 10 yr. old Auggie born with facial differences. He wants to prove to himself and others that he is just as "normal" as they despite his appearance. A story filled with courage, compassion, friendship, family and love. Highly recommended for our young readers.

Also, a few more books by Wanda E. Brunstetter and Debbie Macomber.

Annual Reports Due December 10, 2017

The 2017 Annual Report needs to be available for our church membership on January 14, 2018. Please start thinking about your articles for the annual report now, as we would like them turned into the church office by December 10th, with the exception of financial reports which need data through December 31st. We hope that by setting an early deadline you may have one less task to juggle over the busy holiday season.



Poinsettias

Orders are now being taken for Poinsettias to beautify the sanctuary this Christmas. Orders can be placed in the church office or may be placed in the offering plate. The cost is \$10.50. Please include your name, envelope number, in memory of, or in honor of, and payment with your request.

Mitten Tree

We will soon have our mitten tree up again this year. Your donations of mittens, gloves, hats and scarves will help keep local girls and boys warm over the winter months. We greatly appreciate your donations to our mitten tree.

Handling the Holidays

Reinbold-Novak Funeral Home invites you to their 27th Annual Handling the Holidays Program

Thursday, November 2, 2017

**6:30 p.m. at Blue Harbor Conference Center,
Sheboygan**

RS.V.P. 452-7711

The featured speaker will be Richard J. Obershaw, a nationally recognized Grief Therapist. Mr. Obershaw, will blend gentle humor with practical advice on how to cope, how to memorialize your loved one, and new ways to participate in holiday celebrations. A candle lighting ceremony and refreshments will conclude the program.

Third Annual Home for the Holidays

Sheboygan County Interfaith Organization invites you to the 3rd Annual Home for the Holidays to benefit Bridgeway & Beyond on **Saturday, November 4th, 2017** from 6—10 pm. The benefit is held at the Masonic Mansion at 411 St. Clair Avenue in Sheboygan. There will be music provided by Brew City Big Band, ballroom dance lessons, hors d'oeuvres, drinks, raffles and a silent auction. Ticket Prices are \$50 single, \$225 high top table for five, or \$450 round table for ten. Tickets can be ordered online at: www.bridgewayandbeyond.com.



Merry Little Christmas

Sunny Ridge Rehabilitation Center invites you to join them in contributing to their residents in giving them a "Merry Little Christmas". You can donate talents, gifts, cookies, candies, or anything to brighten the resident's spirit.

Their "Giving Tree" will be set up by November 1st, 2017. You are welcome to come and pick tags off the tree or contact Dawn Zeier, Director, at 453-7056. Sunny Ridge asks that gifts be delivered to their facility on or before December 4, 2017 by 4:30 pm.

For more information, please contact Dawn Zeier or the church office.

Helping Hands Needed

The Aurora at Home seeks hospice volunteers. Duties include:

- Visiting hospice patients in their own homes, in and around the area.
- Reading, holding a hand, chatting, playing games or just watching TV with the patient. Volunteers do not transport or do personal cares.
- Veterans Visiting Veterans to listen, to share, and to know you were there.
- Volunteers are needed approximately 1 time a week depending on patient need, for a couple hours each visit. Services are not always needed every week.
- Training is provided on an individual basis. No nursing experience needed.

Please contact Jayne Syrjamaki at 920-252-5146 for more information or to begin the volunteer process.