



The Messenger

St. Paul's Liberty Lutheran Church

We are: a congregation called, gathered and united by Christ.
We trust: in God's creative and reconciling love through Christ.
We live: to celebrate, study, proclaim and live out the Gospel in our family, community and world.

Church Email: When emailing the church please use

stploffice@gmail.com (The old email @.org is no longer in use.)

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday 8am – 12pm

August Worship:

August 2nd – 9am Worship at Schuster's Farm with communion

August 9th – 9am Worship

August 16th – 9am OUTDOOR Worship with Communion

August 23rd – 9am Worship

August 30th – 9am Worship

Mark your Calendars:

Our last Parking Lot worship date for 2026 will be September 2



Financial Picture as of the End of June 2026:

Income: \$113,900
Expenses: \$114,789
Total for the year: -\$889



Wear Love

Theme Verse: "So, chosen by God for this new life of love, dress in the wardrobe God picked out for you: compassion, kindness, humility, quiet strength, discipline. Be even-tempered, content with second place, quick to forgive an offense. Forgive as quickly and completely as the Master forgave you. And regardless of what else you put on, wear love. It's your basic, all-purpose garment. Never be without it." -Colossians 3:12-14 (The Message Bible)

We have youth at our various camps this summer. Several went to Night Owls at Lutherdale in July, where you stay up later and later until an all nightery is pulled Wednesday. Others attended our Adventure camp where they had the opportunity to adventure into the lake, or spend a night in a tent or shoot for the stars in high ropes. We also had fifteen members of the Deerfield community who are headed to Pennsylvania to serve the community. In each camp experience the same Bible theme will carry them through the week: Wear love.

Consider your favorite piece of clothing—the well-worn flannel, cozy sweater, or lucky Brewers or Packers jersey. Behind each garment there is a story. About how it became the lucky garment or what it has been worn for (fishing on the lake, a weekend at the cabin). There is a reason it is a favorite.

At camp our young people will hear about how love, much like clothing, has a journey. Rooted in God's love, it's woven into our lives, connecting us to others and guiding our actions. As Paul writes to the Colossians, love binds us together through virtues like kindness, humbleness, calmness, steadfastness, and forgiveness. These qualities strengthen our relationships, reflecting God's love in every interaction and aligning us with the values that create the good life God wants for all of us.

Think about your favorite piece of clothing, the story that accompanies it and how God is part of our summer experiences, weaving himself in and out of the memories made. Enjoy these last weeks doing what you enjoy!

Blessings,

Pastor Holly



Anyone planning on attending worship are welcome to join the choir, spread the word!

September 13, 2026
Anniversary Worship
9am

Rehearsals in the sanctuary:
Thursday, June 18th, 6:00-7:00pm
Thursday, July 16th, 6:00-7:00pm
Thursday, August 13th, 6:00-7:00pm
Thursday, September 10th, 6:00-7:00pm

Community/Reunion Choir



175TH ANNIVERSARY

SCHUSTER'S FARM
DEERFIELD - WISCONSIN

Worship at
SCHUSTER'S FARM

with
The Promised Band

Sunday August 2, 2026
9am

Stay and play at the farm, proceeds from the wristbands for Blooms on the Farm will go to the church thanks to the generosity of the Schusters

175th Preparation

We want to spruce up our grounds and prepare to host our celebration. Please join us the following days:

Saturday August 29th from 8am-12pm

Wednesday September 2nd from 8am-12pm

Some of the things we hope to accomplish:

- Deep vacuuming in the sanctuary and balcony
- Dusting in the windowsills of the balcony/stairs/sanctuary
- Dusting the floorboards
- Vacuuming and oiling the pews
- Wiping off the communion rails, cleaning the altar area
- Cleaning up the bookshelves in the narthex
- Dusting the bookshelves in the narthex
- Polishing our historical silver in the curio cabinet
- Vacuuming the narthex
- Cleaning the walls of the education center
- Dusting the shelves in the education center
- Cleaning out the windowsills of the education center
- Deep cleaning the kitchen in the education center
- Cleaning windows
- Cleaning entryway of Education Center

Thursday September 10 at 7pm

- Setting up tables and chairs for the dinner and program
- Setting the tables

- Wrapping silverware
- Preparing the kitchen for our caterer



175th Anniversary Dinner and Program

September 12th

6pm in the Education Center

There is a RSVP card in this newsletter for our 175th Anniversary Dinner and program. The details for you to keep:

Plated Menu:

Garden Salad with Dinner Rolls

**Chicken Breasts in a Tuscan Cream Sauce,
Baby Red Potatoes and Fresh Green
Beans, Cake, Lemonade, water and
coffee**

Cost: \$20 or \$15 under 12

**Payment: checks to St. Paul's, cash, venmo,
paypal with RSVP by September 1st**



Join us for “Come From Away” at the Fireside

Saturday October 24, 2026 arrive at 4:45pm for 7:30pm show

Cost is \$86.50 which includes gratuity

Sign up (with your meal selection) and pay by September 24, 2026

The Fireside is proud to bring you the exhilarating Tony Award-winning musical that was born out of the tragedy of September 11, 2001. In the remarkable true story of COME FROM AWAY, what started as an average morning in the small town of Gander, Newfoundland turned into an international sleepover, when 38 planes carrying 7,000 people from around the globe were diverted to their airstrip. Undaunted by culture clashes

and language barriers, the people of Gander cheered the stranded travelers with music, an open bar, and the recognition that we’re all part of a global family. Experience this joyous story with a dynamic score and a vibrant, fast-paced narrative as both hosts and visitors form friendships that will stay with them forever.

Entrée Choices:

CHICKEN PICCATA

A Supreme Cut Chicken Breast, lightly breaded and sautéed to a golden brown, resting on a Lemon Cream Velouté Sauce, garnished with Caper Buds and French-Fried Parsley. Served with Tri-color Fingerling Potatoes and Roasted Broccoli and Cauliflower.

SLICED PORK TENDERLOIN

Slow Roasted Pork Tenderloin, sliced into juicy medallions, crowned with our made from scratch rich Pork Stock Gravy. Served with Tri-color Fingerling Potatoes and Roasted Broccoli and Cauliflower.

SEARED HALIBUT

A healthy 6 oz. filet of Halibut seared to a perfect golden crust, brushed with a Lemon Butter Sauce and accompanied by a Lemon Cream Velouté Sauce. Served with Tri-color Fingerling Potatoes and Roasted Broccoli and Cauliflower.

VEGETARIAN PENNE ALFREDO

Penne Noodles gently tossed with Broccoli Florets and our House-made Garlic Alfredo Sauce, topped with Parmesan Cheese and our Homemade Asiago Cheese Crostini.

Blueberry Crisp

Fresh Blueberries baked with Port Wine and Brown Sugar Streusel, served warm with our Homemade Vanilla Frozen Custard.

Coffee, Tea, and Milk



Liberty Fest was a Success!

Thank you to everyone who helped with Liberty Fest by selling tickets, volunteering, attending, providing bars or spreading the word. We raised \$16,047 to go towards our restoration! Congratulations to all the winners and a huge thank you to our sponsors and prize donors.

Our sponsors this year were:

Bee True Aesthetics and Wellness	\$100	Coffee and Bars
Drews and Severson Inc Tax Plus	\$100	Coffee and Bars
London Depot	\$100	Coffee and Bars
Dorshorst Auctions	\$100	Coffee and Bars
Holland's Hearts and Hands	\$100	Coffee and Bars
Schuster's Farm	\$100	Coffee and Bars

Showtime Arena	\$100	Coffee and Bars
Greater Insurance Service	\$250	Lefse and Lutefisk
BCP Transportation	\$250	Lefse and Lutefisk
Dvorak Pumping	\$250	Lefse and Lutefisk
Buck and Honey's	\$250	Lefse and Lutefisk
Nickles Electric	\$500	Ole and Lena
RG Huston Co Inc	\$500	Ole and Lena
Shack's Tap	\$500	Ole and Lena
Beef Butter BBQ	\$500	Ole and Lena
Total in Sponsorships	\$3,700	

Liberty Fest Raffle Prize Winners

Winner	Prize
Karen Sargent	4 Packer Tickets
Joe Reagan	\$1,000 cash
Lisa Perkins	\$500 cash
Leroy VanderGalien	\$400 cash
Nick Slater	\$250 cash
Chance John	Dog Lover's Basket
Janet Amacher	\$250 Voyager Jewelry
Terri Graffin	handcrafted wood table
Eric John	healing experience for 4
Deb Schneider	Blooms on the Farm for 5
Liz McGredie	\$100 cash
Sandy Gilbertson	Oil Change
Mackenzie Birkrem	4 Badger Football tickets

Darren King	\$50 Beef Butter BBQ
Caroline Storlie	Picnic Table
Tim Dahl	Haunted Forest/Corn Maze for 6
Kaylee Knoll	\$50 cash
Beth Annen	\$25 Papa Jimmy's
Andy Pohlman	Movie Theater Basket
JoAnn Benisch	Cooler with Summerfest Tickets
Wayne Keller	\$250 cash
Tami Graffin	\$250 Voyagers Jewelry
Brielle Rahn	4 Badger Football Tickets
Marla Tofte	\$100 cash
Denel Ireland	\$50 Beef Butter BBQ
Judy Huston	Creekview Par Three
Todd Bliot	Mary Kay basket
Claira Droessler	\$50 Beef Butter BBQ
Troy Coffey	\$100 cash



Vacation Bible School

August 3rd - 6th, 2026 from 9am to 12pm

Open to all entering 4K-6th Grade!

**Come join the campfire at St. Paul's Education Center.
Join us for games, songs, crafts, science experiments,
Bible stories & lunch!**

We're in need of teen and adult volunteers as well!



Help Needed! Flower Watering Sign-up in the Narthex

The flowers around church were planted this season in honor/memory of loved ones but we still need help with watering the pots every day. If you would consider signing up for a week or two this summer, we would be grateful. Watering will take place thru September. We will also show you how to do so if needed. If you are interested a sign up sheet is located in the Narthex.

* If you can not make your watering day, please find a replacement or call Ethel Lund (698-0646). Thank you!

Here are the weeks filled and those still vacant for the rest of the season:

August 1-7 Jeff & Kristy Staszak

August 8-14 Tim Albrecht

August 15-21 **Volunteer Needed**

August 22-28 Lesa Herms

August 29-September 4

September 5-11 **Volunteer Needed**

September 12-18 **Volunteer Needed**

Donations of Summer Flower Pots

Donor(s):	In memory/honor of:
Dan & Karen Sargent	In memory of Larry Sargent.
Ruth Scheel	In memory of Wayne Scheel and Kristina Schultz.
Denny Rahn	In memory of Arthur and Eleanor Rahn.
Bette Monskey	In memory of Larry Monskey and in memory of Judith Dorshorst.
Ethel Lund	In memory of Maynard and Orpha Grossman.
David Tofte & Family	In memory of Edwin & Jeanette Tofte, Howard "Mickey" & Mary Mickelson, Miles Mickelson and Alfred "Dodo" Lund
Doug Ganz	In memory of Jane Ganz.
Nancy Kittleson	In memory of Kittleson family members.
Doug & Cari Speer	In honor of our family.
Laura Slinde	In memory of Jim and Donna Smithback.
Donna Rahn and family	In memory of Daryl Rahn.
Donna Rahn and family, Rick Hommen and family	In memory of Rodger and Gerry Hommen.
Sandy Gilbertson	In memory of Jim Gilbertson.



Older Wiser Lutherans (OWL'S) Breakfast

9am Thursday, August 13 in the Education Center

Come and catch up and enjoy food and fellowship!

Women of the Church News

WELCA Board Meeting Summary - July 8, 2026

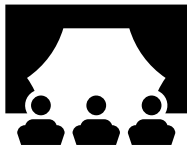
- Farmer's Market pie making day – July 9, sale on July 11th
- WELCA will provide lunches for Vacation Bible School students and staff
- Koshkonong Historical Society will have a dinner served by WELCA members on Monday, August 3rd in the Educational Center.
- WELCA voted to give \$100 to each student attending Lutherdale and the Youth Pennsylvania Mission trip this summer
- We welcomed Carri Speer as co-chairman for Hope Circle
- Fireside tickets for the Saturday, October 24th dinner and show are available. Sign up sheets are at the Ed Center or at Church. \$86.50.

Upcoming events

- August 19 – Women's Night Out at 1855
- September 26th – Lions Club Chili Fest. St. Paul's members provide bars/cookies to sell at the event. Profits go to the church's general fund.
- October 3, 2026 – our annual fall dinner. We'll be seeking volunteers to help with this event.



To all who helped with the Farmer's Market Pie Sale by helping make, bake or sell the pies. It was a great success! We made \$719



Fireside Show, "Come From Away"

Saturday, October 24th

Dinner and Show \$86.50

sign-up sheets in the Ed Center or the church narthex



On Saturday, September 26 the Lions will hold their Annual Chili Fest

Once again this year St. Paul's is invited to have a dessert booth at the Fest with proceeds going to our church.

So come late September, cookies and bars will be needed for the dessert booth. Get out your best recipes and get Ready to bake!



Summer is here, but fall is coming. And with fall, you can look forward to:

St. Paul's Liberty Lutheran Harvest Dinner

Saturday, October 3rd Mark the date!

(Please see Order form in this newsletter for more details)



Wednesday, August 19th 6pm at 1855.



Piggly Wiggly Receipts

Piggly Wiggly receipts are being saved at the church. It's as easy as placing your receipts from the Cambridge Store only in the plastic jug labeled and located in the north narthex. All proceeds will go to the Woman of the Church to help finance several projects throughout the year. If you have any questions please contact Holly Nelson. They will be turned at the end of the month.

Remember Homebound Members:

Marian Gotzion
Talamore Senior Living, Room 120
275 N City Station Dr
Sun Prairie, WI 53590

Betty Nelson
Reena Senior Living
737 Reena Avenue
Fort Atkinson, WI 53549

Chuck Emberson
1200 W. Evergreen Road
Deerfield, WI 53531

Arlene Scheel
Skaalen Heights
950 Ridge St. Apt. 202
Stoughton, WI 53589

Nancy Nesheim
Our House Senior Care
201 E. Madison Street Apt. 11
Cambridge, WI 53523

Diane Wilkinson
Home Again
308 England St.
Cambridge, WI 53523

Kay Herms
Skaalen Heights
950 Ridge St. Apt G2
Stoughton, WI 53589

Elaine Schollmeyer
Wellington Meadows
525 Memorial Drive (Room 12)
Fort Atkinson, WI 53549

Happy August Birthdays

1 Derek Schwenn, Keith Hammen
2 Bill Hommen, Curtis Graffin, Ethel Lund, Jade Pastorius, Lauryn Weisensel
3 Ray Grob
4 Beverly Schulz, Clair Nelson
5 Camren Berge
7 Clayton Walsh, Owen Walsh, Weston Walsh
8 Brian Fiez, Cheryl Stenjem
9 Chase Coffey, Laurie Slinde
11 Eric Saemann
12 Alexis Hommen, Jodie Ritsch, Kody Fiez, Kain Shanks
13 Jason Shortreed
14 Brynley Kittleson, Emery Halverson, Michael Herms
16 Kane Felio, Kimberly Shaul, Luke Taylor
17 Doug Ganz, Sophie Grieser, Stanley Jahn, Susan Jahn, Douglas Rahn
18 Chloe Berge, Matt Ammerman
19 Liam Anklam, Meghan Saemann, Michael Dahl, Rick Hommen
21 Bill Sainsbury, Cole Erickson
22 Missy Felio
23 Kiley Halverson, Mitchell Schroepfer, Rich Nelson, Rochelle Vander Galien
24 Jeff Rahn, Kinsley Ester, Maggie Herms, Ryan Gosdeck
26 Emma Herms
29 Joseph Regan, Kay Herms, Lane Shortreed, Otto Otteson
30 Geoffrey Saemann
31 Wayne Kittleson

August Wedding Anniversaries

1 Darin and Darcy Julseth
5 Todd and Lisa Birkrem
7 Carrie and Adam Poster
9 Jeff and Karen Coffey
14 Mike and Sara Meske
15 Andy and Elaine Pohlman
21 Eric and Victoria Larson
23 Kelly and Kyle Kittleson, Scott and Lindsay Weisensel
29 Dakota and Jade Pastorius, James and Sandra Mickelson, Kevin and Kimberly Kapral
31 Jason and Shana Bongle, Jeffery and Carri Bohn

Life Milestones

Milestones:

6/6 Rose Zahn Funeral
6/7 William Sommers Baptism
6/28 Bethanie Graffin Baptism
7/25 Angie Fankhauser Funeral
7/26 Buxton Thiede Baptism

Worship Assistants for the month of August

	Ushers	Reader/Prayers	Coffee Hour	Communion & Bread	Deacon
August					
Schusters 2	Zeke, Jessica and Sam Regan	Jane Holland	None needed	Michelle Jensen	Greg Storlie
9	Erin Clark and family	Laurie Slinde	Randy and Mary Loomis	None needed	Greg Storlie
Outdoor Worship 16	Steve Keller and Rick Hommen	Holly Nelson	None needed	Church provided	Greg Storlie
23	Denny and Jeff Rahn	Kristy Staszak	Ralphh and Terri Borrud	None needed	Greg Storlie
30	Felio Family	Penelope Slater	Randy and Jessie Behlke	None needed	Greg Storlie

We are looking for more volunteers to help fill these needs. If you can help please contact Michelle Jensen at jensen1318@gmail.com or 608-239-9575.