

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH – STILLWATER, MN

THE MESSENGER

SEPTEMBER 2026

See You On The 13th!

2026 St. Croix River Cruise!

SPLC RALLY DAY

Picnic



**Sunday,
September 13th
at 11:00 AM**

Please bring a dish to share! We'll be serving up burgers, hotdogs, lemonade, and water.

Cruise the St. Croix with Us! Summer may be winding down, and school will soon be back in session, but there's still time for one more summer adventure! Join your church family and friends for a beautiful afternoon on the St. Croix River aboard the Andiamo for a Dixieland Luncheon

Buffet Cruise. The Fellowship

Committee has reserved Sunday, September 20th for our group.

Boarding begins at 1:00 PM at the dock. **Need a ride? A bus**

will leave St. Paul Lutheran at 12:30 PM. Please indicate on

the sign-up sheet if you need

bus transportation. Cost: Ages

55+ and caregivers: \$32.50, Adults: \$42.50,

Children ages 4–12: \$30.00, and Children 3 and

under: FREE! The sign-up sheet is available in the

Gathering Area, and the deadline to register is

Sunday, September 13th. **Please make checks**

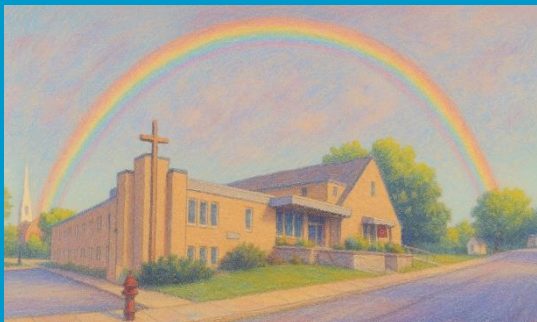
payable to St. Paul Lutheran Church and write

"Andiamo Boat Cruise" on the memo line. A

special thank-you to the Fellowship Committee and

Senior Committee for their generous contributions

toward the cost of this event!



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Message from Pastor Nathan

Welcoming Vicar Allison Klein

This month I welcome a new pastoral colleague, Vicar Allison Klein. Her first Sunday with us is September 13th. It will be my honor and privilege to serve as her supervisor for the next year.

Vicar Allison comes to us as a student from Wartburg Seminary where she has already completed two years of full-time classes and one

unit of clinical pastoral education. She has also worked as part of the program staff for the past four years at Ezekiel Lutheran in River Falls. Like a medical resident, she comes to us with some pastoral

and leadership experience already. Her full-time internship here at St. Paul's is year three of four years of seminary education. Her fourth and final year of seminary begins at the conclusion of her internship next September.

You might be wondering, what does the word "Vicar" mean? Many church traditions have used this old Latin word for different purposes. In many Lutheran churches, it refers to a pastor-in-training who serves as part of the ministry staff of a congregation. (Literally vicar means "deputy" or "representative" or "surrogate.") Though not fully a pastor yet, Vicar Allison will take on certain pastoral duties and roles—sometimes on her own, sometimes on behalf of Pastor Laurel or me, but always with the understanding that she is learning and reflecting as she does ministry among us.

As a full-time vicar, you can look forward to seeing Vicar Allison as a visible part of our ministry team: at worship, meetings, pastoral visits, congregational events, and more! She will have several opportunities to preach, make pastoral visits, and contribute to our life together. You are welcomed (and encouraged!) to interact with her as you would Pastor Laurel and me,

remembering that she is still growing into her identity and role as a pastor. Addressing her as "Vicar Allison" will remind her and all of us of her important journey towards becoming a minister of word and sacrament.

I am also grateful to Ann Kriesel, who will be serving as the chair of the internship committee. This committee (which will take shape after Vicar Allison arrives) will be an important and essential sounding-board for Vicar Allison during her time at St. Paul's. Like me as her supervisor, this committee will have opportunities to provide formal feedback at regular intervals that will then be shared with the seminary and her candidacy committee.

Speaking of which, it's important to remember that we are partners with both Wartburg Seminary in Iowa and the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin, whose candidacy committee originally entranced and has now endorsed Vicar Allison for pastoral ministry. They are responsible for overseeing her four years of education and internship, and they will eventually approve and credential Vicar Allison to be a pastor of the ELCA. Though St. Paul's is an important part of her formation, we share in that formation with other partners.

Personally, I am looking forward to learning from Vicar Allison. It's been twenty years since I graduated from seminary, and the church has changed much during those years. One of the gifts of those in seminary now is their broad perspective of the larger church and their regular, intentional discipline of drawing upon the church's collective wisdom. As she learns from us, so we will learn from her!

Welcome Gifts For Our New Vicar

As our church takes on the privilege and responsibility of forming a future pastor, it's no secret that being a full-time seminary intern is a financial sacrifice. The church office is now collecting welcome gifts for Vicar Allison. If you desire, consider donating things such as a gas or grocery card, or a gift certificate to a local coffee shop or restaurant. We will be collecting these items through September 6th.



Quilting News!

Track the Washington Counties Quilt Celebrating our Nation's 250th Birthday! The Washington Counties Unite Committee is excited to announce that the Washington Counties Quilt has officially begun its journey to all 29 Washington Counties across the United States!

The SPLC Quilters were honored to contribute a block to this remarkable project, and we are thrilled to welcome the quilt to Stillwater around December 13, 2026. It will be on display at SPLC for approximately one week before moving across the street to the Historic Courthouse, where it will be displayed for another week. After its visit to Stillwater, the quilt will continue its cross-country journey to Utah.

Enjoy this preview of the beautiful quilt, along with a photo of the block created by our talented quilters.

Our Quilt Block!



Senior Section

October 55+/Senior Worship Service

The October service will be on Sunday, October 4th at 11:00 AM. The menu will include Cub Chicken, Cole Slaw, Corn, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, and Dessert. The cost is \$5.00. Sign up is required for the meal; add your name to the list located in the Gathering Area by Sunday, September 27th. **Remember - Limited Bus service is available for Stillwater and Oak Park Heights. Please contact Bob Michaelis if you are interested in riding the bus.**

Large Print Bibles

The Senior Committee has two large-print Bibles available for you to borrow. Contact Jenny Powell at 651-439-0821, or the church office.

55+ SPLC Senior Members Foot Care In Your Home

55+ SPLC Senior Members Foot Care: A Foot Care RN will tend to your toenails or other foot-related care in the comfort and privacy of your home. You can also visit an office location in Bayport if you prefer. The cost is \$15 per appointment. Pick up an information packet in the Gathering Area or contact Jenny Powell.

HELP NEEDED!

We are looking for volunteers to serve as backup coordinators for funeral lunches when our regular coordinator is on vacation or unavailable. Ideally, there would be 2. Having two people in this role will help ensure that someone is always available when needed.

The backup coordinators would work with the family to discuss lunch arrangements and help organize volunteers to assist in the kitchen. You would not necessarily need to work in the kitchen on the day of the lunch—your primary role would be helping coordinate the details and making sure everything is covered.

If you would be willing to help with this important ministry or would like more information, please contact Jenny Powell.

2026 Harvest & Holly Market

Everyone had such a wonderful time at last year's Harvest & Holly Market and Bake Sale that we're bringing it back! Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 21st, from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The Harvest & Holly Market will once again feature a wonderful variety of handmade treasures, seasonal crafts, beautiful quilts, delicious baked goods, and unique gifts from local crafters and vendors. Whether you're looking for that perfect Christmas gift, something special for your home, or simply want to enjoy a fun day out, there will be plenty to see and enjoy. And, of course, you'll want to stop by the bake sale and pick up a few homemade goodies for yourself, or to share, if you're feeling generous! Want to get involved? Come join the fun! We'd love to have you! If you're interested in volunteering on the day of the event, please contact Kristin to see how you can help. *The Harvest & Holly Committee will decide how the funds raised from this year's market will be designated at their first meeting. Stay tuned; we'll share more once a decision has been made!*



4th Street Repair and Refresh

The 4th St. Committee continues its work to enhance and beautify the exterior of our church and parking lot along 4th St. From landscaping and outdoor spaces to other improvements that make our church property welcoming and inviting, there's plenty to dream about and plan! Our next meeting will be Monday, September 28th at 10:00 AM in the Lower Conference Room. Everyone is welcome to attend

Noisy Offering! October 18th!

The Mission Outreach Committee has received a request from our partner parish of Imbulia in Tanzania for assistance in securing land on which to build their own church. As membership in the area has grown, the Mgama parish was divided, allowing Imbulia to serve members at a location closer to their homes. In addition to purchasing land for a church, their second priority is completing their parish office. We are currently in contact with Pastor Nyenza and other parish leaders to learn more about their plans and specific needs. In the meantime, the Mission Outreach Committee has decided to hold a Noisy Offering on Sunday, October 18, with proceeds helping support these important projects. So start saving those coins! Let's fill the church with a joyful noise and make a sound that reaches all the way to Tanzania! Watch for more information in the coming weeks as we learn more about Imbulia's plans and how we can support our brothers and sisters in Christ.



Installation - Bishop Justin Grimm

Sunday, September 13th will be a milestone and festive day for the congregations of the Saint Paul Area Synod. ALL ARE INVITED to attend Bishop Grimm's installation at 3:30 PM at Shepherd of the Valley, Apple Valley. The Presiding Bishop of the ELCA, Yehiel Curry, will preside and preach. A reception will follow. Let us know if you're interested, and we can arrange for carpooling if needed.





Each year, Valley Outreach completes an annual inventory of their food and clothing programs at the close of their fiscal year in September. While it may sound like simple counting, this process is critical. It ensures that what they report matches what is actually on hand.

By carefully reconciling their resources, they confirm that the food and clothing they purchase, the donations received, and distributed are all tracked accurately. This verification also ensures the value reflected on our annual IRS 990 form is correct and reliable.

Upcoming Closure

Labor Day – Monday, Sept. 7

Valley Outreach will be closed for all programs and donations in observance of Labor Day.

Annual Inventory Closure

- Clothing Donations: Closed Monday, September 21st through Tuesday, September 29th. Food donations will remain open during this time.
- All Programs & Donations: Closed Monday, September 28th and Tuesday, September 29th.

As a new school year gets underway, students are heading back to the classroom, setting new goals, and making plans for the year ahead. There are many ways to connect students to their programs. Valley Outreach welcomes volunteers of all ages, including students, and currently has opportunities available during all shifts. Please contact them at valleyoutreachmn.org.

Did you know that Valley Outreach welcomes all items from your garden! Please bring donations during drive-up donation hours. Drive-up donation hours are Monday: 9:30 AM– 12:30 PM, and Tuesday/Thursday from 1:30 PM – 6:30 PM.



Six Months In: What Happens When People Have a Place to Begin Again.

Six months ago, Simpson Community Shelter & Apartments opened its doors with a vision: to create a place where people experiencing homelessness could find not only a bed for the night, but also stability, dignity, and a pathway forward.

When the shelter began operations in January, Minneapolis was experiencing uncertainty with Operation Metro Surge. Amid the uncertainty, Simpson Community Shelter & Apartments became a place of safety, stability, and connection. Since opening, all 72 shelter beds have remained occupied, reflecting the tremendous need for shelter in our community. All 42 supportive housing apartments have also become homes for individuals who have moved from homelessness into stable housing.

Six months in, they have seen the difference a community can make when it comes together with a shared purpose. But Simpson is about more than numbers or buildings; it's about people and their stories. Whether you volunteer, serve a meal, mentor a child, or make a financial gift, you help create places of hope, healing, and home for those beginning their journey toward stability.



The Issue of Chronic Homelessness – Settled Organization

We read in Isaiah 58, where God exposes the shallow worship of His people through fasting; but then informs them and describes the character and blessings of true worship. Vs. 6-7 “Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke? Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter – when you see the naked, to clothe him, and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood?”

The news lately of three St. Paul “Homeless Encampments” being shut down without a good plan in place has caused a lot of frustration in the issue of “Chronic Homelessness”. Chronic Homelessness is at an all-time high in the United States of America; we hear about it on the news, we read about it in the newspapers, as well as the many organizations and volunteers who work at the homeless encampments to bring some relief. The goal remains the same – “What can we do together to help this national homeless crisis we find ourselves in?”

This past June, Pastor Nathan, Shelley Jokinen, Pam Seekel, Chris Shivers, Ann Kriesel, and Marguerite DeFore met with Gabrielle Clowdus, founder of Settled.org. to hear and learn about the issues of chronic homelessness, the practices of 5 key elements they use to stop chronic homelessness. Since our meeting with Gabrielle, we have prepared and provided and served lunches on three occasions at the Settled Homestead in Hudson Township, WI.

Thank you to Ed & Pam Seekel, Shelley Jokinen, Ann Kriesel, Mary Kay Ness (Pam’s sister-in-law), and Marguerite DeFore for your willingness and generosity in preparing and serving these lunches.

I invite all of you to learn more about how Settled.org is working to bring chronic homelessness to an end. I encourage you to go to their website and peruse the tabs and learn what you can on what they have been doing and

continue to fight this national problem of homelessness. Here is the website: <https://www.settled.org>.

There are some upcoming opportunities (under the Calendar of Events/Join In tab) for anyone to hear more about what’s happening at these Sacred Settlements, and there is also a tour where they build the tiny homes. You can RSVP on their website. Any questions or need any help with the website, please contact Marguerite at mugs1952@gmail.com.

Additional Information on Chronic Homelessness
There are basic reasons for homelessness: 1. People have been priced out due to high rent and limited housing. 2. People are dealing with insufficient income. 3. Those who are dealing with both mental and health issues. 4. Systemically marginalized communities.

The following two paragraphs are from the National Alliance to End Homelessness.
Housing and Supportive Services: An Effective Solution

The evidence is clear: the most effective way to rehouse people is to offer immediate access to permanent housing without preconditions, combined with supportive services to help them address needs, like employment, healthcare, or drug treatment.

Emergency Shelters and Temporary Housing
While temporary shelters offer immediate relief for people in a housing crisis, they are not designed to be a long-term solution. All communities must balance their needs to expand emergency shelter for everyone who needs it, while also exiting people to permanent housing so that shelter beds are available for the next person who needs them.



From Mission Outreach

It's That Time of the Year Again! We are kicking off our collection of items for Operation Christmas Child. We have listed needed items on poster board with our display. We already have a number of items filled through the generosity of members. This is Mission Outreach's largest project of the year. This year our goal is 150 shoeboxes (because we did the baby care kits and personal care kits earlier). If you don't like to shop but want to participate, cash donations are welcome and we will do the shopping. Thank you for making this project successful!



Bega Kwa Bega Fall Festival

Saturday, Sept. 19 - 8 a.m.-noon | Augustana, West. St. Paul Join us in celebrating our Tanzanian companionship, Bega Kwa Bega! This year's Fall Festival will feature Bishop Blastone Gavile and General Secretary Shadrack Nyaulingo from Tanzania, along with our own synod bishop, the Rev. Justin Grimm. The morning includes updates from BKB affiliate organizations as well as workshops on building opportunities for all through education, building companion relationships, preparing to build intercultural experiences, and best practices for sharing God's gifts through mutual projects. The morning concludes with Festival Worship. Registration is now open at spas-elca.org

Help Fight Hunger!

Help Fight Hunger — Your Gift Goes Twice as Far! The Mission Outreach Committee invites you to support the ELCA World Hunger Drive. To make your generosity go even further, Mission Outreach will match congregational donations up to \$1,000! Special giving envelopes will be available in the Gathering Area. Donations will be collected through Sunday, September 27th. Together, we can double our impact and help provide hope, nourishment, and support to neighbors in need.

Requesting Financial Information

We are grateful to our Financial Assistant, Kristin Nelson, and our Senior Accountant, Michael Benson, for their partnership as we continue to move forward with implementing new financial procedures. Going forward, if you have questions about your individual giving statement or any contribution you've made to the church, you can contact Kristin. If you have a bill pay or check request, or need a financial report for your committee or any other financial report, contact Michael. (You can place the bill pay or check requests in Michael's box; however, please email him and let him know about the request.)

Prayer Requests

Names will remain on our prayer list for one month, unless indicated otherwise. Please use your "Welcome to Worship" card to add or update names.

For those hospitalized or with immediate needs: The Family of Gary, and Shirley.

Those beginning or undergoing long-term medical treatments: Tony, Alexander M, Joe B, Ann Marie O, and Jennifer B.

Those with other ongoing needs: Sam, Chris, Angie, Dean M, Richard H, Kathy B, Vince S, Jim G, Cathy M, Harry, Lucy, Megan, and Mike S.

Those homebound or being cared for by others: Martin W, Marilyn B, Ardyce S, Barb Dr, Nancy T, Judith K, Ann B, Mary Jo D, Orville S, Floyd N, Laurie C, Verna W, Karen L, Diane S, Judith R, Delores K, and Bonnie P.

In Loving Memory:

(names will remain for one year and will be included on All Saints Sunday)

Faye Rothrum, Gary Allen, Barb Dahlke, Mark Christensen, Dale Preston, Bailey Severson, Dollis Harris, Jacklyn Waterman, Jeffrey Thomsen, Donald Teske, Shirley Nolde, Sally Colemier, Carol Scheel, Charles Olson, Scott Anderson, Thomas Schwietz, Janet Stuessy, Sandra Nolan, Mary Richter, Steven Michaelis, Darrel Henton, James Flynn, Patty Thomsen, Marshall Ray Reams, Jim Hockin, and Jacquilyn Pierre.

Culver's Nigh Returnst!

Who doesn't like a delicious burger and custard? Please mark your calendars for SPLC's popular Culver's Night on Monday, October 5th from 5:00



PM – 7:00 PM at the Stillwater location. Your dinner order will be delivered to your table or car by a friendly

face from SPLC, and we will earn 10% of total sales during this time to go towards the 4th Street Repair and Refresh fund. Don't forget to grab a couple of pints of custard to bring home. What a great way to enjoy a dinner out, chat with friends from church, and support our ongoing project! We sure hope we see you there!

All Creation Sings Sing-A-Long!

All are welcome to join us on Wednesday, September 23rd at 7:00 PM in the sanctuary as we explore songs from the All Creation Sings (ACS) Hymnal Supplement. ACS includes over 200 hymns and songs, many being new since the current red ELW hymnal was released in 2006. This body of song supports the rhythms of the whole church year and gives enlarged expression to themes of healing and wholeness, creation care, justice and peace, praise and lament. Joining us will be Deacon Jennifer Baker-Trinity from Augsburg Fortress.

Toddler Tuesdays Returns!

Please join us for Toddler Tuesdays, beginning September 22nd! After our kickoff gathering, we'll meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. It's a fun-filled morning designed just for toddlers, featuring engaging activities, interactive play, and opportunities for little ones to explore and socialize. Don't miss out on this special time to make memories with your little ones!

TODDLER TUESDAYS!

New Directory – Coming Soon!

Say Cheese! It's Time for a New Church Directory! It's been a while since our last church directory—



and we have some new faces, along with a few familiar faces that may have changed a bit since their last photo!

The Fellowship Committee is excited to get things rolling this fall, with our very own Stephanie Schingen behind the camera! We want to include

as many members and families as possible, so we'll do our best to offer flexible photo times. Photo sessions are planned for: Sunday, October 11th, Wednesday afternoon, October 14th, and Sunday, October 18th. Appointments will be scheduled in 10-minute time slots. If you'd like additional time for more photos, we'll be happy to make arrangements.

Everyone photographed will receive digital access to their photos, allowing you to order or print copies wherever you choose. Stephanie will also be available to provide prints and other photo



services at her regular fee. This directory will be created completely "in house," which means we'll need a few helping hands along the way! We'll be looking for volunteers to help make phone calls and schedule appointments. Once all

those wonderful smiles have been captured, Kristin will work her magic putting the directory together, and creative ideas and input are always welcome! October will be here before we know it, so watch for more information about scheduling your photo session. If you'd like to help with this project, please contact the church office or Janine Siverson at 701-391-3008. Get those smiles ready—we can't wait to see everyone in our new church directory!



Greetings from Ibumula

We recently received a letter from the pastor of Ibumila, our companion parish in Tanzania. Enjoy these greetings!

From: Ibumila

To: St. Paul Stillwater

Dear Parish pastor,

I greet you in the name of our lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It have been long time since when I communicated with you. As Ibumila Parish we praise God for this partnership, because we have our prayer partners whom we can share our prayer lists. We also glorify God for you supports which we receive through our Bega kwa Bega office. We received scholarship funds which helped a parish to offer scholarship to secondary school students and those who are in a Theological Education by Extension classes.

For the time being Our first priority is to purchase a land at one of the preaching points. That area is very potential for the church. However our fund raising collects funds very slow and we are afraid of loosing that land. Our second priority is parish office. We are looking forward to roofing, plaster, fix windows and doors then do the finishing our parish office here at the main station.

May you join hands with us in prayers and in kinds so that we can have enough money for these two projects.

I wish you all the best
Pastor Lightness Nyenza

On August 25th, we wrote back with the following letter.

From: St. Paul Lutheran of Stillwater, Minnesota

To: Ibumila Parish

Dear Pastor Lightness Nyenza,

Greetings to you in the name of Jesus! How wonderful to hear from you! We too are grateful for our partnership.

It was interesting to hear about your plans to purchase land. 75 years ago, we also purchased land for our church building. And now, we are celebrating 75 years in our neighborhood! Like

you, it took us many years to raise the money, but God has been good to us.

Because of this, we would like to know how we can help. Is purchasing the land your first priority? Or is finishing the parish office more important? Either way, we would like to help with this, even as we continue to also support scholarships for your students.

To this end, during the month of October, we would like to collect a "Noisy Offering" on your behalf. This is where we invite all our members to bring in their pocket change and make noise with their coins as we collect it into a large bin. In the meantime, would you let us know how much it will cost to repair the parish office or buy the land? Or perhaps share with us the cost of some specific items, such as the plaster, or a window or door? We are happy to work "polepole" (slowly) with you one step at a time.

A little bit more about our church: We have been in Stillwater for 156 years. We have fewer and many older members than we used to, but we continue to do many good things in our Lord's name such as helping people in need (in partnership with a community organization), providing scholarship support to college students, making quilts for refugees, and encouraging one another to be generous. Right now we are collecting school supplies for Operation Christmas Child.

You are in your prayers! The peace of Christ be with you always.

Pastor Nathan Baker-Trinity



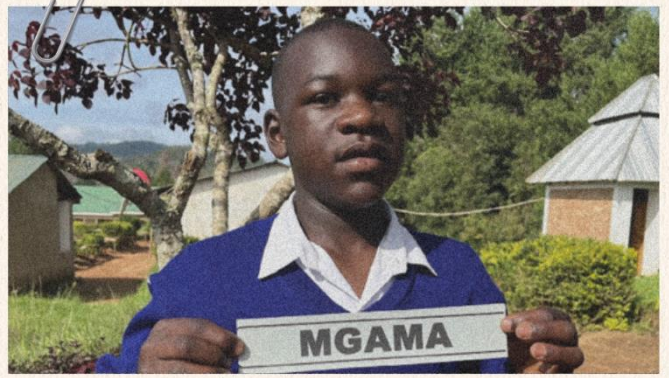
Scholarship Fund for Tanzania

Supporting Students Through Education. Meet some of the thirteen students who have benefited from St. Paul Lutheran's contributions to the Scholarship Fund! These students attend several different secondary schools,



which is why you may see them pictured in different groups. In Tanzania, government-supported education ends after what is comparable to our sixth grade. For students who wish to continue their education, financial assistance can make all the difference. Through your prayers and financial support, these young people

are given the opportunity to continue their schooling and, ultimately, pursue training for specific careers and a brighter future. Applications for the 2027 school year are now being accepted by the joint scholarship committee of the St. Paul Area Synod and the Iringa Diocese. Following student interviews, the amount of assistance the committee can provide will depend upon the funds available. We invite you to prayerfully consider supporting the Scholarship Fund for students from our companion parishes of Mgama and Ibumila. Commitments are requested by October 24, 2026, with donations received by November 2, 2026. **Checks may be made payable to St. Paul Lutheran Church, with "Scholarship Fund" noted on the memo line.** Your gift is more than financial assistance—it is an investment in a student's education, opportunities, and future.



SPLC Scholarship Fund for the Parishes of Mgama & Ibumila

Count on me/us to support the Scholarship Fund for the Parishes of Mgama & Ibumila. Please make your commitment by October 24, 2026, with your donation given by Nov 2, 2026.

Name: _____ Envelope #: _____ Amount: _____

Please make checks payable to St. Paul Lutheran Church and write "Scholarship Funds" in the memo line. Meeting this deadline is important to ensure the funds are available for distribution to students in January 2027.

Thank you for your generous support from the students whose lives are being touched by your gifts and from the Mission Outreach Committee of St. Paul Lutheran Church.



Guns to Gardens

Forging peace by turning guns into garden tools

HOW

Anyone can bring unwanted guns. Those bringing guns are anonymous

- Guns must be UNLOADED prior to entering church property and placed in trunk or rear of vehicle. Stay in your vehicle and skilled personnel will remove firearms and take them to a chop saw for disabling.
- Ammunition will not be accepted
- The gun pieces will be forged into tools, art or jewelry at a later date.

WHY

Many guns in our community are no longer wanted for a variety of reasons

- There is concern that the gun might fall unintentionally into the hands of children or grandchildren in the home
- The gun may have been used in a suicide or accident.
- Someone can no longer handle guns safely because of age or disability.
- A person inherited a gun but does not want it.

Saturday, October 3, 2026 1pm -4pm

Rain Date: October 10, 1-4pm

**First Presbyterian Church of Stillwater parking
lot 6201 Osgood Ave, Stillwater, MN**

Thank you gift cards will be provided for working guns until they run out.

Guns to Gardens is a step toward reducing gun violence, a path for people to take action to reduce the number of guns in our homes and communities.

Fourth Friday Community Meal!

You're invited to our next Fourth Friday Food & Friendship Community Meal on Friday, September 25th at 5:30 PM!



Come enjoy a delicious meal, warm fellowship, and a wonderful evening spent with friends, neighbors, and members of our community. Whether you come with family, invite a friend, bring a neighbor, or simply come on your own, there will always be a place for you at the table!

What's on the menu? We'll be serving Sloppy Joes, chips & dip, a variety of salads, vegetarian beans, and, of course, dessert!

These community meals are all about good food, great conversation, and bringing people together. Everyone is welcome, and there is no cost to attend.

Mark your calendar and join us for an evening of food, friendship, fellowship, and fun. We look forward to sharing the table with you!

St. Croix Valley Grief Coalition

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Growing Through Loss

FALL 2026 - GRIEF SUPPORT SERIES

St. Andrew's Lutheran Church

900 Stillwater Rd, Mahtomedi, MN 55115

Tuesdays, September 22 – October 27, 2026

6:00 to 8:30 p.m.

(Sign in 6:00, Speaker 6:30 to 7:15, Small Groups 7:30 to 8:30)

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St. Paul Lutheran Church's

Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 24th
2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

On The Corner of 4th & Walnut Streets

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St. Paul Lutheran Church Calendar

As of 9/1/2026

September 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 9:00 AM Harvest & Holly Market Meeting 7:30 PM Worship Committee Meeting	2	3 9:00 AM Quilters 3:00 PM Mission Outreach Meeting 4:30 PM Fellowship Meeting 7:00 PM AA Mtg. in Fellowship Hall	4	5
6 10:00 AM Service 11:00 AM 55+ Brunch	7 Labor Day The SPLC is Closed	8 3:00 PM Memorials & Grants Meeting	9 10:00 AM Worship at Oak Park Sr. Living 12:00 PM Staff Meeting	10 9:00 AM Quilters 7:00 PM AA Mtg. in Fellowship Hall 7:15 PM 75 th Zoom Anniversary Meeting	11	12 10:00 AM Yarnsters!
13 10:00 AM Service 11:00 AM Rally Day Picnic! 	14 10:00 AM Senior Committee Meeting 1:00 PM Women's Reading Club 1:00 PM Executive Committee Meeting 5:15 PM CYF Committee Meeting	15 5:30 PM Financial Operations Meeting	16 11:00 AM Worship at Boutwells	17 9:00 AM Quilters 7:00 PM AA Mtg. in Fellowship Hall	18	19
20 9:00 AM Service 10:00 AM Coffee & Tea Time 3:00 PM Newsletter Deadline	21 10:00 AM Worship at Croixdale	22 10:00 AM Toddler Tuesdays! 1:30 PM Sarah Bible Study 6:30 PM Church Council	23 7:00 PM All Creation Sings Sing-A-Long!	24 9:00 AM Quilters 7:00 PM AA Mtg. in Fellowship Hall	25 5:30 PM 4 th Friday Community Meal	26
27 9:00 AM Service 10:00 AM Coffee & Tea Time	28 10:00 AM 4 th Street Meeting	29	30	For the most current and up-to-date information, please visit our online calendar at stpaulc.org .		

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