



*Partners in Faith*

October 2023

St Paul Lutheran Church in  
Phillipsburg  
2739 Phillipsburg Church Rd,  
Brenham TX 77833  
9am worship

St James Lutheran Church in  
New Wehdem  
10362 New Wehdem Rd  
Brenham TX 77833  
979-836-2795  
10:30am worship

**Pastor Lawrence  
Bade will continue  
to lead us in  
worship and  
respond to pastoral  
care as our supply  
pastor until an  
interim is assigned.**

# The Joyful Noise

United in Grace. Serving in Love.

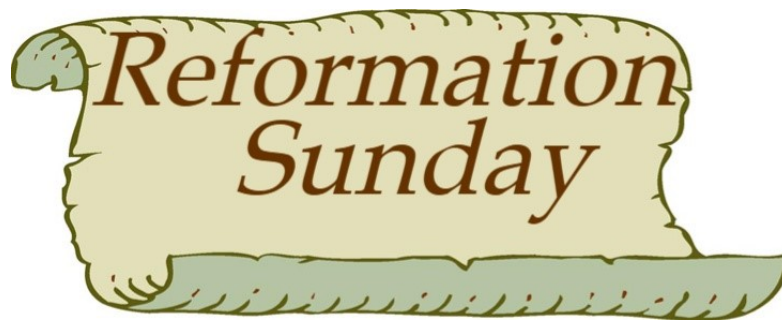
## Shared Ministry Updates

Pastor Lawrence Bade met with both church councils on September 18. He suggested that even though there has not been an interim pastor assigned to our churches, we should move forward with gathering names for the Call Committee. It is recommended that four members from each congregation would compose the Call Committee. The goal is to have this Call Committee set up by the November council meeting.

As the councils move to form the Call Committee, they will be looking for folks who prayerfully feel led to serve in this way - folks who are open-minded, discerning, confident in their ability to lead and willing to communicate with others, as appropriate, throughout the process.

In preparation for the calling of a pastor they will put together a Ministry Site Profile - a kind of resume for the congregation - seeking feedback from members of the congregation as they do so. That Profile is sent to the Synod and the search for candidates to interview begins.

The transition process in the synod recommends that a practice interview helps prepare the call committee to effectively interview candidates. We should also be prepared to cover expenses for travel, hotel stays, etc once interviews begin.



**October 29, 2023**

Throughout the year we hear about many things in church-how we live our daily lives, the choices we make, the habits of our faith. On Reformation Sunday we are brought back to the most important thing – the thing that compelled Luther and others to risk their lives. We turn to the core of our faith: ***God loved us first, and God continues to shower us with grace and mercy.*** Reformation Sunday calls us to be more loving and grace-filled, because God was gracious and merciful to us. We are called to repent of the times that we have placed barriers that have kept others from hearing the Good News. We are called to remember that all that we are is a gift from God.

In the church in Wittenberg where Martin Luther preached, there is a painting showing Luther in the pulpit on the right hand side and the people on the left. In between people and the preacher is Christ on the cross. That is the bedrock of our faith – the grace and mercy given to us in Jesus Christ. Keeping the most important thing in the center of the picture is the only hope for our faith and for this community that we call “church.”

**REFORMATION SUNDAY  
SHARED MINISTRY WORSHIP  
OCTOBER 29  
ST. PAUL LUTHERAN, PHILLIPSBURG  
9:00AM  
WEAR RED!**

*No Worship Services at St. James New Wehdem*

St. James Congregational Meeting  
October 22, 2023, Following Worship  
Congregational Reports  
Committee Reports  
Elect new council members for 2024  
Adopt Budget/Approve Bids

**All Saints Day—November 5**

**On All Saints Sunday we remember our loved ones who have joined the church triumphant from after All Saints Day last year to the present year. Watch your Sunday bulletins for details.**

**Polka Sunday at St. James**

**Mark your calendar for the next Polka Worship—November 12. Worship begins at 10:30am at St. James with a meal to follow.**



**THANK  
YOU  
VOLUNTEERS**

Many members of our congregations help to see that our churches services run smoothly on Sundays. We appreciate all you do!

There are also members who help during the week. We thank them too! Recently at St. James Weldon & Peggy Emshoff gave the FLC a badly needed power washing. Jay & Elizabeth Buenger are seeing that the candles in the sanctuary are filled and ready for Sunday services. The Emshoff are their backups. Donald & Sharon Winkelmann and Phyllis & Gary Weiss keep the rose beds watered and tend them when needed. Peggy Bartay has volunteered to buy supplies for the church and FLC.

A special thanks to those who volunteer to read lessons on Sundays and those who provide altar flowers!

These are all things that are necessary to support our church in addition to the council, Sunday School teachers, organists, lawn care, Endowment Fund Committee, Funeral Committee Groups....and many more.

As we wait for a new pastor to lead our congregations, we all need to continue to pitch in and do what is needed.

**If you see a job that needs to be done,  
please volunteer to help!**

# ST PAUL PHILLIPSBURG UPDATES



## CONGRATULATIONS,

**Michael & Amber Cowart** on the birth of their son, Curtis Dale on September 6th weighing in at 7lbs 12oz. He is also welcomed by big sis, Libby! What a precious blessing!!!

**CALL COMMITTEE...** If you're interested in serving on the Call Committee; please see Venetia, Charlie or any Council member. Council will be organizing a call committee soon.

## MEMORIALS

**In memory of Ed Breddin...**

Vera Jean and Delano Klausmeyer

**DORCAS CIRCLE** met on 9/19 with Dorothy T, Florence, Anna, Sandra, Anita, Jessie, Ruth, Dorothy W & Vernice attending. After working on school and health kits; we tacked quilts, sewed edges on quilts and put layers of quilts together.

Anna led the Bible Study "A World Wanting Wellness". God has freed us from sin and death so that we can live as ministers to be loving and to show generous service to our neighbors. We can call ourselves Christians because we believe Jesus is risen from the dead. In the story of Jesus resuscitated Lazarus. Martha has faith and trust in Jesus ability to restore Lazarus to life. The Gospel invites us into another aspect of God and of faith-joyful living.

Anna called the meeting to order. Minutes were read. The offering was \$18.05 so the new balance was \$377.85. Dorothy W made a motion to give \$50 to Bubba's Buddys (Brookwood). Anna seconded and was approved. Anita was the hostess. The next meeting is October 17 with Dorothy W as hostess. We will quilt then at 2:00 pm we will have a WELCA meeting to make plans for next year. For serving group 2 next year, Vernice will replace Anita. More updates to be made next month. Respectfully, Jessie

**GREET & MEET your NEIGHBORS** on November 4th, 5:30pm on a Fall Night Out! There will be prizes, games (washers, corn hole) and a fire pit for s'mores! Invite your neighbors and come enjoy the fellowship!

**SEEKING BIDS** for cemetery, cleaning and church grounds contracts for next year. Contact B J Mikeska for forms and more info @ 979-277-4808. Forms can also be found at the back of the church.

**SEMI ANNUAL MEETING** will be on Nov 12 after worship. There will be an election of officers with volunteers needed for: **Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary**. A volunteer for **Memorials** is also needed. Contact any Council member if you're interested; please consider serving!

**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY** is November 5th. A sign up sheet can be found at the back of the church for someone special you'd like to be remembered.

**LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF** items needed are...27x52 dark bath towels

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES** for Lutheran World Relief school kits...70 count spiral composition books

# ST JAMES NEW WEHDEM UPDATES

**NAMES FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS NEEDED** —We need volunteers for the positions of Vice-President, Assistant Treasurer, Building/Grounds, Parish Ed and At-Large. Contact a church council member to volunteer.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** —Watch for details later for how to participate in this program. You may want to purchase school supplies early as sales are on presently. Sharon Winkelmann is the coordinator for Operation Christmas Child.

**MEMORIALS** **In Memory of Treyce Tiemann**

Virginia King                      Ray & Mary Ann Hopmann

**IN MEMORY OF MARJORIE DRAEHN**

Edward & Shirley Neumann

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The improvements to the cemetery pavilion have been completed and really makes the area look great. The drive way from the Family Life Center to the pavilion has been completed also making it easier to walk from the building to the cemetery area.

The new historical marker is here but has not been erected as of this time. Please watch for the dedication date and more details later.

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**ITEMS/DONATIONS FOR CHICKEN STEW** —It's time to begin gathering items for the raffle that is planned for the chicken stew on January 28, 2024. Sign up using the sheets from the back of the church. Deadline is November 30. Also the council is seeking donations for the stew.

**CONGRATULATIONS**—Congratulations to Dalton and Emily Meischen on the birth of Blair Anne on September 7! Grand-parents are Blake and Angie Meischen and great-grandmother is Betty Meischen.

## St. Paul Phillipsburg Worship Assistants

	October 1	October 8	October 15	October 22	October 29
<b>Reader</b>	Jessie Kokemor	Anna Breddin	Dorothy Wellmann	Venetia Schiller	Amber Cowart
<b>Organist</b>	Donna Lankford	Beth Appel	Donna Lankford	Donna Lankford	Donna Lankford
<b>Ushers</b>	Lonnie & Barbara Tegeler Sandra Schwenke	Cheryl Gaskamp Lori Moehlmann Glen Klehm	Mike & Deanna Callahan Dorothy Wellmann	B J & Stephanie Mikeska, Florence Klehm	Mark & Venetia Schiller
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Sandra Schwenke Deanna Callahan	Dorothy Wellmann, Sherry Mosley	Dorothy Wellmann, Sherry Mosley	Cheryl Gaskamp Lori Moehlmann	Cheryl Gaskamp Lori Moehlmann
<b>Altar Flowers</b>	Nelson & Dorothy Wellmann in honor of Sloan & Riley's upcoming marriage on 7th	Brad & Donna Lankford in honor of Elizabeth's baptismal anniversary	Jessie Kokemor in honor of Carl & Carey's Anniversary	Brenda Blum in memory of Bernice Blum's birthday	Brad & Donna Lankford

## St. James New Wehdem Worship Assistants

	October 1	October 8	October 15	October 22	October 29
<b>Reader</b>	Fredericka DeBerry	Kay Sander		Betty Bowden	<b>NO WORSHIP  AT ST. JAMES</b>
<b>Organist</b>	Phyllis Weiss	Fredericka DeBerry	Phyllis Weiss	Fredericka DeBerry	
<b>Flowers</b>	Robert & Lynn Bockhorn			Kamie Krueger	
<b>Ushers + Greeters</b>	Lee & Kourtney Neumann, Troy & Connie Oevermann, Bobby & Bobbie Pieper, Joel & Chelsea Quinteros				
<b>Council</b>	John Hohlt				

# October 2023

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wedn</i>
<b>1</b> St. Paul— 9:00am I/O St. James—10:30am I/O	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>8</b> St. Paul— 9:00am I/O St. James—10:30am I/O	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>15</b> St. Paul— 9:00am I/O St. James—10:30am I/O  St. James Sunday School 9:30am St. James Donuts & Fellowship 9:30am	<b>16</b> Leadership Night—both church councils at St Paul 6pm start	<b>17</b> Quilting, 10:00 am WELCA Meeting @ 2:00 pm	<b>18</b>
<b>22</b> St. Paul— 9:00am I/O  St. James—10:30am I/O Bibles to 3rd Graders Congregational Meeting Follows Worship	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>  NEWSL DEAD
<b>29</b> Reformation Sunday  Shared Ministry Worship at St. Paul, Phillipsburg— 9:00am I/O	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	



<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>																																																	
	<b>5</b> Men's Breakfast at St. James FLC 7:30am	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>																																																	
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# Council Notes

## St. Paul Phillipsburg

Met September 18th with Venetia, Charlie, Deanna, B J, Stephanie, Sherry and Pastor Bade.

- Minutes and financial reports were presented and approved
- B J gave the buildings and grounds report. Topics discussed by Council included Fall work day for church. Instead of one day, B J will compile a list of tasks to be posted in church. Members are encouraged to choose a task to do on their own time. Roof repair is needed for educational building (B J will be getting quotes).
- Hosting a Meet & Greet on November 4th, 5:30-7pm. Signup sheets for food, prizes, activities, etc. See Stephanie to help or for questions.
- Call committee will be formed soon. If anyone is interested, see any Council member.
- B J is taking bids for lawn care and cleaning

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer led by Venetia.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sherry Mosley-Council Secretary

August income \$ 6,476 expenses \$ 7,002

### St. Paul Council

Venetia Schiller, *President*

Charlie Johnson, *VP*

Sherry Mosley, *Secretary*

Lonnie Tegeler, *Treasurer*

Deanna Callahan,  
*Financial Secretary*

B J Mikeska, *Bldg/Grounds*

Stephanie Mikeska,  
*Congregational Life/  
Shared Ministry*

### **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING**

**OCTOBER 16**

**AT ST. PAUL**

# Council Notes

## St. James New Wehdem

Council Meeting at St. Paul's September 18, 2023

Present: Kamie Krueger, Darla Winkelmann, Kelly Frank, Jeff Wright, John Hohlt, Pam Herrmann, Pastor Bade

- Discussed CD that will mature and moving to another institution to get the best interest rate.
- Discussed documents in Safety Deposit Box
- Discussed creating a budget as though we have a pastor
- Discussed Sunday School attendance and Bibles for 3rd Graders.
- New Carpet for sanctuary has been ordered and all AC work is complete
- Discussed One Call Now Service for sending information to members
- Discussed Advent Activities, Christmas caroling, Christmas services/program, chicken stew, making a donation to KSBJ radio station under God's Work Our Hands.
- Discussed bids which will be approved at congregational meeting.

### **St. James Council**

Kamie Krueger, *President*

Jeff Wright, *VP*

Pam Herrmann, *Secretary*

Kelly Frank, *Treasurer*

Darla Winkelmann, *Asst. Treasurer*

John Hohlt, *Bldg / Grounds*

Lauren Sinclair, *Shared Ministry Representative*

### **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING**

**OCTOBER 16**

**AT ST. PAUL**



Come out and meet your neighbors at  
Phillipsburg Church Fall Night Out!

Nov 4- 5:30 pm

**St. Paul Lutheran Church- 2739  
Phillipsburg Church Rd**

Greet & Meet your Neighbors

Food

Free Raffle Prizes

Fire Pit for Kids to make s'mores

Washers, Corn Hole / Bean Bag Boards



## Looking ahead at St. Paul's Phillipsburg...

October 29th, Reformation Sunday, Shared Worship @ 9:00 am

\*\*\* Wear Red \*\*\*

November 4th, Fall Night Out/Greet & Meet

November 5th, All Saints Sunday

November 12th, Semi Annual Meeting w/ election of officers

(volunteers needed for Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary  
and Memorials)



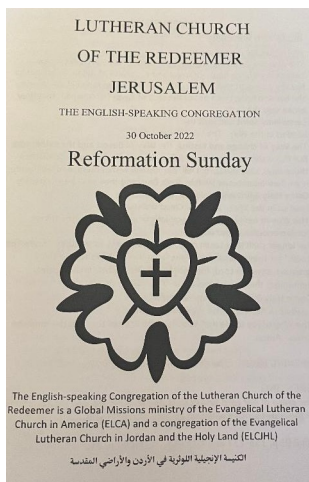
Oh! how great and glorious a thing it is to have before one the Word of God! With that we may at all times feel joyous and secure; we need never be in want of

consolation, for we see before us, in all its brightness, the pure and right way.

He who loses sight of the Word of God, falls into despair; the voice of heaven no longer sustains him; he follows only the disorderly tendency of his heart, and of world vanity, which lead him on to his destruction.

—The Table Talk of Martin Luther

Last year during the Holy Land trip, we worshipped and shared in Holy Communion at the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer in Jerusalem. And of course, we sang a must for Reformation Sunday, "A Mighty Fortress is Our God".



## SUNDAY WORSHIP

**St. Paul 9:00am**

**St James 10:30am**

**October 1** Time After Pentecost  
Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32, Ps 25:1-9,  
Philippians 2:1-13, Matt. 21:23-32  
Paul urges us to look to Christ  
as a model of humility, putting  
the interests of others above our  
own.

**October 8** Time After Pentecost  
Isaiah 5:1-7, Ps 80:7-15,  
Philippians 3:4-14, Matt 21:33-46  
Grafted onto Christ the vine at  
baptism, we are nourished with  
wine and bread so that we may  
share Christ's sufferings and  
know the power of his  
resurrection.

**October 15** Time After  
Pentecost With great joy we  
feast at the table of the Lord, and  
we go forth to share the  
wonderful invitation with  
others hungering and thirsting  
for the abundant life of God.

**October 22** Time After  
Pentecost Isaiah 45:1-7, Ps 96:1-  
9, 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10, Matt  
22:15-22 Created in the image of  
God, we offer our entire selves in  
the service of God and for the  
sake of the world.

**October 29** Reformation  
Sunday We celebrate the good  
news of God's grace, that Jesus  
Christ sets us free every day to  
do life-transforming work. We  
pray for the church, that  
Christians will unite more fully  
in worship and mission.

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## *Bread Partners Items in October*

**St. James:** Dried Peas and Beans  
**St. Paul:** Canned Fruit- goal of 50 items!

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## *Prayer Concerns*

**St. Paul Members:** Wilfred Neumann, Dorothy Krause, Karen Klehm, Brenda Blum, Will Hartnett, Catherine Gardiner, Austin Schiller, Brad Lankford, Lillie Mae Gross, Venetia Schiller

**St. James Members:** Calvin Braun, Terry Druschke, Janet Mills, Alietha Mae Richter, Florence Rinn, Floreen Schulze, Erline Sommerfeld, Lincoln Tiemann, Margaret Tiemann, Nelda Wilke

**Family and Friends:** Harvey Aschenbeck, Shirley Benjamin, Jeri Bentke, Tammy Buro, Patsy Dannhaus, Melanie DeAeth, Tammy Glaesmann, Gloria Hanath, Mildred Huebel, Kathy Kasper, Maureen King, Jane Larkin, Barbara Brandt Leonard, James Lee, Sherrie Matula, Dennis Mauney, Marilyn Petrich, Bradley Rinn, Tracy Schiller, Anne Schindehette, Wayne Cole Wellmann, Janae Wittner, Kay Reichwein

**Please continue to keep our congregations and their leaders in your prayers as we go through this transition together.**

**Military:** Tristan Plaisance, Jenna Schiller

**Sympathies to:** Family & Friends of Michael King  
Family & Friends of Pastor Mark Groves, Christ Lutheran

**ST JAMES BIRTHDAYS**

10-1 Janice Hanath  
 10-3 Sharon Bade  
 10-3 Kay Sander  
 10-3 Wesley Hicks  
 10-4 Beckett Winkelmann  
 10-5 Anna Tallerine  
 10-6 Delano Klausmeyer  
 10-6 Stacey Bockhorn  
 10-7 Jessica Teufel  
 10-7 Ellen Eberhardt  
 10-8 Robert Winkelmann  
 10-9 Eli Fishbeck  
 10-11 Russell Honerkamp  
 10-12 Tristan Teufel  
 10-13 Elroy Loesch  
 10-13 Jackie Bowden  
 10-13 Jeff Wright  
 10-15 Royce Garling  
 10-15 Tomas Winkelmann  
 10-16 Troy Oevermann  
 10-17 Nelda Wilke  
 10-17 Stephen Loesch  
 10-19 Alysse Winkelmann  
 10-19 Eric Winkelmann  
 10-19 William Winkelmann  
 10-21 Beau Green  
 10-22 Blake Sander  
 10-22 Luke Collier  
 10-23 Sally Dierking

**St. James Birthdays Continued**

10-24 Kamie Krueger  
 10-24 Lon Tiemann  
 10-25 Roger Hohlt  
 10-25 Clint Buenger  
 10-26 Melissa Draehn  
 10-27 Kaden Birkelbach  
 10-28 Patrick Mabry  
 10-28 John Hohlt  
 10-29 Laverne Remmert

**ST JAMES ANNIVERSARIES**

10-10 Jeff & Carlee Wright  
 10-12 Bradley & Janice Hanath  
 10-22 Cody & Taylor Jankowski  
 10-23 Charles & Arin Cafero  
 10-24 James & Pam Herrmann  
 10-29 Jodie & Ashley McReynolds

**ST PAUL BIRTHDAYS**

04 James Gaskamp  
 04 Larry Howren  
 14 Kayla Kokemor  
 19 Libby Grace Cowart  
 20 Fred Culver  
 23 Travis Sander  
 26 Blaze Byler  
 26 Jayci Byler  
 27 Terrell Schwenke  
 31 Bryan Vacha

**ST PAUL ANNIVERSARIES**

10-03-15 Sopath & Megan Om  
 10-04-14 Michael & Megan Callahan, II  
 10-07-89 Michael & Deanna Callahan  
 10-08-88 Bryan & Janet Vacha  
 10-14-17 Bubba & Meghan Jennings  
 10-18-08 Carl & Carey Kokemor  
 10-20-07 Michael & Amber Cowart  
 10-28-98 Travis & Cheryl Sander

**SHARED MINISTRY STAFF**

Ministers *All the Members of St. Paul and St. James*  
 Supply Pastor Pastor Lawrence Bade  
 979-277-8872  
 Donna Lankford donna@sjsplutheran.org (St Paul)  
 Donna's Cell: 713-816-6980  
 Tanya Rosenbaum tanya@sjsplutheran.org (St James),  
 in office Wed and Thurs 8-2p  
 St Paul Office: use Donna's cell above  
 St. James Office: 979-836-2795

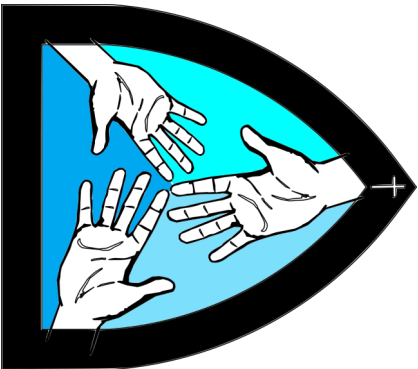
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**Welcome to worship!**

9am at St Paul  
10:30am at St James

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