# St. Paul's News for the Week of October 13, 2024

### Lectionary 28, Proper 23 (Year B)

Jesus knows our weaknesses, especially the weakness of clinging to those things that could be given away or shared for the good of others. In the gospel reading, Jesus states that it will be difficult for those who pursue wealth to enter the reign of God. Living in a culture that seems driven by the pursuit of money and comfort, we may find these words difficult to hear. Yet Jesus announces that nothing is impossible with God who is our life, our treasure, and our salvation.

I am pleased to announce that we are ready to introduce the candidate that the Call Committee and Congregational Council have recommended as our next pastor.

Members of the congregation are warmly invited to attend a fellowship opportunity with the candidate on Saturday, November 2. Details still to come!

Then on Sunday, November 3, the candidate will preach and preside at our 10 AM Service of Holy Communion. After worship, all voting members are invited to attend a congregational meeting to vote on whether to extend a call.

Please join me in thanking God for the faithful service of our Call Committee, and please continue in prayer as we move forward in this process.

In Christ, Anne Sullivan, Council President

Our School Board has been permitted by the Church Council to manage parking in our lots for two UD Football games on Saturdays, October 26 and November 9. We are short staffed this year because we don't have parents available to assist, so we are looking for a few folks from the congregation who have a few hours on a Saturday to help out. Start time for the games is 3:00 PM on October 26 and 1:00 PM on November 9. We would need 3 to 4 hours of your time. If you're available and interested, please contact Bill Saylor at <a href="mailto:bsaylor2@verizon.net">bsaylor2@verizon.net</a> or 302-834-4074 for further details. Thank you!!

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### **Coming WELCA Attraction**

On Saturday, November 16, the Women of the ELCA will join the Quilters for a fun morning of quilting, from 9 AM through lunch at 12 PM. There will also be opportunities for quill art with Barb Rhodes and making wreath of life prayer beads with Mary Beth Bergstrom. Please RSVP to Kaye Tyson (<a href="mailto:kaye.tyson@comcast.net">kaye.tyson@comcast.net</a>) or Mary Beth Bergstrom (<a href="mailto:mbbergstrom@verizon.net">mbbergstrom@verizon.net</a>) so they know how many to expect for fun, fellowship and lunch, which will be provided by WELCA.



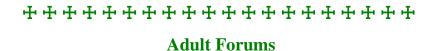
#### **FISH In The Fall**

The October FISH events are coming right up. Please join us for any or all of them! Our Food Bank pickup will be on Thursday, October 17 at 1 PM, and then at 6:30 PM, we will gather in Fellowship Hall to pack boxes. On Friday, October 18, we will have the monthly distribution from 2:30 PM until 4 PM, also in Fellowship Hall. Call or email Keith Bart (302-345-6107 or keith.m.bart@gmail.com) for more information.

Lutheran Campus Ministry will hold their annual fundraising event on Sunday, November 2, at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, located at 1530 Foulk Road in Wilmington, starting at 1:30 PM. LCM is seeking hand-crafted items, baked goods, event tickets, as well as creative, themed baskets (total value \$50-\$60; items included listed on a small tag) to be raffled off. Other than baked goods which can be dropped off the day of, they are requesting these items be received by Wednesday, October 23. Contact Chaplain Mindy Holland at <a href="mailto:chaplain@lcmde.org">chaplain@lcmde.org</a> to make arrangements to drop off items or have them picked up. She will be happy to answer any questions, too.



All are cordially invited to attend a community picnic this Sunday, October 13, at Dickey Park, 60 Madison Drive in Newark from 11 AM - 3 PM. Come celebrate with law enforcement professionals, residents, businesses, and community groups. The Faith & Blue initiative aims to recalibrate police-community relations through solutions-focused, in-person, socially distanced and/or virtual activities that are organized jointly by faith-based or other community groups and law enforcement agencies.



Beginning Sunday, October 13, we start a three-part series on the film *Luther*. Each class will begin with a forty-minute segment of the film followed by a discussion around what we just saw and heard. We begin with a look at Luther's early life up to the publishing of his ninety-five theses, his critiques of the church. Our guide for this discussion will be the Reverend Ronald Mease. Join in the fun starting at 8:30 AM in the Blue Room.

Next month, on Wednesday, November 13, join the OWLS at Wilma's in Wilmington from 12:30 PM -2:30 PM for duckpin bowling and Cajun cuisine (brunch on your own). Duckpin balls are smaller and lighter, and no bowling shoes are required. Cost is \$15.50 per person and there is a maximum of 16 participants for this event. RSVP to Linda Grund at <a href="mailto:lgrund923@gmail.com">lgrund923@gmail.com</a> by next Sunday, October 20.

Then in December, celebrate the holidays with the OWLS at the Candlelight Dinner Theatre in Wilmington on Wednesday, December 4. They will attend the 1 PM performance of Irving Berlin's "Holiday Inn" and enjoy lunch and beverages prior to the show. The cost to reserve a ticket is \$56.00. Payment is needed by Wednesday, October 30. Contact Roy Palo at 302-456-9757 (home) or 302-561-0728 (cell) or email him at Palonpaa@aol.com.



Outdoor adventurers of any age are invited to hike this Sunday, October 13, after worship. Carousel Park is a partly paved, four-mile trail with gentle hills and woodlands, located at 3700 Limestone Road in Wilmington. Questions? Contact hike leader Kathy Palmer (302-547-5168/elie2220@comcast.net).



Fun-loving adults, age 21 and over, are invited to join in conversation and laughs while enjoying a beverage this Wednesday, October 16, at Autumn Arch. Join us at 7 PM at 810 Pencader Drive in Newark for fun and fellowship.

St. Paul's avid readers meet on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 1 PM in the Youth Room. Please join us for conversation and fellowship. Have a favorite book to recommend? Upcoming Books:

October 23 "The Making of Another Major Motion Picture" by Tom Hanks

December 11\*\* "The Lincoln Highway" by Amor Towles (\*\* Second Tuesday)



### **Worship at Home and Away**

When we cannot be together in person, we can *still* hear the word of God and hold each other in prayer. Therefore, we offer the 10AM service through simultaneous live streaming to St. Paul's Facebook page. The service is then posted to the website, <a href="www.stpaulsnewarkde.org">www.stpaulsnewarkde.org</a> and can be found in the upper right-hand corner of the home page, along with a digital copy of this worship folder, as well as a copy of the sermon.



#### In Response to God's Love

We offer our lives, our gifts, our abilities, and our material goods for ministry and mission. For those worshipping at home, we ask you to remember your pledges and to continue making your offering available by mail or online contribution. A QR Code is included in this worship folder which will take you directly to our *Tithe.ly* online giving page. Use the drop-down menu of funds. NOTE: Please consider covering the fees associated with using *Tithe.ly* when you make your online donation.

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