

**October 2025**

**St. Paul's Community Church**

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# St. Paul's Newsletter

## THE PASTOR'S PAGE

The word "Autumn" only occurs once in the Bible. In Jude 1:12, false teachers are compared to "autumn trees without fruit," implying that autumn should be a fruitful season, the most abundant of the year. How can we take advantage of the "autumn of life"?

Though the seasons are always changing, the Psalmist reminds us that God remains unchanged and unchanging. "Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God."

Amid all the changes in life, one thing, one person, never changes, our Father in

heaven. Autumn is a good time to focus on your commitment to God.

Some of the saddest words in the Bible are in Jeremiah 8:20, "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." If you've never made a commitment

to Jesus Christ, the time is now.



*Pastor Kim*



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## October Red Hats

### Lunch at Applebees And a Movie at the Clements Center!

**Date:** Monday, October 13

**Time:** 11am (Meet us there or carpool from the church at 10:45am)

**Lunch:** Applebees Bar and Grill (10625 W Colfax Ave, Lakewood)

**Movie:** 1pm at the Clements Center (1580 Yarrow Street, Lakewood)

*"An unsettling supernatural thriller Inspired by the novel Hallowe'en Party, and directed by and starring Oscar® winner Kenneth Branagh as famed detective Hercule Poirot. A Haunting in Venice is set in eerie, post-World War II Venice on All Hallows' Eve and is a terrifying mystery featuring the return of the celebrated sleuth, Hercule Poirot. Now retired and living in self-imposed exile in the world's most glamorous city, Poirot reluctantly attends a séance at a decaying, haunted palazzo. When one of the guests is murdered, the detective is thrust into a sinister world of shadows and secrets."*

**The movie is free and there is popcorn!**



**A Sign-up Sheet will be at the Church.**

**You can also RSVP to Katie or Patti.**

## Christian Women of Faith



Our October Women of Faith meeting will be 6:30pm **Monday, October 20** at Candy's house, just around the corner from the church! Candy and Linda are hosting the evening.

Our lesson will be taught by Pennyrae who will continue with her "Women of the Bible" series. The hint for this month's woman is "laughter"!

Please RSVP to Candy or Linda by Sunday, October 19

## The Soup and Chili Cook-off is BACK!



Our Soup and Chili Cook-off and Bake Sale will be Saturday, October 18th from 11:00am-1:00pm.

This is a fun and well-attended event! We will have a number of soups in crock pots for tasting. Previous years we have had between 12 and 16 soups!

Everyone makes a \$7 donation at the door, which gives you a bowl, a spoon and five tickets for voting. You can try small scoops of as many soups as you like! When you are full of soup and have decided on your favorite(s), place your tickets in front of the soup you would like to vote for. You can vote for five soups or put all the tickets in one, or whatever combination makes you happy. The cooker of the winning soup will receive a prize, as well as bragging rights for the next year!

### **This event WILL include a bake sale!**

Any of you who would like to donate baked goods, this is your chance! Please price your baked goods before you bring them!

In previous years this event has also included a craft sale. However, with it being just a few weeks away with little time for crafters in the church to craft items to sell, our thought was to skip the craft sale this time. However, if you disagree or would be interesting in running a craft show during this event, let someone on the newly formed "Church Social Planning Group" know!



**We have sign up sheet at the church for soup entries. We don't need to know what you are making, just that you plan to bring a big crock pot full of delicious soup or chili! We will also have a sheet for bakers to indicate that they will be bringing individually wrapped and priced baked goods!**

This is always a fun event for the church family, extended family, friends, and neighbors to attend. We will have flyers available NEXT WEEK if you would like to invite others to our Soup and Chili Cook-Off!



**Friday, October 31** we will "circle the wagons" to pass out treats to all our kids trick or treating.

Decorate your car or just the trunk, fill it with candy, and be ready to meet the costumed characters as they make their way around the parking lot.

**We want to block off the parking lot allowing pedestrians only during trick or treat time, so please have your car in the lot by 5:00pm.** We will have the parking lot blocked and cars decorated and ready for the kids from 5:30pm-7:30pm. Last time we had around 120 trick-or-treaters at the Trunk or Treat so bring lots of candy!

This is sure to be a fun-filled night as we enjoy the parade of kids and the fellowship with the neighbors. The neighborhood is very excited for this event and have appreciated this safe, friendly place for their children!

**You're invited to dress up as well!  
Bring lots of candy and come for the fun!**



## **CHURCH ROSTER**

It is time to update the church roster! This is a list of names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses and birthdays for everyone in the church! We update this list every fall. This roster is only shared with the people of St. Paul's and is never used or shared for commercial purposes!

**If you have been on the roster before**, please check you information on the roster on the windowsill and make any corrections necessary! If you are new to the roster, please write your information on the back page so you can be included. **Participation is not required - just encouraged!**

SERMONS AND SCRIPTURE



October 5

"Have a Seat"

Psalm 37:1-7  
2 Timothy 1:8-12  
\*Luke 17:5-10

October 12

"1 of 10"

Psalm 111  
2 Timothy 2:8-15  
\*Luke 17:11-19

October 19

"Pray Always"

Psalm 121  
2 Timothy 3:14-17  
\*Luke 18:1-8

October 26

"Humility"

Psalm 84:1-6  
2 Timothy 4:6-8  
\*Luke 18:9-14

\*Message Scripture




OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- |             |                |                               |
|-------------|----------------|-------------------------------|
| 4 Marilyn R | 21 Frank N     | 19 John Billecci and Connie K |
| 4 Dorothy S | 23 Conrad N    | 22 John and Cookie S          |
| 17 Patti F  | 27 Betty S     |                               |
| 17 Bette S  | 28 Stephanie M |                               |



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October 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 8:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast at Denny's	2 10:00am Thursday Morning Bible Study	3	4
5 Team 1 10:00am Worship Service Fellowship after Worship	6	7 10:00am Quilters 6:30pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study	8 5:30pm Church Social Planning Group 6:30pm Church Council	9 10:00am Thursday Morning Bible Study	10	11
12 Team 2 10:00am Worship Service Fellowship after Worship	13 11:00am Lunch at Applebees then a 1pm Movie at the Clements Center! 6:30pm Choir and Praise Practice	14 10:00am Quilters 6:30pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study	15 	16 10:00am Thursday Morning Bible Study	17	18
19 Team 3 10:00am Worship Service Fellowship after Worship	20 6:30pm Christian Women of Faith Candy's House!	21 10:00am Quilters 6:30pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study	22	23 10:00am Thursday Morning Bible Study	24	25
26 Team 4 10:00am Worship Service Fellowship after Worship Newsletter Items Due	27 6:30pm Choir and Praise Practice	28 10:00am Quilters 6:30pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study	29	30 10:00am Thursday Morning Bible Study	31 5pm Arrival 5:30pm - 7:30pm 	1 Time Change at Bedtime! 



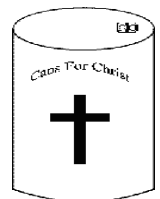
## September Attendance

Worship Service		Tuesday Bible Study		Thursday Bible Study	
August 31:	62	September 2:	14	September 4:	20
September 7:	57	September 9:	14	September 11:	12
September 14:	54	September 16:	13	September 18:	18
September 21:	60	September 23:	15	September 25:	15
Men's Prayer Breakfast September 3:					
				8	
Women of Faith September 15:				16	
Red Hats September 22:				18	



## Cans for Christ (Shauna)

Starting Balance 9/1/2025	\$	.62
Income	\$	31.21
Outgoing (Compassion International)	\$	<u>-31.00</u>
Ending Balance 9/28/2025	\$	0.83



## Church Council (Gary J)

### September Church Council

Our Pancake Breakfast went well and thanks to everyone who helped by working and eating breakfast. We are planning an expanded advertising program for next year to improve attendance.

Dorothy and Bette attended the council meeting and proposed bringing back the Church Ministry Committee. This reinstated Ministry Committee would monthly or by-monthly coordinate events and activities for the Church. The Council unanimously approved the reinstatement of the Ministry Committee. Anyone interested in helping, please contact Dorothy or Bette. Your help is needed.

The facility Committee headed by Frank and Mike continued their outstanding work this last month. Thanks to them for their work.

All business and financial matters of the church are sound and up to date. Enjoy the fall weather. In Christ, Gary

## Church Social Planning Group

We have formed a new group to plan the social events of the church! We had our first meeting last week to discuss both the Soup and Chili Cook-off and the Halloween Trunk or Treat.

This group is tentatively called the Church Social Planning Group, but the name will be decided upon during our first monthly meeting, October 8, before the Church Council meeting. Planners are: Marlys D, Candy F, Patti F, Marilyn R, Kim and Sharon S, Dorothy S, John and Cookie S, Bette S and Marge W.

## Almost Time to Change the Clocks!



This is a heads-up for the **first weekend in November** - we will be gaining an hour! Pastor Kim's favorite night will be Saturday, November 1st when the clocks "fall back" giving everyone an extra hour of sleep!



## Pumpkin Cranberry Bread

As served by Marge W for Fellowship September 21

### Ingredients

3 cups flour  
1 Tbsp. plus 2 tsp. pumpkin pie spice  
2 tsp. baking soda  
1 1/2 tsp. salt  
3 cups sugar  
1 can (15 oz.) 100% pure pumpkin  
4 large eggs  
1 cup vegetable oil  
1/2 cup orange juice or water  
1 cup sweetened dried, fresh or frozen cranberries



### Instructions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease and flour 2 9x5 loaf pans.  
Combine dry ingredients in a large bowl.  
Combine sugar, pumpkin, eggs, oil, and juice in large mixer bowl.  
Beat until just blended.  
Add to flour mixture - stir until moistened.  
Fold in cranberries.  
Put in pans.  
Bake 60 - 65 minutes or until wooden pick inserted into center come out clean.  
Cool for 10 minutes and remove from pans to cool completely.





## Being a Christian is like being a Pumpkin

God picks you from the patch and  
brings you in. (John 15:16)

Then washes all the dirt off of you.  
(2 Corinthians 5:17)

He opens you up and scoops out all the  
yucky stuff. He removes the seeds  
of doubt, hate, greed, etc.  
(Romans 6:6)

Then He carves you a new smiling  
face. (Psalm 71:23)

And He puts His light inside you to  
shine for all the world to see.  
(Matthew 5:16)

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## MISSION MOMENT (PASTOR KIM)

### The Blue Bench

From the earliest moments after sexual assault, through medical and legal logistics, to counseling for long-term emotional and functional health, The Blue Bench provides support every step of the way. Supporting someone who has experienced sexual assault can be difficult. Just being there and listening makes a big difference. The Blue Bench provides prevention programming to ensure every member of our community is educated on intervention, how to support survivors, and changing social norms that blame, silence, or minimize the impacts of sexual assault. Our donation to The Blue Bench helps further their support of their client services, prevention education, advocacy work, and more. Please remember them in your prayers and offerings.

