



St. Paul Lutheran Church

Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin

August 6, 2020

St. Paul Lutheran Church's mission is "Connecting People to Christ". Through the pandemic, it has become more and more evident how important this mission is. Our team has spent a great deal of time learning about the pandemic and discussing the best ways to move forward with ministry into Fall.

Like any decision, there will be things you may agree and disagree with. We have done our best to find a balance to suit the needs and opinions of all our Congregation members. Our goal is for everyone to continue to stay connected to Christ in whatever manner they feel most comfortable with.

Beginning Thursday, September 10, our worship services will return to their normal times:

Thursday 6:30 pm: Informal, 3rd week Country Music; Communion weekly,
Sunday 7:45 am: Traditional, Liturgical 3rd and 5th Sundays; Communion weekly
Sunday 9:15 am: Blended; Communion 2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday 10:45 am: Contemporary; Communion 2nd & 4th Sundays
Communion will be continuous until further notice

Due to Governor Evers' mask mandate, all services will be mask required until further notice. Pre-registration will still be required, as we need to remain at a maximum capacity of 150 people per service. Please use the Main Entrance. Hand sanitizer will be required when entering the Worship Center and cleaning will occur following each service. Communion Servers and Ushers will wear masks at all services due to their closer contact. Coffee hour with cookies and fellowship between services and Greeters will be canceled until further notice. Weekly News will resume - we ask that you take it with you when you leave worship. Bulletins will be discontinued as the projection screens contain this information. The Wee Care Nursery will be open during the 9:15 & 10:45 services, with pre-registration required.

Worship Services will continue to be live streamed at our website stpaulfalls.com and our YouTube channel, St. Paul Sheboygan Falls, beginning at 9:10 am on Sundays, with the recording available online afterwards. DVD recordings of the service will be available in the bin outside of the Main Entrance on Tuesdays after 9:00 am.

Sunday School will resume on September 13th during the 9:15 service. Children will be dismissed prior to the sermon, as they have in the past.

AWANA will be taking place this year but will be altered to accommodate restrictions due to the pandemic. There will be At-Home, Online, and In-Person opportunities that families may choose to participate in according to their time, comfort, and interest level.

Confirmation will continue to be held on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:30 pm, as it has been in the past. An At-Home option will be available. Fun in the Son's House (FISH) will be discontinued for this year. Hangin' with the Truth will continue on Sunday evenings.

More specific details regarding Children, Youth, & Family Ministries will be sent directly to families next week.

Volunteers are still needed in the following ministries: Confirmation, Sunday School, Ushers, Worship Team Musicians, Projection, Video Camera, and Sound Booth Operators. Please contact the Church Office for more information.

We hope and pray that during this pandemic that you and your loved ones are finding ways to stay "Connected to Christ." If there is any way that we can assist you in this, please feel free to reach out us. Your physical health is important, but your Spiritual health is of utmost importance. As Christians we are the body of Christ. We are meant to be together, and right now, while that may be difficult to do, we can find ways to support and care for each other. Our faith in Jesus is what will help get us through this. Stay "Connected to Christ" and cling to His Word and promises. For there, we find hope and joy that surpasses all understanding, even as we traverse this everchanging pandemic.

Please continue to watch for updates in the Weekly News, Newsletter, and through our website www.stpaulfalls.com.

God's Blessings,
Pr. Kyle Backhaus, Senior Pastor