

St. Paul Connection

August 2018



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From Pastor's Pen ...



"Jesus Is Our A to Z Righteousness!"

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is the and who was and who is come, the Almighty." – Revelation 1:8

It's a trend in business not only to have memorable logos but ones that send an unconscious or subliminal message. Take a close look at the FedEx logo. It is short for "Federal Express". That's a mouthful that doesn't say much. So they changed it. FedEx. And they accomplished two things. First, it's catchy. It's a memorable name. Secondly, by having the letter "X" at the end; they are saying their delivery service goes anywhere in the world where you could possibly be. "X" marks the spot!

Look at Amazon's logo. It has a smile that connect the letter "A" to the letter "Z". They want you to know that you will find anything on their website from soup to nuts... or from "A" to "Z"! And if you've ever used Amazon, it's true! You find just about anything you could ever imagine.

It is interesting that no less than three times in the Book of Revelation, Jesus reveals Himself as the "Alpha" and the "Omega". Why the unusual language? Jesus is planting a memorable image in our minds. One that communicates or should communicate again and again to us. Alpha is the first letter in the Greek alphabet and Omega is the last letter of the Greek alphabet. In other words, Jesus is our "A" to "Z" Lord. He is everything that we could possibly need.

What should that mean practically for you? Jesus is your First to go to and your Last to close! He is the One who meets any and all of your needs. His work of redemption guarantees that for you. That work done on your behalf provides complete, total and perfect care in every aspect of life. Simply because Jesus' work of redemption restores us to God in the way that God created things to be and in a way that we could never do. What that means is summed up in those familiar words "forgiveness of sins, life and salvation". His perfect life is

your life, perfect in the sight of God. His perfect death is the ransom price paid in full that makes things exactly the way God wants it to be. To add to what Christ has done or dismiss what Christ has done; ruins it all completely. You are left with your old miserable, sinful self!

But there is more! More to what Jesus our wonderful "A" to "Z" Lord, gives. Something we don't have or could do on our own. He gives you the very tool so that all these realities of Christ's work can become your own. That tool is faith! We don't make it. We don't manufacture it. We don't produce it. But we do receive through the work of the Holy Spirit. It's given at our baptism. It works every time we hear/read the Scriptures. You can't click it or buy forgiveness, life and salvation on Amazon. FedEx can't deliver it to you. But your Lord and Savior will! These are blessings He regularly gives free of charge at church each and every Sunday. His Word and Sacrament give us access total access to God. Not even "prime" membership can deliver on that!

From the beginning of life to the end; Christ our Alpha and Omega promises that He is with you. That means every single, mundane moment you can imagine. In times of trouble and frustration, Christ supports and strengthens. In grief and pain, He comforts. In moments of joy, He blesses and deepens. And when it comes to those daily needs (like back-to-school shopping) He provides all that we need. Right down to the *clothing, shoes, house and home and all that I need* that Luther talks about in his explanation to the 1st Article. In every phase, every moment and every aspect of life – you are never left to wonder if He can or He will! There's no search bar where you have to type in the key words or the UPC code. Your Heavenly Savior knows!

Jesus Your Alpha and Omega Lord, promises to find, to give and deliver all that you need as He has promised in His Word. His Word, His Work and His Love deliver all that you could possibly need for all the moments and every circumstance. In a world, where technology promises us the world...Jesus is the first Word and the last Word in this life and the life that is most certainly to come.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Fall Schedule Around The Corner

Labor Day is September 3, 2018; **Sunday, September 2, 2018 is the last Sunday for the summer schedule.** The Fall Schedule begins on Sunday, **September 9, 2018 with services at 7:45 & 10:30AM; with Sunday School at 9:15AM and Sunday Morning Bible Class at 9:30AM.** September 9, 2018 is Sunday School Rally Day! Watch the bulletin and the September newsletter for more details.



Donations for St. Paul Daycare

Your gifts and donations are needed to help our St. Paul Daycare continue to run a cost effective operation during the upcoming school year. Your gifts of cereal (all-kinds), all types of crackers, raisins, canned fruit, chex mix, pretzels, gold fish crackers will provide daily healthy snacks for our Daycare program. Also, if you would rather, you can just purchase a Walmart/Sams or Kwik Trip gift card from our Scrip program and that can be given to the Daycare to help put towards the purchase of the snacks and milk that are needed each week.



College Bound Students!

Just a reminder before you leave for college this month, please call the church office at 920-446-3251 or email (stpaulfremont@centurytel.net) with your college address and email. We will be happy to email or send you a copy of the monthly edition of the St. Paul Connection through out the coming school year. **Also if you need to find the name and address of the closest LCMS church to your campus; please talk to Pastor Pope.** Don't forget to take Jesus with you as you begin a new year of college!

Oktoberfest Is Just Around The Corner... Ways You Can Help

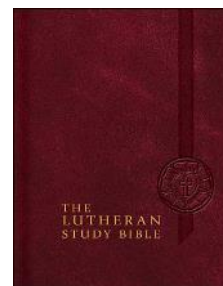
St. Paul's Annual Oktoberfest will be held on **Sunday, October 14, 2018**, with one service being held at 10:30 AM and our traditional German pork dinner to follow. If you would like to help with beginning preparations for this year's Oktoberfest, please watch for the red envelopes on the Scrip Desk in the main fellowship area to help with start-up costs. **Also you can continue your support through the Tent Rent Fundraiser. This year we are selling many more tickets for the Tent Fund Raiser and your efforts in selling them is greatly appreciated. This helps off-set the cost of this year's rental of tents. Please speak with Doug Ehrenberg regarding tickets to sell.**

Also with **regular Oktoberfest tickets** it is **encouraged that families of our congregation consider purchasing multiple tickets to hand out as a gift to friends and neighbors in our community (an outreach/evangelism tool).** Please watch the bulletin, as well as September's edition of the St. Paul Connection for more announcements in ways that you can help with this year's Oktoberfest.



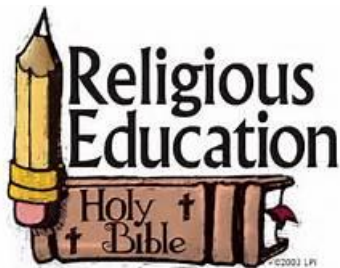
Fall Bible Sale

Getting into God's Word is a good thing for us as a congregation and as individuals. *Concordia Publishing House* in St. Louis, MO is once again offering its annual Fall Bible Sale through-out the months of August and September. It ends on September 30, 2018. Discounted prices for all of the Bibles offered by *Concordia* including the popular *Lutheran Study Bible* are featured with **savings up to 45%.** You can go online at **www.cph.org** and click the tab for the Fall Bible Sale.



Sunday School Registration Through The Website

It's time to begin thinking about Sunday School for 2018-2019 Registration will again be **ON-LINE with a new Fillable Form!** Please look for the **Sunday School Registration Tab on the St. Paul website: stpaulfremont.org.** Please download it, fill it in, print it, and drop it off at church. *Having a registration card helps in 2 areas! 1st, we can locate parents with a cell phone just in case there is sickness or accidents that occur; 2ndly, it helps us plan for ordering of Sunday School materials. The cost of Sunday School materials continues to rise. The average yearly cost for our congregation is \$2500 through Concordia Publishing House. **We will only be ordering materials for those students who have registered.** Your help in filling out these registration cards is greatly appreciated.*



You Can Help

The Sunday School Program can always use willing hearts and hands to help with this vital program of Children's ministry at St. Paul. Being a Sunday School teacher or substitute is not hard or difficult. There are quarterly meetings where Sunday School lessons and materials are presented. In addition the *Concordia Series* for our Sunday School provides a wealth of materials that can be used in presenting the lesson. In addition, we are flexible. Team teaching is a way in which you can teach without the commitment of every Sunday. Substitute teaching works the same as at school. If regular Sunday School teachers find themselves with a Sunday commitment, substitute teachers are called upon. If you could help either as a teacher or substitute, please contact Pastor Pope. Blessings await as you open ears and hearts to the message of God's love in Christ!



4th Annual St. Paul Lutheran Summer Family Film Festival!

On Friday, August 10, 2018 the 4th Annual St. Paul Film Festival will be held at Wolf River Crossing Park in Fremont. This is a family event for everyone! The event gets underway with a Brat/Hot Dog Picnic at 6PM; 7 to 8:15PM Activities and prizes for the children; 8:15PM Age-Appropriate film for younger children followed by the feature film for the evening: ***"Woodlawn"***. This movie set in 1973 examines a spiritual awakening that occurred in Woodlawn High School with the football team. It tells the story of the first African-American superstar, Tony Nathan. It is a true story. Bring your own lawn chairs, blankets and bug spray as needed. Also bring along a salad/dessert to share for the event! This is an outdoor movie held on a 12 by 7 foot screen. Take the time to invite friends/neighbors to this event.

St. Paul Preschool/Childcare Registration & Open House

Very shortly, the St. Paul Preschool/Daycare will have registration for the '18-'19 School year on Wednesday, August 8, 2018 from 3-7PM. This will also be Open House Night if you would like to take the time to tour classrooms as well as speak with teachers about our program. Children age 2 ½ - 11 can attend St. Paul's. For more information, please contact Sandy Smith, our Childcare Director at 920-407-1191.



Ice-Cream Social Benefit

On Sunday, August 19, 2018 an ice-cream social is planned to benefit our St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery Fund. This will occur after both services on that day! We don't often think about our congregation's cemetery but it needs regular upkeep and maintenance. Also information will be available about our St. Paul's Lutheran cemetery.



A Great Big Thank-You

A great big thank you goes out to everyone who helped with Worship In the Park Outdoor service which our congregation hosted on July 15th at the Wolf River Crossing Park. Even though it was a hot and humid Sunday morning, there were about 170 people who attended including many guests, visitors and people from our Fremont area. Our thanks to the following: Steve Scheller, Cowboy (Kevin Searle) and the St. Paul Praise team; Roger Schreiber and Paul Pagel for putting together a wonderful sound system; Tim Lager for poster printing; Hotel Fremont (Adam and Lisa Socha) for the wonderful donation of ice cream that we all enjoyed; Bob Wendt from our congregation for the donation of the buns; Thrivent; St. Paul Neuschafer Fund; Buck's BBQ/Grill of Fremont for taking our catering order of BBQ pork sandwiches and fixings; Congregation Members who may have helped with setup, serving or takedown. Also a big thank you to the Stewardship Evangelism Committee for hosting this worship and fellowship event. It was a wonderful day!



Weymont Food Pantry

Please remember those in our community who struggling to put food on the table. Even in these days, where jobs are plentiful due to family circumstances, the monthly budget still is falling short. As you shop please remember them with gifts of non-perishable food items that can be brought to church. Or you can deliver them directly to the Weymont Food Pantry in Weyauwega. Please to be sure to tell the folks at the Pantry that your gift of food comes from St. Paul Lutheran in Fremont. Your gifts will greatly help.



Congregational Membership Data & Photo Update Event Coming In September

Beginning September 16, 2018 in between services, a **Congregational Membership Data and Photo Update Event** will begin!

What is it? St. Paul will be upgrading to a new version of the current membership/financial software program at the end of the year. This will be a big undertaking for our church office. We are asking for everyone's current address, cellphone numbers, land line numbers and emails so that we can have up to date information for our congregational records. Again, this information is private and will not be shared/sold to any third party interest. By having your current information, this will enable St. Paul's to be able to better share with you, information about upcoming events in a timely fashion. Your help & your co-operation is very much needed and very much appreciated.

What is the photo update? Congregations in the past used pictorial directories to give to new members and current members so that people could get acquainted with one another. These directories were expensive, time-consuming and are no longer really practical. What we would like to do is to take a casual, informal picture of you (and family pictures if possible) so that we could create a pictorial directory as well as in the future create a visual membership board so that people can associate names with faces. We would take the pictures of you (and your family) at the time you fill out the membership update forms in the Bible class room. Your image will not be shared or sold to any third party.

When are the dates for Congregational Membership Data and Photo Update Event? It will begin on Sunday, September 16th, and continue on the 23rd and 30th. It will conclude on Sunday, October 7th. That gives everyone in the congregation four Sundays to choose from. The time will be after each service 7:45 and 10:30AM. We are hoping for everyone's help and co-operation in getting this job done!

Can I help? Yes by all means! We need to get the word out to all the membership of St. Paul to be a part of this project. We are looking to expand the use of communication through technology at St. Paul. Responses from the St. Paul survey conducted a few months ago pointed to the need to communicate more via technology in our congregation. To make this happen we need your help with your current information! If you have any further questions please speak with Pastor Pope or give the church office a ring at 446-3251.

St. Paul's 4th Annual Family Film Festival

Friday, August 10th, 2018

Presents - "Woodlawn"



In 1973, a spiritual awakening captures the hearts of the Woodlawn High School Football team. Lead by their coach, Tandy Gerald, and fueled by the team's dedication to love and unity in a school filled with racism and hate, the team makes an astounding run at the playoffs, leading to the largest high school football game ever played in the torn city of Birmingham, Alabama, and the rise of its first African American superstar - Tony Nathan.

6:00-7:00 PM - Brat/Hot Dog Picnic

7:00-8:15 PM - Activities & PRIZES

8:15 PM - Age-Appropriate film for younger children

Followed by the feature film, Woodlawn

Location: Wolf River Crossing Park, Fremont

EVERYONE is Welcome!

**** Please bring your own lawn chairs or blankets & bug spray**

Event will be held in the
pavilion if it rains.

OUTDOOR
MOVIE ON THE
BIG SCREEN
12 x 7-foot

SALAD OR A
DESSERT
DONATION
WELCOME

St. Paul Lutheran Church
Church Council
May 15, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Doug Ehrenberg at 6:30 pm.

Pastor opened with a devotion.

Roll: Matthew Voigt, Sandy Smith, Bobbi Marks, Pastor Pope, Terry Block, Scott Krause, Gerry Harris, Ken Rothe, Doug Ehrenberg

Absent: Paul Krause, Board of Education, Stewardship/Evangelism

Minutes: Motion by Scott Krause, seconded by Ken Rothe to approve the April 2018 council minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer: Motion by Ken Rothe, seconded by Bobbi Marks to approve the April 2018 treasurer report. Motion carried.

Pastor: Some observations from the Waupaca county police were presented to council regarding how to better secure the building. Pastor asked if council was in favor of a summer service at the park. Council agreed that it was a good idea. Starting in September we will have a membership drive to get all members information up to date, such as phone numbers, address, email, baptism dates, etc. A summer reading list will be coming out shortly. Confirmation class ends tomorrow night.

Elders: Met with Waupaca county police last week. Discussed our survey results with them and took them on a walk-through of the building. They gave a list of recommendations. It would be helpful to have a schematic of the church on file with the local police in case of emergency.

Trustees: Several projects have been taken care of: new mailbox and the lawnmower was serviced. Held an outdoor cleanup day in early May. Garage was pressure washed.

Board of Education: Discussed the film fest, which will be held August 10th. Looking at ways to reinvigorate the Youth Group. There was a good turnout for summer registration for the daycare.

Stewardship/Evangelism: No Report, no member present.

Old Business:

Strategic Planning Committee: Report to be given in June.

Accounting Software: The recommendation is to move to Powerchurch 12. The cost to us because it will just be an upgrade is \$179.00. Motion by Scott Krause, seconded by Bobbi Marks to move forward with this purchase to be paid for out of the general fund. Motion carried.

Cintas Proposal: A representative from Cintas presented their proposal to council. They would be able to supply us with rugs, paper products, and cleaning supplies. This would help us cut down on the number of vendors we do business with. Motion by Bobbi Marks, seconded by Scott Krause to enter into a contract for service with them. Motion carried.

New Business: None.

Motion by Bobbi Marks, seconded by Scott Krause to adjourn. We adjourned at 7:50 pm.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted – Matthew Voigt – Secretary

St. Paul Lutheran Church
Church Council
June 19, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Doug Ehrenberg at 6:30 pm.

Pastor opened with a devotion.

Roll: Matthew Voigt, Pastor Pope, Bob Wendt, Phil Lewin, Sandy Smith, Doug Ehrenberg, Paul Krause, Ken Rothe, Bobbi Marks.

Absent: Board of Education, Stewardship/Evangelism

Minutes: The minutes of the May council meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Phil Lewin, seconded by Ken Rothe to approve. Motion carried.

Treasurer: The May treasurers report was reviewed. A motion was made by Phil Lewin, seconded by Ken Rothe to approve. Motion carried.

Pastor: Handout from Lutheran Counseling and Family Services was presented. They will be coming for a visit tomorrow. They will be looking at the facilities and we are looking for more information from them. It might be possible for them to use the library or the youth room. These services are by appointment only. July 15th is the summer service in the park. Steve Scheller will be providing music along with Kevin Searle (Cowboy). August 10th is the Family Film Fest. Summer reads is going on. June 30th is the Loehrke baptism. Sermon series for the summer is on Ephesians.

Elders: Did not meet in June. Will be looking at the safety survey results.

Trustees: Working on getting quotes for asphalt and insulation. Had a few water issues with the recent rain.

Board of Education: Daycare budget is on target. Daycare will close on 8/29 for the staff to attend a security training. Summer film fest planning is underway.

Stewardship/Evangelism: Discussed the outdoor service. Will be reviewing survey result from planning committee to see what things they can implement now. This fall they will be working on updating church contact records.

Old Business:

Strategic Planning: Survey results were handed out to council members along with a plan of implementing some of the ideas that were brought forth. Council will continue to work with the committee on their timeline.

Elevator Maintenance Contract: Two proposals were handed out. One from Otis and one from Bruan. The quote from Otis was \$996 per year. The quote from Braun was \$1032 per year. Braun currently services our elevator. A motion was made by Phil Lewin, seconded by Bob Wendt to continue to have Braun service our elevator. Motion carried.

New Business: None.

A motion was made by Phil Lewin, seconded by Bobbi Marks to adjourn. We adjourned at 7:32 pm.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted – Matthew Voigt – Secretary

St. Paul Lutheran Church Quarterly Meeting
April 22, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Doug Ehrenberg at 9:23 am.

Pastor opened with a devotion.

There were 18 people present per the sign in sheet.

Minutes: The minutes of the January annual meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Bonnie Lewin, seconded by Ellen Rothe to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer: The first quarter treasurer's report was reviewed. A motion was made by Ellen Rothe, seconded by Linda Miller to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

New Members: Mark & Theresa Gurgel and family. A motion was made by Phil Lewin to accept their membership, seconded by Lee Hansen. Motion carried.

Pastor: Examination is today. The winter book festival was well received. This summer we will have some type of reading challenge. Sunday Bible study will conclude in May. Confirmation is next Sunday.

Elders: A survey on building security went out today. We have updated our shut in list.

Trustees: Garage project is finished, cost was about \$1000.00. A new mailbox will be going up as ours was knocked down in last weekend's storm. An outdoor cleanup is being planned for early May.

Board of Education: Budget balances for the daycare. Daycare closed on the Monday following the snow storm.

Stewardship/Evangelism: Discussed doing a picture board.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Operational Budget: A completed operational budget was passed out. This is a blueprint for the church, nothing is set in stone. It will allow us to track our spending on reoccurring bills. Look for updates to it each month in the bulletin and the newsletter.

A motion was made by Phil Lewin, seconded by Kirk Delwiche to adjourn. We adjourned at 9:55 am.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted – Matthew Voigt – Secretary

St. Paul Operational Budget - Below is a financial snapshot by quarter of how we are doing meeting our goals for 2018.

	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	
Operational Income	\$36,418.00	\$39,658.00	
Operational Expenses	\$41,894.00	\$41,751.00	
Excess Income/Expenses	(\$5,476.00)	(\$2,093.00)	

Total Excess Income/Expenses (\$7,569.00)



August 2 – Angel Estrada, Brandon Schmoldt
 August 3 – Cindy Rohan
 August 4 – Kevin Miller
 August 5 – Landen Berrens, Beverly Johnson
 August 6 – Brenda Kester
 August 7 – Abigail Hansen, Kiley Larson,
 Valorie Liebl
 August 8 – Joe Ebert
 August 9 – Carla Kester, Hailey Krause
 August 11 – John Kobiske
 August 13 – Jennifer Titus
 August 14 – Abby Borremans, Duane Koplien
 Kendall Pomrening
 August 16 – Lilliana Braun
 August 19 – Debora Thorne
 August 20 – Jordan Krause, Jason Pamenter
 Tony Boettcher
 August 21 – Kirk Delwiche, Riley Delwiche, John Meydam
 August 22 – Steve Oehlke
 August 24 – Lauri Struck
 August 26 – Michael Abraham, Taylor Kohl, Kori Toepke
 August 27 – Pat Gorchals, Candace Mitchell
 LeRoy Schroeder
 August 31 – Robert Struck



August 3 – David & Rachel Baker
 August 4 – Keith & Miranda Ziemba
 August 5 – Jerry & Lorraine Zeichert
 August 7 – Brandon & Josey Schmoldt
 Chuck & Jodi Zeichert
 August 10 – Robby & Hailee Struck
 August 11 – Cindy & Dan Wheaton
 August 13 – Harvey & Beverly Borchardt
 August 19 – Joel & Jennifer Titus
 August 25 – Peter & Barbara Farb
 August 26 – Wes & Nikki Schroeder
 August 27 – Joe & Michelle Ferg, Paul R. & Karen Hartrick
 Michael & Kristen Hanten
 August 29 – Mark & Theresa Gurgel
 August 30 – Dion & Nina Block
 August 31 – Ken & Ellen Rothe



Serving the Lord ...

August 5 & 12

Greeters 1st – Roger & Holly Schreiber
 2nd – Tony Boettcher Family
Ushers 1st – Roy Toepke, Gordy Puls
 Roger & Holly Schreiber
 2nd – Matt & Rebecca Looker
 Andrew Looker, Doug Ehrenberg

August 19 & 26

Greeters 1st – Butch & Sally Owen
 2nd – Kevin & Barb Miller
Ushers 1st – Glenn Pomrening, Darnell Burow
 Pat Kons, Kyle Kons
 2nd – Kevin Miller, Seth Miller
 Bill & Candace Mitchell

Acolytes

August 5 1st – Grace Ebert
 2nd – Mackenzie Hansen

August 12 1st – Cooper Kester
 2nd – Luke Ehrenberg

August 19 1st – Ian Liebel
 2nd – Madison Hansen

August 26 1st – Kahli Weissbahn
 2nd – Reilly Claassen

St. Paul Child Care-Preschool Newsletter

August 2018



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Director: Sandra Smith (920-407-1191)

Teachers: Preschool -Nancy Bleck

Little Learners-Nan Young

School Age-Tammy Yonke

**Child Care Teachers: Shelly Kohl, Jane Freer, Cindy Billington, Susan McGlin, Lori Gabrielson,
Tammy Ebert, Jordan Krause, Lauren Kester, Allie Bellin, Dawn Kauper**

SUMMER TRIPS

8/9/18	9:00-12:30	All Students at St. Paul in AM Quantum Dairy
8/23/18	8:30-2:30	All students 5K and above Menominee Park Oshkosh



Wednesday, August 8 Registration for St. Paul's 2018-2019 School Year 3PM-7PM
More information will be given or sent to you.



Friday, August 10 St. Paul's 4th Annual Family Film Festival

6:00-7:00 Brat/Hot Dog Picnic

7:00-8:15 Activities & PRIZES

8:15 Age-Appropriate film for younger children Followed by the feature film, Woodlawn

Location: Wolf River Crossing Park, Fremont




Wednesday, August 29 St. Paul Closed for Training



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August 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 7:45 AM Worship w/HC 9:30 AM Worship w/HC	6	7	8 10:30 AM Bible Class 3-7PM St. Paul's Childcare Open House & Registration	9	10 6:00PM St. Paul's Family Film Festival Wolf River Crossings Park	11 Kohl/Lingenfelter Wedding 
12 7:45 AM Worship 9:30 AM Worship	13	14 5:30 PM Board of Education 6:30 PM Elders Meeting	15 10:30 AM Bible Class	16	17	18
19 7:45 AM Worship w/HC 9:30 AM Worship w/HC	20	21 6:00 PM Trustees 6:30 PM Church Council Meeting	22 10:30 AM Bible Class	23	24	25
26 7:45 AM Worship 9:30 AM Worship	27	28	29 10:30 AM Bible Class	30	31	