

THIS WEEK

October 15 - October 22, 2017

SUNDAY <i>Forward in Faith</i>	8:00 a.m. - Worship 9:10-9:25 a.m. - SCRIP Open 9:15 a.m. - Sunday School 9:25 a.m. - Adult Bible Class	9:15 a.m. - Forward in Faith Q & A 10:10-10:25 a.m. - SCRIP Open 10:30 a.m. - Worship 11:30 a.m. - Forward in Faith Q & A 3:00 p.m. - Adult Volleyball in Gym
MONDAY	6:00 p.m. - Worship 7:00 p.m. - Forward in Faith Q & A	7:00 p.m. - Church Council
TUESDAY	6:30 a.m. - BC at Mary's 6:00 p.m. - LGP & LP	6:00 p.m. - Finance 6:30 p.m. - Board of Stewardship 6:30 p.m. - Handbell Choir
WEDNESDAY	9:30 a.m. - BC in Fellowship Hall 4:00 p.m. - P.S.I.	6:30 p.m. - Senior Choir
THURSDAY		6:30 p.m. - Foundations Bible Study
FRIDAY	8:30 a.m. - Mornings with Mommy	7:30 p.m. - Recovery/Peace through Christ
SATURDAY		5:30 p.m. - Lord's Supper
NEXT SUNDAY	<i>New Member Welcome</i> 8:00 a.m. - Lord's Supper 9:10-9:25 a.m. - SCRIP Open 9:15 a.m. - Sunday School 9:25 a.m. - Adult Bible Class 10:10-10:25 a.m. - SCRIP Open	10:30 a.m. - Lord's Supper 3:00 p.m. - Adult Volleyball in Gym 3:30 p.m. - Jr. Youth Group Reformation Party 7:00 p.m. - Dartball (Mount Olive I @ Eternal Love) 7:15 p.m. - Dartball (Mount Olive II @ St. John)

OFFERINGS/OTHER INCOME	BUDGET	ACTUAL
Offerings Week of 10/9/17	\$23,524	\$27,828
Offerings Year-to-date	\$1,066,978	\$1,040,205
Offerings + Other Income Year-to-date	\$1,514,362	\$1,458,802

USHERS (October)

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Brady Sturm, Captain; Brian Willman; Gary Gauerke; Tony Zanto; Ross Prochnow.
Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Jermone Laabs, Captain; Carl Wenzel; Mark Schmidt; Joshua Enter; Daryl Hintz.
Sunday 10:30 a.m. - Ken Richmond, Captain; Mike Kesting; David Gauvin; Dave Weber; Eli Weber.
Monday 6:00 p.m. - John Hoh, Captain; Ron Peters; Victor Bode.

GREETERS (8:00 a.m.) Medema Family, Kenneth & Mary Wehrman;
(10:30 a.m.) Robert & Yvonne Johnson, Gregory & Gail Leitermann.

Next Week: (8:00 a.m.) Nina Daane, Roger & Bonnie VandenLangenberg;
(10:30 a.m.) Bill & Laura Thiel, Glen & Mary Vick.

COFFEE CAFÉ (8-10 a.m.) Dan & Leslie Voss; (10 a.m.-noon) Jeff & Sheryl Schultz.
Next Week: (8-10 a.m.) Medema Family; (10 a.m.-noon) Tara Willenkamp, Kathy Erickson.

AV TEAM This Week: **October 14** (5:30 p.m.) - Ethan Cain; **October 15** (8 a.m.) - Cody Manske;
October 15 (10:30 a.m.) - Noah Schuff; **October 16** (6 p.m.) - Jonathan Leahy.
Next Week: **October 21** (5:30 p.m.) - Connor Graham; **October 22** (8 a.m.) - Marcus Medema;
October 22 (10:30 a.m.) - Eric Wenzel; **October 23** (6 p.m.) - Scott Krueger.

ALTAR GUILD (October) Jane Sagunsky, Karen Schmidt, Marion Wenzel, Carolyn Marquardt, Karen Thomas



We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord. Psalm 78:4

Announcements

Attendance All Services: 969

Saturday: 191

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. 356, 10:30 a.m. 328

Monday: 94

The Cross Bouquet is placed to God's glory in memory of Pastor and Mrs. Herbert Kesting by Mark and Louise Kesting.

A Brief Forward in Faith Informational Meeting will be held in the Teen Room (lower level) immediately following today's worship service. This is your chance to ask questions and provide feedback on the proposed building plans and campaign. If you've not yet attended an informational meeting, please stop in to this meeting today.

Forward in Faith Campaign Packets have been prepared for every friend and member of the Mount Olive family. Volunteers will hand out packets, by name, in the Atrium after today's service. **Please don't go home without your packet!** (Help us save on postage.) The information included in your packet will help you prayerfully consider your role in sharing a spiritual legacy with the next generation.

Holy Communion Change: Due to the Forward in Faith focus in today's service, Holy Communion will be celebrated in all our services next weekend, October 21-23.

Thank you to those who helped make our new Forward in Faith banner: Louise and Mike Kesting, Michele Pfeifer, Mary Jo Van Dyke, and Sue Volkman.

Reformation 500 Service at the PAC: Members who ordered tickets for the **Saturday, October 28th** Reformation 500 Service will find their tickets in their church mailboxes. Those who ordered tickets online also received an email confirmation of their registration. That email is NOT your ticket. Everyone must have the official printed ticket to enter the PAC for the worship service. *Note: Please ignore the seat numbers printed on the tickets.* There are no assigned seats for the service. **Doors open at 1:00 p.m.**

Mount Olive's Fall Festival: Everyone is invited to join us for Mount Olive's 3rd Annual Fall Festival on **Sunday, October 29th, from 2-4 p.m.** Fall Festival is fun for all ages, including events like Trunk or Treat, a chili cook-off contest, crafts for kids, carnival games, delicious food like donuts and caramel apples, and hot drinks like cocoa and apple cider! Don't miss out on the fun, and be sure to invite your friends and family! (Don't worry...the Packers don't play that day!) If you'd like to decorate your car and pass out candy for Trunk or Treat, or if you'd like to enter your favorite chili recipe into the Chili Cook-off Contest (Please note: The contest is limited to the first 10 registrants.), please sign up in the Atrium, or e-mail Pastor Schreiner (pastor.schreiner@mountoliveappleton.com). For more information, please see the October *Messenger*.

Can You Help Make our Family Event a Success? We are a few weeks away our 3rd Annual Fall Festival on **Sunday, October 29th**. We currently do not have enough volunteers signed up. This event truly cannot happen without the help of amazing volunteers like you. We're happy to have upper grade students, high school students, and adults volunteer! The tasks are easy and it's just one short shift. You do not need to do any set up or take down. If this is a way in which you could serve, please contact Kelly Schreiner (schreinerk190@gmail.com). Thank you!

Junior Youth Group is a fun, active group of 5th-8th grade students. Let's celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation with a Reformation Party! Join us on **Sunday, October 22nd from 3:30-5:00 p.m.** in the Mount Olive Fellowship Hall. Parent helpers are always appreciated. If you would like to help with the event or have questions about the activities, contact Laura Waurio at waurio99@new.rr.com or 920-224-5850 (phone/text). We welcome new members, and you are always welcome to invite friends!

Mission Partner's Annual Bake Sale will be held on **Saturday and Sunday, November 11th & 12th**. The bake sale is sponsored by Girl Pioneers & Mission Partners. All proceeds benefit Law and Gospel Lutheran Church in Manila, Philippines. Bakers, please sign up in the Atrium for muffins, breads, candies, pies. Items should be packaged (one dozen per package, where appropriate). **Please deliver your goodies to the Atrium by NOON on Saturday, November 11th.**

Still thinking about it? It is not too late to use your God-given voice in our choir. Senior Choir rehearsals are on **Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.** and last about an hour. All Mount Olive members who are high school age and older are welcome to join. Childcare during practice can be arranged. For additional information or to arrange childcare, please contact Julie Neujahr at julie.neujahr@mountoliveappleton.com or 920-739-9194.

Sunday Adult Bible Classes: *Romans* (Pastor Wenzel) in the Fellowship Hall; *Reformation Topics* (Pastor Sellnow) in the Sanctuary; *Foundations of our Faith* (Pastor Schreiner) in the 8th grade classroom. For more information, please see the yellow brochure in your pew rack.

Courtyard Decorations: Could you help beautify our courtyard this autumn? Pumpkins (medium or large - the tiny ones don't show up) or large gourds (again, the little ones don't show up well) would be great. Just bring your items to the upper courtyard (the one just off the parking lot). Please put them INSIDE the courtyard, near the windows, and our courtyard person will arrange them in both courtyards. Thank you! If you would like more information, you may call Jacqui Komschlies, 920-731-9012.

Are you leaving for the winter? If you plan to leave for part of the winter, please contact our Church Office (church.office@mountoliveappleton.com or 920-739-9194) before you leave. Please let us know the time period you will be gone and your wintering address.

United Way Campaign: The 2017-18 United Way campaign is underway in our community. If your workplace participates in the United Way campaign, you may have a "Donor Choice" which allows you to designate a qualified 501(c)(3) agency to receive your United Way donation. Although Mount Olive does not qualify for United Way funds, you may choose other WELS affiliated organizations like *Wisconsin Lutheran Child and Family Services* or *Christian Life Resources, Inc.* If you have questions about your participation in such a program, check your local United Way guidelines, ask your Human Resources Director at work or email info@wlcfs.org.

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Area WELS Announcements



Fall Festivals & Trunk or Treating at Area WELS Churches

Saturday, October 21st from 1:00-3:00 p.m. All children are welcome to come to St. Matthew's Trunk or Treat Event! It will be held in the parking lot behind the church, by our gymnasium on Lawrence St. (at 1316 W Lawrence St, Appleton)!

Saturday, October 21st from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Our Outreach Ministry is hosting a Fall Harvest at Eternal Love (1011 E. Midway Road, Appleton). There will be hayrides, pumpkin bowling, a bouncy house, puppet shows, a football obstacle course, a campfire, and more!!

Saturday, October 21st from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Please join us at Bethel (829 Appleton Road, Menasha) for our annual Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat! Come for an afternoon of games, face painting, Fall family photo booth, free food, crafts, and Trunk or Treat! (Feel free to come in your Halloween costume!) For more information, call 920-725-1822 or email sundayschool@bethelmenasha.org.

Saturday, October 21st from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Immanuel, (W7265 School Road, Greenville) will host its 8th Annual Trunk or Treat and Fireworks Show! Join us for this FREE fall fun event on Saturday, October 21st! All are welcome so bring your friends! Go trunk to trunk to cutely decorated vehicles in the Immanuel parking lot for candy and treats! Enjoy games, music and fun! Then stay for an awesome fireworks show you won't want to miss!

Saturday, October 28th from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Once again this year, St. Paul (N926 Dale Avenue, Dale) is doing Trunk or Treat! What is Trunk or Treat? Handing out candy & a "Hello" from your car trunk to trick-or-treaters passing through our parking lot as they do trick-or-treating in the town of Dale.

Sunday, October 29th from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Trunk or Treat at Riverview (136 W. Seymour Street, Appleton). It's that time again to get a costume & join us for an afternoon of Fall Family Fun! Enjoy trick-or-treating, hot drinks, & games in a safe family-friendly setting.

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Fall Festivals & Trunk or Treating at Area WELS Churches continued

Sunday, October 29th, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Join us at Mount Olive's (930 E. Florida Avenue, Appleton) 3rd Annual Fall Festival. Fall Festival is fun for all ages, including events like Trunk or Treat, a chili cook-off contest, crafts for kids, carnival games, delicious food including donuts and caramel apples, and hot drinks like cocoa and apple cider!

Sunday, October 29th from 3:00-5:00 p.m. St. Peter (N2740 French Road, Freedom) will be hosting a Trunk or Treat event. Everyone is welcome to join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship!

Sunday, October 29th from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Trunk or Treat at Trinity in Neenah! This is a fun event for families from Trinity and the community. Bring your little ones to our family-friendly Trunk or Treat event. There will be creatively decorated cars for your child to Trunk or Treat at as well as games and activities in our school gym. This event will take place on at 410 Oak Street, Neenah.

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FVL News

FVL THEATRE is performing "Vintage Hitchcock: A Live Radio Play" on Thursday 10/18 at 7 p.m., Saturday 10/21 at 4 p.m., and Sunday 10/22 at 2 p.m. Tickets are available online at fvlhs.org.

8TH GRADERS AND THEIR PARENTS are invited to FVL's 8th Grade Student/Parent Welcome Night on Monday, 10/30 from 5-7:30 p.m. Join us for food, fellowship, and fun. While students enjoy games, competitions, and socializing, parents can attend 20 minute informational sessions on topics like STEM Academy, the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program, Tuition Assistance, Co-curricular Opportunities, and more! All interested families should register online at fvlhs.org.



WELS News & Notes

WELS Members Respond



When people are hurting, Christians respond. Paul thanked the Macedonian Christians for the generous outpouring of support they provided for needy brothers and sisters in Jerusalem. They saw a need, and their love for their Savior and fellow Christians moved them to act.

The same could be said about the members of our synod in the way you have reacted to the hurricanes that struck Texas, Florida, and Puerto Rico. In addition to your prayers, you offered generous financial support to help those in need. As of now, WELS members have given nearly \$700,000 for hurricane relief.

WELS Christian Aid and Relief has made grants to WELS congregations in Texas and Florida to address immediate needs for their members and for others in the community and has sent aid to Puerto Rico. Efforts are now underway to plan a more long-term effort to provide assistance. When plans are in place and can be administered effectively, WELS Christian Aid and Relief is ready to forward the funding that WELS members have provided.

We have been attempting to contact our sister church in Puerto Rico, but communications have been very difficult. We have heard there was extensive damage to at least one of the churches on the island, and we assume that the homes of many members were damaged or destroyed. As soon as we can assess the need and put plans in place, more assistance will be sent.

Even as WELS members have responded to these natural disasters, they have also continued their faithful support of the ongoing ministry of our synod. Through September, Congregation Mission Offerings are up 1.6 percent or \$231,000 over the prior year and 0.8 percent ahead of subscriptions. Thanks be to God for these blessings that have been motivated by his saving gospel.

Serving with you in Christ,
President Mark Schroeder

