Saint Paul's
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

NOVEMBER 2026 EPISTLE



As we start the month of
NOVEMBER
May GOD's light shine
upon you and guide you
on the right path.
May He bless you
abundantly
and keep you safe.

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Dear Members and Friends of St. Paul's,

The month of November, and the focus on Thanksgiving, always has us thinking about how thankful we are in our everyday lives. I am thankful for each of you in this faith community. I give thanks for how active we are in the community and all the things we have going on this month at St. Paul's.

We begin the month with our All Saint's Day worship on November 1, where we will pray the names of those in our congregation who have joined the church triumphant during the past year. We will also remember the names of the saints who surround us as part of the great cloud of witnesses.

We will recognize the veterans in our congregation on November 15 during our worship service. Giving thanks for them and their military service. If you are a veteran and not able to be present that day, please let me know. I will be sure to add your name to the prayers on that morning.

The annual Holiday Fair is November 21, and it will give us the chance to open our doors to our neighbors. Welcoming them into our building and showing them warm hospitality. I am excited to share our church with the community in this way. Thank you to all the volunteers who are working so hard to prepare and all those who will make the day run smoothly.

Wishing you and your families a blessed and thankful Thanksgiving Holiday!

Peace and Blessings,

The Rev. Elizabeth A Cummings

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FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, OUR FOOD PANTRY IS IN NEED OF:

- 1 LB. COFFEE
- CANNED SOUPS
- SPAGHETTI SAUCE
- SPAGHETTI PASTA
- MAC-N-CHEESE
- SPAGHETTI SAUCE
- RAMEN NOODLES

THE FOOD PANTRY WILL BE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING ON NOVEMBER 26, 2026





Just a reminder that we are accepting donations for Grandma's Attic from now until Sunday, November 15th.

Items can be dropped off Tuesday - Friday from 9 am to 1 pm or weekends by appointment only.

Any questions about items, drop off or to schedule large items to be picked up, please contact Heather Christensen at 860-841-6657. Thank you!



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

FULLY WRITTEN ARTICLES FOR THE DECEMBER EPISTLE are due by November 23rd. Please send your article exactly the way you would like it to appear to Lorraine at:

office@stpaulswethersfield.org

Thank you!

THRIVENT SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 15, 2026

thrivent

Please wear your Live Generously T-Shirt this Sunday. We will have a representative from Thrivent at this service so bring any questions you might want to ask.

SEAN'S CLOSET IS AN OUTREACH PROGRAM THAT OFFERS CLOTHING AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS FREE OF CHARGE TO HELP THOSE IN NEED.



SEAN'S CLOSET FALL & WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE



TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
300 MAIN ST., WETHERSFIELD, CT





If you have fall and winter blankets or clothing for men, women or children that you can part with, please bring them to church on Sunday's and they will be delivered to Trinity Episcopal Church.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP.

GOD BLESS YOU!!

HOLIDAY FAIR





NOVEMBER 21, 2026

9:00AM - 2:00PM

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
371 Wolcott Hill Road
Wethersfield, CT

Bakery & Cookie Walk,
Jewelry, Café, Country Store,
Holiday Booth, Handmade Crafts,
Raffle, Grandma's Attic,
and Inspiration Garden

www.stpaulswethersfield.org

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Altar Flowers

You may now sign up to provide a beautiful arrangement of altar flowers for Sunday Worship.

We are hoping to see the natural beauty of flowers grace our Sanctuary more frequently.

You can now sign up for 1 Bouquet for $25, 1 Single Center Bouquet for $30 and 2 Bouquets for $50.

The Flower Chart sign-up sheet is on the Whiteboard along with the Flower Order Form. For anyone who wishes to have two arrangements or share with someone else, the cost will remain $50. Please indicate this when you sign up: one bouquet ($25), two bouquets ($50).



PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

We will be decorating the Church for Advent on Sunday, December 6th after Worship Service. We appreciate any time you could give to help out.

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YTD INCOME THRU SEPTEMBER 2026

	YTD September 30, 2026 Actual	Budget
400 Revenues		
401 Weekly offering	$ 98,245	$ 121,308
406 Special envelopes	$ 2,738	$ 2,082
407 Loose plate offerings	$ 1,575	$ 2,662
410 Flowers Income	$ 1,726	$ 1,550
411 Food Pantry	$ 8,928	$ 8,710
412 Rental Income	$ 8,751	$ 8,415
415 Miscellaneous Income	$ 2,136	$ 1,678
416 BehlerFund	$ 38,631	$ 187
417 Youth Group	$ 332	$ 452
Total 430 Investment Income	$ 39,733	$ 13,184
Total 400 Revenues	**$ 202,795**	**$ 160,228**

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ATTENTION ALL BAKERS FOR OUR HOLIDAY FAIR — NOVEMBER 21, 2026

A GENTLE REMINDER - IN THREE (3) SHORT WEEKS WE WILL BE HOLDING OUR ANNUAL HOLIDAY FAIR TO BENEFIT THE FOOD PANTRY.

ONCE AGAIN THE CALL GOES OUT TO OUR FAITHFUL BAKERS TO HELP PROVIDE AN ASSORTMENT OF COOKIES AND/OR BAKED GOODS.

PLEASE PLAN AHEAD. THE SIGN-UP CHART IN POSTED ON THE WHITEBOARD AND AWAITING YOUR ENTRY!!

THE FAIR PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT OUT FOOD PANTRY. PLEASE CONSIDER PARTICIPATING!!!

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Dear St. Paul's Friends,
We are again Adopting a needy family from the Salvation Army for Christmas. I asked for a family of 5 this year, since last year we seemed to need more to spend on. Let's bring the family (see next page) a St. Paul's Christmas joy, such as they've never seen! Please read the flyer over and familiarize yourself with what would give them that joy.

This year, there will be volunteering made available through the Salvation Army during the Holiday Season. Look for more details with the poster that I will place in our Connector building shortly. Any questions, please call me at 860-280-4386.

Love and peace to all,
Joan Kratzer

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DOING THE MOST GOOD

ADOPT-A-FAMILY 2026 WISH LIST

Child's Name	Mary	Child's Name	Mia
Gender	Girl	Gender	Girl
Age	15	Age	5
Shirt size	Medium – Women's	Shirt size	6/8 Girls
Pant size	Medium – Women's	Pant size	6/8 Girls
Coat size	Medium – Women's	Coat size	6/8 Girls
Shoe/sock size	8 – Women's	Shoe/sock size	11 Girls
Toy wish #1	Queen Size Lavender Bed Set	Toy wish #1	"K-Pop Demon Hunters" Dolls
Toy wish #2	Body Pillow	Toy wish #2	Scooter
Toy wish #3	Decorative Pillows	Toy wish #3	Drawing/Tracing Educational Workbooks
Child's Name	Missy	Child's Name	Maverick
Gender	Girl	Gender	Boy
Age	3	Age	18 months
Shirt size	3T	Shirt size	18-24 months
Pant size	3T	Pant size	18-24 months
Coat size	4T	Coat size	18-24 months
Shoe/sock size	4T	Shoe/sock size	18-24 months
Toy wish #1	Hair Accessories (Hair ties, beads, headbands, bows)	Toy wish #1	Toddler Toilet Seat
Toy wish #2	Baby Dolls	Toy wish #2	Carboard Books
Toy wish #3	Educational Toys	Toy wish #3	Toddler Toy Cars
Adult #1 Name	Grace		
Household Item #1	Bath towels		
Household Item #2	Bathroom rug		

Family Background:

Grace is a single mother with 4 children at home. She is not currently working and was referred to us by another agency that also works to provide low-income families with community resources. She is extremely grateful for any support we can provide.

Family Name: Grace

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WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS - NOVEMBER

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

1 10:00 am All Saint's Day Service

Assisting Minister	Sue Agne
Reader	Matt Perry
Ushers	Jerry Hansen, Walter Ruppar, Martial Roy & Sophia
Altar	Deb Howe
Fellowship Hour	Jerry Hansen
Counter	George Howe

8 10:00 am Service

Assisting Minister	Jerilyn Roy
Reader	Name_____
Ushers	Jerry Hansen, Walter Ruppar, Martial Roy & Sophia
Altar	Elaine Strecker
Fellowship Hour	Name _____
Counter	Judy Gerken

15 10:00 am Service

Assisting Minister	Name_____
Reader	Name _____
Ushers	Jerry Hansen, Walter Ruppar, Martial Roy & Sophia
Altar	Name _____
Fellowship Hour	Name _____
Counter	Heather Christensen

22 10:00 am Service

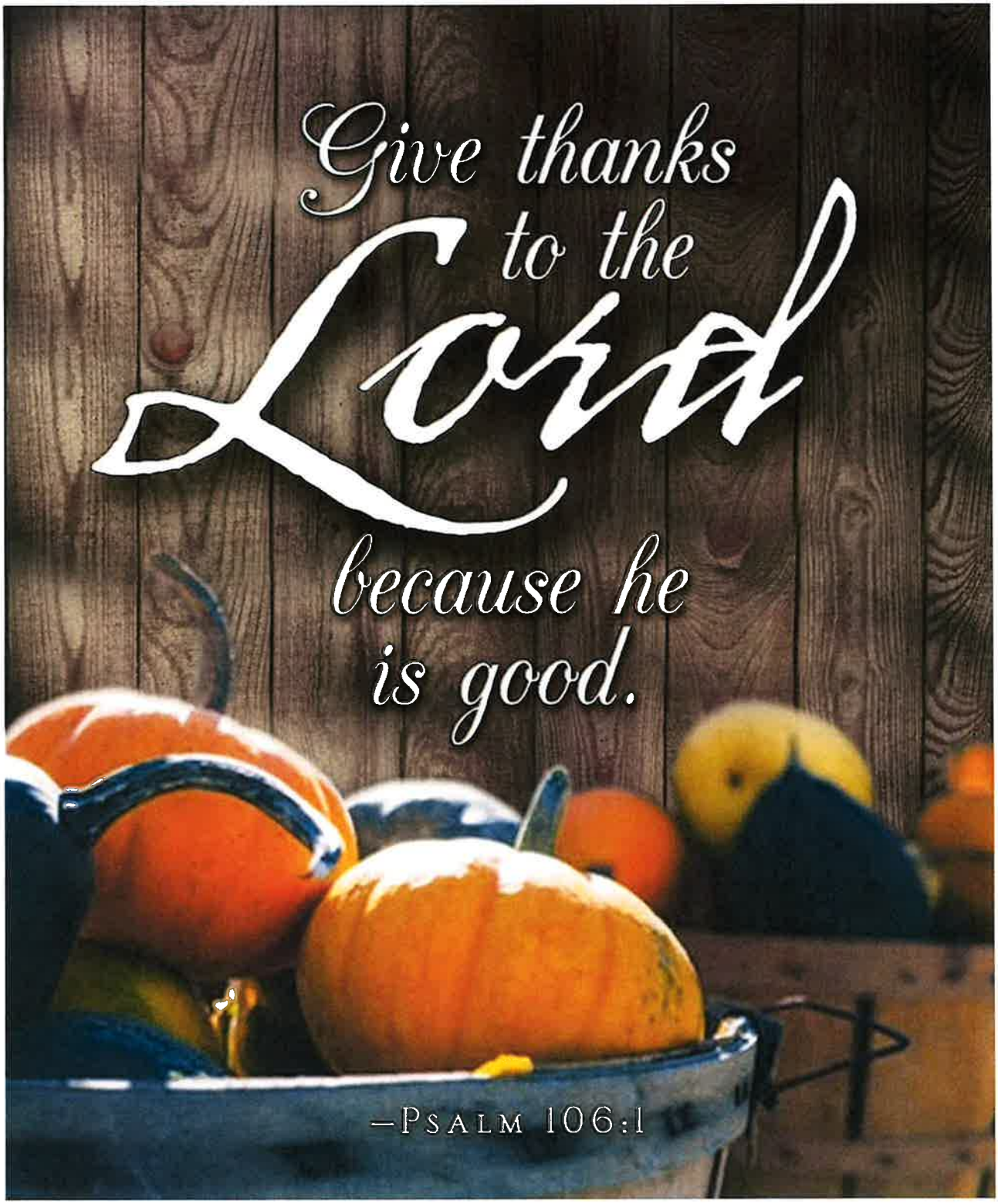
Assisting Minister	Joy Hansen
Reader	Joy Hansen
Ushers	Jerry Hansen, Walter Ruppar, Martial Roy & Sophia
Altar	Name_____
Fellowship Hour	Name_____
Counter	Mary Procyk

29 10:00 am Service

Assisting Minister	Name_____
Reader	Carol Bruce
Ushers	Jerry Hansen, Walter Ruppar, Martial Roy & Sophia
Altar	Carol Bruce
Fellowship Hour	Name_____
Counter	Dave Hourigan

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BIBLE VERSE OF THE MONTH



November 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 All Saint's Day Daylight Saving Time 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Coffee Hour	2	3 	4 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	5 10:00 am Food Pantry	6	7
8 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Coffee Hour 11:30 am Outreach Meeting	9	10 12 Noon Clergy Mtg 4:30 pm Worship & Music Mtg. 6:30 pm Parish Admin Mtg.	11 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	12 10:00 am Food Pantry	13	14
15 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Coffee Hour	16	17 5:30 pm Property Mtg. 7:00 pm Council Mtg.	18 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	19 10:00 am Food Pantry	20	21 Holiday Fair 9am – 2 pm 
22 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Coffee Hour	23	24	25 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	26  OFFICE CLOSED	27 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	28
29 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Coffee Hour	30					

FAIR SET UP ALL WEEK

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