

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM

USHERS:
ACOLYTE: SUNDAY 9 AM: Myles

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP 5:00PM

USHERS:
ACOLYTE: Ushers

Second Sunday of Christmas

WELCOME TO ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH. We wish you God's richest blessings during your time with us. **Green prayer cards are available on the Welcome Center or in the pews if you have prayer requests. Please give to an usher to give to pastor.**

OUR VISION STATEMENT *Our vision is to be a people transformed by the Gospel to live out and pass on the legacy of faith in Jesus Christ in our homes, community and world. We will empower and equip people to mentor following generations so that the legacy of faith continues.*

OUR MISSION STATEMENT *Our mission is to grow in our faith in Jesus Christ in order to share that faith with others.*

DAILY CHAPEL SERVICES will resume on January 7, at 4:30PM – please note the time change and will meet Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays

“**THE WHOLE STORY**” reading the Bible in a year for 2025 – get your monthly calendar for daily readings, January 2025 calendars available on the Welcome Center.

FLAT JESUS We encourage everyone (all ages) to take a Flat Jesus and carry Flat Jesus with you, keep him in your car, or at work, etc.. We also encourage you to share Flat Jesus with someone you know, grand kids, other adults. We also encourage you to have Flat Jesus with you as you read through the Bible this next year, which will begin at our New Year’s 6:00PM Worship Service. Take him with you any time you’re out having lunch, dinner, driving, etc..If you would like to take a picture of him by your Bible, Tablet, computer or at your lunch table, dinner table, or car, etc.. Send in your pictures we would love to post them or share them on the screens, with our announcement slides stpaulidagrove@gmail.com

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR HIGH SCHOOL on January 5

STARTING IN JANUARY In order to help with the overall flow and length of the worship service. Starting on January 5th, we will be collecting the offering via the offering boxes in the Narthex. There will be no in-service offering collection. The main wooden offering box will still be available on the Welcome Center, there will be boxes available by each door that enters the Sanctuary.

NEW MEMBER CLASS will be starting **January 12 at 3:30PM**, if you are interested let the church office know 364-2918 or stpaulidagrove@gmail.com This is for any age, if you did not complete 8th grade confirmation class or even you would just like to attend to “brush up” on your Catechism, etc.

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday 1/5/2025	WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion – Live Streamed Fellowship NO Sunday School & High School Bible Class WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion Reading for today Mark 5 and Psalm 5	9:00AM 10:15AM 10:30-11:15AM 5:00PM
Monday	Reading for today: Mark 6 and Psalm 6 Bells	6:30PM
Tuesday	Reading for today: Mark 7 and Psalm 7 Daily Chapel	4:30PM
Wednesday	Reading for today: Mark 8 and Psalm 8 Bible Study at Zimmy’s Bible Study Cross Explorations – grades 3rd – 5th Catechism (Confirmation) grades 6th – 8th	7:00AM 9:30AM 4:00-5:00PM 4:00-5:15PM
Thursday	Reading for today: Mark 9 and Psalm 9	
Friday	Reading for today: Mark 10 and Psalm 10	
Saturday	Reading for today: Mark 11 and Psalm 11	
Sunday 1/12/2025	WORSHIP SERVICE – Live Streamed Fellowship Youth will serve Pancakes & Sausage Sunday School, High School Bible Class New Member Class WORSHIP SERVICE Reading for today: Mark 12 and Psalm 12	9:00AM 10:15AM 10:15-11:15AM 10:30-11:15AM 3:30PM 5:00PM

Offering this week:\$ Attendance Sunday Morning: 103 Sunday Evening: 21
Christmas Eve 2:00PM: 90 6:00PM: 352
Christmas Day: 65
New Year’s Eve: 50

THANK YOU Thank you to everyone for the cards and gifts at this time of Christmas. It is much appreciated. A merry Christmas and Happy New Year. -Pastor Neil Wehmas

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 46:1–7

¹So Israel took his journey with all that he had and came to Beersheba, and offered sacrifices to the God of his father Isaac. ²And God spoke to Israel in visions of the night and said, “Jacob, Jacob.” And he said, “Here am I.” ³Then he said, “I am God, the God of your father. Do not be afraid to go down to Egypt, for there I will make you into a great nation. ⁴I myself will go down with you to Egypt, and I will also bring you up again, and Joseph’s hand shall close your eyes.” ⁵Then Jacob set out from Beersheba. The sons of Israel carried Jacob their father, their little ones, and their wives, in the wagons that Pharaoh had sent to carry him. ⁶They also took their livestock and their goods, which they had gained in the land of Canaan, and came into Egypt, Jacob and all his offspring with him, ⁷his sons, and his sons’ sons with him, his daughters, and his sons’ daughters. All his offspring he brought with him into Egypt.

EPISTLE

1 Peter 4:12–19

¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³But rejoice insofar as you share Christ’s sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. ¹⁵But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. ¹⁶Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. ¹⁷For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? ¹⁸And “If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?” ¹⁹Therefore let those who suffer according to God’s will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 4:1–9

¹Again he began to teach beside the sea. And a very large crowd gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat in it on the sea, and the whole crowd was beside the sea on the land. ²And he was teaching them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them: ³“Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he sowed, some seed fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured it. ⁵Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and immediately it sprang up, since it had no depth of soil. ⁶And when the sun rose it was scorched, and since it had no root, it withered away. ⁷Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. ⁸And other seeds fell into good soil and produced grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirtyfold and sixtyfold and a hundredfold.” ⁹And he said, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”



**St. Paul Lutheran Church
Second Sunday of Christmas
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In Our Thoughts Prayers

Angela Goodman- recovery / healing from surgery

Victor Zobel

Declan Conover

Jeff Rasmussen

Russ Bennigsdorf - healing and strength from fall

Dan Hoffman - home - recovery from heart surgery

Ann Sears - healing from surgery for broken wrist

Brandi Crawford - recovery/rehab

Please continue to pray for healing for those listed below:

Erin Nielsen Lois Jensen George Weir Shirley Havener

Jolene Ladwig Makayla Bell Stella Turnbull Austin Mollhoff

Ron Kraphl Jeff Pierce Rose Schuldt Jim Wilcox Seth Hamann

Mark Queen Dan Grell Kenton Petersen Erin DeBoer Diane Olsen

Sue Bubbs Greg Lewiston Ashley Collins Trisha McCormick

David Johnson Mary Riggs Jared Lund Bud Jepsen

January Birthdays this week:

Jan. 4 Frank Collins DeWayne Krayenhagen

Jan. 5 Rylie Kearns Channing Miesner Donna Rasmussen

Jan. 6 Greg Steenbock

Jan. 7 Janet Brinkman Willy Edsen

Jan. 8 Lorne Miller

Jan. 9 Shawn Cadwell Michael Stehr

Jan. 10 Daniel German

Jan. 11 Mailia Lansink Karen Petersen

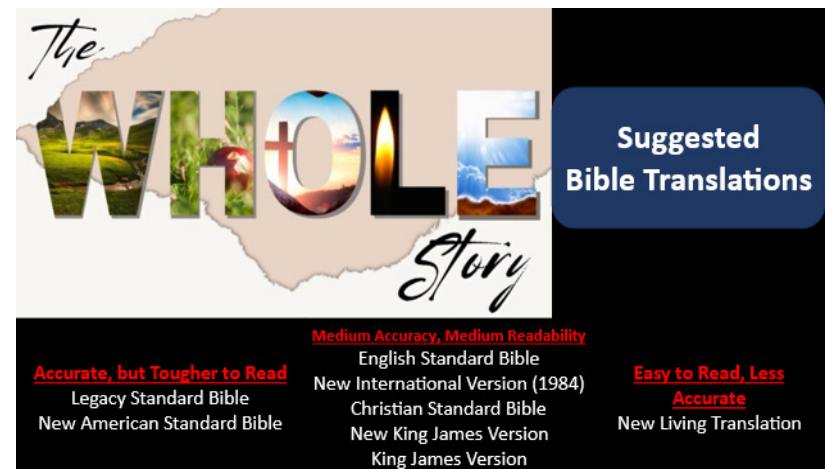
Jan. 12 Charlie Miller-West

January Anniversaries this week

Jan. 5 Wesley & Claudia Swanger

Jan. 6 James & Judy Lichtenberg

COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS for JANUARY: Baking items: flour, cane sugar, brown sugar, baking soda/powder, cake mix, frosting, etc.. Place your donation in the shopping cart in the Narthex or hallway. All items are appreciated as well, as they can always use donations. The Community Basket is open on Thursdays (except 3rd Thursday), from 2:30-5:30PM. ****They can always use toilet paper, laundry soap, shampoo & conditioner, canned vegetables, canned fruits & canned soups. Mobile Food Pantry: Ida Grove Methodist Church, on Thursday, January 16 from 4:30-5:30PM.** If you're able to help, with filling a box or carrying a box, it would be appreciated, The Ida Grove Methodist Church has also specifically asked if our youth would be able to help as well 3:15PM is when they asked for our volunteers to be there.



Accurate, but Tougher to Read	Medium Accuracy, Medium Readability	Easy to Read, Less Accurate
Legacy Standard Bible New American Standard Bible	English Standard Bible New International Version (1984) Christian Standard Bible New King James Version King James Version	New Living Translation

Worship Service for Sun., January 5, 2025

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Hymn Hark! The Herald Angels Sing LSB 380

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Service of the Word

Psalm Psalm 4

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Gloria in Excelsis

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Old Testament Reading Genesis 46:1-7

Gradual *Psalm 106:47; Isaiah 63:16b*

Epistle Reading 1 Peter 4:12-19

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Holy Gospel Reading Mark 4:1-9

Nicene Creed

Hymn From East to West LSB 385

Sermon

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

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Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

Agnus Dei

Distribution

Hymn What Child is This LSB 370

Hymn O Little Town of Bethlehem LSB 361

Hymn Children of the Heavenly Father LSB 725

The Dismissal

Nunc Dimittis p. 211

Post Communion Collect

Benedicamus /Benediction p. 212

Announcements

Hymn

O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright LSB 395 v. 1, 3, 5-6