

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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October 3 & 4, 2026

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.*

About our Communion Practice

To our visitors and guests: In accordance with the apostolic command and in unity with the unbroken practice of the Church, St. Paul Lutheran practices Closed Communion. If you are not a member of a congregation in fellowship with the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod we kindly ask you to refrain from communing. We do so not to offend you, but because the Scriptures clearly teach that those communing together be unified in their confession of the Faith. In this Sacrament we are not only joined to Christ our Head who is present in His body and blood but are also knit together with one another as His Body, in which there should be no division of belief. Should you have questions or concerns about this Biblical and historic doctrine, please speak with our pastor. If this is your first time communing at St. Paul Lutheran Church, please speak with our pastor before the service. If certain factors prohibit you from partaking in regular wine, a non-alcoholic option is available in the center circle of each tray. **If not communing but desiring to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest when Pastor approaches.**

ST. PAUL YOUTH will be having a Rummage Sale in the Fellowship Hall on November 6 from 2-7pm, November 7 from 8-1pm and after church on Nov. 8 from 10:30-11:30am.

We are taking gently used clothing, small household items and décor items for house as well as seasonal decorations. We prefer no furniture at this time, no TV's and if you have questions please contact Allyson Iversen or Jen Hoffman. You can start bringing items to the church, if you're in question if the church is open or if we are able to take items that day, please call first.

364-2918 Office hours for drop off typically 9am – 3pm, or you can make other arrangements.

IOWA WEST BRANCH ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN will be loading a container destined for the Republic of Georgia **Tuesday, October 13 starting at 9:00AM.** We know with the harvest, we will probably have fewer people to help. If you can come, we will certainly appreciate your help.

UNITED IN HOLY MATRIMONY on Saturday afternoon here at St. Paul Lutheran Church was Autumn Schreiber and Bryce Kafton. God's Blessings to Autumn and Bryce Kafton

SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP 5:00PM SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM

ACOLYTE: Usher

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CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 10/10/26	Wedding of Autumn Schreiber & Bryce Kafton WORSHIP w/Communion	3:00PM 5:00PM
Sunday 10/11/26	WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion – Live Streamed Coffee after Worship Service in the fellowship hall Sunday School, Middle School & High School	9:00AM 10:30-11:30AM
Monday	Bell Choir Practice	6:30PM
Tuesday	Church Council Meeting	7:00PM
Wednesday	Bible Study at Zimmy's Bible Study Praise Band Practice 3 rd -6 th Grade Cross Explorations 7 th & 8 th Grade Catechism	7:00AM 9:30-10:30AM 5:30PM 5:30-6:30PM
Thursday	Women's Bible Study – My Peace I Leave you Bible Study -Lutheran Confessions with Pastor Neil	1:00PM 7:00PM
Friday	Wedding Rehearsal	4:30PM
Saturday 10/17/26	Wedding of Abbie Corr & Tyler Smith WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion	4:00PM 5:30PM
Sunday 10/18/26	WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion – Live Streamed Coffee/Fellowship Sunday morning Bible Study Sunday School, Middle School & High School	9:00AM 10:30-11:15AM 10:30-11:30AM

Offering this week:\$ Attendance: Saturday Evening: 39 Sunday Morning: 102

WE ARE OBSERVING LWML SUNDAY (Lutheran Women's Missionary League) this weekend be sure drop your change (or dollars) for the Mite Box. Mite Box is on the narrow table by the windows. **OVER 80 YEARS OF HISTORY!** The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) was established in 1942 as the official women's auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. **LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION:** As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others. On Lutheran Women in Mission Sunday we remember our past and look to the future.

THE YOUTH will be back serving pancakes on October 11 in the Fellowship Hall after the Worship Service.

PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE FOR SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17 will be at 5:30PM

SUNDAY SCHOOL KIDS will sing during Worship Service next Sunday, Oct. 18

Let Immanuel Lutheran Preschool and the Smokin Good Times food truck help with your lunch plans on Sunday, October 11. Get enough to take home for supper. Also would make great meals for those working to bring in the harvest. They will be serving to-go meals from 11:00 am-2:00 pm (or until sold out). Call ahead orders are welcomed from now until 10:00 am Sunday morning by calling [402-617-5740](tel:402-617-5740).

MISSION CENTRAL VOLUNTEER DAY - FALL CLEANING on Thursday, October 15 from 9:00-12:00PM. There will be a meal to follow. Please let them know if you will be staying for the meal so they can plan accordingly. Nancy Ford is planning to go if you would like to car pool with her.

PUMPKIN CARVING, Friday, October 16 from 4:30-6:30PM at the Depot at Moorehead Park. Pumpkins provided, your pumpkin will help light the trail for our Halloween Hike, you can pick up your pumpkin anytime after the hike. There will also be hot dogs & marshmallows and door prizes at 6PM. Bring your own carving tools

HALLOWEEN HIKE AT MOOREHEAD PARK on October 17th from 5:30-8:00PM. There will be trick or treating, hay rides, s'mores, face painting, crafts, snacks. Stage Coach Inn tours and more!!

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will begin with a video series "Stuff They Didn't Teach Me In Sunday School" starting on Sunday, October 18 from 10:30-11:15AM, and will be volunteer led. If wanting a Bible Study led by Pastor please attend Wed morning at 9:30AM or Thursday evening at 7:00PM.

ST JOHN'S, IMMANUEL & ST PAUL HANOVER CHURCHS Fall Soup Supper on Sunday, October 18 from 4:00-7:00PM at St. John's Lutheran Church in Charter Oak. Serving Chicken Noodle, Potato & Chili Soup, Sandwiches & Desserts. Free will offering & to-go orders available.

COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS FOR OCTOBER: Pastas: macaroni, spaghetti, and other pastas, macaroni & cheese, spaghetti sauce, etc.. Place your donation in the shopping cart in the Narthex or the clear tote on coat rack by front door. **Any 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 canned vegetables, canned fruits & canned soups. ESPECIALLY CEREAL. Also note: they can use outdated items that are within a year of expiration.** Mobile Food Pantry will be at The Shed in Kiron on Thursday, October 15 from 4:30-5:30PM . Its helpful to bring a laundry basket or container for your food items.

Challenged to find a mental health or marriage counselor who aligns with your Christian beliefs? Look no further! Lutheran Family Service has offices in Ida Grove and Carroll, as well as reserved appointment times via telehealth. Lynnette Aschinger, LISW, is anchored in Christian values and provides services in these locations. She brings more than 29 years of post-licensure experience and 38 years of total experience in the social work field, all within this general service area. This depth of experience allows for the continuity of care you desire. To inquire or schedule an appointment, please call [712-276-9000](tel:712-276-9000). She looks forward to meeting you!



**St. Paul Lutheran Church
Ida Grove, Iowa
October 10 & 11, 2026**

In Our Thoughts Prayers

Leila Prell - Horn / rehab, broken wrist
Jeri Skaren, Horn Memorial / rehab, for further recovery & healing from stroke and valve replacement, daughter in law of Marilyn Skaren
Beckett Parr, Children's Hospital, awaiting a heart transplant, son of Curtis & Shelbi Parr, great grandson of Mareta Vermeys

Declan Conover, continued prayers
Makayla Bell continued prayers for healing and recovery from surgery & an infection

Holy Matrimony of Autumn Schreiber & Bryce Kafton

Matt Wunschel - prayers of Thanksgiving for a good report of being cancer free

Abby Conley as she heals and recovers from a partial liver donation - please see write up on the windows in the narthex

Family and friends of Ken Wehmas, father of Pastor Neil Wehmas, who passed away on Friday

Prayers for farmers

Continued Prayer list

Please continue to pray for healing for those listed below:

Cameron Sharkey Julie Kollbaum Troy Bennigsdorf Erin Nielsen
Shirley Havener Jolene Ladwig Austin Mollhoff Jeff Pierce
Rose Schuldt Jim Wilcox Seth Hamann Mark Queen Dan Grell
Kenton Petersen Erin DeBoer Diane Olsen Mike Bubb
Greg Lewiston Ashley Collins Mary Riggs Crystal Schoenherr
Lance Barnum Christopher Lee Jerry Irwin Brad Christiansen
Susan Boland Tiffany Lindberg Stella Feddersen Lainey Hemer
Abby Hamann Lloyd Brodniak Chuck Witte

Prayers for those who are currently deployed:

JJ Brown

Worship Service for Sun, Oct. 11, 2026

Hymn Holy, Holy, Holy LSB 507 v. 1-4
Invocation p. 151

Sixth Commandment
Service of the Word
Kyrie p. 152

Gloria in Excelsis
Salutation and Collect of the Day

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 6:1-8

LWML Pledge - responsively spoken
Alleluia and Verse
Holy Gospel Matthew 21:1-11

Apostles' Creed

Offering (during Hymn)

Hymn We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God LSB 941

Sermon

Offertory

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament p. 160

Preface
Sanctus p. 161

Lord's Prayer
The Words of Our Lord
Pax Domini
Agnus Dei

Distribution

Hymn Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence LSB 621

Hymn This is the Feast LSB 155

Hymn Holy God, We Praise Thy Name LSB 940 v. 1-6

The Dismissal

Thank the Lord p. 164
Post-Communion Collect

Benediction

Announcements

Hymn Serve the Lord with Gladness TUNE 662

LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION

Iowa West District

Special Mercy Meals Servant Event

We will package fortified meals of rice & soy to feed hungry children worldwide. The children hear the Good News of Jesus!

Date: Saturday, November 7, 2026

Location: Faith Lutheran Church, 3101 Hamilton Blvd, Sioux City

Session I: 9:30 AM-11:30 AM - Limited to 30 Volunteers

Session II: 10:30 AM-12:30 PM - Limited to 30 Volunteers

Reserve your individual time or group time with number in group by contacting Margee at mspechtjoines@gmail.com or call/text (712) 251-0366.

Information needed: name, email, phone number and zone. If you are signing up a group, provide the name, email and phone number of the group's coordinator & the number in your group.

Registration is limited to 60 volunteers.

Call or email and reserve your time or your estimated group size and time.

Questions? Contact Margee Joines: cell (712) 251-0366, email mspechtjoines@gmail.com

PRAISE BAND High school students and adults – do you sing or play an instrument? Come be part of our Praise Band!

Rehearsals: Wednesdays, Oct. 14, Oct. Contact Tammy Hoffman or show up for practice on Wed. Sept. 9

BELL CHOIR if you are considering learning a new talent or sharing your existing musical talent. If you are interested in joining us, have questions, or would like to give ringing a try, watch for more details as to when practices will begin. If interested or have questions talk with Trisha Hoffman

NEW PORTALS OF PRAYER for the months of October - December are available on Welcome Center and by both doors

LWML FALL GATHERINGS AT LUTHERAN FAMILY SERVICE

Giving Thanks for God's 125 years of faithful blessings

November 10–12, 2026 | Held at the Historic Ministry

Center 230 9th Ave N, Fort Dodge, IA

Come. Give thanks. Celebrate. Connect.

Join your LWML sisters for a special time of **Thanksgiving fellowship as we celebrate 125 years of Lutheran Family Service.**

For 125 years, God has worked through ordinary people with compassionate hearts to share Christ's love and provide care, support, and hope to individuals and families. Together, we'll celebrate this legacy and look ahead to the people who will need this ministry in the years to come.

Each gathering will include the same program, anniversary celebration, and opportunities for fellowship. Only the menu is different! Each gathering can accommodate 20 sisters.

9:30 a.m. | Harvest Brunch on November 10, 11 or 12

12:00 p.m. | Harvest Lunch on November 10, 11, or 12

2:30 p.m. | Dessert Social on November 10, 11 or 12

WHAT TO BRING

If you are able to donate diapers, wipes, soap, shampoo, dish soap, detergent, conditioner, toothpaste, or other hygiene supplies for the Mom Talk group or make a donation to that fund, it is greatly appreciated.

Be thinking about **God's greatest blessing to you** as we will build a "**Blessing Wall**" together in honor of all He has done over these past 125 years.

RESERVE YOUR SPOT

Register your group by calling or texting **Kim Laube** at **515-669-5187** or

email klaube@lutheranfamilyservice.org. Registration will close November 3, 2026.

We look forward to gathering with you, giving thanks for God's faithfulness, celebrating 125 years of Lutheran Family Service, and looking toward the next chapter of this ministry together.

"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His steadfast love endures forever."

Psalms 107:1

JR High and SR High Youth Pancake and Sausage Breakfast



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2025

**SERVING IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
FOLLOWING WORSHIP SERVICE**

Come and enjoy breakfast !

FREE WILL OFFERING

**FUNDRAISER FOR YOUTH ACTIVITIES,
YEARLY GATHERINGS IN DES MOINES,
HIGHER THINGS**