

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

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.

Proceeds from the Rummage sale will go towards the next National Youth Gathering in 2028

NO LWML EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

LWML EXEC. BOARD MEETING on Tuesday, October 27 at 5:00PM

UNITED IN HOLY MATRIMONY on Saturday afternoon here at St. Paul Lutheran Church was Abbie Corr and Tyler Smith. God's Blessings to Abbie and Tyler Smith

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Website: www.stpaulig.org

October 17 & 18, 2026

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

ACOLYTE: Avery

ACOLYTE : Brynn

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 10/17/26	Wedding of Abbie Corr & Tyler Smith WORSHIP w/Communion	4:00PM 5:30PM
Sunday 10/18/26	WORSHIP SERVICE – Live Streamed Coffee after Worship Service in the fellowship hall Sunday morning Bible Study (video series) Sunday School, Middle School & High School	9:00AM 10:30-11:15AM 10:30-11:30AM
Monday	Bell Choir Practice	6:30PM
Tuesday		
Wednesday	Bible Study at Jimmy's Bible Study 3 rd -6 th Grade Cross Explorations 7 th & 8 th Grade Catechism Women's Bible Study – the book Everlasting	7:00AM 9:30-10:30AM 5:30-6:30PM 6:30PM
Thursday	Bible Study -Lutheran Confessions with Pastor Neil	7:00PM
Friday		4:30PM
Saturday 10/24/26	Jr High Gathering – Des Moines WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion w/ Pastor Clark	5:00PM
Sunday 10/25/26	WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion – w/Pastor Vogel Coffee/Fellowship Sunday morning Bible Study (videos series) Sunday School, Middle School & High School	9:00AM 10:30-11:15AM 10:30-11:30AM

Offering this week:\$ Attendance: Saturday Evening: 34 Sunday Morning: 140

VISITATION AND FUNERAL SERVICES FOR KEN WEHMAS, father of Pastor Neil

Wehmas will be on Sunday, October 18 at 2:00-5:00PM and Funeral Service will be Monday, October 19 at 11:00AM. Both are at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Ankeny, Iowa

WE ARE OBSERVING LWML IN OCTOBER (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. As we observe Lutheran Women in Mission Sunday / month we remember our past and look to the future.

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 you're 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.****

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!

MILITARY CARE PACKAGES, items are being collected for Military Care Packages at Edward Jones in Ida Grove, and they would like the donated items to their office no later than November 6th. There is a flyer in the Narthex with extra copies on the table for suggestions that can be purchased for these boxes. Some suggestions are some travel size items: shampoo/conditioner, mouthwash, lotion, deodorant, foot powder, sunscreen (tube not aerosol). No chocolate candy please. But do suggest, individual drink mixes (Crystal lite packets etc) Pringles, beef jerky, popcorn peanut butter, coffee, tea, etc (many more items listed) also things like pencils, notepads, note cards, envelopes with press and seal strip, baby wipes, insect repellent wipes, Ziploc baggies: 1 quart with expandable bottom or 1 gallon size. There are many other things listed please see flyer and printed off a few for you to pick up and take with you. Reminder to drop off by Nov.6 at Edward Jones in Ida Grove.

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30-11:30 AM

Children ages 4 yr old Preschool-5th grade

Preschool-1st grade room upstairs hallway by south windows to the left -- middle classroom in that hallway

2nd & 3rd room downstairs to the left - middle classroom

4th & 5th room downstairs to the right

6th-8th - Middle School Youth Room downstairs southwest corner

9th-12th - High School Youth Room downstairs southeast corner



**St. Paul Lutheran Church
Ida Grove, Iowa
October 17 & 18, 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 Abbie Corr & Tyler Smith

Birth of a son, Leo John Romero Cano, to Daylyn Wilcox & Aaron Cano, on October 4

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, his funeral service will be on Monday, October 19 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Ankeny

Family of Kami Irlmeier, lost her husband, cousin of Ranea Rehse

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. 18, 2026

Song
Opening Versicles

Shout to the Lord

Sunday School Kids Sing

Readings

Reading

Reading

Reading

Judges 6:11-24

Philippians 4:21-23

Luke 1:26-38

Responsory

Offering

Song

Give Us Clean Hands

Small Catechism

Apostles' Creed

Lord's Prayer

SERMON

Exhortation

Confession of Sins

Song

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Prayer

Collect of the Day

Collect of the Word

Morning Prayer

Blessing

Announcements

Song

Shine, Jesus Shine

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

LWML FALL GATHERINGS AT LUTHERAN FAMILY SERVICE November 10-12, 2026

Giving Thanks for God's 125 years of faithful blessings

Held at the Historic Ministry Center 230 9th Ave N, Fort Dodge, IA Come. Give thanks. Celebrate. Connect.

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

See poster in Narthex for more details or copies on table

STEWARDSHIP SCRIPTURE & THOUGHTS for the weekend of **October 17 & 18th** Scripture: "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." – Matthew 22:21 Stewardship Sentence: Since all we are and have belongs to God, we receive His gifts with thanksgiving and use them faithfully in our vocations.

WARMING SHELTER, Allyson Iversen will be going to drop things off at the Warming Shelter on November 4, if you have any items you would like to drop off to her personally or can be dropped off here at the church by Sunday November 1st.

The Warming Shelter does have an Amazon Wishlist on their website under Donations, then there is a tab for the Amazon Wishlist, if you would rather donate that way.

Below is listed some items that were suggested

Clothing: (gently used and clean)

Men's Jeans 28 through 34

Men's Bottoms: small, medium, large, XL

Men's Boxers sizes medium through 3xl

Men's underwear all sizes

Women's underwear all sizes

Both Women's and Men's socks

Food Items:

Individual snacks

Coffee

Tea

Breakfast items (Breakfast bars / pop tarts)

Paper Goods

Trash bags

Toilet Paper

Paper Plates

Paper Bowls

Foam Coffee cups

Coffee Filters

Disposable Silverware

2 oz cups with lids

Household Supplies

Lysol All Purpose Cleaner

A Container will be available in the Narthex to put items in



Proceeds are for the National
Youth Gathering in 2028