ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH **IDA GROVE, IOWA**

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Last Sunday of the Church Year **November 21 & 22, 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.**

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO DONATED ITEMS FOR THE ST. PAUL YOUTH RUMMAGE SALE it was very successful, we are so happy with the outcome and look forward to next year. A SPECIAL THANK YOU as well to the group of ladies who volunteered to help unpack and set up the sale for the Youth, we appreciated your help so much!

FREE WILL OFFERING FOR THANKSGIVING MEAT CERTIFICATES for Mid Sioux. We will be taking a free will offering during the announcement time this weekend and next weekend.

PIE SIGN UP SHEET on the Welcome Center if you would like to provide a pie for the THANKSGIVING EVE PIE SOCIAL. The Pie Social will be B**EFORE** the Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service on **Wednesday, November 25 at 6:00PM**

THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP at 7:00PM on Wednesday, November 25

SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP 5:00PM **SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM**
ACOLYTE: Usher **ACOLYTE : Haley J.**

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 11/21/26	**WORSHIP w/Communion w/Pastor Wendt**	**5:00PM**
Sunday 11/22/26	**WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion w/ Pastor Jacobsen**	**9:00AM**
	Fellowship / Coffee	
	Sunday Morning Bible Study video series	**10:30AM**
	Sunday School, Middle School & High School	**10:30-11:30AM**
Monday	**Bell Choir Practice**	**6:30PM**
Tuesday		
Wednesday	**Bible Study at Zimmy's**	**7:00AM**
	NO Bible Study	
	NO 3rd -6th Grade Cross Explorations	
	NO 7th & 8th Grade Catechism	
	PIE SOCIAL	**6:00PM**
	THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP SERVICE	**7:00PM**
Thursday	**HAPPY THANKSGIVING**	
	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
	NO Bible Study	
Friday	**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**	
Saturday 11/28/26	**WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion**	**5:00PM**
Sunday 11/29/26	**WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion**	**9:00AM**
	Fellowship/Coffee	**10:30AM**
	NO Sunday morning Bible Study (videos series)	
	NO Sunday School, Middle School & High School	

Offering this week:$ Attendance: Saturday Evening: Sunday Morning: 146

THANK YOU to Pastor David Wenndt for leading us in Worship on Saturday evening

THANK YOU to Pastor Jon Jachosen for leading us in Worship on Sunday morning

ANNUAL KIWANIS PANCAKES at the Ida Grove Methodist Church on Sunday, November 22 from 9:00AM-1:00PM.

JUST A REMINDER there is NO 9:30AM Wednesday morning Bible Study, NO 6th - 8th grade Wednesday Class this week and NO Thursday Night Bible Study with Pastor Neil.
CHURCH OFFICE will be closed on Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27

NO SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY, Sunday, November 29
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL, MIDDLE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL, Sunday, November 29

COOKIE SIGN UP SHEET - THE BOARD OF DISCIPLESHIP and Lois Circle are doing cheer plates for the elderly & shut in's. If anyone would like to donate cookies, a sign up sheet is in the Narthex. Please bring the cooked to the kitchen on or before December 16. Thank you for sharing the "Good News" with this project. Jesus is the Reason for the

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS, the deadline to designate where your Thrivent Choice Dollars go (example: to St. Paul Lutheran Church) has been changed and it is now, December 31, 2026 to have any changes as to where you designate your Thrivent Choice Dollars to go.

COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS FOR NOVEMBER: Soups, stews, crackers, 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

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. She looks forward to meeting you!

STEWARDSHIP SCRIPTURE & THOUGHTS for the weekend of November 22, 2026 – Last Sunday of the Church Year (Christ the King) "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me." – Matthew 25:40 Stewardship Sentence: Serving Christ our King, we care for those in need with the gifts He has entrusted to us, trusting that such love flows from faith in Him.

UPCOMING MISSION CENTRAL EVENTS

- Dec. 5 (Sat.)-Pastor Christian Tiews & family will present about their work in Germany beginning at 1 PM.

Firstly, thank you to everyone during this very difficult year for my family. The love and support from the members of this congregation has been greatly appreciated. My parents kept watching the services online, and were grateful for the cards that were sent.
Thank you to those who attended either the visitation or the funeral for my dad in Ankeny.
We are all very grateful for the support. Pastor Neil Wehmas



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Sharing God's Love Around the World

Food *for the* Poor

Animal Donation Project

Through Food for the Poor, we are purchasing animals to donate to families in the countries they serve. These animals provide food, income and hope for a better future.

A gift of an animal... a gift of change.











How You Can Help

1. Take an envelope from the board in the back of the church.
2. Put the amount of money on the front of the envelope.
3. Place the envelope in the red box.

Not sponsoring a specific animal?

You can also make a donation of any amount. It will be used to purchase animals for families in need.

Program runs through November 22

THANK YOU FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

Worship Service for Sun, Nov. 22, 2026

Hymn Crown Him with Many Crowns LSB 525
Invocation p. 184
Service of the Word
Kyrie
Gloria in Excelsis
Salutation and Collect of the Day

Old Testament Reading Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
Epistle Reading 1 Corinthians 15:20-28
Alleluia
Holy Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

Apostles' Creed

Offering (Hymn during Offering)
Hymn Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise LSB 680

SERMON

Offertory
Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament p. 194
Preface
Sanctus
Lord's Prayer
The Words of Our Lord
Pax Domini
Agnus Dei

Distribution
Hymn Beautiful Savior LSB 537
Hymn The King of Love My Shepherd Is LSB 709
Hymn All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name LSB 549
Dismissal
Nunc Dimittis
Thanksgiving
Benedicamus/Benediction p. 202

Announcements - free will offering for Thanksgiving Certiificates

Hym The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns LSB 348

In Our Thoughts Prayers

Tammy Miesner – Sioux Falls hospital, injuries sustained in an automobile accident

Beckett Parr, Children's Hospital, awaiting a heart transplant, son of Curtis & Shelbi Parr, great grandson of Mareta Vermeys

Wendy Jepsen, hospitalized

Jeri Skaren, home, continued prayers for healing and recovery

Marley Smith, home, continued prayers for healing and recovery

Clara Bennigsdorf, prayers of healing

Danny Knop – continued prayers for healing and recovery from knee replacement
Leila Prell-continued prayers
Linda Kruse – continued prayers
Declan Conover, continued prayers
Makayla Bell continued prayers for healing and recovery
Terri Engelking, rehab at Willowdale

Prayers for farmers and their families during harvest

Family and friends of Susan Lawrence

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 Tifanny Lindberg Stella Feddersen Lainey Hemer Abby Hamann Lloyd Brodniak Chuck Witte Makayla Bell

Prayers for those who are currently deployed: JJ Brown

CAMP OKOBOJI, wanted to mention if you were wanting to give an end of the year gift to Camp Okoboji.. ALL GIFTS received on or before December 1, 2026, will be matched with an additional $1 for every $2 donated up to $10,000 in matching funds. Camp Okoboji 1531 Edgewood Drive, Milford, IA 51351 (if it is easier for you to drop off at the church office, we can mail it for you)

UPCOMING DATES :

CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED Nov. 26 & 27

ADVENT MEALS WILL BE FROM 5:00 – 6:45 PM
Dec. 2 Board of Human Care
Dec. 9 F*r*l*e*n*d*s
Dec. 16 Jr. High Youth

HYMN SING AT 6:45PM
ADVENT WORSHIP AT 7:00 PM

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM will be on Sunday, December 13 during the Sunday morning Worship Service at 9:00AM

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP AT 2:00 PM AND 6:00 PM
CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP AT 9:00 AM (please note the time change)

SATURDAY DEC. 26 WORSHP AT 5:00 PM
SUNDAY, DEC. 27 WORSHIP AT 9:00 AM

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY, DEC. 28

NEW YEAR'S EVE WORSHIP 6:00 PM
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED JANUARY 1