

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

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November 8 & 9, 2025

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.*

“THE WHOLE STORY” reading the Bible in a year for 2025 – get your monthly calendar for daily readings, **NOVEMBER Reading Calendar available on the Welcome Center.** Also if you are wanting or needing previous months reading Calendar they are on the Welcome Center in the RED FOLDER.

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.**

FREE WILL OFFERING FOR THANKSGIVING MEAT/GROCERY CERTIFICATES for Mid Sioux, for the next 2 weekends. **We will take a free will offering during the announcements.** This also helps those on fixed income and disabled.

NO SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS this Sunday, Nov. 9 and there will be **NO Wednesday Morning 9:30AM Bible Study** on Nov. 12

WE WELCOME Pastor David Clark as our guest Pastor to lead us in Saturday Worship and Pastor David Doellinger, as guest Pastor will lead us in Sunday Worship Service. We thank both Pastor David Clark and Pastor David Doellinger in being here this weekend.

SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP 5:00PM **SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM**
ACOLYTE: Usher **ACOLYTE: Bentlie**

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 11/8/2025	Reading for today: 1 John 4-5 WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion 5:00PM
Sunday 11/9/2025	Reading for today 2 John 3 John Jude WORSHIP SERVICE – Live Streamed Fellowship Sunday School, High School NO Bible Class 9:00AM 10:15AM 10:15-11:15AM
Monday	Reading for today: Revelation 1-2 Funeral Service of Lois Jensen 9:00AM
Tuesday	Reading for today: Revelation 3-5
Wednesday	Reading for today: Revelation 6-8 Bible Study at Zimmy’s NO Bible Study Cross Explorations grades 3-5th grades 6th -8th 7:00AM 4:00-5:00PM 4:00-5:15PM
Thursday	Reading for today: Revelation 9-11 Golden Horizons 2:00PM
Friday	Reading for today: Revelation 12-14
Saturday 11/15/2025	Reading for today: Revelation 15-17 WORSHIP SERVICE 5:00PM
Sunday 11/16/2025	Reading for today: Revelation 18-20 WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion - Live Streamed Fellowship - VOTERS’ MEETING for 2026 Budget approval Sunday School, High School 9:00AM 10:15AM 10:15-11:15AM

Offering this week:\$ Attendance: Saturday Evening: 33 Sunday Morning: 171

VIDEO UPGRADE PROGRESS: The new video system is complete, except for a couple of small items. **we will also have a training coming, date to be announced.** Anyone interested in learning to operate the system, please let Dennis Clausen, David Petersen, Brad Zobel, the church office know, or you can indicate on the friendship register pad as well. **We would like to encourage the youth to get involved.**

Please bear with us yet, while we are trying to figure out the sound issues for online viewing.

VOTERS’ MEETING for 2026 BUDGET APPROVAL, will be on Sunday, November 16 at 10:15AM.

UPCOMING ITEMS

POINSETTIAS -if you would like to “adopt” a poinsettia in memory of a loved one or in celebration let the church office know at 364-2918, you are still welcomed to get your own if you want

GOLDEN ANGEL TREE The Board of Human Care will be having a Golden Angel Tree, for our members in the assisted living, nursing home, and shut in’s. We will have the tree set up soon with the tags of suggested gift items and the date when items need to be back to the church to be distributed.

BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER put on by a group of ladies from St. Paul. Drop off will be Monday, Nov. 24 from 9:00AM-4:00PM at the church, or make arrangements if you need to drop off after 4:00PM. **The Bake Sale will be Tuesday, Nov. 25 from 8:30AM- ?? , at The Gathering Place, 412 Second St., Ida Grove. Coffee & rolls and a light lunch for a free will donation available, as well as the baked goods that will be for sale that day. A SIGN-UP SHEET** is available on the table in Narthex for you to sign up to provide baked goods for this bake sale. Anyone who would also like to help with the bake sale please indicate as well on the sign up sheet, even if you are not donating baked goods.

PIE SIGN UP SHEET to provide pies for the Thanksgiving Eve Pie Social after the Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service on **Wednesday, November 26**. Sign up sheet on the table in the Narthex.

PORCH POTS AND CENTERPIECES on November 30- there will be a sign up sheet out next weekend, sessions will be 1:00-2:30PM and 2:30-4:00PM, the cost will be \$30 for the porch pots.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM will be during the Worship Service on **Sunday, December 14th**. The kids will start learning the songs in Sunday School.



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In Our Thoughts Prayers

Pearl Schultz

Sallie Miesner - healing & recovery from removal of skin cancer & reconstructive surgery this past week

Amy Schulte - awaiting results of surgery at the end of October for skin cancer (daughter of Barb & Ray Kacmarynski)

Continued Prayers for:

Kara Krager, Declan Conover, Makayla Bell, Jerry Irwin,

Thank you for your prayers and for continued healing from knee replacement surgery, Aaron Hoffman

Thank you for your prayers from my hip replacement surgery and continued prayers as I continue to heal and get stronger every day. Janet Brinkman

Healing for Lee Radke, husband of Bev Radke, he had surgery (stint)

Farmers & their families during this harvest season

Observance of our Veterans

All those who are in need of extra prayers at this time

Family and friends of Lois Jensen, visitation will be on Sunday, Nov. 9 from 2-4pm at the Christiansen Van Houten Funeral home and Funeral Services will be here at St. Paul on Monday, Nov. 10 at 9:00AM. Rolls & coffee to follow the committal

Family and friends of Trisha McCormick

Family and friends of Darren Venteicher

Please continue to pray for healing for those listed below:

Erin Nielsen Shirley Havener Jolene Ladwig Brad Christiansen

Austin Mollhoff Jeff Pierce Rose Schuldt Jim Wilcox

Seth Hamann Mark Queen Dan Grell Kenton Petersen

Erin DeBoer Diane Olsen Sue Bubb Mike Bubb Greg Lewiston

Ashley Collins Tiffany Lindberg Mary Riggs Rhett Leonard

Elvin Flores

Prayers for those who are currently deployed:

Benton Phillips, son of Pat & Kriss Phillips

Jerico Trucke, grandson of Marilyn Skaren

Scottie Neubauer

Jay Schoen nephew of Nancy & Kendall Schoen

Dathan Loger

Jagger Loger

Danny Vogel - son of Pastor Dan & Paula Vogel

If you have a family member or friend who is recently deployed, or has been deployed please let the church office know and we will add them to the prayer list

November Birthdays this week:

November 3 Ann Sears

November 4 Maia Montgomery Katie Riessen

November 5 Dawson Hinkeldey Madison Hinkeldey

November 6 Bob Bowen Peggy Hanson Kevin Krager

November 9 Paul Cates Lorna Steenbock

November 10 Kim Blleckwhehl

November 11 Robert Uhl

November 13 Kim Carnine Gary Chase

November 14 Judy Winterrowd

November 15 Gemma Arbegast Bentley Groves

November 16 Anne Thornhill Karen Wiertsema

Kade Stehr Miles Stehr

November Anniversaries this week:

November 1 Ray & Barb Kacmarynski

November 9 Brent & Kayla Rohlk

November 12 Harold & Margaret Greenwald

THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP, on Wednesday, November 26 at 6:30PM

**PIE SOCIAL, Hosted by the Elders of St. Paul
after the Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service at
7:30PM**

If you would like to donate a pie a sign up sheet is available on the table in the Narthex

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PORCH POTS on November 30— there will be a sign up sheet is on the table, sessions will be 1:00-2:30PM and 2:30-4:00PM, the cost will be \$30 for the porch pots. We will be limiting the number for the day to 40

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COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS for COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS FOR NOVEMBER: Soups or stews, crackers and any other related items. Place your donation in the shopping cart in the Narthex or hallway. 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, peanut butter, jelly, pancake mix and syrup.**

Also note: they can use outdated items that are within a year of expiration.

Due to the circumstances of the current SNAP benefits, even though Soups & Stews is the monthly designated donation. They will appreciate any donation and a great time to either purchase items to donate or clean out your pantry or cupboard.

BOARD OF EDUCATION is looking for / in need of the positions listed below: Please prayerfully consider

A co- teacher / leader for the middle school 6th -8th for Sunday School 10:15-11:15AM. Please let Tracy Johnson or Megan Wellendorf know if you are interested in helping.

Substitute Teachers for Wednesday, Cross Explorations and substitute Superintendent for Wednesday 4:00-5:00/5:15PM, if possible on Early Out days which will be right after school at 1:30-2:30PM. and also substitute teachers Sunday School There is a sign up sheet on the black table in Narthex if interested and indicate what you are interested in and your phone number OR let Tracy Johnson or Megan Wellendorf know.

MIDWEEK SNACKS NEEDED - A donation bucket is available if you would like to donate towards midweek snacks or another idea is a FoodPride gift card to help with the purchase of items or the following snack items are appreciated. Or prepacked items you know your kids will eat is appreciated as well.

We are also due to snack options concerned about any allergies,(MAINLY PEANUT BUTTER) if you would fill out the form its available by the white box in the Narthex or email the church office stpaulidagrove@gmail.com. We also will ask for phone numbers to make sure we have current and email to help assist in notifying for emergencies but also for cancellations due to weather.



Join the Praise Band!



High school students and adults — do you sing or play an instrument? **Come be part of our Praise Band!** Interested? Contact Tammy Hoffman 515-290-5167 or see us after the service. Let's worship together through music! **Our next practice will be Oct. 29 at 5:30PM**

MISSION CENTRAL EVENTS!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Saturday, November 22 at 1:00PM- Rev. Matthew Wood and Family working in Indonesia will give a presentation on their work

November is a Season of Gratitude and Giving

“Give thanks with a grateful heart.” Stewardship reminds us that all we have is a gift from God, entrusted to us to bless others.

“Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.”

— **Psalm 100:4**

LWML MITES, make sure to drop off your change / mite box contents in the **BIG MITE BOX on the LWML on the narrow table in the Narthex**. We encourage your kids, especially those that got their Kids Mite Box at Sunday School, to bring their boxes and change as well, if any kids didn't get a Kids Mite Box and want one they are available on the narrow table next to the large Mite Box. **The highlighted LWML Mission Grant for November is THE PERPETUAL CALL FOR PASTORS AND TEACHERS LCMS OFFICE OF PASTORAL EDUCATION | \$100,000**

There is also LWML Iowa West District eNews October/November print out available on the table

Sunday School 10:15-11:15AM

Children ages 4 yr old Preschool-12th grade welcome

6th-8th - Middle School Youth Room

(Room by south west downstairs door)

9th-12th - High School Youth Room

(Room by south east downstairs door)

Cross Explorations

Wednesdays

4-5:00pm for 3rd-5th grades

4-5:15pm for 6th/7th/8th grades

ADULT SERMON NOTES if you would like to take your own “sermon notes” during a worship service they are located on the black table by the confirmands sermon notes.

TEEN DEVOTIONALS there are November teen devotionals, for middle school - high school, however anyone is encouraged to pick up a devotional if you'd like. They are on the black table by the sermon notes

AUDIO VIDEO UPDATING/REPLACEMENT. If you would like to help with fundraising, you can donate to the Audio Video fund to help with the expenses of the updating. You can designate it in your offering envelope as a donation towards the AV Fund, leave at the church office or there is a bucket on narrow table in Narthex.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS NEEDED - USHERS, LECTORS, GREETERS: if you would like to help with our worship service in these various ways ushering especially since we are going to be passing the offering plate again, lector & greeters, **there is a sign up genius available on our Facebook page, OR there are sign up sheets available in the narthex if you would prefer to sign up that way. Please prayerfully consider helping.**

BOARD OF HUMAN CARE is looking for volunteers to help with visiting shut in's, those in the nursing home, assisted living or other individuals.. If you are interested please let Synda Jepsen or Nancy Schoen know, there is a sign up sheet available on the narrow table in the narthex, please put your name and phone number down and they will contact you **THE CARE TEAM will meet on Thursday, November 13 at 11:30AM.**

POINSETTIAS -if you would like to “adopt” a poinsettia in memory of a loved one, let the church office know at 364-2918, you are still welcomed to get your own poinsettia if you want and drop off to the church the week of Dec. 1

Worship Service for Sunday, November 9, 2025

Matins 219

Hymn How Great Thou Art LSB 801

Opening p. 219
Psalmody
Venite

Handbell Anthem

Reading Genesis 1:1-2:3
Reading Ephesians 6:10-17
Reading John 4:46-54

Responsory p. 221

Hymn From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee LSB 607

SERMON

Offering (during song)

Hymn Holy God, We Praise Thy Name LSB 940 v. 1-5

Prayer of the Church

Kyrie p. 227
Lord's Prayer

Collects
Collect of the Day

Prayer for Veterans Day

Individual Petitions
Collect for Grace

Benedicamus/Benediction

Announcements - we will be passing the offering plate for a free will offering to go towards providing Mid Sioux Meat/Grocery certificates (also includes those on fixed incomes & disabled)

Hymn Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You LSB 668

St. Paul Lutheran Church Holiday porch pots



When: Sunday, November 30, 2025

(2 sessions: 1:00 to 2:30 and 2:30 to 4:00 PM)

Where: The Depot at Moorehead Park



What: **Bring your own pot with dirt or foam.** Please keep your pot under 13" across to allow greens for everyone. Greens, twigs, bows, and pinecones will be provided, but feel free to bring any of your own décor for your holiday pot.

Cost is \$30 for Porch Pots

sign up is requested (to prepare supplies)

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All proceeds will go towards the Sr High LYF for gatherings and activities

Updating our Records

We are in great need of updating our data base (records), we have recently had some issues with missing information. We need EVERYONE even if you have filled out one in the past or think we have your information. We also know a lot of people have switched to cell phone only and its not just about calling for volunteer reasons. But we also need contact information for when there are emergencies at certain times of health issues and its hard for Pastor to be able to contact if we don't have a phone number at all.

There is a box by the Welcome Center to drop these off or at the church office

Name_____

Mailing address_____

Home Phone_____

Cell Phone_____

Family contact / emergency contact w/ phone number:_____

Email address_____

_____ check if you want us to email newsletter

Birthdate_____

Anniversary date_____

_____ check if you don't want birthday/anniversary published

NEW MEMBER CLASS

If you are interested in a new member class

Please let us know

Give us you're a couple of options of day and time that works for you below

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Leave in white box on Welcome Center or email us at stpaulidagrove@gmail.com