

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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.*



LENTEN TREE OF LOVE that is in our Narthex
Help deliver Dreams by supporting **Sleep in Heavenly Peace**

This Lenten season, help ensure no kid sleeps on the floor in our town. Take a tag from the Lenten Tree (Feb 18–March 25), purchase the item, and return it to church.

Needed items include bedding, pillows, tools, white vinegar, gift cards to Lowe’s or Walmart.

There is a container located by tree for monetary donations, if you prefer to donate that way. Even a \$5 gift card makes a difference!

153,480 kids in the US are waiting on you to help them sleep tonight.

Contact: Synda Jepsen or Nancy Schoen

Sleep in Heavenly Peace has earned the Platinum Seal of Transparency for 8 years.



2026 MONTHLY SCRIPTURE READING CALENDAR – MARCH, is on the Welcome Center for you to pick up. Will be posted on our Website along with the monthly Calendar and Bulletin page, as well as our Facebook page.

2026 Thrivent Choice Dollars will expire March 31. Thousands of dollars are available for Thrivent members to designate to their favorite charities, including directed to here at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Call 800-847-4836 or <https://www.thrivent.com/about-us/membership/thrivent-choice>

SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP 5:00PM

ACOLYTE: Usher

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM

ACOLYTE: Haley

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 2/21/26	Readings for today: Genesis 3:1-24 and Mark 2:1-17 WORSHIP SERVICE	5:00PM
Sunday 2/22/26	Readings for today: Genesis 4:1-26 and Mark 2:18-28 WORSHIP SERVICE – Live Streamed Fellowship Sunday School, Middle School, High School Bible Class	9:00AM 10:15AM 10:15-11:15AM 10:15-11:15AM
Monday	Readings for today: Genesis 6:1-7:5 and Mark 3:1-19 Bells	6:30PM
Tuesday	Readings for today: Genesis 7:7-8:12 and Mark 3:20-35	
Wednesday Early Out	Readings for today: Genesis 8:13-9:17 and Mark 4:1-20 Bible Study at Jimmy’s Bible Study Cross Explorations grades 3-5th grades 6th -8th LENTEN MEAL – served by Board of Human Care LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE	7:00AM 9:30AM 1:30-2:30PM 1:30-2:45PM 5:00-6:15PM 6:30PM
Thursday	Readings for today: Genesis 11:27-12:20 and Mark 4:21-41 Willowdale	2:00PM
Friday	Readings for today: Genesis 13:1-18 and Mark 5:1-20	
Saturday 2/28/26	Readings for today: Genesis 15:1-21 and Mark 5:21-43 WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion	5:00PM
Sunday 3/1/26	Readings for today: Genesis 16:1-17:22 and Mark 6:1-13 WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion - Live Streamed Fellowship - Youth Pancakes & Sausage Sunday School, Middle School, High School Bible Class New Member Class	9:00AM 10:15AM 10:15-11:15AM 10:15-11:15AM 2:00PM

Offering this week:\$ Attendance: Saturday Evening: 44 Sunday Morning: 132
Ash Wednesday: 115

NEW MEMBER CLASS, if you are interested in becoming a member of St. Paul, Pastor Wehmas will be starting a class on **March 1 at 2:00PM,** please indicate on the Friendship Register pad with your phone number and or email, if you are interested but cannot attend the first class.

WANTED: clean sheets for quilt backs. NO tears, stains or microfiber (it shreds when cut). Drop off at the church. Thank you!

COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS FOR FEBRUARY: Laundry/ Kitchen Items: detergent, bleach, dryer sheets, fabric softener, dish soap, etc.. 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 boxes of cereal. Also note: they can use outdated items that are within a year of expiration.**

FEBRUARY Stewardship as we enter the Lenten Season, A Time of Sacrifice and Renewal

Reflection: "As Lent begins, let us embrace prayer, repentance, fasting, and giving as acts of faithful stewardship." *Verse: Joel 2:12 – "Return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning."*

YOU CAN STILL JOIN US AND ATTEND THE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17 AT 6:30PM WE HAVE SWITCHED WEEKS AND WILL MEET ON 1ST AND 3RD TUESDAYS - There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex, on the small black table by the glass of the education building, please sign up if you are interested in attending and include your phone number, and if you're in need of a book.

There is also interest in a day time group - if you are interested in a day time group, please indicate on the day time sign up sheet and include your phone number etc.

the book, enough for now by Sharla Fritz, description below: The concept of 'having enough' is one that is not often experienced. If I only had more money ... more success ... more time ... then I would be fulfilled. Yet, even when more is attained, it rarely satisfies. It is not 'enough.'

JR High and SR High Youth Pancake and Sausage Breakfast



SUNDAY, March 1, 2026

SERVING IN FELLOWSHIP HALL FOLLOWING WORSHIP SERVICE

**This will be the last Pancake and Sausage Breakfast til Fall, come and support the youth
FREE WILL OFFERING**



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In Our Thoughts Prayers

Cameron Sharkey- Sioux Falls Hospital - rehab from Guillain Barre syndrome, cards can be sent to 2775 Noble Ave, Ida Grove

Dennis Miesner healing and recovery, pacemaker

Troy Bennigsdorf - continued healing

Ken Wehmas - Mercy Hospital, Des Moines, father of Pastor Wehmas

Family of Larry Schumann, brother of Lyle Schumann

Jerry Irwin (Orphan Grain Train) Sioux Falls hospital, healing from a fall

Carol "Lonnie" Krenk - recovery from being in the hospital
Mother of Kendall (Nancy) Schoen

Prayers for Declan Conover, for tests results to be able to participate in a new study coming up in the next few months

Prayers of thanksgiving for the safe return from deployment of Jerico Trucke, grandson of Marily Skaren

Prayers of thanksgiving for the safe return from deployment for Scottie Neubauer

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

Please continue to pray for healing for those listed below:

Levi Swanger Amy Schulte, Erin Nielsen Shirley Havener
Makayla Bell 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 Lainey Hemer Crystal Schoenherr
Heidi Kollbaum Nieuwenhuis Kay Walker

Prayers for those who are currently deployed:

Benton Phillips, son of Pat & Kriss Phillips
Jay Schoen nephew of Nancy & Kendall Schoen
Dathan Loger
Jagger Loger

THE LARGE LWML MITE BOX that is on the table in the narthex will be highlighted and along with the Mission Mite of the month, on the second Sunday of each month.

For the month of February is: Light of Jesus Christ to Unwed Homeless Mothers --A Place of Refuge Ministries of South WI, Inc. Wisconsin - \$75,000 A Place of Refuge (APOR) is a sanctity of life ministry that positively impacts the lives of unwed, homeless pregnant women and their preborn children.

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.

Worship Service for Sunday, February 22, 2026

Song Death was Arrested

Invocation
Confession and Absolution

Word
Kyrie

Song You Are My King (Amazing Love)

Psalm Psalm 112:1-9

Salutation
Prayer of the Church

Handbells

Epistle Romans 5:12-19

Verse

Holy Gospel Matthew 4:1-11

Apostles' Creed

Song Who You Say I Am

SERMON
Sermon Text Genesis 3:1-21

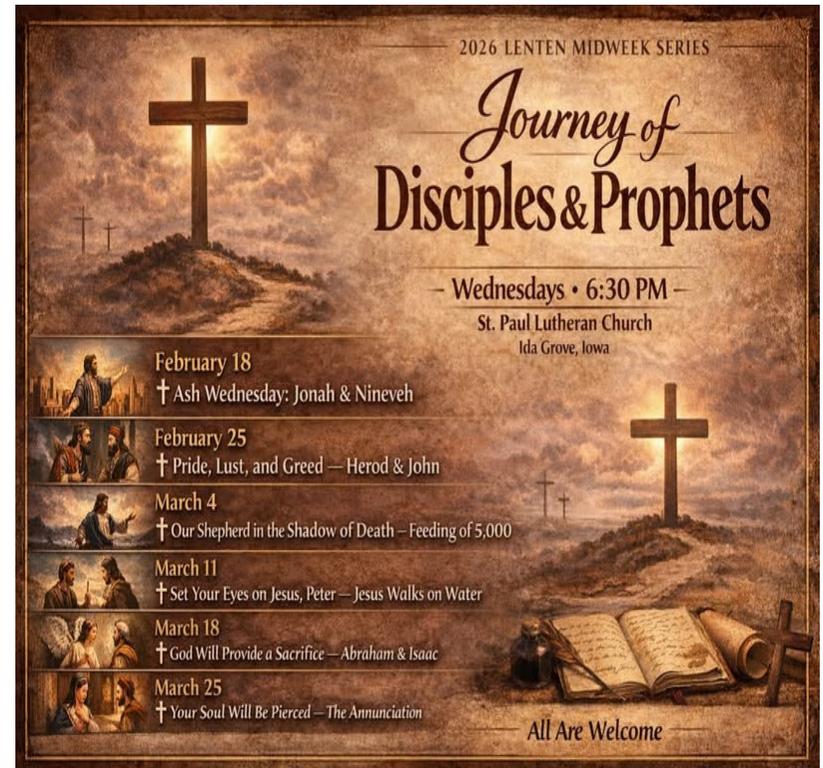
Offering (During Song)
Song One Thing Remains

Brief Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Benedicamus
Benediction

Announcements

Song The Wonderful Cross



February 25 Serving tacos
March 4 meal to be announced watch bulletin
March 11 serving taverns (sloppy joes)
March 18 meal to be announced watch bulletin
March 25 meal to be announced watch bulletin

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**

This info can be emailed to the church as well at
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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 of loved ones 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

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