

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.*

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.**

2026 MONTHLY SCRIPTURE READING CALENDAR – FEBRUARY, 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.

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

NEW MEMBER CLASS, if you are interested in becoming a member of St. Paul, Pastor Wehmas will be having a class **potentially starting next couple of weeks**, please indicate on the Friendship Register pad with your phone number and or email, and what evenings work best for you

RESCHEDULING WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY FROM TUESDAY, FEB. 10 TO FEB. 17
Due to Tuesday being the Church Council meeting. We will meet on Feb. 17 and March 3

SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP 5:00PM **SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM**
ACOLYTE:Usher **ACOLYTE: Bentlie**
CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 2/7/26	Readings for today: Job 4: 1-21 and John 2:1-12 WORSHIP SERVICE 5:00PM
Sunday 2/8/26	Readings for today: Job 5:1-27 and John 2:13-25 WORSHIP SERVICE – Live Streamed 9:00AM Fellowship 10:15AM Sunday School, Middle School, High School 10:15-11:15AM Bible Class 10:15-11:15AM
Monday	Readings for today: Job 6:1-13 and John 3:1-21 Bells 6:30PM
Tuesday	Readings for today: Job 6:14-30 and John 3:22-4:6 Church Council Meeting 7:00PM
Wednesday	Readings for today: Job 7:1-21 and John 4:7-26 Bible Study at Jimmy’s 7:00AM Bible Study 9:30AM Human Care Team Meeting 11:30AM Cross Explorations grades 3-5th 4:00-5:00PM grades 6th -8th 4:00-5:15PM
Thursday	Readings for today: Job 8:1-22 and John 4:27-45 Golden Horizons 2:00PM
Friday	Readings for today: Job 9:1-35 and John 4:46-54
Saturday 2/14/26	Readings for today: Job 10:1-22 and John 5:1-18 WORSHIP SERVICE 5:00PM
Sunday 2/15/26	Readings for today: Job 11:1-20 and John 5:19-29 WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion - Live Streamed 9:00AM Fellowship 10:15AM Sunday School, Middle School, High School 10:15-11:15AM Bible Class 10:15-11:15AM

Offering this week: Attendance: Saturday Evening: 37 Sunday Morning:

WE NEED YOUR HELP !! SIGN UP SHEET TO DELIVER MEALS ON WHEELS IN FEBRUARY (WE HAVE SWITCHED WITH THE HOSPITAL FEBRUARY FOR APRIL) the sign up sheet is on the small black table by the windows. We still need someone for Feb. 23-27

THRIVENT CARDS FOR LENTEN SERVICES – if you would like to apply for a Thrivent Action team card, and it will be very helpful in order to have our Lenten meals and for the groups that will use it to provide Lenten meals.If you need help in applying let the church office know and we will put you in touch with one of our members that can help you. Lenten services we would like to have Thrivent Cards for are: 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25 please let the church office know if you would like to donate a card.

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 canned vegetables, canned fruits & canned soups. Also note: they can use outdated items that are within a year of expiration.** Mobile Food Pantry will be Arthur Community Center, Arthur, IA on Thursday, February 19 from 4:30-5:30PM. Its helpful to bring a laundry basket or container for your food items.

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.'

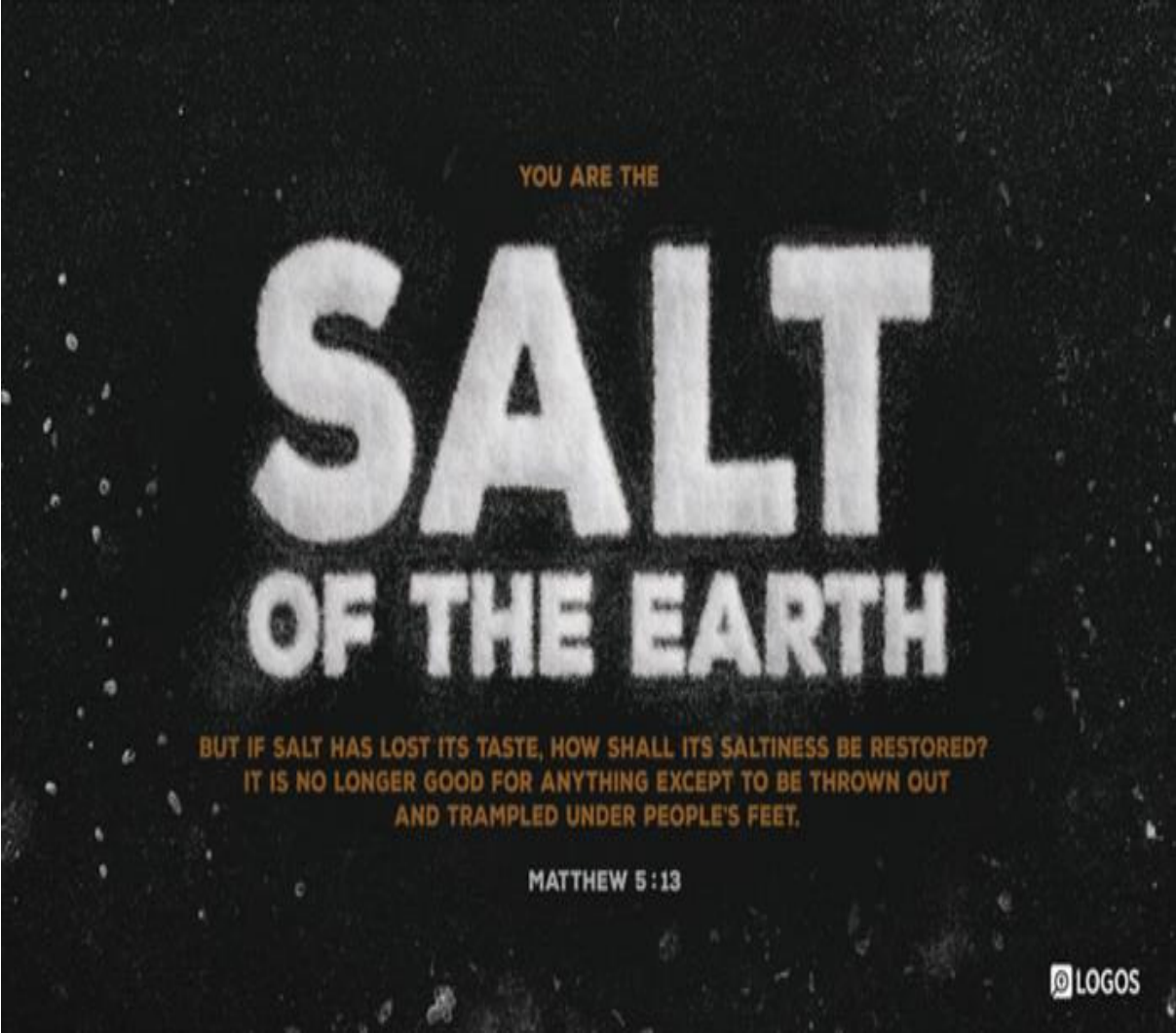


SUPER BOWL CHALLENGE – Our Missions Board would is encouraging this fun challenge for our Community Basket Food Pantry.

Place it on the indicated side of your winning team prediction. The teams are; the AFC Team: New England Patriots will

be on the Pulpit side and the NFC team: Seahawks will be on the Lecturn side

Ultimately the winner will be our Community Basket Food Pantry with your help!



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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
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