

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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Second Sunday in Lent

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February 28 & March 1, 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.*

**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>



**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.



**EASTER BREAKFAST SIGN UP SHEETS ARE OUT – see table for donations, bucket for monetary, also sign up if you want to attend so they have an idea of how many to serve, & for youth and parents to help.**

**SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP 5:00PM**

ACOLYTE: Usher

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM**

ACOLYTE: Jacob

**CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK**

<b>Saturday</b> 2/28/26	<b>Readings for today: Genesis 3:1-24 and Mark 2:1-17</b> <b>WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion</b>	<b>5:00PM</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 3/1/26	<b>Readings for today: Genesis 4:1-26 and Mark 2:18-28</b> <b>WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion – Live Streamed</b> <b>Fellowship</b> <b>Sunday School, Middle School, High School</b> <b>Bible Class</b> <b>New Member Class meet in downstairs Conference Room</b>	<b>9:00AM</b> <b>10:15AM</b> <b>10:15-11:15AM</b> <b>10:15-11:15AM</b> <b>2:00PM</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Readings for today: Genesis 6:1-7:5 and Mark 3:1-19</b> <b>Bells</b>	<b>6:30PM</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Readings for today: Genesis 7:7-8:12 and Mark 3:20-35</b> <b>Women’s Bible Study – Enough for Now</b>	<b>6:30PM</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Readings for today: Genesis 8:13-9:17 and Mark 4:1-20</b> <b>Bible Study at Jimmy’s</b> <b>Bible Study</b> <b>Cross Explorations grades 3-5<sup>th</sup></b> <b>grades 6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup></b> <b>LENTEN MEAL – serving pulled pork, chips, etc</b> <b>LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE</b>	<b>7:00AM</b> <b>9:30AM</b> <b>4:00-5:00PM</b> <b>4:00-5:15PM</b> <b>5:00-6:15PM</b> <b>6:30PM</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Readings for today: Genesis 11:27-12:20 and Mark 4:21-41</b> <b>Circle 2 – Upstairs Conference Room</b> <b>Circle 3 – Downstairs Conference Room</b> <b>Circle 10 - Willowdale</b> <b>Circle 12 – Fellowship hall</b>	<b>1:00PM</b> <b>1:30PM</b> <b>2:00PM</b> <b>7:00PM</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Readings for today: Genesis 13:1-18 and Mark 5:1-20</b>	
<b>Saturday</b> 3/7/26	<b>Readings for today: Genesis 15:1-21 and Mark 5:21-43</b> <b>WORSHIP SERVICE</b>	<b>5:00PM</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 3/8/26	<b>Readings for today: Genesis 16:1-17:22 and Mark 6:1-13</b> <b>WORSHIP SERVICE - Live Streamed</b> <b>Fellowship</b> <b>Sunday School, Middle School, High School</b> <b>Bible Class</b> <b>New Member Class meet in downstairs Conference Room</b>	<b>9:00AM</b> <b>10:15AM</b> <b>10:15-11:15AM</b> <b>10:15-11:15AM</b> <b>2:00PM</b>

Offering this week:\$ Attendance: Saturday Evening: 50 Sunday Morning: 148  
 Lent 2/25: 62

**NEW MEMBER CLASS, if you are interested in becoming a member of St. Paul,** Pastor Wehmas will be starting a class **on Sunday, 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. You can also come and join us even if you’re not a member or would just like to refresh.

**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**

2026 LENTEN MIDWEEK SERIES

*Journey of Disciples & Prophets*

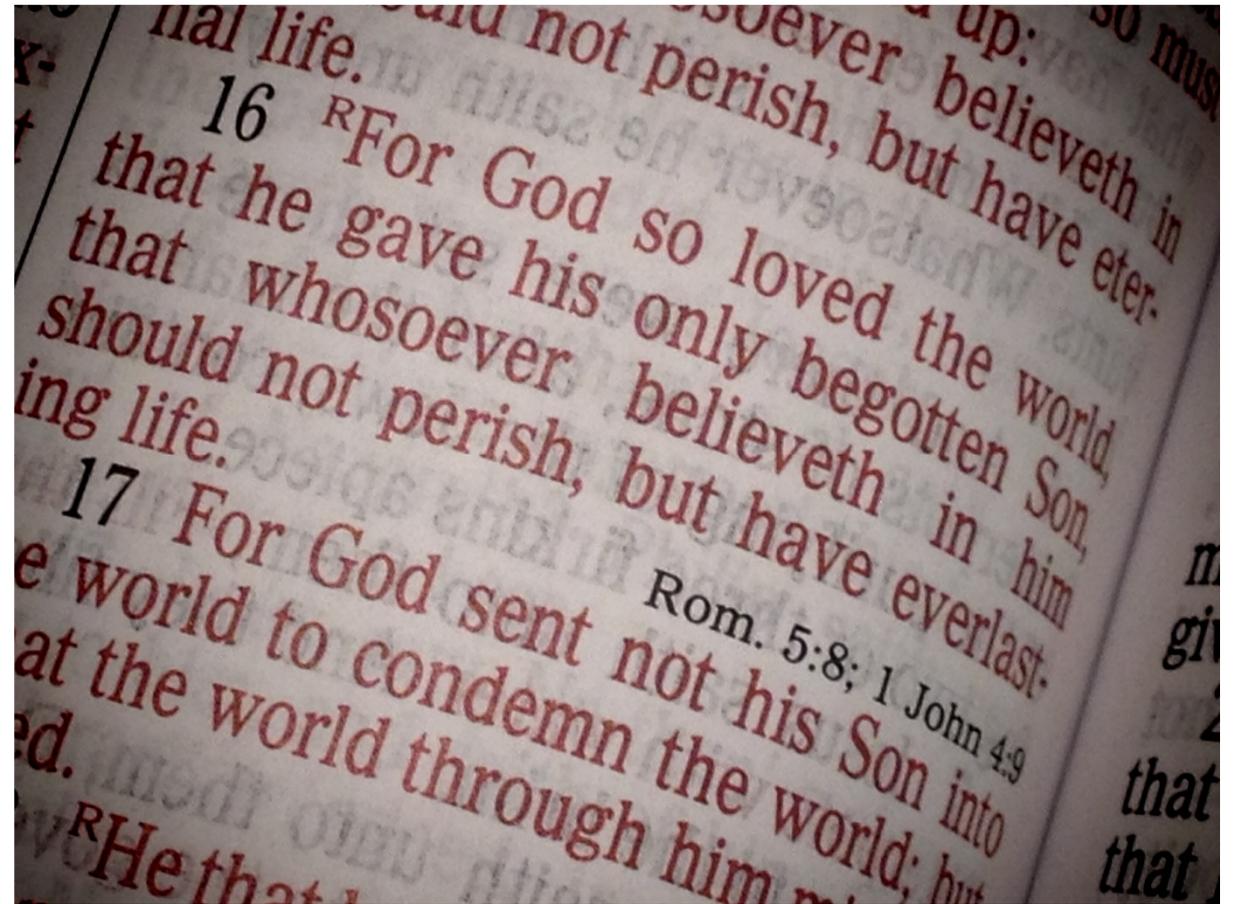
— Wednesdays • 6:30 PM —  
St. Paul Lutheran Church  
Ida Grove, Iowa

February 18	† Ash Wednesday: Jonah & Nineveh
February 25	† Pride, Lust, and Greed — Herod & John
March 4	† Our Shepherd in the Shadow of Death — Feeding of 5,000
March 11	† Set Your Eyes on Jesus, Peter — Jesus Walks on Water
March 18	† God Will Provide a Sacrifice — Abraham & Isaac
March 25	† Your Soul Will Be Pierced — The Annunciation

All Are Welcome



March 4 will be serving pulled pork, chips  
March 11 serving taverns (sloppy joes)  
March 18 will be serving chicken & rice  
March 25 will be serving scalloped potatoes & ham



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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

Greg Steenbock, for recovery and healing from hip replacement and now healing from RSV

Dennis Miesner healing and recovery, pacemaker

Troy Bennigsdorf - continued healing

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

Lance Barnum, currently on waiting list for liver transplant

43<sup>rd</sup> Wedding Anniversary wishes to Larry & Lori Boysen on February 28

Prayers of Thanksgiving for Jerry Irwin (Orphan Grain Train) who is now home, but would welcome continued prayers for healing from his fall

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

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 Carol Krenk

**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

**BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES at this time will not be published due to current discussions of concerns of safety and security for our members.**

**Stewardship Reminder for March:** As we return to the Lord this season, we also dedicate our time, talents, gifts, and resources to His service, reflecting His love and mercy to the world, as we become the hearts, hands, and feet of Jesus.

**Scripture:** Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster. " – *Joel 2:13b*

**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.**

**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.

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

**MIDWEEK SNACKS - Prepackaged items you know your kids will eat is appreciated as well. 50 kids**

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.

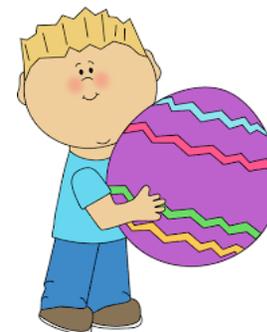
A reminder if school is cancelled or dismissed early due to weather, it automatically cancels Wednesday, Cross Explorations/Catechism. It will also be posted on Facebook



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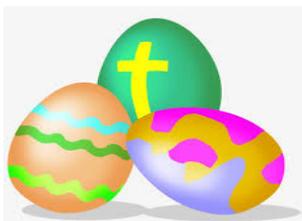
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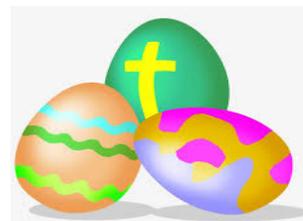
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**24 Eggs - \$20**

**48 eggs - \$35**



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Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Delivery Time: 10-12                      12-2

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Special Instructions/placement of eggs

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# of Eggs \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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High School LYF fundraiser                      2026

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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 \_\_\_\_\_

This info can be emailed to the church as well at [stpaulidagrove@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulidagrove@gmail.com)