

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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Fourth Sunday in Lent

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March 30, 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, **April Reading Calendars available on the Welcome Center.**

**FLAT JESUS** We encourage everyone (all ages) who got a Flat Jesus to carry the Flat Jesus with you, keep him in your car, or at work, etc.. We also encourage you to share Flat Jesus with someone you know, grand kids, other adults. Send in your pictures we would love to post them or share them on the screens, with our announcement slides [stpaulidagrove@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulidagrove@gmail.com)

**If you post on your own Facebook page use #thewholestory25 and #stpaulidagrove**

**EASTER BREAKFAST SIGN UPS** - if you plan to attend Easter Breakfast there is a sign up sheet on the table, so the youth can have an idea of how to plan for the preparation of food they will serve. You are still welcomed to come the day of the breakfast.

**EASTER BREAKFAST DONATION SHEETS** are on table in the Narthex and also a **VOLUNTEER SIGN UP** for Youth & Parents (6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grades) your help is needed to set up and to help serve.

**EASTER LILIES**, if you are wanting to share an Easter Lily with the congregation, please contact the church office 364-2918, to adopt an Easter Lily (cost is \$18)

Also if you have ordered in the past and want to have a lily, please check with church office to make sure you are on the list.

**NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING MEETING FOR PARTICIPANTS & PARENTS** on Wednesday, April 2 at 5:30PM

**THE MAPLETON & DENISON CIRCUITS 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ROLLER SKATING EVENT** at the Skate Palace in Ida Grove, on Saturday, April 5 from 2:00-4:00PM. It is open to all middle school and high school youth of LCMS congregations and their friends. This is a great opportunity for the youth of our nearby areas, to gather together for a fun day of skating.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM

USHERS: Rob Uhl family

ACOLYTE: SUNDAY 9 AM: Kynleigh

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP 5:00PM

USHERS:

ACOLYTE: Ushers

**CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK**

<b>Sunday</b> 3/30/2025	<b>WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion– Live Streamed</b> Fellowship Sunday School & High School Bible Class New Member Class <b>WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion</b> Reading for today Numbers 34-36 and Psalm 89	<b>9:00AM</b> <b>10:15AM</b> <b>10:15-11:15AM</b> <b>10:30-11:15AM</b> <b>3:30PM</b> <b>5:00PM</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Reading for today: Deuteronomy 1-2 and Psalm 90</b> Bells	<b>6:30PM</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Reading for today: Deuteronomy 3-5 and Psalm 91</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Reading for today: Deuteronomy 6-9 and Psalm 92</b> Bible Study at Jimmy’s Bible Study in the Conference Room Life Serve Blood Drive Cross Explorations – grades 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> Catechism (Confirmation) grades 6 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> National Youth Gathering meeting participants & parents Praise Band Practice LENTEN WORSHIP	<b>7:00AM</b> <b>9:30AM</b> <b>11:00-4:30PM</b> <b>4:00-5:00PM</b> <b>4:00-5:15PM</b> <b>5:30PM</b> <b>5:30PM</b> <b>6:30PM</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Reading for today: Deut. 10-13 and Psalm 93</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Reading for today: Deut. 14-17 and Psalm 94</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Reading for today: Deut. 18-21 and Psalm 95</b> Roller Skating at Skate Palace (for grades 6 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> )	<b>2:00-4:00PM</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 4/6/2025	<b>WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion – Live Streamed</b> Fellowship Sunday School, High School Bible Class New Member Class <b>WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion</b> Reading for today: Deut. 22-25 and Psalm 96	<b>9:00AM</b> <b>10:15AM</b> <b>10:15-11:15AM</b> <b>10:30-11:15AM</b> <b>3:30PM</b> <b>5:00PM</b>

Offering this week:\$

Attendance Sunday Morning: 161 Sunday Evening: 19

Lent: 66

**SIGN UP SHEET TO DELIVER MEALS ON WHEELS IN APRIL** to volunteer for delivering of Meals on Wheels. We still are in need for volunteers we do not have anyone signed up for the week of April 28-30.

**ACOLYTE TRAINING** for 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> graders Wednesday end of class time, will be dismissed at 5:15PM

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Numbers 21:4–9*

<sup>4</sup>From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup>And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” <sup>6</sup>Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. <sup>7</sup>And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” <sup>9</sup>So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

## SECOND READING

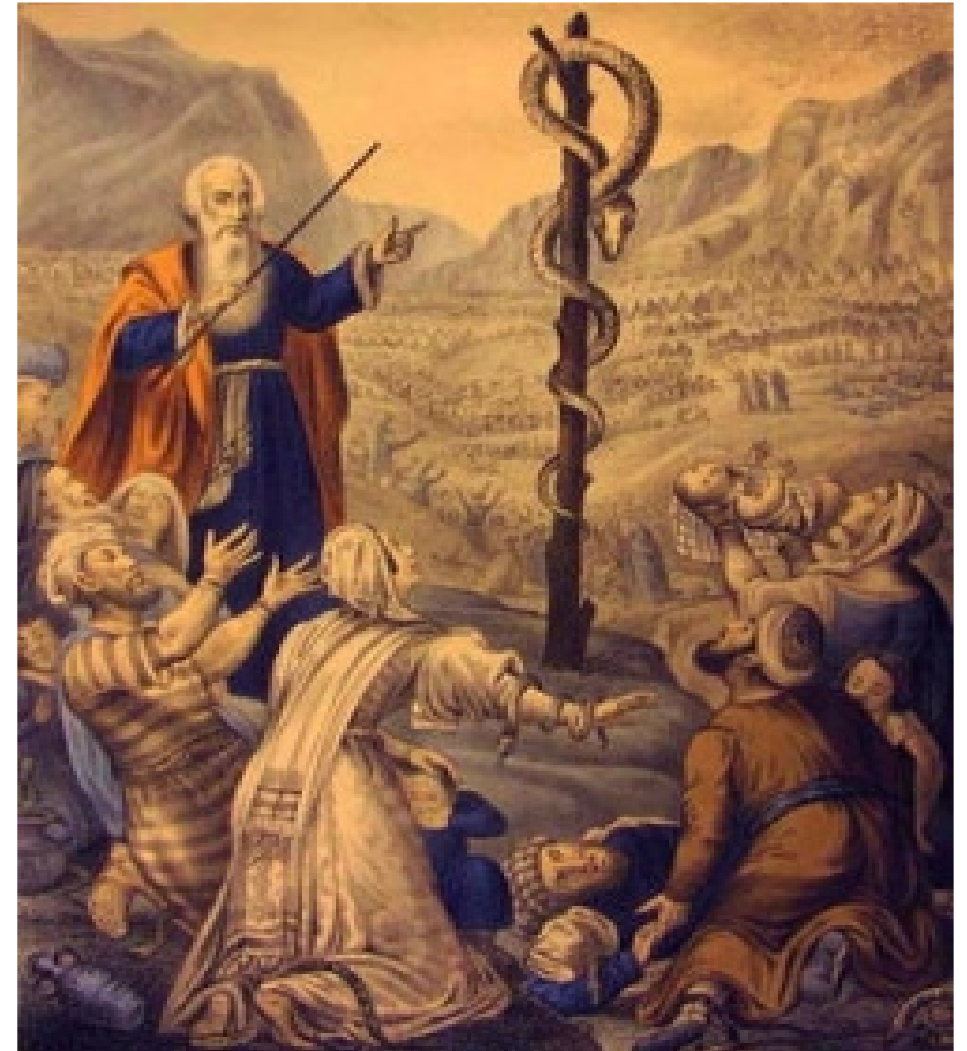
*Acts 2:41–47*

<sup>41</sup>So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls. <sup>42</sup>And they devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. <sup>43</sup>And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. <sup>44</sup>And all who believed were together and had all things in common. <sup>45</sup>And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup>And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup>praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

## HOLY GOSPEL

*John 6:1–15*

<sup>1</sup>After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup>And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. <sup>3</sup>Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. <sup>4</sup>Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. <sup>5</sup>Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?” <sup>6</sup>He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. <sup>7</sup>Philip answered him, “Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” <sup>8</sup>One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, <sup>9</sup>“There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus said, “Have the people sit down.” Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. <sup>11</sup>Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup>And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, “Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost.” <sup>13</sup>So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten. <sup>14</sup>When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, “This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!” <sup>15</sup>Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.



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## In Our Thoughts Prayers

Shirley Havener - recovery from pneumonia & shingles

Declan Conover, continued prayers

Ryan Dunker - prayers for eye issues

Family and friends of George Weir

Family of Ernie Bugge from Ankeny Iowa, his memorial service was this past Friday, March 28 in Ankeny, Pastor Wehmas officiated his memorial service, condolences may be sent to

Marcy Bugge

1225 SW 28th St.

# 239

Ankeny, IA 50023

### *Please continue to pray for healing for those listed below:*

Erin Nielsen Lois Jensen George Weir Shirley Havener

Jolene Ladwig Makayla Bell Stella Turnbull 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 Trisha McCormick

Tiffany Lindberg David Johnson Mary Riggs Jared Lund

Bud Jepsen Lanny Hustedt Deanna Roeder Elvin Flores

### **March Birthdays this week:**

March 25 Todd Jepsen

March 26 Madelyn Brimeyer Dianna Geerdes Kurtis Krager  
Eric Zimmerman

March 27 Kris Miller

March 28 Tony Bennett Delores Borchers

March 30 Jennifer Hoffman (Keith & Kelly Hoffman's daughter)

March 31 Vicki Gordon Beau Hanson Chris Knudsen

April 1 Harold Greenwald

April 2 Benton Phillips

April 5 Melissa Lockwood Jayden Schiernbeck

April 6 Laurie Krayenhagen April Lichtenberg

### **March and April Anniversaries this week**

March 19 Doug & Vickie Linman

April 4 Keith & Christine Krager

**COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS April: Breakfast items: pancake mix, syrup, cereal, cereal bars, peanut butter, jelly, etc.** Place your donation in the shopping cart in the Narthex or hallway. All items are appreciated as well, as they can always use donations. The Community Basket is open on Thursdays (except 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday), from 2:30-5:30PM. **\*\*They can always use toilet paper, laundry soap, shampoo & conditioner, canned vegetables, canned fruits & canned soups.**

### LWML UPCOMING DATES

As a reminder all women of the church are a part of LWML and you are welcome to any of these activities whether you are active or not currently with a circle. If you are wanting to start a Bible study group or an active circle that you don't currently belong to, let Shar Osborn, Nancy Schoen or Diane at the church office know and if you need anything let us know

**LWML ZONE SPRING RALLY will be here at St. Paul on Saturday, April 26, Pastor Keith Haney will be our speaker, his topic, John 4:7-31 the parable of the woman at the well will be his topic for Rally. Pastor Keith Haney is the Assistant to the District President for Missions, Human Care, and Stewardship**

### OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

**2025 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>

### **MIDWEEK/WEDNESDAY CLASSES**

**April 2** Regular class time, will have snack in Narthex due to Bloodmobile here. Will train 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grades towards the end of class time. No 8<sup>th</sup> Grade this night

**April 9 EARLY OUT / LAST CLASS** 6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> will go from school to Bowling alley. 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grades will have a special treat here at church, some class time and games.

Worship Service for Sunday, March 30, 2025

Hymn Jesus, Priceless Treasure LSB 743  
Invocation p. 184  
Introit  
Kyrie p. 186  
Salutation and Collect of the Day  
  
Old Testament Reading Numbers 21:4-9  
Gradual  
Epistle Reading Acts 2:41-47  
Tract  
Holy Gospel John 6:1-15  
Nicene Creed p. 191  
  
Hymn Jesus, Refuge of the Weary LSB 423  
  
SERMON  
  
Offertory p. 192  
  
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 Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared LSB 622  
Hymn Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness LSB 636  
  
Dismissal  
Nunc Dimittis  
Thanksgiving  
Salutation p. 201  
Benedicamus/Benediction p. 202  
  
Announcements  
  
Hymn  
God Loved The World So That He Gave LSB 571 v. 1-5

Sunday School Kids  
Will sing at Golden  
Horizons on  
April 6<sup>th</sup> during Sunday  
School hour  
Will walk from church if  
weather cooperates

Sunday School Schedule for April  
April 6 – Sunday School & Sing at Golden  
Horizons  
April 13 – Sunday School  
April 20 – No Sunday School  
Easter Sunday  
April 27 – Last Sunday School

VBS will be June 16-19<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
from 9:30AM-11:30AM  
For grades that were completed this past  
year: 4 year old preschool -5<sup>th</sup> grade