| ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH | IDA GROVE, IOWA |
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| Rev. Neil Wehmas, Pastor | |
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| Fourth Sunday after Easter | May 11, 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 <u>stpaulidagrove@gmail.com</u>

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

COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS for COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS FOR MAY:

Paper products: toilet paper, paper towel, garbage bags, napkins, Kleenex, etc.. 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 toilet paper, laundry soap, shampoo & conditioner, canned vegetables, canned fruits & canned soups.**

HYMN SING SUNDAYS, has returned for the summer! We would love to have you put in suggestions of your favorite hymns. Put your choices for hymns to sing in white the box in the Narthex, and they will be used as part of a worship service.

ASK THE PASTOR - LAST SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH

"Have questions to ask Pastor Wehmas? He will attempt to answer a few questions as part of the services. Submit your questions in the white box in the Narthex."

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY AND TO ALL LADIES OF THE CHURCH, in the Narthex on the table are succulents, please take one.

| SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM | SUNDAY EVENING 5:00PM | |
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| USHERS: | USHERS: | |
| ACOLYTE: SUNDAY 9 AM: Kaydee & Aubree | ACOLYTE: Ushers | |

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

| Sunday | Reading for today Galatians 1-3 and Psalm 127 | |
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| 5/11/2025 | WORSHIP SERVICE – Live Streamed | 9:00AM |
| Mother's | Fellowship | 10:15AM |
| Day | Bible Class | 5:00PM |
| | WORSHIP SERVICE | |
| Monday | Reading for today: Galatians 4-6 and Psalm 128 | |
| | Bells | 6:30PM |
| | Elders | |
| Tuesday | Reading for today: 1 Corinthians 1-3 and Psalm 129 | |
| | Church Council | |
| Wednesday | Reading for today: 1 Corinthians 4-6 and Psalm 130 | |
| | Bible Study at Zimmy's | 7:00AM |
| | Bible Study in the Conference Room | 9:30AM |
| | Praise Band Practice | 5:30PM |
| Thursday | Reading for today: 1 Corinthians 7-9 and Psalm 131 | |
| Friday | Reading for today: 1 Corinthians 10-12 and Psalm 132 | |
| Saturday | Reading for today: 1 Corinthians 13-14 and Psalm 133 | |
| Sunday | Reading for today: 1 Corinthians 15-16 and Psalm 134 | |
| 5/18/2025 | WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion-Live Streamed | 9:00AM |
| Graduation | Fellowship | 10:15AM |
| | Bible Class | 10:15-11:15AM |
| | WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion | 5:00PM |
| Offering this w | eek:\$ Attendance: Sunday Morning :149 Sunda | ay Evening:16 |

MISSION CENTRAL EVENTS! MARK YOUR CALENDARS

May 20 (Tuesday) Rev. Arthur and Deaconess Eva Rickman & family will present their work in Panama. Presentation will begin at 1:00PM

May 24 (Saturday) Rev. David Baker & family will present their work in Asia. Presentation will begin at 1:00PM

May 29 Special Ascension Service (Thursday) Rev. James and Angela Sharp & family, Puerto Rico. Meal at 5:00PM and Worship at 6:30PM

EASTER LILIES We thank you for sharing the lilies and if you would like to take home and plant, please take home.

READING

Ezekiel 34:11–16

¹¹"For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. ¹²As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice."

READING

Galatians 2:15–21; 3:10–14

¹⁵We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; ¹⁶yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified. ¹⁷But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we too were found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! ¹⁸For if I rebuild what I tore down, I prove myself to be a transgressor.¹⁹For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. ²⁰I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹I do not nullify the grace of God, for if justification were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose. . . . ¹⁰For all who rely on works of the law are under a curse; for it is written, "Cursed be everyone who does not abide by all things written in the Book of the Law, and do them." ¹¹Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law, for "The righteous shall live by faith." ¹²But the law is not of faith, rather "The one who does them shall live by them." ¹³Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree"—¹⁴so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith.

READING

John 10:11–16

¹¹[Jesus said:] "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd."



St. Paul Lutheran Church Ida Grove, Iowa May 11, 2025

In Our Thoughts Prayers

Neil Senhen Declan Conover, continued prayers Erin Nielsen Elvin Flores - 13 yr old OABCIG student with cancer

Card Shower for Virginia Linman: Virginia is going to celebrate 105 years on May 10th. If you would like to send her good wishes by sending a card, please send to Virginia Linman, 800 Byron Godbersen Dr., Ida Grove, IA 51445

Family and friends of Doug Wheeler

| Please cont | inue to pray | for healing | for those | listed below: |
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Brad Christiansen Lois Jensen 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 Bud Jepsen

May Birthdays this week:

May 4 Adrienne Chase Brandon Johnson Kaden Ladwig May 5 Journey Iversen Synda Jepsen Kollin Knudsen May 9 Helen Ladwig May 10 Bradyen Barber Cindy Jacobsen Virginia Linman May 13 Mark Bogue Myles Iversen Cordell Knudsen Marc Knudsen May 15 Neil Senhen May 18 Myrna Uhl Megan Wellendorf

May Anniversaries this week:

May 11 Gail and Christine Boysen May 16 Dean and Patty Renfro Worship Service for Sunday, May 11, 2025 9:00AM Matins p. 219

| Handbells | He's Got The Whole World | | |
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| Hymn Ge Opening Sente Psalmody Hymn | od's Own Child, I Gladly Say It LSB 594 nces | | |
| | d's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want LSB 710 | | |
| Handbells | O The Deep Deep Love of Jesus | | |
| Readings Reading Reading Reading | Ezekiel 34:11-16 Galatians 2:15-21; 3:10-14 John 10:11-16 | | |
| Responsory (Ea | ıster) | | |
| Hymn | By Grace I'm Saved LSB 566 | | |
| Sermon | | | |
| Canticle Hymn We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God LSB 941 | | | |
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| Benedicamus Benediction | | | |
| Announcements | , | | |
| Hymn | With High Delight Let Us Unite LSB 483 | | |
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Online Registration for VBS https://vbsmate.com/StPaulIdaGrove

Please see table with sign up sheets for volunteers for VBS

Paper Registrations for VBS will be by Volunteer Sign up sheets

2025 VBS REGISTRATION

Child's Name:_____ Parent's Name_____ Address: _____ Telephone: _____ Email Address: Grade camper completed as of May 2025: In case of emergency, notify: T-Shirt size Health Information: Allergies: Yes No If yes, to what? Any restrictions to physical activity? Yes No If yes, explain: Any behavior issues we should know about List who is authorized to pick up your child?

May photos be taken of your child?YesNoAuthorization for Participation:

I hereby give permission for my child to participate in any activity or trips planned by the Camp VBS staff and congregation. I also authorize delivery of necessary emergency care by available medical personnel.