

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.*

2026 MONTHLY SCRIPTURE READING CALENDAR – SEPTEMBER 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.

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.**

BOARD OF EDUCATION is looking for a second teacher for the middle school 6th -8th for Sunday School 10:30-11:30AM. Please let Tracy Johnson or Shelbi Conover know if you are interested in helping. We are also looking for substitute teachers for Sunday School and for Wednesday classes, from 5:30-6:30PM

PRAISE BAND High school students and adults — do you sing or play an instrument? Come be part of our Praise Band! **Rehearsals:** Wednesdays, date and time to be announced **First Service:** Sunday, September 13 Interested? Contact Tammy Hoffman or show up for practice on Wed. Sept. 9

BELL CHOIR if you are considering learning a new talent or sharing your existing musical talent. If you are interested in joining us, have questions, or would like to give ringing a try, watch for more details as to when practices will begin. If interested or have questions talk with Trisha Hoffman

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

Saturday 8/29/26	WORSHIP	5:00PM
Sunday 8/30/26	WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion – Live Streamed	9:00AM
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	Bible Study at Jimmy’s Bible Study Circle 10 at Willowdale 7 th & 8 th Grade Catechism begins Women’s Bible Study – Everlasting – Peaks, Valleys & Grace in the Psalms in the Fellowship Hall	7:00AM 9:30AM 2:00PM 5:30-6:30PM 6:30PM
Thursday	Circle 2 Circle 3 Circle 12 at Golden Horizons Bible Study -Lutheran Confessions with Pastor Neil	1:00PM 1:30PM 7:00PM 7:00PM
Friday		
Saturday 9/5/26	WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion	5:00PM
Sunday 9/6/26	WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion – Live Streamed	9:00AM
Monday	Church Office Closed	

Offering this week: Attendance: Saturday Evening: 39 Sunday Morning: 145

HEAVENLY HOME It has pleased God Almighty to call to Himself in heaven, Curly Kruse. His service was this past Wednesday and we keep his family in our prayers.

7th & 8th GRADE CATECHISM CLASSES will begin on Wednesday, September 2 from 5:30-6:30PM. *Parents please check email for sign up genius for schedule to sign up when you can help.

HOLY COMMUNION STARTING IN SEPTEMBER we will have Communion every weekend at both Saturday and Sunday Worship Services.

LWML FALL RETREAT at Perry Lutheran Homes, Perry, Iowa on Saturday, September 19 from 10:00AM-2:00PM. Registration is \$15.00,, Registration forms are on the narrow table in the Narthex and deadline for registration is Wednesday, September 9th.

WEDNESDAY CROSS EXPLORATIONS (MIDWEEK CLASSES) for grades 3rd - 8th

PLEASE NOTE our time change for this year 5:30-6:30PM.

There will be no snack time, when kids arrive they will go directly to class when they come at 5:30PM

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THE FIRST HIGHWAY OF THE YEAR (for grades 9th -12th) will be on Wednesday, September 2 at 6:30PM at Moorehead Park. Shelter House by the pond. Time for Fellowship, supper & smores. Bring a friend.

3rd - 6th GRADES will begin on Wednesday, September 9th

RALLY DAY FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL will start on Sunday, September 13 and Sunday School this year will be from 10:30AM-11:30AM

LWML MAPLETON ZONE FALL RALLY will be at St. John's Lutheran Church, Battle Creek on Wednesday, September 23. Registration will be at 5:00PM with a salad dinner. Speaker will be Gary Thies, he will speak at 5:30PM. Executive Board meeting to follow.

NEW BIBLE STUDY, READING THE BIBLE AND THE LUTHERAN CONFESSIONS WITH PASTOR NEIL, has started and you can join in on ANY Thursday at 7:00PM, will be every Thursday and on the 4th Thursday he will be going through the Book of Concord. It is not necessary to have the Book of Concord to join in this Bible Study as it will only be used on the 4th Thursday. if you would want to purchase one, we can order for you. We will have a sign up sheet available on the Welcome Center for us to order Book of Concord through CPH, if you are wanting one, paperback version and hardback versions available or there is a free download for the Book of Concord <https://bookofconcord.cph.org/> A copy of the Book of Concord is available on the wooden stand in the Narthex by stained glass window, for you to look at. This Bible Study is open to anyone and any age.

UPCOMING MISSION CENTRAL EVENTS!

- September 19, 2026 - Stan and Dana Stigdon - Dominican Republic - 1:00 pm

COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS FORCOMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS FOR
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St. Paul Lutheran Church
Ida Grove, Iowa

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In Our Thoughts Prayers

Makayla Bell, Iowa City Hospital, returned to hospital with fever

Jeri Skaren, Creighton, recovery from stroke, daughter in law of Marilyn Skaren

Cameron Sharkey- OLI in Omaha a next step rehab for his continued recovery from Guillain Barre syndrome, Cameron continues to improve but can still use our prayers and encouragement, cards can be sent to 2775 Noble Ave, Ida Grove

Ken Wehmas -continued prayers are appreciated, father of Pastor Wehmas

Matt Wunschel - prayers

Tiffany Lindberg - continued prayers

Declan Conover, continued prayers

Abby Hamann -home, continued prayers for healing and recovery from surgeries sustained in an automobile accident, great niece of Peggy Fick

Jim Petersen, recovering from stroke, brother of Nancy Schoen

Chuck Witte, prayers to be able to have upcoming heart surgery

Julie Kollbaum, prayers for healing and strength from fall

Family and friends of Curly Kruse, we keep them in our prayers

Continued Prayer list

Please continue to pray for healing for those listed below:

Troy Bennigsdorf Erin Nielsen Shirley Havener Jolene Ladwig

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 Mary Riggs Crystal Schoenherr Lance Barnum

Christopher Lee Jerry Irwin Brad Christiansen Susan Boland

Stella Feddersen Lainey Hemer

Prayers for those who are currently deployed:

JJ Brown

Worship Service for Sunday, August 30, 2026

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Hymn Baptized into Your Name Most Holy LSB 590
Invocation

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 15:15-21
Epistle Reading Romans 15:4-13
Alleluia and Verse
Holy Gospel Matthew 16:21-28

Offering
Hymn Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus LSB 531

Sermon

Nicene Creed

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament p. 160

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Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

Agnus Dei

Distribution

Hymn O Love, How Deep LSB 544 v. 1-6

Hymn O Lord, We Praise Thee LSB 617

Hymn In the Cross of Christ I Glory LSB 427

The Dismissal

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Post-Communion Collect

Benediction

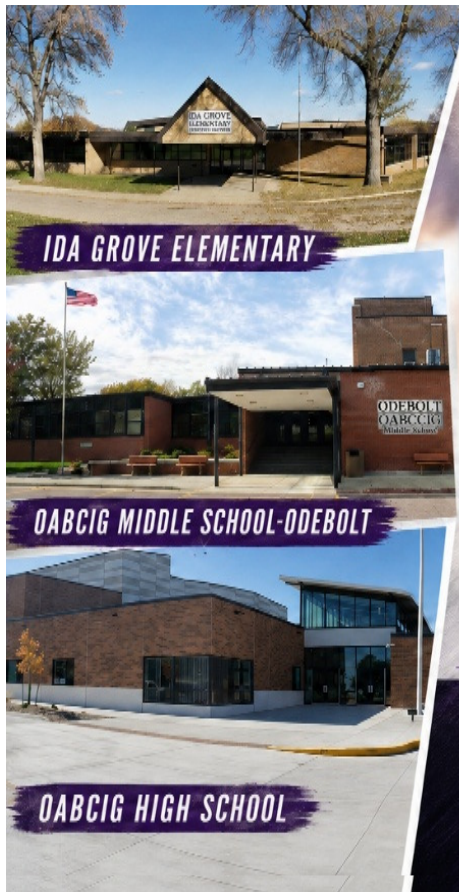
Announcements

Hymn Jesus, Lead Thou On LSB 718

ST. PAUL YOUTH MUM FUNDRAISER, St. Paul Youth is partnering with Ida Grove Hardware to sell mums, cost is \$30 per mum and colors include red, white, pink, yellow, orange. See order sheet in Narthex if you haven't been contacted by a youth. Payment is due at time of ordering leave in envelope or with the church office. **Deadline is Sept. 12** and pick up will be here at the church on **September 16th.**

YOU'RE INVITED to Celebrate for two milestones, a special birthday and retirement for Karen Lichtenberg on Friday, September 11th from 2:00-5:00PM at the Gathering Place, 412 Second St. Ida Grove.

YOU'RE INVITED to Celebrate a Milestone with Darrell Bennigsdorf's 90th Birthday on **September 19 from 1:00-4:00PM at the Conservation Center in Moorehead Park, Ida Grove.** Cake and Ice Cream will be served, along with some laughter. No Gifts!! Just come and celebrate !!



IDA GROVE ELEMENTARY

OABCIG MIDDLE SCHOOL-ODEBOLT

OABCIG HIGH SCHOOL

INSPIRE Our Schools

Pray for the schools of OABCIG
as a new school year begins.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30TH @6:30PM

*All members of
the community are invited.*

“I urge that supplications, prayers,
intercessions, and thanksgivings be
made for all people.”

1 TIMOTHY 2:1

