

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.*

“THE WHOLE STORY” reading the Bible in a year for 2025 – get your monthly calendar for daily readings, **August Reading Calendar available on the Welcome Center.** Also if you are wanting or needing previous months reading Calendar they are on the Welcome Center in the RED FOLDER. We are over half way through our year! Keep with it and if you get behind there are calendars available or as Pastor Neil said just continue on from TODAY.

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

9:00AM SERVICES LIVE STREAMED

FACEBOOK <https://www.facebook.com/StPaulIdaGrove>

AND we also have YOU TUBE

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGP3Yq7sCQ0FyKG1thQOehg?view_as=subscriber

BOARD OF EDUCATION is looking for / in need of the positions listed below:

A teacher / leader for the middle school 6th -8th for Sunday School 10:15-11:15AM. Please let Tracy Johnson or Megan Wellendorf know if you are interested in helping.

Superintendent for Wednesday, Cross Explorations from 4:00-5:00/5:15PM, if possible on Early Out days which will be right after school at 1:30-2:30PM.

Substitute Teachers for Wednesday, Cross Explorations and also Sunday School

There is a sign up sheet on the Welcome Center if interested and indicate what you are interested in and your phone number OR let Tracy Johnson or Megan Wellendorf know.
SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM **SUNDAY EVENING 5:00PM**

USHERS:

ACOLYTE: SUNDAY 9 AM: Gemma

USHERS:

ACOLYTE: Ushers

STARTING SEPTEMBER 6, 2025 WE WILL RETURN TO SATURDAY WORSHIP AT 5:00PM. We will have Communion on 2nd and 4th Saturdays (and 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays) At that time, there will no longer be a Sunday evening service.

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday 8/24/2025	Reading for today Jeremiah 25-27 WORSHIP SERVICE – Live Streamed Backpack blessing Bible Class WORSHIP SERVICE	9:00AM 10:15AM 5:00PM
Monday	Reading for today: Jeremiah 28-30 School starts for OABCIG and Ridge View	
Tuesday	Reading for today: Jeremiah 31-33	
Wednesday	Reading for today: Jeremiah 34-36 Bible Study at Jimmy’s Bible Study Praise Band Practice Orientation for 7th & 8th Grade Catechism	7:00AM 9:30AM 5:00PM 6:00PM
Thursday	Reading for today: Jeremiah 37-39	
Friday	Reading for today: Jeremiah 40-42	
Saturday	Reading for today: Jeremiah 43-45	
Sunday 8/31/2025	Reading for today: Jeremiah 46-48 WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion - Live Streamed Bible Class WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion	9:00AM 10:15AM 5:00PM
Monday	Church Office Closed in observance of Labor Day	

Offering this week:\$

Attendance: Sunday Morning:115

Sunday Evening: 14



Join the Praise Band!



High school students and adults — do you sing or play an instrument? Come be part of our Praise Band!

Rehearsals: Wednesdays, August 27 & September 3 at 5:00 PM

First Service: Sunday, September 7

Interested? Contact Tammy Hoffman 515-290-5167 or see us after the service.

Let’s worship together through music!

Reading

Jeremiah 29:1–14

¹These are the words of the letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem to the

surviving elders of the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. ²This was after King Jeconiah and the queen mother, the eunuchs, the officials of Judah and Jerusalem, the craftsmen, and the metal workers had departed from Jerusalem. ³The letter was sent by the hand of Elasah the son of Shaphan and Gemariah the son of Hilkiah, whom Zedekiah king of Judah sent to Babylon to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon. It said: ⁴“Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat their produce. ⁶Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. ⁷But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. ⁸For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let your prophets and your diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams that they dream, ⁹for it is a lie that they are prophesying to you in my name; I did not send them, declares the LORD. ¹⁰“For thus says the LORD: When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place. ¹¹For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for wholeness and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. ¹²Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. ¹³You will seek me and find me. When you seek me with all your heart, ¹⁴I will be found by you, declares the LORD, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, declares the LORD, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

Reading

Luke 19:41–48

⁴¹When [Jesus] drew near and saw the city, he wept over it, ⁴²saying, “Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. ⁴³For the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade around you and surround you and hem you in on every side ⁴⁴and tear you down to the ground, you and your children within you. And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know the time of your visitation.” ⁴⁵And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold, ⁴⁶saying to them, “It is written, ‘My house shall be a house of prayer,’ but you have made it a den of robbers.” ⁴⁷And he was teaching daily in the temple. The chief priests and the scribes and the principal men of the people were seeking to destroy him, ⁴⁸but they did not find anything they could do, for all the people were hanging on his words.



**Sunday Worship Service
St. Paul Lutheran Church
August 24, 2025**

In Our Thoughts Prayers

Continued Prayers for:

Declan Conover

Makayla Bell

Recovery & healing for Dean Miles, from knee surgery

80th Birthday wishes Susan Streck on August 25

90th Birthday wishes Pearl Schultz on August 26

She is having a Birthday celebration on August 23 at the Battle Creek Fire Station from 1-3pm or you can send her a card at Golden Horizons 800 Byron Godbersen Dr. Ida Grove

Family and friends of Carol Bresnahan

Deployment :

Benton Phillips, son of Pat & Kriss Phillips

Jerico Trucke, grandson of Marilyn Skaren

Scottie Neubauer

Jay Schoen nephew of Nancy & Kendall Schoen

Dathan Loger

Danny Vogel - son of Pastor Dan Vogel

If you have a family member or friend who is recently deployed, or has been deployed please let the church office know and we will add them to the prayer list

Please continue to pray for healing for those listed below:

Erin Nielsen Misti Baker Lois Jensen Shirley Havener

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 Trisha McCormick Tiffany Lindberg

Mary Riggs Rhett Leonard Elvin Flores

August Birthdays this week:

August 24 Ryan Brookbank Marelle Knudsen

Zach Montgomery

August 25 Ed Nelson Bethany Rehse Susan Streck

August 26 Kaydee Frank Pearl Schultz

August 27 Lin Jensen Kiera Ladwig Pastor Neil Wehmas

August 29 Katey Fritz Kelly Hoffman

August 30 Austin Petersen Karen Salmon

August Anniversaries this week:

August 25 Dan & Marilyn Dose

Jeremiah & April Reitz

August 27 Clinton & Jennifer Bieret

August 28 Shayne & Danika Hinkeldey

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. Their target date to get things in place would be September 1 and they will have more details prior to then.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: As part of the video system upgrade, we have to pull new cables to the various locations (cable is here). We will need helpers that can work on ladders or scaffolding to help with the process. Please let Dennis Clausen, Brad Zobel or David Petersen know if you can help. We will be preparing a work schedule in the next few days. Thank you.

PLASTIC CONTAINERS or the quart size(oval) ice cream containers or cool whip containers, our "stash" is getting low if you would like to get rid of, we would be glad to take them off your hands, you can drop them off at the church office.

LWML MITE BOX, is available on the narrow table in the narthex, if you need somewhere for your spare change to go, the LWML Mite Box is on the table in the Narthex, "MITES" go to help various organizations and missions. Mite Boxes are available by the box as well for you to take home if you don't have one. Shar has a poster on display of where your Mites would go.

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN: The Iowa West Branch of Orphan Grain Train will be loading a container on Tuesday morning, August 26th, starting at 9 A.M. Any volunteers will be greatly appreciated. We are normally done loading before noon. This load will be going to a missionary in Ukraine.

ADULT SERMON NOTES if you would like to take your own "sermon notes" during a worship service they are located on the table by the white boxes and the confirmands sermon notes.

COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS for **COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS FOR AUGUST:** Baking items: flour, cane sugar, cake mixes, frosting, baking soda/powder, brown sugar, 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.**

AUDIO VIDEO UPDATING/REPLACEMENT was voted upon to pursue the replacement/updating of the Audio / Video equipment, due to some of the equipment becoming out of date, hard to replace and some that currently isn't working properly. If you would like to help with fundraising, you can donate to the Audio Video fund to help with the expenses of the updating.

**Get your suggestions and questions in now as we will do
September yet**

ASK THE PASTOR - "Have questions to ask Pastor Wehmas? He will attempt to answer a few questions as part of the service. **Submit your questions in the white box in the Narthex.**

HYMN SING SUNDAY so get your suggestions for Hymns in the white box on the table in the Narthex

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Hymn Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation LSB 909

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Blessing of the Backpacks

Readings

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Hymn The Church's One Foundation LSB 644 v. 1-5

Sermon

Youth Gathering Presentation

Hymn Saints, See the Cloud of Witnesses LSB 667

Kyrie

Lord's Prayer

Collects

Collect of the Day

Additional Petitions

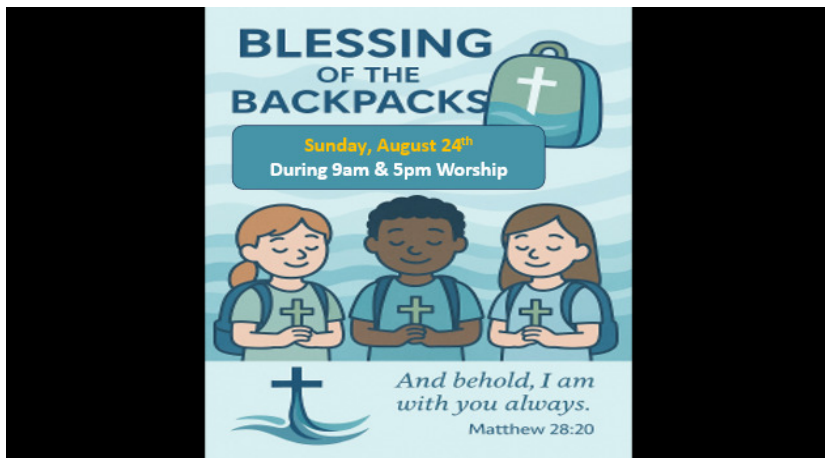
Collect for Grace

Benedicamus

Benediction

Announcements

Hymn Christ, the Word of God Incarnate LSB 540 v. 1-4



Rally Day September 14th



Sunday School starts

on September 14th at 10:15

Children ages 4 yr old Preschool-
12th grade welcome

6th-8th - Middle School Youth Room

9th-12th - High School Youth Room



Cross Explorations

starts

September 3rd

4-5:15pm for 6th/7th/8th grades

4-5pm for 3rd-5th

