

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The Baptism of Our Lord

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.*

DAILY CHAPEL SERVICES has resumed at 4:30PM – please note the time change and will meet Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays

“**THE WHOLE STORY**” reading the Bible in a year for 2025 – get your monthly calendar for daily readings, January 2025 calendars available on the Welcome Center.

FLAT JESUS We encourage everyone (all ages) who got a Flat Jesus and 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. We also encourage you to have Flat Jesus with you as you read through the Bible this next year. Take him with you any time you’re out having lunch, dinner, driving, etc..If you would like to take a picture of him by your Bible, Tablet, computer or at your lunch table, dinner table, or car, etc.. 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

**** We ordered more Flat Jesus if you didn’t get one yet, or want to give him to someone.**

JANUARY OFFERING In order to help with the overall flow and length of the worship service. Starting on January 5th, we will be collecting the offering via the offering boxes in the Narthex. There will be no in-service offering collection. The main wooden offering box will still be available on the Welcome Center, there will be boxes available by each door that enters the Sanctuary.

NEW MEMBER CLASS will be starting **January 12 at 3:30PM**, if you are interested let the church office know 364-2918 or stpaulidagrove@gmail.com This is for any age, if you did not complete 8th grade confirmation class, or even you would just like to attend to “brush up” on your Catechism, etc. If you are interested in membership here at St. Paul Lutheran, please talk with Pastor Neil after Worship on Sunday, email church, call, or come to this class and talk with Pastor then.

HELP FOR MOBILE FOOD PANTRY ON January 16 at the Methodist Church. If you’re able to help, with filling a box or carrying a box, it would be appreciated, The Ida Grove Methodist Church has also specifically asked if our youth would be able to help as well 3:15PM is when they asked for our volunteers to be there.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM

USHERS: Judy Winterrowd & Peggy Fick

ACOLYTE: SUNDAY 9 AM: Briaunna & Preston

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP 5:00PM

USHERS:

ACOLYTE: Ushers

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday 1/12/2025	WORSHIP SERVICE – Live Streamed Fellowship youth will serve pancakes and sausage Sunday School & High School Bible Class WORSHIP SERVICE Reading for today Mark 12 and Psalm 12	9:00AM 10:15AM 10:15-11:15AM 10:30-11:15AM 5:00PM
Monday	Reading for today: Mark 13 and Psalm 13 Bells Elders	6:30PM 7:00PM
Tuesday	Reading for today: Mark 14 and Psalm 14 Daily Chapel Church Council	4:30PM 7:00PM
Wednesday	Reading for today: Mark 15 -16 and Psalm 15 Bible Study at Jimmy’s Bible Study Cross Explorations – grades 3 rd – 5 th Catechism (Confirmation) grades 6 th – 8 th The Highway (9 th -12 th)	7:00AM 9:30AM 4:00-5:00PM 4:00-5:15PM 7:00-8:30PM
Thursday	Reading for today: Genesis 1-3 and Psalm 16 Daily Chapel	4:30PM
Friday	Reading for today: Genesis 4-6 and Psalm 17 Daily Chapel	4:30PM
Saturday	Reading for today: Genesis 7-9 and Psalm 18	
Sunday 1/19/2025	WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion – Live Streamed Fellowship Sunday School, High School Bible Class New Member Class WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion Reading for today: Genesis 10-12 and Psalm 19	9:00AM 10:15AM 10:15-11:15AM 10:30-11:15AM 3:30PM 5:00PM

Offering this week: Attendance Sunday Morning: 139 Sunday Evening: 20

COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS for JANUARY: Baking items: flour, cane sugar, brown sugar, baking soda/powder, cake mix, frosting, 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 3rd Thursday), from 2:30-5:30PM. ****They can always use toilet paper, laundry soap, shampoo & conditioner, canned vegetables, canned fruits & canned soups. Mobile Food Pantry: Ida Grove Methodist Church, on Thursday, January 16 from 4:30-5:30PM.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 8:6–13

⁶Then the priests brought the ark of the covenant of the LORD to its place in the inner sanctuary of the house, in the Most Holy Place, underneath the wings of the cherubim. ⁷For the cherubim spread out their wings over the place of the ark, so that the cherubim overshadowed the ark and its poles. ⁸And the poles were so long that the ends of the poles were seen from the Holy Place before the inner sanctuary; but they could not be seen from outside. And they are there to this day. ⁹There was nothing in the ark except the two tablets of stone that Moses put there at Horeb, where the LORD made a covenant with the people of Israel, when they came out of the land of Egypt. ¹⁰And when the priests came out of the Holy Place, a cloud filled the house of the LORD, ¹¹so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud, for the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD. ¹²Then Solomon said, “The LORD has said that he would dwell in thick darkness. ¹³I have indeed built you an exalted house, a place for you to dwell in forever.”

EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 1:26–31

²⁶For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. ³¹Therefore, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 11:12–14, 20–25

¹²On the following day, when they came from Bethany, he was hungry. ¹³And seeing in the distance a fig tree in leaf, he went to see if he could find anything on it. When he came to it, he found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season for figs. ¹⁴And he said to it, “May no one ever eat fruit from you again.” And his disciples heard it. ²⁰As they passed by in the morning, they saw the fig tree withered away to its roots. ²¹And Peter remembered and said to him, “Rabbi, look! The fig tree that you cursed has withered.” ²²And Jesus answered them, “Have faith in God. ²³Truly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be taken up and thrown into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says will come to pass, it will be done for him. ²⁴Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. ²⁵And whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father also who is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses



**St. Paul Lutheran Church
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In Our Thoughts Prayers

Angela Goodman- recovery / healing from surgery

Declan Conover

Jeff Rasmussen

Russ Bennigsdorf - healing and strength from fall

Dan Hoffman - home - recovery from heart surgery

Ann Sears - healing from surgery for broken wrist

Brandi Crawford - continued recovery/rehab

Family and friends of Victor Zobel

Also prayers for the Zobel family as, Victor had lost his great grandson, last week from a head on car accident in California.

We keep the family of Zach Phelps, grandson of Karla Zobel Phelps, Victor's daughter

Family and friends of Elaine Strong

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

Greg Lewiston Ashley Collins Trisha McCormick

David Johnson Mary Riggs Jared Lund Bud Jepsen

January Birthdays this week:

Jan. 11 Mailia Lansink Karen Petersen

Jan. 12 Charlie Miller-West

Jan. 15 Judy Schimmer

Jan. 17 Nathan Arbegast Allyson Iversen Beth Wolterman

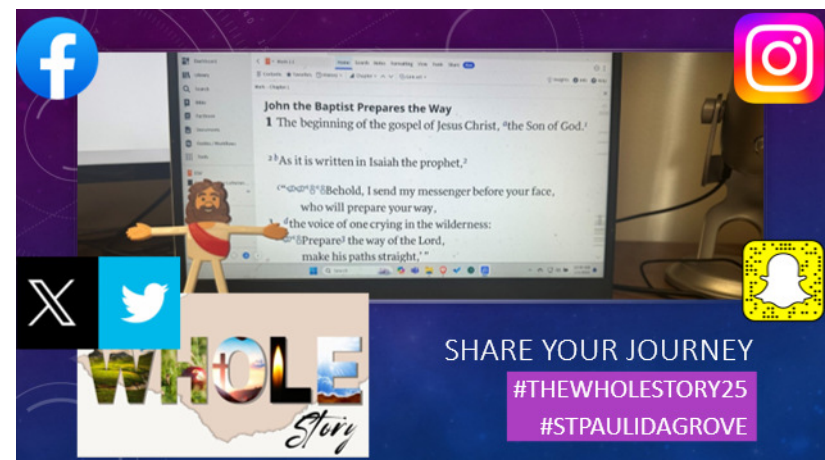
Jan. 18 Joan Petersen

Jan. 19 Chance Buns

January Anniversaries this week

Jan. 17 Dale & Brenda Schumacher

THANK YOU Thank you to everyone for the cards and gifts at this time of Christmas. It is much appreciated. A merry Christmas and Happy New Year. -Pastor Neil Wehmas



When you post on your personal Facebook, Twitter, Instagram or Snapchat Use the #thewholestory25 and #stpaulidagrove

LADIES OF CIRCLE 2 would like to say a **BIG THANK YOU** to Kelly Hoffman, Nancy Ford, Dean Hammer and Diane Bremer for their tremendous help in taking down and putting away the nativity sets and display ladders. We appreciate your assistance, from the members of Circle 2.

**Worship Service for Sunday, January 12, 2025
9:00AM**

Invocation

Confession and Absolution

Song

Offering

Psalm 11

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

Song

Everlasting

God

Reading

Isaiah 42:1-7

Reading

Romans 12:1-5

Apostles' Creed

Children's Message

Song

Graves Into Gardens

Sermon

Sermon Text

Mark 11:12-25

Prayer of the Church

Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Announcements

Song

Shine, Jesus Shine