

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM
USHERS: Judy Winterrowd & Peggy Fick
ACOLYTE: SUNDAY 9 AM: Gemma

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP 5:00PM
USHERS:
ACOLYTE: Ushers

Second Sunday after Epiphany

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 have resumed, and chapel is 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. The February calendar is now 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.**

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.**

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday 1/19/2025	WORSHIP SERVICE – Live Streamed Fellowship youth will serve pancakes and sausage Sunday School & High School Bible Class WORSHIP SERVICE Reading for today Genesis 10-12 and Psalm 19	9:00AM 10:15AM 10:15-11:15AM 10:30-11:15AM 5:00PM
Monday	Reading for today: Genesis 13-15 and Psalm 20 Bells	6:30PM
Tuesday	Reading for today: Genesis 16-18 and Psalm 21 Daily Chapel	4:30PM
Wednesday	Reading for today: Genesis 19-21 and Psalm 22 Bible Study at Jimmy’s Bible Study Cross Explorations – grades 3 rd – 5 th Catechism (Confirmation) grades 6 th – 8 th Praise Band Practice	7:00AM 9:30AM 4:00-5:00PM 4:00-5:15PM 5:30PM
Thursday	Reading for today: Genesis 22-24 and Psalm 23 Daily Chapel	4:30PM
Friday	Reading for today: Genesis 25-27 and Psalm 24 Daily Chapel	4:30PM
Saturday	Reading for today: Genesis 28-30 and Psalm 25	
Sunday 1/26/2025	WORSHIP SERVICE – Live Streamed Fellowship Sunday School, High School Bible Class New Member Class WORSHIP SERVICE Reading for today: Genesis 31-33 and Psalm 26	9:00AM 10:15AM 10:15-11:15AM 10:30-11:15AM 3:30PM 5:00PM

Offering this week: Attendance Sunday Morning: 159 Sunday Evening: 11

NEW MEMBER CLASS has started on Sunday’s 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.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 8:13–22

¹³In the six hundred and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried from off the earth. And Noah removed the covering of the ark and looked, and behold, the face of the ground was dry. ¹⁴In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth had dried out. ¹⁵Then God said to Noah, ¹⁶“Go out from the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons’ wives with you. ¹⁷Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh—birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth—that they may swarm on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.” ¹⁸So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons’ wives with him. ¹⁹Every beast, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out by families from the ark. ²⁰Then Noah built an altar to the LORD and took some of every clean animal and some of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. ²¹And when the LORD smelled the pleasing aroma, the LORD said in his heart, “I will never again curse the ground because of man, for the intention of man’s heart is evil from his youth. Neither will I ever again strike down every living creature as I have done. ²²While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease.”

EPISTLE

Ephesians 5:22–33

²²Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. ²⁴Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands. ²⁵Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, ²⁶that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. ²⁸In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰because we are members of his body. ³¹“Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” ³²This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. ³³However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 2:1–11

¹On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. ³When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” ⁴And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come.” ⁵His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.” ⁶Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸And he said to them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast.” So they took it. ⁹When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now.” ¹¹This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.



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In Our Thoughts Prayers

Lodean Korner

Jeff Rasmussen

Sandy Schreiber

Misti Baker

Angela Goodman- recovery / healing from surgery

Declan Conover

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 at home

Family and friends of Victor Zobel

Visitation will be at the Christensen-Van Houten funeral home on Sunday, from 2:00-5:00PM. Funeral service will be Monday, January 20 at 10:30AM, here at St. Paul.

Also prayers for the Zobel family as, Victor had lost his great grandson, from a head on car accident in California. We keep the family of Zach Phelps, grandson of Karla Zobel Phelps, Victor's daughter, in our prayers as well.

Family and friends of Betty Jensen, mother of Monte Jensen

Please continue to pray for healing for those listed below:

Erin Nielsen Lois Jensen George Weir Shirley Havener

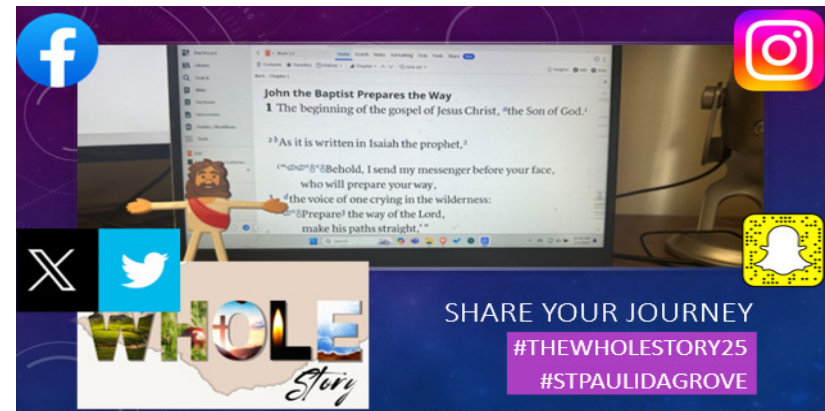
Jolene Ladwig Makayla Bell Stella Turnbull Austin Mollhoff

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 Tiffany Lindberg

David Johnson Mary Riggs Jared Lund Bud Jepsen



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January Birthdays this week:

Jan. 18 Joan Petersen

Jan. 19 Chance Buns

Jan. 21 Aaron Hoffman Evelyn Miesner

Jan. 23 Jon Devitt

Jan. 25 Mary Bennett

Jan. 26 Brynn Ernst

January Anniversaries this week

Jan. 21 James & Cindy Hausman

Jan. 24 Dale & Sandy Ullrich