

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Third 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 share with someone.**

HEAVENLY HOME It has pleased God Almighty to call to Himself in heaven, Victor Zobel, his funeral service was on Monday, January 20. We keep his family in our prayers.

HEAVENLY HOME It has pleased God Almighty to call to Himself in heaven, Sandy Schreiber, her funeral service was on Saturday, January 25. We keep her family in our prayers.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM

USHERS: Judy Winterrowd & Peggy Fick

ACOLYTE: SUNDAY 9 AM:

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP 5:00PM

USHERS:

ACOLYTE: Ushers

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

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
Monday	Reading for today: Genesis 34-36 and Psalm 27 Bells	6:30PM
Tuesday	Reading for today: Genesis 37-39 and Psalm 28 Daily Chapel	4:30PM
Wednesday	Reading for today: Genesis 40-42 and Psalm 29 Bible Study at Jimmy’s Bible Study Cross Explorations – grades 3 rd – 5 th Catechism (Confirmation) grades 6 th – 8 th	7:00AM 9:30AM 4:00-5:00PM 4:00-5:15PM
Thursday	Reading for today: Genesis 43-45 and Psalm 30 Daily Chapel	4:30PM
Friday	Reading for today: Genesis 46-48 and Psalm 31 Daily Chapel	4:30PM
Saturday	Reading for today: Genesis 49-50 and Psalm 32	
Sunday 2/2/2025	WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion – Live Streamed Fellowship - serving Pancakes & sausage by Youth Sunday School, High School Bible Class New Member Class WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion Reading for today: Job 1-3 and Psalm 33	9:00AM 10:15AM 10:15-11:15AM 10:30-11:15AM 3:30PM 5:00PM

Offering this week: Attendance Sunday Morning: 121 Sunday Evening: 12

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 28:10–17

¹⁰Jacob left Beersheba and went toward Haran. ¹¹And he came to a certain place and stayed there that night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place to sleep. ¹²And he dreamed, and behold, there was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven. And behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it! ¹³And behold, the LORD stood above it and said, “I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. The land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring. ¹⁴Your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed. ¹⁵Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land. For I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.” ¹⁶Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, “Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it.” ¹⁷And he was afraid and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.”

EPISTLE

Romans 1:8–17

⁸First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed in all the world. ⁹For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing I mention you ¹⁰always in my prayers, asking that somehow by God’s will I may now at last succeed in coming to you. ¹¹For I long to see you, that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to strengthen you—¹²that is, that we may be mutually encouraged by each other’s faith, both yours and mine. ¹³I want you to know, brothers, that I have often intended to come to you (but thus far have been prevented), in order that I may reap some harvest among you as well as among the rest of the Gentiles. ¹⁴I am under obligation both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish. ¹⁵So I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome. ¹⁶For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, “The righteous shall live by faith.”

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 8:1–13

¹When [Jesus] came down from the mountain, great crowds followed him. ²And behold, a leper came to him and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, if you will, you can make me clean.” ³And Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, saying, “I will; be clean.” And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. ⁴And Jesus said to him, “See that you say nothing to anyone, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a proof to them.” ⁵When he entered Capernaum, a centurion came forward to him, appealing to him, ⁶“Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, suffering terribly.” ⁷And he said to him, “I will come and heal him.” ⁸But the centurion replied, “Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof, but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. ⁹For I too am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. And I say to one, ‘Go,’ and he goes, and to another, ‘Come,’ and he comes, and to my servant, ‘Do this,’ and he does it.” ¹⁰When Jesus heard this, he marveled and said to those who followed him, “Truly, I tell you, with no one in Israel have I found such faith. ¹¹I tell you, many will come from east and west and recline at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, ¹²while the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” ¹³And to the centurion Jesus said, “Go; let it be done for you as you have believed.” And the servant was healed at that very moment.



**St. Paul Lutheran Church
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In Our Thoughts Prayers

Lodean Korner - Horn

Russ Bennigsdorf - Horn

Jeff Rasmussen

Declan Conover - upcoming tests on January 29

Angela Goodman- recovery / healing from surgery

Ann Sears - healing from surgery for broken wrist

Brandi Crawford - continued recovery at home

Jeremy Bainbridge - recovery from neck surgery

Family and friends of Sandy Schreiber

Family and friends of Victor Zobel

Family and friends of Dr. Leo "Doc" Samson

Prayers for California residents with continuing fires

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

January & February Birthdays this week:

Jan. 26 Brynn Ernst

Jan. 27 Marilyn Dose Keith Hausman Janelle Moser

Jan. 28 Alex Bogue Creighton Cadwell Anna Hoffman
Ella Hoffman Julie Kollbaum

Jan. 29 Karen Frank Jack Gilbert Linda Kruse Sheila Redenius

Jan. 30 Sophia Buns

Jan. 31 Arielle Wolterman

Feb. 1 Aubree Frank Kent Krager Kenny Streck
Aubree Zimmerman

Feb. 2 Sherry Smith

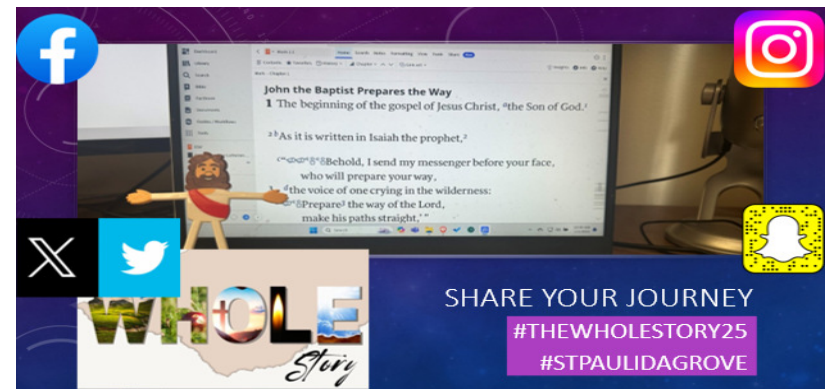
January Anniversaries this week

Jan. 21 James & Cindy Hausman

Jan. 24 Dale & Sandy Ullrich

Jan. 27 Jon & Robyn Devitt

Jan. 31 Bret & Linda Warnke



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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.**

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.

Worship Service for Sunday, January 26, 2025
9:00AM

Song It is You

Opening Versicles
Exhortation
Confession of Sins

Song How Great Thou Art

Sermon

Song What A Beautiful Name

Readings
Psalm 25:1-10 *Psalm 25:1-10; antiphon: v. 14*

Reading Romans 1:8-17
Reading Matthew 8:1-13

Apostles' Creed

Lord's Prayer

Reading Genesis 28:10-17

Prayer

Collect of the Day
Collect for the Word

Morning Prayer

Blessing

Song Shine, Jesus Shine

JR High and SR High Youth Pancake and Sausage Breakfast



**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2025
SERVING IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
FOLLOWING WORSHIP SERVICE**

Come and enjoy breakfast !

FREE WILL OFFERING

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YEARLY GATHERINGS AND NATIONAL YOUTH
GATHERING**