#### ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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364-2918

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November 17, 2024

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.

**NATIVITY DISPLAY** This year the ladies would like to invite you, your friends or any groups to come and enjoy our many nativity sets, during the week from **9:00-4:00pm**, from **December 4-December 22**<sup>nd</sup>. We know everyone is busy to come for just a one-day open house so they decided to spread it out over the month – the lights will be on and enjoy Christmas music while you view the nativities.

**BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION** for Dorla Schuett on **Sunday, November 17** from 1:00-4:00PM at The Gathering Place on Second, you can also mail cards to Dorla Schuett at 404 First St., Apt. 9 Battle Creek, IA 51006

## CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday	WORSHIP SERVICE w/ Communion - Live Streamed	9:00AM
11/17/24	VOTERS' MEETING	10:30AM
	Bible Class, Sunday School & High School Youth	10:15-11:15AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion	5:00PM
Monday	Bells	6:30PM
Tuesday	LWML Bible Study Leaders meeting	1:00PM
-	LWML Exec. Board meeting	4:30PM
Wednesday	Bible Study at Zimmy's	7:00AM
•	Bible Study	9:30AM
	Cross Explorations – grades 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5th	4:00-5:00PM
	Catechism (Confirmation) grades 6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup>	4:00-5:15PM
	The HighWay Youth (9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> )	7:00PM
Thursday	Willowdale	2:00PM
•	More than Bread Bible Study at Subway	6:00PM
Sunday	WORSHIP SERVICE - Live Streamed	9:00AM
11/24/24	Fellowship	10:15AM
	Bible Class, Sunday School, High School Youth	10:15-11:15AM
	PORCH POTS (sessions are now full)	1-3 & 3-5PM
	WORSHIP SERVICE	5:00PM

Offering this week:\$

Attendance Sunday Morning:

Sunday Evening:

#### **OUR WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP 5:00PM

USHERS: USHERS: Marge & Kelly

ACOLYTE: Sun 9 AM: Kynleigh ACOLYTE: Ushers

FREE WILL OFFERING FOR THANKSGIVING MEAT CERTIFICATES for Mid Sioux. We will take a free will offering during the announcements, a container is also available on the Welcome Center.

VOTERS' MEETING / 2024 BUDGET APPROVAL, proposal of being a vicarage congregation, nominees for delegate for District Convention, nominees for District President, Vice President, etc., will be on Sunday, November 17 at 10:30AM, see enclosed agenda, if you would like to look at 2025 budget is available on the Welcome Center.

HORN HOSPICE TREE OF LIGHTS on Sunday, November 17 at 4:00PM at the Hospital Conference center, join us as we pay tribute to our loved ones we have lost.

WE NEED PIES!!! SIGN UP SHEET TO PROVIDE PIES FOR THE THANKSGIVING EVE PIE SOCIAL after the Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service on Wednesday, November 27. Sign up sheet on the black table in the narthex

**BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER** put on by a group of ladies from St. Paul. Drop off will be Monday, Nov. 25 from 3:00-6:00PM at the Gathering Place, 412 Second St., **the Bake Sale will be Tuesday, Nov. 26 from 8:30AM-??** A **SIGN-UP SHEET** is available on the table in Narthex for you to sign up to provide baked goods for this bake sale. If you are unable to drop off at the Gathering Place on Monday, they can be dropped off here at the church and we will make sure they get to the Gathering Place.

**LWML** has Christmas cards for sale, watch for a display soon in the Narthex or contact Nancy Ford if you are interested in purchasing some Christmas cards.

**BOARD OF HUMAN CARE** will be having a **GOLDEN ANGEL TREE**, similar to when we had the Angel Tree for Mid Sioux, but now will be an Angel Tree for our members in the assisted living, nursing home, and shut in's. We will have the tree set up soon with the tags of suggested gift items and the date when items need to be back to the church to be distributed.

**DAILY CHAPEL SERVICES will start on December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30AM** (last about 20 minutes). Will be Tuesday-Friday (times /cancellations are subject to change)

**POINSETTIAS** -if you would like to "adopt" a poinsettia in memory of a loved one or in celebration let the church office know at 364-2918, you are still welcomed to get your own if you want, but we will have a few to "adopt".

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM** will be on **Sunday, December 8**<sup>th</sup> during the Sunday morning Worship Service at 9:00AM

Old Testament Reading Exodus 32:1–20

<sup>1</sup>When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered themselves together to Aaron and said to him, "Up, make us gods who shall go before us. As for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." 2So Aaron said to them, "Take off the rings of gold that are in the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." 3So all the people took off the rings of gold that were in their ears and brought them to Aaron. <sup>4</sup>And he received the gold from their hand and fashioned it with a graving tool and made a golden calf. And they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" 5When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it. And Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a feast to the LORD," 6And they rose up early the next day and offered burnt offerings and brought peace offerings. And the people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play. <sup>7</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, "Go down, for your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves. <sup>8</sup>They have turned aside quickly out of the way that I commanded them. They have made for themselves a golden calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" 9And the LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, and behold, it is a stiff-necked people. <sup>10</sup>Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, in order that I may make a great nation of you." <sup>11</sup>But Moses implored the LORD his God and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you have brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? <sup>12</sup>Why should the Egyptians say, 'With evil intent did he bring them out, to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your burning anger and relent from this disaster against your people. <sup>13</sup>Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, to whom you swore by your own self, and said to them, 'I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your offspring, and they shall inherit it forever." <sup>14</sup>And the LORD relented from the disaster that he had spoken of bringing on his people. <sup>15</sup>Then Moses turned and went down from the mountain with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand, tablets that were written on both sides; on the front and on the back they were written. <sup>16</sup>The tablets were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, engraved on the tablets. <sup>17</sup>When Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said to Moses, "There is a noise of war in the camp." <sup>18</sup>But he said, "It is not the sound of shouting for victory, or the sound of the cry of defeat, but the sound of singing that I hear." <sup>19</sup>And as soon as he came near the camp and saw the calf and the dancing, Moses' anger burned hot, and he threw the tablets out of his hands and broke them at the foot of the mountain. <sup>20</sup>He took the calf that they had made and burned it with fire and ground it to powder and scattered it on the water and made the people of Israel drink it.

#### Epistle

1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

<sup>13</sup>But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. <sup>14</sup>For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. <sup>15</sup>For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. <sup>16</sup>For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup>Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. <sup>18</sup>Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Holy Gospel Matthew 24:15–28

15[Jesus said:] "When you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), <sup>16</sup>then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. <sup>17</sup>Let the one who is on the housetop not go down to take what is in his house, <sup>18</sup>and let the one who is in the field not turn back to take his cloak. <sup>19</sup>And alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! <sup>20</sup>Pray that your flight may not be in winter or on a Sabbath. <sup>21</sup>For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and never will be. <sup>22</sup>And if those days had not been cut short, no human being would be saved. But for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short. <sup>23</sup>Then if anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Christ!' or 'There he is!' do not believe it. <sup>24</sup>For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. <sup>25</sup>See, I have told you beforehand. <sup>26</sup>So, if they say to you, 'Look, he is in the wilderness,' do not go out. If they say, 'Look, he is in the inner rooms,' do not believe it. <sup>27</sup>For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>28</sup>Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather."



St. Paul Lutheran Church Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity November 17, 2024

# In Our Thoughts Prayers

Ann Sears - broken wrist

Brandi Crawford - daughter of Ann Sears

Erin Nielsen - leukemia

Opal Stout - mother of Kristy German

Bud Jepsen- healing from knee replacement and heart

surgery - Omaha (father of Scott/Synda Jepsen)

#### Continued prayers and/or healing for:

Declan Conover Jeff Nollen Lois Jensen George Weir Victor Zobel Shirley Havener Jo Palmer Jolene Ladwig Makayla Bell Stella Turnbull Austin Mollhoff Ron Kraphl Jeff Pierce Rose Schuldt Jim Wilcox Seth Hamann Mark Queen Dan Grell Kenton Petersen Erin DeBoer Diane Olsen Sue Bubb Tiffany Lindberg Greg Lewiston Ashley Collins Trisha McCormick David Johnson Mary Riggs Jared Lund

### November Birthdays this week:

Nov. 13 Kim Carnine

Nov. 15 Gemma Arbegast

Nov. 16 Anne Thornhill Karen Wiertsema

Nov. 17 Danika Hinkeldey Marlene Schneider Dorla Schuett

Nov. 18 Justin Ausborn

Nov. 19 Courtney Ackerman Jacob Zimmerman

Nov. 20 Lenny Boysen Dean Hammer

Nov. 21 Charles Bell

Nov. 22 Ryan Godbersen Terry Lovett Jeff Miesner

## November Anniversaries this week:

Nov. 12 Jack & Linda Ausborn Harold & Margaret Greenwald

COMMUNITY BASKET DONATIONS for NOVEMBER: soups, stews, crackers, 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday), from 2:30-5:30PM. Mobile Food Pantry: Odebolt Community Center, on Thursday, November 21 from 4:30-5:30PM

LYF DISPLAY OF ENVELOPES IN THE NARTHEX is a one of the fundraising opportunities for our LYF group - the envelopes have numbers wrote on the outside of the envelope and that is the amount of cash or check that you would put inside the envelope, and then place envelope in brown offering boxes on the Welcome Center, or leave with Pastor or the church office.

A QR CODE is also available and posted with the envelopes



# Worship Service for Sunday, November 17,2024 9:00 AM Service Praise Band

Song Come Now Is The Time To Worship

Invocation

**Opening Sentences** 

Introit

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Song Your Grace is Enough

Old Testament Job 14:1-6

**Epistle** 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Offering - during Song

Song We Believe

Sermon

Sermon Text Matthew 24:15-28

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini Distribution

Song Who Am I
Song You Are My King (Amazing Love)
Song Death Was Arrested

Post Communion Collect Benedicamus / Benediction

Announcements (free will offering for Thanksgiving Meat Certificates for Mid Sioux)

Song Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)



# If you are interested in a new member class Please let us know

Give us you're a couple of options of day and time that works for you below

Name:		
Phone:	 	 
Email:	 	 

Leave in offering plate or brown offering box on Welcome Center or email us at the above email addresses