

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**Last Sunday of the Church Year**

**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.

**HOLY BAPTISM** Received into Christ’s Kingdom of Grace, Friday, Kara Lyn Krager, daughter of Kent and Karlie (Mandernach) Krager. Kara’s sponsors are Kaci Mandernach, Kurtis Krager, Kris & Tina Krager, Joe & Mindi Nees

**CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK**

<b>Sunday</b> <b>11/24/24</b>	<b>WORSHIP SERVICE – Live Streamed</b> <b>Fellowship</b> <b>Bible Class, Sunday School &amp; High School Youth</b> <b>PORCH POTS (sessions are now full )</b> <b>WORSHIP SERVICE</b>	<b>9:00AM</b> <b>10:15AM</b> <b>10:15-11:15AM</b> <b>1-3 &amp; 3-5 PM</b> <b>5:00PM</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Bells</b>	<b>6:30PM</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Bible Study at Jimmy’s</b> <b>Bible Study</b> <b>No Wednesday Classes (3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)</b> <b>THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP</b> <b>Pie social to follow</b>	<b>7:00AM</b> <b>9:30AM</b> <b>6:30PM</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Day</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Church Office closed</b>	
<b>Sunday</b> <b>12/1/24</b>	<b>WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion – Live Streamed</b> <b>Fellowship</b> <b>Bible Class</b> <b>No Sunday School, High School</b> <b>WORSHIP SERVICE w/Communion</b>	<b>9:00AM</b> <b>10:15AM</b> <b>10:15-11:15AM</b> <b>5:00PM</b>

Offering this week:\$      Attendance Sunday Morning: 159      Sunday Evening: 16

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 9:00AM**

**USHERS:**  
**ACOLYTE: Sun 9 AM: Avery**

**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP 5:00PM**

**USHERS: Marge & Kelly**  
**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.

**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.

**THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP at 6:30PM on Wednesday, November 27**

**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.

**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. The tree in the narthex has the tags of suggested gift items and the date when items need to be back to the church to be distributed. A sign out sheet is available for you to write the number of the tag down, your name and phone number, so we can keep track of the tags. We would like to have the gift items back by December 15

**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)

**ADVENT MEALS begin on December 4<sup>th</sup> serving at 5:00-6:15PM**

**December 4 – Pasta                      December 11 – Baked Potato Bar**

**December 18 – Youth will serve – menu to be determined yet**

**ADVENT WORSHIP SERVICES will be at 6:30PM – please note out time change**

**Hymn sing will start at 6:15PM**

**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

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

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Isaiah 65:17–25*

<sup>17</sup>“Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. <sup>18</sup>But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. <sup>19</sup>I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. <sup>20</sup>No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. <sup>21</sup>They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. <sup>22</sup>They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. <sup>23</sup>They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their descendants with them. <sup>24</sup>Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. <sup>25</sup>The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent’s food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain,” says the LORD.

## EPISTLE

*1 Thessalonians 5:1–11*

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. <sup>2</sup>For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup>While people are saying, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. <sup>4</sup>But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. <sup>5</sup>For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. <sup>6</sup>So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. <sup>7</sup>For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. <sup>8</sup>But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. <sup>9</sup>For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>10</sup>who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. <sup>11</sup>Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Matthew 25:1–13*

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus said:] “The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. <sup>2</sup>Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. <sup>3</sup>For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, <sup>4</sup>but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. <sup>5</sup>As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. <sup>6</sup>But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ <sup>7</sup>Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup>And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ <sup>9</sup>But the wise answered, saying, ‘Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.’ <sup>10</sup>And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. <sup>11</sup>Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ <sup>12</sup>But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ <sup>13</sup>Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”



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## In Our Thoughts Prayers

Ann Sears - broken wrist

Brandi Crawford - daughter of Ann Sears

Erin Nielsen - leukemia

Opal Stout continued healing- mother of Kristi German

Bud Jepsen- healing and recovery (father of Scott/Synda Jepsen)

Prayers for family of Karen Lansink, Dustin & Megan Ackermann and family and John & Linda Lansink

*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

**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. **\*\*They can always use toilet paper, laundry soap, shampoo & conditioner, canned vegetables, canned fruits & canned soups.**

St Paul Lutheran Church Ida Grove

ADULTS **WINTER** KIDS

# Clothing Drive

Help our community stay warm all Winter long!

SCARVES HATS GLOVES PANTS SOCKS BOOTS COATS MITTENS

**Oct 20 - Nov 24**

**THANK YOU!**

**DROP OFF LOCATION**  
St Paul Lutheran Church  
100 7th Street  
Ida Grove, Iowa

**QUESTIONS?**  
Synda Jepsen  
712-371-9087  
Diane Bremer  
712-364-2918

**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 in the envelope and then place envelope in brown offering box on the Welcome Center**

A QR CODE is also available and posted with the envelopes

**YOUTH will serve Sunday morning fellowship on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> instead of December 1<sup>st</sup>. December 8<sup>th</sup> will be following the Children's Christmas program that will be included in the Worship Service on Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**LIFE SERVE BLOOD DRIVE on Wednesday, December 4 from 11:00AM-4:00PM** in the fellowship hall of the church. Schedule your appointment by calling 1-800-287-4903 or going online at [www.lifeservebloodcenter.org](http://www.lifeservebloodcenter.org)



Worship Service for Sunday, November 24, 2024

Divine Service 1 p. 151

Hymn Come, Thou Almighty King LSB 905

Invocation p. 151

Introit sung in unison *Psalm 39:4-5, 7-8; antiphon: Isaiah 35:10*

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This is the Feast p. 171

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Bell Choir Anthem Joyous Praise

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 65:17-25

Gradual sung in unison

Epistle Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Verse of the Day *Revelation 21:2*

Holy Gospel Matthew 25:1-13

Apostles Creed p. 159

Children's Message

Hymn The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us LSB 514

Sermon

Offering (Hymn during Offering)

Hymn Wake, Awake, For Night is Flying LSB 516

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Benediction p. 166

Announcements

Hymn Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending LSB 336



**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**

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

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