***ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT*:**
"Be faithfully obedient to the living Christ in making disciples of all people."

Christ Jesus Breathes His Spirit and His Life into Us by the Ministry of the Gospel The crucified and risen Lord Jesus establishes the ministry of the Gospel in order to bestow His life-giving Holy Spirit and His peace upon the Church. To those who are called and ordained to this office, and to those they serve in His name, He grants the Holy Absolution of all sins. By the fruits of His cross, He replaces fear and doubt with peace and joy, and thus gives *"repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins"* (Acts 5:31). Through the preaching of His sent ones, He calls us to believe that He *"is the Christ, the Son of God,"* so that by such faith we *"may have life in his name"* (John 20:31). In His resurrection, we have the *"living hope"* to which we have been *"born again"* and by which we are guarded *"for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time"* (1 Peter 1:3, 5). Until then, *"though you have not seen him, you love him,"* and by the mercies of God *"you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory"* (1 Peter 1:8).

Thanks to those who Served Today

Elder: Matt Leitz
Ushers: Matt Kelm, John Mordhorst, William Sorensen, Michael Sorensen
Organist: Lynette Thies **Screen**: Audrey Gust
Altar Care: Tanis Watke, Leah Schwery
Altar Flowers: Deanna Sorensen
Finance: Bruce Mohr, Terri Mohr
Acolytes: Max, Kelly

Sunday Acolytes: Kelly, Lydia

Those Serving in May

Elder: Steve Gust
Ushers: Gary Pohlman, Ray Holst
Organist: Lynette Thies
Screen: Audrey Gust
Altar Care: Megan Peitsch
Altar Flowers: Kerry Vinke
Finance: Gary Pohlman, Judy Pohlman

ABOUT THE SERVICE

WELCOME: We welcome you to St Paul's! It is a joy to have you here to worship with us. In Jesus Christ our Risen Savior we have reason for hope and joy and so we gather together to receive His good gifts and offer Him our prayers and praises. May God bless us all as we worship together in His house and grow as His children!

USHERING AFTER SERVICE: After the service, please usher yourself out after pastor has got to the back of the church.

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Sun:	9:30 a.m. – Sunday School
	10:30 a.m. – Divine Service
Tues:	Pastor in Mapleton
	5:30 p.m. – Elders Meeting
	7:00 p.m. – Council Meeting
Wed:	11:00 a.m. – Bible Class
	4:30 p.m. – 5th - 6th Grades Class
	5:30 p.m. - Memory Work / Meal
	6:00 p.m. – 7th – 8th Grade Class
Fri:	Pastor Family Day
Sun:	9:30 a.m. – Sunday School & Bible Class
	10:30 a.m. – Divine Service w/Holy Communion
	Voters Meeting after service
	LYF Meeting after service
	6:30 p.m. – LYF Bible Study

Updates will be done the second Sunday of each month. Next update will be May 10, 2026

2 Corinthians 9:7 For God loves a cheerful giver".

2026	General Fund	Missions	Special Mission
Projected for the Year	$172,954.26	$4,000.00	$3,000.00
As of 3-31-2026	$28,293.05	$ 660.00	$0
Still Needed	$144,661.21	$3,340.00	$3,000.00

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(Δ indicates worshipers stand)
Prelude, Ringing of the Bell

Hymn..... #490
"Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won"
Δ**Invocation..... p.151**
Δ**Confession & Absolution.... p.151**
Δ**Introit.....** Sheet
Δ**Kyrie..... p.152**
Δ**This Is the Feast..... p.155**
Δ**Salutation and Collect..... p.156**
Readings..... Sheet
Old: Acts 5:29-42
Gradual
Epistle: 1 Peter 1:3-9
Δ**Gospel:** John 20:19-31
Children's Message
Hymn..... #720
"We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight"
Sermon 1 Peter 1:3-9
"Rejoicing in the Unseen"
Δ**Apostles' Creed.....p.159**
Offering
Offertory..... p.159
Δ**Prayer of the Church..... p.159**
Δ**Lord's Prayer..... p.166**
Δ**Benediction..... p.166**
Δ**Hymn..... #474**
"Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen"

CURRENT BIBLE CLASSES:

- Wednesday Morning Bible Class (Meets in the LYF Room- 11am) topic "Genesis"
- Sunday Bible Class (Meet in the LYF Room – 9:30 am on 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays) topic "Micah"

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL MEETINGS: The Elders Meeting will be Tuesday, April 14th at 5:30 p.m. and Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. On April 19th, there will be a Voters Meeting after the service.

CATECHISM QUESTIONING: You are invited to hear our 8th Grade Confirmands publicly confess their faith in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit April 29th, 7 pm. Confirmation is May 3rd.

CATECHISM: Last day of catechism classes is April 15th.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Last day of Sunday School is May 10th.

LYF BIBLE STUDY: LYF Bible Study is Sunday, April 19th from 6:30 – 8 pm in the LYF room.

LWML MAPLETON SPRING RALLY: The LWML Mapleton Spring Rally will be Saturday, April 25, 2026 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Anthon, IA. The ABC Triple Parish group will be hosting. Registration and brunch is from 9-10am. The rally will begin at 10. Bethany Kuhlmann, team member of Lutheran Family Service will be our guest speaker to discuss "human trafficking" in our communities. Guests are welcomed.

COMMUNITY & OTHER INFORMATION

LCW: The LCW meeting with salad/dessert supper will be Wednesday, May 6th at 5:30 pm. You can bring a salad or dessert to share with the group.
Please invite a friend to come and enjoy a time of fellowship.

141 GARAGE SALE: Are you spring cleaning and not sure what to do with the stuff you don't want? St. Paul's youth are starting to take donations of clothing, toys and household items to sell at the Hwy 141 garage sale at the beginning of August. Any donation can be dropped off in the basement room in the back corner.

BACCALAUREATE: The Blessing of our High School Graduates will be during the Service on May 17th.

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STANDING: Although it is proper to sit and stand at certain times during the Divine Service, please feel free to sit when needed.

"THY STRONG WORD": Thy Strong Word is a 5 min. daily devotional message given by LC-MS pastors of the Denison area and sponsored by area congregations including St. Paul's. It is aired at 6:25 a.m., Mon.-Sat. on KDSN, FM107.1

St. Pauls Lutheran Church—LCMS

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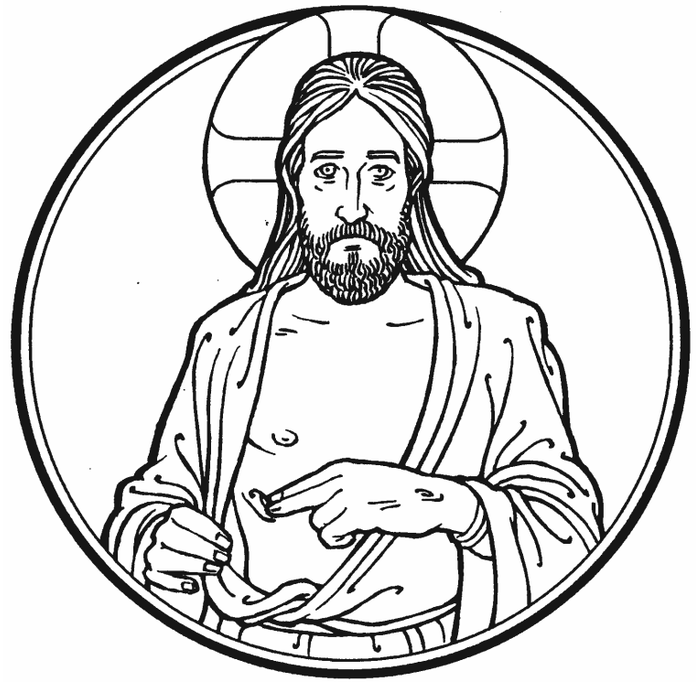
Second Sunday of Easter
April 12, 2026



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