

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:

"Be faithfully obedient to the living Christ in making disciples of all people."

The Lord Jesus Comes in Meekness and Humility to Save Us

Although we pray that God *"would rend the heavens and come down"* (Is. 64:1), that He would take vengeance against our enemies, we ourselves *"have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment"* (Is. 64:6). We have continued in our sins for *"a long time, and shall we be saved?"* (Is. 64:5). Yet, the Lord does not punish us in anger. He comes in voluntary meekness and humility to save us by His grace. Just as He once came into Jerusalem to sacrifice Himself for us upon the cross (Mark 11:4-8), He still comes to His Church with the fruits of His Passion. By His ministry of the Gospel, we are *"enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge,"* and so He will *"sustain you to the end"* (1 Cor. 1:5, 8). Although *"heaven and earth will pass away,"* His words *"will not pass away"* (Mark 13:31). As He sends disciples to call us to Himself in the fellowship of His Church, so will He *"send out the angels"* to gather us and all of His elect *"from the ends of the earth"* to Himself in heaven forever (Mark 13:27).

Thanks to those who Served Today

Elder: Gary McCall

Ushers: Jim Thies, Denny Mordhorst

Organist: Lynette Thies

Screen: Audrey Gust

Altar Care: Teresa Mordhorst

Altar Flowers: Deanna Sorensen

Finance: Audrey Gust, Dave Seieroe, Linda Seieroe

Acolytes:

Midweek Advent service: Jenna Rosener, Katelynn Schaffer

Next Sunday Acolytes: Landon Kiepe, Daxton Leitz

Those Serving in January

Elder: Steve Gust

Ushers: Gary Goslar, Kevin Vogt, John Thies

Organist: Lynette Thies

Screen: Audrey Gust

Altar Care: Linda Seieroe

Altar Flowers: Terri Mohr

Finance: John Thies, Harvey Thies

ABOUT THE SERVICE

WELCOME: We welcome you to St Paul's! It is a joy to have you here to worship with us. Our Lord has done a great many things through our congregation over the past 125 years and we look forward to what He will do through us as we work together as His children for many more years to come. May God bless us all as we worship together in His house!



ABOUT THE LORD'S SUPPER: By celebrating the Lord's Supper we care for Christ's people, Christ's Supper, and Christ's teachings. What Jesus gives us in the Lord's

Supper is His true body and blood under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins. God's Word also teaches that receiving the Lord's Supper together implies that we share the same beliefs. Therefore, we kindly ask that guests who desire to receive the Lord's Supper today speak to the Pastor prior to the beginning of the service.

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

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Sun: 9:00 a.m. – Christmas Eve practice/Sunday School & Bible Class
10:00 a.m. – Divine Service w/Holy Communion
Tues: Pastor in Mapleton
5:00 p.m. – Elders Meeting
7:00 p.m. – Council Meeting
Wed: 11:00 a.m. – Bible Class
4:30 p.m. – 5th & 6th Grade Catechism
5:30 p.m. – 7th & 8th Grade Catechism
6:00 p.m. – Midweek Advent supper
7:00 p.m. – Midweek Advent service
Fri: Pastor Family Day
Sun: 9:00 a.m. – Christmas Eve practice/Sunday School
10:00 a.m. – Divine Service

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(^ indicates worshipers stand)

Prelude, Ringing of the Bell

Hymn..... #336

*"Lo! He Comes with Clouds
Descending"*

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^Introit..... Sheet

^Kyrie..... p.152

Hymn..... #357

v.1-3 *"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"*

^Salutation and Collect..... p.156

Readings..... Sheet

Old: Isaiah 64:1-9

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

^Gospel: Mark 13:24-37

Hymn..... #333

"Once He Came in Blessing"

Sermon: "Blessed Advent"

Mark 13:24-37

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^Benediction..... p.166

^Hymn..... #348

*"The King Shall Come When Morning
Dawns"*

CURRENT BIBLE CLASSES:

- Wednesday Morning Bible Class (Meets in the LYF Room- 11am).

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNITY & OTHER INFORMATION

CATECHISM: On December 6th and 13th catechism class times will change to:

4:30 – 5:30 p.m. - 5 & 6 Grades

5:30 - 6:30 p.m. - 7 & 8 Grades

JESUS BIRTHDAY PARTY: All children are invited to Jesus' Birthday Party on Sunday; December 10th from 2:30 – 5:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE PRACTICE: Sunday School will begin at 9:00 a.m. with Christmas Eve practice first for the next 3 Sundays. All children who plan to be in the Christmas Eve Program must come to practice.

ADVENT SERVICE: We will be having Midweek Advent services on Wednesday night December 6, 13 and 20 at 7:00 p.m. with supper starting at 6:00 p.m.

POINSETTIAS: Congregation members are invited to donate poinsettias to beautify the church during the Christmas season. They may be brought in and left on the table in the overflow room. Put your name on a label and attach it to the container. Fill out the sheet with your name and who is being remembered.

CHRISTMAS EVE PROGRAM: The Sunday School Christmas program will be presented Christmas Eve at 6:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE: Christmas Day Service with Holy Communion will be held at 10:00 a.m.

ACOLYTES SIGN-UP SHEET: Catechism students and parents the sign-up sheet to acolyte is in the back of church on the bulletin board.

100th ANNIVERSARY TAPE: If anyone would like a DVD copy of the 100th anniversary tape that was in the time capsule please talk to pastor.

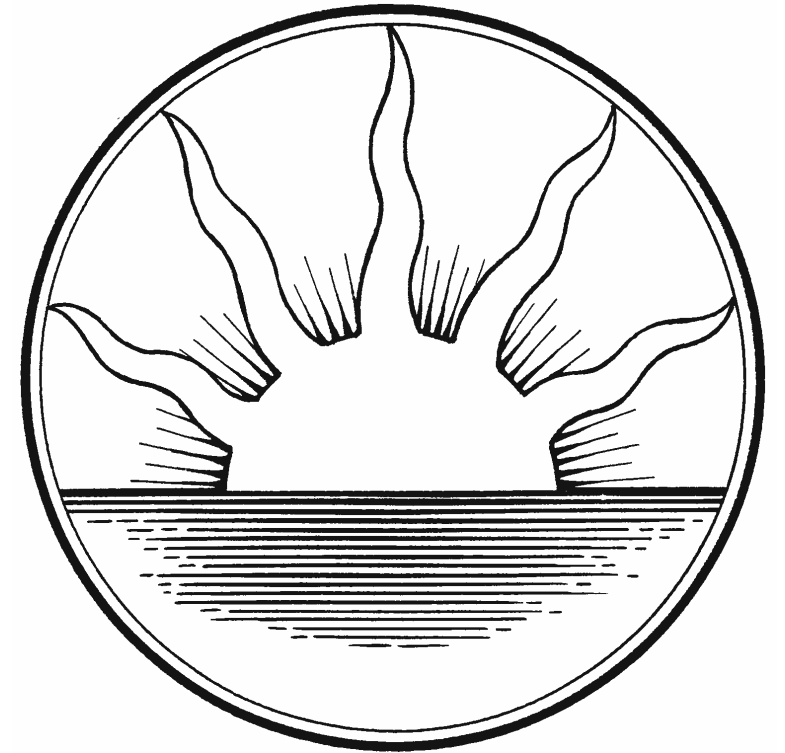
2024 CHURCH OFFICER VOLUNTEERS: If anyone has interest in serving as a church officer: Chairman, Elder, Trustee, Board of Education, Secretary, Treasurer, Stewardship Secretary, Auditing, Endowment Fund, Finance Committee, please contact the church or anyone on the Nomination Committee: Bruce Mohr, Jim Thies, Rick Knuth, Tammy Bramley or pastor.

125th COMMEMORATIVE T-SHIRTS: Get your 125th commemorative T-shirt. Last day to place an order is December 6th. Your order will be to you by Christmas. Order here: <https://isntiticonic.com/collections/st-pauls-lutheran-church-125th-celebration>



GOOD SHEPHERD HOUR: This program is a ½ hour worship service heard on Sioux City, KSCJ, 1360 AM, at 8:00 am.

First Sunday in Advent December 3, 2023



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