

**ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:**

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

***Jesus Is Lifted Up on the Cross so that We May Look to Him and Live***

The people sinned by speaking *"against God and against Moses,"* and the Lord called them to repentance by sending fiery serpents, which *"bit the people, so that many people of Israel died"* (Num. 21:4-6). When the people confessed their sin, the Lord provided a means of rescue from death. He instructed Moses to *"make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole,"* so that *"if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live"* (Num. 21:8-9). Thus, God sent His Son into the world, in the likeness of our sin and death, and lifted Him up on the pole of the cross, that whoever looks to Him in faith *"may have eternal life"* (John 3:14-16). By His cross, *"the light has come into the world,"* not for condemnation, but *"that the world might be saved through him"* (John 3:17-19). While we *"were dead in the trespasses and sins"* in which we once lived (Eph. 2:1), God loved us, calling us to repentance and raising us up with Christ to live *"with him in the heavenly places"* (Eph. 2:4-6).

**Thanks to those who Served Today**

**Elder:** Bruce Mohr  
**Ushers:** Steve Gust, Andy Kuhlmann  
**Organist:** Lynette Thies  
**Screen:** Audrey Gust  
**Altar Care:** Linda Riddle, Deanna Sorensen  
**Finance:** John Thies, Harvey Thies, Denny Mordhorst  
**Acolytes:** Raylyn Kelm, Max Kelm

**Wednesday Acolytes:** Katelynn Schaffer, Jenna Rosener

**Sunday Acolytes:** Hannah Peitsch

**Those Serving in April**

**Elder:** Gary McCall  
**Ushers:** John Greder, Matt Kelm  
**Organist:** Lynette Thies  
**Screen:** Audrey Gust  
**Altar Care:** Tanis Watke, Leah Schwery  
**Altar Flowers:** Kerry Vinke  
**Finance:** Marc Clemon, Gwen Clemon

**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!

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

**STANDING DURING HYMNS:** An ancient part of Christian piety, honor, and respect has been shown throughout history by standing for God. We continue this tradition standing during the doxological stanzas of a hymn. —those stanzas which specifically state the Triune God's Name: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**WEEKLY CALENDAR:**

Sun: 9:00 a.m. – Sunday School  
 10:00 a.m. – Divine Service  
 Tues: Pastor in Mapleton  
 Wed: 11:00 a.m. – Bible Class  
 4:30 p.m. – 5 & 6 grade Catechism  
 5:30 p.m. – 7 & 8 grade Catechism  
 5:30 p.m. – Lenten supper  
 7:00 p.m. – Lenten service  
 Fri: Pastor Family Day  
 Sun: 9:00 a.m. – Sunday School & Bible Class  
 10:00 a.m. – Divine Service w/Holy Communion  
 Special Voters Meeting after service

	General Fund	Missions	Special Mission
Projected for the Year	\$161,744.17	\$6,000.00	\$3,000.00
As of 1/31/2024	\$10,933.27	\$270.00	\$.00
Still Needed	\$150,810.90	\$5,730.00	\$3,000.00

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(^ indicates worshipers stand)

**Hymn..... #744**  
 vs. 1-5"Amazing Grace"  
 ^**Invocation..... p.167**  
 ^**Confession & Absolution.... p.167**  
 ^**Introit..... sheet**  
 ^**Kyrie..... p.168**  
 ^**Salutation and Collect..... p.172**  
**Readings..... sheet**  
**Old:** Numbers 21:4-9  
**Epistle:** Ephesians 2:1-10  
 ^**Gospel:** John 3:14-21  
**Hymn..... #571**  
 "God Loved the World so that He Gave"  
**Sermon** "The Gift of Grace"  
 Eph. 2:1-10  
 ^**Apostles' Creed .....p.175**  
**Offering ..... p.175**  
 ^**Prayer of the Church..... p.175**  
**Lord's Prayer..... p.179**  
 ^**Benediction ..... p.183**  
 ^**Hymn..... #566**  
 "By Grace I'm Saved"

**CURRENT BIBLE CLASSES:**

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

**ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**COMMUNITY & OTHER INFORMATION**

**VOTERS MEETING:** Short Special Voters Meeting is after church service on March 17<sup>th</sup>.

**PALM SUNDAY READING:** There is a sign-up sheet on the back table for anyone that would like to help with the reading on Passion Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>.

**ACOLYTES SIGN-UP SHEET:** Catechism students the sign-up sheet for acolyting is in the back on church on the bulletin board.

**LENTEN SUPPER:** We need volunteers to provide Lenten suppers. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church.

**MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICES:** Mid-week Lenten Services will be at 7:00 p.m. each Wednesday starting February 21<sup>st</sup> with supper at 5:30 p.m.

**LYF BIBLE STUDY:** LYF Bible Study is Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-8:30 pm in the LYF room.

**LCW:** We are look to see if anybody is interested in restarting the St. Paul's Lutheran Church Women group (LCW). If you are interested or have questions, please call or text Terri Mohr (712)269-8598.

**OLD TABLES:** St. Paul's has some old folding tables that we no long use and would like to find a new home for them. They are all upside in the room across the secretaries office. Please call or text Deanna (712)208-0224.

**EASTER LILIES:** Members are invited to bring an Easter lily to church Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup> or Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up on the sheets at either door by Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, so the names of those you wish to remember can be included in the Easter bulletin.

**HOLY WEEK:** On March 28<sup>th</sup> Maundy Thursday service with Holy Communion will be at 7:00 PM and on March 29<sup>th</sup> Good Friday service will be at 7:00 PM.

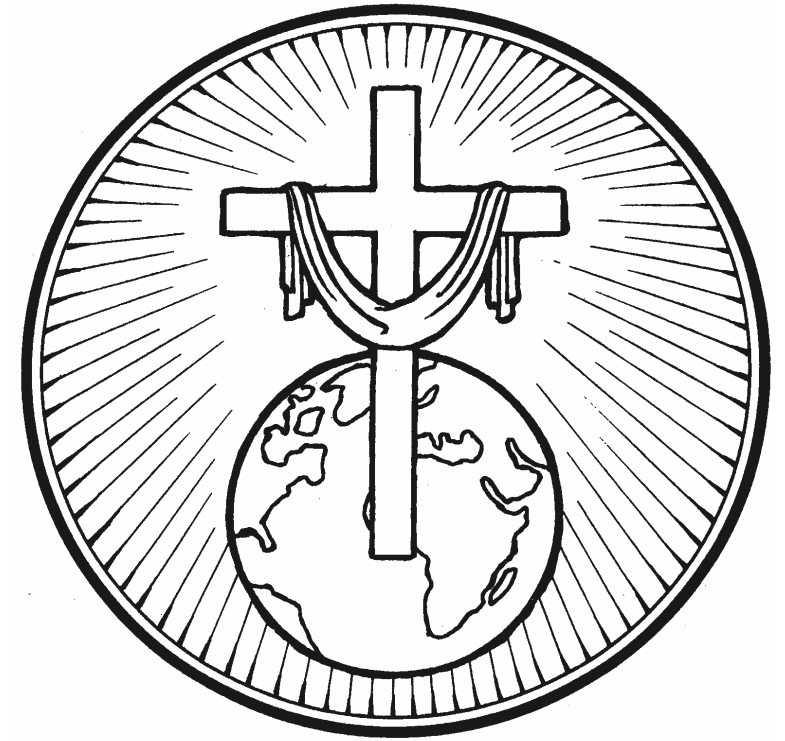
On March 31<sup>st</sup> Easter Sunrise service with Holy Communion will be held at 6:30 a.m. and led by Rev. Nathan Peitsch, Easter breakfast at 7:45 a.m., Sunday School will be at 9:00 a.m. and Easter Divine Service will be at 10:00 a.m. led by Vicar John Stacy.

St. Matthews, Mapleton will have Holy Communion Service at 10:00 am with Pastor Peitsch leading the service.

**MAIN STREET LIVING:** Main Street Living is a television ministry of the Lutheran churches of Missouri-Synod and of the Iowa West District. The worship service is on Sundays at 10 am on channel 9 KCAU, the ABC Network from Sioux City.

**"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

**Fourth Sunday in Lent  
March 10, 2024**



John 3:14-21

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