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

Our Lord Jesus Is with Us in the Upper Room of His Church on Earth

On the night when He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus prayed for His apostles and His Church on earth. *"The hour"* had come when the Father would glorify His Son by the cross (John 17:1). Through the shedding of His blood, He would bring forgiveness for the sins of the world, and in His resurrection and ascension He would unite all Christians with the Father *"that they may be one"* with God (John 17:11). He manifested His name to the apostles and gave them the words of the Father to speak in His name. The apostolic witness of His cross and resurrection (Acts 1:21–22) gathers disciples together *"with one accord"* into the one Body of Christ (Acts 1:14). *"Devoting themselves to prayer,"* they wait upon the Lord in *"the upper room"* (Acts 1:13–14), the place of His Holy Supper. Strengthened by the Gospel, Christians bear the cross of Christ in patience and peace, rejoicing to share in His suffering, in order that they *"may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed"* (1 Peter 4:13).

Thanks to those who Served Today

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
Acolytes: Max

Sunday Acolytes:

Those Serving in June

Elder: Bruce Mohr
Ushers: Jim Thies, Denny Mordhorst
Organist: Lynette Thies
Screen: Audrey Gust
Altar Care: Teresa Mordhorst
Altar Flowers: Karen McCall
Finance: 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. 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!

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:	9:30 a.m. – Bible Class
	10:30 a.m. – Divine Service w/Holy Communion
Tues:	Pastor in Mapleton
Wed:	11:00 a.m. – Bible Class
Fri:	Pastor Family Day
Sun:	10:30 a.m. – Divine Service

Updates will be done the second Sunday of each month. Next update will be June 14, 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 4-30-2026	$37,299.65	$ 924.00	$0
Still Needed	$135,654.61	$3,076.00	$3,000.00

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(Δ indicates worshipers stand)

Hymn..... #564
vs. 1, 3-6 "Christ Sits At God's Right Hand"
ΔConfession & Absolution.... p.151
ΔIntroit..... Sheet
ΔKyrie..... p.152
Δ This is the Feast..... p.155
ΔSalutation and Collect..... p.156
Readings..... Sheet
First: Acts 1:12-26
Epistle: 1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11
ΔGospel: John 17:1-11
Hymn..... #539
"Christ is the World's Redeemer"
Sermon 'Under His Hand'
1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11
Recognition of Graduates
ΔNicene Creed..... p.158
ΔPrayer of the Church..... p.159
Offering
Offertory..... p.159
ΔPreface..... p.160
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ΔLord's Prayer..... p.162
ΔThe Words of our Lord..... p.162
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Distribution
ΔThank the Lord..... p.164
ΔPost Communion Collect..... p.166
ΔBenediction..... p.166
ΔHymn..... #525
"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

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

BACCALAUREATE: The Blessing of our High School Graduates will be during the Service today.

Caden Kuhlmann
Graduating from: MVAOCOU High School
Future Plans: Attending Missouri for Welding

VBS: Please mark your calendar for Saturday, June 6th, for Vacation Bible School starting at 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Light breakfast, lunch and snacks provided. We will have water games, bible story, crafts, music. We invite 3 years olds to Grade 5 (completed) to join us that day. There are registration forms on the back table. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church or you can talk to pastor or Board of Ed (Tina Bernholtz, Nina Leitz, Pam Martin) if you would like to help.

VBS MEETING: We will be having a VBS meeting Wednesday, May 20th at 6:00 p.m. in the LYF room.

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.

COMMUNITY & OTHER INFORMATION

CHURCH SERVICE START TIME: We are doing a survey for the next 3 Sundays (May 17, 24, & 31) of what time people would like service to start. On the back table there are 2 boxes. The boxes are labeled 10:00 am and 10:30 am. Please write your name on a piece of paper and put it in the box of your choice.

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

STEWARDSHIP: Scripture: *"Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth." — Colossians 3:2* **Stewardship Sentence:**
Spring lifts our eyes to God's renewing work; from hearts set on Christ, generosity flows freely and joyfully.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE: "We are no longer terrified sinners but God's own children because of what Jesus has done for us. And so, the Day of Judgment becomes good news for us—because it is the day when the One we love most returns to bring us home in peace." *Dr. Kari Vo, Lutheran Hour Ministries – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

"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

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Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 17, 2026

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