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

The Lord Jesus Christ Is the Way, the Truth and the Life

The risen Lord Jesus alone is *"the way, and the truth, and the life,"* and we come *"to the Father"* only through Him (John 14:6). God is thus *"glorified in the Son,"* and those who believe in Him will do the works of Christ because He goes to the Father for us (John 14:12–14). Stephen, *"a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit"* (Acts 6:5) and *"doing great wonders and signs among the people"* (Acts 6:8), did the works of Christ. When he was falsely accused and put to death, he *"gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God"* (Acts 7:55). Fixing his hope there, he commended his spirit to the Lord Jesus and prayed for his murderers. In the same way, all the baptized are called to follow the example of Christ Jesus by faith. Though He was *"rejected by men"* in the sight of God, He is *"chosen and precious"* (1 Peter 2:4). He is the chief cornerstone of the Father's *"spiritual house,"* and we are built upon Him as *"living stones"* (1 Peter 2:5).

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:

Sunday Acolytes: Morgan, Wyatt

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!

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.

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Sun:	9:30 a.m. – Sunday School & Bible Class
	10:30 a.m. – Divine Service w/Holy Communion
Tues:	Pastor in Mapleton
Wed:	11:00 a.m. – Bible Class
	5:30 p.m. – LCW Meeting/Salad/Desert Supper
Fri:	Pastor Family Day
Sun:	9:30 a.m. – Sunday School
	10:30 a.m. – Divine Service

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)

Hymn..... #912
"Christ Is Our Cornerstone"
ΔConfession & Absolution.... p.151
ΔIntroit..... Sheet
ΔKyrie..... p.152
ΔSalutation and Collect..... p.156
Readings..... Sheet
First: Acts 6:1-9; 7:2A, 51-60
Epistle: 1 Peter 2:2-10
ΔGospel: John 14:1-14
Hymn..... #687
"Thine Forever, God of Love"
Sermon "Who Are You?"
1 Peter 2:2-10
ΔNicene Creed..... p.158
Rite of Confirmation ..... p. 272
ΔPrayer of the Church..... p.159
Offering
Offertory..... p.159
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Distribution
ΔThank the Lord..... p.164
ΔPost Communion Collect..... p.166
ΔBenediction..... p.166
ΔHymn..... #633
vs. 1-3, 8 "At The Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

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

CONGRATS: Congratulations to Daxton Leitz for the confession of faith and reception of the Lord's Supper today.

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

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.

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

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Save the date. On June 6 we will be having Vacation Bible School.

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

ASCENSION DAY: Ascension Day service will be Thursday, May 14th at Mission Central at 5:00 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP: Scripture: "I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5 **Stewardship Sentence:**
Spring reminds us that staying rooted in Christ yields abundant fruit; our giving fosters growth. of God's kingdom.

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.

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

St. Pauls Lutheran Church—LCMS

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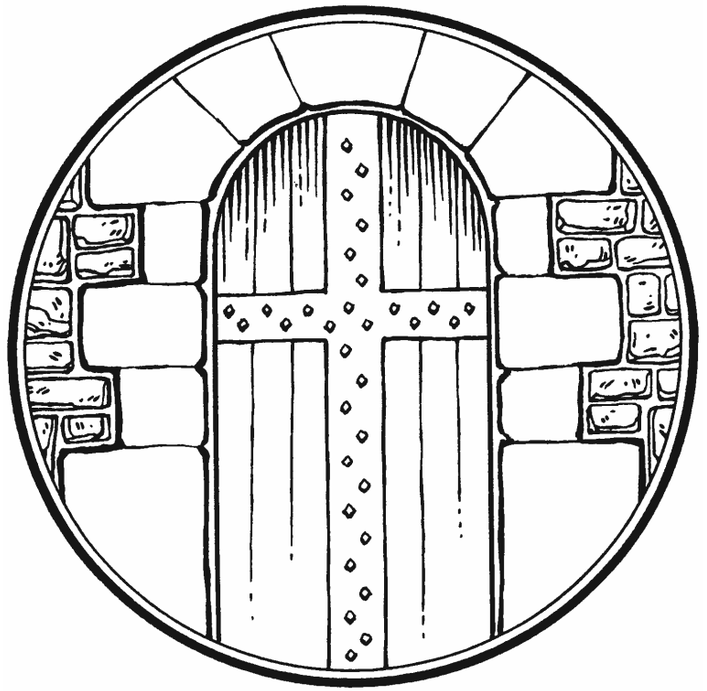
Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 3, 2026



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