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

The Son of God Has Set Us Free from Sin and Death by His Grace

"Wisdom is justified by her deeds" (Matt. 11:19), and the true wisdom of God, Christ Jesus, the incarnate Son, justifies us by His deeds. He prepares His way by the preaching of repentance, but He has suffered the violence of the Law and voluntarily handed Himself over to violent men, in order that we may eat and drink with Him in His Kingdom and *"remain in the house forever"* (John 8:35). He is *"a friend of tax collectors and sinners"* (Matt. 11:18–19), and He has rescued us by His grace from the slavery of sin and death. By the proclamation of His eternal Gospel *"to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people"* (Rev. 14:6), *"the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law"* (Rom. 3:21), *"that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus"* (Rom. 3:26). And by the hearing of that Gospel of Christ Jesus, *"whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith"* (Rom. 3:25), *"you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free"* (John 8:31–32).

Thanks to those who Served Today

Elder: Bruce Mohr
Ushers: Matt Kelm, John Mordhorst, William Sorensen, Michael Sorensen
Organist: Lynette Thies **Screen**: Audrey Gust
Altar Care: Joan Neddermeyer
Altar Flowers: Sharon Gosch
Finance: Ray Holst, Elaine Holst, Linda Riddle
Acolytes: Morgan, Lydia

Next Sunday Acolytes: Max, Henry

Those Serving in November

Elder: Jim Thies
Ushers: Gary Pohlman, Ray Holst
Organist: Lynette Thies **Screen**: Audrey Gust
Altar Care: Deanna Sorensen
Altar Flowers: Deanna Sorensen
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!

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

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

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. – Bible Class & Sunday School
	10:00 a.m. – Divine Service
Wed:	11:00 a.m. – Bible Class
	4:30 p.m. – 5-6 Catechism Class
	5:30 p.m. – Memory Work/Meal
	6:00 p.m. – 7-8 Catechism Class
Fri:	Pastor Family Day
Sun:	9:00 a.m. – Bible Class & Sunday School
	10:00 a.m. – Divine Service w/Holy Communion

Updates will be done the second Sunday of each month. Next update will be October 11, 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 8-31-2026	$107,421.40	$ 2,547.00	$ 912.00
Still Needed	$ 65,532.86	$1,453.00	$2,088.00

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(Δ indicates worshipers stand)
Prelude
Ringing of the Bell

Hymn..... #655
"Lord, Keep up Steadfast in Your Word"
Δ**Invocation..... p.184**
Δ**Confession & Absolution.... p.184**
Δ**Introit..... Sheet**
Δ**Kyrie..... p.186**
Δ**Gloria in Excelsis..... p.187**
Δ**Salutation and Collect..... p.189**
Readings..... Sheet
Old: Revelation 14:6-7
Epistle: Romans 3:19-28
Gospel: John 8:31-36
Apostles' Creed..... p.192
Children's Message
Hymn..... #656
"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"
Sermon 'Justified'
Romans 3:19-28
Offering
Δ**Offertory..... p.192**
Δ**Prayer of the Church..... p.193**
Δ**Lord's Prayer..... p.196**
Δ**Benediction..... p.202**
Δ**Hymn..... #566**
vs. 1, 3-4, 6 "By Grace I'm Saved"

CURRENT BIBLE CLASSES:

- Wednesday Morning Bible Class (Meets in the LYF Room- 11am) topic "Exodus"
- Sunday Bible Class (Meet in the LYF Room – 9:30 am) topic "Hebrews"

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

JEREMIAH FUND: In the back of church there is an offering plate that is for donates that will go to the Jeremiah Funds to help pay for the youth gatherings.

LYF BIBLE STUDY: LYF Bible Study is October 18 from 6:30-8:00 pm in the LYF room. We'll be diving deep into God's Word, so make sure to bring a Bible if you have one. If you don't or forget, we have some on hand for you to use. Bring a snack to share! Inviting friends is encouraged, even if they can only come once.

ALL SAINTS: Join us All Saints Sunday, Nov. 1st for recognition of the faithfully departed in this last year**.** Irvin Thies, Gary Thompson, Ella Fester

SUNDAY SCHOOL: The Sunday School students will be singing during the worship service on November 15th

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: On Sunday, November 15th during the service we will be welcoming are new members.

BAKE SALE: We will be having a bake sale on November 22 after the service.

THANKSGIVING EVE: Our Thanksgiving Service will be on Wednesday, November 25th at 7pm.

COMMUNITY & OTHER INFORMATION

ADVENT SUPPER: We will be having 3 Midweek Advent services on December 2nd, 9th & the 16th. We are planning on having suppers before each of the services. If you would like to sponsor a meal prepared by AdaJ's for $375 or provide a meal for one of the nights there is a sign-up sheet on the back table.

LCW: The LCW meeting is Thursday, November 5th at 5:30 pm. We are planning a salad/dessert supper with this meeting. Join us for some good food and fellowship.

"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

MAGAZINE RACK/BACK TABLE: Reading inserts, Portals of Prayer & envelopes for you to use for the missions and special missions can be found on the back table. Magazine rack you can find Lutheran Witness, LHM paper, etc. Also, in the back there is a shelf with children's books and crayons that they can use during the service.

St. Pauls Lutheran Church—LCMS

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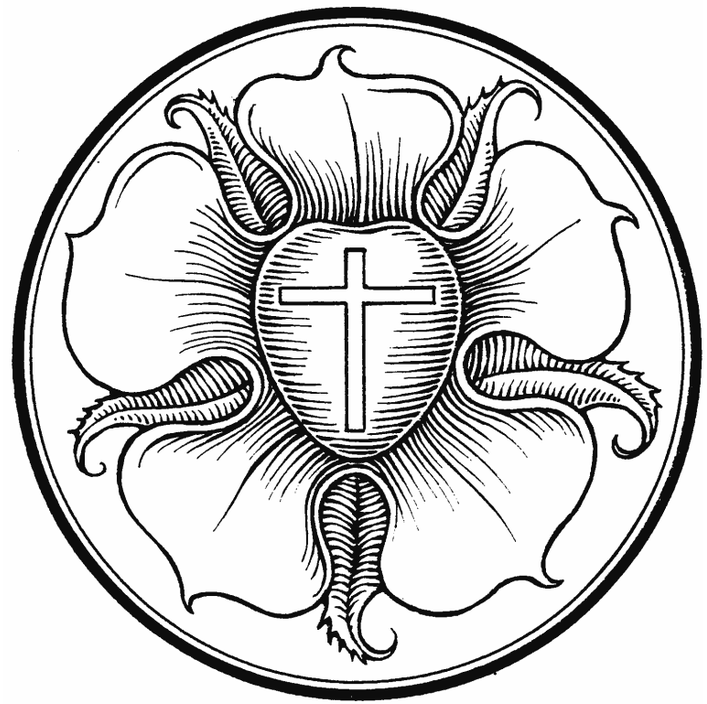
Reformation Sunday
October 25, 2026



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