

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: December 30 – January 6, 2019

Sunday:

- 9:00 a.m. Worship Service w/communion (broadcast on KOWZ 1170 AM/106.3 FM)
10:00 a.m. Fellowship, Coffee & Treats
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study

Monday:

Church Office Closed

Tuesday:

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Wednesday:

- 8:00 a.m. Counting Committee
6:00 p.m. Youth Group
7:00 p.m. Board of Elders
7:00 p.m. Board of Trustees
7:45 p.m. Board of Evangelism

Thursday:

- 6:30 a.m. Bible Breakfast @ Jonnie Beans
5:30 p.m. Board of Education

Friday:

5:00-7:00 p.m. Hot Beef Commercials & Pie @ American Legion (Youth Mission)

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SERVING THE LORD IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE:

THIS WEEK:

ORGANIST: Kaleb Schmidt
ACOLYTE: Hannah LaCroix
ELDER: Jerry Flogstad
DEACON: Jim Wyffels
RADIO MONITOR: Kathy Flogstad

NEXT WEEK:

ORGANIST: Kaleb Schmidt
ACOLYTE: Levi Flom
ELDER: Kevin Froslan
DEACON: Jim Wyffels
RADIO MONITOR: Kathy Flogstad



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Church Office Hours: 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM (Monday – Friday)

SUNDAY MORNINGS:

- ✚ Worship Service: 9:00 a.m. (Broadcast on KOWZ 1170 AM/106.3 FM)
- ✚ Fellowship/Coffee: 10:00 a.m.
- ✚ Sunday School: 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
- ✚ Adult Bible Study: 10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

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First Sunday after Christmas

December 30, 2018

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OPENING HYMN: *“God Loves Me Dearly”*

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FIRST READING: *Isaiah 11:1-9*

There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots.

²The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD. ³His delight *is* in the fear of the LORD, And He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, Nor decide by the hearing of His ears; ⁴But with righteousness He shall judge the poor, And decide with equity for the meek of the earth; He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, And with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked. ⁵Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, And faithfulness the belt of His waist. ⁶“The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, The leopard shall lie down with the young goat, The calf and the young lion and the fatling together; And a little child shall lead them. ⁷The cow and the bear shall graze; Their young ones shall lie down together; And the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸The nursing child shall play by the cobra’s hole, And the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper’s den. ⁹They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD As the waters cover the sea.

SECOND READING: *Colossians 3:12-17*

¹²Therefore, as *the* elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; ¹³bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also *must do*. ¹⁴But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. ¹⁵And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. ¹⁷And whatever you do in word or deed, *do* all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

ALLELUIA and VERSE:

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GOSPEL READING: *Luke 2:22-40*

²²Now when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were completed, they brought Him to Jerusalem to present *Him* to the Lord ²³(as it is written in the law of the Lord, “Every male who opens the

womb shall be called holy to the LORD”), ²⁴and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the law of the Lord, “A pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.” ²⁵And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon, and this man *was* just and devout, waiting for the Consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. ²⁶And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. ²⁷So he came by the Spirit into the temple. And when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law, ²⁸he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said: ²⁹“Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, According to Your word; ³⁰For my eyes have seen Your salvation ³¹Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples, ³²A light to *bring* revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel.” ³³And Joseph and His mother marveled at those things which were spoken of Him. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, “Behold, this *Child* is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against ³⁵(yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.” ³⁶Now there was one, Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, and had lived with a husband seven years from her virginity; ³⁷and this woman *was* a widow of about eighty-four years, who did not depart from the temple, but served *God* with fastings and prayers night and day. ³⁸And coming in that instant she gave thanks to the Lord, and spoke of Him to all those who looked for redemption in Jerusalem. ³⁹So when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their *own* city, Nazareth. ⁴⁰And the Child grew and became strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon Him.

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SERMON HYMN: *“Now Sing We, Now Rejoice”*

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SERMON: **“The Peace of God”** (Isaiah 11:1-5)

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OFFERING (during the offering, please sign the black care book located in the pew)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: O Eternal God and Lord,

C: **We thank You for having kept watch over us.**

P: O Lord Jesus Christ, You promised

C: **“Lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the world.”**

P: Your Word also says,

C: **“Even to your old age, and even to gray hair, I will carry you.”**

P: Deliver us, O Lord,

C: **From sin, death and the devil.**

P: Keep strong our faith in Jesus Christ, the Savior from sin.

C: **That when our last hour shall come, or when the last trumpet shall sound, we shall be found with faith in Jesus Christ, and shall wear the crown of eternal life.**

All: This morning, O Lord, we give You hearty thanks for Your loving kindness on these Your servants, whom You sustained through Word and Sacrament in their life of faith, and whom You have called to eternal rest. Keep us mindful that with each passing hour, day, and year, we move ever close to eternity. Help us to live in daily contrition and repentance. Teach us all to apply our hearts to Godly wisdom, that we might live by grace through faith in Christ. We pray that we might not only live with faith in Christ, but that we might also die with that faith. Thus, we shall be assured of dwelling for eternity with Christ and all the saints who have gone before us into Heaven. Amen.

Here follows a reading of the names of the faithful who have been called to eternal rest. With the reading of each name, the bell is rung:

- Marvin Berndt*
- Bernard "Bud" Cole*
- Monica Ewest*
- Dora Matz*
- Sylvia Krampitz*
- May Hoelmer*
- Iver Buker*
- James Sybilrud*
- Deanna Malecha*
- Dorothy Felske*
- Delores Lau*
- Murlin Buske*
- Lorraine Miller*
- Monica Fritz*
- Shawna Kubat*
- Gerald LaMont*
- Milan Prechel*
- Allen Eichhorst*
- Sandy Ross*

The bell is rung one final time for all the relatives of our members who have been called to rest during this past year.

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<u>IN OUR PRAYERS:</u>	
✠ <i>The family of Arlene Williams (mother-in-law to Jeanette Williams) in her recent passing.</i>	
Hospice: Betty Jo Schuette, Geri Roemhildt	
Hospitalized: Sam Andrist (grandson to Mark and Joan Manthe)	
Illness: Gary Schwarz (friend of Anita Nelson family)	
Injury: Kip Boese (son of Helen Boese)	
Thanksgiving & Continued Recovery: Helen Boese, Esther Dietrich, Inez Meyer, Jacob Williams	
Treatment: Brian Schroeder	
Prayers for those who are sick and/or in need and wish to remain unnamed.	
All the service men & women who are serving in the military: Caleb Baumgarn (Marines), Michael Frank (Marines), Jordan & Tristan Labiack (Air Force), TSgt Jacob Lemmen (Air Force), Lt. Col. Aaron & Lt. Col. Sarah Lenz (Marines), Jason Paschall (Navy), Major David Reinsbach (Army National Guard), Sergeant Kylie Schram (Marines)	
Waseca Circuit Missionaries: Rev. Edward Naumann & Rev. Dr. Stephen Oliver	

St. Paul Lutheran Church

- **Nursery available:** For families with small children, there is a designated room in the basement (down the hall, on the right, from the youth room). You will find a changing table, crib, a few books and toys. Please feel free to use anytime during the worship service. During Sunday School and Bible Class there will be someone there to help with your child so you may attend the Adult Bible Class.
- **Preparing for Holy Communion:** To assist our time of preparation, prayers are located in the front cover and on pages 329-330 of your hymnal. Both individual cups and the common cup are offered on both sides. For anyone with alcohol concerns, diluted cups are located in the center of the tray. Gluten free communion wafers are available upon request.
- **Radio Broadcast:** Today's broadcast (KOWZ 1170 AM or 106.3 FM) is dedicated to the glory of God.
- **Lutheran Hour:** The Lutheran Hour can be heard on radio stations WCCO 830AM, Sunday, 6:00 AM; KJLY, 104.5 FM, Blue Earth, Sunday, 6:00 PM; and KDHL920 AM, Faribault, Sunday, 6:00 PM.
- **Sunday School:** Sunday school today for grades 3 through 8, beginning with Opening in the Sanctuary. We conclude at 11:15; students are excused from classes beneath the parish hall.

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The Lord's Supper

- ✠ We believe, teach, and confess in accordance with Holy Scripture that the Lord's Supper is a precious gift from God, in which Christ gives us His true body and blood, in, with, and under the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith.
- ✠ The Bible teaches that this sacrament may also be spiritually harmful when misused, *(For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes. Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. For this reason many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep. 1 Corinthians 11:26-30)*
- ✠ The Lord's Supper is a testimony of the unity in faith. We ask that only those who have been instructed and who are in fellowship with the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod come with a contrite and joyful heart to the Lord's Table. **(Acts 2:42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers)**
- ✠ Any guest wishing to receive communion here at St. Paul Lutheran Church, please speak with the Pastor or the Elder on duty, prior to the church service.

"The mission of St. Paul Lutheran Church is to provide opportunities through which everyone might be made aware of their Savior Jesus Christ, nurture a strong foundation of faith, and receive the Sacrament regularly as directed by our Savior, Jesus Christ."

WELCOME! WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE! If you are a visitor, we look forward to visiting with you today and in the near future. Please write your name, address, and phone number in the black soul care book (located in the pew). We invite you to fellowship, coffee, and treats following the worship service. Sunday school begins at 10:15 a.m. and Bible study begins at 10:30 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. **2019 Offering Envelopes:** The offering envelopes for 2019 are available in the back of the church. You may begin using on January 1, 2019.
2. **Installation of 2019 Officers and Board Members:** will be held during the 9:00 AM service on January 6, 2019.
3. **Annual Report 2018:** Reports/items for the 2018 Annual Report are due in the office by January 11th. Thank you in advance for your timely submission, to ensure the report is completed on-time.
4. **Counting Committee:** A reminder that we will be meeting at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 2nd.
5. **Hot Beef Commercials & Pie:** Friday, January 4th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the American Legion. \$8 per Hot Beef Commercial, and \$2 per slice of pie. Proceeds benefit the Youth Mission trip.

6. **DONATIONS NEEDED**

The church is accepting donations to cover the cost of replacing the outdated Electronic Piano with a more current version. The cost is \$2,624.00

****Please designate as "Electronic Piano" on envelope/donation****

Donations received to-date = \$1,400