

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: March 24 – March 31, 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:

Pastor Zimmer's Day Off

- 6:00 p.m. Call Committee Meeting

Tuesday:

- 1:00 p.m. Quilters

Wednesday:

- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
12:00 p.m. 29ers Potluck
3:30 p.m. 6,7,8 Catechism
5:00 p.m. Lenten Midweek Service
Organist: Kaleb Schmidt **Acolyte:** Elizabeth Manthe
Elder: Jerry Flogstad **Radio Monitor:** Kathy Flogstad
5:30 p.m. Lenten Supper hosted by Cotta Guild (proceeds benefit Bethlehem Inn)
5:45 p.m. Senior Choir
6:00 p.m. Youth Group

Thursday:

- 6:30 a.m. Bible Breakfast @ Jonnie Beans

Friday:

- 5:00-7:00 p.m. Hamburger/Fish Feed @ American Legion (Youth Mission)

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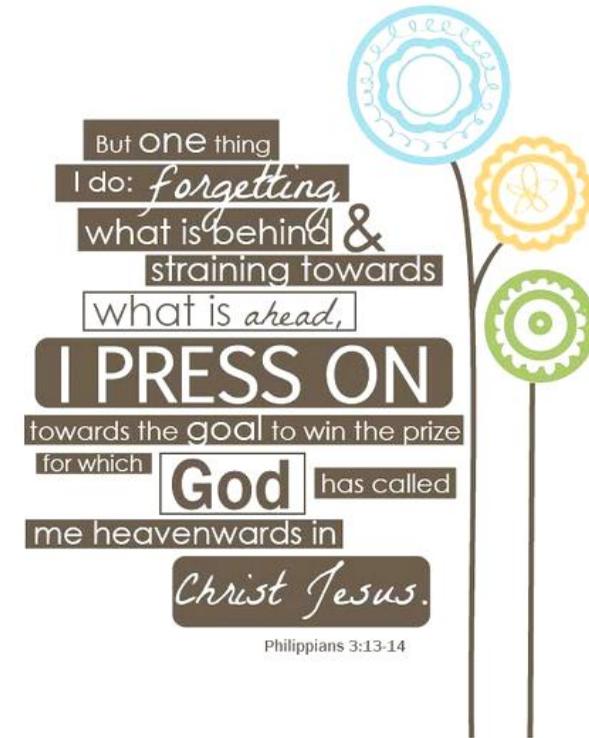
SERVING THE LORD IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE:

THIS WEEK:

ORGANIST: Cindy Wood
ACOLYTE: Hannah LaCroix
ELDER: Jerry Flogstad
DEACON: Kraig Deling
RADIO MONITOR: Kathy Lenz

NEXT WEEK:

ORGANIST: Kaleb Schmidt
ACOLYTE: Koltyn Quillen
ELDER: Jerry Flogstad
DEACON: Kraig Deling
RADIO MONITOR: Michael Manthe



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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.

Rev. Dr. Giles Zimmer, Vacancy Pastor

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(Mondays = Pastor's day off)

3rd Sunday in Lent

March 24, 2019

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OPENING HYMN: "Jesus, I will Ponder Now"

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FIRST READING: Ezekiel 33:7-20

7 "So you, son of man: I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; therefore you shall hear a word from My mouth and warn them for Me. 8 When I say to the wicked, 'O wicked man, you shall surely die!' and you do not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at your hand. 9 Nevertheless if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but you have delivered your soul. 10 "Therefore you, O son of man, say to the house of Israel: 'Thus you say, "If our transgressions and our sins lie upon us, and we pine away in them, how can we then live?" ' 11 Say to them: 'As I live,' says the Lord GOD, 'I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live. Turn, turn from your evil ways! For why should you die, O house of Israel?' 12 "Therefore you, O son of man, say to the children of your people: 'The righteousness of the righteous man shall not deliver him in the day of his transgression; as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall because of it in the day that he turns from his wickedness; nor shall the righteous be able to live because of his righteousness in the day that he sins.' 13 When I say to the righteous that he shall surely live, but he trusts in his own righteousness and commits iniquity, none of his righteous works shall be remembered; but because of the iniquity that he has committed, he shall die. 14 Again, when I say to the wicked, 'You shall surely die,' if he turns from his sin and does what is lawful and right, 15 if the wicked restores the pledge, gives back what he has stolen, and walks in the statutes of life without committing iniquity, he shall surely live; he shall not die. 16 None of his sins which he has committed shall be remembered against him; he has done what is lawful and right; he shall surely live. 17 "Yet the children of your people say, 'The way of the Lord is not fair.' But it is their way which is not fair! 18 When the righteous turns from his righteousness and commits iniquity, he shall die because of it. 19 But when the wicked turns from his wickedness and does what is lawful and right, he shall live because of it. 20 Yet you say, 'The way of the Lord is not fair.' O house of Israel, I will judge every one of you according to his own ways."

PSALM or GRADUAL

SECOND READING: Philippians 3:12-21

12 Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. 13 Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, 14 I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. 15 Therefore let us, as many as are mature, have this mind; and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal even this to you. 16 Nevertheless, to the degree that we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us be of the same mind. 17 Brethren, join in following my example, and note those who so walk, as you have us for a pattern. 18 For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: 19 whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame—who set their mind on earthly things. 20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, 21 who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 13:1-9

There were present at that season some who told Him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. 2 And Jesus answered and said to them, "Do you suppose that these Galileans were worse sinners than all other Galileans, because they suffered such things? 3 I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish. 4 Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them, do you think that they were worse sinners than all other men who dwelt in Jerusalem? 5 I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish." 6 He also spoke this parable: "A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. 7 Then he said to the keeper of his vineyard, 'Look, for three years I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree and find none. Cut it down; why does it use up the ground?' 8 But he answered and said to him, 'Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and fertilize it. 9 And if it bears fruit, well. But if not, after that you can cut it down.' "

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SERMON HYMN: "O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken"

439 (vs. 1-5)

SERMON: "Reaching Forward to God's Goal" (Philippians 3:12-21)

Rev. Dr. Giles Zimmer

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

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CLOSING HYMN: *“O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken”* # 439 (vs. 6-10)
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IN OUR PRAYERS:

Hospitalized: Lowell Denn, Delna Velzke, Duane Wyffels

Illness: Mildred Kuschel, Gary Pehrson (brother to Mark Pehrson)

Thanksgiving & Continued Recovery: Duane & Arlene Buker, Breanna Gehring, Peggy Zimmer

Treatment: Ashley Hagen, 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: Jacob Claybaugh, Michael Frank, Jordan Labiack, Jacob Lemmen, Aaron & Sarah Lenz, Jason Paschall, David Reinsbach, Kylie Schram

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 the following radio stations: WCCO, 830 AM radio, Minneapolis, Sunday, 6:05 AM; KDHL, 920 AM radio, Faribault, Sunday, 6:00 PM; KJLY, 93.5 FM, Owatonna, Sunday, 6:00 PM; and KJLY, 104.5 FM, Blue Earth, Sunday, 6:00 PM.
- **Sunday School:** Today the Sunday School students study the account “Jesus Calms the Storm”. Just as Jesus calmed the storm with His Word for the frightened disciples, so He calms and ends the storm of sin and death by taking our sin upon Himself and dying in our place so we may live eternally. Consider discussing, “What did Jesus do to calm the storm? How does Jesus calm the storms in our life?”

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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 in the fellowship hall. Sunday school begins at 10:15 a.m. and Bible study begins at 10:30 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. **Lenten Service & Supper:** The March 27th Lenten worship service begins at 5:00 p.m. with supper following the service, hosted by the Cotta Guild. Menu: Vegetable Beef / Wild Rice soup, crackers, and bars. *Meal is a free-will offering with all proceeds donated to “Bethlehem Inn” of Waseca.*
2. **29ers:** The 29ers will meet this Wednesday, March 27th for a potluck hosted by Roger & Marilyn Rucker. All are welcome to attend!
3. **Radio Ministry:** We are in need of a few more radio monitors. Training provided! Please give prayerful consideration to serving the Lord in this important radio ministry role. If you are interested, please contact Linda Seifert.
4. **Letter from (Vicar) Ron Richeson:**

*Dear Friends in Christ at St. Paul,
For Lent this year, I’m not only giving something up, but also trying to do something positive each day. I’m trying to write a note to people I have not contacted recently, but who, none the less, have been important to me and my family. Jill, Kelly, Jeff, Bethany, and I still talk about our year in Waseca. It was good for all of us. Speaking for myself, it was a great time of learning with Pastor Boehme and the members at St. Paul. Our family is appreciative for our time in your midst. Our church body needs good congregations where Vicars can serve and learn. Jill and I are now retired and living in Louisville, Kentucky. Our health is good. Our 3 kids and their wonderful spouses all live in Kentucky, so we see them and our 9 grandchildren (ages 3 months to 13 years) frequently. Thank you, again, for helping us in the Lord’s service in 1989-1990. We wish you a Blessed Lent.*

*Sincerely, (Vicar) Ron Richeson
2108 Ann Marie Dr, Louisville, KY 40299-1702*

5.  **Friday, March 29: 5-7 PM @ the Waseca American Legion:** Please join us to support the Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser. Menu: Hamburger/Fish sandwich, salad, tator tots, cookie. Cost is \$8.00 per meal. Water and pop will be available for additional purchase, \$1/each.
6. **Lutheran Witness:** The Lutheran Witness Magazine subscriptions are due by May 15th. The cost for the year is \$19.68. If you are interested in adding or renewing a subscription, please drop off your check in the amount of \$19.68 (payable to St. Paul Lutheran Church) to the church office by or before May 15th.
7. **Collecting Items:** LWML Spring Rally Gifts from the Heart for Camp Omega are being collected until April 5th. A collection box is located under the bulletin board near the elevator. Items needed are:

White t-shirts (adult and youth)
Assorted yarn
2 soccer balls
Sidewalk chalk
Old sheets and pillow cases (white)
Pillows
Duct tape (craft type)
Bubbles
Construction paper
Colored markers
Colored pencils
Sharpie marker (fine point)
White board markers (dry-erase)
Pine Sol cleaner
Spray air freshener
Tissues
Band-Aids
Laundry detergent
White poster board (2 ft. by 3 ft.)

