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## **ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH - (MISSOURI SYNOD)**

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### Mission Statement

*“Empowered by God’s Word, we joyfully share the Love of Jesus with all people.”*

### Vision Statement

*“We will be a vibrant, welcoming church serving the needs of our members,  
community,  
and missions by partnering with other churches and organizations while preaching  
and  
teaching the inspired Word of God and our Savior Jesus Christ.”*

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### **SUNDAY MORNINGS (SEPTEMBER – MAY)**

- ✦ Divine Service w/Holy Communion:
  - 9:00 a.m. (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)
- ✦ Sunday School: 10:15 am and Adult Bible Study: 10:30 a.m.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS:



- **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 our visitor's book located at the back of church at the visitor's desk. We invite you to fellowship, coffee & treats following the worship service. Adult Bible Study begins at 10:30 a.m. with Sunday School at 10:15 a.m.
- **Individual or Family Pastoral Care:** *Please remember that Private devotion and Holy Communion are available for individuals or couples that are homebound, at greater risk for COVID, or in times of emergency. Call the church office at 507-835-2647 to schedule an appointment when needed.*
- **Live Streaming on Facebook:** The 9:00 worship service will continue to be live-streamed on Facebook.
- **Volunteers Needed:** If you or someone you know would be interested in volunteering to be part of the **Facebook Live Stream** or **the Radio Ministry**, please contact the church office.
- At this time, we will not be having **Monday morning Bible study**. **Monday Prayer Team** will return to meeting Monday's at 10 am until further notice.
- **Secret Sisters:** Please remember to send your new Secret Brother or Sister a card this month and continue to pray for him/her.
- **Easter Lilies:** If you wish to place lilies or tulips on the altar for Easter in memory of loved ones to the Glory of God, they will be sold at the back of church March 27<sup>th</sup>, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, and April 10<sup>th</sup>, or contact Kathy Flogstad at 835-3061. The price for lilies is \$12.00 and tulips are \$14.00. Checks should be made out to Julie Poehler. Thank you, Kathy Flogstad, Flower Committee.



- Today's radio broadcast is dedicated to the Glory of God and is in loving memory of Wayne Boese sponsored by Helen Boese.
- **CONGRATULATIONS to Jared and Tirzah Rudolph on their wedding!** They were joined in matrimony March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at Concordia Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne, Indiana. May God Bless you both as you begin your journey together.
- **On April 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will be participating in a door offering to respond to the crisis in Ukraine.** This is organized through LCMS with Ukraine. Any and all donations will be sent to help those in need. Thank you for your support.
- Cotta Guild is hosting a **Collection for Paper Goods** for 2 area food shelves until April 27<sup>th</sup> AND also **YARN** for the Waseca Federal Prison Recreation Department until April 30<sup>th</sup>. You can find boxes at both the North Entrance and by the elevator. Thanks for your help.
- **2022 Offering Envelopes** are located in the church office. If you have not picked yours up yet, please do so at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

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**St. Paul Lutheran Church**

- **Preparing for Holy Communion:** To assist in a time of preparation, prayers are located in the front cover and on pages 329-330 of your hymnal. For anyone with alcohol concerns, diluted cups are located in the center of the tray. Gluten free communion wafers are available upon request.
- **Facebook Live-stream and Radio Broadcasts:** Our worship service is live-streamed on Facebook each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. (*in Facebook search for: @stpaulwaseca to locate our Facebook page.*) Our worship service is also Radio Broadcast each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. on Radio 1170 AM or 106.3 FM, and [www.newstalk1170.com](http://www.newstalk1170.com)
- **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.
- **Prayer Chain:** If you would like to add someone or something to the prayer chain, please call the church office at 835-2647.
- **Sunday School:** Join us for Sunday School at 10:15-11:15, for ages 3 through grade 8.

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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.

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OPENING HYMN: "I Lay My Sins on Jesus"

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ORDER OF SERVICE: DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING THREE

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

**Psalm 85 (Read Responsively)**

P: LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

C: You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin.

P: You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger.

C: Restore us again, O God of our salvation,

P: and put away your indignation toward us!

C: Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations?

P: Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?

C: Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.

P: Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,

C: for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints;

P: but let them not turn back to folly.

C: Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him,

P: that glory may dwell in our land.

C: Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;

P: righteousness and peace kiss each other.

C: Faithfulness springs up from the ground,

P: and righteousness looks down from the sky.

C: Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

P: Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.**

**KYRIE:**

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**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS:** (omitted during Lent)

**SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY**

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**FIRST READING:** Ezekiel 33: 7-20

<sup>7</sup>"So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. <sup>8</sup>If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. <sup>9</sup>But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul. <sup>10</sup>"And you, son of man, say to the house of Israel, Thus have you said: 'Surely our transgressions and our sins are upon us, and we rot away because of them. How then can we live?' <sup>11</sup>Say to them, As I live, declares the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked

turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel? <sup>12</sup> "And you, son of man, say to your people, The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him when he transgresses, and as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall by it when he turns from his wickedness, and the righteous shall not be able to live by his righteousness<sup>[a]</sup> when he sins. <sup>13</sup> Though I say to the righteous that he shall surely live, yet if he trusts in his righteousness and does injustice, none of his righteous deeds shall be remembered, but in his injustice that he has done he shall die. <sup>14</sup> Again, though I say to the wicked, 'You shall surely die,' yet if he turns from his sin and does what is just and right, <sup>15</sup> if the wicked restores the pledge, gives back what he has taken by robbery, and walks in the statutes of life, not doing injustice, he shall surely live; he shall not die. <sup>16</sup> None of the sins that he has committed shall be remembered against him. He has done what is just and right; he shall surely live. <sup>17</sup> "Yet your people say, 'The way of the Lord is not just,' when it is their own way that is not just. <sup>18</sup> When the righteous turns from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it. <sup>19</sup> And when the wicked turns from his wickedness and does what is just and right, he shall live by this. <sup>20</sup> Yet you say, 'The way of the Lord is not just.' O house of Israel, I will judge each of you according to his ways."

P: This is the Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING:** 1 Corinthians 10: 1-13

For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, <sup>2</sup> and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, <sup>3</sup> and all ate the same spiritual food, <sup>4</sup> and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. <sup>5</sup> Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness. <sup>6</sup> Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. <sup>7</sup> Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play." <sup>8</sup> We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. <sup>9</sup> We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, <sup>10</sup> nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. <sup>11</sup> Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. <sup>12</sup> Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. <sup>13</sup> No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

P: This is the Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**ALLELUIA and VERSE:** (omitted during Lent)

P: The Holy Gospel According to St. Luke, the 13<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

**GOSPEL READING: Luke 13: 1-9**

There were some present at that very time who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. <sup>2</sup>And he answered them, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? <sup>3</sup>No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. <sup>4</sup>Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? <sup>5</sup>No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. <sup>6</sup>And he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. <sup>7</sup>And he said to the vinedresser, 'Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?' <sup>8</sup>And he answered him, 'Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. <sup>9</sup>Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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**SERMON HYMN: "Not All the Blood of Beasts"**

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**SERMON: Listening for Grace****OFFERTORY: (OFFERING: *offering plates are located at each entrance*)**

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:***"God Moves in a Mysterious Way"*

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*"Christ the Life of All the Living"*

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*"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"*

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**NUNC DIMITTIS ~ *Song of Simeon***

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**CLOSING HYMN: "O Savior, Precious Savior"**

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- Copies of the Church Annual Report are available if you have not already picked yours up, please do so. They are located in the Parish Hall and in the Church office.
- **This Easter Season** we are looking for volunteers to assist with the First and Second Readings on Sunday mornings. This person could be an Elder, and confirmation student, or anyone who enjoys reading and sharing God's word. Please contact the Church office if you are willing to help.
- **Thank you** everyone for the 95<sup>th</sup> birthday cards and flowers!! You all made my day so special. Margie Arndt
- The Board of Trustees have replaced **two furnaces** and will have the air conditioning units replaced this spring. The cost of this project is \$14,800.00. Any donations to help cover this cost will be greatly appreciated
- **CAMP OMEGA 2022:** Registration is now open for 2022 camp sessions. If you are interested, please find information on the table by the elevator. "A Life Changing Summer Awaits". What a wonderful way to have fun and learn about the Love of Jesus all at the same time!!
- **Mark your calendars for Easter Sunday** we will have Sunrise service at 6:30 am with No Holy Communion, take out breakfast from 7:30 to 8:45am and Service at 9am **WITH** Holy Communion.

### IN OUR PRAYERS:

- **Called Home:**
- **Hospitalized:**
- **Illness:**
- **Recovery and testing:**
- **Thanksgiving & Continued Recovery:** Millie Gerlach, Margaret Schwarz and Gordy Nelson
- **Treatment:** Tim Andree (friend of Matt Klinger)
- **For those with Covid-19**
- **Those who are sick and/or in need and wish to remain unnamed.**
- **All the service men & women who are serving in the military:** Noah Berg, Matthew Gilmore, Jordan Labiack, Jacob Lemmen, Aaron & Sarah Lenz, Jason Paschall, David Reinsbach, John Thompson
- **Waseca Circuit Missionaries:** Rev. Edward Naumann & Rev. Dr. Stephen Oliver (Taiwan) & John Wolff (Kenya)

### Upcoming Events:

- **March 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Lent Service at 6pm and Meal: Served 4:30pm -5:45pm. Meal Pizza and sandwiches with Dessert Hosted by the Scholarship Committee. Free Will offering for Jared Rudolph
- **March 30<sup>th</sup>:** Lent Service at 6pm and Meal: Served 4:30pm -5:45pm. Meal Stuffed Shells with Lettuce and Garlic Bread, Super or Regular Nachos and ice cream for dessert hosted by the Youth Mission Team.
- **April 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Confirmation Questioning during Bible Study Hour
- **April 10<sup>th</sup>:** Palm Sunday with Confirmation
- **April 14<sup>th</sup>:** Maundy Thursday Service at 6pm
- **April 15<sup>th</sup>:** Good Friday Service at 6pm
- **April 17<sup>th</sup>:** Easter Sunday Service at 6:30 am w/no HC. Easter Breakfast 7:30am to 8:45am and Service at 9am with Holy Communion

## **THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: March 20<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

### **Sunday (20<sup>th</sup>):**

9:00 a.m. Divine Service w/Holy Communion (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)

10:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study

4pm-7pm: youth event at Spare Time Entertainment in Owatonna. Meet at church at 3:30pm

### **Monday (21<sup>st</sup>):**

10:00 am Prayer team

6:00 pm NSC Board

### **Tuesday (22<sup>nd</sup>):**

1:00 pm Quilters

\*\*\* NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE\*\*\*

### **Wednesday (23<sup>rd</sup>):**

11:30am 29er's @ Tasty House

3:30 pm- 5:00pm 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation Classes

4:30-5:45pm.Lenten Supper hosted by Scholarship Free Will offering for Jared Rudolph

6pm Lenten Service

7:00 pm Senior Choir followed by Contemporary Ensemble practice

### **Thursday (24<sup>th</sup>):**

6:00 am Bible Breakfast at Jonnie Beans

### **Friday (25<sup>th</sup>):**

### **Saturday (26<sup>th</sup>):**

### **Sunday (27<sup>th</sup>):**

9:00 am Divine Service w/Holy Communion (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3FM)

10:15 am Sunday School

10:30 am Adult Bible Study

## **SERVING THE LORD IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE:**

### **THIS WEEK: March 20<sup>th</sup>:**

**ORGANIST:** Cindy Wood

**ACOLYTE:** Derek Hammer

**ELDER/DEACON:** Jerry Flogstad & Eric Schwarz/ Kraig Deling

**RADIO MONITOR:** Ben Hill

**FACEBOOK LIVE:** Kathy Flogstad

### **Wednesday March 23<sup>rd</sup>:**

**ORGANIST:** Cindy Wood

**ACOLYTE:** Traevon Miller

**FACEBOOK:** Cindy Gilmore

### **NEXT WEEK: March 27<sup>th</sup>:**

**ORGANIST:** Cindy Wood

**ACOLYTE:** Wyatt Schroeder

**RADIO MONITOR:** Kathy Flogstad

**FACEBOOK:** Geri Kuschel

## **LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:**

Worship Attendance on Mar. 13<sup>th</sup>: 109 Bible Study: 36 Sunday School: 7

General Fund (in person & Direct Deposit): Mar. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022: \$402 Mar. 13<sup>th</sup>: 3265.00

Dedicated Funds: Mar. 9<sup>th</sup>: \$00.00 Mar. 13<sup>th</sup>: \$750.00