



FIFTH SUNDAY

In Lent

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH - (MISSOURI SYNOD)

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Church Office Hours (Mon-Fri): 9am-1pm Email: stpaulwa@hickorytech.net

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.”*

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.

Pastor: Rev. Rich Carter (Vacancy Pastor)

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ANNOUNCEMENT'S:



- **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.
- **Secret Sisters:** Please remember to send your new Secret Brother or Sister a card this month and continue to pray for him/her.
- **Women's Bible Study will meet on Wednesday April 6th and 20th at 9:30am.** We hope to see you there.
- **Today, April 3rd, 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.
- Join us **today** after service in the fellowship hall for Confirmation Questioning and Cake following.



- **We are looking for volunteers to assist some of our members by driving to appointments in Waseca but especially out of town such as Rochester and the Cities.** This could also include running small errands for the member. IF you feel this is a way you can give back to our Lord for all the blessings He has given you personally, please contact the church office to find out more details. Thank you. The Board of Stewardship
- **THANK YOU to everyone who sent me flowers and cards on my birthday.** I was not expecting such a shower of love when I reached 100 years old but each and everyone of you made my day so special!! May God Bless each of you!! Inez Meyer.
- The **Scholarship Committee would like to extend a huge Thank You** to everyone who participated and donated at our March 23rd Lenten Supper. We received \$608.00 in donations which were sent directly to Jared Rudolph at the Fort Wayne Seminary. The Scholarship and Stewardship Committee.
- **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 27th, April 3rd, and April 10th, 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.

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- **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
- **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: "Jesus Refuge of the Weary"

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ORDER OF SERVICE: DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING THREE

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

Psalm 126 (Read Responsively)

P: When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,

C: we were like those who dream.

P: Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy;

C: then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

P: The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.

C: Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like streams in the Negeb!

P: Those who sow in tears shall reap with shouts of joy!

C: He who goes out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,

P: shall come home with shouts of joy, bringing his sheaves with him.

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: Isaiah 43: 16-21

¹⁶ Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters,

¹⁷ who brings forth chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot

rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:¹⁸ "Remember not the former things, nor

consider the things of old.¹⁹ Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not

perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰ The wild beasts

will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches, for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the

desert, to give drink to my chosen people,²¹ the people whom I formed for myself that they

might declare my praise.

P: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Philippians 3: 4b-14

⁴ If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. ⁷ But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰ that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. ¹² Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³ Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

P: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

“Wonderful, Merciful Savior”

Reusable Song Sheet

ALLELUIA and VERSE: (omitted during Lent)

P: The Holy Gospel According to St. Luke, the 20th Chapter.

C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 20:9-20

⁹ And he began to tell the people this parable: “A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. ¹⁰ When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹ And he sent another servant. But they also beat and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹² And he sent yet a third. This one also they wounded and cast out. ¹³ Then the owner of the vineyard said, ‘What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.’ ¹⁴ But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.’ ¹⁵ And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶ He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others.” When they heard this, they said, “Surely

not!" ¹⁷ But he looked directly at them and said, "What then is this that is written: "'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone'? ¹⁸ Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him." ¹⁹ The scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him at that very hour, for they perceived that he had told this parable against them, but they feared the people. ²⁰ So they watched him and sent spies, who pretended to be sincere, that they might catch him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the authority and jurisdiction of the governor

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

SERMON HYMN: "My Song Is Love Unknown"

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SERMON: This means war!!

OFFERTORY: (OFFERING: *offering plates are located at each entrance*)

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE:

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SANCTUS ~ *Holy, Holy, Holy:*

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THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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PAX DOMINI ~ *The Peace of the Lord:*

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AGNUS DEI ~ *Lamb of God:*

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DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

"Christ, the Life of All the Living"

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"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"

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"I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"

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NUNC DIMITTIS ~ *Song of Simeon*

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THANKSGIVING:

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CLOSING HYMN: "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

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- Cotta Guild is hosting a **Collection for Paper Goods** for 2 area food shelves until April 27th AND also **YARN** for the Waseca Federal Prison Recreation Department until April 30th. You can find boxes at both the North Entrance and by the elevator. Thanks for your help.
- **Our congregation has received a list of names from the District President for the Call List** for calling a pastor. Pastors on the list nominated by members of the congregation are: Rev. Daniel G. Borkenhagen and Rev. Jerome P. Leckband. (Rev. Caleb P. Weight was also nominated, but he has just accepted a new call and so is not available to be on the list.) The District President added the following names to the list: Rev. Jonathan C. Jahnke, Rev. Brian L. Ketelsen, Rev. Brent A. Klein, Rev. Peter J. Knutson, Rev. Cory W. Marth, Rev. Jeffrey C. Ross, Rev. Gerald A. Schwanke, Rev. Michael D. Suelzle, Rev. Jason A. E. Shaw, Rev. Thomas G. Volker, Rev. Larry R. Yaw.
The Call Committee will soon begin evaluating additional background information provided by the District President for all of the pastors on the Call List in order to present a short list of their recommended candidates to the voters. If any congregational member has a valid objection to any names on the Call List, please communicate the reason for that objection to the Call Committee in the next 2 weeks. (A valid objection is when someone would not be able to accept a particular man as his or her pastor in good conscience or on moral grounds.) Please continue to keep the process of calling a pastor in your prayers.
- **Call Committee** will meet again on Thursday April 7th, 2022 at 6:30pm in the Fireside Room.
- **Mark your calendars for Easter Sunday** we will have Sunrise service at 6:30 am with No Holy Communion, DINE IN EASTER BREAKFAST hosted by Board of Ed from 7:30 to 8:45am and Service at 9am **WITH** Holy Communion.

IN OUR PRAYERS:

- **Called Home:**
- **Hospitalized:**
- **Illness:** Pastor Zimmer
- **Recovery and testing:**
- **Up – Coming medical procedures:** Susan Swenson will be having hip surgery on April 8th.
- **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:

- **April 10th:** Palm Sunday with Confirmation. There will be no Communion this Sunday
- **April 14th:** Maundy Thursday Service at 6pm With Communion and First Communion for Confirmands
- **April 15th:** Good Friday Service at 6pm. **CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED** in observation of Good Friday.
- **April 17th:** 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: April 3rd - April 10th, 2022

Sunday (3rd):

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. Confirmation Questioning and Cake

Monday (4th):

10:00 am Prayer team

6:00 pm Church Council MTG

Tuesday (5th):

1:00 pm Quilters

6:00 pm Stewardship

6:00 pm Elders

Wednesday (6th):

9:30 am Women's Bible Study

3:30 pm- 5:00pm **6th-8th grade Confirmation Classes**

4:30-5:45pm Lenten Supper hosted by Board of Education

6pm Lenten Service

7:00 pm Senior Choir followed by Contemporary Ensemble practice

7:00 pm Trustees & Evangelism

Thursday (7th):

6:00 am Bible Breakfast at Jonnie Beans

6:30 pm Call Committee (Fireside Room)

7 pm Cotta Guild (Parish Hall)

7 pm Grandparenting Matters (Old Parish Hall)

Friday (8th):

5p-7p Hot Beef Commercial Drive thru Youth Mission Trip Team

Sunday (10th):

9:00 am Divine Service and Confirmation w/No 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: April 3rd:

ORGANIST: Cindy Wood

ACOLYTE: Troy Ryan

ELDER/DEACON: Dick Arnold/ Kraig Deling

RADIO MONITOR: Cindy Gilmore

FACEBOOK LIVE: Geri Kuschel

Wednesday April 6th:

ORGANIST: Cindy Wood

ACOLYTE: Josephine Ross

ELDER/DEACON: Dick Arnold/ Kraig Deling

FACEBOOK: Cindy Gilmore

NEXT WEEK: April 10th:

ORGANIST: Cindy Wood

ACOLYTE: Blake Schroeder

ELDER/DEACON: Dick Arnold/ Kraig Deling

RADIO MONITOR: Ron Wood

FACEBOOK: Kathy Flogstad

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:

Worship Attendance on March 23rd: 83 Mar. 27th: 122 Bible Study: 21 Sunday School: 11

General Fund (in person & Direct Deposit): Mar. 23rd, 2022: \$467.00 Mar. 27th: \$2337.00

Dedicated Funds: Mar. 23rd: \$00.00 Mar. 27th: \$7526.7