

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: October 25 – November 1, 2020

Sunday:

- 8:00-8:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study (also live-streamed on Facebook)
9:00 a.m. Divine Service w/Holy Communion (also live-streamed on Facebook & Radio 1170AM/106.3FM)
10:00 a.m. Quarterly Voters' Meeting
10:15 a.m. Sunday School

Monday:

- 10:00 a.m. Bible Class
1:00 p.m. Small Group Communion (please call church office to pre-register)
5:30 p.m. Steering Committee & Revitalization Task Force

Tuesday:

- 10:00 a.m. Prayer Team
1:00 p.m. Quilters

Wednesday:

- 3:30 p.m. 6,7,8 Catechism
11:30 a.m. 29ers @ Pizza Ranch

Thursday:

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

Friday:

- 5:00-7:00 p.m. Fundraiser Event for Mallorie Gehloff @ American Legion (sponsored by Youth Mission Team)
7:00-Midnight Youth Halloween Party

Saturday:

- 9:00-Noon LWML Zone Meeting in Parish Hall

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SERVING THE LORD IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE:

THIS WEEK:

- ORGANIST:** Cindy Wood
ACOLYTE: Elli Hoban
ELDER/DEACON: Kevin Froslan/Kent Delong
RADIO MONITOR: Ron Wood

NEXT WEEK:

- ORGANIST:** Kaleb Schmidt
ACOLYTE: Jaya Kunkel
ELDER/DEACON: Dick Arnold/Dallas Lemmen
RADIO MONITOR: Kathy Flogstad



REFORMATION Sunday

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH - (MISSOURI SYNOD)

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Church Office Hours (Mon-Fri): 8 AM – 1 PM

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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.”

SUNDAY MORNINGS:

- ✚ Adult Bible Study: 8:00 a.m. (also Facebook Live-streamed)
- ✚ Divine Services:
 - 9:00 a.m. (also Facebook Live-streamed; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)
 - 10:30 a.m.
- ✚ Sunday School: 10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

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Rev. Dr. Giles Zimmer, Visitation Pastor

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Today's Radio Broadcast** is dedicated to the glory of God and is in loving memory of David Weckwerth, sponsored by Karen Weckwerth and family.
- **Today our Adult Bible Class** will be studying I John 2. What's the difference between "agape" and "phileo" love? What is "new" about the command to love one another? What are the marks of the Antichrist? What's the difference between "having" sin and "loving" sin? Please join us at 8 a.m. on Sundays.
- **Quarterly Voters' Meeting TODAY:** Agenda items include: Treasurer's report, Board reports, Policies & Procedures Manual/Collection of Important Documents, Sponsorship of Mallorie Gehloff's trip to Africa to serve with International Medical Aid & Outreach in the small communities of Kenya. Appoint Roger Rucker as delegate to 2020 Circuit Forum and 2021 District Convention.
- **BAKE SALE!** Cotta Guild will be hosting a Bake Sale on Sunday, November 1 @ 10:00 AM in the Parish Hall. All proceeds will go towards Mallorie Gehloff's trip to Africa in December.
- **Secret Sisters**, please remember your Secret Brother or Sister with a note and card this month and in your prayers throughout the month.
- **The Board of Stewardship is hosting a special seminar** by Matt Steiner from the LCMS Foundation on Sunday, November 15th at 10:30. Matt will have a short presentation followed by any question's attendees may have regarding Lifetime Plan for Giving. Hope to see you there!
- **Thank you** to the Family of Verna Kuhn for their donation towards the 2021 Youth Mission Trip!
- **Margaret Schwarz extends her thanks** to all for the prayers, cards, and quilt received during these last few months of her recovery. Sincerely, Margaret Schwarz
- **Thank you!** Peggy and I wish to thank you wonderful people of St. Paul Lutheran Church for all your appreciation and love for us expressed in cards and gifts. You all are one of a kind! Blessings, Pastor Zimmer.
- **POP CANS:** The padlock has been now been removed from the church shed. When dropping off your bags of pop cans, please place your bags inside the shed. --Board of Trustees
- **Our Sunday morning schedule will continue as follows, at least through the end of December.**
 - Adult Bible Class will be from 8-8:45, and also Facebook Live-Streamed.
 - The 9 a.m. service will continue to be broadcast on the radio and Facebook live-streamed.
 - Every Monday, we will celebrate Small Group Communion at 1 p.m. Please call the church office to pre-register.
 - We continue to offer a 10:30 service, unless a Voters' meeting is scheduled.
 - Our next "Drive-through / parking lot" Holy communion will be Nov. 22.
- **YOUTH: Friday, Oct. 30** (7-10 PM = 7th Grade & up; 10-Midnight = Youth Group only) – Halloween Party: Dress up as your favorite person or animal from the Bible. There will be games, music, food and prizes but most of all Friends! A prize will be given for the BEST costume. Hope to see you all there!

INTENTIONAL INTERIM MINISTRY CORNER



- **Call Process Update:** We anticipate that within two or three weeks, our Call Committee will be receiving from our Minnesota South District President a list of pastors, along with biographical information. Our Call Committee will be prayerfully studying that information and bringing to a future Voters' meeting a short list of candidates to be considered for a Call.
- Our Transition Team Steering Committee has now combined with our Revitalization Task Force and will continue to give guidance to our elected boards regarding moving forward with mission and ministry here at St. Paul Lutheran.
- Our Transition Team Steering Committee has agreed on two particular priorities/goals to our congregation in our preliminary report to the July Voters' meeting
 - Goal #1 -Reach out** with the love of Christ to attract and engage all ages, especially young families with children.
 - Goal #2 - In-reach** with the love of Christ to engage and challenge our own members, with a focus on less active members.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER:

What are your desires for your family after the Lord calls you home to be with Him? As Christians, our primary desire is that our family and friends will continue in their own faith in Jesus Christ. Writing down your confession of faith and sharing it with family is something with which your LCMS Gift Planning Counselor can help. Come learn about other important aspects of documenting your estate plan and more ways to make gifts to St. Paul: Sunday, November 15th during the Sunday School hour. Or, contact Matt Steiner- Gift Planning Counselor, MNS District/Concordia St Paul – 651-641-8243

--Board of Stewardship

LIFE QUOTES – LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:

"I pray that the love of Christ emboldens you to rejoice in the Word and to speak it without fear of consequence ... may future generations speak of us like we do of David, Josiah, Luther, and our forefathers. May our children say of you and me, 'Our forefathers stood their ground on Christ alone, on His Word of truth alone.' The truth has set you free. Enjoy your own personal reformation. Then let your freedom in Christ be contagious! Let your life continue to shout: Thank Jesus Christ my Savior! I'm free at last ... and so are you! Amen." *Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- October 30 - Fundraiser Meal for Mallorie Gehloff @ Waseca American Legion from 5-7:00 PM
- November 6 - Hot Beef Commercials & Pie @ American Legion (Youth Mission Trip fundraiser)
- November 8 - Sunday School children sing at 10:30 service
- November 15 - 10:30 - "Lifetime Plan for Giving" presentation by Matt Steiner from The Lutheran Foundation

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OPENING SONG: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" [Flute: Hannah LaCroix; Trombone: Jen LaCroix] # 656

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HYMN OF PRAISE: "Amazing Grace" sung by Mali Paulson and Kialyn Quillen

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FIRST READING: Revelation 14:6-7

Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

SECOND READING: Romans 8:30-39

And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified. ³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." ³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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GOSPEL READING: Matthew 11:12-19

From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. ¹³For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, ¹⁴and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. ¹⁵He who has ears to hear, let him hear. ¹⁶"But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates, ¹⁷"We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.' ¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' ¹⁹The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds."

CHILDREN'S LESSON

HYMN: "The Son of God Goes Forth to War" [Saxophonist: Kaleb Schmidt] # 661

SERMON: "God's Everlasting Love" (Romans 8:31-39) Rev. Dr. Giles Zimmer

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING (offering plates are located at each entrance)

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DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMNS:

"Fight the Good Fight" # 664

"Father Welcomes" # 605

"Jerusalem the Golden" # 672

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CLOSING SONG: "In Christ Alone" [see reusable song sheet distributed by Elder]

IN OUR PRAYERS:

Hospice: Irene Fogal (sister-in-law to Margaret Schwarz)

Hospitalized: Eva Bickell

Illness: Gary Schwartz

Recovery from Surgery: Loren Frink

Healing: Eddie Bethke, Makayla Clark, Margaret Schwarz, Benjamin Waters, Duane Wyffels

Thanksgiving & Continued Recovery: Mike Buker, Thomas Guggisberg, Kassidy Kirtz (great-granddaughter to Russ & Joy Weir)

Treatment: Eva Bickell, Charles Matz (brother to Karen Berg), Marcia Meiners (daughter of the late Lorraine Miller), Brian Schroeder

Serving in the Military: Noah Berg, Ryan Berg, Jacob Claybaugh, Jordan Labiack, Jacob Lemmen,
Aaron & Sarah Lenz, Jason Paschall, David Reinsbach, John Thompson

Waseca Circuit Missionaries: Rev. Edward Naumann (Sri Lanka), Rev. Dr. Stephen Oliver (Taiwan), and John & Jenn Wolff (Kenya)

For our congregation as proceed with the Call process.

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UPCOMING SERMONS:

Four Part Sermon Series: 20/20 Vision

- November 1 - All Saints' Day - Focused on Jesus the Lamb
- November 8 - Focused on Jesus the Bridegroom
- November 15 - Focused on Jesus the Master
- November 22 - Focused on Jesus the Judge

Thanksgiving Day: "God and Country"

Eight Part Sermon Series: "Good News Conversations"

- Wednesday, Dec. 2 - "An Angel and Zechariah"
- Sunday, Dec. 6 - "John the Baptist and the Crowds"
- Wednesday, Dec. 9 - "Mary and Elizabeth"
- Sunday, Dec. 13 - "John the Baptist, the Priests, and the Levites"
- Wednesday, Dec. 16 - Zechariah and His Neighbors"
- Sunday, Dec. 20 - "Gabriel and Mary"
- Christmas Eve - "The Shepherds and Their Small-Town Neighbors"
- Christmas Day - "Pastors and People"



St. Paul Lutheran Church

- **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.
- **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 also on the internet via www.theradiotrain.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 Team:** If you would like to add someone or something to the prayer team, please call the church office at 835-2647.
- **Sunday School:** Join us for Sunday School at 10:15-11:15, or through the end of the late worship service, for ages 3 through grade 8. Today's Bible lesson is: Fiery Direction - Moses

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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.