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Weekly Announcements

April 27, 2025



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Worship Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Special services during Advent, Lent & Summer

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Looking for livestream volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help with running the livestream worship services on Sundays at 8am. Teams of two are very helpful. You don't need to be tech savvy or computer literate, just be able to push a button (or two).

☺ If you are interested in helping out, please contact Heather in the church office at 262.567.5001 or via email at heather@splco.org.

Help with the Stamp Out Hunger postal workers food drive Saturday, May 10th

Oconomowoc Food Pantry (OFP) has asked for help in collecting the food and sorting it from the donations picked up at people's mailboxes on Saturday, May 10th. For a few years the OFP has shared their abundance from this event with us, Lord's Cupboard (LC) and last year it was over 4,650 lbs.! We will be receiving some of this food collected this year and we need volunteers to help with the pick-up and the sorting. These are the few areas that we need volunteers for on Saturday, May 10th:

- Meet at the Oconomowoc Post Office on 38 S. Main Street at 9am. You will follow/drive behind the postal workers who have a walking route and pick up the food that is donated and left at the mailboxes. Then deliver that food to the OFP facility on Brown Street. Need 2+ people per route (one to drive, one or two to pick up). A SUV or a pickup truck is preferable. Time commitment is approximately 9am-12noon.
- Starting at 1pm, sort the food at UCC church at 815 S. Concord Road in their pavilion for the food that will be brought there from the postal workers who have a drivable route. Needing a 1-2 hour commitment minimum between 1pm-6pm.
- We will need to have a few trucks and cars with trailers to pickup the food from UCC starting at 4pm that LC will be given and deliver it to St. Paul's. 1-2 hours' time commitment.

Contact Mary Hickenbottom at mary@splco.org or 414.333.3421. Thank you and please fill the bag you receive in your mailbox with food for our Lord's Cupboard recipients.

St. Paul's Youth Group

April Events

- April 27th END OF THE YEAR FUN - MS & HS Bowling after 10:30 service

May Events

- May 4th NO YOUTH GROUP (Confirmation Sunday)
- May 11th SPEND THE DAY WITH YOUR MAMA!
- May 18th Higher Things Attendee Study: 7pm
- May 25th Higher Things Attendee Study: 7pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Word ON Wednesday

Are you thinking about becoming a member at St. Paul's? Do you want a refresher on what Lutherans believe? Join Pastor Schockman for "Lutheran Basics" at our Wednesday evening Bible class, "Word on Wednesday (W.O.W.)."

Where: Room 219

Time: 6:30–7:30 pm

Quilt Tying

LWML will be tying quilts on Saturday, May 4th, at 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a scissors. Lend a hand! Any help is welcome.

Ladies Aid

April is almost over and we've had our April showers. So, what comes after those showers? Well, those wonderful May flowers, of course! Ladies Aid's next meeting on May 1st, at 5:30pm will help get you in the mood for those beautiful spring flowers! Please join us to hear Renee Ebert and family talk about the excitement of spring plantings and what's all happening at Ebert's Greenhouse Village. It will truly be an evening of fun, food and fellowship.



John 20:19 – “On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’” Fear is the opposite of faith. That is, the kind

of cringing fear we have in the face of something that is hostile to us and more powerful than we are. Jesus spends a lot of His time telling the disciples to not be afraid. Our fears constantly hem us in and prevent us from following the Lord's will. But there is no need to fear. Jesus has conquered. No fear can keep us locked up. We have been set free by Jesus for lives that declare His marvelous deeds.

Life Thoughts in the Church Year



“An angel of the Lord...brought them out and said, ‘Go...and speak to the people all the words of this Life’” (Acts 5:19-20). Life—immediate, abundant, ongoing from fertilization to forever—belongs to the heart of the Gospel and the very identity of our

Savior Jesus Christ. And is there any clearer Scriptural invitation for the sanctity of life to occupy all our conversation?



St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Mother/Daughter/Friend Banquet

Sponsored by Ladies Aid

Tuesday, May 13

5:30pm - Fellowship and Cocktails

6:30pm - Dinner

Program—"Accessories R Us"

(wear or bring a gaudy accessory)

Oconomowoc Golf Club

W360 N5261 Brown Street, Oconomowoc

Enjoy fellowship, food and a fun skit!

Adults - \$40 (includes gratuity) Children (3 to 12) - \$15 (includes gratuity)

Menu:

Chicken Cordon Bleu

Twice Baked Potatoes

French Style Green Beans

Salad & Rolls

Grasshopper Pie

Coffee, Tea, Milk

*(Vegetarian Dish Available.
Let us know when purchasing
your tickets)*

Menu:

Chicken Fingers

French Fries

Fruit

Ice Cream Sundae

Milk



Bring Hard Candy

Flavors: Root Beer,

Peppermint, Lemon

Purchase Tickets:

Church Office (262-567-5001)

Mary Lou Pagenkopf (262-308-8184)

Terrie Seifert (262-490-0649)

Vicky Tuder (414-699-8045)

Judy Braatz (262-266-4841)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2025-2026 CANDIDATES FOR LEADERSHIP and BOARD POSITIONS

POSITION	CURRENT	Term Ends	CANDIDATE	Term Ends
President	Dan Eifert	2026	Dan Eifert	2026
Vice President #1	John Nelson	2026	John Nelson	2026
Vice President #2	Cheryl Tesch	2025	Paul Junio	2027
Treasurer	Warren Weaver	2026	Warren Weaver	2026
Secretary **	Tim Mueller	2025	Tim Mueller	2027
Board Of Elders	Jim Juneau	2025	Jim Juneau	2027
	Arno Kirchenwitz	2025	Arno Kirchenwitz	2026
	Chuck Laabs	2026	Chuck Laabs	2026
	Dave Meyer***	2026	Dave Meyer	2026
	Jerad Luedtke	2026	Jerad Luedtke	2026
	Ryan Schneider	2025	Ryan Schnieder	2027
	Tom Showen	2026	Tom Showen	2026
	Patrick Smith	2025	Pat Smith	2027
	Mike Stollenwerk	2025	Mike Stollenwerk	2026
	Rick Zastrow	2025	Rick Zastrow	2027
			Neil Anderson	2027
			Matt Dinnauer	2027
Board of Education (Only the director is elected the other members are appointed and listed here to be recognized.)	Kurt Ahrens, Dir	2025	Jenny Stollenwerk, Dir.	2027
	Mark Baganz	2025	Mark Baganz	2027
	Todd Blair - Parent Member	2025	Barb Boldt	2027
	Tim Krause	2025	Tim Krause	2027
	Leah Johnson	2025	Leah Johnson	2027
	Rob Sterr (St. John's Rep)	2025	Rob Sterr (St. John's Rep)	2027
	Angie Sterr (St. John's Rep)	2025	Angie Sterr (St. John's Rep)	2027
			Open	2027
Board of Operations (Only the director is elected the other members are appointed and listed here to be recognized.)	Glenn Liedel, Co-Dir	2025	Glenn Liedel, Co-Dir	2027
	Paul Shanks, Co-Dir	2025	Paul Shanks, Co-Dir	2027
	Pat Borgman	2025	Pat Borgman	2027
	Gary Flanagan	2025	Gary Flanagan	2027
	Dan Friedrich	2025	Dan Friedrich	2027
	Brett Helwig	2025	Brett Helwig	2027
	John Hertneky	2025	John Hertneky	2027
	Margie Hertneky	2025	Margie Hertneky	2027
	George Menden	2025	Chris Kroupa	2027
	Joel Tesch	2025	Joel Tesch	2027
	Tim Mueller (CLT rep)	2025	Tim Mueller (CLT rep)	2027

** The congregation secretary is an appointed position by the CLT and is on the slate to be recognized

***Dave Meyer is the current director of the board but his term, as director is finished after June 30th; the Elder's elect the director from amongst their ranks

Mrs. Raben-Rogers

In with the old and in with the new!!

Married again (new)

I am blessed to be married to a college friend. We have stayed friends all of this time and now have a new beginning as a family. God is so good!



Resource Room teacher (new)

I am part of the Resource Room team. It is a joy to assist students in this new capacity. I spend time in multiple classrooms and teaching students in the resource room. I work with speech students as well. As this is all new to me, I am still learning. We are blessed at St. Paul's to be able to offer these services to students, and I am blessed to be a part of this program.



Gym teacher (old)

I teach physical education to the students in kindergarten through fourth grade. We start every class with laps and a warm-up routine. By now the students could lead it



themselves. We often play games that keep us moving,

using the amazing bodies that God has given us, and cooperating with each other. Some of our favorites include: Rock, Paper, Scissors Tag, Snowman Down, Dodgeball, Star Wars, and Mario Tag. I am always introducing new games. A couple of our new favorite games this year include Castlemania and Nine Square.



Speech teacher (old)

I continue to teach speech class for the fifth and sixth graders. This year the fifth-grade class is giving a Demonstration speech, while the sixth graders are giving Information speeches. During speech class we work through the whole process of finding a topic, writing a thesis statement, making an outline, writing an introduction, conclusion, and making notecards. The students will give the speeches to their classmates at the end of April.



Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer

The Second Sunday of Easter: *Thomas's Nickname*

April 27-May 4, 2025

Thomas's Nickname

Sometimes think we talk more about Thomas than Jesus in this text. That's probably not a great habit. It's even how we talk about the story. We call Thomas by his nickname even though it's never in the Bible at all. This story isn't walking-through-a-wall-risen-from-the-dead-peace-giving-Jesus. This is doubting Thomas. I wonder what it says about us that we give Thomas a nickname because he sinned in the same text God gives us absolution. Instead, today, we focus on the Risen Christ and His promises, even for those who doubt.)

Order of Meditation and Prayer

Pray and confess out loud as much from the order of meditation and prayer as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Apostles' Creed

Verse: Romans 8:38-39 I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Psalm: Psalm 118 and/or the appointed daily psalms for General Psalms in Psalm Schedule
LSB, p. 304

Catechism—Creed: Second Article

<i>The Second Article</i> And [I believe] in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate Was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.	Preschool +
<i>What does this mean?</i> I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord.	1 st Grade +
<i>What does this mean? (continued)</i> Who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death.	2 nd Grade +

The Second Sunday of Easter: *Thomas’s Nickname*

Day	Bible Stories for Families with Young Children	Readings for Adults & Older Children	
Sun.	The Visit of the Wise Men: Matthew 2	Psalm 93, 136, 117	John 20.19-31
Mon.	The Boy Jesus in the Temple: Luke 2	Psalm 97, 124, 115	1 Ki 9:1-10:29
Tue.	John Prepares the Way of the Lord: Mt 3; Lk 3	Psalm 98, 66, 116	1 Ki 11:1-43
Wed.	The Baptism of Jesus: John 1; Matthew 3	Psalm 99, 8, 118	1 Ki 12:1-33
Thur.	The Temptation of Jesus: Mt 4; Mk 1; Lk 4	Psalm 47, 68, 113	1 Ki 13:1-14:31
Fri.	Jesus Calls Disciples: John 1	Psalm 96, 50, 138	1 Ki 15:1-16:34
Sat.	Sunday’s Gospel Reading: John 21.1-14	Psalm 92, 23, 114	1 Ki 17:1-18-46

Prayers: Collects for the Week, Daily Themes for Prayer, In Our Prayers at St. Paul’s

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord’s resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Daily Themes for Prayer

- Sunday:** *Pray for the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and Sacraments.*
- Monday:** *Pray for faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for one's calling and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for schools, colleges, and seminaries; for good government and for peace.*
- Tuesday:** *Pray for deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing, the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with besetting sins.*
- Wednesday:** *Pray for marriage and family, that husbands and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to the Word of God; for parents who must raise children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods.*
- Thursday:** *Pray for the Church and her pastors; for teachers, deacons, deaconesses, and other church workers; for missionaries and for all who serve the Church; for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed sacrament of Christ's body and blood.*
- Friday:** *Pray for the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for the spread of His knowledge throughout the whole world; for the persecuted and oppressed; for the sick and dying.*
- Saturday:** *Pray for faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for receptive hearts and minds to God's Word on the Lord's Day; for pastors and people as they prepare to administer and receive Christ's holy gifts.*

In Our Prayers this Week

Those sick or hospitalized: MEMBERS – Tim Krause; Pauline Bemis; Bob Bratz; Vernon Schilling; Ian McMillan; Joanne Kullman; Carol Fellin–cancer care; Jim Braatz; Dorothy Duchow; Bruce Bojko–cancer; Ruth Polcha; Bill Anderson; John Lindemann; Gary Flanagan; Virginia Meintz; Belle Rombach; Nancy Wolter; Don Meyer–cancer; Ann Duggan; Jim Duggan; Marilyn Marohn; Sally Eubanks; Dick Allen; Truman Seifert–acute myeloid leukemia; Carolyn Nagel–lung cancer; Don Schmitt; Karen Meyer–cancer; George Menden–prostate cancer; Diane Gartzke–post traumatic stress disorder; Stan Kuehl; Marian Faltersack; Michael Stollenwerk; Marilyn Runyard; Marcus Pankow–in-home hospice; Linda Leidel; Lucille Campbell–cancer treatment

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS – Those with cancer: Steve Latino (Bruce & Mary Bojko's son-in-law)–pancreatic cancer; Dana–recent cancer diagnosis; Marna–liver cancer; Daniel (Bill Merten's brother); Curt Duchow (Dorothy's son)–mantle cell lymphoma; Rhonda–breast cancer; Hailey–13 year-old w/ brain tumor; JoyAnn; Dan Faltersack–COPD; Jeff–stage four colon cancer; Dick Watt; Betty Dow (Linda Uttech's cousin)–Leukemia; Jeff–non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; Jayne Roberts' husband–lymphoma; Cheech Counsell (Dona Thurow's son-in-law); Tyler; Christopher–cancer; Tanner–2 year-old with cancer; Missy (Sheila Ram's niece)–breast cancer; Dawn–lung cancer; Jim (Jackie Meyer's dad); Jim (Laura Grubba's brother-in-law); Phyllis; Mike; Elizabeth–breast cancer; Kayla–thyroid cancer; Erin (Mileager)–Rayborn–Hodgkins Lymphoma; Mary Sprague–breast cancer; Debra Thurow (Dona's daughter); Kathy Berkbigler (Pat Borgman's cousin)–breast cancer; Ron Rafalski–throat cancer; Nancy–breast cancer

Other: Tom (Jamie Stache’s boyfriend)—stroke; Dorothy—Alzheimer’s; Trish Lederer—vision issues; Patricia Eberhardt (Chad’s mom); Brent (Barb Allwardt’s brother)—Alzheimer’s; Cindy Counsell (Dona Thurow’s daughter)—massive stroke; Paul; Bob; George; Paul; Liz Peronto (Barb Allwardt’s sister); Doug—CCL; Scott Kleist (Jim & Ann Duggan’s son)—MS; Paul Fellin

Those serving in the military-deployed: Trevor Thiel – Alaska (Fort JBER); Joe; Sam Duggan; Justin Michener; Zach Howard; Theresa; Phil Preston; Casey, Phil, Andy & Steve Koth; Luke; Jacob; Brian; Randy; Kyle; Jake; Jeff; Matt; Brad; Ben; Mike & Rob

Those serving God as missionaries: Rev. Shauen & Krista Trump & family; Dennis Denow (Thailand), Bob & Chris Prouty (Australia), Pastor Reinke (Deaf Ministry), Rev. Bud Palmer; Rev. Ted Krey, Deaconess, Tirzah Krey in the Dominican Republic; all seminary students in the Dominican Republic, and all other pastors and missionaries in Latin America

Those in need: Our Shut-Ins; Sam—a young man struggling to make good choices; those struggling with addiction; Jennifer; Brian; David

Lord’s Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism
Hymn of the Week: O Sons and Daughters of the King

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Looking forward to the Third Sunday of Easter + Confirmation

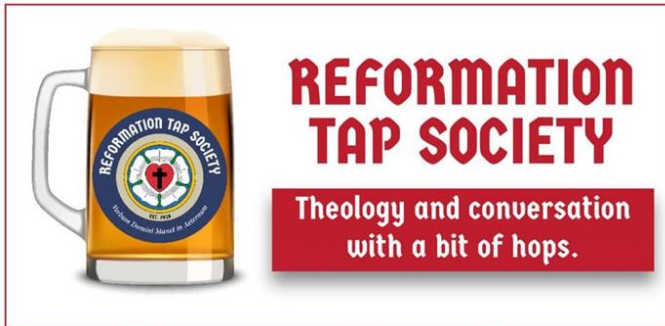
Hymns: 485, 483 (633, 680, 688) 465

May 4, 2025

The Good Shepherd Feeds His Lambs (Pastor Jason Schockman)

“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain” (Rev. 5:12), who by His cross has conquered sin and death. With His blood, He has “ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation” (Rev. 5:9). This same Lord Jesus visits people of all nations and calls them to Himself by the Gospel, even as He “was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead” (John 21:14). He “has turned our mourning into dancing and clothed us in gladness” (Psalm 30:11) by this resurrection. This is the faith we hear confessed by our confirmands this morning as they receive the Rite of Confirmation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Reformation Tap Society talks are casual and thoughtful adult conversations about important things. The 2024-2025 RTS season explores many facets of grit and endurance under the theme “Unshakeable Joy in Christ.” Though we welcome adults of any age, topics and language are aimed at those 18-35. Our speakers understand that RTS is a public event, so the conversation won’t be raw, but our speakers are encouraged to practice candor geared towards adults. Parents of young ones should collaborate on a babysitter, then come and enjoy the beverages, food, and conversation. RTS is an opportunity to hear perspectives not regularly heard in popular culture. All are welcome.

RTS is held on the 3rd Sundays, September through May. We gather at 5 p.m., have a “beer talk” from the brewmaster at about 5:25, and at about 5:30 our speaker takes the mic. The speaker will present on a topic of interest, then take questions until 6:15 or so. (BTW, you’re welcome even if you’re not a beer fan. Other beverages are available.) For more information, visit

<https://splco.org/church/reformation-tap-society/>.

April 27

Joyfully Anxious:

How to Untangle Law, Gospel and Poor Mental Health

Presenter: Harrison Goodman

5-7p.m.

BrewFinity Brewery

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Oconomowoc, WI 53066

www.brewfinitybrewing.com

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Circuit Ascension Service May 29, 2025

St. John's Lutheran Church -
North Prairie
312. N. Main St.
North Prairie, WI 53153
stjohnsnp.org

This year, the circuit's Ascension Dinner and Service will be held at St. John's North Prairie. Offerings for the service will support the Dominican Republic Lutheran Mission and the South Wisconsin District's Church Planting Initiative.

Dinner: 5:00 - 6:15 PM

Featuring Turkey and Gravy

Divine Service: 6:30 PM

Liturgist: Rev. Lance O'Donnell

Celebrant/Preacher: Rev. Dr. Michael Nielsen

Lector: Rev. Gregory Barto

WEEK AT A GLANCE

MONDAY April 28	Lord's Lambs Giveaway	Fellowship Hall	6:30 pm
TUESDAY April 29	Church Leadership Team Meeting SPLS Spring Concert	Room 202 Gym	5:30 pm 5:30 pm
WEDNESDAY April 30	Lutheran Basics Bible Study	Room 219	6:30 pm
THURSDAY May 1	Ladies Aid Church Choir Rehearsal Praise Team Rehearsal	Fellowship Hall Balcony Church	5:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm
FRIDAY May 2	Game Show Gala	Gym	6:00 pm
SATURDAY May 3	Women of Joy LWML Quilt Tying Divine Worship AA Meeting	Whelan's Fellowship Hall Church Fellowship Hall	8:00 am 9:15 am 5:00 pm 8:30 pm
SUNDAY May 4	Divine Worship + Rite of Confirmation Blood Pressure Screening Confirmation Reception Divine Worship	Church Office Fellowship Hall Church	8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am

BIBLE STUDIES

Life Application Bible Study

Sunday: 9:15 am – Fellowship Hall
262-567-5001

Women of Joy

Saturday (1st & 3rd) - 8:00 am
Whelan's

Journeymen

Saturday (2nd & 4th) - 7:30 am
Maxim's

Sunday School

April 27, 2025

All Overboard

Bible Truth: Jesus guides and protects us.
Acts 27:9-44

NEXT WEEKEND

	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Readings	Ps 30	Rev 5.6-14	Jn 21.1-14
Acolytes	TBD	Caleb Meyer	TBD
Altar Guild	Jackie Smith	Megan Miller	Barb Star
Elders	Pat Smith	Dave Meyer	Tom Showen
Greeters	Char Binney	Jim & Judy Braatz Chris & Pam Kroupa	Tom Miller
Live-Stream	N/A	Hertneky	N/A
Radio	N/A	Scheuer	N/A
Ushering Team	Dan Friedrich	Bob Bratz	Dan Lennington

MAY 4, 2025

THE 3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER + CONFIRMATION

Pastor: Jason A. Schockman

Theme: *The Good Shepherd Feeds His Lambs*

5pm & 8am Worship

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10:30am Worship

Special Order

ST. PAUL’S STAFF

Rev. Lance Armstrong O’Donnell, Senior Pastor
Allison Mackie, Director of Parish Music
Jill George, Principal

Rev. Jason Schockman, Associate Pastor
Christine Flores, ECC Director

Office Hours: 7:00 am – 3:30 pm (Monday-Friday)

The Second Sunday of Easter

Old Testament: Psalm 148

Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord from the heavens;
 praise him in the heights!
Praise him, all his angels;
 praise him, all his hosts!
Praise him, sun and moon,
 praise him, all you shining stars!
Praise him, you highest heavens,
 and you waters above the heavens!
Let them praise the name of the Lord!
 For he commanded and they were created.
And he established them forever and ever;
 he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.
Praise the Lord from the earth,
 you great sea creatures and all deeps,
fire and hail, snow and mist,
 stormy wind fulfilling his word!
Mountains and all hills,
 fruit trees and all cedars!
Beasts and all livestock,
 creeping things and flying birds!
Kings of the earth and all peoples,
 princes and all rulers of the earth!
Young men and maidens together,
 old men and children!
Let them praise the name of the Lord,
 for his name alone is exalted;
 his majesty is above earth and heaven.
He has raised up a horn for his people,
 praise for all his saints,
 for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the Lord!

Epistle: Revelation 1:4-18

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:
Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.
To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.
“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. I was in the Spirit on the Lord’s day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet saying, “Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea.”
Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. The hairs of his head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.
When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, “Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld.”
Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.”
Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”
Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

April 27, 2025



St. Paul’s

LUTHERAN CHURCH

A member of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

Receiving and giving the love and hope of Christ



Worship Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Special services during Advent, Lent & Summer

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Welcome to St. Paul’s Lutheran Church,
School, & Early Childhood Center

† Please fill out an attendance card and place it in the offering plate. † As the prelude begins, worshipers are encouraged to conclude conversation and quietly prepare for worship.

GUEST INFORMATION

Welcome! We’re delighted that you’ve joined us for worship.

If you have questions, or would like more information about St. Paul’s, a greeter, elder, or pastor will be happy to help you.

Please fill out an attendance card, located on the pew in front of you, and place it in the offering plate.

We welcome young children to the service. Try sitting closer to the front by a side aisle. There are activity bags located behind the back pews, and a simulcast downstairs if necessary.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord’s Supper is not a private meal, but a body-and-soul communion with Christ and His body, the Church. In keeping with the Lord’s instruction (cf. 1 Corinthians 11.17-34) and with the common historical practice of the church, St. Paul’s welcomes only those who are in full confessional agreement to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. If you hold a confession differing from The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod or are not yet confirmed in our confession of faith, we welcome you to come forward for a blessing (Please indicate by folding your hands over your heart.). If you are physically unable to come forward, please let an usher know and the pastor will come to you and give you communion. Those communing should mark this on the attendance card. If you have questions, our pastors will be pleased to speak with you.

Distribution and Communion Wine

Please place open hands out to receive the Body of Christ and also to indicate whether you are receiving the Blood of Christ from the common cup or the individual cup. The wine glasses in the center of each tray contain **one drop** of communion wine. The glasses that contain more wine are dark in color.

LAST WEEK’S ATTENDANCE

6:00 am – 145 **Total: 840**
8:00 am – 411
10:30 am – 284

Scan the QR code and give electronically. This is a safe and easy way to offer your gifts to God.



THOSE SERVING THIS WEEKEND

	5pm	8am	10:30am
Celebrant	Ps. Schockman	Ps. Schockman	Ps. Schockman
Preacher	Guest Ps. Goodman	Guest Ps. Goodman	Guest Ps. Goodman
Lector	Ps. O’Donnell	Ps. O’Donnell	Ps. O’Donnell
Musicians	Allison Mackie	Allison Mackie	Praise Team
Acolytes	TBD	Ryan Edwards	TBD
Altar Guild	Jamie Stache	Pam Kroupa	Karen Dentice
Elders	Jim Juneau	Arno Kirchenwitz	Ryan Schneider
Greeters	Margie Hertneky Roxie Gerlach	Dave & Bonnie Schlieve Dutch & Lynda Holland	Karen Meyer
Live Stream	N/A	Hertneky	N/A
Radio	N/A	Tom Krenzke	N/A
Ushering Team	Mark Baganz	Joel Tesch	Tom Showen

Radio Broadcast: St. Paul’s LWML in praise to God for blessings received

ST. PAUL’S MEDIA

† Radio: *LIVE* Sunday at 8am on WTKM (104.9 FM)
† YouTube: *LIVE* Sundays at 8am (stpaulsev.lutheranchurch7279)
† Web: Anytime at www.splco.org or YouTube

DIVINE SERVICE

Lutheran Service Book

Setting 2, pg. 167

Greeting

Confession of Faith
+ 5pm: Micah Schockman
+ 8am: Eva McDermott

Hymn of Invocation 487

Confession & Absolution 167

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

Kyrie 168

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John 20: 19-31

Hymn of the Day 470

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8am: Public Reception of Members
+ Rev. Matthew & Bonnie Thompson

Prayer of the Church

Offering

Offertory 176

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

Distribution Hymns
+ 480, 720, 475

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Post-Communion Collect 183

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