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# Weekly Announcements

January 4, 2026



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## Worship Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Special services during Advent, Lent & Summer

## BE TRANSFORMED. WINTER WORKSHOPS

*“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.” (Romans 12:2, ESV)*

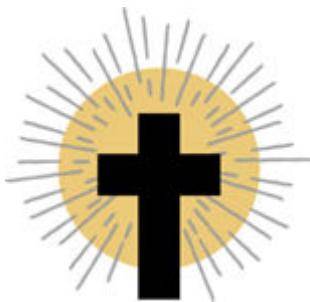
We are pleased to announce Winter Workshops during the “Word on Wednesday” period, 6:30-7:45p.m., January 7 – February 11, 2026. We are doing this potluck-style, so we encourage participants not only to bring their Bibles and writing utensils, but—if able—to bring something to drink and some food to share. Participants will “break bread,” study the scriptures, discuss, and learn together



### **Biblical Finance for Young Adults** (high school - 30ish ☺)

Taught by Dale Stratil in Room 219

Young adults, you are making financial decisions that will affect you the rest of your lives. Why not have a sound Biblical basis upon which to make those decisions? We will be covering topics such as budgeting, emergency funds, saving, investing, debt, insurance, purchasing a house, mortgage, retirement planning, and of course, generous giving. We are going to merge your Christian walk and your financial walk into one cohesive walk with the Lord. “He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?” (Micah 6:8). Email [heather@splco.org](mailto:heather@splco.org) to sign up.



### **Learning Christian Meditation** (middle school – adults)

Taught by Pastor Lance O'Donnell in Room 202

Stressed out? Struggling at work or school? Relationships with family or friends strained? Significant decisions looming? Every area of your life can be transformed by learning to meditate on the Word of Christ. We're not talking about “mindfulness” here, nor about developing the habit of reading devotions. Christian meditation is a relaxed form of concentration on God's Word. In this class you'll learn how to “let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly.” (Col 3:16) You'll develop a practice of meditation that fits your personality, and through the Word of Christ—as you'll discover—the Holy Spirit will help you discern the will of God and live in Godliness, confidence, and contentment. Email [heather@splco.org](mailto:heather@splco.org) to sign up.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 2026 Flower Chart

The 2026 flower chart is now posted in the church narthex (west side) for those of you who would like to sign up for flowers for the Worship Services for the coming year. The cost is \$45.00 for two bouquets. Checks should be made to St. Paul's Altar Guild. Payment should be put in a separate envelope addressed to the Altar Guild and placed in the offering or the Altar Guild mailbox. Flowers can be picked up after the 10:30 worship service. Thank you.



**1 Peter 4:17 – “For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God?”** The

Gospel had freed us from all fear. God the Father loves us to the

ends of love, and He has sent His Son to die for us and call us into His kingdom through the rebirth of water and Spirit. Saint Peter views this not as an excuse to sin but as encouragement for godly living. The judgment of the Lord is a real event, and it applies to the household of God. As members of His household, we desire to serve Him.to serve Him.



**LUTHERANS  
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### Life Thoughts in the Church Year

God used Joseph, who adopted Jesus as his own son (Luke 2:41), to care for our Lord as He (Jesus) mysteriously lived a perfectly human life as our substitute. Through Jesus, God has now

adopted us as His own children and has promised us an eternal inheritance in His kingdom (Ephesians 1:5, 11). Christians should be encouraged to likewise consider and promote adoption as a godly way to preserve and care for the lives of God's precious children and bring them into His kingdom.

## YOUNG ADULTS & YOUTH GROUP INFORMATION

### St. Paul's Young Adults (SPLCO YA)

We provide opportunities at St. Paul's for young adults (18 – 30ish) to be together in community together and build one another up.

#### Upcoming SPLCO YA Events

- The young adults are encouraged to attend the **Biblical Finance for Young Adults**, on Wednesdays, led by Dale Stratil.



Join Our  
Contact List!

### St. Paul's Youth Group

- January 4 High School Youth Group 7-8:30pm
- January 11 High School Youth Group 7-8:30pm
- January 18 High School Youth Group 7-8:30pm
- January 25 NERF CLASSIC

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### LWML

Registration deadline for attending the LWML Winter Getaway on January 30-31 in Fond du Lac is January 16<sup>th</sup>. Rev. Keith GeRue, US Army chaplain and serving as Associate Pastor and Principal at Trinity, Menasha and assigned to the 452 Combat Surgical Hospital, Milwaukee is the guest speaker.

The theme is from Joshua 1:9 “Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed. GOD IS WITH YOU wherever you go.” Information is available on the LWML website. Anyone who would like to contribute to the Gifts from the Heart ingathering can find the list of items needed by the collection bin in the Fellowship Hall. Items for LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces include: Gum, mints, single-serve drink packets, Chapstick, and individual packages of granola bars, beef jerky, nuts, crackers.

### WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPONSOR A RADIO BROADCAST?

Our radio broadcast over WTKM is a very important outreach for our congregation. Below are the dates open for 2026. Please prayerfully consider sponsoring one of these Sundays. The cost for 2026 has increased to **\$135.00**. We praise God for this valuable community outreach.

Feb. 1	Jun. 14	Sept. 13	Nov. 26
Feb. 22	Jun. 28	Sept. 20	Nov. 29
Mar. 15	Jul. 12	Oct. 11	Dec. 6
Apr. 19	Aug. 2	Oct. 18	Dec. 13
May 3	Aug. 9	Oct. 25	Dec. 20
May 24	Aug. 23	Nov. 15	Dec. 27
Jun. 7	Sept. 6	Nov. 22	

If you are interested in sponsoring a broadcast please fill out the bottom portion of this page and hand it into the church office or place it in the offering plate. Thank you. Any questions please call Heather in the church office 567-5001.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE– 1ST CHOICE \_\_\_\_\_ 2ND CHOICE \_\_\_\_\_

Please dedicate to (i.e. in memory of, wedding anniversary, to the Glory of God, in honor of...etc.)

# Congregation at Prayer

## A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer

The Second Sunday after Christmas: *All Who Heard Him Were Amazed*

January 5 – 12, 2026

### ***All Who Heard Him Were Amazed***

Today, Jesus stands in His Father's house. He imparts to us His direction and wisdom. Yet He does so much more. We come to Him confessing our sin and our failure. He uses the things of His Father: His Word, Baptism and Supper; to create a clean heart and renew a right spirit within us . . . no matter how foolish or lost we may have been. He who is the very Wisdom of God in the flesh suffered the foolishness of the cross that He may never cast you out or take His Holy Spirit from you. Instead, He has made you His own that you may live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness; even as He is risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true!). (Gal. 4:4–6).

### ***Order 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:** Matthew 7:7-8 Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.

**Psalm:** Psalm 119:97-104 and/or the appointed daily psalms for General Psalms in Psalm Schedule LSB, p. 304

## Catechism: *Lord's Prayer—Seventh Petition and Conclusion*

<b><i>The Lord's Prayer (Seventh Petition)</i></b> <b>But deliver us from evil</b>	Preschool +
<i>What does this mean?</i> We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade +
<b><i>The Lord's Prayer (Conclusion)</i></b> <b>For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen</b>	Preschool +
<i>What does this mean?</i> This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means “yes, yes, it shall be so.”	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade +

## The Second Sunday after Christmas: *All Who Heard Him Were Amazed*

Day	Bible Stories for Families with Young Children	Readings for Adults & Older Children	
Sun.	Esau Forgives Jacob – Genesis 31-33	Psalm 103, 93, 97	Lk 2.40-52
Mon.	Joseph and His Brothers – Genesis 37	Psalm 99, 96, 110	Ezk 35:1-48:35
Tue.	Joseph's Troubles – Genesis 39	Psalm 72, 100, 67	Ezk 37:1-39:29
Wed.	Joseph Feeds Egypt – Genesis 40-41	Psalm 89:1-18, 1, 33	Ezk 40:1-42:20
Thur.	Joseph Forgives – Genesis 42-45	Psalm 97, 16, 62	Ezk 43:1-27
Fri.	Jacob Blesses His Children – Genesis 48-49	Psalm 51, 142, 65	Ezk 44:1-31
Sat.	Sunday's Gospel Reading: Matthew 3:13-17	Psalm 104, 118, 111	Ezk 45:1-46:24

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

Almighty God, You have poured into our hearts the true Light of Your incarnate Word. Grant that this Light may shine forth in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, 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** – Delaney Heffern; Art Schuck; Ed Kranick–heart attack; John Wickersham; Joyce Anderson; Carol Lenz–hospice; Catherine Weidler-Loney–cancer; Tammy Frazier–cancer; Bob Bratz; Ian McMillan; Joanne Kullman; Carol Fellin–cancer care; Jim Braatz; Ruth Polcha; Virginia Meintz; 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; Stan Kuehl; Marian Faltersack; Michael Stollenwerk; Marilyn Runyard; Linda Leidel; Lucille Campbell–cancer treatment

**FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS – Those with cancer:** Lisa (nee Rhodee) Liarokis – breast cancer; Layla Pelnar (Lynn's granddaughter)–thyroid cancer; Bob Duchow (Dorothy's son); Lexi–undergoing double mastectomy; Sue Malone (Dan & Brenda Maynard's friend)–brain cancer; daughter of Bill & Sarah Mertens; Janice Mulvaney Krueger–lung cancer; Della–Diana Radtke's sister; Lauri; Dana–recent cancer diagnosis; Daniel (Bill Merten's brother); Curt Duchow (Dorothy's son)–mantle cell lymphoma; Rhonda–breast cancer; JoyAnn; Dan Faltersack–COPD; Jeff–stage four colon cancer; Jeff–non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; Missy (Sheila Ram's niece)–breast cancer; Dawn–lung cancer; Jim (Jackie Meyer's dad)

**Other:** Gary Barborich; Dean Wilcox (Tina Gartzke's brother); Joe Rohde (Sue Beles' brother)–healing; Mark–heart attack; Beth Dowhen; Todd (Sandy Raben-Roger's cousin)–blood clots; Dorothy–Alzheimer's; Patricia Eberhardt (Chad's mom); Paul; Bob; George; Paul; Doug–CCL; Scott Kleist (Jim & Ann Duggan's son)–MS; Paul Fellin–broken leg

**Those serving in the military-deployed:** Madelynn Matthews–Air Force; 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 and 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

**Birthdays:** John Hertneky–January 4<sup>th</sup>  
David Hertneky–16<sup>th</sup>–January 4<sup>th</sup>

***Lord's Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism***

***Hymn of the Week: Within the Father's House***

**LSB 410**

**Looking forward to the Baptism of Our Lord**

**January 11, 2026**

**Hymns: 594, 406 (601, 405, 402) 398**

***Why Discovery (Pastor O'Donnell)***

David called Him “the voice of The LORD.” (See Ps 29) Isaiah called Him, “the Servant,” “the chosen,” who would be “called in righteousness,” who would be a “covenant for the people,” the One who would make “all things new.” (See Isa 42.1-9) After centuries of “Why, O LORD?” the resounding answer to the cries of David and Isaiah and all the faithful begin to be answered with the Baptism of Jesus. He came, He said, “to fulfill all righteousness,” and as The Spirit-conceived Son of the Virgin Mary emerged from the water, the Holy Spirit descended like a dove, and the Father spoke as in days of old, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.” (See Mt 13.13-17) To “be united with Him in a death like His,” the Apostle tells us, is to be “united with Him in a resurrection like His,” and that also changes every ‘why’ for us. (See Rom 6.1-11).

# Mission Education Experience **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC**

June 20<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026

*This is an opportunity to be shaped by the Gospel as you learn of the good work God is doing through His Word in the DR, and consider how that same Gospel work may impact our life together here at home.*

- Learning the theological approach to mission in the DR
- A chance to live and eat in close proximity to the mission team
- Working (in the AC!) to make the seminary library more functional for the students

Young Adults (18 - 30ish)

Slots: 8 maximum (4 minimum)

Cost: ~ \$1525\* (\$125 per day, \$650 airfare)

Requirements: U.S. Passport, willingness to learn, and a desire to serve

Sign up deadline is December 30, 2025

Contact Sam Ewert at [young.adults@splco.org](mailto:young.adults@splco.org) with your interest or questions.

\* There is some financial support available to defray costs, please talk to Pastor Schockman if dollars are the ONLY reason you're not going.



# REFORMATION TAP SOCIETY

## Theology and conversation with a bit of hops.

Reformation Tap Society talks are casual and thoughtful adult conversations about important things. *Under the theme, "Lead Me to Christ, the Rock," the 2025-2026*

*Reformation Tap Society season explores the various ways in which Christ is the foundation of a holy and purposeful life.* 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 younger adults. Parents of children under high school age 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 5pm, 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.)

January 18, 2026

## *Don't Let the Rocks Cry Out*

Presenter: Jason Schockman

**5-7p.m.**

# BrewFinity Brewery

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## WEEK AT A GLANCE

MONDAY January 5	Lord's Cupboard Drive-Thru	Parking Lot	5:30 pm
TUESDAY January 6	Boys' Warrior Classic Small Group Bible Study: St. Luke	Gym Room 201	TBD 6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY January 7	Boys' Warrior Classic Biblical Finance for Young Adults Learning Christian Meditation	Gym Room 219 Room 202	TBD 6:30 pm 6:30 pm
THURSDAY January 8	Boys' Warrior Classic Praise Team Rehearsal	Gym Church	TBD 6:30 pm
FRIDAY January 9	Boys' Warrior Classic	Gym	TBD
SATURDAY January 10	Journeymen Boys' Warrior Classic Divine Worship	Maxim's Gym Church	7:30 am TBD 5:00 pm
SUNDAY January 11	Divine Worship Public School Confirmation Sunday School Life Application Bible Study Divine Worship "Thank You" Luncheon for New Member Sponsors High School Youth Group	Church Meet in F.H. Meet in F.H. Fellowship Hall Church Fellowship Hall Room 219Y/Gym	8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30am 12:00 pm 7:00 pm

## BIBLE STUDIES

### Life Application Bible Study

**Sunday: 9:15 am – Fellowship Hall**

262-567-5001

### Sunday School

**Sunday: 9:15 am - Gym**

January 4, 2026

### Comfort in Captivity

**Bible Truth:** God is faithful, even in difficult times.

Jeremiah 1:4-10; 29:1-14; 31:31-34

### Women of Joy

**Saturday (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>) - 8:00 am**

Whelan's

### Journeymen

**Saturday (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>) - 8:00 am**

Maxim's

## NEXT WEEKEND

	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
<b>Readings</b>	Is 42.1-9	Rom 6.1-11	Matt 3.13-17
<b>Acolytes</b>	Augie Meyer	TBD	TBD
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Margie Hertneky	Barb Hentz	Karen Gotthardt
<b>Elders</b>	Arno Kirchenwitz	Dan Eifert	John Nelson
<b>Greeters</b>	Larry & Bonnie Vasatko	Bruce & Mary Bojko Duane & Sharon Peterson	Frieda Antoniak Marty Antoniak
<b>Live-Stream</b>	N/A	Hertneky	N/A
<b>Radio</b>	N/A	Chuck Laabs	N/A
<b>Ushering Team</b>	Dan Friedrich	Dave Meyer	Mike Neff

**JANUARY 11, 2025**

**THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD**

**Pastor:** Lance Armstrong O'Donnell

**Title:** *Why Discovery*

**5pm & 8am Worship**

LSB, Divine Service, Setting 1, pg. 151

**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

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

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

## The Second Sunday after Christmas

### Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 3:4-15

The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the great high place. Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, "Ask what I shall give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant David my father, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you. And you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne this day. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of David my father, although I am but a little child. I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of your people whom you have chosen, a great people, too many to be numbered or counted for multitude. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people?"

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. And God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor, so that no other king shall compare with you, all your days. And if you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your days."

And Solomon awoke, and behold, it was a dream. Then he came to Jerusalem and stood before the ark of the covenant of the Lord, and offered up burnt offerings and peace offerings, and made a feast for all his servants.

### Epistle: Ephesians 1:3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

### Holy Gospel: Luke 2:40-52

The child [Jesus] grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, but supposing him to be in the group they went a day's journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man.

January 4, 2026



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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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# 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

5:00 pm – 69      Total: 317  
8:00 am – 128  
10:30 am – 120

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	Rev. Dr. Thompson	Rev. Dr. Thompson	Rev. Dr. Thompson
Preacher	Ps. Matt Thompson	Ps. Matt Thompson	Ps. Matt Thompson
Musicians	Sheri Fleischfresser	Sheri Fleischfresser	Praise Team
Acolytes	TBD	TBD	TBD
Altar Guild	Bernita Krenzke	Cindy Fredrickson	Stacey Balistreri
Elders	Dave Meyer	Chuck Laabs	Erik Benes
Greeters	Margie Hertneky Char Binney	Dona Thurow Judy Mueller Chris & Pam Kroupa	Al Mueller
Live Stream	N/A	Scheuer	N/A
Radio	N/A	Cheryl Tesch	N/A
Ushering Team	Mark Baganz	Gary Flanagan	Erik Benes

**Altar Flowers:** Margie Hertneky in praise to God for her husband, John's, birthday and her grandson, David's, 16<sup>th</sup> birthday, both on January 4<sup>th</sup>

**Radio Broadcast:** Members of St. Paul's 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](http://www.splco.org) or YouTube**

## DIVINE SERVICE

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