

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

If you are a guest today, please sign our guest book! Welcome here! We're very glad you came!

Children in Worship: We welcome and encourage children to share in worship. Even very young children see faith in action as we pray and sing and commune together. Children's lessons are available at both entrances, or by checking with any of the ushers.

Communion: If you are unable to reach the serving pastor during communion - they can come to you. Please let an usher know and they will make sure you receive communion.

Hearing Assistance: Devices are available at the sound booth.

Large Print Bulletins are available. Please ask an usher for one for yourself or a loved one!

Cell phones and pagers should be turned to silent.

Washrooms: located in the narthex and Education Wing, upstairs and down.

Elevator: located next to the church office.

Masks are optional at all services.

Visitation: If you are homebound or in the hospital or know of someone who is and would like to receive visits from our Visitation Team or receive communion at home, please call Jen in the office and she'll make sure you are on the list!

Drop Box: The drop box at the side entrance nearest to the office is available for envelopes or small items.

Office Information: Please have all announcements in to the office by Thursdays at 10am if you want them in the bulletin for the upcoming Sunday. Bulletins are printed by 11am on Thursdays. If you have events or meetings to go on the monthly calendar, get them to the office the Wednesday before the last Sunday of the month.

Office Hours: 10am to 2pm, Monday to Friday

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Sunday, January 19th, 2025 Welcome to our Traditional Worship Service On this II Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, January 19th
9am - Confirmation
9:30 - Worship Service
9:30 - Sunday School
Coffee Time!!
11am - Family Worship

Monday, January 20th
6:30pm - Junior Youth

Wednesday, January 22nd
10am - Quilting Group
6:30pm - Senior Youth

Thursday, January 23rd
7pm - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service

Sunday, January 26th
9am - Confirmation
9:30 - Worship Service
9:30 - Sunday School
Coffee Time!!
11am - Family Worship

HOLY COMMUNION

God feeds and renews us with the presence of Jesus Christ. In Christ's body and blood given to us, God forgives us and nourishes us for mission. In response to the Lord's invitation I come - confessing my sin, trusting that the Lord is truly present, believing that to receive Him is to receive forgiveness - to partake of the Lord's Supper. People of all ages and faith communities are welcome.

Holy Communion is served in a continuous format unless announced otherwise. Participants are asked to fill out a registration card, available in the pews or at both entrances, and place them in the baskets at the entrances, or in the offering plates.

Ushers will direct you toward the aisle to come forward to the serving stations. If you desire to commune, extend your hand to the server who will place a wafer in your hand. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, simply say "gluten-free" to the server. Wine is served from the chalice or individual cups; white grape juice is served from individual cups.

Come and hold in your hand and taste on your lips the love we cannot comprehend.

OUR MISSION

God's purpose for
St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church is:
Accepting all people through God's grace,
sharing our faith in Christ,
and making disciples.

KEEP IT REAL! BRING IT HOME!



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2025

"Do you believe this?" (John 11:26)

*January 23, 2025
7pm Service*

Refreshments after Service

Hosted by

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church.

in conjunction with

Paroisse de Saint-Joachim



THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY JANUARY 19TH, 2025

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

L: Gracious God,

C: **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen

GATHERING HYMN

"Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies" #553

L: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

KYRIE - #155

CANTICLE OF PRAISE - #162

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray together,

C: **Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 62:1-5

¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. ²The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. ³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. ⁵For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE READING: PSALM 36:5-10

L: Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, and your faithfulness to the clouds.

C: **Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you save humankind and animals, O LORD.**

L: How priceless is your love, O God! All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

C: **They feast upon the abundance of your house; you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

L: For with you is the well of life, and in your light, we see light.

C: **Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you, and your favour to those who are true of heart.**

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 12:1-11

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says, "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: #168 (sung)

C: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

L: Jesus revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

C: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 2:1-11

C: **Glory to you, O Lord**

¹On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: #168 (sung)

C: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" #310

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY - #884

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Let us pray together,

C: **God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.**

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

L: The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

COMMUNION HYMNS

"Around You, O Lord Jesus" #468

"Day by Day" #790

"Will You Let Me Be Your Servant" #659

"My Jesus I Love Thee"

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

L: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift in faith toward you and fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

THE BLESSING

L: May the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love.

C: Amen

SENDING HYMN

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" #886

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Live in hope!

C: **Thanks be to God!**

PRAYER REMINDERS

In your prayers this week, please remember:

Cari Doerksen, Dalia Dyck, Adelaide Freund, Chris Funk, Tina Heckert, Herta Kihn, Tabrina Krentz, Ruby Myran, Gordon & Iris Pyllyjuk, Ray Schalla, Helmuth Renz, Khrista Vogt, Mary Wiebe, Bishop Geoff Woodcroft and Don Woroniuk.

MEMORIAL DONATION

We have received memorial donations from Rick & Gladys Derksen, June Holme and Karl & Leila Wegert in loving memory of **Edward Oswald** (January 5, 2025). Rick & Gladys have also contributed a memorial donation in honour of **Jim**

Lohr (December 17, 2024). *"In our hearts your memory lingers, always tender, fond and true."*

FEED THE KIDS

Our Sunday School kids and our Youth Groups have the munchies!! Please donate cookies or boxes of gummies, Wagonwheels, granola bars, chips (please choose peanut / nut free stuff). Non-perishable donations can be bought to the church and put in the Sunday School Resource Room. Well labeled perishable donations can go in the freezer of the upstairs kitchen.

QUILTING

Our intrepid quilters are hard at it again! Please consider joining them for a fun Wednesday morning with fabric. If you don't sew, they make tie blankets that don't require needle and thread! Bring a bag lunch and a friend!

INFORMATION NEEDED

Have you moved in the last 5 years? Have you eliminated your land line and switched completely to cell service? Got an email address but don't receive our emails? New family picture? Contact the office and get your info updated! Jen may even ask you about wedding dates, birth dates, etc depending on how dismal your electronic record is! Not only do our records need a major updating, but the goal is also to publish a new directory featuring some of this updated info in the not-too-distant future!



LOOKING AHEAD

~Plans are being made for our annual Family Fun Day! CD Trees has been booked so mark February 17th on your calendar for a fun afternoon of indoor and outdoor activities with our wonderful church family! Pray the weather cooperates!

~The annual congregational meeting is fast approaching. This is the big one where all the



major decisions on how our church will be run for the next year is made. Elections, reports etc will be happening. This meeting is open to all congregation members. If you aren't sure of your membership status, please contact the office. Charlene Freund is the Nominations Chair. Please contact her at 204-381-1835 with any questions regarding elections. If you have a report to submit, please get it into the office by February 10th.

SOUP & PIE FUNDRAISER

The friends and family of Dalia Dyck are hosting a community wide Soup & Pie Fundraiser on Sunday, January 19th at Friedensfeld Hall from 11am to 2pm to help raise money for Dalia's medical expenses at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. Dalia is Barb Dyck's granddaughter and she has been battling an unknown illness her entire life. Her family has exhausted all Canadian avenues of treatment/diagnosis and have decided that this is the best option for Dalia to try and help her. While there, she will be undergoing a battery of tests and have multiple appointments with multiple specialists. This will all have to be paid for as well as travel, lodging and meals for her and her parents while they are doing all of this. Please consider supporting Dalia and her family and come out for a yummy lunch!

THANK YOU DEPARTMENT

Thank you to all who have assisted with the service today.

ATTENDANCE: January 12, 2025

Traditional - 131

OFFERING: \$3437