

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, February 9th, 2025 Welcome to our Traditional Worship Service On this V Sunday after Epiphany

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

Monday, February 10th
Cut off for Annual Report Submissions
6:30pm - Junior Youth

Wednesday, February 12th
10am - Quilting
6:30pm - Senior Youth

Sunday, February 16th
9am - Confirmation
9:30 - Worship Service
9:30 - Sunday School
Coffee Time!!
11am - Worship Service

Monday, February 17th
1-4pm Family Fun Day @ CD Trees

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.

ATTENDANCE:
Traditional - 101
Contemporary - 43
Sunday School - 24 students, 10 teachers

OFFERING: \$5055

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.



KEEP IT REAL! BRING IT HOME!

WINTER FAMILY FUN DAY

WHEN: Monday, February 17th
from 1 to 4pm

WHERE: CD Trees

WHAT: Sleigh Rides, Tobogganing,
Bonfire, Games, Food

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday, February 23
1pm

- ELECTIONS FOR COUNCIL
- OUR PATH FOR 2025
- WHAT HAPPENED IN 2024
- ANYTHING YOU NEED TO DISCUSS

OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS
-IF YOU ARE UNCERTAIN OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP STATUS, PLEASE CHECK WITH THE OFFICE



THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY FEBRUARY 9TH, 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

"Jesus Calls Us" #696

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: **Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and before you angels and saints stand in awe. Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 6:1-13

¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." ⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" ⁶Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt

has departed and your sin is blotted out." ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" ⁹And he said, "Go and say to this people: 'Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.'" ¹⁰Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed." ¹¹Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said: "Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; ¹²until the LORD sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. ¹³Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled." The holy seed is its stump.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE READING: PSALM 138

L: I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

C: **I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.**

L: When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.

C: **All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD, when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

L: They will sing of the ways of the LORD, that great is the glory of the LORD.

C: **The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.**

L: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

C: **You will make good your purpose for me; O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.**

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-11

¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. ³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them - though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: #168 (sung)

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

L: Jesus says, Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.

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

HOLY GOSPEL: LUKE 5:1-11

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

¹Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ²he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep Decwater and let down your nets for a catch." ⁵Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." ⁶When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" ⁹For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." ¹¹When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed 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

"Here I Am Lord" #574

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY - #884

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Let us pray together,

C: **God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. 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

"Here is Bread" #483

"O Master, Let Me Walk With You" #818

"Jesus, the Very Thought of You" #754

"My Life Flows on in Endless Song" #763

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 in 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

"Rise Up O Saints of God" #669

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, Glorian Mehling, Ruby Myran, Brenda Olson, Gordon & Iris Pylpjuuk, Ray Schalla, Helmuth Renz, Khrista Vogt, Mary Wiebe, Bishop Geoff Woodcroft and Don Woroniuk.

MEMORIAL DONATION

We have received a memorial donation from Jack & Joan Braun in loving memory of **Jim Lohr** (December 17, 2024). *"Until we meet again, find peace and love with our Lord above."*

ALTAR GUILD HELP REQUIRED

The Altar Guild needs new people! This very important ministry is looking for people to serve as regular members and emergency replacements. It is in particular need for people willing to serve in July and August. Altar Guild is a vital and behind-the-scenes ministry which prepares our services of Holy Communion weekly and tidies the altar area. If you are interested please speak to Pastor Tim or Irene Schmidtke. The commitment asked is 1-2 hrs/week as assigned (usually 8 weeks/year for regular members).

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! FYI - if you don't submit a photo, your name isn't in the directory (this is the program's idea...). All I need is a digital head shot!

COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

Council positions open for elections:

President (2 year term): *Sylvia Nilsson-Barkman*

Vice President (2 year term): **Vacant**

Recording Secretary (1 year term): **Vacant**

Elder (3 year term): **Vacant**

Trustee (2-3 year terms): *Chris Teetaert, Vacant*

Deacons (3-3 year terms): *Amanda Lanteigne, Shari Teetaert, Kim Andres*

Sunday School Superintendent (1 year term): **Cory Funk**

Nominating Chairperson (1 year term): *Charlene Freund*

Charlene Freund is our current Nominating Chairperson. Please contact her at 204-381-1835 with any questions regarding elections or if you are interested in serving in any capacity. If you have a report to submit, please get it into the office by February 10th.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all who have participated in today's services.