

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:

"Be faithfully obedient to the living Christ in making disciples of all people."

The Preaching of Repentance Prepares Us for the Coming of the Lord

The preaching and Baptism *"of repentance for the forgiveness of sins"* (Luke 3:3) prepare us for the coming of the Lord, Jesus Christ. The historic work of John the Baptist was completed with the first advent of our Lord Jesus in the flesh, but the ministry of the forerunner continues in the preaching of Law and Gospel and in Holy Baptism. Through His messengers, the Lord calls people of all nations to *"see the salvation of God"* (Luke 3:6). Our haughtiness is removed and our mountains of pride are brought low, but the Lord humbles us in order to exalt us in His mercy. As the Lord has begun this good work of repentance in us, so also does He perfect it by His Word and Holy Spirit, and He *"will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ"* (Phil. 1:6). He purifies us to be His priestly people, precious in His sight and abounding in faith and love, so that we offer our very lives in righteousness to the Lord (Mal. 3:3-4).

Thanks to those who Served Today

Elder: John Greder
Ushers: Jim Thies, Denny Mordhorst, Kade Ohlmeier
Organist: Lynette Thies
Screen: Audrey Gust
Altar Care: Teresa Mordhorst, Leanne Thies
Altar Flowers: Deanna Sorensen
Finance: Denny Mordhorst

Those Serving in January

Elder: (Not Scheduled)
Ushers: Gary Goslar, Kevin Vogt, John Greder, John Thies, Brenner Jung
Organist: Lynette Thies
Screen: Audrey Gust
Altar Care: (Not Scheduled)
Altar Flowers: (Not Scheduled)
Finance: Bruce Mohr, Terri Mohr, John Thies

ABOUT THE SERVICE

ABOUT THE LORD'S SUPPER: By celebrating the Lord's Supper we care for Christ's people, Christ's Supper, and Christ's teachings. What Jesus gives us in the Lord's Supper is His true body and blood under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins. God's Word also teaches that receiving the Lord's Supper together implies that we share the same beliefs. Therefore, we kindly ask that guests who desire to receive the Lord's Supper today speak to the Pastor prior to the beginning of the service.



STANDING: Although it is proper to sit and stand at certain times during the Divine Service, please feel free to sit when needed.

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Sun: 8:30 a.m. – Christmas Eve practice
 9:00 a.m. – Bible Class & Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. – Divine Service w/Holy Communion
 Mon: 1-3 p.m. – Drive-up Communion
 Tues: 9-5 p.m. – Pastor office hours
 Wed: 9-5 p.m. – Pastor office hours
 11:00 a.m. – Bible Class
 4:30 p.m. – 5th & 6th Grade Catechism
 5:30 p.m. – 7th & 8th Grade Catechism
 7:00 p.m. – Advent Service
 Thurs: 9-5 p.m. – Pastor office hours
 Fri: Pastor's Family Day
 Sun: 8:30 a.m. – Christmas Eve practice
 9:00 a.m. – Bible Class & Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. – Divine Service
 3-5:30 p.m. – Jesus' Birthday Party
 6-8 p.m. – Kick-off of the Annual Church Cleaning

ATTENDANCE: Worship: 74 Midweek: 24

2021	General Fund	Missions	Special Mission
Projected for the Year	\$143,351.60	\$8,000.00	\$2,500.00
As of 11/30/2021	\$110,679.45	\$3,685.00	\$4,062.00
Still Needed	\$32,672.15	\$4,315.00	\$0.00

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(^ indicates worshipers stand)

^**Invocation**..... p.167
 ^**Confession & Absolution**.... p.167
 ^**Introit**..... sheet
 ^**Kyrie**..... p.168
Hymn..... #357
 vs. 1-3"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"
 ^**Salutation and Collect**..... p.172
Readings..... sheet
Old: Malachi 3:1-7B
Epistle: Philippians 1:2-11
 ^**Gospel:** Luke 3:1-20
Hymn..... #344
 "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"
Sermon Luke 3:1-14
 "John's Message"
 ^**Nicene Creed** p.174
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Offertory..... p.176
 ^**Prayer of the Church**..... p.175
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 ^**Agnus Dei**..... p.180
 ^**Thank the Lord**..... p.181
 ^**Post Communion Collect**..... p.183
 ^**Benediction** p.183
 ^**Hymn**..... #345
 "Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding"

CURRENT BIBLE CLASSES:

- Sunday Adult Bible Class (Meets in the fellowship hall- 9am).
- Wednesday Morning Bible Class (Meets in the LYF Room- 11am).

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNITY & OTHER INFORMATION

JESUS BIRTHDAY PARTY: All children are invited to Jesus' Birthday Party from 3:00 – 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 12th.

ADVENT SERVICE: We will be having Midweek Advent services on Wednesday night December 8, 15, and 22 at 7:00 p.m.

DRIVE UP COMMUNION: On Monday, December 6th & 20th there will be drive-up communion from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the back-parking lot.

CHRISTMAS EVE PRACTICE: Sunday School will begin earlier at 8:30 a.m. during the month of December for Christmas Eve Practice.

LCW CHRISTMAS PARTY: The LCW Christmas Party will be on Wednesday, December 15th at noon.

MEETING: Church Council Meeting is Tuesday, December 14 at 7:00 p.m.

POINSETTIAS: Congregation members are invited to donate poinsettias to beautify the church during the Christmas season. They may be brought in and left on the table in the overflow room. Put your name on a label and attach it to the container. Fill out the sheet with your name and who is being remembered.

SNOW REMOVAL: We are looking for someone to remove the snow off the sidewalks and steps this winter. If you are interested, please contact a trustee: Jim Thies, Gary Goslar or Ted Nutt

CHRISTMAS EVE PROGRAM: The Sunday School Christmas program will be presented Christmas Eve at 6:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE: Christmas Day Service with Holy Communion will be held at 10:00 a.m.

NEEDING HELP: The LCW is looking for men and women to help serve at funerals and events. There is a sign-up sheet is on the back table.

CHURCH CLEANING: The annual church cleaning is planned for the week of December 12-19th. We will be having a kick-off night on Sunday, December 12 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. to start the week. You can come in on your own or as a group during the week. The church will be open Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 9:00 to 5:00 p.m. If you need to come in at a different time, please call an elder or pastor to open the church. When you get do, please mark it off the list on the secretary's door. Sign-up sheet is on the back table of the jobs that need to be done. All members are needed, men, women, and children.

Second Sunday in Advent December 5, 2021



Luke 3:1-6

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