



# ST. PAUL LUTHERAN

## MINISTRIES

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### Weekly News

*Altar Guild 12/31, 1/2 & 1/3: J. Kaepernick*

*Greeters Next Week: 8:00 – J. & D. Matz*

*10:30 – C. Rehberg, A. & J. Malueg*

*6pm – A. & S. Timm*

**Church Cleaners:** D. Uecker, A. Pfefferle, J. Sievert

**Attendance Last Week:** 277

**In memory of** Bob & Marion Lathrop and Jim & Ardie Prink a \$500 Christmas Eve donation has been given from their children and grandchildren.

### Weekly Calendar

**Sunday**                      **December 26<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 a.m.                  Worship Service

10:30 a.m.                Worship Service

**Monday**                    **December 27<sup>th</sup>**

No Church

No School – Christmas Break

**Tuesday**                  **December 28<sup>th</sup>**

No School – Christmas Break

**Wednesday**            **December 29<sup>th</sup>**

No School – Christmas Break

**Thursday**                **December 30<sup>th</sup>**

No School – Christmas Break

**Friday**                     **December 31<sup>st</sup>**

6:00 p.m.                  New Years Eve Service

No School – Christmas Break



**Sunday                      January 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
     8:00 a.m.            Worship Service  
     9:15 a.m.            Sunday School  
     9:20 a.m.            Breakfast with the Bible  
     10:30 a.m.           Worship Service

**Monday                     January 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
     6:00 p.m.            Worship Service  
                               No School – Christmas Break

**Christmas Break Office Hours:**

12/24 – Closed  
 12/27 – 12/30 – Open 7:30am – noon  
 12/31 – Closed  
 1/3, 1/4 – Open 7:30am – noon

**WOMEN’S MINISTRY WINTER DINNER** will be held on Tuesday, January 11 at Mark’s East Side restaurant, 5:00 pm social time, 5:30 dinner orders, 6:00 pm dinner.

Menu presented 3 choices, \$25.00 each including tax and tip.

- Chicken Parmesan, includes marinara and parmesan cheese over pasta with a side vegetable
- Haddock, broiled or batter fried with a baked potato and vegetable
- Tenderloin Tips, includes sauteed mushrooms and onions in a gravy served with spaetzels, red cabbage and vegetables

All entrees come with a garden salad mixed greens and choice of beverage, coffee, tea or milk. Checks for the dinner should be made payable to Mark’s East Side and are due at the dinner. Women’s Ministry members need to contact Betty Techlin by January 10 to make dinner reservations for you and your guest. Call Betty Techlin at 920 810 1964 or email [bettycarl6810@att.net](mailto:bettycarl6810@att.net).

**Children’s Christmas Eve Bags:** Special ‘Thank You’ to Kwik Trip and The Home Depot for their donations to our kids’ Christmas bags this year. We’d also like to thank Maree & Freddie Shorter for organizing this effort.

**Beginning on January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 New Bible Class: *Chosen*** We will watch an episode of the Chosen video series on the life of Jesus. Then we will discuss what we liked or didn’t like about the presentation. To do justice to the discussion, each class will be 90 minutes long.

**Organ Fundraising Update:** Thank you to everyone who has contributed up to this point toward the church organ project. Our current total is \$14,500 of our \$34,000 goal. If you would like to contribute to this cause, checks may be directed to the office.

**Do you love working with children?** St.

Paul ECC has an immediate opening for a full-time assistant teacher in our TERRIFIC TWO's room, as well as a full-time LEAD teacher in our INFANT room. We are also looking for a part time after school care teacher for our school-aged children. Great benefits are available for full time positions. For more information, contact Candy Schulz at 920-733-9061 or [cschulz@stpaulappletonwi.com](mailto:cschulz@stpaulappletonwi.com). Come join our team today!



**Apple Valley Food Pantry:** The January collection for the pantry will be held the weekend of January 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The following are items currently in need of at the pantry: cookies, canned tomato products (paste, sauce, plain diced), pudding and gelatin desserts, sugar-free pudding, women's body washes, laundry soap, frosting (we have plenty of cake mixes on hand), and small boxes of snack bars.

As always, monetary donations are appreciated. Thank you to everyone who helped to make our 2021 a very successful year for our recipients! If you know of anyone or a family who could use the pantry's assistance, please contact your pastor. Merry Christmas and a happy 2022!

## FVL NEWS

**Interested families can enroll for Semester 2 at FVL.** Contact the Admissions Office at [admissions@fvlhs.org](mailto:admissions@fvlhs.org) or 920-560-5105 for details.

**Registration is open for the 2021 FVL Junior Foxes baseball team** for boys currently in grades 7-8. The season begins in early May and goes through July. Registration is open until 12/31. Find out more at [fvlhs.org/youth-sports](http://fvlhs.org/youth-sports) or contact Daryl Ohland ([dohland@att.net](mailto:dohland@att.net)) at 920-450-1411.

**Estate Planning Seminar:** You prepare for the future but haven't had an opportunity to look into establishing/updating your estate plan or to investigate new tax laws. How will these impact you and those you love in the coming years? As a service to Federation members, the FVL Mission Advancement Office has scheduled a free informational seminar. Join us at

FVL on Wed., 1/12/22 to hear options from a financial planner and an attorney. Event begins at 6 PM. Go to [fvlhs.org/seminar](http://fvlhs.org/seminar) to register and get information.

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**FVL CHRISTMAS BREAK School & SCRIP Office Hours:**

Wed., 12/22 – Tues., 1/4 – All Offices Closed (including Guidance)

Wed., 1/5 – Regular School & SCRIP Office hours resume

## Join Women's Ministry in gifting for the ECC!

You are invited to participate with Women's Ministry in gifting items for the ECC. Candy Schulz wrote, "Our list is a little more focused this year as we have had some challenges getting certain essential items." Listed here are items needed for the ECC:

Rolls of paper towels (select a size variety)

Toilet paper

'ALL' free and clear LIQUID laundry detergent

Clorox Antibacterial wipes

Lysol spray

13 gal. kitchen garbage bags

Bleach

Kleenex/tissues

Dish soap (like Dawn)

Paper cups (5 oz. size)

Paper plates

Plastic forks

Plastic spoons

3M Command Strips – all sizes

Clear Contact Paper

Blue Painter's Tape (any width)



A collection box will be located in the church basement. Please have your items to church by January 10<sup>th</sup>.

Because of the need for essential items, there will not be an ECC 'Wish Tree' at church this year. If you would like to make a donation to an ECC classroom, please contact Candy Schulz ([cschulz@stpaulappletonwi.com](mailto:cschulz@stpaulappletonwi.com)).

## **A Letter from the Ukrainian Lutheran Church:**

Dear Friends and Partners in Mission,

2021 has been a year of many blessings for the ULC, though still greatly affected by COVID and fears of a Russian invasion. For my family, our Memorial Fund, set up in memory of our son, David, has also been one of blessing after blessing. Each of you who are reading this are a part of our joy and the joy of our brothers and sister in Christ, in Ukraine.

I asked my brothers in the ULC for a few words that I could pass on to you, updating what has been happening in Ukraine. What follows is a summary of their thoughts. But before I start, please know that they are very thankful for your love and support. It encourages them and motivates them to be bold preachers and teachers of the gospel message of Jesus Christ. Here's brief update, in their words:

Currently there is a high sense of anxiety over what may happen in the near future. Russia has amassed over 100,000 troops along the Ukraine border. There is fear of what may happen to Lutheran churches, pastors and members in Ukraine if they attacked. History from 1939-1944 witnessed mass murders of Lutheran pastors and parishioners. Emergency plans for evacuations have been made in the case of "the worst scenario." Despite the threatening and provocative actions that are being shown, the ministry continues and worship services are being held regularly, although COVID restrictions have kept attendance down. On the positive side, there has been a surge in the use of social media to get the message out to the people.

There is also a renewed sense of optimism for the pastors and congregations that has risen from our Memorial Fund. Tokmak has now worshipped nearly two months in their own facility. They look forward to celebrating Christmas in their own church home. Since the late 1930's, 30 church buildings were lost. When the congregations began having public services again in 1993, only 4 buildings still remained. A fifth building in Kiev was dedicated 4 years ago. For over 25 years there were no funds to build, there weren't even enough funds to support the Pastors. The thought of raising funds to build was only a dream. The Memorial Fund that you have supported has given them great hope that with God all things are possible. Bishop commented on how he has seen a dramatic change in the attitudes of the brothers. They thank the Lord for you! God is using you to give them hope and is invigorating their ministries.

A brief update on the Memorial Fund: Approximately \$175,000.00 has been given. By God's grace, we have increased our goal to

\$400,000.00 over the next two years. A building has been purchased in Tokmak and they are worshipping in it. A building is being purchased in Kharkiv but there is a lot of “foot dragging” with the purchase. However, the Pastor and congregation are very confident the sale will finalize in 2022. Bereznehuva has received approval to build from both the city and Oblast(region). Construction should begin there in 2022. To God be the glory!

My wife, Rose Marie, and our son, Tim thank each of you for your prayers, your gifts of love, and your zeal for missions and the gospel ministry. By God’s grace, YOU ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

Our Christian brothers and sisters in Ukraine, as well as my family, thank you and wish you God’s richest blessings this Christmas season, and always. You are a blessing! God’s blessing to each of you.

*In Christ,  
Rev. Roger, Rose Marie, and Tim Neumann  
WELS Liaison to the Ukrainian Lutheran Church*



## ***Poinsettias have been given in loving memory of:***

- ...Marylin Fredericks from her husband, Rollie, and family. (one large plant)
- ...their parents from Jim & Ann Verbeten. (one large plant)
- ...Nate Tiedt and Dale Timm from Jerry & Julie Bork.
- ...Barb & Rollie Buss and Jean Volhard from Rowen, Ragen, and Reese Volhard.
- ...Lavida Werner and Gerald Lillge from Karl & Carol Hoppe. (two plants)
- ...with gratitude from the Baehman family. (two plants)
- ...Clarence Sievert, Duane Schultz, Philip & Beulah Ann Oskey, and Al & Elaine Ebben with love from Isaiah and Isabelle Sievert.
- ...Bonnie Kersten from Ray and Janet Kersten.
- ...Wilbert & Lorraine Abitz from Daniel & Patricia Abitz.
- ...Wilbert & Lorraine Abitz from Keith & Gretchen Brei.
- ...her parents, Donald & Edna Mae Schooley, from Pastor & Connie Frey.
- ...Adam Hopfensperger, Raymond Hopfensperger Jr., and Norman Labitsky from Brian & Janet Hopfensperger and family. (2 plants)
- ...Glen Schwark from Duane & Kathy Kasten.
- ...Doris Schwark from Duane & Kathy Kasten.
- ...Kathy Berger from her husband Greg, children Carrie, Mark, and his wife Hailee, and grandchildren Haidyn, Oliver, and Preston.
- ...Harriet Kuhlow from her granddaughter, Gwen Pfefferle.
- ...her husband, Glen Schwark, and mother, Ethel Steinberg from Carla Schwark. (two plants)
- ...Bob Timm from his wife, Connie Timm.
- ...Joan Falck from her husband Dave Falck.
- ...Wayne Steinberg from his family.
- ...Earl & Olive Lecker from John & Sue Gossens.
- ...Wilbert & Viola Hoh from Ruben Hoh.
- ...Frank Zamzow from his wife, Beverly Zamzow.
- ...Ken Falk from his wife, Dorie, and their children.



# Welcome

**In an age of anxiety** we still believe that peace comes from Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

**In an age of confusion** we still believe that the Bible is the word of God, inerrant and infallible.

**In an age of doubt** we still believe that Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.

**In an age of guilt** we still believe that Jesus died on the cross to pay for the sins of the world, bringing complete pardon and joy to all believers.

**In an age of reason** we still believe that God is at work in the sacraments of Holy Baptism and Holy Communion.

**In an age of change** we still believe in one unchanging God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Whether you are a first time visitor or returning guest, we are delighted to share our worship with you. Please come back and worship with us again.



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