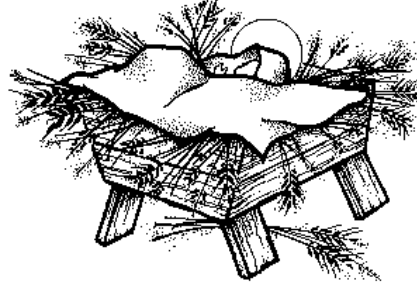


THE **LORD JESUS**  
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## ***ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE***

**Take time during these hectic days prior to Christmas  
to reflect upon the true meaning of the season.**

Sunday	December 2	<b>Advent Begins</b>	
		9:15 AM	Adult Bible Class
		10:30 AM	Worship with Holy Communion
		11:40 AM	Congregational Voters' Meeting
Wednesday	December 5	7:00 PM	Davis High School Madrigal Singers (Cookies Feast follows the Performance)
Sunday	December 9	9:15 AM	Adult Bible Class
		10:30 AM	Worship
Wednesday	December 12	7:00 PM	Advent Worship
Thursday	December 13	6:30 PM	Preschool Christmas Program
Sunday	December 16	9:15 AM	Adult Bible Class
		10:30 AM	Worship with Holy Communion
		4:00 to 7:00 PM	Annual Christmas Party at "The Hardins"
Wednesday	December 19	7:00 PM	Advent Worship
Sunday	December 23	10:30 AM	Worship
Monday	December 24	7:00 PM	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Sunday	December 30	10:30 AM	Worship with Holy Communion

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# ***DAVIS HIGH SCHOOL MADRIGAL SINGERS***

**WEDNESDAY — DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>  
AT 7:00 P.M.**



On Wednesday, December 5 at 7:00 p.m., the Davis High School Madrigal Singers will be performing an evening of Renaissance Christmas carols at St. Paul's. The Madrigal Singers appear in period costumes, beginning the evening's program with songs and carols. Then the audience is invited to join in the singing with a selection of traditional Christmas carols. The program ends with everyone singing the ever popular "Silent Night".

After the singing, the "Cookie Feast" follows the performance. You can meet the singers personally over fresh baked cookies, coffee, and the wassail bowl (punch). As an added feature, the finalists of the Gingerbread House Contest will be on display.

The Davis Madrigal Singers have become a holiday tradition for many families around town. On our 106<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, this will be the Madrigal's 46<sup>th</sup> year at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Take a break, plan to come and bring your friends. Admission is free. All good-will offerings go directly to support the Davis High School Madrigal Singers.

## ***COOKIES NEEDED***

Help make the evening a success by donating cookies, helping serve, setup and cleanup. And of course, simply enjoying the concert is support as well. Deliver cookies between 5&7 p.m. on December 5<sup>th</sup> to the fellowship hall. Show your holiday spirit by signing up after Sunday service or contact Joy Van Camp at 406-0611.

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## ***TRADITIONAL ADVENT WORSHIP***

**WEDNESDAY — DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>  
AND DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:00 P.M.**



On Wednesdays, December 12<sup>th</sup> and December 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. St. Paul's will celebrate the coming of Christmas with traditional Advent Services.

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## ***CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE***

**MONDAY — DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>  
AT 7:00 P.M.**



The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service is Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

at 7:00 P.M.

At this service we will sing the old Christmas Songs and reflect through prayer and scripture readings upon God's gift of salvation to us through the baby in a manger.

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## ***HARDIN ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY***

Save the date! The Hardins' annual Christmas Party and Fundraiser will be on Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, from 4-7 p.m. We will provide dinner – bring your favorite holiday dessert or drink if you like!

This year we will be collecting donations for victims of the Camp Fire and Our Savior Lutheran Church in Paradise, which burned completely to the ground. More details to come.

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## ***HEIFER CHRISTMAS TREE***



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St. Paul's participates each year in the Heifer Christmas Tree Project. Instead of sending Christmas Cards to your friends at St. Paul's, you may place one card under the tree in the narthex of the church and make a contribution to the Heifer Project. Make your checks payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church (one check for the total collected will be sent to the Heifer Project.) The special tree is decorated with farm animals and Christmas cards sent as greetings to all the members of St. Paul's. Card sender's names are published in the Christmas

Heifer Project International is a world-wide, self-help nonprofit hunger organization, helping people to help themselves by providing livestock and poultry for families in the U.S. and in more than 110 countries around the world.

Thank you to Roberta Devine for overseeing the project again this year.

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## ***PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM***

The St. Paul's Preschool Christmas Program this year will be on Thursday, December 13th at 6:30pm, followed by a cookie feast. Come join us as the children tell the story of Jesus' birth!

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## ***VOTERS' MEETING***

**DECEMBER 2, 2018**

The 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Congregational Voters' Meeting will be Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> after the 10:30 a.m. worship service. The Budget for 2019 will be presented for discussion and vote taken to accept. The meeting will be in the fellowship hall.

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## **DATES TO REMEMBER FOR GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST**

- ◆ Saturday, December 1 – Gingerbread House entries drop off between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.
- ◆ Sunday, December 2 – Houses displayed from Noon to 2 p.m.
- ◆ Wednesday, December 5 – Gingerbread House Finalist will be on display from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- ◆ Sunday, December 9 – Pick up houses from Noon to 2 p.m.



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## ***AMAZON SMILE PROGRAM***

**THIS HOLIDAY SEASON  
LET YOUR AMAZON  
PURCHASES BENEFIT ST. PAUL'S**

When you purchase from Amazon use the following link:  
**<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/94-6092111>**

Amazon donates 0.5% of the price for eligible smile.amazon.com purchases to St. Paul's by using the link above.

Getting started is easy. Where you would normally type in a website address, just type <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/94-6092111>. The Amazon page will open and you will see at the top that St. Paul's is your selected charity. Proceeds from purchases are auto-deposited to our bank account each quarter. It is as simple as that!

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## ***OFFERING ENVELOPES***

The 2019 contribution envelopes are being prepared and will be in the back of church for you to pick up on Sunday mornings later this month. If you are currently using contribution envelopes for your tithes, you will automatically be issued new envelopes. If you are not currently using the contribution envelopes and would like to, please contact the Financial Secretary, Betty Currie or call the church office and leave a message.



## ***SUNDAY TEXTS***

In order to help you better prepare for the reception of the Word on Sunday morning, the Sunday texts are printed for your study.

### **December 2, 2018**

Old Testament Lesson: Jeremiah 33:14-16

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Gospel: Luke 21:25-36

### **December 9, 2018**

Old Testament Lesson: Malachi 3:1-7b

Epistle: Philippians 1:2-11

Gospel: Luke 3:1-14

### **December 16, 2018**

Old Testament Lesson: Zephaniah 3:14-20

Epistle: Philippians 4:4-7  
Gospel: Luke 7:18-28

**December 23, 2018**

Old Testament Lesson: Micah 5:2-5a  
Epistle: Hebrews 10:5-10  
Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

**December 30, 2018**

Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 13:1-3a, 11-15  
Epistle: Colossians 3:12-17  
Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

