

Gingerbread House Contest

Official Entry Form due 5pm Friday November 16

2018 theme **Matthew 7:7 Knock and the door will open**

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 625 W. Gibson Rd, Woodland CA 95695, www.stpaulswoodland.org

Entry forms due by 5pm Friday November 16 . Drop off or mail entry forms, along with a \$10 entry fee, to St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Gingerbread houses must be delivered on Saturday December 01 between 10am and 2pm.

Last Name	_____	First Name	_____
Home Phone#	_____	Email	_____
Cell Phone#	_____	Street Address	_____
Work Phone#	_____	City, ZipCode	_____

Check all that apply **Kid** age 5-12__ **Teen** age 13-18__ **Adult**__ **Professional**__

I have read, understand, and accept the rules.

Date _____ Signature of Owner _____
(Team Leader, Parent, or Guarian)

Date _____ \$10 entry fee received by _____ Entry # _____



CONTEST RULES

- REGISTRATION:** Registration is limited to one entry per person. A family or team is welcome to enter as well. On the entry form, Check all that apply **Kid** age 5-12, **Teen** age 13-18, **Adult**, **Professional**. This contest is limited to residents of Yolo County, California. Registration packages with entry forms and rules can be obtained at the church office, or on our website at www.stpaulswoodland.org. Registration can be mailed or dropped off at the church office. Application deadline is 5pm Friday November 16 along with a \$10 entry fee. Be aware that space is limited, so entry forms received near the end of the deadline may not be accepted. Participants will receive a confirmation email once their registration form has been reviewed and accepted.
- DELIVERY:** Gingerbread houses must be delivered to St. Paul's Lutheran Church on Saturday December 01 between 10am and 2pm. All gingerbread houses must be pre-registered. Un-registered houses will not be accepted. Gingerbread houses must be delivered in completed form, attached to a base, enabling it to be freestanding and capable of withstanding transportation. Thin plastic or cardboard bases may not provide adequate support due to the moisture and weight.
- CONSTRUCTION:** Gingerbread houses must be handmade original creations. Entries should be in good taste. The entire visible display should be made of **EDIBLE** food materials, both the gingerbread house, decorations, and yard. The exceptions are the non-visible support base and non-visible structure (the base upon which the house is constructed and interior house support struts). The overall base size for entries cannot exceed 18" x 18", and no taller than 18" (this is total space of the base platform, lawn, and house display). Entries larger than the size limits may not be accepted.
- PROHIBITED:** Living creatures are prohibited as part of the display. Avoid quickly perishable food items. Houses may not be powered by electricity, batteries, candles, solar cells, etc.
- IDENTIFICATION:** Attach return address label with name and address under the base of your gingerbread house.
- JUDGING:** Judging will take place Saturday December 01. Judging will be based upon "American System of Judging". Each exhibit is judged not only on its own merit, but in comparison to other exhibits, using prepared score cards. Some points of interest: Originality, Design, Appearance, Condition, Color Harmony, Balance, Quality, Execution of the Work, Suitability of Materials, Texture, Accuracy, Scale, Selection of Edibles, Incorporation of Theme, etc. Judges' decisions are final.
- PRIZES:** Top-Winning entries will be awarded gift cards from local businesses for 1st \$100, 2nd \$75, and 3rd \$50. Top-Winning Entries will be notified by phone or email.
- DISPLAY:** Gingerbread houses will be displayed at St. Paul's Lutheran Church on Sunday December 02 from noon-2p, Wednesday December 05 from 6p-9p, Sunday December 09 from noon-2p.
- PICKUP:** All gingerbread houses must be picked up Sunday December 09 from noon-2p. Entries may not be reclaimed until after the contest. Gingerbread houses remaining after 2p Sunday December 09 will be either donated or disposed of.
- SUGGESTIONS:** The most important part in building a gingerbread house is having family fun time together. Have fun and follow the rules. Non-candy foods can be wonderful decorations, such as nuts, crackers, popcorn, cereal, poptarts, healthbars, pretzels. Be creative, but be politically correct. This contest is meant to demonstrate community spirit and holiday good cheer, not financial resources. In fact, too much may get discounted as too busy.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church reserves the right to photograph entries for promotional purposes. Photography becomes the property of St. Paul's Lutheran Church. St. Paul's Lutheran Church reserves the right to take necessary precautions against infestation of gingerbread houses. St. Paul's Lutheran Church is not responsible for lost or damaged gingerbread houses.