

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, NALC

~ December 10, 2017 ~ Second Sunday In Advent

The Mission of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church is to Share the Good News of Jesus Christ with All People.

~ Please Sign The Welcome Folders Located In The Pews ~

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Lector Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-8 p.1345-1346

Scripture Reading: Ezekiel 37:9-14 p. 1346

Hymns - *Bells of Christmas* (verses 1, 4, 5) p. 62 - *Hark The Glad Sound* p. 35 - *It Came Upon A Midnight Clear* p. 54

SERVING ST. PAUL TODAY: **Pastor:** Rev. Craig Nissen **Accompanist:** Mark Richards **Lector:** Phil Grove **Acolyte:** Thomas Badberg
Sound Tech: Larry Smit **Power Point Tech:** Dawn Smit **Usher Captain:** Wayne Woelber **Ushers:** Kevin Roth, Dan Klein, Richard Noack
Coffee Fellowship: Shanise Brockshus **Greeters:** Dennis and Lesa Kruger, Lyle and Cynthia Vanden Berg **Receipt Recorders:** Melissa Noack, Nick Stallmann

SERVING ST. PAUL NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17: **Pastor:** Rev. Craig Nissen **Accompanist:** Mark Richards **Lector:** Sunday School Christmas Program **Acolyte:** Roman Fude **Sound Tech:** Scott Lichty **Power Point Tech:** Lesa Kruger **Usher Captain:** Wayne Woelber **Ushers:** Tom Fischer, Dan Klein, Kirk Sneiderman **Coffee Fellowship:** Tom and Janna Whorley **Greeters:** Kevin and Sue Roth, Doug and Juanita Rodger **Receipt Recorders:** Scott Lichty, John Michels

PRAYER REQUESTS: Duane Kooistra, Arlyn Holtrop, Marilyn Karley, Carol Luepke, David Hegenbarth (brother of Rob Hegenbarth), Dean Van Riesen (brother-in-law of Cynthia Klatt and Kris Meyer), Richard Krause (father of Shanise Brockshus and Shanelle Matus), Emmett Carter (son of Meredith and Adam Carter), Barb Vanden Berg (sister-in-law of Lyle Vanden Berg), Walter Pangburn (cousin of Cynthia Vanden Berg), Mandi Rodger, Tina Hall (daughter of Denise Hall), Aidan Birks (great grandson of Frank and Carol Luepke), Alice Crayton (sister of Nick Stallmann), Calvin Van Beek (father of Lisa Fischer), and Jan Moore (daughter of Lillian Green). The Iowa Mission Church (2017) - Faith Lutheran Church of Sibley, IA.

The Radio Broadcast for today's worship service is sponsored by David and Jayne Nestor, wishing everyone Advent Joy.

Thank you to Adam, Barbara, Jacob, and Rachel Besaw for assisting with the lighting of the Advent Wreath Candles and special reading during today's worship service.

Thank you for the Care Package. I really appreciate it. - Ashley Woelber-Dighton

Hello! It was so awesome to receive the package from St. Paul. I cannot explain how cool it was to see the out pour of love and want to say thank you!! Especially Hannah, Hailey, and Heather Honkomp, Kayley Kreykes, Teagan Vos, and anyone else who thought of us over this busy time of year. God Bless you all. - Riki Langfitt

Dear St. Paul, thank you so much for the care package. I appreciate all the goodies that were included. They will come in handy when I am studying! It is a great feeling knowing people back home are thinking and praying for me. I appreciate the support! Thanks again! -Tom Brown

TODAY: JAM and Jr. High Bake Sale is in the fellowship hall until 11:30 a.m.! Come get some delicious baked goods! A free will donation will be taken and all proceeds will help to cover expenses for the Wednesday night dinners.

DEADLINE TODAY: St. Paul has adopted two families this Christmas Season through Upper Des Moines Opportunities **Adopt-A-Family** program. **Family # 8 - Grandmother and 2 children**, Female age 6 (pant size 8, shirt size 10, shoe size 2, unicorns, dolls) and Male age 3 (pant size 4T, shirt size 4T, shoe size 10, trains, cars). **Family # 27 - Father and two children**, Female age 9 (pant size 8, shirt size S, shoe size 4, Barbies, Shopkins) and Female age 4 (pant size 6, shirt size M, shoe size 2, puzzles, Legos).

The **Sunday School Children** are collecting winter covers, such as scarves, mittens and hats for the Mitten Tree during the Christmas season. All donations will be taken to East Elementary for their use. Donations may be left on or under the tree upstairs in the SS Education wing. Please help us help our neighbors!

The Fellowship Committee invites everyone to the **Cookie Decorating and Christmas Caroling** event! The festivities will begin at **6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 13** with decorating cookies, then go caroling (6:30 p.m.) and return to the church for cookies and hot cocoa or tea. Please feel free to join us for all festivities or just come for the refreshments and fellowship time.

The **Christmas Eve Offering** will go to: \$50 Sheldon Unity Meal, \$1500 Camp Committee (Camperships), \$300 The Banquet in Sioux Falls, SD, and the balance will go to the General Fund. The **New Year's Eve Offering** will go to the Roof Repair Loan.

The Sunday School **Christmas Program** will be on **December 17**. Please make sure the students are in their classrooms at 8:45 a.m.

KIWA will broadcast the **Augustana Christmas Vespers** concert, a recording of a live performance at the Sioux Falls Lutheran University, on **December 18 at 6:00 p.m., and again on Christmas Day, December 25, at 2:00 p.m.** These broadcasts are being sponsored by St. Paul Lutheran through generous donations from members of our congregation.

Annual Report Deadline: All reports for the annual report are due in the church office **NO LATER than Thursday, December 28, 2017!** Reports received after this date will not be published. Please make sure to get your report in on time.

The last worship service of the year will be on Sunday evening, **December 31 at 5:30 p.m.** Please remember, final contributions for 2017 year **MUST** be by the 5:30 p.m. Sunday, December 31 worship to be recorded for your 2017 giving statement.

The **2018 offering envelope boxes** are completed and in your church mailbox. If you did not receive an offering envelope box and wish to have one, please contact the church office (324-3049). Please notice mailboxes have been moved due to updating.

Volunteer Drivers are needed to provide rides for members to come to Sunday Worship please contact Pastor Craig. Thank you!

St. Paul Lutheran Church Christmas Season Services

Sunday School Christmas Program: December 17 at 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Service with Communion: December 24 at 9:00 a.m.

Candlelight Services with Communion: Christmas Eve - December 24 at 4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Sunday Service : December 31 at 9:00 a.m.

Celebration Service: New Year's Eve-December 31 at 5:30 p.m. (Potluck Supper Following the Service at 6:00 p.m.)



Book Lovers! Check out the book rack in the narthex - we put all the Christmas books out to enjoy over the next month or so! There are books for every age on the rack. Enjoy! Also, check your homes for library books. There are quite a few books that have been out since summer or even longer. Please get them back to their library home. Thanks.

TODAY: The Sibley Christian Reformed Church invites you to the Cornerstone Quartet concert at 3:00 p.m.

The Sheldon Recreational Trails Committee is sponsoring a Belgian Waffle Supper on **Monday, December 11 from 5-7 p.m.** in the Sheldon Community Services Center. Advance tickets \$7 for youth and adults. Tickets at the door will be \$8. Kids 5 and under are free.

Love INC and Our Savior Lutheran Church are partnering together to offer a free, one time seminar, **Surviving the Holidays**. This seminar is especially for people who are grieving a loved one's death. **It is from 9:00-11:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 16.** For more information or to register, please call Love INC at 324-9707.

The Vander Ploeg Funeral Home of Sheldon, cordially invites you and your family, relatives and friends to attend **The Holiday Memorial Service on Sunday, December 17 at 2:00 p.m.** at the *Vander Ploeg Funeral Home Chapel in Sheldon*. The service is designed for those who are experiencing a void in their life during this Holiday Season, due to the death of a Loved One or Friend

Hope Haven International presents "Rejoice! The Gift of Mobility" featuring Nashville recording artist Jill Miller on **Tuesday, December 19 at 7:00 p.m.** Tickets are \$15. A limited amount of VIP tickets are available for \$25 and include a *Meet and Greet with premier seating*. Tickets on sale through the Washington Pavilion Box Office or www.washingtonpavilion.org.

Love INC is preparing for their winter session of Loving Help classes. The Sheldon classes include Successful Living, Cooking, Healthy Relationships (for women), and Bible Study. The Primghar classes include Faith and Finance and Bible Study. To reserve your spot please call 324-9707 before December 21. They will begin on January 4 and run through March 15 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. **Classes are free.**

The Hull Chamber is excited to welcome a night of entertainment **Ben Glenn, The Chalk Guy on Wednesday, February 21 at 7:30 p.m. at Western Christian High School.** Tickets \$5 per person at the Hull Chamber Office, American State Bank and Iowa State Bank.

Get ready for a new season of music making with the Sioux County Oratorio Chorus! We will be performing one of Joseph Haydn's most popular works - the *Mass in the Time of War*, or "*Paukenmesse*" - well as two shorter choral works by Rachmaninoff. Rehearsals are Tuesday evenings 7:30-9:15 p.m. beginning January 16 and will be held at Northwestern College's De Witt Music Hall. The performance will be Saturday, April 28. Email any questions to Mike Ochsner at mikxhanr@gmail.com. Save the date! We'd love to sing with you!

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL:

Sunday, December 10 - SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

- 8:30 a.m. JAM Bake Sale (8:30-11:30 a.m.)
- 9:00 a.m. Worship
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School - Christmas Program Practice
- 4:00 p.m. Youth Worship Team

Adopt-A-Family Gifts Deadline

Monday, December 11

- 1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Priscilla Circle - Gladys Drenkow's Home
- 7:00 p.m. Church Properties Committee Meeting

Tuesday, December 12

- 12:00 p.m. Sack Lunch Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Adult Worship Team

Wednesday, December 13

- 7:00 a.m. Early Risers Bible Study
- 9:00 a.m. Mission & Outreach Day - Little Dresses (Potluck)
- 5:00 p.m. Bell Choir
- 5:30 p.m. Meal - JAM/Jr. High
- 6:00 p.m. Cookie Frosting And Caroling (JAM/Jr. High/Sr. High Participate)

NO Wednesday Worship

Thursday, December 14

- 11:30 a.m. Sheldon Ministerial Association Meeting
- 12:00 p.m. Bulletin Deadline

Friday, December 15

- 12:00 p.m. Offices Close
- 5-9 p.m. Community Theatre Rehearsal

Saturday, December 16

Sunday, December 17 - THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

- 8:45 a.m. SS Students In Classrooms
- 9:00 a.m. Worship/SS Christmas Program
- 10:15 a.m. NO Sunday School
- 4:00 p.m. Youth Worship Team

BIRTHDAYS:

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| 12/10 Cassie Siemonsma | 12/14 Cassandra Beenken | 12/17 Jayden Hegenbarth | 12/21 Craig Nissen |
| 12/11 Bailey Buenger | 12/14 Jaxon Hegenbarth | 12/17 Traci Langfitt | 12/22 Jacob Enger |
| 12/11 Erin Nielsen | 12/14 Fidelis Wiertzema | 12/18 Hallie Stevenson | 12/22 Sarah Michels |
| 12/12 Jaxx Boone | 12/15 Mike Heronemus | 12/19 Janet Lohrenz | 12/22 Kris Vander Linden |
| 12/12 Tyler Fischer | 12/16 Tim Hatting | 12/19 Dianna Stallmann | 12/22 Kelsey White |
| 12/12 Dorothy Grave | 12/16 Mark Richards | 12/20 David Nestor | 12/22 Talan Zearing |
| 12/12 Denise Hall | 12/17 Laura Cook | 12/21 Koby Klatt | 12/23 Adalene Callenius |
| 12/12 Benjamin Lichty | 12/17 Landon Grove | 12/21 Kurt Lode | 12/23 Joan Wills |
| 12/12 Marlin Oosterhuis | 12/17 Geri Hansen | | |

GIFTS FOR THE LORD & HIS WORK:

Thank you for supporting St. Paul's ministries.
Budget Money Needed Weekly - \$5,979.43

Wednesday, November 29, 2017

Budget Money Received \$ 705.00
Worship Attendance: 13

Sunday, December 3, 2017

Budget Money Received \$ 7,909.00
Major Repair Project Money \$ 510.00
Roof Repair Money Received \$ 175.00
Property Purchase Money Received \$ 60.00
Special Money Received \$ 80.00
Sunday School Attendance: 27 \$ 14.00
Worship Attendance: 152

Roof Repair Loan:

Balance on Loan as of 12/7/17 \$ 19,908.18

E. 9th Street Property Purchase:

Balance on Loan as of 12/7/17 \$ 56,363.00

Operating Loan:

Balance on Loan as of 12/7/17 \$ 5,000.00

OCTOBER

Total Income \$ 24,190.81
Total Expense -\$ 25,805.74
Income Less Expense -\$ 1,614.93

Fiscal Year Income \$214,565.73
Fiscal Year Expense -\$228,357.45
Fiscal Year Income Less Expense -\$ 13,791.72

