

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, NALC ~ February 26, 2017

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 ~

TODAY'S LECTOR READING: Psalm 36: 5-10 p. 874

TODAY'S PREACHING TEXT: Luke 9: 28-45 pp. 1609-1610

3/5/17 LECTOR READING: Psalm 15 p. 853

3/5/17 PREACHING TEXT: Luke 10: 25-42 p. 1612-1613

SERVING ST. PAUL TODAY: **Pastor:** Craig Nissen **Accompanist:** Mark Richards **Lector:** Christen Nissen **Acolyte:** Katelyn Grady **Sound Tech:** Jerry Meyer **Power Point Tech:** Karen Appleton **Usher Captain:** Roger Sauer **Ushers:** Bob Kruse, Thad Dykstra, Wayne Woelber, Boyd Junge **Coffee Fellowship:** Ryan and Stacie Myers **Greeters:** Don and Donna Koepnick, Bruce and Jo Stegemann **Nursery Attendants:** Kiley Parks, Krista Robinson **Communion Set-up:** Kris Vander Linden, Rae Lynn Schnider **Communion Servers:** Tom Whorley, Nick Stallmann, Rae Lynn Schnider, Scott Lichty **Receipt Recorders:** Nick Stallmann, Scott Lichty

SERVING ST. PAUL (4:30 P.M.) ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1: **Pastor:** Craig Nissen **Accompanist:** Mark Richards **Lector:** Brooklyn Grady **Acolyte:** Luke Myers **Sound Tech:** Larry Schnider **Power Point Tech:** Lesa Kruger **Ushers:** Adam Besaw, Dennis Kruger, Darrell Sneiderman, Melvin Brands **Communion Set-up:** Gail Pike, Kris Vander Linden **Communion Servers:** Deb Plum, Melissa Noack, Tom Whorley, Rae Lynn Schnider

SERVING ST. PAUL (7:00 P.M.) ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1: **Pastor:** Craig Nissen **Accompanist:** Mark Richards **Lector:** Gail Pike **Acolyte:** Daniel Paulsen **Sound Tech:** Mark Brown **Power Point Tech:** Karen Appleton **Ushers:** Lowell Appleton, Gerry Seivert, Lorn Wills, Mark Petrich **Communion Set-up:** Gail Pike, Kris Vander Linden **Communion Servers:** Deb Plum, John Michels, Nick Stallmann, Jeremy Beenken **Receipt Recorders:** John Michels, Tom Whorley

SERVING ST. PAUL NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 5: **Pastor:** Craig Nissen **Accompanist:** Carleen Kehrberg **Lector:** Dee Redinius **Acolyte:** Macade Holz **Sound Tech:** Doug Rodger **Power Point Tech:** Lesa Kruger **Usher Captain:** Mike Vander Berg **Ushers:** Brian Honkomp, Lorn Wills, Dennis Kruger, Ryan Myers **Coffee Fellowship:** Doug and Juanita Rodger **Greeters:** Paul and Sandy Wollmuth, Dave and Jayne Nestor **Nursery Attendants:** Faith and Brenda Richards **Communion Set-up:** Nancy Woelber, Kathy Seivert **Communion Servers:** Melissa Noack, Scott Lichty, Jeremy Beenken, Deb Plum **Receipt Recorders:** Deb Plum, Scott Lichty

PRAYER REQUESTS: **Gwen Kruger, Merlynn Callenius, Jessie Quinones** (*son-in-law of Lorn and Joan Wills*), **Rev. Steve Ellerbusch, Tom Hegenbarth** (*father of Rob Hegenbarth*), **Tom Ream** (*brother of Janice Wielenga*), **Barb Vanden Berg** (*sister-in-law of Lyle Vanden Berg*), **Walter Pangburn** (*cousin of Cynthia Vanden Berg*), **Mandi Rodger, Elaine Getting** (*mother of Kennan Getting*), **Meredith Carter** (*granddaughter of Melvin Brands*), **Betty Mosier** (*mother of Brice Mosier*), **Lyle Mosier** (*father of Brice Mosier*), **Sandy Haack** (*sister-in-law of Donna Koepnick*).

ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS: **Tina Hall** (*daughter of Denise Hall*), **Aidan Birks** (*great grandson of Frank and Carol Luepke*), **Sara Myers** (*niece of Bob and Judy Kruse*), **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.

Temporary Men's and Women's Restrooms: The NEW Men's restroom IS NOW the Women's Restroom for the duration of construction. The Men NOW use the restrooms by kitchen or in the nursery (or Pastor's office, knock first!).

The Radio Broadcast for today's worship service is sponsored by Gail Pike in loving memory of her father, Bob Hansen's birthday.

The flowers on the altar for today's worship service are from the funeral service of Victor Scholten.

We extend our Christian sympathy to T. J. Noble, Vic and Beth Scholten, Jr., Nancy and Richard Wales, family and friends on the death of Victor (Vic) Scholten. He passed away on February 19. His funeral service was held on February 22 here at St. Paul.

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: The Church Council of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church of Sheldon, Iowa, has called for a Special Congregational Meeting on Sunday, March 19 at 10:15 a.m. in the church sanctuary. A vote will be held on whether or not to give the Church Council authority to secure financing up to \$75,000 for the church sanctuary roof resurface project and the boiler repairs.

MRP

Contract Sum To Date	\$368,408.00
Payments	\$251,295.00
Balance Due	\$117,113.00

Cash On Hand	\$ 83,489.88
Cash Needed To Pay Balance Due	\$ 33,623.12

Pledges

Pledges	\$109,869.94
Given-to-Date	\$ 75,903.00

Pledge Balance Outstanding	\$ 41,954.00
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The offering for the Ash Wednesday worship services will be designated to the General Fund. The **Lenten (6:30 p.m.) worship services** offerings will be designated to the General Fund.

Reminder: St. Paul Youth Pork Sandwich Supper will be on Monday, March 6 form 5-7 p.m. Free will offering. Please join us for smoked, sliced pork sandwiches, baked beans, coleslaw, drinks and dessert! Sponsored by Premium Iowa Pork, LLC and Thrivent Financial. All proceeds will go to St. Paul Lutheran Youth Ministry.

St. Paul will be the host for the Lunch In Lent services and serve for the community during the Lenten season. Volunteers are needed to help on Tuesdays with food prep and on Wednesdays, serving the meal and clean up. Everyone is welcome to come and help, both men and women. If you can't commit by signing up on the sign-up sheet but find you are able to help sometime during the Lenten season, please feel free and come hand help. We always can use the extra help. All help is welcome!

The Sheldon Ministerial Association invites all members of our community to join together for Lunch In Lent which will be hosted by and held in the fellowship hall at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Lunch will be served from 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Two different soups will be offered each Wednesday along with relishes, bread, and drink. Price for the meal is \$5.00 per person at the door. A Pastor from the Sheldon Ministerial Association will have a brief meditation after the meal from 12:15 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. Schedule is as follows: March 8 - Pastor Kevin Gingerich, Sheldon United Methodist Church; March 15 - Pastor Jesse Walhoff, Living Water Community Church; March 22 - Pastor Kevin Muyskens, Immanuel Christian Reformed Church; March 29 - Pastor Dave Van Kley, Bethel Reformed Church; April 5 - Pastor Paul Van Maaren, First Reformed Church.

Welcome back!!! Our library is clean, painted and ready for you again! Please come up and check it out AND check out some books to read! Winter isn't over and you might need a good book to curl up with! We have some new books and we have completed many series. Remember we received many new children's books with our Usborne fundraiser. Bring your children up and take a look.

Radio Broadcast 2017 Open Dates: March (5, 12); April (2, 30); June (18); July (2, 9, 16, 30); September (3, 17); October (1, 15, 22, 29); November (5, 12, 26); December (3, 10, 24-4:30 p.m., 31).

The sign-up sheets for Coffee Fellowship, Flowers on the Altar and Radio Broadcast for **2017** are on the bulletin board in the balcony staircase. Sign up early to get the dates that are special to you.

In stores right now, winter outerwear is going down to clearance prices. The Coats-For-Kids Program is months away, but the sale prices are now. A tote to place children's new coats, hats, snowpants, gloves, mittens and scarves in if you would like to contribute to this cause. If you like to shop, and to help children who need new winter wear next fall, this opportunity is for you!

Anyone with bottles/cans for recycling...the refundable bottles/cans receptacle is set up by the dumpsters on the north side. We welcome your bottle or can donations. Proceeds to benefit St. Paul Youth Ministry.

THRIVENT CLIENTS: please be sure to redeem your Thrivent Choice Dollars! We're grateful any time those funds are directed to St. Paul, but be sure to send those dollars to some good ministry! If you are unclear about Thrivent Choice dollars or how to direct them, ask Pastor Craig, Doug Rodger, Tami Roetman, or Renae Vande Brake!

Turn \$20 into \$250 for ministry projects! Thrivent Financial is offering Christians the opportunity to become "associate" Thrivent members for \$19.95 a year. All associate members are eligible for \$250 in Action Team seed money! (Max of three (3), lifetime, for associate members.) "Associate" members differ from "Benefit" members, which are customers purchasing a qualifying Thrivent insurance or annuity product. "Benefit" members can fund two (2) Thrivent Action Teams per calendar year with \$250 each time (\$500 total) every year they are benefit members. Action Team funding is approved for projects that involve multiple people working on a service project or fundraiser. Contact a Thrivent representative, or get associate applications from the church office.

Love INC is seeking financial mentors! One hour per week, communicating hope and encouragement for a lifetime of change. Financial mentors spend time each week with a client as they pay bills, budget for the week, and pay off debt or build their savings. Contact Jenna or Maria at 324-9707. **Mentor training will begin February 27.**

Okoboji Mission Extravaganza, March 24-26, Theme: Seasons of Missionary Service. To register contact Bob and Diane at 507-533-4925 or at wmp.org/register before March 23.

A Women's Faith Event - "Overcomer", on Saturday, March 25 at Arrowwood Resort and Conference Center in Okoboji from (:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Admission: \$30/person in advance or \$40/person at the door. Get your tickets today by using the link on our "Overcomer" Facebook page or use: <http://tinyurl.com/overcomer-okoboji>. Come and be inspired and uplifted by our speakers!

Sportsman's Day at Inspiration Hills, Inwood, IA. Join us for a family friendly event on **April 29, 9:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.** Registration: inspirationhills.org/sportsmans-day. It is a great opportunity to come out with family and friends to enjoy outdoor sports and learn more through our seminars.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL:

Sunday, February 26 - Transfiguration Of Our Lord

9:00 a.m. Worship/HC
 10:15 a.m. Sunday School (Group-Fellowship Hall)
 Sr. High Youth Group Activity
 7:00 p.m. Youth Worship Team

Monday, February 27

1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

Tuesday, February 28

12:00 p.m. Sack Lunch And Bible Study
 4:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Meeting
 7:00 p.m. Worship Team (7-8 p.m.)

Wednesday, March 1 - ASH WEDNESDAY

7:00 a.m. Early Risers Bible Study
 4:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship Service/HC
 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship Service/HC

NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Thursday, March 2

12:00 p.m. Bulletin Deadline
 Noah's Ark Parent/Teacher Conferences

Friday, March 3

Saturday, March 4

Sunday, March 5

9:00 a.m. Worship/HC/Stephen Ministers
 10:15 a.m. Sunday School (Lounge Reserved)
 10:15 a.m. Set Up Youth Pork Sandwich Supper
 11:30 a.m. Noah's Ark Preschool Board Meeting

GIFTS FOR THE LORD & HIS WORK:	
Thank you for supporting St. Paul's ministries. Budget Money Needed Weekly - \$5,979.43	
Wednesday, February 15, 2017	
Budget Money Received	\$ 33.00
Worship Attendance: 11	
Sunday, February 19, 2017	
Budget Money Received	\$ 4,070.00
Major Repair Project Money	\$ 762.00
Special Money Received	\$ 670.00
Worship Attendance: 147	
Sunday School Attendance: 21	\$ 14.00
Major Repair Project	
Beginning Balance 1/1/16	\$122,846.27
Expenses	-\$ 229,235.51
Donations	+\$ 122,207.57
Proceeds Of Garfield House	+\$ 81,064.80
Balance as of 12/25/16	\$ 96,883.13
E. 9th Street Property Purchase:	
Balance on Loan as of 12/25/16	\$ 62,611.70
JANUARY	
Total Income	\$ 17,673.25
Total Expense	-\$ 19,789.60
Income Less Expense	-\$ 2,116.45
Fiscal Year Income	\$ 22,976.25
Fiscal Year Expense	-\$ 26,466.69
Fiscal Year Income Less Expense	-\$ 3,490.44

BIRTHDAYS:

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| 2/26 Dorothy Breuer | 2/29 Gerry Seivert | 3/4 Dell Anderson | 3/8 Alli Boone |
| 2/26 Bill Kehrborg | 3/2 Kelly Klatt | 3/4 Jennifer Van Beek | 3/8 Mandi Seeley |
| 2/26 Vicki Oldendamp | 3/2 Madison Johnson | 3/5 Lora Kruse | 3/9 Elijah Fischer |
| 2/27 Dustin Tiedeman | 3/2 Janna Whorley | 3/6 Thomas Hemmingstad | 3/9 David Kruger |
| 2/27 Jill Haverdink | 3/2 Tom Whorley | 3/6 Carolyn Drenth | 3/9 Teighlor Lonning |
| 2/28 Paula Ahlers | 3/3 Krista Johnson | 3/7 Todd Kruger | 3/9 J Paul Whorley |
| 2/28 Weston McDonald | 3/3 Glenda Kamrath | 3/7 Ella Holz | 3/9 Sandra Wollmuth |
| 2/28 Jamari Kruse | 3/3 Emma Monroe | 3/8 Barbara Besaw | 3/10 Lyle Vanden Berg |

