

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, NALC— March 18, 2018

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 ~

ORDER OF WORSHIP: LBW Setting 1 (pp. 57-76)

TODAY'S READINGS: Lector Reading: **John 16:1-14 p.1678**

Scripture Reading: **John 16:20-33 p. 1679**

WORSHIP HYMNS: *Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling* (# 523 LBW)

Joy To The World (# 39 LBW)

NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 25, READINGS: Lector: John 12:9-23 pp. 1671-1672 **Scripture:** John 12:24-37 p. 1672

SERVING ST. PAUL TODAY: **Pastor:** Rev. Craig Nissen **Accompanist:** Carleen Kehrberg **Lector:** Jake Jacobsma **Acolyte:** Faith E. Richards **Sound Tech:** Scott Lichty **Power Point Tech:** Caroline Badberg **Usher Captain:** Roger Sauer **Ushers:** Bob Kruse, Ben Van Beek, Paul Richards **Coffee Fellowship:** Craig and Kris Vander Linden **Greeters:** Paul and Sandy Wollmuth, Jeff and Jeana Wollmuth **Receipt Recorders:** Scott Lichty, Tami Roetman

SERVING ST. PAUL WEDNESDAY LENTEN, March 21: **Pastor:** Rev. Craig Nissen **Accompanist:** Mark Richards **Acolyte:** Nathan Zoet **Sound Tech:** Doug Rodger **Power Point Tech:** Gabrielle Herbst **Ushers:** Gerry Seivert, Dale Zoet, John Sachen **Coffee Fellowship:** Work Group

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PRAYER REQUESTS: Rita Kroese, Samantha Verschoor, Jerry Meyer, Mandi Rodger, Milt Heyl, Duane Kooistra, Arlyn Holtrop, Carol Luepke, Calvin Van Beek (*father of Lisa Fischer*), 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*), Tina Hall (*daughter of Denise Hall*), Aidan Birks (*great grandson of Frank and Carol Luepke*), Alice Crayton (*sister of Nick Stallmann*), and Jan Moore (*daughter of Lillian Green*). The Iowa Mission Church (2018) - Faith Lutheran Church of Sibley, IA.

Our nursery is open to families during the worship service. It is located in the education wing, downstairs, second door on the left.

Anyone who would like a Large Print bulletin, please contact the Church office.

Pastor's OFFICE hours - Pastor Craig's schedule varies from day to day. But every Tuesday afternoon he will be in the office from 1:00-5:00 p.m. for drop-in visits.

There is a suggestion box located in the back of the sanctuary for suggestions and ideas for the Church Council.

Thank you to the Bell Choir for the special music during today's worship service.

If you are interested in being a St. Paul member, please see Pastor Craig. He will be scheduling New Member classes soon.

INNER CHURCH COMMUNICATION: Congregation members, please update the church office if you have changed phone numbers and now have a cell phone in lieu of a land line. The church would also like to have email addresses. One of the fundamental aspects of being the Church together is that we be able to communicate with each other. Our office staff frequently find that they are not able to reach members of the congregation because our telephone and contact information is outdated.

WORK GROUPS: Every household of St. Pauls' members is assigned to a 'work group'. This is one of the ways we are the body of Christ for one another and for mission. These groups are called on by rotation: if group 5 covered the last funeral, group 6 is being called for the next, and so on. Group leaders call down their list of members to request kitchen help, and/or food donations. This is a ministry of support and care for families at funerals, and occasionally other church events. Every time we have a funeral we are serving family and friends of one of our members, often people who do not live here; and it is always greatly appreciated.

Please help us provide this fundamental ministry by allowing the office to share your contact information with the work-group chairperson. Phone numbers and emails can be put on the *Opportunities To Serve* form and can be placed in the offering plate or turned into the Church office. You will not always be called for your group - depending on the need for workers/food because of the anticipated size of the funeral. Thank you for your cooperation in providing us this information.

Please Note: Do-Day will meet this week on March 21 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Lunch In Lent)

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN WILL BE SERVING THE SHELDON AREA UNITY MEAL ON MONDAY, MARCH 19. VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP WITH THIS EVENT. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex or contact JoAnn Den Beste at 324-3659.

The Sheldon Area Unity Meal will be held Monday, March 19 at Living Water Community Church - Sheldon Campus. Serving starts at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come for this free meal and fellowship. Thank you to St. Paul Lutheran Church for providing the meal and volunteers this month.

Reminder: The Sunday School students need to be in the fellowship hall on Palm Sunday, **March 25 by 8:45 a.m.** for the Parade of Palms. The Lord's Musical Children and Cherub Choir will perform during the Service. Please bring your coin folders at this time.

We are planning to see all the Fifth grade students in First Communion classes this Spring along with any adults interested! The class will be on Wednesdays, **5:15-6:00 p.m., March 21 and 28.** All participants are expected to attend a Maundy Thursday worship service, March 29 at either the 4:30 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. service for their First Communion.

The Sunday School and Jr. High Youth are partnering to raise support for a child in Haiti to attend school for one year. **We invite the Congregation to join us with this Mission project - we can do great things together!** The cost for this is \$35/month, \$420/year. A collection jar will be in the sanctuary on Sundays for donations from the Congregation.

ST. PAUL LENTEN/HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

March 21	6:30 p.m.	Lenten Services
March 25	9:00 a.m.	Palm Sunday Service
March 29	4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Services
March 30	7:00 p.m.	Good Friday Service
April 1	7:00 a.m.	Easter Sunrise Service
April 1	7:45 a.m.	Easter Breakfast Following Service - Free Will Offering
April 1	9:00 a.m.	Easter Service - NO Sunday School Easter Sunday



The Wednesday **Lenten offerings** will go to the General Fund. All **Holy Week Worship offerings** will go to the General Fund except the **Easter Sunrise offering** will go to St. Paul Youth Group.

Wartburg Wind Ensemble - Host Homes Needed. College students from Wartburg College will perform a concert on **April 20** at 7:30 p.m. St. Paul has been asked to help the need for host homes. These young adults would need an early meal on Friday, a place to clean up and sleep, and breakfast the next morning. Please consider this an exercise of Christian hospitality and provide a witness of our faith in Christ. We will have a sign-up in our church office and more information will be available in April.

St. Paul Youth Annual Pork Supper and Auction, on Monday, April 23! We will be having a supper and auction fundraiser for our mission trip to Houston. If you have an item or a service that you or your business would be willing to donate, please let Mark know.

The Sheldon Ministerial Association invites all members of our community to join together for Lunch In Lent, hosted by First Christian Reformed Church. Lunch begins at 11:45 a.m. and the speaker at 12:15 p.m. The meal is \$5.00 per person at the door. The guest speaker for the last week: March 21 - Pastor Craig Nissen (St. Paul Lutheran Church).

The Sheldon Knights Of Columbus will have a Fish Fry on Friday, March 23 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the St. Patrick's Catholic Church basement. It will include baked and deep fat fried fish, potato salad, baked beans, a roll and dessert. Free Will donation. The proceeds will go to the Sheldon Ministerial Fund.

Easter is on its way and what better way to celebrate than to have a blast creating a beautiful painting! Join us on Friday, March 23 at 6:30 p.m. at Loving Waters Church in Sheldon. Call to reserve your spot!

Ladies Day Out is April 5 at the Sheldon Community Building. Doors open -11:00 a.m.; Luncheon -11:30 a.m.; Style Show -12:30 p.m. The guest speaker is Pat McGill. Tickets at SCDC Office, Alissa Ryan Boutique, Marigolds, Mr. B's Lady B's, Missy's, Revolution Consignment, and Touch of Hope.

Ladies Night Out is April 5 at the Crossroads Pavilion Event Center, guest speaker, Pat McGill. Social Hour - 5:30 p.m. Hors De 'Overs served; Program - 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tickets at SCDC Office, Stammer Liquor, State Farm Insurance, The Dental Office, and VAMP Salon.

THRIVENT CLIENTS: All 2017 **Thrivent Choice Dollars** are available for members to direct (Expires March 31, 2018.) so 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!

The sign-up sheets for the Coffee Fellowship, Flowers on the Altar and Radio Broadcast for 2018, are on the bulletin board in the balcony staircase. Sign up early to get the dates that are special to you. **2018 Radio Broadcast Open Dates:** April 29; May 20; July 1, 8, 15, 29; September 16; November 4, 25; December 2, 9, 16, 24(\$120), 30.

Sheldon Christian is offering Music Makers for children 3 years old through kindergarten. The class will be held on Monday mornings from April 9 until May 14 from 11:30 a.m.-12:10 p.m. Cost is \$25.00. Please contact the school office at 324-2429 to sign up.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL:

Sunday, March 18

- 9:00 a.m. Worship
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:20 a.m. Parish Ed. Committee Meeting
- 4:00 p.m. Youth Worship Team

Monday, March 19

- 1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Sheldon Unity Meal - St. Paul Serves
(Refer To Volunteer Sign-up Sheet For Times)

Tuesday, March 20 - Spring Begins

- 12:00 p.m. Sack Lunch Bible Study

Wednesday, March 21

- 7:00 a.m. Early Risers Bible Study
- 9:00 a.m. Do Day (9-3 p.m.) (Lunch In Lent)
- 11:45 a.m. Lunch In Lent-First Christian Reformed
- 5:00 p.m. JAM (5-6:30 p.m.) (Meal Served)
- 5:00 p.m. Bell Choir
- 5:15 p.m. First Communion Class (5:15-6:00 p.m.)
- 5:15 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group (5:15-6:30 p.m.)
- 6:30 p.m. Lenten Worship Service
- 8:00 p.m. Sr. High Youth Group (8-9 p.m.)

Thursday, March 22

- 8:30 a.m. Assemble Newsletter
- 12:00 p.m. Bulletin Deadline
- 7:00 p.m. Adult Worship Team

Friday, March 23

- 12:00 p.m. Offices Close

Saturday, March 24

- 4:00 p.m. Set Up For Seder Meal (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, March 25 - PALM SUNDAY

- 8:45 a.m. SS Students Meet In Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 a.m. Worship/HC/Parade Of Palms
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School-Inter-Gen Activity
(Fellowship Hall) Seder Meal
- 4:00 p.m. Youth Worship Team

BIRTHDAYS:

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| 3/18 Wally Fiddelke | 3/20 Jade Frankenstein | 3/24 Adam Burmeister | 3/27 Megan Weber |
| 3/18 Boyd Junge | 3/20 Ayden Miller | 3/24 Keith Rolston | 3/28 Kayley Kreykes |
| 3/18 Margil Peters | 3/20 Krystal Van Otterloo | 3/24 Makayla Van Beek | 3/29 Trevor Smith |
| 3/19 Matt Buenger | 3/21 Lisa Vander Berg | 3/25 Joe Tokheim | 3/30 Samantha Klatt |
| 3/19 Gwen Kruger | 3/22 Jeremy Beenken | 3/25 Mike Vander Berg | 3/30 Brian Stofferan |
| 3/19 Stephanie Pohren | 3/22 Carleen Kehrberg | 3/26 Dave Dummett | 3/31 Jesse Grady |
| 3/20 Justin Balster | 3/22 Gail Pike | 3/26 Edward Pease | |

GIFTS FOR THE LORD & HIS WORK:

Thank you for supporting St. Paul's ministries.
Budget Money Needed Weekly - \$ 6,049.60

Wednesday, March 7, 2018

Budget Money Received	\$ 90.00
Lent Money Received	\$ 317.00
Worship Attendance: 32	

Sunday, March 11, 2018

Budget Money Received	\$ 3,744.00
Major Repair Project Money Received	\$ 10.00
Roof Repair Money Received	\$ 20.00
Lent Money Received	\$ 25.00
Maundy Thursday Money Received	\$ 50.00
Good Friday Money Received	\$ 50.00
Special Money Received	\$ 205.00
Sunday School Attendance: 12	\$ 6.50
Worship Attendance: 104	

Roof Repair Loan:

Balance on Loan as of 3/6/18 \$15,807.18

E. 9th Street Property Purchase:

Balance on Loan as of 3/6/18 \$54,627.61

Operating Loan:

Balance on Loan as of 3/15/18 \$ 0.00

FEBRUARY

Total Income	\$ 16,818.52
Total Expense	-\$ 27,696.79
Income Less Expense	-\$ 10,878.27
Fiscal Year Income	\$ 47,289.93
Fiscal Year Expense	-\$ 50,543.67
Fiscal Year Income Less Expense	-\$ -3,253.74

