

# St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, NALC ~ April 2, 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 84: 1-4, 10-12 pp. 922-923 **TODAY'S PREACHING TEXT:** Luke 18: 31 to 19: 10 pp. 1630-1631  
**4/9/17 LECTOR READING:** Psalm 118: 19-23 pp. 956-957 **4/9/17 PREACHING TEXT:** Luke 19: 29-43 pp. 1629-1630

**SERVING ST. PAUL TODAY: Pastor:** Rev. Craig Nissen **Accompanist:** Mark Richards **Lector:** Gabrielle Herbst **Acolyte:** Kiley Parks **Sound Tech:** Larry Schnider **Power Point Tech:** Lesa Kruger **Usher Captain:** Lyle Vanden Berg **Ushers:** Kurt Lode, Larry Smit, Jeff Wollmuth, Mark Petrich **Coffee Fellowship:** Kevin and Sue Roth **Greeters:** Brian and Monica Honkomp, Doug and Juanita Rodger **Nursery Attendants:** Evan and Stacie Myers **Communion Set-up:** Lisa Fischer, Rae Lynn Schnider **Communion Servers:** Rae Lynn Schnider, Scott Lichty, Melissa Noack, Brian Honkomp **Receipt Recorders:** Melissa Noack, Brian Honkomp

**SERVING ST. PAUL 6:30 P.M. LENTEN WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5: Pastor:** Rev. Craig Nissen **Accompanist:** Mark Richards **Acolyte:** Faith Richards **Sound Tech:** Larry Smit **Power Point Tech:** Parker Nissen **Ushers:** Adam Besaw, Michael Paulsen, Daniel Paulsen, Nathan Zoet **Coffee Fellowship:** Work Group

**SERVING ST. PAUL NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 9: Pastor:** Rev. Craig Nissen **Accompanist:** Mark Richards **Lector:** Phil Grove **Acolyte:** Nathan Zoet **Sound Tech:** Scott Lichty **Power Point Tech:** Parker Nissen **Usher Captain:** Lyle Vanden Berg **Ushers:** Lowell Appleton, Austin Roemeling, Todd Kruger, Nick Stallmann **Coffee Fellowship:** Jeremy and Kathie Beenken **Greeters:** Larry and Coleen Baldwin, Bob and Judy Kruse **Nursery Attendants:** Michael and Angela Paulsen **Receipt Recorders:** Melissa Noack, Brian Honkomp

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Bryan Mosier (*brother of Brice Mosier*), Emmett Carter (*son of Meredith and Adam Carter*), Merlynn Callenius, 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*), 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.

**Congratulations to** Andy and Stephanie (Tokheim) Pohren on the birth of their son, Joseph Andrew, on March 28. Older brother, Sam, and grandparents are Joe and Sue Tokheim.

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

**Thank you to everyone** who came and helped prepare for the Lunch In Lent on Tuesday and helped serve and clean up on Wednesday. Everyone is welcome to come. -JoAnn Den Beste.

**The First Communion Classes continue** on April 5 and 12 at 5:15 p.m. Anyone (5th grade and older) who has not taken the First Communion class is invited to attend. **First Communion will be on April 13, Maundy Thursday Service at 7:00 p.m.**

The **Wednesday Lenten (6:30 p.m.) offerings** will be designated to the General Fund. The **Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter 9:00 a.m. worship offerings** are designated to the General Fund. The **Easter Sunrise offering** will go to the St. Paul Youth.

**St. Paul hosts the last Lunch In Lent** here for the community on Wednesday, April 5. Volunteers are needed to help on Tuesday with food prep and Wednesday, serving the meal and clean up. Everyone is welcome to come and help if you are able.

**The Sheldon Ministerial Association** invites all members of our community for the last Lunch In Lent, hosted by St. Paul Lutheran Church. Lunch will be served from 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Two different soups will be offered along with relishes, bread, and drink. Price for the meal is \$5 per person. 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. On April 5 - **Pastor Paul Van Maaren, First Reformed Church.**

**Reminder:** The Sunday School students will help with the Parade of Palms and the Cherub Choir will sing on April 9 at the beginning of the Palm Sunday worship service. Students need to be here at 8:45 a.m.

**Radio Broadcast 2017 Open Dates:** April (30); June (18); July (2, 9, 16, 30); September (17); October (15, 22, 29); November (5, 12, 26); December (3, 10, 24-4:30 p.m., 31). **The sign-up sheets** for the Radio Broadcast, Coffee Fellowship, and Flowers on the Altar for **2017** are on the bulletin board in the balcony staircase. Sign up early to get the dates that are special to you.

**The Young Artist's Hand:** This is an opportunity for our young artists to experience the artistic process while exploring the painting talents God has given them. Classes are limited to the first 15 participants to sign up. (A waiting list will be kept if we need to add additional classes.) Registration and payment deadline is Saturday, April 22. Fee: \$20. **Classes: Saturday, April 29, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Grades K-4th)** It's a jungle out there! Join us in an animal adventure as we learn to draw and paint our furry, slimy, and scaly friends in this wild and wacky world. **Saturday, April 29, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. (3rd-8th)** How do I get where I'm going? Enjoy an afternoon exploring the way we get around this great and beautiful world. Artists will brainstorm, draw and paint real and imaginary ways we travel through this wild ride called life. **Sunday, April 30, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. (5th-High School)** Life is Sweet! Pre-tween and teens are invited to explore the many blessings God provides. Enjoy an afternoon painting the "sweet things" in life.

**HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE:** **Sunday, April 9 - 9:00 a.m.,** Palm Sunday Worship with Children's Parade Of Palms. **Thursday, April 13 - 4:30/7:00 p.m.,** Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Communion. **Friday, April 14 - 7:00 p.m.,** Good Friday Worship. **Sunday, April 16 - 7:00 a.m.,** Easter Sunrise Worship lead by Youth with Holy Communion. **Sunday, April 16 - 7:45-8:45 a.m.,** Easter Breakfast served by Youth Group/Freewill Donation. **Sunday, April 16 - 9:00 a.m.,** Easter Worship with Holy Communion. **There will be NO Sunday School on Easter Sunday.**

**Church Garden Space** is available to the congregation again this summer! Talk to Pastor Craig if you're interested in gardening alongside him and others from our church.

**Ladies Day Out on Thursday April 6.** (Luncheon, Style Show, Door Prizes, Coupons, Fun Program). Doors open at 11:00 a.m. Tickets are \$25/person and are available until April 1 at the SCDC Office.

**Sheldon Knights of Columbus Fish Fry is on April 7 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.** at St. Patrick's Church basement. Freewill Donation.

**Tavern Supper Fundraiser for Scott Adkins** on Monday, April 24, 4:30-7:00 p.m. at the Sheldon Eagles Club. Freewill donation.

**If you have a heart for Sheldon Christian School, please join them on Friday, April 28** to celebrate 100 years of God's faithfulness to Sheldon Christian! A Celebration Program will be held at 6:30 p.m. at First Christian Reformed Church, followed by an Open House with refreshments at the Sheldon Christian School. **Please RSVP to Sherri at the school (324-2429) by April 10.**

**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!

As the children and youth are looking forward to the summer months, **we at Upper Des Moines Opportunity (UDMO) are hoping to encourage healthy activities** for them through the opportunity of swimming, playing ball, music, scouts as well as other extra-curricular activities. **Please join us in keeping kids active in a healthy, safe environment in O'Brien County. A donation in any amount is helpful.** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the UDMO office at 712-957-1023.

**Come join us for Hope Haven's Annual Benefit Auction, Friday, April 7 at Te Slaa Trucking (Corner Hwys 75 & 18). Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Food booth and buy it now table items open at 5:00 p.m. Live auction begins at 5:30 p.m.**

**You are invited to join us for an Organ and Panflute concert on Wednesday, April 5 at 7:30 p.m.** in the B.J. Haan Auditorium at Dordt College in Sioux Center to benefit *Word and Deed Ministries' - Children's Project in Ecuador*. Admission is FREE. A free-will collection will be taken during the concert.

**The NW Iowa Symphony Youth Orchestra Spring Concert is April 8 at 3:00 p.m.** in the BJ Haan Auditorium, Dordt College, Sioux Center.

**The NW Iowa Symphony Orchestra Annual Spring Concert on Tuesday, April 11 at 7:00 p.m.** in the BJ Haan Auditorium at Dordt College in Sioux Center. Guest Artists include UNI professor, Sean Botkin, and NISO founding conductor, Henry Duitman.

**Hope Haven invites you** to celebrate Easter weekend with outstanding southern gospel music. The Dixie Melody Boys from Kinston, NC will be presenting a benefit concert Saturday, April 15 at 6:30 p.m. at the BJ Haan Auditorium in Sioux Center. Tickets are \$15.

**NALC Disaster Preparedness & Response Training - Level 1 or 2.** On **April 21 and 22** at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Altona, Illinois. For information or to register, contact Mary Bates, Disaster Coordinator/Trainer at 740-509-1132 or batesm55@gmail.com.

**Join the Sioux Co. Oratorio Chorus** this spring for an exciting concert with Dordt College Concert Choir and Northwestern College Heritage Singers on Saturday, April 22 at 7:30 p.m. in BJ Haan Auditorium in Sioux Center. Tickets in advance \$8/adults, \$5/students.

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

**THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL:**

**Sunday, April 2 - Easter Flowers Donation Deadline**

- 9:00 a.m. Worship/HC/Stephen Ministers
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School (Lounge Reserved)
- 11:30 a.m. Noah's Ark Preschool Board Meeting
- 4-9 p.m. Jr./Sr. High - Okoboji Outreach Night

**Monday, April 3**

- 1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 7:15 p.m. Fellowship Committee Meeting

**Tuesday, April 4**

- 12:00 p.m. Sack Lunch And Bible Study
- 1:00 p.m. Prep - Lunch In Lent
- 7:00 p.m. Worship Team (7-8 p.m.)

**Wednesday, April 5**

- 7:00 a.m. Early Risers Bible Study
- 11:45 a.m. Lunch In Lent - St. Paul Lutheran
- 5:15 p.m. 5th Grade First Communion Class
- 5:15 p.m. Jr. High Youth (5:15-6:30 p.m.)
- 5:30 p.m. Bell Choir
- 6:30 p.m. JAM - Participate In Lenten Service
- 6:30 p.m. Lenten Worship Service**
- 8:00 p.m. Sr. High Youth (8-9 p.m.)

**Thursday, April 6**

- 12:00 p.m. Bulletin Deadline

**Friday, April 7**

**Saturday, April 8**

**Sunday, April 9 - Palm Sunday**

- 8:45 a.m. Students Meet In Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 a.m. Worship/Parade Of Palms/Cherub Choir
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School (Lounge Reserved)
- 4:00 p.m. Youth Worship Team

**BIRTHDAYS:**

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|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 4/2 Grace Myers     | 4/6 Sophie Meyer    | 4/8 Megan Boone      | 4/13 Adam Besaw       |
| 4/2 Owen Myers      | 4/6 Kim Buenger     | 4/8 Holly Wolf       | 4/13 Jeffrey Droher   |
| 4/2 Heide Willer    | 4/6 Larry Baldwin   | 4/9 Kendra Hall      | 4/13 Evan Wynja       |
| 4/2 Dolores Kruger  | 4/6 Troy Sogn       | 4/10 George Boerhave | 4/14 T. J. Noble, III |
| 4/3 Grant Richards  | 4/6 Linda Mc Alpine | 4/10 Chad Redinius   | 4/14 Gloria Paulsen   |
| 4/4 Scott Stallmann | 4/7 Chuck Johnson   | 4/12 Brent Merley    | 4/15 Hugh Ehlers      |
| 4/5 Jessica Behrens | 4/7 Norman Wolf     | 4/12 Diane Reimann   | 4/15 Bryson Langfitt  |

**GIFTS FOR THE LORD & HIS WORK:**

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

**Wednesday Lent, March 22, 2017**

Lent Money Received \$ 457.00  
Worship Attendance: 47

**Sunday, March 26, 2017**

Budget Money Received \$ 3,981.15  
Major Repair Project Money \$ 660.00  
Special Money Received \$ 160.00  
Worship Attendance: 146  
Sunday School Attendance: 21 \$ 14.00

**Major Repair Project**

Beginning Balance 1/1/17 \$100,396.13  
Expenses -\$ 26,875.05  
Donations +\$ 13,964.48  
Balance as of 3/5/17 \$ 87,485.56

**E. 9th Street Property Purchase:**

Balance on Loan as of 3/5/17 \$ 61,514.75

**FEBRUARY**

Total Income \$ 21,088.19  
Total Expense -\$ 24,119.28  
Income Less Expense -\$ 3,031.09  
Fiscal Year Income \$ 44,317.34  
Fiscal Year Expense -\$ 55,457.82  
Fiscal Year Income Less Expense -\$ 11,140.48



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**EASTER FLOWERS:** Donations due by Sunday, April 2. **You may supply your own plants or a donation towards the purchase of Easter flowers to decorate the sanctuary for Easter.**

I/We will provide our own Easter lily in memory of/in honor of \_\_\_\_\_.

I/We will donate money towards the purchase of Easter lilies by the church in memory of/in honor of \_\_\_\_\_.