

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL:

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

~Sub Sandwich SALES-Before/After Worship~

9:00 a.m. Worship/HC

11:00 a.m. Noah's Ark Board Meeting

MONDAY, AUGUST 25

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

Sheldon Community 1st Day Of School

TUESDAY, AUGUST 26

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27

8:00 a.m. Early Risers -Cook's Café

9-3 p.m. Do-Day (Potluck Lunch)

3:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Meeting

6:30 p.m. Worship

6:30-8 p.m. Sr. High Youth Group

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28

10:00 a.m. Birthday Club

12:00 p.m. Bulletin Deadline

5-6 p.m. Noah's Ark Preschool - Visit

The Teacher/Open House

6:00 p.m. Serve Meal At Love INC

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29

12:00 p.m. Secretaries' Office Closes

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30

11:30-3:30 p.m. Reserved - Kitchen/FH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

~Sub Sandwich SALES-Before/After Worship~

9:00 a.m. Worship

10:00 a.m. Labor Day Unity Worship

 - RiseFest Grounds (Bring A Lawn Chair)



BIRTHDAYS:



8/25 Sara Lang

8/26 Frank Luepke

8/26 Jeana Wollmuth

8/27 Pam Schwebach

8/28 Arlene Noack

8/28 Lisa Smith

8/28 Violet Stegemann

8/29 Kingsley Kreykes

8/30 Dillan Willer

8/31 Sophia Hinds

GIFTS FOR THE LORD & HIS WORK:

Thank you for supporting St. Paul's ministries.

2025 Budget Money Needed Weekly: \$6,812.04

Wednesday, August 13, 2025

Budget Money Received \$ 25.00

Worship Attendance: 15

Sunday, August 17, 2025

Budget Money Received \$ 3,055.00

A/C Money Received \$ 2,000.00

Worship Attendance: 82

Air Conditioner Units Loan \$ 19,896.57

August Monthly Payment \$ - 575.00

(8/22/25) Principal Payment \$ -2,000.00

Balance Due \$ 17,321.57

JULY

Total Income \$ 16,900.98

Total Expense \$ - 25,480.99

Income Less Expense \$ -8,580.01

Fiscal Year Income \$ 126,226.64

Fiscal Year Expense \$- 168,167.61

Fiscal Year Income Less Expense \$-41,940.97

Registration/Parent Consent Forms

(Back of Sanctuary)

- A Requirement to be completed for ANY family (your child/children) will participate in St. Paul Youth Activities.



*In order to ensure a safe/secure environment for our youth involved in St. Paul activities, a necessary step in achieving this is a background check for all adult volunteers participating in St. Paul Youth activities. Background Check/Authorization FORM (18yrs. +)

(In Sanctuary-Return form in sealed envelope to Office)

Volunteer Training class to be held on October 1 at 7:00 p.m. or October 5 at 10:15 a.m.

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, NALC

August 24, 2025 ~ 9:00 A.M.

The Mission of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church is to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all people.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering Hymn ~

“Sanctuary”

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn ~

“All People Who on Earth Do Dwell”

*Confession and Forgiveness

*Scripture Hymn ~

“Change My Heart, O God”

*Prayer of the Day

First Lesson:

Isaiah 66:18-23

Second Lesson:

Hebrews 12:4-24

Children's Message

*The Gospel:

Luke 13:22-30

Sermon ~

“The Narrow Door”

Hymn of the Day ~

“How Firm a Foundation”

*Apostles' Creed

*Prayers of the People

Offering

*Offertory Hymn and Prayer ~

“Let the Vineyards”

*Great Thanksgiving ~

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

*The Words of Institution

*The Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion and Distribution Hymns ~

“Lamb of God”

“In the Morning When I Rise”

“Bind Us Together”

*Post-Communion Blessing

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn ~

“As You Go On Your Way”

*Dismissal



*Our nursery is located in the education wing, upstairs, third door on the south wall.
You are welcome to use the nursery for your children during the worship service.
All who believe that our Lord Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine of Holy Communion,
bringing to us the gift of forgiveness and the promise of eternal life, are welcome to gather
at the Lord's table. Grape juice and gluten free bread are available upon request.*

SERVING ST. PAUL TODAY: Pastor: Rev. Christopher Martin **Accompanist:** Barb Burns **Acolyte:** Kade Sneiderman **Sound Tech:** Mark Brown **PowerPoint Tech:** Jayden Hegenbarth **Video Tech:** Scott Lichty **Lector:** Jeanne Lichty **Usher Captain:** Mike Vander Berg **Ushers:** Sean Wolf, John Wolf, Allison Stevicks **Coffee Fellowship:** Mark and Lori Brown **Communion Set-up:** Deb Plum, Kris Meyer **Communion Servers:** David Kanengieter, Shanelle Matus, Colton Eich, Janice Wielenga **Receipt Recorders:** David Kanengieter, Tami Roetman

SERVING ST. PAUL NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 31: Pastor: Rev. Christopher Martin **Accompanist:** Susan Lichty **Acolyte:** Bently Rohwer **Sound Tech:** Larry Schnider **PowerPoint Tech:** Karen Appleton **Video Tech:** Rachel Besaw **Lector:** Alexis Dykstra **Usher Captain:** Mike Vander Berg **Ushers:** Brian Honkomp, Larry Schnider, Allison Stevicks **Coffee Fellowship:** Wayne and Nancy Woelber **Receipt Recorders:** Brian Honkomp, Tami Roetman

PRAYER REQUESTS: Cynthia Klatt, Dorothy Breuer, Trevor Fiddelke, Judy Kruse, Carol Luepke, Le O'Brien, Mary Ellen Reyelts, Dianna Stallmann, Cynthia Vanden Berg, Teagan Vos, Lorn Wills, Carol Nielsen, Ashley Ballou-Bonnema (*granddaughter of Wilma Vander Linden*), Stormy Dagel (*niece of Nick Stallmann*), Deb Kanengieter (*mother of David Kanengieter*), Jade Lemke (*daughter-in-law of Lyle and Cynthia Vanden Berg*), Katie Stavig (*sister of Andy Timm*), and Jen Zeimen (*granddaughter of Harold and Jo Eichmann*).

The Radio Broadcast for today is in memory of Don Koepnick's birthday sponsored by the family.

Today's Live Stream is sponsored by Roger and Darla Sauer.

We extend our Christian sympathy to Sharon Stevenson and family, Becky DeYoung and family, friends and family on the death of Grace Woelber. She passed away on August 13. Her Memorial Service was held on August 20 in George, IA.

Thank you for the beautiful blanket to keep me warm at college! And thanks for the use of the fellowship hall for my party. – CJ Richards

Sheldon Ministerial association invites you to **Together 2025 - A Service of Christian Unity**, on **Sunday, August 31 at 10:00 a.m. on RiseFest grounds**. Please bring a lawn chair! Volunteers with golf carts are needed to transport guests from the parking lot to the worship area. If you have a golf cart and are willing to volunteer, please contact Ken Snyder at 324-2491.

SUB SANDWICH SALES: Jr. High and Sr. High youth groups are taking sub orders now through September 14. Subs \$5 each, will be made and delivered on September 21.

2025 RADIO BROADCAST Open Date: (\$95) **November 30.**

Coffee Fellowship or **Flowers on the Altar** - Please sign up in the narthex or contact the office.

Thank you to all our sponsors for the Radio Broadcast, Live Stream, Altar Flowers, and Coffee Fellowship.

Card Shower: Frank Luepke is celebrating his 90th birthday on August 26. The family invites you with an opportunity to send a card to help Frank celebrate his birthday: 1321 W. Dow Rummel Street, Room 703, Sioux Falls, SD, 57104.

Ingham Lake Hog Roast & Pie Auction: August 24 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Freewill donation. The Pie Auction begins at 6:00 p.m. (2258 450th Avenue, Wallingford, IA)

Please Note: Rally Sunday will be on September 7! Sunday school time will run from 10:15-11:00 a.m. **JAM and Jr. High** will begin with a Kick-Off Night on Wednesday, September 10 from 5:00-6:15 p.m. **Sr. High Youth Group** meetings will change to Wednesdays starting on August 27 from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Mission and Outreach are collecting supplies for the SCHOOL KITS for Lutheran World Relief. **Items needed:** 70-80 Sheet Notebooks, Rulers (inches and centimeters), Ballpoint Pens (black or blue/ not gel), Crayon Boxes (16/24 count), Pencil Sharpeners, Blunt Scissors, No. 2 Pencils (unsharpened), Erasers (2 1/2 inch). Donations can be placed in fellowship hall. Thank you.

WANTED: The Office is looking for a working electric typewriter. Let the office if you have one to donate.

Coats For Kids: Sheldon Ministerial Association will be offering Coats for Kids this fall! **Donations of new or gently used children's winter coats are needed.** Donations can be dropped off at Love INC or here at St. Paul. There is a box labeled "Coats For Kids" in the fellowship hall. Distribution of the coats will be held in conjunction with the Sheldon Mobile Food Bank dates on October 9 and November 13 from 4:30-6 p.m.

Hull's Tombstone Tour 2025, will be September 6 at 3:00 p.m. at the St. Paul Lutheran Church. The presentation will be given in the fellowship hall of the church, with a self-guided walk in the cemetery after the event. Donations of \$10 will benefit the Hull Historical Society. Questions, contact Chuck Brunsting, 712-441-1766.

IOLBC Events: Fall Elderversity will be held September 7-9. A great chance for those 55 and older to be young at heart and enjoy camp. Go to: **www.okoboji.org/elderversity** to register or for more info. **Women's Day Away** will be held on October 11. This one day retreat includes sessions, worship, great food, free time and activities. Go online to register or for more info.

Mission Opportunity: Join the Hope Haven Distribution Trip to Costa Rica! We're inviting volunteers to be part of a life-changing mission trip with Hope Haven, happening October 21-28, 2025. This trip focuses on distributing wheelchairs and sharing the love of Christ with communities in need across Costa Rica. Whether you're passionate about serving others, or experiencing global outreach firsthand, this is a beautiful opportunity to make a difference. **Deadline to sign up: September 1.** Please contact Kelly TeSlaa at kteslaa@hopehaven.org or 605-332-8300 for more details or to sign up.

We are thankful you joined us in worship today. Thank you for your continued support of our mission and ministry. There are several ways to give: During worship - offering plates or donation boxes; Online stpaulsheldon.org in the GIVE menu, MAKE A DONATION; Electronic funds transfer (EFT) with your bank.

Radio Broadcast ~ Sundays at 9:00 a.m. ~ KIWA - FM 100.7 & AM 1550 ~

Pastor: Rev. Christopher Martin ~ E-mail: **pastor@stpaulsheldon.org**

Church Office: (712) 324-3049 Website: www.stpaulsheldon.org E-mail: pleasant@nethtc.net

Gathering Hymn: “Sanctuary”
Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true; with thanksgiving,
I’ll be a living sanctuary for You. Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy,
tried and true; with thanksgiving, I’ll be a living sanctuary for You.

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Call to Worship:
P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.
P: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name!
C: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.
P: As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord show compassion to those who fear him.
C: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
P: Bless the Lord, all His hosts, His ministers, who do his will!
C: Bless the Lord, all His works, in all places of His dominion. Bless the Lord, O my soul!

Opening Hymn: “All People Who on Earth Do Dwell”
All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell; come ye before him and rejoice.
Know that the Lord is God indeed; without our aid he did us make.
We are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
Oh, enter then his gates with praise; approach with joy his courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.
For why? The Lord our God is good: his mercy is forever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.
To father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the God whom heav’n and earth adore,
From us and from the angel host be praise and glory evermore.

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Confession and Forgiveness:
P: Let us now confess our sin to God, our Father.
(Silence for reflection and self-examination)
P: O Lord,
C: Have mercy on us, and grant us Your forgiveness. We confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We repent of our sins, those known to us and those unknown as well. Create in us clean hearts, gracious Lord, and put new and right spirits within us that we may be reconciled to You and at peace with all

people. We trust in Christ alone for the forgiveness that we seek today and at all times. Give us the Holy Spirit to guide and direct us into paths of righteousness and finally bring us to everlasting life. Amen.
P: The almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by his authority, I declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

Scripture Hymn: “Change My Heart, O God”
Change my heart, O God, Make it ever true. Change my heart, O God, May I be like You.
You are the Potter, I am the clay; Mold me and make me, This is what I pray.
Change my heart, O God, Make it ever true. Change my heart, O God, May I be like You.
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Hymn of the Day: “How Firm a Foundation”
How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?
“Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed, for I am your God and will still give you aid; I’ll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.”
“When through fi’ry trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply.
The flames shall not hurt you; I only design your dross to consume and your gold to refine.”
“Throughout all their life-time my people shall prove my sov’reign, eternal, unchangeable love; and then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn, like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.”

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Apostles’ Creed:
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer’s of the People:
P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs...
P: Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy,
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
C: Amen.

Offertory Hymn: “Let the Vineyards”

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a
harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.
Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

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Offertory Prayer:

P: Merciful Father,
C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us- our selves, our
time and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the
sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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The Lord’s Prayer:

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy
will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and
forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

“Lamb of God”

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

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“In the Morning When I Rise”

In the morning when I rise, in the morning when I rise, in the morning when I rise, give me Jesus.
Give me Jesus, give me Jesus, you may have all this world; give me Jesus.
Dark midnight was my cry, dark midnight was my cry, dark midnight was my cry, give me Jesus.
Give me Jesus, give me Jesus, you may have all this world; give me Jesus.

Just about the break of day, Just about the break of day,
Just about the break of day, give me Jesus.

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus, you may have all this world; give me Jesus.

Oh, when I come to die, oh, when I come to die, Oh, when I come to die, give me Jesus.
Give me Jesus, give me Jesus, you may have all this world; give me Jesus.

And when I want to sing and... when I want to sing, And... when I want to sing, give me Jesus.
Give me Jesus, give me Jesus, you may have all this world; give me Jesus.
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“Bind Us Together”

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord; bind us together in love.

There is only one God. There is only one King.

There is only one Body; that is why we can sing:

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord; bind us together in love.

You are the fam’ly of God. You are the promised divine.

You are God’s chosen desire, you are the glorious new wine.

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord; bind us together in love.

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Benediction:

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you. May the Lord look upon you and give you his peace, in the
name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

Closing Hymn: “As You Go On Your Way”

As you go on your way, may Christ go with you. May he go before you to show you
the way. May he go behind you to encourage you, beside you to befriend you,
above you to watch over, within you to give you peace.
As you go on your way, may Christ go with you.
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Dismissal:

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord!!
C: Thanks be to God!