THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL:

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

9:00 a.m. Worship/HC 10:15-11 a.m. Sunday School

10:15-11 a.m. 9th Grade Confirmation Class

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

4-6 p.m. Sheldon Civic Music

Association Meeting

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1

8:00 a.m. Early Risers -Cook's Café 4-4:50 p.m. 7th/8th Confirmation Class 5-6:15 p.m. JAM (1st-6th)-Meal Served 5-6:15 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group

5:00 p.m. Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. Worship/HC

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

7:00 p.m. Child Protection Training Class

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2

11:00 a.m. Sheldon Ministerial

Association Meeting

12:00 p.m. Bulletin Deadline

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3

12:00 p.m. Secretaries' Office Closes

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4 SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

Poinsettia Sales > Before/After Church

9:00 a.m. Worship/HC

10:15 a.m. Child Protection Training Class

10:15-11 a.m. Sunday School

10:15-11 a.m. 9th Grade Confirmation Class 10:45 a.m. Camp Committee Meeting 11:00 a.m. Noah's Ark Board Meeting 12-6 p.m. Sr. High-Scarecrow Farm

(Sioux City)



10/2 Sean Wolf

BIRTHDAYS:



10/5 Tatum Thoelke

9/28 Dan Matus	10/3 Lisa Fischer
9/29 Heather Burmeister	10/3 Eastynn Cook
9/30 Chase Syndergaard	10/4 Michael Paulsen
10/1 Larry Smit	10/4 Loren Reyelts
10/1 Cassie Freeman	10/5 Josh Getting
10/1 Hudson Ballou	10/5 Bob Kruse
10/2 Judy Ketcham	10/5 Sue Roth

GIFTS FOR THE LORD & HIS WORK:

Thank you for supporting St. Paul's ministries. 2025 Budget Money Needed Weekly: \$6,812.04

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

Budget Money Received \$ 1,040.00 Worship Attendance: 17

Sunday, September 21, 2025

Budget Money Received \$ 2,816.00 Special Money Received \$ 190.00 Sunday School Attendance: 17 \$ 5.00 Worship Attendance: 134

Air Conditioner Units Loan \$ 17,321.57 September Monthly Payment \$ - 575.00 Balance Due \$ 16,746.57

AUGUST

Total Income \$ 21,762.56
Total Expense \$ - 28,305.45
Income Less Expense \$ -6,542.89
Fiscal Year Income \$ 147,989.20
Fiscal Year Expense \$ - 196.121.73

Fiscal Year Income Less Expense \$-48,132.53



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)

Child Protection Training
Wednesday, October 1 at 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 5 at 10:15 a.m.





St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, NALC September 28, 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 ~ "Lord of All Hopefulness"

*Confession and Forgiveness

*Scripture Hymn ~ "Alleluia"

*Prayer of the Day

First Lesson: Amos 6:1~7 Second Lesson: 1 Timothy 3:1~13

Children's Message

*The Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Sermon ~ "The Rich Man and Lazarus"

Hymn of the Day ~ "God of Grace, God of Glory"

*Apostles' Creed

*Prayers of the People

Offering

*Offertory Hymn and Prayer~ "As the Grains of Wheat" *Great Thanksgiving ~ "Holy, Holy, Holy"

*The Words of Institution

*The Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion and Distribution Hymns ~ "Lamb of God"

"Beautiful Savior" "Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

*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: Lauren Madsen Acolyte: Zachary Martin Sound Tech: Joe Tokheim PowerPoint Tech: Jayden Hegenbarth Video Tech: Adam Madsen Lector: Jaxon Hegenbarth Usher Captain: Lowell Appleton Ushers: Sean Wolf, John Wolf, Wayne Woelber Coffee Fellowship: Tom and Janna Whorley Communion Set-up: Kathy Seivert, Kris Vander Linden Communion Servers: Colton Eich, Brian Honkomp, Cassie Kruger, Roger Sauer Receipt Recorders: Colton Eich, Tami Roetman

<u>SERVING ST. PAUL NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5</u>: Pastor: Rev. Christopher Martin Accompanist: Barb Burns Acolyte: Blake Wolf Sound Tech: Mark Brown PowerPoint Tech: Jeanne Lichty Video Tech: Rachel Besaw Lector: Gail Pike Usher Captain: Thad Dykstra Ushers: Jayden Hegenbarth, Jaxon Hegenbarth, Gail Pike Coffee Fellowship: St. Paul Council Communion Set-up: Stephanie Wolf, Kari Pedersen Communion Servers: David Kanengieter, Jamie Grady, Andy Timm, Shanelle Matus Receipt Recorders: David Kanengieter, Tami Roetman

PRAYER REQUESTS: Dorothy Breuer, Judy Kruse, Carol Luepke, Le O'Brien, Mary Ellen Reyelts, Dianna Stallmann, Teagan Vos, Lorn Wills, Andrea (friend of Lindsay Martin), 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/Cynthia Vanden Berg), Carol Nielsen, Katie Stavig (sister of Andy Timm), and Jen Zeimen (granddaughter of Harold/Jo Eichmann).

The Radio Broadcast for today is sponsored by Darrell and Barb Sneiderman in loving memory of Calvin Sneiderman.

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

Notice Change of Date/Time- Pastor/Staff Appreciation Day! Please join us on Sunday, October 12 at 10:15 a.m. with a Potluck Brunch in the fellowship hall. We will celebrate and say "Thank You," to Pastor Christopher Martin and our St. Paul staff: Bri Oetken, Susan Lichty, Tami Roetman, Kristi Hegenbarth, Dee Redinius, and Seth Oetken. Bring your favorite dish, celebrate and enjoy food, fun, and fellowship as we show our appreciation and thanks to each of them!

Sr. High Youth Group will be going to Scarecrow Farm, Sioux City, on Sunday, October 5 from noon to 6:00 p.m. If you plan to attend, **please let Bri know by September 28.** Drivers are needed.

CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING: St. Paul Lutheran Church is requiring all volunteers and encouraging all parents of St. Paul Youth, to fill out a Background Check form. They are available from the church office and in the sanctuary. Please return the completed form sealed in the attached envelope and return it to the church office or place the envelope under the office door. In the interest of the safety of our youth, our insurance company is requiring this of anyone who will have contact with our youth. There is a required short training class for all volunteers who are not already current mandatory reporters of child abuse and neglect. Child Protection Training will be on October 1 at 7:00 p.m. or October 5 at 10:15 a.m.

If you are on the Prayer Chain list, an **updated copy** is in your mailbox.

JAM Desserts - We are asking for volunteers to provide simple, kid-friendly desserts for our suppers on Wednesday evenings. If you would like to bring desserts on a JAM night, details are on sign-up sheets in the narthex. Thank you!

The deadline for removal of plants, flowers, etc. at the **St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery is Monday, October 6.** Please make sure all items are removed by this date.

REMINDER: ALL 2026 Budget Requests **MUST** be turned in by the **deadline of October 26**.

Poinsettia Fundraiser: The youth groups will be taking orders for poinsettias October 5-26. They will have a table set up before/after church on Sundays, October 5, 12, 19, and 26, (colors red, white, and pink) 4" = \$10.50; 6.5" = \$16.50; 8" = \$26.50; and the 10" = \$37.50 (red or white only).

<u>Coats For Kids</u>: Thursday, October 9 and Thursday, November 13 from 4:30-6:00 p.m. in conjunction with the Sheldon Mobile Food Bank at Living Water Community Church. In addition to coats, infant clothing will also be distributed. **Coat Donations are NEEDED! Donations of new or gently used children's winter coats are needed** and can be dropped off at Love INC or here at St. Paul. There is a box labeled "Coats For Kids" in the fellowship hall.

Celebration of Life, sponsored by Conquering Cancer 4 O'Brien Co. will be Wednesday, October 8 at the Crossroads Pavillion, Sheldon. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. A memorial service/flower toss at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner (free will donation). RSVP by September 30 to: Sheryl 230-0069, Cindy 541-7122.

Love INC of Greater O'Brien Co. is looking for a part-time Office Assistant/Receptionist to support the daily operations of our office. To apply: www.sheldon-loveinc.org/employment for job description and application.

Love INC will be offering a new session of classes on Thursday evenings from October 9-December 18: **Finance; Parenting; GriefShare; and Bible Study.** To register please call 712-324-9707.

IOLBC Events:

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.

Fall Crafting Retreat will be held November 21-23. Register online: www.okoboji.org/crafting-retreat.

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.

2025: **Thank you** to all our sponsors for the Radio Broadcast, Live Stream, Altar Flowers, and Coffee Fellowship.

Please sign up (bulletin board by balcony stairs) or contact the office for any of the following OPEN DATES: Coffee Fellowship: November 16, 23, 30; December 7, 21, 28.

Flowers on the Altar: October 5, 12, 19; November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; December 7, 21, 28.

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,

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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: I will go to the altar of God,

C: to God my exceeding joy.

P: Put not your trust in princes, in whom there is no salvation.

C: Blessed is he whose hope is in the Lord his God.

Opening Hymn: "Lord of All Hopefulness"

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy: be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: be there at our labors, and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace: be there at our homing and give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm: be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day. "Lord of All Hopefulness" © Augsburg Fortress Used by permission of Augsburg Fortress under license #SBL08500

Confession and Forgiveness:

P: The First Commandment is first because "we should fear, love and trust in God above all things." Let us in true repentance and good faith direct the fear, love and trust of our hearts and minds "to the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God. (Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: Most merciful God.

C: the good fight of faith is fierce, the warfare between our love for You and the temptations of the world around us is long, even never-ending. We confess we have not loved You above all things, we are afraid at many times, and there is nothing and not one on earth worthy of our trust. In You, O Lord, we put our trust. In your grace and forgiveness, let us never be ashamed. Deliver us in Your

righteousness for the sake of our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son.

P: "Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever." Through Christ, God has pledged the forgiveness of all your sins and promised the eternal life to which you were called. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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.

"Alleluia" Scripture Hymn:

Alleluia. To whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. To whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia. Copyright 1995 Dakota Road Music. All Rights Reserved. Used by Permission. www.ccli.com CCLI license # 386194

Hymn of the Day: "God of Grace, God of Glory"

God of grace, and God of glory, on your people pour your pow'r; crown your ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious flow'r. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

Lo! The hosts of evil round us scorn the Christ, assail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days, for the living of these days.

Cure your children's warring madness; bend our pride to your control; Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss your kingdom's goal, lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the gift of your salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving you whom we adore, serving you whom we adore. "God of Grace, God of Glory" © Augsburg Fortress Used by permission of Augsburg Fortress under license #SBL08500

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: "As the Grains of Wheat"

As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill were gathered into one to become our bread; so may all your people from all the ends of earth be gathered into one in you.

As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst, may we share the presence of your love. As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill were gathered into one to become our bread; so may all your people from all the ends of earth be gathered into one in you.

Let this be a foretaste of all that is to come when all creation shares this feast with you. As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill were gathered into one to become our bread; so may all your people from all the ends of earth be gathered into one in you.
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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. "Holy, Holy, Holy" © Augsburg Fortress. Used by permission of Augsburg Fortress under license # SBL08500

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. "Lamb of God" @ Augsburg Fortress. Used by permission of Augsburg Fortress under license # SBL08500

"Beautiful Savior"

Beautiful Savior! King of creation! Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown. Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in flowers of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer; he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, bright the sparkling stars on high: Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine! "Beautiful Savior" -© Augsburg Fortress Used by permission of Augsbury Fortress under license # SBL08500

"Jesus. Priceless Treasure"

Jesus, priceless treasure, Source of purest pleasure, Truest Friend to me: Ah, how long I've panted And my heart has fainted, Thirsting, Lord, for Thee. Thine I am, O spotless Lamb! I will suffer naught to hide Thee, Naught I ask beside Thee.

In Thine arms I rest me; Foes who would molest me Cannot reach me here. Though the earth be shaking, Every heart be quaking, Jesus calms my fear. Sin and hell in conflict fell With their bitter storms as-sail me Jesus will not fail me.

Hence, all fear and sadness! For the Lord of gladness, Jesus, enters in. Those who love the Father, Though the storms may gather, Still have peace within. Yea, what-e'er I here must bear, Still in thee lies purest pleasure Jesus, priceless treasure.

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Post-Communion Blessing:

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. C: Amen.

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.

"As You Go On Your Way" Closing Hymn:

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. As you go on your way, may Christ go with you. 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!