

Scripture Readings

Mar. 16	Second Sunday in Lent	Jer. 26:8-15	Psalms 4	Phil. 3:17-4:1	Luke 13:31-35
Mar. 23	Third Sunday in Lent	Ezek. 33:7-20	Psalms 85	1 Cor. 10:1-13	Luke 13:1-9
Mar. 30	Fourth Sunday in Lent	Isaiah 12:1-6	Psalms 32	2 Cor. 5:16-21	Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

We are looking for sponsors for the Radio Broadcast for the year 2025. There are a number of openings that still need to be filled. The number of openings available are in () after the month. Available openings are in June (2), September (2), October (2), November (3), & December (1). Please see the sign-up book located in the Narthex to choose your week to sponsor for the cost of \$40. You can sponsor in celebration of, in memory of, or in honor of someone or something special in your life to give thanks to God!

REMINDER

All Thrivent Choice Dollars need to be designated by March 31, 2025 to either St. Paul Preschool or St. Paul Lutheran Church.

2025 Easter Lily Order

There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex if you would like to provide a Easter Lily in memory or honor of someone you love or a special occasion. The cost of the plant is \$12.00.

This Week's Schedule - March 8 through March 16

Saturday
Sunday
 Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM
 Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM
 Family Education - 10:30 AM
 Unified Boards - 1:00 PM
 Parish Directors - 2:30 PM

Monday
Wednesday
 Men's Bible Study - 7:00 PM
Bulletin Deadline - Noon
 Lenten Services, 12:05 PM & 7:00 PM
 Midweek - 6:00 PM

Next Saturday
Next Sunday
 Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM
 Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM
 Family Education - 10:30 AM
 SPLittles & SPMiddles - 4:00 PM

Welcome

to

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"A Place of Grace, A Source of Hope, A Mission of Mercy!"

For 136 years!!!

OUR MISSION

"Existing in God's love and forgiveness, St. Paul proclaims the Gospel of Christ, helps people grow in faith, and nurtures lives of worship and service."

March 8 & 9, 2025

Jesus Christ Is Our Champion Against the Devil

Jesus Christ, our champion against the devil, endures and overcomes "every temptation" (Luke 4:13) on our behalf. He worships the Lord, His God, and serves Him only by trusting the Word of His Father: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased" (Luke 3:22). Jesus' victory is now ours through His gracious Word, which is not far away but near us — in our mouth and in our heart, in the proclamation of repentance and faith. For "with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved" (Rom. 10:10). Our confession of Christ includes the prayer of faith, which is not disappointed, "for 'everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved'" (Rom. 10:13). The Lord is not oblivious to "our affliction, our toil, and our oppression" (Deut. 26:7), but has mercy upon us. He has brought us out of bondage through the "signs and wonders" of Holy Baptism, "with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm" (Deut. 26:8), and now He leads us by His Spirit even in the wilderness.

RADIO BROADCAST this week is sponsored by Garry Stenzel.

The cost to sponsor a broadcast is \$40.00.

A book is in the Narthex to sign-up for dates.

WELCOME to our guests and congregation! We are glad you are here! Thank you for joining us for worship and please feel free to join us again!

First Sunday in Lent

Hymn #s - 420 vs 1-4, 657, 440, 588, 732, 770, 420 vs 5-7

SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Organist Sat. Connie Paronto/Sun. Nola Schmale
Ushers Mark Pfizenmaier, Walt Lenhart, Kenyon Badsky
Greeters Andyn Johnson, McKennon Lehman
Live Stream Jarrett Wachsnicht
Acolyte Karson Beals, Kyson Badsky
Communion Assistant Garry Stenzel, Steve Jordan
Altar Guild Amy Hammel, Cathy Carlson, Kathy Burger, Heather Ohlde, Courtney Hammel
Fellowship Host: Marty Stenzel

FAMILY EDUCATION - 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM

Preschool - Kindergarten - meet in Preschool Room (Basement)
1st Grade - 3rd Grade - meet in Library Room (West Wing)
4th Grade - 6th Grade - meet in Room 11 (West Wing)
7th Grade - 8th Grade - meet in Conference Room (West Wing)
9th Grade - 12th Grade - meet in High School Room (Basement)
Adult - meet in Fellowship Hall (Basement)

Weekly Attendance	Sat	Sun	Total	Family Education Attendance	Total
February 22 & 23	37	108	145	February 23	33
March 1 & 2	26	128	154	March 2	39
Ash Wednesday - March 5			92		

The **Spaghetti Supper** to raise funds for St. Paul Lutheran Preschool will be **Tuesday, March 11 from 5:00-7:00**. The Preschool Board would like to ask the congregation for their help. Sign-up sheets for donations and workers will be placed in the narthex. Please sign up to help with the supper, donate food items, or donate items for the silent auction. If anyone is not able to attend the supper and would like to make a donation, please contact one of the board members. We need and appreciate everything you do in support of this special ministry to the preschool children and their families. If you have any questions please contact any of the board members: Kim Davis, Barb Reiner, Betty Siebold, Rita Siebold, Sarah Lehman, or Mary Greenlee.

Looking for volunteers to sign-up to do Fellowship Host on Sunday Mornings. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for those who would like to volunteer. Any questions talk to Gene Ferguson or Pastor Tessaro. Thank you!

IN OUR PRAYERS
Congregational Members

Remembering our shut-ins: Bonnie VonLehe-Advena, Georgie Dierking-Presbyterian Manor; Betty Sump-Leonardville Nursing Home; Julie Hillman-Linn Nursing Home; Cedric Pfaff-Well Springs of Westmoreland; Mary Ann Mall, Bob Bauer, Lola Lehman-Liberty Place; Pauline Burger-Legend; Larry Ernsting - Topeka VA.

Health concerns: Hudson Hynek, Emmett Hynek, Mariel Kolle, Mike Holte, Kirsten Frink & newborn daughter Olivia, Jon Siebold, Stan Ohlde, Gary & Sharon Wachsnicht, Mark & Janet Thurlow, and Larry Rakowsky.

Our outreach programs: Small Group Ministry, Christian Preschool at St. Paul, Radio Ministry, LWML Friendship Circle, and our Youth groups.

Larger Community Members

Healing: Joe Bunij, Ron McDaniels, Idonna Rogge, Debra Hatesohl, Micah Helms, Addie Voelker, Ann Huninghake, LaVonne Hartner, Lucas Cannizzo, Jill Sanneman, Gary Voelker, Greg Baehr, Jackie Monroe, Arnold Pittenger, Hank Stellner, Taylor, Arnie, William, Steve, Mike Dunn, Sandy Larkey, Irene Bane, John Zeller, Rev. Greg DuBois, Melissa Martin, Benjamin Willroth, Brian, Jennifer Zimmerman, Gail Thomas, Sharon Schweitzer, Lois Nash, Lee, Melissa Dunn, Darlene Miller, Darla Wilder, Rachelle Smith, Joe Parrilli, Taylor James, Sheila McGrew, Donald, Sandy Wohler, Grant & Grace Goodin, Connie Winter, Kerri Brown, Ethan, Luke, and Ella Turner

Military: Kyle, Enrique, Liam, Cooper, Michael, and Evan.

Mission Efforts beyond St. Paul

Hope House; LeadaChild; For the Sake of the Church; Lutheran Bible Translators; Lutheran Heritage Foundation; KansaSEED Deaf Ministry; Lutheran Hour Ministries; North Central Kansas LCMS Outreach

Please remember to inform the church office when the person for whom you requested prayer should be removed from the prayer

New Evangelism Booklets & Devotional Material - "The Word in Season", "PORTALS of PRAYER", and "My Devotions" (Daily Readings for Young Children)
 devotion books are in!!
 Feel free to take one or more for family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers.

" St. Peters Lutheran, south of Barnes (2647 3rd Rd) is hosting a spaghetti dinner on March 23. Serving from 11:00-1:30. Pasta, salad, bread sticks and desserts will be available, and the proceeds will go to the Josh Helms family. Little Micah Helms, age 6, is currently at St. Jude where he is battling brain cancer. The dinner is in the church basement and there is a chair lift to assist getting down the steps. Join us for some pasta and please keep Micah in your prayers."

REMINDER!!!!!!
Pastor's Wife Appreciation Month is observed in March here at St. Paul Lutheran.
 Everyone is encourage to find ways to express care and appreciation for the pastor's wife especially during the month of March and throughout the entire year.