


THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL:

SUNDAY, APRIL 5 - EASTER - Halleluia! 

6:30 a.m. Jr./Sr. High Youth Be At Church
 7:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service/HC
 7:45-8:45 a.m. Easter Breakfast (Freewill Offering)
 8:15 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt
 9:00 a.m. Easter Worship/HC
 ~ NO Sunday School ~

MONDAY, APRIL 6
 ~ Church Offices CLOSED ~

TUESDAY, APRIL 7
 12:00 p.m. Sheldon Ministerial Association
 -Immanuel CRC

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8
 8:00 a.m. Early Risers - Cook's Café
 9:00 a.m. Mission & Outreach Day
 (Potluck)
 4-4:50 p.m. 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
 5:00 p.m. Bell Choir
 5-6:15 p.m. JAM
 5-6:15 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group
 6:30 p.m. Worship
 6:30-8 p.m. Sr. High Youth Group

THURSDAY, APRIL 9
 12:00 p.m. Bulletin Deadline
 4:30-6 p.m. Sheldon Food Bank

FRIDAY, APRIL 10
 12:00 p.m. Secretaries' Office Closes

SATURDAY, APRIL 11

SUNDAY, APRIL 12
 9:00 a.m. Worship
 10:15-11 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Noah's Ark Board Meeting
 4-9 p.m. Jr. High/Confirmation Students
 -Outreach Night, Okoboji

GIFTS FOR THE LORD & HIS WORK:

Thank you for supporting St. Paul's ministries.
 2026 Budget Money Needed Weekly: \$7,028.00

Wednesday, March 25, 2026
 Lenten Worship Money Received \$ 205.00
 Worship Attendance: 52

Sunday, March 29, 2026
 Budget Money Received \$ 4,192.00
 Special Money Received \$ 200.00
 Lenten Worship Money Received \$ 25.00
 Sunday School Attendance: 17 \$ 3.00
 Worship Attendance: 136

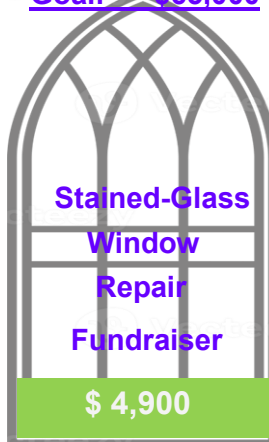
Monthly - March 2026
 Budget Money Received \$ 1,400.00
 VANCO Money Received \$ 332.24
 PayPal Money Received \$ 48.51

FEBRUARY
 Total Income \$ 19,457.98
 Total Expense \$ -30,995.81
 Income Less Expense \$ -11,537.83

Fiscal Year Income \$ 40,656.71
 Fiscal Year Expense \$ -61,884.57
 Fiscal Year Income Less Expense \$ -21,227.86



Goal: \$65,000



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 5 **7:45 - 8:45 AM Easter Breakfast** ~ Served by the Jr./Sr. High Youth
8:15 AM ** Easter Egg Hunt ~ During the Easter Breakfast **
 April 5 **9:00 AM Easter Service-Holy Communion**

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

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St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, NALC

Easter Sunrise

April 5, 2026 ~ 7:00 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

**Please stand if able.*

- Welcome and Announcements
- *Call to Worship
- *Confession and Forgiveness
- *Prayer of the Day
- Children's Message
- *The Gospel: John 20:1-18
- ~ Easter Skit by St. Paul Youth ~
- "The Gospel According to Them: The Story of Jesus"***
- Skit Actors: Matthew ~ Zachary Martin Mark ~ Kade Sneiderman*
- Luke ~ Kenzie McCuddin John ~ Bradon Martin*
- *Hymn of the Day ~ **"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"**
- *Prayers of the People
- Offering
- *Offertory Hymn ~ **"Let the Vineyards"**
- *Offertory Prayer
- *Great Thanksgiving ~ **"Holy, Holy, Holy"**
- *The Words of Institution
- *The Lord's Prayer
- Holy Communion ~ **"Lamb of God"**
- Communion Hymns ~ **"Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!"**
- "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!"**
- *Post-Communion Blessing & Prayer
- *Benediction
- *Closing Hymn ~ *verses 1-2* **"Thine Is the Glory"**
- *Dismissal



EASTER FLOWERS



*In loving memory of Robert and Wilma Vander Linden, Kenneth and Ruby Boller,
given by Craig and Krista Vander Linden.*

*In loving memory of Jerry Hatting, Gene Schutt, and Starla Te Brink,
given by Tim and Sheila Hatting.*

In loving memory of Elmer Stegemann, given by Gwenda Stegemann and family.

In loving memory of our parents, given by Paul and Sandy Wollmuth.

Thankfulness for Jesus, given by Dave and Jayne Nestor.



*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.*

*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.*

SERVING ST. PAUL EASTER SUNRISE: Pastor: Rev. Christopher Martin **Accompanist:** Lori Richards **Acolyte:** ___ **Sound Tech:** Mark Brown **PowerPoint Tech:** Heather Honkomp **Video Tech:** Scott Lichty **Ushers:** Gerry Seivert, Kathy Seivert, Mike Vander Berg, Monica Honkomp **Communion Set-up:** Stephanie Wolf, Sue Tokheim **Communion Servers:** Ben Van Beek, Shanelle Matus, Colton Eich, Brian Honkomp

SERVING ST. PAUL EASTER SUNDAY - 9:00 AM: Pastor: Rev. Christopher Martin **Accompanist:** Susan Lichty **Acolyte:** Kyler Wynja **Sound Tech:** Craig Vander Linden **PowerPoint Tech:** Jeanne Lichty **Video Tech:** Rae Lynn Schnider **Lector:** Gail Pike **Usher Captain:** Dan Matus **Ushers:** Andy Timm, Wayne Woelber, Nancy Woelber **Communion Set-up:** Stephanie Wolf, Sue Tokheim **Communion Servers:** Larry Schnider, Cassie Kruger, Roger Sauer, Janice Wielenga **Receipt Recorders:** Janice Wielenga, Tami Roetman

SERVING ST. PAUL NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 12: Pastor: Rev. Christopher Martin **Accompanist:** Lauren Madsen **Acolyte:** Kasen Meis **Sound Tech:** Joe Tokheim **PowerPoint Tech:** Jayden Hegenbarth **Video Tech:** Rachel Besaw **Lector:** Jaxon Hegenbarth **Usher Captain:** Dan Matus **Ushers:** Tommy Hegenbarth, Todd Kruger, Seth Oetken **Coffee Fellowship:** Kristi Hegenbarth, Janice Wielenga **Receipt Recorders:** Colton Eich, Tami Roetman

PRAYER REQUESTS: Dorothy Breuer, Judy Kruse, Carol Luepke, Le O'Brien, Ron Plum, Mary Ellen Reyelts, Teagan Vos, Andrea (*friend of Lindsay Martin*), Rich Haack (*brother of Donna Koepnick*), Katie Stavig (*sister of Andy Timm*), Jen Zeimen (*granddaughter of Harold/Jo Eichmann*), and Carol Nielsen.

Thank you to Fred and Tami Roetman for sponsoring today's Live Stream.

Congratulations First Communion students: Avery Eich, Alice Kanengieter, June Schilling, and Keaton Sneiderman. They received their First Communion during the Maundy Thursday service.

TODAY: Please join us for the Easter Breakfast by the Youth groups from 7:45-8:45 a.m. (freewill offering) There will also be an Easter Egg Hunt at 8:15 a.m.

Thank you to all the Jr. High and Sr. High Youth who helped with the Easter Skit during the Easter Sunrise service. Thank you to the Youth students and parents for hosting the Easter Breakfast today.

Thank you to our St. Paul family for your care and compassion shown to our mom, Wilma Vander Linden. The love of Christ truly shined through in your actions. Thank you, Pastor Martin. – Craig, Krista, Linda, Barry, and Brenda

The Church Council of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church of Sheldon, Iowa, has called for a Special Congregational Meeting on Sunday, April 26, 2026, at 10:15 a.m. in the church sanctuary. A vote will be held on whether or not to amend the St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1425 Pleasant Court, Sheldon, IA 51201, Constitution by adding a provision (red) to C12.03. (page 9) - No officer shall hold more than one office at a time. No elected officer shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office, **except the Treasurer, who is eligible to serve up to three consecutive terms of one year each.**

A fundraiser has been started for repairing the stained-glass windows in the church sanctuary. Donations may be given through your offering by writing "Stained-Glass Windows Repair" in the memo or by bringing in to the church office. Help us reach our goal to restore our beautiful stained-glass windows.

Easter Sunrise offering will go to St. Paul Youth groups unless designated to a specific fund on your offering envelope. Easter Breakfast free will donations will go to the Sr. High Summer Retreat.

Please Note: St. Paul Offices will be CLOSED on Monday, April 6.

Can Redemption Container: Please make sure to use the chain lock on the can redemption lid after putting refund cans/plastic bottles into the container. Thank you.

Are you looking for a church home or know anyone who might be interested? New Member Sunday will be scheduled if anyone wishes to join St. Paul. If interested or have any questions, please contact Pastor Martin.

SAVE THE DATE: St. Paul Youth Pork Supper will be held on Saturday, May 2 from 5-7 p.m. (Freewill offering) Menu: smoked pork loin sandwich, cole slaw, baked beans, cornbread muffin, and dessert. Please come and enjoy a delicious meal and bring friends!

CHANGE OF VBS DATES: St. Paul VBS dates will now be July 6-9!!

RiseFest 2026-Join us June 12-13 for the biggest family-friendly Christian music festival in NW Iowa! Get Tickets at risefestiowa.com. Volunteers are needed, go to the website to sign up and get a free ticket.

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.

2026 - OPEN DATES: Cost: \$95.00 Sign up (*In Fellowship Hall*) or contact the office.

Radio Broadcast: April 26; May 17; July 12; August 9, 16, 23, 30; October 18, 25; November 1, 8, 15, 29; December 27.

Altar Flowers / Coffee Fellowship: Please sign up or contact the office for a special date you wish to have.

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

Call to Worship:

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: He died for our sins,

C: according to the Scriptures.

P: He was buried in the tomb,

C: according to the definite plan of God.

P: He rose from the dead

C: and appeared to many.

P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Confession and Forgiveness:

P: Let us confess our sins to God, our Father.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: Holy and gracious God,

C: I confess that I have sinned against You. Some of my sin I know –the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed – but some is known only to You. In the name of the risen Jesus Christ, I ask You to forgive me all my sins. Deliver me from my guilt and death and raise me up to forgiveness and life that my heart may be at peace. Amen.

P: By the mercy of God, we are redeemed by Jesus Christ and forgiven. 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.

P: May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

Hymn of the Day: “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

Jesus Christ is risen today! Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!

Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!

Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!

Now above the sky He’s King, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as God’s love; Alleluia!

Praise him, all you heavenly host Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

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Prayers 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: Blessed are you,

C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, For the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving:

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you

P: Lift up your hearts

C: We lift them to the Lord

P: Let us give thanks for the Lord our God

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times... we praise your name and join their unending hymn: **“Holy, Holy, Holy”**

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow’r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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The Lord's Prayer:

P: Taught by our Lord, and trusting in his promises, we are bold 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.

Communion Hymn: "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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Communion Hymn: "Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!"

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Risen our victorious head! Sing his praises! Alleluia!

Christ is risen from the dead! Gratefully our hearts adore him as his light once more appears; Bowing down in joy before him, rising up from griefs and tears.

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Risen our victorious head! Sing his praises! Alleluia!

Christ is risen from the dead! Christ is risen! All the sadness of our Lenten fast is o'er; through the open gates of gladness he returns to life once more; death and hell before him bending see him rise, the victor now, angels on his steps attending, glory round his wounded brow.

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Risen our victorious head! Sing his praises! Alleluia!

Christ is risen from the dead! Christ is risen! All the sorrow that last evening round him lay now has found a glorious morrow in the rising of today.

See the grave its first-fruits giving, springing up from holy ground; He was dead, but now is living; he was lost, but he is found.

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Risen our victorious head! Sing his praises! Alleluia!

Christ is risen from the dead! Christ is risen! Hence-forth never death or hell shall us enthrall. We are Christ's, in him forever we have triumphed over all.

All the doubting and dejection of our trembling hearts have ceased; hail the day of resurrection! Let us rise and keep the feast.

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Risen our victorious head! Sing his praises! Alleluia!

Christ is risen from the dead!

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Communion Hymn: "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!"

Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our king!

To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord of life is ris'n this day; Bring flow'rs of song to strew his way

Let all the earth rejoice and say: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Praise we in songs of victory that love, that life which cannot die,

And sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Your name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord,

The life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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Post-Communion Blessing and Prayer:

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

C: Amen.

Benediction:

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

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn: "Thine Is the Glory"

Thine is the glory, Risen, conqu'ring Son; Endless is the vict'ry

Thou o'er death hast won! Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave-clothes where the body lay.

Thine is the glory, Risen, conqu'ring Son; endless is the vict'ry

Thou o'er death hast won! Lo, Jesus meets thee, Risen from the tomb! Lovingly he greets thee, Scatters fear and gloom; let his Church with gladness Hymns of triumph sing, for the Lord now liveth; Death hath lost its sting!

Thine is the glory, Risen, conqu'ring Son; Endless is the vict'ry

Thou o'er death hast won!

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Dismissal:

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

*Join us for an Easter Breakfast in fellowship hall!
Freewill donation Help support our youth group!
The Easter Egg Hunt will begin at 8:15 a.m.*