

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL:

SUNDAY, MARCH 29 - PALM SUNDAY

8:40 a.m. SS Students Be At Church
 9:00 a.m. Worship/Parade Of Palms/SS Choir
 10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship By Fellowship Committee
 10:15-11 a.m. Sunday School - (Jr./Sr. High Youth-Easter Sunrise Skit Practice)

MONDAY, MARCH 30

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
 12:00 p.m. Bulletin Deadline

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

8:00 a.m. Early Risers - Cook's Café
 5:00 p.m. WAM Committee Meeting
 ~ NO Wednesday Youth Activities ~
 ~ NO Wednesday Worship Service ~

THURSDAY, APRIL 2 - MAUNDY THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship/HC /5th Grade First Communion
 (7th/8th Confirmation Students-Attend Service)

FRIDAY, APRIL 3 - GOOD FRIDAY

12:00 p.m. Secretaries' Office Closes
 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Tenebrae Worship
 (7th/8th Confirmation Students-Attend Service)

SATURDAY, APRIL 4

9:45 a.m. MomCo Group (City Park)
 1:00 p.m. Jr./Sr. High/Parents-Set-up/Food Prep For Easter Breakfast (Kitchen/FH Reserved)

SUNDAY, APRIL 5 - EASTER - Halleluia!

6:15 a.m. Jr./Sr. High Youth Be At C
 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 ~



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

April 2 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service-Holy Communion and First Communions
 April 3 7:00 PM Good Friday Service Tenebrae Service
 April 5 7:00 AM Easter Sunrise Service-Holy Communion - Lead by Jr./Sr. High Youth
 ** 7:45 - 8:45 AM Easter Breakfast ~ Served by the Jr./Sr. High Youth
 ** Easter Egg Hunt - During the Easter Breakfast **
 April 5 9:00 AM Easter Service-Holy Communion

GIFTS FOR THE LORD & HIS WORK:

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

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

Budget Money Received \$ 425.00
 Lenten Worship Money Received \$ 140.00
 Special Money Received \$ 95.00
 Worship Attendance: 58

Sunday, March 22, 2026

Budget Money Received \$ 3,008.00
 Special Money Received \$ 65.00
 Sunday School Attendance: 14 \$ 1.00
 Worship Attendance: 117

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



BIRTHDAYS:

Birthdays will now be found in the monthly Newsletter.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

** Please stand if able.*

Gathering Hymn ~ "Sanctuary"
 Welcome and Announcements
 Invocation and Blessing of Palms
 *Processional Gospel ~ John 12:12-19
 *Prayer
 *Processional Hymn ~ "Hosanna"
 Parade of Palms
 *Prayer of the Day
 Children's Choir
 Children's Message
 First Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-9a
 Second Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11
 *The Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11
 Sermon ~ "Hosanna - What Does This Mean?"
 *Hymn of the Day ~ "Glorious Day"
 *Nicene Creed
 Offering
 *Offertory Hymn ~ "Create In Me"
 *Offertory Prayer
 *Prayers of the People
 *The Lord's Prayer
 *Benediction
 *Closing Hymn ~ "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"
 *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.

SERVING ST. PAUL TODAY: **Pastor:** Rev. Christopher Martin **Accompanist:** Susan Lichty **Acolyte:** Blake Wolf **Sound Tech:** Mark Brown **PowerPoint Tech:** Alexis Dykstra **Video Tech:** Paul Meyer **Lector:** Dan Klein **Usher Captain:** Mike Vander Berg **Ushers:** John Wolf, Sean Wolf, Dan Klein **Coffee Fellowship:** Fellowship Committee **Receipt Recorders:** Larry Schnider, Tami Roetman

SERVING ST. PAUL MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 2 - 7:00 PM: **Pastor:** Rev. Christopher Martin **Accompanist:** Lori Richards **Acolyte:** Zachary Martin **Lector:** Gail Pike **Sound Tech:** Mark Brown **PowerPoint Tech:** Jayden Hegenbarth **Video Tech:** Scott Lichty **Ushers:** Gail Pike, Gerry Seivert, Kathy Seivert, Nathan Zoet **Communion Set-up:** Kari Pedersen, Janice Wielenga **Communion Servers:** Janice Wielenga, Colton Eich, Roger Sauer, Ben Van Beek

SERVING ST. PAUL GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3 - 7:00 PM: **Pastor:** Rev. Christopher Martin **Accompanist:** Susan Lichty **Acolyte:** Kingsley Kreykes **Lectors:** Gail Pike, Barb Sneiderman **Prayer Readers:** Karen Appleton, Lowell Appleton **Sound Tech:** Larry Schnider **PowerPoint Tech:** Rae Lynn Schnider **Video Tech:** Scott Lichty **Ushers:** Nathan Zoet, Gail Pike, Darrell Sneiderman

SERVING ST. PAUL EASTER SUNRISE, APRIL 5 - 7:00 AM: **Pastor:** Rev. Christopher Martin **Accompanist:** Lori Richards **Acolyte:** Blake Wolf **Sound Tech:** Mark Brown **PowerPoint Tech:** Heather Honkomp **Video Tech:** _____ **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, APRIL 5 - 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

PRAYER REQUESTS: Dorothy Breuer, Judy Kruse, Carol Luepke, Le O'Brien, Ron Plum, Mary Ellen Reyelts, Dorothy Rohwer, 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.

The Radio Broadcast for today is sponsored by Mark and Lori Brown in celebration of their granddaughter Violet's 4th birthday on April 1.

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

We extend our Christian sympathy to Craig and Kris Vander Linden family, Brenda Tremmel family, and Linda Nieuwenhuis family, friends and family on the death of Wilma Vander Linden. She passed away on March 21. Her funeral service was held here at St. Paul on March 28.

Thank you to the Sunday School choir for their special music during the service today.

Congratulations to Tom and Hailey Brown on the birth of their son, Jones Thomas Brown, on March 21. Grandparents are Mark and Lori Brown.

Congratulations First Communion students: Avery Eich, Alice Kanengieter, June Schilling, and Keaton Sneiderman. They will receive their First Communion during the Maundy Thursday service, April 2 at 7:00 p.m.

Jr./Sr. High students/parents set up and prepare food at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 4. **Jr./Sr. High Students** please be to the church by 6:15 a.m. on Easter Sunday, April 5.

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.*

Come and Celebrate Wally Fiddelke's 90th Birthday! Open House on Sunday, March 29, 2:00-4:00 p.m. at Paullina Legion. RSVP to Megan 348-5497. Help us celebrate with Wally - 90 years of jokes, pranks, and laughs.

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.**

Reminder: Don't forget to direct your **2025 Thrivent Choice Dollars by March 31, 2026!!**

Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday offerings will go to the general fund. **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.

MomCo will meet on Saturday, April 4 at 9:45 a.m. at the City Park for the Easter Egg Hunt.

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.

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 12, 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.

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

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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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Invocation and Blessing of Palms:

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

C: Amen.

P: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: Hosanna in the highest!

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ: in the five weeks of Lent, we have been preparing for this week, for the events of our Lord's death and resurrection. The great and wondrous paschal mystery now lies before us as we enter with Christ with palms and hosannas before he confronts the cross. Everything in Lent points to this week. As we commemorate how our Lord entered to the welcome of palms and hosannas, we also remember His death, which gives us life, and his resurrection, through which we dwell with Him for all eternity.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, we pray You to bless and consecrate these palm branches and those who bear them that we may honor Christ as our Lord and King and that we may follow Him without fear as He leads us on the pathway of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: Hosanna in the highest!

(The Processional Gospel Reading)

P: Let us pray. Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came in to His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: Hosanna in the highest!

P: Let us go forth in peace.

C: In the name of the Lord.

Processional Hymn: "Hosanna"

I see the King of glory, coming on the clouds with fire.

The whole earth shakes, the whole earth shakes. Yeah.

I see His love and mercy, washing over all our sin. The people sing, the people sing,
Hosanna, hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna, hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

I see a generation, rising up to take their place, with selfless faith. With selfless faith.

I see a near revival. Stirring as we pray and seek. We're on our knees, We're on our knees.
Hosanna, hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna, Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Heal my heart and make it clean. Open up my eyes to the things unseen.

Show me how to love like You have loved me. Break my heart for what breaks Yours.

Ev'rything I am, for Your Kingdom's cause. As I walk from earth into eternity.

Hosanna, hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna, Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna, hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna, Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.

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P: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: Hosanna in the highest!

Hymn of the Day: "Glorious Day"

One day when heaven was filled with His praises, One day when sin was as black as
could be, Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin, Dwelt among men, my example is He!

The Word became flesh, and the Light shined among us - His glory revealed.

Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me; Buried, He carried my sins far away.

Rising, He justified freely forever; One day He's coming, O glorious Day! O glorious day!

One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain. One day they nailed Him to die on a tree.
Suffering anguish, despised and rejected, Bearing our sins, my Redeemer is He. Hands
that healed nations stretched out on a tree and took the nails for me.

Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me; Buried, He carried my sins far away.

Rising, He justified freely forever; One day He's coming, O glorious Day! O glorious day!

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer, One day the stone rolled away from the
door. Then He arose over death He had conquered; Now is ascended, my Lord evermore.

Death could not hold Him, the grave could not keep Him from rising again!

Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me; Buried, He carried my sins far away.

Rising, He justified freely forever; One day He's coming, O glorious Day! Glorious day!

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming, One day the skies with His glories will
shine. Wonderful day my beloved One bringing. My Savior, Jesus is mine. Living, He
loved me; dying, He saved me; Buried, He carried my sins far away. Rising, He justified
freely forever; One day He's coming, O glorious Day! Glorious day! O glorious day!

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Nicene Creed:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offertory Hymn: “Create In Me”

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, O Lord, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of your salvation, and renew a right spirit within me.

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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.

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.

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.

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 with favor and give you peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn: “All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

You are the king of Israel and David’s royal Son,
now in the Lord’s name coming, our King and Blessed One.

All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

The company of angels are praising you on high;

Creation and all mortals in chorus make reply.

All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

The multitude of pilgrims with palms before you went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present.

All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

To you, before your passion, they sang their hymns of praise.

To you, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king,
All glory, laud and honor made sweet hosannas ring.

Their praises you accepted; accept the prayers we bring,
Great author of all goodness, O good and gracious King.

All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

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Dismissal:

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!