

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL:

SUNDAY, MAY 10 - Mother's Day
 9:00 a.m. Worship
 10:00 a.m.  **Mother's Day Coffee Fellowship**
 Host: Fellowship Committee

MONDAY, MAY 11
 2:30 p.m. Priscilla Circle
 7:00 p.m. Church Properties Committee Mtg.

TUESDAY, MAY 12

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13
 8:00 a.m. Early Risers - Cook's Café
 9:00 a.m. Mission & Outreach Day (Potluck)
 6:30 p.m. Worship/HC
 6:30-8 p.m. Sr. High Youth Group

THURSDAY, MAY 14 - Ascension Of Our Lord

10:30 a.m. Worship Service - Fieldcrest
 12:00 p.m. Bulletin Deadline
 4:30-6 p.m. Sheldon Food Bank
 6:40 p.m.  **Noah's Ark Preschool Graduation**

FRIDAY, MAY 15

12:00 p.m. Secretaries' Office Closes

SATURDAY, MAY 16


10:45-11:45 a.m. MomCo Group Meeting (FH/L)

SUNDAY, MAY 17

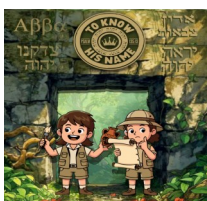
9:00 a.m. Worship
 10:30 a.m. Council Meeting
 7:30 p.m. Baccalaureate-SHS Auditorium

 ~ **Geranium Deadline** ~
 ~ **Newsletter Deadline** ~

VBS - "To Know His Name" - Psalm 18:10

 **St. Paul Lutheran VBS**
 July 6-9 from 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Registration Forms in Sanctuary
 (Turn forms into office)



(Completed nursery school-6th grade) 

GIFTS FOR THE LORD & HIS WORK:

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

Wednesday, April 29, 2026

Budget Money Received \$ 184.00
 Worship Attendance: 19

Sunday, May 3, 2026

Budget Money Received \$ 3,387.00
 Special Money Received \$ 110.00
 Stained-Glass Windows Donation Received \$ 75.00
 Worship Attendance: 113

Monthly - April 2026

Budget Money Received \$ 1,200.00
 PayPal Money Received \$ 97.02
 VANCO Money Received \$ 341.01

MARCH

Total Income \$ 18,851.60
 Total Expense \$ -24,928.53
 Income Less Expense \$ -6,076.93
 Fiscal Year Income \$ 58,867.31
 Fiscal Year Expense \$ -88,063.49
 Fiscal Year Income Less Expense \$ -29,196.18



Goal: \$65,000



St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, NALC

May 10, 2026 ~ 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

** Please stand if able.*

- Gathering Hymn ~ "Come Just As You Are"
- Welcome and Announcements
- *Call to Worship
- *Opening Hymn ~ "He Will Hold Me Fast"
- *Confession and Forgiveness
- *Scripture Hymn ~ "Kyrie Eleison"
- *Prayer of the Day
- First Lesson: Acts 17:16-31
- Second Lesson: 1 Peter 3:13-22
- Children's Message
- *The Gospel: John 14:15-21
- Sermon ~ "Love God - Love Others"
- *Hymn of the Day ~ "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"
- *Nicene Creed
- Offering
- *Offertory Hymn ~ "Give Thanks"
- *Offertory Prayer
- *Prayers of the People
- *The Lord's Prayer
- *Benediction
- *Closing Hymn ~ "Let Everything That Has Breath"
- *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.*

Radio Broadcast ~ Sundays at 9:00 a.m. KIWA - FM 100.7 & AM 1550
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SERVING ST. PAUL TODAY: **Pastor:** Rev. Christopher Martin **Accompanist:** LuAnn Snyder **Acolyte:** Kade Sneiderman/Keaton Sneiderman **Sound Tech:** Larry Schnider **PowerPoint Tech:** Jayden Hegenbarth **Video Tech:** Rae Lynn Schnider **Lector:** Maleri Schilling **Usher Captain:** Lowell Appleton **Ushers:** Bentley Rohwer, Steve Rohwer, Kirk Sneiderman **Coffee Fellowship:** Fellowship Committee **Receipt Recorders:** Janice Wielnga, Tami Roetman

SERVING ST. PAUL NEXT SUNDAY - May 17: **Pastor:** Rev. Christopher Martin **Accompanist:** Lauren Madsen **Acolyte:** Tommy Hegenbarth **Sound Tech:** Joe Tokheim **PowerPoint Tech:** Jeanne Lichty **Video Tech:** Paul Meyer **Lector:** Dan Klein **Usher Captain:** Lowell Appleton **Ushers:** John Michels, Gerry Seivert, Kathy Seivert **Coffee Fellowship:** Tom and Janna Whorley **Receipt Recorders:** Brian Honkomp, Tami Roetman

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

Today is Mother's Day! Lord, help us all to thank our mothers. We celebrate with those who enjoy great friendship with their moms! We grieve with those who have lost their moms to death or to broken relationships. We rejoice with those experiencing rich blessings in motherhood. We mourn with all women who desire children they have not had, those who have lost children to death, and moms whose children are out of touch. God we thank you for all women and the many care-giving roles they assume, and the risks they take; bless them in their serving, may your grace and love be apparent to all they nurture.

Thank you to Scott and Susan Lichty for sponsoring today's Live Stream.

The Radio Broadcast for today is sponsored by Jim and Diane Reimann in honor of ALL Mothers.

We extend our Christian sympathy to Arlyce Oosterhuis, Martin and Ann Oosterhuis family, Kris and Tim Thompson family, Jim Oosterhuis, Margaret Oosterhuis family, Sarah Thompson, family and friends, on the death of Marlin Oosterhuis. He passed away on May 1. His funeral service was held on May 9, here at St. Paul.

Congratulations to Blake and Rebecca Roetman on the birth of their daughter, Lucy Jean Roetman, on May 6. Grandparents are Fred and Tami Roetman.

Flowers on the Altar are from the funeral of Marlin Oosterhuis, which was held here at St. Paul on May 9.

Our Wednesday, May 13, worship service at 6:30 p.m., we will celebrate Ascension Of Our Lord Day recognized on May 14. Please join us for this special worship service on May 13!

Noah's Ark Preschool Graduation will be on **Thursday, May 14 at 6:40 p.m.** in the sanctuary.

Please Note: Geranium Donations **DEADLINE is May 17.** Please have donation form and money turned into the office by this day. Pentecost Sunday is May 24.

Birthday Club Bible study group would like to invite you to a revival of their Bible study group! The Birthday Club group will meet on **Thursday, May 21 at 10:00 a.m. in the lounge.** Pastor Martin will lead us. We look forward to seeing new faces within our Bible study group. (*Meet monthly, 3rd Thursday*)

Please Note: Secretary Office Hours during May will vary. The office will be open from 9:00-3:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday and from 9:00-12:00 p.m. on Friday. The office may be open at later hours, but not on a consistent basis. If there is an emergency outside these hours, please contact Pastor Martin.

Stained-glass Windows Fundraiser for the church sanctuary - Donations may be given with offering envelopes, "Stained-Glass Windows Repair," in the memo or bring to the church office. **Help us reach our goal to restore our beautiful stained-glass windows.**

MomCo Bible Study Group will meet on Saturday, May 16 from 10:45-11:45 a.m. here at St. Paul in the lounge and fellowship hall. This will be the last class until the fall season.

Sheldon High School Baccalaureate will be held on Sunday, May 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the SHS Auditorium.

S.C.A.T. Supper Fundraiser on Tuesday, May 19 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Crossroads Pavilion Event Center.

ST. PAUL VBS: VBS dates will be **July 6-9 from 1-5 p.m.** Registration forms (in back of sanctuary) due June 14. Please watch for the sign-up form to help volunteer during the VBS time and/or snack donations.

IOLBC Ice Cream Social: Sunday, May 31! Come and enjoy the fun beginning with the Program at 3:30 p.m., Maid-Rite Dinner, pie and ice cream (freewill offering) from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Plus Pie Auction at 6:00 p.m.

Eldersiversity Retreat (IOLBC) will be June 1-2! It's a great chance for those 55 and older to be young at heart and enjoy camp. Speaker: Pastor Scott Meyer. Register at: www.okoboji.org/eldersiversity

Come join us! IOLBC - Okoboji Amphitheater Summer Worship every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and Brunch from 10:30-11:45 a.m. in the dining hall. Freewill offering. (Memorial Day-Labor Day)

RiseFest 2026 - June 12-13! We hope to see you at the biggest family-friendly Christian music festival in NW Iowa! Get Tickets at risefestiowa.com. Volunteers are needed to help in various ways. If you would be willing to give 4 hours of time, go to the website to sign up and get a free event 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 - Radio Broadcast - Open Dates: Cost: \$95. Sign up (*In Fellowship Hall*) or contact the office.

May 17; August 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.

GERANIUMS: Donations due by Sunday, May 17.

I/We would like to contribute towards the purchase of geraniums to help beautify our church for **Pentecost Sunday, May 24.** Please bring this form and your donation to the church office. Thank You.



Name: _____

Amount: _____

Gathering Hymn: “Come Just As You Are”

Come just as you are; Hear the Spirit call. Come just as you are;
Come and see, come, receive; Come and live forever.

Life everlasting, and strength for today; Taste the Living Water, and never thirst again.

Come just as you are; Hear the Spirit call. Come just as you are;
Come, receive Christ, the King; Come and live forevermore.

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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: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: Jesus said, “I will not leave you as orphans;

C: I will come to you.”

Opening Hymn: “He Will Hold Me Fast”

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast; When the tempter would prevail,
He will hold me fast. I could never keep my hold Through life’s fearful path;

For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast. He will hold me fast,

He will hold me fast; For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast; Precious in his holy sight,

He will hold me fast. He’ll not let my soul be lost; His Promises shall last;

Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast. He will hold me fast,

He will hold me fast; For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast; Justice has been satisfied;

He will hold me fast. Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast

‘Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last! He will hold me fast,

He will hold me fast; For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

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Confession and Forgiveness:

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God, and of one another.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: We confess, Father, we have neglected You and Your commandments.

C: Forgive us, Lord.

P: Jesus, we have doubted Your Word and failed to display Your love to others.

C: Forgive us, Lord.

P: Holy Spirit, we have trusted our own sinful hearts rather than seeking Your truth.

C: Forgive us, Lord.

P: O Triune God, look on us in mercy and make Your dwelling within us.

C: Restore us as Your rescued people to seek Your holy will. Amen.

P: To save you from sin, the Father gave you His very own Son. On the cross, Jesus paid your debt and rose to declare, “because I live, you also will live.” By the Spirit’s power, we trust in the pardon won for us by Christ, our Lord. As a called and ordained minister of the Church 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.

Scripture Hymn: “Kyrie Eleison”

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way. Kyrie eleison, ev’ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; For this holy house, for all who worship and praise, Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way. Kyrie eleison, ev’ry day.

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Hymn of the Day: “Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;

Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

You moved on the waters, you called to the deep, then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep; and over the eons you called to each thing:

“Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.”

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;

Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand, and you goaded your people with a law and a land; and when they were blinded with idols and lies,

Then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes.

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;

Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill, then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still; and down in the city you called once again,

when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;

Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes. From the bondage

of sorrow all the captives dream dreams; our women see visions,

our men clear their eyes. With bold new decisions you people arise.

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;

Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

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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: "Give Thanks"

Give thanks with a grateful heart; Give thanks to the Holy One.

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

Give thanks with a grateful heart; Give thanks to the Holy One.

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong." Let the poor say, "I am rich,"
because of what the Lord has done for us.

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because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks.

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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:

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: "Let Everything that Has Breath"

Let ev'rything that, ev'rything that, ev'rything that has breath praise the Lord.

Let ev'rything that, ev'rything that, ev'rything that has breath praise the Lord.

Praise You in the mornin', praise You in the evnin',
praise You when I'm young and when I'm old.

Praise You when I'm laughin', praise You when I'm grievin',
praise You ev'ry season of the soul.

If we could see how much You're worth, Your pow'r, Your might,
Your endless love, Then surely we would never cease to praise.

Let ev'rything that, ev'rything that, Ev'rything that has breath praise the Lord.

Let ev'rything that, ev'rything that, ev'rything that has breath praise the Lord.

Praise You in the heavens, joining with the angels,
praising You forever and a day.

Praise You on the earth now, joining with creation,
calling all the nations to Your praise.

If they could see how much You're worth,
Your pow'r, Your might, Your endless love,
Then surely they would never cease to praise.

Let ev'rything that, ev'rything that, ev'rything that has breath praise the Lord.

Let ev'rything that, ev'rything that, ev'rything that has breath praise the Lord.

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Dismissal:

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!