

***The Mission and Ministry Statement for St. Paul's:*** We, the members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, in gratitude to The Triune God for His love for us in Jesus Christ, dedicate ourselves as individuals and as a congregation to learning, teaching and sharing God's Word, caring for others, and living in God's grace through Word and Sacrament.

***To our visitors:*** In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we welcome you to our church with God's richest blessings. Please sign our guest register in the narthex today. We invite you to make St. Paul's your new church home. If you are interested in church membership, or have questions, please contact Pastor Burns.

***Friendship Pads:*** Please take a moment to fill in the Friendship Pad, listing **each family member separately**. Please indicate on the Friendship Pad if you are receiving Holy Communion. Children that are receiving the blessing should not be marked as such or as receiving Holy Communion. **Visitors** please complete the form in its entirety.

***Children and the Divine Service:*** Thank you for bringing your children with you to church. The Scriptures tenderly tell of Jesus' love for little children. Jesus wants your children in His Company, to hear His Word and receive His gifts given to all in the Divine Liturgy. If you feel your child would benefit by leaving the worship service for a short period of time, you are welcome to use the Narthex. There is a speaker and chairs so you may continue to hear and participate in the worship service. If you need any assistance, please let us know how we can help.

***The Holy Communion:*** The Lord's Supper reflects our unity of faith and doctrine. Therefore, we assume that all those attending Holy Communion with us are members of a congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. In love and concern, we ask that all others speak with the pastor before communing.

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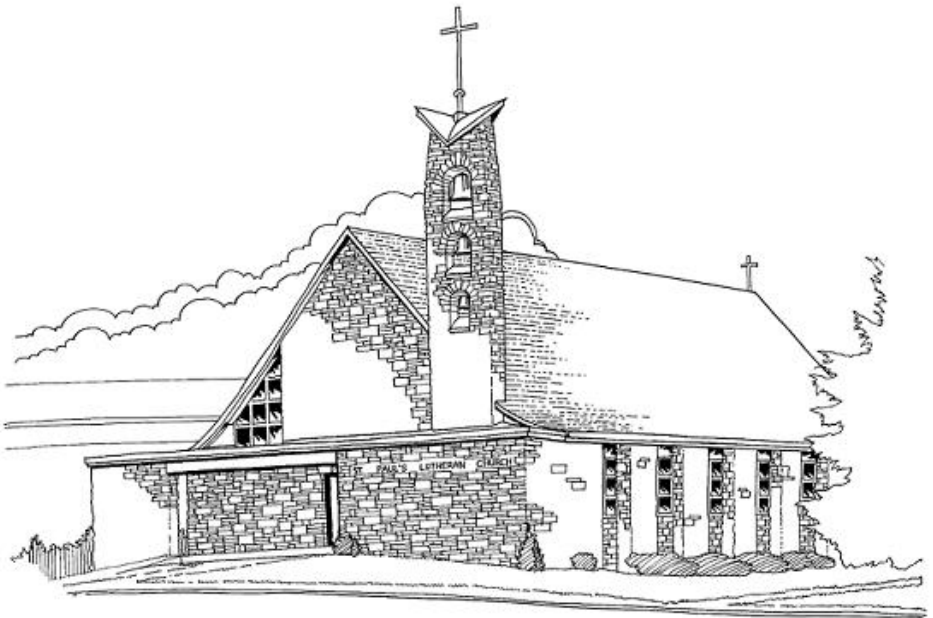
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# First Sunday in Lent

*Sunday, March 05, 2017*



## St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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**First Sunday in Lent: Matthew 4:7:** Jesus said to him, "Again it is written. . ." Jesus defeats Satan in our place – not by using His power as God, but by His perfect obedience in His perfect humanity. Jesus defeats Satan not by miracles, but by quoting the Scriptures and living according to it. This should cause us great joy for two reasons. First, because we see Jesus win the victory for us. Second, because here Jesus shows us how to stand in that victory: on the Word of God alone.

Following His Baptism, Jesus is *“led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil”* (Matt. 4:1). As He takes upon Himself the curse of our sin and sets Himself against our enemy, He trusts His Father’s voice and waits upon His Father’s hand for all things. The devil questions His sonship, but the beloved and well-pleasing Son remains faithful and lives *“by every word that comes from the mouth of God”* (Matt. 4:4). Jesus patiently suffers hunger in His mortal flesh and returns to the dust whence man was taken, and by His pain He brings forth food for all the children of men (Gen. 3:18–19). By the sweat of His brow, we eat the fruit of His cross, even as our nakedness is covered by His righteousness. Although all people live in bondage to death through the trespass of the first man, Adam, all the more *“have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many”* (Rom. 5:15). His righteous obedience *“leads to justification and life for all men”* (Rom. 5:18).

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In Memoriam:

**Nicolle Edwards** (36 years), daughter of former members Jim and Robyn (Boland) Edwards, died on Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> in Texas from an apparent grand mal seizure. Celebration of life was observed in Texas on Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Condolences may be sent to:

28513 S. Palm Court Dr.  
Unit M20  
Harlingen TX 78552

# ***Special Prayers today:***

*We are praying for the following:*

**Ken & Val Craven**, health issues,

**Gerry Gamrath**, father of Tim Gamrath, recovering from surgery,

**Terry Erickson**, brother of Judy Erickson, aneurism surgery,

**Dave Olson**, son-in-law of Alice Rooney, cancer treatment,

**Rev. Roger Dramstad**, cancer treatment,

**Barney Olson**, Jeff Olson's father, cancer treatment,

**LaVonne Hoppenrath**, recovering from surgery,

**Blake Iverson**, undergoing treatment for a brain tumor,

**Earl Hoppenrath**, dealing with health issues,

**Warren Wilken**, home bound & health issues,

**Doris Krause**, continued improvement at home,

**Duane Opsal**, treatment,

**Melissa [Born] Lee**, living with MS,

**Marian Bothe**, health issues,

**Beautiful Savior Lutheran**, Plymouth, and Pastor Tom Stoebig and Pastor Joe Behnke,

**Our Armed Forces**, at home and abroad, especially **Nick Pitts** deployed to Egypt;

**Missions and Christians worldwide.**

*Always take your Bulletin home with you so you have the week's calendar handy. Thank you.*

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**Lutheran Indian Ministries**

**The 2017 Lent Devotion Booklet**

from the Lutheran Indian Ministries is available in the Narthex and the front of the Sanctuary. Please help yourself.

## THOSE WHO SERVE IN MARCH

	<b>Elders</b>	<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Acolytes</b>
<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Bruce Thompson</b>	<b>Tim* Gamrath Randy Weese</b>	<b>Austin Kolden Maxwell Olson</b>
<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Rick Scheevel</b>	<b>Bob* Schave Tony &amp; Cindy Luebke Lee Sunram</b> <i>*Head Usher</i>	<b>Jack Shue Aysia Hovde</b>
<b>7:30 PM Lent March 8</b>	<b>Norm Lerbs</b>	<b>Char Lieder &amp; Confirmands</b>	<b>Kyle Glauvitz Jack Shue</b>
<b>7:30 PM Lent March 15</b>	<b>Bruce Thompson</b>	<b>Char Lieder &amp; Confirmands</b>	<b>Grace Voss Maxwell Olson</b>
<b>7:30 PM Lent March 21</b>	<b>Rick Scheevel</b>	<b>Char Lieder &amp; Confirmands</b>	<b>Elijah Slack Alex Kosloski</b>
<b>7:30 PM Lent March 29</b>	<b>Norm Lerbs</b>	<b>Char Lieder &amp; Confirmands</b>	<b>Ethan Burns MacKenzie Rick-Moores</b>



Turn your clocks ahead Saturday evening for the start of Day Light Savings Time on Sunday March 12.

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Altar Flowers

The altar flowers this morning are in remembrance of Cyndie Zeman's father, Merle Griffith, who passed away one year ago today. And, also celebrating Roger & Cyndie's grandson Louie, who turns 3 today!

## ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Sunday Mar 05	8:00 AM	10:30 AM	Ash Wednesday
Attendance	64	50	87
Offering	1399.76	1602.00	973.00
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### THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Mar 05 Sunday	Communion Service <i>(Kids Choir sings)</i> SS/Youth/A Bible Classes Kids' Choir Worship Service <i>(Sunday School sings)</i> <b>Mite Box</b>	8:00 AM 9:15 AM 10:20 AM 10:30 AM
Mar 06	<i>Strategic Planning Committee</i>	6:30 PM
Mar 07	Bible Study Morning Prayer Resource Room Clean-up	9:15 AM 10:30 AM 7:00 PM
Mar 08	<i>Soup Supper</i> Confirmation Classes Campanas Lenten Service Chancel	5:30 PM 6:15 PM 6:30 PM 7:30 PM 8:15 PM
Mar 09	GriefShare	7:00 PM
Mar 10	Family Day for Pastor	
Mar 11	<i>Day Light Savings Time starts</i>	
Mar 12	Worship Service <i>Chancel Choir Sings</i> SS/Youth/A Bible Classes Kids' Choir Communion Service <i>Chancel Choir Sings</i>	8:00 AM 9:15 AM 10:20 AM 10:30 AM

*Lutheran Humor* -You might be a Lutheran if...

The pastor skips the last hymn to make sure church lasts exactly 60 minutes.

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“Portals of Prayer” for April through June 2017 is available in the Narthex and at the front of the Sanctuary’ as well as the large print. Please help yourself.



*Morning*  
Prayer

**Morning Prayer** – St. Paul’s Lutheran Church has a short worship service on Tuesday mornings following Bible Study. This is in the Sanctuary at **10:30AM** and we will have time to be in God’s Word, Sing Hymns, Pray and a brief Devotion. All are welcome to attend.

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*Help! I’m lost.*

There are plates, pans and containers on the desk by the YOUTH Bulletin Board downstairs which have not found their way home yet. If they belong to you, would you collect them as soon as convenient? Thank you.

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**888-996-3623** Does that number come up on your Caller ID? **DO NOT IGNORE IT!** It is an automatic call from your church (member calling). Our call system comes up with that number and we can't change it. So pick up and get the message. It will about church closings (weather related), funerals or other special urgent messages we wish all members to hear.

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March 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup> are available for placing flowers on the altar. Use the envelopes in the book holders in the pews to place your order. Put envelopes in the collection plate. Thank you.



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# S.P.Y NEWS

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Youth and Family Board Chair: Sherry Glauvitz 763-234-0015 [mncpca@yahoo.com](mailto:mncpca@yahoo.com)

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Today is our first  
Teen Life Session  
during the  
Sunday School  
hour 9:15-10:15!  
All 6th-12th grade  
Youth will meet  
in the Youth  
Room for games  
and discussion.

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**March 17th 8:15 pm- March 18 6:00AM**

All 6th-12th grade Youth are invited to come! We will be Bowling at Brunswick in Brooklyn Park our package includes pizza, pop, \$5 arcade, free shoe rental and Laser Tag! Then returning to church for more fun activities throughout the evening. Breakfast will be served at 5:00 am Remember it is St. Patrick's Day so dress in your green, even if you are not Irish:)

Bring a snack to share and the cost for Bowling/Laser Tag is \$20. **You have to sign up for this event!**

We do not allow energy drinks at the LockIn.

*We are going Tubing at Elm Creek today! Meet in the Youth room after second service. \$15 for 2 hours of tubing and money for lunch at the chalet. This is a family event:)*





This year as we go through our Lenten Journey, we will have a variety of special music at each mid-week service. Our **confirmation students** will be sharing with us at each service. Clarinet, trumpet, piano, trombone, flute, choir, all of the students are participating in this special way. They are all GREAT. Please tell your friends, neighbors, and bring them with to experience a special Lenten Journey through Evening Prayer at St Paul's.

***Recurring social events:***

At 6:30 PM every **Wednesday** during the church year we have a **ringer's social**. We talk, we laugh, we share, and we even make a little music. Please come **Join** us for some great fellowship.



At 7:40 PM every **Wednesday** the **singing social group** gathers in the sanctuary to laugh, share stories, and even do a little singing. We would love to have you join us. For more information come on Wednesdays, even if you can only make a couple of rehearsals we'd love to have you. . We sing the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays.



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*There is a sign up board in the Narthex for Soup Suppers during Lent. Whether or not you are a member of the group designated for the week, sign up to bring your favorite soup or dessert!*

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**Resource Room Rehab**--Tuesday, March 7 at 7 PM Sunday School teachers will meet to do some cleaning in the Resource Room. Pray for us.

Members of Saint Paul's Lutheran Church,

Please join us on **Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017**, to hear The Rev. Dr. James Stoltenberg speak at our services, and during the Bible Study hour, about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean.

Pastor Stoltenberg will share personal witness about **Food For The Poor's** mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another.

Pastor Stoltenberg has been a pastor in the LCMS for over 41 years. He has a great passion for the poor and has led over 20 Servant Events taking teenagers into the Appalachian Mountains. These trips taught many things including that we can learn from the poor, Jesus was a servant, and how we can be servants too. Many who participated in these trips are now using their careers to help the impoverished.

Please join me in welcoming Pastor Stoltenberg to Saint Paul's on March 19<sup>th</sup>.

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Questions have come up regarding the "**Member Calling**" system the church uses to notify members of important news. The system is designed to send the message to one phone in a household. If this is not working for your family, please call the office and let us know which number or numbers you want on the list.

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A coral sheet of paper was included in your March newsletter regarding church keys. It asked for your name and the number on your church key, if you have a key. Could you turn that sheet in to the church office ASAP so we may start our verification of where the keys are? Thank you for your help.



# **LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS Are Back!!**

**March 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5**

**Here's a quick review of Lenten Soup Suppers—a tradition at St. Paul's—**

- 1. The suppers take place before the Lenten services on March 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5. No Soup suppers on Ash Wednesday or Holy Week.**
- 2. They begin at 5:30 so the Bell Choir and Confirmands can eat before rehearsal and class and end about 7:00 so the hosting group can clean up before the service begins.**
- 3. Various boards sign up to host the suppers and often bring soup on their night, but anyone may sign up to bring soup on any of the nights.**

*Themes:*

Mar 8 – Traditional Soup & Sandwiches

Mar 15 – Potato Bar

Mar 22 – Walking Tacos

Mar 29 – Picnic Night

April 5 – Traditional Soup & Sandwiches

- 4. Cold cuts, cheese, buns, and condiments are provided. These will be available on all of the nights. Free will offerings usually cover the cost.**
- 5. If you are a hosting group—relax. Much of the prep will be done for you by volunteers that afternoon. Directions for serving and clean-up will be posted. (Keep this sheet for info on the servings each week).**



**Volunteers are needed to make coffee Sunday mornings in March.** Please sign up for a week or two, or the entire month, at the kitchen downstairs. Easy to do and help is available. Treats are provided or any member may bring their choice. **Thank you for volunteering!**

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**Local  
Mission  
Opportunity**

**POBLO**   
**International**

**+Informational Event+**

**Saturday March 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am-  
12:00pm @ Glory of Christ in Plymouth.**

*All materials will be provided. Refreshments will be served*

The Northwest Suburban Circuit of the Twin Cities is exploring opportunities for mission work in the inner ring suburbs. With the help and guidance of POBLO International—A Mission society of the LCMS, we are examining the possibility of establishing an International Friendship Center (IFC) in the western suburbs.

Rev. Jon Vollrath and missionaries Nader and Georgette Alaraj will be our presenters. They will outline the details of establishing and sustaining a IFC. These centers are managed by churches and volunteers in partnership with trained missionaries and provide a safe, welcoming environment for local immigrant and refugee populations. Many new Americans face difficult language and cultural barriers and experience social isolation. These centers provide opportunities for volunteers to share the love of Jesus through friendship and hospitality. Volunteers serve by teaching English, sewing, and computer classes and hosting social activities, giving recent immigrants and refugees opportunities to socialize with others while learning practical skills.

**+Please RSVP if you are planning to attend by Friday March 17th. Please call the Glory of Christ Church office at 763-478-6031+**

*Therefore go and make disciples of all nations*

