

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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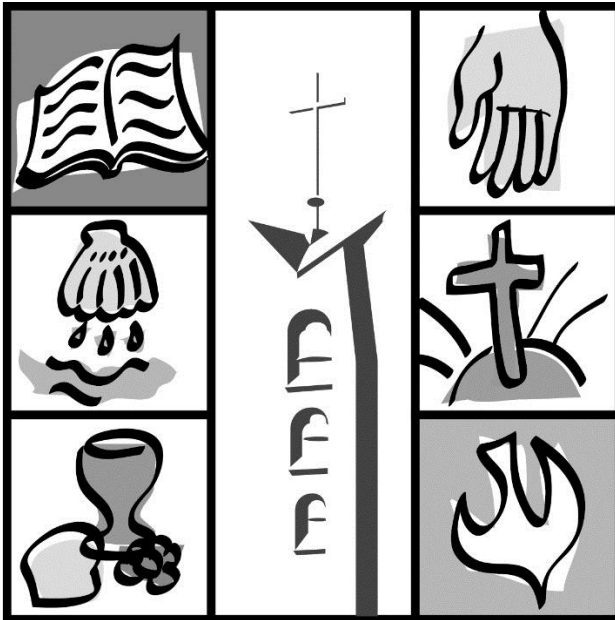
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Office Hours: 9:00a-1:00p Mon.-Thur.

**1st Sunday after Epiphany
The Baptism of Our Lord
Sunday, January 13, 2018**



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As We Gather: Please be respectful of those who are in the pews preparing their hearts and minds for worship.

As you prepare for worship, you may pray the following prayer: O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter; as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

The Triune God Opens Heaven to You in Holy Baptism

The Baptism of our Lord is an “Epiphany” of the one true God in the flesh and blood of Jesus Christ. In divine mercy, He takes His place with sinners and takes their sin upon Himself. *“When all the people were baptized,”* Jesus submitted Himself to a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins (Luke 3:21). He had no sins of His own, but He took the sins of the world upon Himself and so was baptized into His own death. Therefore, *“when you pass through the waters,”* He is with you (Is. 43:2). He created you for His glory, and He has redeemed you with His blood, that you may be His own and live with Him in His Kingdom (Is. 43:1, 7). As you are baptized with a baptism like His, so also are you united with Him in His death and resurrection that you *“might walk in newness of life”* (Rom. 6:4). For all who are baptized into Christ Jesus receive His anointing of the Holy Spirit and are named by His Father as beloved and well-pleasing sons and daughters.

Luke 3:21 – “Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened ...” We know why the people were baptized, but why was Jesus baptized? He didn’t need repentance or forgiveness. The answer is that He did it for us. The reason God sent His Son into the world is to fulfill all righteousness for us, to do what we could not do. The whole of Jesus’ life, everything He did and said was one great offering to the Father in our stead to fulfill all righteousness for us. With our righteousness fulfilled in Jesus and given to us in Baptism – our hearts now overflow with thanksgiving and praise.

Those serving this week. Sunday January 13th

Elders	8:00a	Einar Finnvik
	10:30a	Chris Higgins
Ushers/Greeters	8:00a	Jeff & Julie Norman Kathy Lundquist
	10:30a	Rick & Cindy Scheevel
Acolytes	8:00a	Jason Andersen/Tyson Erickson
	10:30a	Elsie Higgins/Jack Schue

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Members who are sick and in need of healing and comfort-

Dwayne Lieder, John Hansen, Judy Erickson, Janie Hall (Aunt of Esther Burns), Rose LaVallee, Barney Olson (Jeff Olson's father), Blake Iverson, Doris Krause, Rose Ebert, Ken & Val Craven, Melissa Lee, Marian Bothe and Terry Benson. Our Lord Jesus, who reached out to heal and comfort the sick and dying, continues to reach out with His healing Word through us. Cards, phone calls and prayers are always appreciated. If you know of someone who is sick or hospitalized, please inform Pastor Burns.

Our homebound members are Wilbur Boettcher, Rose Ebert, Terry Benson, Ken & Val Craven, Doris Krause, Melissa Lee, Mae House and Marian Bothe.

All those serving in our Armed Forces

This Week: The Congregations in our circuit are praying for Concordia Theological Seminary (Fort Wayne, IN) and Concordia Seminary (St. Louis, MO).

For those serving in the mission field: Elliot and Serena Derricks, Johanna Heidorn, Kayla Hoem and Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sun. 13 1st Sunday after the Epiphany of Our Lord
Baptism of Our Lord
Worship Service 8:00a
Sunday School/Young Adult/ Bible Class 9:15a
Communion Service 10:30a
2&1 Club at Dehn's 5:00p

Mon. 14 LWML Meeting 1:30p

Tue. 15 Bible Study 9:15a
Morning Prayer Service 10:30a
Newsletter Deadline

Wed. 16 Confirmation 6:00p
Campanas 6:00p
Confirmation Choir 6:50p
Chancel Choir 7:20p

Thu. 17 GriefShare 6:00p

Fri. 18 **Family Day for Staff**

Sun. 20 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany
Communion Service 8:00a
Sunday School/Young Adult/Bible Class 9:15a
Worship Service 10:30a
Kids' Choir 10:30a

Lutheran Humor- You might be a Lutheran if... the church is on fire, and you rush in to save the coffee pot.

Special thank you to everyone who helped defer the cost of the poinsettia's. Anyone who would like to bring one home is more than welcome to!

Attendance and Offering

Sunday Jan. 6 8:00a 68 10:30a 50

Morning Prayer Jan. 8 11

General Offering Both Services \$8,452.00

General Offering Weekly Budget \$5,000.00

December Online Offering Total \$1,520.00



Today at the 10:30a service, we welcome into the Kingdom of God through Holy Baptism, **Reese Elizabeth Hoppenrath**, daughter of Bryan and Rachel Hoppenrath. Congratulations and Blessings to the Hoppenrath family.

**Big
Thank
You!**

Thank you to Earl Slack, Melissa Voss, Bruce Thompson, Bob Schulz and Allen Haslach for your dedication and service! We appreciate all your time and efforts to make St. Paul's a wonderful place to be.

We welcome the new members to the boards and thank them in advance for serving. There are still some vacant positions. Please consider serving:

Council Vice President

CROSS Board Member

Stewardship and Evangelism

Thrivent

Trustees

Military

Christian Education



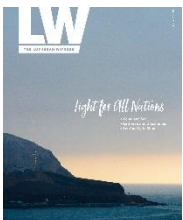
We want to thank **Bonnie Faue** for her time and commitment to making our Sanctuary beautiful through banners and Christmas flowers during this past season! Especially all the additional time taken out of her busy schedule to water the poinsettia's and the Christmas tree.

New Address for Doris Krause- Silver Creek on Main 8200 Main Street #248 Maple Grove, MN 55369 763-955-1878

Main Street Living episode #2 will air today at 10 a.m. on WFTC channel 29/9-2. Today's program begins with "This is the Life" episode "God of Love," exploring how we, as Christians, have a cross to bear. The worship service begins at 10:30 a.m. with Rev. Brendan Prigge of Victory Lutheran Church in Eden Prairie. His message, "New Beginnings," is based on Romans 6.5. For more information, check out the Twin Cities tab at mainstreetliving.com.

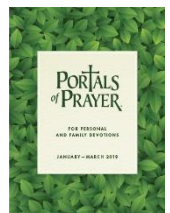
Mite Box Calendars are on the large table in the narthex. This colorful calendar helps one set aside offerings for Mite Box Grants plus gives simple ideas for you to do throughout the month. Pick up your January calendar.

Christmas Program DVD's are available for purchase (\$7) at the Sunday School desk downstairs. Leah Olson will be at the desk during Sunday School.



January copies of Lutheran Witness are now available in the Narthex.

Portals of Prayer for Jan-March are also available.



SPY NEWS

January

Youth Board: Sherry Glauvitz Co-Chair 763.234.0015

Moriah Pitts Co-Chair 763.600.3656

Ethan Burns, David & Sam Glauvitz, Kim & Kyle Glauvitz, Mindy Jones & MacKenzie Rick-Moores, Leah Pickett, Leah Pitts, , Jody & Elijah Slack and Grace Voss.

Teen Life session will be on January 27th, meet in the Youth room all 6th-12th graders.



S.P.Y. will be going to **Can Can Wonderland** for mini golf and arcade games on January 27th. We will leave church after second service @ 11:30a. Mini golf is \$14 (\$2 off for groups of 15 or more!) and bring money for lunch and arcade games too.

Check out their website: www.cancanwonderland.com

Be sure to sign up downstairs at the S.P.Y. info center by January 20th! This helps us with having enough drivers☺

Valentine Bake Sale prep will be on Feb. 9th 9:30a-11:00a. Please bring cookies or treats already made and we will be making cake pops and gift jars at church.

Valentine Bake Sale will be February 10th after each service.

Feb. 16 Shepherd of the Grove in Maple Grove will be hosting **Shepherds's Music Night 6:30p-9:30p**. A night of music and fellowship, speaker Steve Drees will talk about secular and Christian music. Christian rock stars Boiling Point will play to finish the night. A great opportunity to meet others going to NYG2019!