

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. **For those with sensitivity to alcohol, the center cups in the tray contain white dealcoholized wine. Gluten free communion hosts are also available (please request gluten free at the Communion Rail).**

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**First Sunday of Advent
December 01, 2019**



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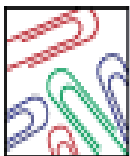
As We Gather: Please be respectful of those who are in the pews preparing their hearts and minds for worship.

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.

Matt. 21:3 – **“If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.”** Just a colt and her foal. How significant could they be? Could they really be used by the Lord for some great, heavenly purpose? This is one facet of stewardship we often forget: it is a blessing *to us* to be of service in the Lord’s kingdom. What honor the Lord bestows upon us by using our gifts for His goals.

The Lord Jesus enters Jerusalem *“humble, and mounted on a donkey,”* riding on *“a beast of burden”* (Matt. 21:5), as He Himself bears the sins of the world in His body. Now He comes by the ministry of the Gospel to save us from sin, death, the devil and hell. Therefore, we sing, *“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”* (Matt. 21:9). For we are called *“to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob,”* His Holy Church, *“that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths”* (Is. 2:3). By His Word, we *“walk in the light of the LORD”* (Is. 2:5). That is to live in love, which *“does no wrong to a neighbor”* (Rom. 13:10). We *“cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light,”* for *“salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed”* (Rom. 13:11, 12). Hence, the entire Christian life is a time to wake and watch, *“for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming”* (Matt. 24:42).



**FROM THE
CHURCH
OFFICE**

Please let the office know of any address, land line or cell number changes. We are updating a list to be printed in January. Thank you.

Those serving this week: December 01

Elders	8:00a	Jason Voss Dec. 1 st
	10:30a	Adam Schmidt
	7:00p	Einar Finnvik Dec. 4 th
Ushers/Greeters	8:00a	Earl Slack & Family Dec. 1 st
	10:30a	Dave & Sherry Glauvitz
	7:00p	Confirmation Students Dec. 4 th
Acolytes	8:00a	Alyssa Erickson Dec. 1 st
	10:30a	Elsie Higgins
	7:00p	Alyssa Erickson Dec. 4 th

Those serving the week: December 08

Elders	8:00a	Jason Voss Dec. 8 th
	10:30a	Roger Zeman
	7:00p	Adam Schmidt Dec. 11 th
Ushers/Greeters	8:00a	Don & Henrietta Walter 8 th
	10:30a	Dave & Sherry Glauvitz
	7:00p	Confirmation Students Dec. 11 th
Acolytes	8:00a	Alyssa Erickson Dec. 8 th
	10:30a	Elsie Higgins
	7:00p	Emma Burns Dec. 11 th

Attendance and Offering

Sunday, November 24 8:00a 68 10:30a 50

General Offering Sunday Service \$4,818.00

General Offering Weekly Budget \$5,000.00

Online Contributions for October 2019 \$1,380.00

Lutheran Humor-You might be a Lutheran if.....
you're at an evangelistic rally and you actually manage to
raise your hands waist high.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

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

Rev. Greg Tyler, Vi Anderson, Debbie Hanna, Judy Erickson, Jody Slack, Doug Steere, Barney Olson (Jeff Olson's father), Rose Ebert, 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 Vi Anderson, Rose Ebert, Terry Benson, Bev Hansen, Melissa Lee, Mae House, Marian Bothe, Doug Steere and Bertha Hannu (mother of Barb Gamache).

All those serving in our Armed Forces.

This Week: The Congregations in our circuit are praying for St. Paul Lutheran, Osseo, and Pastor Daniel Burns.

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



St. Paul's Lutheran Church is offering free access to RightNow Media's vast resources to our members.

How do I sign up?

- You can text: RIGHTNOW OSSEO to 41411
- You can use our QR Code



THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

- Sun. 01 First Sunday in Advent
Communion Service 8:00a
Education Hour 9:15a
Worship Service 10:30a
Decorate Sanctuary for Christmas 11:30a
- Tues. 03 Bible Study 9:15a
Morning Prayer 10:30a
Sunday School Teachers Meeting 7:00p
- Wed. 04 Midweek Advent 1
Campanas 6:00p
Confirmation 6:00p
Worship Service 7:00p
Chancel Choir 7:45p
- Thurs. 05 Pastor @ Circuit Meeting
- Fri. 06 Family Day for Staff
- Sat. 07 SS Program Rehearsal 9:30a to 11:00a
- Sun. 08 Second Sunday in Advent
Worship Service 8:00a
Education Hour 9:15a
Communion Service 10:30a

Funeral Coordinator needs a backup!!!

Help is needed on days when coordinator is working. Would you be interested in assisting with this ministry? Questions:

XXX.XXX.XXXX. Please prayerfully consider this request.

Thanks, Bonnie

Altar Flowers

If you would like to sponsor flowers for our altar, please use the envelope in your pew. Flowers cost \$75 per Sunday. You can also contact me at XXX.XXX.XXXX or XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX@gmail.com. Thanks, Esther Burns.



TODAY!
11:30a Decorate the Sanctuary

Sunday School Rehearsal on Saturday December 7th, from 9:30a to 11:00a for grades Kindergarten thru 8th grade.



S.P.Y. News

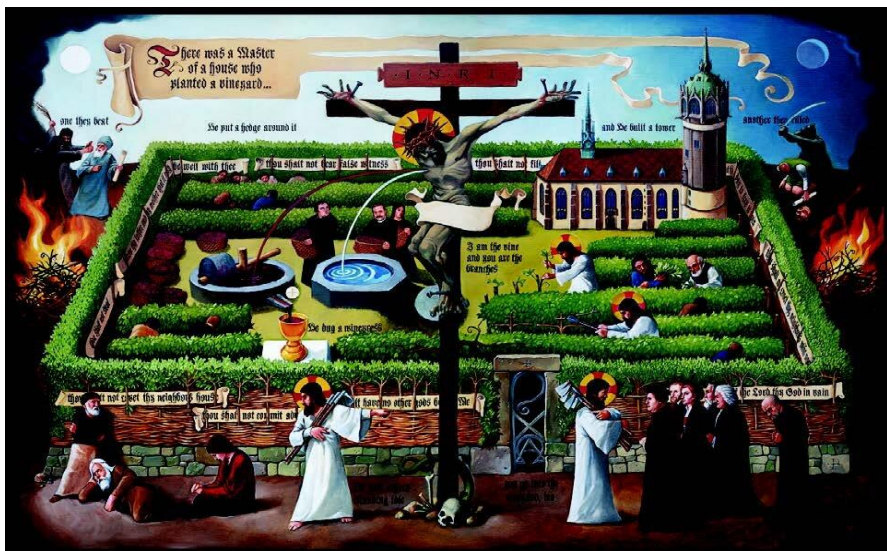
December 7th we're doing a fundraiser at the Good Life Expo! We will be making and selling lunch for the expo attendees. We will also be having a bake sale on **December 15th** after the Christmas program.

New Address:

Dorothy Anderson
13266 N Lost Artifact Ln
Oro-Valley AZ 85755-1942
XXX.XXX.XXXX

The altar flowers this morning are placed by Einar and Cheryl Finnvik, in honor of their daughters and families; and for world peace.





ARTWORK IN THE CHURCH

The seminar dates are:

- December 6-7: Messiah: The Greatest Sermon Ever Sung with Rev. Tony Pittenger
- March 21: Poetry & Hymnody with Rev. Mark Preus
- TBA: Gregorian Chant with Dr. Jason Thompson
- TBA: Church Woodcarving & Ornament with Rev. David Kind (Locations and times will be disclosed later for the above).

The questions remain:

- Why do visual art in the first place?
- How does visual art best benefit the worshiper?
- What can visual art mean?

The December 6-7 Seminar is at University Lutheran Chapel and Luther House which are located at 316 10th Ave SE on the East Bank of the U of M campus (at the corner of 10th Ave SE and 4th St. SE).

By exploring the work of nationally-known sacred artists, these questions will be addressed in the context of the Christian church amid a dying world.

(From Minnesota South District newsletter)