

***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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**The Second Sunday in Lent  
March 08, 2020**



**ST. PAUL'S**

**LUTHERAN CHURCH**

OSSEO, MINNESOTA

***The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod  
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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.

**John 3:16** – **“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”**  
This is perhaps the most well-known and well-beloved verse in the New Testament – and for good reason. This simple Gospel message is the foundation for our whole life, including our new life in Christ. This new life is characterized by thankfulness and devotion to our Father, who has provided for us so lavishly in Christ.

The Lord called Abram (Abraham) to leave his home and go to a land that God would show him. He also promised to make of Abram *“a great nation,”* to bless him and make his name great as a blessing to *“all the families of the earth”* (Gen. 12:2–3). *“Abram went, as the LORD had told him”* (Gen. 12:4), and in Canaan *“he built an altar to the LORD and called upon the name of the LORD”* (Gen. 12:8). He *“believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness”* (Rom. 4:3). Here the grace of God is manifested, that He *“justifies the ungodly”* (Rom. 4:5), not by works of the Law, but through faith in His promises. He removes all of our sins and lawless deeds through Jesus Christ, the offspring of Abraham in whom all the Lord’s promises are realized. This forgiveness of sins is the Word of the Gospel, the voice of the Holy Spirit, which *“gives life to the dead”* (Rom. 4:17). It opens the eyes of faith to behold Christ Jesus, the Son of Man lifted up on the cross, *“that whoever believes in him may have eternal life”* (John 3:14–15).



**“The Lutheran Witness” for March 2020** is available in the Narthex and the front of the church. Please help yourself.

**Those serving this week: March 08<sup>th</sup>**

<b>Elders</b>	8:00a	Roger Zeman
	10:30a	Steve Gamache
	7:00p	TBD Lenten Service
<b>Ushers/Greeters</b>	8:00a	Gamrath Family March 8, 22 Earl Slack Family March 15, 29
	10:30a	Lee Sunram & Bob Schave
	7:00p	Confirmation Class Lenten Services
<b>Acolytes</b>	8:00a	Jason Andersen
	10:30a	Tyson Erickson
	7:00p	Emma Burns March 4 Elsie Higgins March 11 Alyssa Erickson March 18 Tyson Erickson March 25

**Attendance and Offering**

Sunday, March 1 <sup>st</sup>	8:00a	70
	10:30a	45
Ash Wednesday February 26 <sup>th</sup>	7:00p	68
Lent Midweek 1 March 4 <sup>th</sup>		59
General Offering Sunday March 1 <sup>st</sup>		\$4,077.00
Ash Wednesday February 26 <sup>th</sup>		\$ 909.00
General Offering Weekly Budget		\$5,000.00
Online Contributions for February 2020		\$1,130.00

## **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

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

Jim Feuerstein (brother of Judy Opsal), Paula Schmidt, Sharon Wilken, Ada Fields (sister-in-law of Shirley Scheuble), Debbie Hanna, Judy Erickson, Jody Slack, Doug Steere, and Melissa Lee. 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, 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 - Glory of Christ Lutheran, Plymouth, and Pastor Jeremiah Johnson and Pastor Kyle Krueger.

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



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



## **THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S**

- Sun. 08      Second Sunday in Lent  
**Worship Service 8:00a**  
Education Hour 9:15a  
**Communion Service 10:30a**  
Kids' Choir
- Tues. 10     Bible Study 9:15a  
Morning Prayer 10:30a  
Board of Elders 6:30p  
All Other Boards 7:00p  
Council Meeting 7:45p
- Wed. 11      **Midweek Lent 2**  
Companas 6:00p  
Soup & Sandwich 5:30p  
Confirmation 6:00p  
**Lenten Service 7:00p**  
Chancel Choir 7:45p
- Thurs. 12    Empty Bowls CROSS 4:00p to 7:00p  
GriefShare 6:00p
- Fri. 13      Family Day for Staff
- Sun. 15      Third Sunday in Lent  
**Communion Service 8:00a**  
Education Hour 9:15a  
**Worship Service 10:30a**  
Kids' Choir  
Newsletter Deadline

***Lutheran Humor-*** You might be a Lutheran if...it's 110 degrees outside and you still have coffee after services.



Web Site news:

Please be on the lookout for information location changes that will be appearing on our web site.



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.

## LENTEN SOUP SUPPER HOSTS

March 11<sup>th</sup> - Trustees

March 18<sup>th</sup> - Education

March 25<sup>th</sup> - Evangelism

April 1<sup>st</sup> - Youth

Serving at 5:30p. Bring soups at any time.

Desserts are welcome.

Remember in your prayers the family of Rev. Greg Tyler, who passed away February 28. His funeral was Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at Life in Christ Lutheran Church in Albertville. Rev.

Tyler is survived by wife of 49 years, Colleen; daughter Sara (Tim) Shank; son, Paul; beloved granddaughter, Quinn Shank. Also, sisters, Jill & Pam; and best friend, Peter. God bless Pastor Tyler.



# LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

**Are Back!!**

**March 11, 18, 25 and April 1**

**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 11, 18, 25 and April 1. No Soup suppers on Ash Wednesday or during Holy Week.**
- 2. They begin at 5:30p so the Bell Choir and Confirmands can eat before rehearsal and class and end about 6:30p, allowing the hosting group clean up time before the service begins. If you can't have your soup here by 5:30p, bring it anytime. Anyone may bring a dessert.**
- 3. Various boards sign up to host the suppers and bring soup on their night, but anyone may sign up to bring soup on any of the nights. (Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex).**
- 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.**



A big thank you to Bruce & Marci Krieg for volunteering to serve goodies and coffee after 8:00a service. It is much appreciated by the entire congregation!

Stewardship and Evangelism  
Committee.





**Celebrating Concordia  
University St. Paul Sunday.  
(Please mark your calendars for  
this special day).**

March 29<sup>th</sup> at both services choral music will be offered by an ensemble of singers from the award—winning Christus Chorus of Concordia University, St. Paul. They will be here to worship with us, and to give us the opportunity to support them in raising funds for their concert tour to South Africa May 3-18, 2020. The tour will include performances with community choirs, church groups, and universities in Cape Town, Stellenbosch, Knysna, Johannesburg, Pretoria, and Soweto. The students will also be involved in service projects on the tour. Each student is raising \$3,700 for the trip. Our congregation is invited to support them with donations and purchases of Christus Chorus CDs following the service. Checks can be made payable to “Concordia University, St. Paul Christus Chorus.” Thanks for supporting these young people in their music ministry for the Gospel of Christ here and abroad!

**EVANGELISM**



Each Sunday after the 8:00a service, coffee and treats are available at the kitchen downstairs. Volunteers are needed to help out Evangelism with starting the coffee prior to the 8:00a service. It is easy to do. Directions and helpers are available to assist. Sign-up sheets are at the coffee area. Treats are in the freezer. Your help would be greatly appreciated. And you get to talk to all the members as they come for their coffee!

# 2 and 1 Club

Hotdish Potluck!

Join us on **Friday, March 20** for a potluck at the Aalbers' house. Bring your favorite hotdish and we will break out the cards and games!

**Where:**

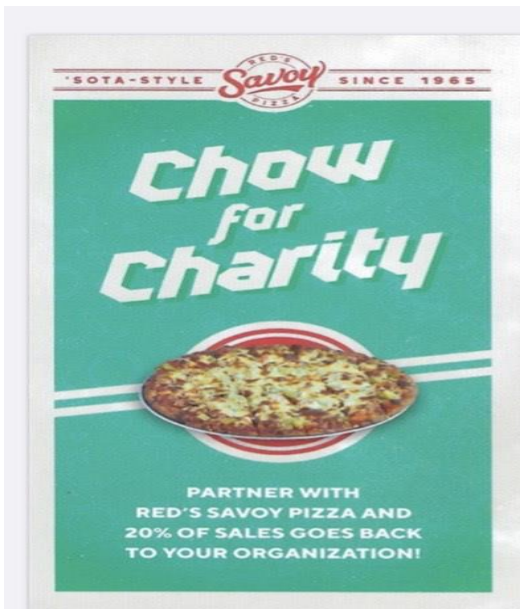
Aalbers house  
6604 - 105th Trail N  
Brooklyn Park MN 55445

**When:**

Friday, March 20  
6:00p - 9:00p

RSVP's are appreciated, but not necessary.

Jeff, XXX.XXX.XXXX or XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX@gmail.com



S.P.Y. Fundraiser @  
Savoy Pizza  
225 Central Avenue,  
Osseo  
Tuesday, March 24th  
4:00p to 9:00p



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Empty  
**Bowls**  
*Art Fest*

Join us Thursday, March 12, 2020,  
 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the  
 Maple Grove Community Center.

*Tickets: \$15 per person, \$30 per  
 family, and \$5 per student.*

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 for purchase and music will be  
 provided by Family Three.

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