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. 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.

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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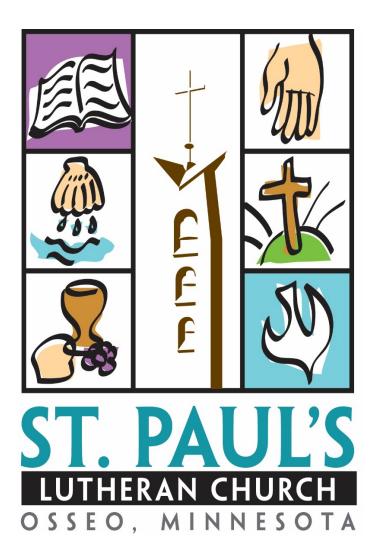
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1st Sunday after Christmas December 27, 2020



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Pastor: Daniel Burns XXX.XXX.XXXX XXXXXX@stpaulsosseo.org Church Office: 763.425.2238 Website: www.stpaulsosseo.org 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.

Luke 2:39 – "And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord..." The Law of God is good. Of course, it always shows us our sins, but that is good, too! We need to be driven back to the forgiveness of Christ. And the Law also shows us the truly blessed way to live. As Mary and Joseph found their joy in a godly life, so should we see the Law as a guide for Christian living and the roadmap for saying thank you to the Lord for all His grace and mercy to us.

The Time Has Fully Come for Redemption and Purification through Jesus Christ, Our Lord

"When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son," born of the woman, "to redeem those who were under the law" (Gal. 4:4-5). Therefore, "according to the Law of Moses," Mary and Joseph "brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord" (Luke 2:22). There He was received and taken up into the arms of Simeon, who was righteous and devout, "waiting for the consolation of Israel" (Luke 2:25). Simeon praised God and blessed the parents by confessing the cross for which this child was appointed. "At that very hour," old and faithful Anna, who had watched, prayed and worshiped in the temple for so long, came up and "began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem" (Luke 2:38). The Lord causes "righteousness and praise to sprout up before all the nations" (Is. 61:11). We also "greatly rejoice in the LORD," because this child has clothed us "with the garments of salvation," covered us "with the robe of righteousness" and called us "by a new name" (Is. 61:10; 62:2).

Those serving Dec. 27th

Elder Adam Schmidt Usher Ethan Burns

Video David Glauvitz, David Gamache

& Jacob Andersen

Those serving Jan. 3rd

Elder Steve Gamache

Usher Jeff & Julie Norman

Video David Glauvitz, David Gamache

& Jacob Andersen

Those serving Jan. 6th

Elder Rick Scheevel

Usher Confirmation 3 Kids

Video David Glauvitz, David Gamache

& Jacob Andersen

Attendance and Offering

Wednesday December 16 20
Sunday, December 20 49
Midweek Advent Offering \$3,008.00
General Offering \$1,952.00

General Offering Weekly Budget \$5,000.00

Online Contributions for November 2020 \$3,245.95

Laugh Break- Bloopers from bulletins- Eight new choir robes are currently needed, due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of several others.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Members who are sick and in need of healing and comfort- Kristin Ibraheem, Dennis Walter, Jim and Vince Feuerstein (brothers of Judy Opsal), Rick Scheevel, Ada Fields (sister-in-law of Shirley Scheuble), Debbie Hanna, Judy Erickson, 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.

<u>Our homebound members</u> are Jean Henderson, 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.

<u>This Week:</u> The Congregations in our circuit are praying for Concordia University, Saint Paul

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

The Epiphany of Our Lord

Epiphany

On Wednesday, January 6th, we will be having our Epiphany Service at 7:00p with Holy Communion. Join us for this special service.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sun. Dec. 27 **1**st **Sunday after Christmas** Worship Service 9:00a

We are now **live streaming** the service on **youtube.com** and following the service posting it to our Facebook page and the sermon page on our church website. **www.stpaulsosseo.org**

Fri. Jan. 1 Family Day for Staff

Sun. Jan. 3 **2nd Sunday after Christmas**

Communion 9:00a Mite Box Sunday

FUNDS FOR STEEL ROOFING

There are Building Fund envelopes located in the Narthex for your contributions towards the Steel Roofing. Please write your member # on the envelope and check, it will help the office staff with accounting.

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