**Attention Worshipers:** Our services are live-streamed. This includes both video and ambient audio prior to and during the service.

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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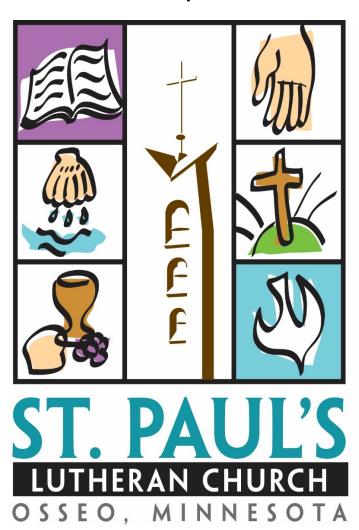
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# 2nd Sunday in Advent Dec. 5, 2021



The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod 710 East Broadway Street, Osseo, MN 55369

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 3:4 – "As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, 'The voice of one crying in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." '" God makes long-range plans: Isaiah lived more than 700 years before St. John the Baptist preached by the Jordan River. Obviously, God sees farther into the future than we do! That's yet another reason to trust Him when it comes to how He tells us to live our lives. He knows what's coming, and we don't.

## The Preaching of Repentance Prepares Us for the Coming of the Lord

The preaching and Baptism "of repentance for the forgiveness of sins" (Luke 3:3) prepare us for the coming of the Lord, Jesus Christ. The historic work of John the Baptist was completed with the first advent of our Lord Jesus in the flesh, but the ministry of the forerunner continues in the preaching of Law and Gospel and in Holy Baptism. Through His messengers, the Lord calls people of all nations to "see the salvation of God" (Luke 3:6). Our haughtiness is removed and our mountains of pride are brought low, but the Lord humbles us in order to exalt us in His mercy. As the Lord has begun this good work of repentance in us, so also does He perfect it by His Word and Holy Spirit, and He "will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ" (Phil. 1:6). He purifies us to be His priestly people, precious in His sight and abounding in faith and love, so that we offer our very lives in righteousness to the Lord (Mal. 3:3–4).

Those serving Dec. 5, 8:30a

Elder Jason Voss

Amanda Harff Usher Acolyte Tyler Hanson

Media

David Glauvitz, Elijah Slack

Sherry Glauvitz

Those serving Dec. 8, 7:00p

Elder Adam Schmidt

Usher Tim Gamrath

Gabriela Hardy **Acolyte** Media David Glauvitz,

Sherry Glauvitz

Those serving Dec. 12, 8:30a

Elder Jason Voss

Amanda Harff Usher Tyler Hanson **Acolyte** 

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Sherry Glauvitz

**Attendance and Offering** 

Thanksgiving Eve 32

General Offering \$4,572.00

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent 68

General Offering \$3,627.00

General Offering Weekly Budget \$5,000.00

Online Contributions for Nov 2021 \$3,038.45

### **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Members who are sick and in need of healing and comfort-Becca Titus, David Gamache, Tracy Renner (family friend of the Voss's), Pauline Williamson (friend of Shirley Scheuble) Jan Slater, Vicki Johnson (sister of Judy Saldana) Lawrence & Joanne Mendez (father & mother of Sherry Glauvitz), Jim and Vince Feuerstein (brothers of Judy Opsal), Ada Fields (sisterin-law of Shirley Scheuble), Debbie Hanna, 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 Clarice O'Gary, Jean Henderson, Vi Anderson, Rose Ebert, Melissa Lee, Mae House 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 Rev. Lucas Woodford, our District President and all of our elected officers and board members in the MN South District.

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

We need volunteers to attend to the elevator every service. Making sure the gate is getting closed and being at the elevator before and after service. Please call the office if this is something you can help with.

## THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sun. Dec. 5	2nd Sunday in Advent Communion Service 8:30a Education Hour 9:45a Mite Box Sunday
	We are <b>live streaming</b> the service on <b>youtube.com</b> and following the service posting it to our Facebook page and the sermon page on our church website. <b>www.stpaulsosseo.org</b>
Mon. Dec. 6	Staff Meeting 10:30a
Tues. Dec. 7	Bible Study 9:15a Morning Prayer Service 10:30
Wed. Dec. 8	Midweek Advent LWML Meeting 1:30p Confirmation 1&2 6:00p Worship Service 7:00p Chancel Choir 7:40p
Thur. Dec. 9	Pastor at Circuit Winkel 9:30a
Fri, Dec. 10	Family Day Staff
Sat. Dec. 11	Sunday School Christmas Program Practice 9:30a
Sun. Dec. 12	<b>3rd Sunday in Advent</b> Worship Service 8:30a Education Hour 9:45a



Starting in January, Pastor will be leading GriefShare classes every Thursday evening at 6pm in the Youth Room. Classes will begin on January 13<sup>th</sup>. There will be 13 classes. The dates for the classes will be on our website (stpaulsosseo.org) and in the church calendar.

Please contact the church office to register 763.425.2238 or office@stpaulsosseo.org

#### MAIN STREET LIVING CHOIR

## You are invited to sing in the Main Street Living Choir!

Recording for the television program will be on Saturday, January 29 at 9:00a at Emanuel Lutheran Church.

Please contact Amy Schutte at to reserve a spot!

**Emanuel Lutheran Church** 

2075 70th St E, Inver Grove Heights, MN 55077

xxx.xxx.xxxx Xxxx (for Amy)

Amy's Email: xxxxxxxxxx@gmail.com

If we do not have enough singers, we will have to cancel so reserve a spot ASAP! THANK YOU!

#### Funds for Steel Roof Update

Help us reach our 2 year Goal of \$50,000





There will be a luncheon served after the program.

## **S.P.Y. News**

The Youth will be helping with packing the Christmas bags and the sloppy joe lunch after Christmas Program practice on December 18th. We will need some 9th-12th grade Youth to help, the 6th—8th graders are in the program! Please be at church at 9:30a., we will be done with lunch around noon.