

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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4th Sunday in Advent
Dec. 18, 2022



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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.

Matthew 1:21 – **“She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.”** What our good works could never do, Jesus has done: He has saved us from our sins, paid our debt, set us free. How can we not give thanks to Him with lives of generosity and godliness? What God’s Law could not do — truly motivate us to truly good works — Jesus’ love has done!

God’s Word Is Fulfilled for Us in the Flesh and Blood of Christ Jesus, the Son of Mary

The Fourth Sunday in Advent turns our attention toward the Nativity of Our Lord. With the blessed Virgin Mary, we await the coming of the Christ, her Son, conceived in her womb by the Word and Spirit of God. This fulfillment of the sign once given to the house of David, that *“the virgin shall conceive and bear a son”* (Is. 7:14), is now given to us in the Gospel. It declares that salvation is by His grace alone, entirely His work and a free gift. It also is the way and means by which the Lord our God is Immanuel, “God with us.” The almighty and eternal Son of God is conceived and born of Mary, and is thus *“descended from David according to the flesh”* (Rom. 1:3–4). He comes in this way to save us with His own flesh and blood; wherefore, He is called *“Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins”* (Matt. 1:21). As Joseph received this sign in faith and immediately *“did as the angel of the Lord commanded him”* (Matt. 1:24), we also live by faith in this Holy Gospel.

Those serving Dec. 18, 8:30a

Elder	Jason Voss
Usher	Jacob Andersen
Media	David Glauvitz Sherry Glauvitz Ethan Burns

Those serving Dec. 21, 7:00p

Elder	Adam Schmidt
Usher	Confirmation Class
Acolyte	Clara Higgins
Media	David Gamache David Glauvitz Sherry Glauvitz

Those serving Dec. 24, 4:00p

Elder	Adam Schmidt
Usher	Marlin Olson
Acolyte	Logan Jones
Media	David Gamache David Glauvitz Sherry Glauvitz

Those serving Dec. 25, 10:00a

Elder	Jason Voss
Usher	Marlin Olson
Acolyte	Brenna Jones
Media	David Gamache David Glauvitz Sherry Glauvitz

Attendance and Offering

Midweek Advent 2	33
General Offering	\$692.00
3 rd Sunday in Advent	74
General Offering	\$2,468.13
General Offering Weekly Budget	\$5,000.00
Online Contributions for Nov. 2022	\$2,303.95

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

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

Virginia Hoppenrath, Clarice O'Gary, Bruce Hecksel, Chad Hanson, Dan Wolinski (friend of Jason Voss), Pauline Williamson (friend of Shirley Scheuble), Lawrence & Joanne Mendez (father & mother of Sherry Glauvitz), Jim Feuerstein (brother of Judy Opsal), Ada Fields (sister-in-law of Shirley Scheuble), 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 Alice Leitzke, Clarice O'Gary, Gladys Goerke, Jean Henderson, Rose Ebert, Melissa Lee and Bertha Hannu (mother of Barb Gamache).

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: Lutheran Bible Translators, Johanna Heidorn and Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram.

There are 20 copies of the printed service available at every service. The same service is available as a PDF on our website. You can go to our website stpaulsosseo.org on your mobile device and have access to it during the service! Scroll down to "order of service" for that date.

Newsletter Mailing Team please come to help on Wednesday, December 28th at 9:15a. Anyone who can help fold, stick labels on and sort is welcome. Coffee and treats provided.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

- Sun. Dec. 18** **4th Sunday in Advent**
Christmas Program Rehearsal 8:30a
Christmas Program 10:00a
Christmas Program Luncheon 11:00a
Shooting Starz 3:45p – 7:45p
- Mon. Dec. 19** Staff Meeting 10:30a
- Tues. Dec. 20** Bible Study 9:15a
Morning Prayer Service 10:30a
Just For Kix 4:15p – 9:15p
- Wed. Dec. 21** **Midweek Advent 4**
Confirmation 6:00p
Worship Service 7:00p
- Fri. Dec. 23** **Office Closed**
- Sat. Dec. 24** **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 4:00p**
- Sun. Dec. 25** **Christmas Day**
Communion Service 10:00a
- Mon. Dec. 26** **Office Closed**
- Tues. Dec. 27** **Office Closed**
- Wed. Dec. 28** Newsletter Mailing Team 9:15a



We have a **church maintenance form** next to the ushers desk in the narthex. If you notice anything that needs attention at church. Fill out the church maintenance form and drop it in the box on the office door.