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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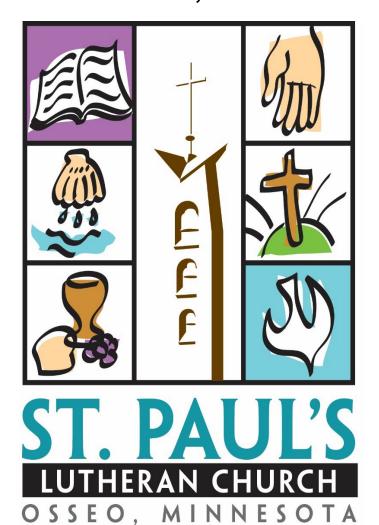
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First Sunday in Advent Dec. 3, 2023



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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.

1 Corinthians 1:9 – "God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord." The faithfulness of God is our great comfort. He has made promises to us, and He will keep them. He is kind and loving toward us and will not break faith with us. This gives us the confidence to step out in faith, to leave fear behind. So, when it comes to following the Lord's commandments for our daily lives, we know His will is best for us because He is faithful.

The Lord Jesus Comes in Meekness and Humility to Save Us

Although we pray that God "would rend the heavens and come down" (Is. 64:1), that He would take vengeance against our enemies, we ourselves "have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment" (Is. 64:6). We have continued in our sins for "a long time, and shall we be saved?" (Is. 64:5). Yet, the Lord does not punish us in anger. He comes in voluntary meekness and humility to save us by His grace. Just as He once came into Jerusalem to sacrifice Himself for us upon the cross (Mark 11:4-8), He still comes to His Church with the fruits of His Passion. By His ministry of the Gospel, we are "enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge," and so He will "sustain you to the end" (1 Cor. 1:5, 8). Although "heaven and earth will pass away," His words "will not pass away" (Mark 13:31). As He sends disciples to call us to Himself in the fellowship of His Church, so will He "send out the angels" to gather us and all of His elect "from the ends of the earth" to Himself in heaven forever (Mark 13:27).

Those serving Dec. 3.

Elder

Usher

8:00a 10:30a Brad Kitzman Bill McKibbin Allison Hanson Justen Jones

Acolyte Tyler Hanson Logan/Brenna Jones

Media David Gamache

> David Glauvitz Sherry Glauvitz

Those serving Dec. 6.

7:00p

Adam Schmidt Elder

Usher **Confirmation Class**

Media David Glauvitz

Sherry Glauvitz

Those serving Dec. 10.

8:00a 10:30a Bill McKibbin Elder Brad Kitzman

Usher Slack Family Arnie & Lynette Jensen

Media David Gamache

> David Glauvitz Sherry Glauvitz

Attendance and Offering

Thanksgiving Eve	43
General Offering	\$2,739.00
Last Sunday of the Church Year (8:00a)	55
Last Sunday of the Church Year (10:30a)	31
General Offering (both services)	\$1,522.00
General Offering Weekly Budget	\$5,000.00
Online Contributions for October 2023	\$2,189.80

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Members who are sick and in need of healing and comfort: Leah Pitts, Jered Glauvitz (nephew of Dave & Erik Glauvitz), Derrick Doyle (son of Shirley Scheuble), Nancy Kitzman, Clarice O'Gary, Bruce Hecksel, Chad Hanson, Dan Wolinski (friend of Jason Voss), Pauline Williamson & Toni Susiy (friends 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.

<u>Our homebound members</u>: Irma Schmid, 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

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

<u>For those serving in the mission field</u>: Lutheran Bible Translators and Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram.



Bruce Krieg was called to his heavenly home on Nov. 22. A private family service was held on Nov. 30. Please keep the Krieg family in your prayers.

The 2024 Offering Envelopes are in the Mailboxes in the Narthex. Don't forget to pick yours up.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sun. Dec. 3 1st Sunday in Advent

Communion Service 8:00a

Education Hour 9:15a

Communion Service 10:30a Church Decorating 11:30a

Mite Box

Shooting Starz 3:00p-8:00p

Mon. Dec. 4 Staff meeting 10:30a

Tues. Dec. 5 Bible Study 9:15a

Morning Prayer Service 10:15a

Wed. Dec. 6 Midweek Advent 1

Confirmation 6:00p Worship Service 7:00p

Fri. Dec. 8 Office Closed

Sat. Dec. 9 Christmas Program rehearsal 9:30a-11:00a

Sun. Dec. 10 2nd Sunday in Advent

Worship Service 8:00a Education Hour 9:15a Worship Service 10:30a Shooting Starz 3:00p-8:00p

Christmas Program Practice: Sat. Dec. 16 9:30a-12:00p

Practice and pizza party

Christmas Program Sun. Dec. 17 10:30a



We are forming a safety committee here at St. Paul's. We are looking for volunteers from the congregation. Please contact the office or Rick Scheevel if you are interested in serving.



We now have a vending machine right next to the pop machine. Go check it out. All profits go to the Youth.

LWML is collecting items needed for the Hospice and Newborn Kits for Global Health Ministries. Items can be placed in the basket in the Narthex. The goal is to assemble kits in February.

There is a list of all the items needed for the Hospice and Newborn kits. You can find these lists in the Narthex on the rolling table.

Youth Fundraiser

With The Prairie Beading Buddies from South Dakota



The Prairie Beading Buddies are a group of six ranging in age from 85-96. They live in an assisted living situation in South Dakota, and they love to get together and make these bracelets. The money they make off these bracelets helps them choose from the A La Carte services the facility offers. Such as: laundry service, round-trip escorting, delivered meals, additional housekeeping services, beauty salon and barber shop.

The Youth will have a table set up Today with a variety of bracelets to choose from. Each bracelet has a tag with the Prairie Beading Buddies name on it that made it. Get some of your Christmas shopping done and let's show these lovely ladies, and one man in the group, some love!

CHRISTMAS CHOIR

We would like to have a choir for both Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services. We would LOVE to have anyone who would like to join- of ANY singing skill! We will be singing familiar, easy Christmas anthems to add to our services. Practices will begin after Advent Service on December 6 and run through our last Advent Service on December 20. We will sing on Christmas Eve (4:00p Service) and Christmas Day (10:00a Service). Contact Esther Burns with any questions!

TOYS FOR CROSS

The Sunday School teachers and kids are hosting a toy drive for CROSS this year and would appreciate the congregation's help. A tree will be set up in the narthex starting on November 19. We are asking for new, unwrapped presents for kids 0 to 10 years of age and \$30 gift cards for kids 11 to 18 years. CROSS has suggested that the gift cards be from Target or Walmart. There will be ornaments on the tree that you can take as a reminder, but you do not need to have an ornament to bring a gift. The tree will be in the narthex through Sunday, December 17. CROSS gave out presents to over 1200 kids last year. Let's help them make Christmas merrier for families in our area that are in need.

