

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Wood River, IL

December 4, 2022

Second Sunday in Advent

Welcome to St. Paul!

We are so happy that you are here and pray God's richest blessings upon you. At St. Paul, you will find a community that is committed to walking together, warm hospitality, and relevant messages rooted in Scripture. We follow Jesus, grow as His disciples, serve, and tell others so that all may know Him as Savior and Lord. If there is any way we can be of service to you, feel free to talk with the Pastor.

As We Gather

For many Christian people, reading the Word of our Lord from a "red letter" edition of the Bible is a special blessing. Seeing the words of Christ highlighted in a special color may make them more immediate and noticeable. The last sentence with red words in those Bible editions is Revelation 22:20, in which the Lord promises: "Surely I am coming soon." John, the writer of Revelation, follows with these inspired words: "Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!" Those words became part of the worship life for many in the Early Church as they expectantly awaited the return of the Lord to the earth and the completion of His promised eternal kingdom. In the season of Advent, we echo that ancient yearning cry: "Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!"

We Celebrate Holy Communion Today

In this Supper of our Lord, we receive the true body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ, in with and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins. Since this is also a sign of our common confession of faith, we welcome to the Lord's Supper all those who are confirmed members of congregations of the Lutheran-Church Missouri Synod, all others are asked to please talk to Pastor. Non-alcohol wine is included in the center of each tray for those with special needs.

Generosity Sunday

Today we celebrate Generosity Sunday. Our God is incredible generous to us, and we respond in generous ways. Every family in our congregation is encouraged to fill out a *My Generosity Commitment Card*. *My Generosity Commitment Cards* can be placed in the offering basket on your way to Holy Communion.

Preparation for Worship

The readings for our worship together next Sunday are Isaiah 35:1-10, James 5:7-11, and Matthew 11:2-15.



1 "Com - fort, com - fort ye My peo - ple, Speak ye peace," thus
 2 Yea, her sins our God will par - don, Blot - ting out each
 3 Hark, the her - ald's voice is cry - ing In the des - ert
 4 Make ye straight what long was crook - ed; Make the rough - er



saith our God; "Com - fort those who sit in dark - ness, Mourn - ing
 dark mis - deed; All that well de - served His an - ger He no
 far and near, Call - ing sin - ners to re - pen - tance, Since the
 plac - es plain. Let your hearts be true and hum - ble, As be -



'neath their sor - rows' load. Speak ye to Je - ru - sa - lem
 more will see or heed. She hath suf - fered man - y a day,
 King - dom now is here. O that warn - ing cry o - bey!
 fits His ho - ly reign. For the glo - ry of the Lord



Of the peace that waits for them; Tell her that her
 Now her griefs have passed a - way; God will change her
 Now pre - pare for God a way; Let the val - leys
 Now o'er earth is shed a - broad, And all flesh shall



sins I cov - er And her war - fare now is o - ver."
 pin - ing sad - ness In - to ev - er - spring - ing glad - ness.
 rise to meet Him And the hills bow down to greet Him.
 see the to - ken That His Word is nev - er bro - ken.

Stand

Invocation

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

G Amen.

Opening Sentences *Based on Matthew 3:11; Romans 15:13; Isaiah 11:4, 6; Psalm 72:19*

P I baptize you with water for repentance, but He who is coming

G will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

P May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
C so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

P With the breath of His lips He shall kill the wicked.
C The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and a little child shall lead them.

P Blessed be His glorious name forever;
C may the whole earth be filled with His glory!

Confession and Absolution

P When John the Baptist was preparing people to meet the Messiah, he preached, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

C We all should repent, for we have thought, spoken, and acted in divisive, sinful ways.

P John promised that the Messiah would “baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.” It was the Spirit who worked faith in your hearts in Holy Baptism. Through the Word and Sacraments, our sins are forgiven, and we are given hope to amend our sinful lives and to look to our Lord’s return at the end of all things. As a called and ordained servant of Christ I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Light the candle of PEACE today the giver of peace is here!

Welcome the peace we long and wait for,

But only Christ can give.

Flicker and flame and glow with peace,

Light up the world around you.

Flicker and flame and glow with peace,

Light up the world a - round you.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

- 1 O come, O come, Emmanuel,
 And ransom captive Israel,
 That mourns in lonely exile here
 Until the Son of God appear.
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
 Shall come to thee, O Israel!

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 11:1–10

¹There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. ²And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. ³And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, ⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. ⁵Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins. ⁶The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together, and a little child shall lead them. ⁷The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. ⁹They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. ¹⁰In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Adult Choir

Epistle

Romans 15:4–13

⁴Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, ⁶that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will praise you among

the Gentiles, and sing to your name.” ¹⁰And again it is said, “Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people.” ¹¹And again, “Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him.” ¹²And again Isaiah says, “The root of Jesse will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him will the Gentiles hope.”

¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Stand

Magnificat

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Refrain

G My soul mag-ni - fies the Lord, and my spir - it re -
 joic - es in God, my Sav - ior. My soul mag-ni-fies the
 Lord, and my spir - it re - joic - es in God, my Sav - ior.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:1–12

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the third chapter.

G Glory to You, O Lord.

¹In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, ²“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” ³For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, “The voice of one crying in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight.’”

⁴Now John wore a garment of camel’s hair and a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, ⁶and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁷But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. ⁹And do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father,’ for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham.

¹⁰Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

¹¹"I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

¹²His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Sermon Hymn

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

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1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An - nounc - es
2 Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; Make straight the
3 We hail Thee as our Sav - ior, Lord, Our ref - uge
4 Lay on the sick Thy heal - ing hand And make the
△ 5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to Thee Whose ad - vent



that the Lord is nigh; A - wake and hear - ken,
way for God with - in, And let us all our
and our great re - ward; With - out Thy grace we
fall - en strong to stand; Show us the glo - ry
sets Thy peo - ple free, Whom with the Fa - ther



for he brings Glad tid - ings of the King of kings!
hearts pre - pare For Christ to come and en - ter there.
waste a - way Like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.
of Thy face Till beau - ty springs in ev - 'ry place.
we a - dore And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more.

Sermon

Pastor Schultz

Nicene Creed

Inside back cover of hymnal

Stand

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Jesus Christ and for all people according to their needs.

Come, O Lord, among us, that as people united in faith, we may witness to the Good News that is ours in Christ Jesus. With hope we pray:

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

P Come, O Lord, with Your presence on earth, that in those places where strife and discord rule there be times of peace. Come to our nation, that we find joy in that which is done through it by the leaders and by the people. With hope we pray:

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

P Come, O Lord, and walk beside us that Your love and blessing be evident in all that we say and do. With hope we pray:

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

P Come, O Lord, and bring Your response to the special concerns on our hearts today, including health and family needs and situations that are part of life. With hope we pray:

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

P For all those who have completed their earthly journey in faith and now rest from their labors in eternal peace and joy, serving as witnesses of Your never-ending care, we bless You, O Lord, and ask that we also be numbered with the saints in glory everlasting. With hope we pray:

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Sit

Offering

Offertory

Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come

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1 Come, Thou precious Ransom, come,
Only hope for sinful mortals!
Come, O Savior of the world!
Open are to Thee all portals.
Come, Thy beauty let us see;
Anxiously we wait for Thee.

3 My hosannas and my palms
Graciously receive, I pray Thee;
Evermore, as best I can,
Savior, I will homage pay Thee,
And in faith I will embrace,
Lord, Thy merit through Thy grace.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

We greet one another with the "Peace of the Lord."

Agnus Dei

LSB 163

C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

Distribution Hymn

When All the World Was Cursed

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1 When all the world was cursed By Mo - ses' con - dem - na - tion,
2 Be - fore he yet was born, He leaped in joy - ful meet - ing,
3 Be - hold the Lamb of God That bears the world's trans - gres - sion,
4 O grant, dear Lord of love, That we re - ceive, re - joic - ing,



Saint John the Bap - tist came With words of con - so - la - tion.
Con - fess - ing Him as Lord Whose moth - er he was greet - ing.
Whose sac - ri - fice re - moves The dev - il's dread op - pres - sion.
The word pro - claimed by John, Our true re - pen - tance voic - ing,



With true fore - run - ner's zeal The great - er One he named,
 By Jor - dan's roll - ing stream, A new E - li - jah bold,
 Be - hold the Lamb of God, Who takes a - way our sin,
 That glad - ly we may walk Up - on our Sav - ior's way



And Him, as yet un - known, As Sav - ior he pro - claimed.
 He tes - ti - fied of Him Of whom the proph - ets told:
 Who for our peace and joy Will full a - tone - ment win.
 Un - til we live with Him In His e - ter - nal day.

Distribution Hymn

Arise, O Christian People

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1 A - rise, O Chris - tian peo - ple! Pre - pare your - selves to -
 2 Pre - pare the way be - fore Him; Pre - pare for Him the
 3 The hum - ble heart and low - ly God rais - es up on
 4 Pre - pare my heart, Lord Je - sus; Turn not from me a -



day; Pre - pare to greet the Sav - ior, Who takes your
 best. Cast out what would of - fend Him, This great, this
 high; Be - neath His feet in ter - ror The haugh - ty
 side, And help me to re - ceive You This bless - ed



sins a - way. To us by grace a - lone The
 heav'n - ly guest. Make straight, make plain the way: The
 soul shall lie. The heart sin - cere and right, That
 Ad - vent - tide. From stall and man - ger low Come



truth and light were giv - en; The prom - ised Lord from
 low - ly val - leys rais - ing, The heights of pride a -
 heeds God's in - vi - ta - tion And makes true prep - a -
 now to dwell with - in me; I'll sing Your prais - es



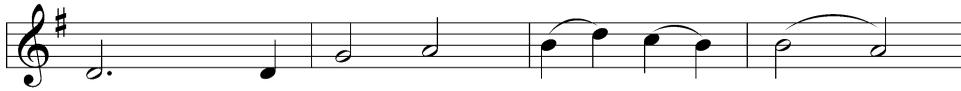
heav - en To all the world is shown.
 bas - ing, His path all e - ven lay.
 ra - tion— It is the Lord's de - light.
 glad - ly And forth Your glo - ry show.

Distribution Hymn

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending



1 Lo! He comes with clouds de - scend - ing,
 2 Ev - 'ry eye shall now be - hold Him
 3 Those dear to - kens of His pas - sion
 4 Yea, a - men, let all a - dore Thee,



Once for ev - 'ry sin - ner slain;
 Robed in glo - rious maj - es - ty;
 Still His daz - zling bod - y bears,
 High on Thine e - ter - nal throne;



Thou - sand thou - sand saints at - tend - ing
 Those who set at naught and sold Him,
 Cause of end - less ex - ul - ta - tion
 Sav - ior, take the pow'r and glo - ry,



Swell the tri - umph of His train:
 Pierced and nailed Him to the tree,
 To His ran - somed wor - ship - ers.
 Claim the king - dom as Thine own.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 Deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly
 With what rap - ture, with what rap - ture, with what
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
 wail - ing, Shall their true Mes - si - ah see.
 rap - ture Gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
 lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and Thou a - lone!

Distribution Hymn

What Hope! An Eden Prophesied

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1 What hope! An E - den proph - e - sied Where tame live with the wild;
 2 A shoot will sprout from Jes - se's stem, A branch from Da - vid's line,
 3 As ban - ner of God's love un - furled, Christ came to suf - fer loss,
 4 Come, Je - sus, come, Mes - si - ah Lord, Lost Par - a - dise re - store;



The lamb and li - on side by side, Led by a lit - tle child!
 A Prince of Peace in Beth - le - hem: The fruit of God's de - sign.
 That by His death a dy - ing world Would ral - ly to the cross.
 Lead past the an - gel's flam - ing sword—Come, o - pen heav - en's door.

Stand

The Dismissal

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C Amen.

Post-Communion Collect

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

The Night Will Soon Be Ending

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1 The night will soon be end - ing; The dawn can -
 2 The One whom an - gels tend - ed Comes near, a
 3 The earth in sure ro - ta - tion Will soon bring
 4 Yet nights will bring their sad - ness And rob our
 5 God dwells with us in dark - ness And makes the



not be far. Let songs of praise ascend - ing Now
 child, to serve; Thus God, the judge of - fend - ed, Bears
 morn - ing bright, So run where God's sal - va - tion Glows
 hearts of peace, And sin in all its mad - ness A -
 night as day; Yet we re - sist the bright - ness And



greet the Morn - ing Star! All you whom dark - ness
 all our sins de - serve. The guilt - y need not
 in a sta - ble's light. As old as sin's per -
 round us may in - crease. But now one Star is
 turn from God a - way. But grace does not for -



fright - ens With guilt or grief or pain, God's ra - diant
 cow - er, For God has rec - on - ciled Through His re -
 ver - sion Is mer - cy's vast de - sign: God brings a
 beam - ing Whose rays have pierced the night: God comes for
 sake us, How - ev - er far we run. God claims us



Star now bright - ens And bids you sing a - gain.
 demp - tive pow - er All those who trust this child.
 new cre - a - tion—This child its seal and sign.
 our re - deem - ing From sin's op - pres - sive might.
 still as chil - dren Through Mar - y's in - fant Son.

Soli Deo Gloria



Those serving this week

Pastor: Rev. Dr. David Schultz

Organist: Joe Meador

Elders: 8a – Chris Edwards; 10:30a – Christian Green

Ushers: 8a –Mike Schuette, Jerry Metts, Bill Hall, Keith McDonald, Gary Strohmeier; 10:30a – Jeff Fletcher, Ty Short, Dan Niemeier, Daryl Piering

Acolytes: 8a – Hannah Laper, Mia Skinner; 10:30a – Mya Hunt, Kinsley Mouser

Communion Assistants: 8a/Fill – Chris & Jill Edwards; 8a/Wash & Fill – Mike & Diane Schuette; 10:30a/Wash – Mary Lou Oelzen & Becky Sparr

Offering Collectors: 8a – Anita Seehausen; 10:30a – Mel Arnold

Offering Counters: Laura Sammons, Vi Pinkerton

Video Recorder: Weston Meyer

Weekend Duty: Steve Foiles

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Divine Service, Setting Four from Lutheran Service Book

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Weekly News and Notes

Wednesday Evening Services

Wednesday, Dec. 7th, & 14th

Wednesday, Dec. 14th - 7p

Sunday School Children's Christmas Service

Advent Suppers

5:30-6:30p

Served by the Youth

Wednesday Night Worship

6:45-7:00p Hymn Sing

7:00p Worship

Voter's Meeting

Our Fall Voter's Meeting will take place today between services in the auditorium.

Christmas Party

Our congregational Christmas party is TODAY at 5pm. Families can participate in a craft for kids and a photo booth. Dinner will be served at 5:30pm. Christmas caroling, and Santa will take place following dinner. Invite a friend to join us!

Lutheran Child & Family Services Christmas Gifts

Christmas gifts are due today! Thank you for your generous support of the children in our community.

Youth Group – Dec. 11th

Highschool Youth & Confirmation students are invited to a youth night at the parsonage on Sunday December 11th at 5pm. We will watch a Christmas movie and eat Christmas treats.

Snacks Needed

Sunday School is in need of kid-friendly individually packaged snacks: pretzels, goldfish, breakfast packs, granola bars, etc. If you like, you may bring them to the Narthex or to the church office. Thanks!

Required Minimum Distribution

As the end of 2022 is quickly approaching, those age 70 ½ need to take a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your IRA. If you haven't done so this year, have you thought about make a gift to St. Paul? Contact your investment advisor to help you transfer your gift directly from the IRA to St. Paul. This will then be tax savings to the donor and great way to remember St. Paul.

Education Building Repair

Work continues on our Education Building! These repairs will help keep water out of our building and allow the Gospel to be proclaimed to our families for years to come. We encourage your family to prayerfully consider making a special gift to help pay for this project! Special envelopes are located in the narthex.

Attendance: Sunday, November 27th: 8:00a – 121; 10:30a – 106 ; Total – 227; Sunday School: Youth - 43 , Adults - 70, Total: 113.

Those Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays:

12/4 – Laverne Dorsey, Honor Meyer; 12/5 – Skyler Short, Nathaniel Streubel; 12/6 – Grace Blaine, Morgan Blaine; 12/7 – Peggy Searles; 12/8 – Carly Arnold, Elsie Hand, Ila Parnell, Alex Ruiz, Cole Strasen; 12/10 – Emily Burgess, Hannah Schultz.

Those Celebrating Birthdays:

12/4 – Darlene Claussen, Nathan Davis, Crystal Goble, Braden Henson, Pam Norman, Jayson Osborne; 12/5 – Sophia Bold, Joann Prusa, Isaac Wojcikiewicz; 12/6 – Donna Baker, Kevin Bense, Kenny Davis, Richie Hahnenkamp, Wyatt Robertson; 12/7 – Steve Enke, Bill Sewell, Christopher Tite; 12/9 – Brayden Hogle, Drew Slyford.

Those Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries:

12/8 – Kraig & Stephanie Hinson, Blake & Kayla Price.

Those Serving Wednesday, December 7th at 7p:

Elder: Ralph Hall

Ushers: David Gilleland, Christian Green, Beau Brandt, Bryce McGaughey

Acolytes: Volunteers

Video Recorder: Volunteer

Offering Collector: Kraig Hinson

Those Serving Next Week, Dec. 11th:

Elders: 8a – Don Halbe; 10:30a – Roger Mouser

Ushers: 8a –Brad Gwaltney, Mark Vallow, Bob Thompson, Joey Sexton, Adam Vallow; 10:30a – David Gilleland, Christian Green, Beau Brandt, Bryce McGaughey

Acolytes: 8a – Abraham Wojcikiewicz; 10:30a – Kaden Schleeper, Jordan Short

Communion Assistants: 8a/Fill – Don Halbe; 8a/Wash & Fill – Bob & Kelly Thompson; 10:30a/Wash – Gail Davis

Offering Collectors: 8a – David Hopp; 10:30a – Leslie Fincher

Offering Counters: Kim Gwaltney, Jill Guetersloh, Jennifer Guetersloh

Video Recorder: Chase Meyer

Weekend Duty: Harold Emde

Prayer List

In an effort for accurate information and the ability to know how best to prayer for individuals, all those listed on the prayer list will be removed after two weeks unless they or their family members call pastor or the church office with an update.

Members of St. Paul

Thomas Sexton – for MRI results

Sue Hinson – for strength and healing

Laura Sammons – recovering from surgery

Dionne Sewell – for strength and healing

John Prante – for strength and healing

Pat List – strength and healing

Wayne Poenitske – for strength and healing

Elaine Poenitske – for strength and healing

Marla Bickell – hospitalized

David Aper – for strength and healing

Nita Neunaber – hospice

Donna Straub – for strength and healing

Sharon Winsel – for strength and healing

Zak King – for strength and healing

Glenda Jones – kidney problems

Family and Friends of our Members

Clay Brueggeman (brother of Kris Worthy) – cancer and testing

Mark Brandt (father of Kevin Brandt) – for comfort and strength

Kevin Saul (husband of Liz) – cancer

Petie Hunter (friend of Leslie Fincher) – for strength and healing

Sally Davault (friend of Leslie Fincher) – for strength and healing

Bob Lienemann (friend of David Dixon) – for strength and healing

Bridget McGlasson (sister of Jane Aper) – cancer treatments

Lucinda Terry (mother of Melissa Dixon) – for strength and healing

Mark Robinson (nephew of Ralph Hall; cousin of Jennifer & Bill) – leukemia

Sherri Dixon-Rudd – for strength and healing
Michael Provaznik (father of Ashley, brother of Sandy Stamm) – throat cancer
Don & Marsha Cobb (friend of the Hinson family) – for strength and healing
Matt Sanamon (Son-in-law of Joe & Tammy Vetter) – for strength and healing
Randy Nolan (Friend of Jeff & Kelli Fletcher) – upcoming surgery
Bill Strasen (brother of Richard Strasen) – cancer treatments
Terry Dively (father of Kathy Hunt) – skin cancer
Gerry Pointer (friend of Vanessa Richards) – ovarian cancer
Sarah Davis (friend of Bob & Peggy Searles) – health concerns
Casey Mouser (nephew of Roger & Lona Mouser) – for strength and healing
Paul Ashlock (friend of Kathy Skinner) – cancer
Natalina Bonilla (cousin of Maria Gould) – cancer
Mary Kay Johnston (friend of Abbey Giles) – for strength and healing
Randy Nelson (friend of Kelli Fletcher) – brain cancer
Sarah Wilkinson (grandmother of Sara & Bill Hall) – congestive heart
Don Price (friend of Sonny & Sue Hinson) – cancer
Carey Keay (friend of Jeff & Kelli Fletcher) – aneurism
Laura Barber (sister of Ralph Hall) – cancer treatments
Don Klotz (father of Julie Strasen) – Parkinson’s Disease
Betty Skief (sister of John Gagliardo) – kidney failure
Dave West (friend of George & Karin Bednar) – cancer treatments
Nancy Hirschberg (sister of Barbara Dixon) – cancer treatments
Bonnie Whipps (cousin of Leslie Fincher) – COPD
Delores Bednar (sister-in-law of George & Karin Bednar) – cancer treatments
Rob Ross (friend of Keith & Judy Loemker) – paralysis after car accident
Jim Rogers (friend of Rich & Julie Strasen) – throat cancer
Tommy George (son of Jody Bender) – colon & lung cancer
Carole Roalef (aunt of Pam Norman) – cancer

For our homebound:

All who are homebound & this week we especially pray for ... Donna Straub, Mary Spano, and Bob Searles.

For Our Military, Country & World:

Serving in Our Military: Mallory Simmons, Megan Schuette, John Sarandis, and Michael Beatte (great-nephew of Vi Pinkerton) and all who serve in our military.

Calendar for This Week

December 4 – December 11, 2022

Today	8:00a	Divine Service
	9:30a	Voter's Meeting & Sunday School
	10:30a	Divine Service
	5:00p	Christmas Party
Tuesday	8:15a	Staff Devotions
	6:00p	N/A Meeting
Wednesday	8:00a	Devotions
	5:30p	Advent Dinner
	7:00p	Advent Service
Sunday	8:00a	Divine Service
	9:15a	Sunday School
	10:30a	Divine Service
	5:00p	Youth Group at the Parsonage





Poinsettias for Christmas

It has been traditional here at St. Paul for members to furnish Poinsettias for our use at the Christmas services. Deadline for ordering: **Sunday, Dec. 12th. Cost: \$9.50.** If you would like to bring your own poinsettia to the church, you may do so the week of the 17^h. Also, if you would like to have this in commemoration of a special event, please indicate so below. You may place this sheet in the offering basket or call the office at 259-0257.

Please order for me/How many?

_____ I will purchase my own and bring it to church

_____ My poinsettia is being given in thankfulness for (please use lines below).

_____ My poinsettia is being given in memory of (please list on lines below)

_____ Name

