

The Season of Lent



8:00am & 10:30am Service

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE

Setting One

THE PRELUDE

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: "Jesus, Refuge of the Weary" LSB 423

INVOCATION LSB 151

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.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

G But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

CONFESION & ABSOLUTION LSB 151

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

G Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

G Amen.

INTROIT

Ps. 51:2-6; antiphon: Ps. 51:1

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your | steadfast love,*
according to your abundant mercy blot out my trans- | gressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my in- | iquity,*
and cleanse me | from my sin!

For I know my trans- | gressions,*
and my sin is ever be- | fore me.

Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil | in your sight,*
so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your | judgment.

Behold, I was brought forth in in- | iquity,*
and in sin did my mother con- | ceive me.

Behold, you delight in truth in the inward | being,*
and you teach me wisdom in the | secret heart.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your | steadfast love;*
according to your abundant mercy blot out my trans- | gressions.

KYRIE

LSB 152

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

LSB 156

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Isaiah 12:1-6

¹You will say in that day: "I will give thanks to you, O LORD, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, that you might comfort me. ²"Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation." ³With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted. ⁵"Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. ⁶Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,*
the founder and perfecter | of our faith,
who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing the shame,*
and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

THE EPISTLE FOR THE DAY:

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ¹⁸All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

VERSE FOR LENT

LSB 157

C Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and abounding in steadfast love.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL:

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear [Jesus]. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." ³So he told them this parable:

¹¹And he said, "There was a man who had two sons. ¹²And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them. ¹³Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. ¹⁴And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. ¹⁶And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything. ¹⁷"But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! ¹⁸I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. ¹⁹I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.'" ²⁰And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. ²¹And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' ²²But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. ²³And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. ²⁴For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate. ²⁵"Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. ²⁷And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and

sound.' ²⁸But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, ²⁹but he answered his father, 'Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!' ³¹And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³²It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY: "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" LSB 427

THE SERMON "The old has passed away...the new has come."
Text: 2 Corinthians 5:17-18

NICENE CREED LSB 158

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH LSB 159

OFFERING LSB 159

OFFERTORY LSB 159

C What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

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.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

LSB 161

- C** **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LSB 161

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER *(spoken in unison)*

LSB 162

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C** **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LSB 162

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- P** In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

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.

DISTRIBUTION

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Amen.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins. **Amen.**

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.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN “Christ, the Life of All the Loving” LSB 420

DISTRIBUTION HYMN “Come, O Savior, to Thy Table” LSB 618

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: NUNC DIMITTIS LSB 165

C Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled.
My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry
people:
A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT LSB 166

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION LSB 166

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: “On My Heart Imprint Your Image” LSB 422

POSTLUDE

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WELCOME TO St. Paul's Lutheran Church: We are glad that you are here as we gather around the Word and Sacraments of our Lord Jesus Christ. If you have not already done so, we ask that you would sign the guest book at the entrance to the church. If you do not have a church home and are interested in the teachings of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, or if you are interested in becoming a member here at St. Paul's, please contact the church office.

The Sacrament of the Altar: In bread and wine of the Lord's Supper, our Lord Jesus comes to us in His true Body & Blood. In this Holy Meal, one receives full forgiveness and perfect unity with each other. Scripture requires that each communicant first examine himself/herself regarding confession of sin, trust in Jesus for salvation, belief in the Real Presence, and the desire to grow in grace. We believe that Communion is a time when believers of like mind come close to the Lord and to one another. We do practice 'close' Communion, which means that all communicants believe as we do, and graciously receive this gift. If you are supportive of these beliefs, we welcome you to the Lord's Supper. If, however, at this point you are unsure or question whether your beliefs differ from those of our church, we ask that you use the communion time to meditate and pray. For these reasons, it's best for our new (first time) guests/visitors to talk briefly before the service with the pastor or an elder. A cup with white grape juice is located in the center of the communion tray for those who are allergic to alcohol. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

Please note: The names listed below will remain on our public prayer list for two weeks unless the church office is notified otherwise. Thank you.

We pray for ... Verda Riekenberg, Joyce Oltman

School Prayer Families ... Joey & Kayla Schnuelle, Anthony & Lindsay Schoen, Penny Shaffer

Continuing Prayers ... Elaine Girl (sister of Jane Oletjen), Mel Girl (brother-in-law of Jane Oeltjen), Lawrence Kumm (father of Cliff Kumm), Lois Luebs and Ann Kelley

Please call 402-228-1540 by Thursday if you have a petition to be included in the prayers.

In His Service

Preacher: Rev. Charles Schmidt

Organist: Bev Duensing

8:00 am Service

Acolytes: Josiah Wallman, Samuel Wallman, Olivia Hatzenbuehler

Elders: Dave Oltmans, David Doering

Greeters: Vaughn & Tina Wright

Ushers: Larry Huls, Steve Norton, Larry Weishahn, Lyndon Wiegand

10:30 am Service

Acolytes: Connor Kelley, Dawson Loomis, Jordan Loomis

Elders: Gary Busboom, Ron Buss

Greeters: Wayne & Chris Schulz

Ushers: Terry Brethouwer, Dale Rickers, Dennis Wallman, Andrew Zimmerman

Today's radio broadcast and bulletin are sponsored by Friends of St. Paul's.

BUSY BAGS for your child to use and return are available in the Narthex of the church. If you need assistance, please ask an usher or greeter.

VISITATION PASTOR: Rev. Timothy Brisbois serves St. Paul's as our visitation pastor. Pastor Brisbois does not have church office hours. Anyone needing / wishing to visit personally with Pastor Brisbois or have him visit you, please contact the church office. Pastor Brisbois can also be reached at 402-806-1822 or by email at trbrisbois@gmail.com.

CHURCH SERVICES: We will be having church service in the school gym at 10:30 AM on April 7. This service will be in place of the 10:30am service at church. A shortened Sunday School and Adult Bible Class time will still be held on this Sunday in the church basement.

COFFEE CREW: Share your smile and great cooking by being part of the Coffee Crew! Evangelism is looking for people to serve coffee hour between services. Evangelism will provide the coffee and supplies; you provide the treats and a smile. If you have questions, please see a member of the board. There is a sign-up sheet next to the window in the basement. Thank you for your help!

CHURCH USAGE POLICY: All requests to use the church for a meeting or activity (i.e. – the fellowship hall for a baby shower or a meeting, etc.) must be approved by the church office. If you would like to reserve the church, contact the church office. If your request is approved, Kelly will confirm with you the date is available. If your request is not received by the church office prior to scheduling your event you may not be able to hold your event.

SCHOOL USAGE POLICY: All requests to use the school for a meeting or activity (i.e. – the lunch room for a baby shower or a meeting, etc.) must be approved by the trustees. If you would like to reserve the school, contact Ron Fehn, chairman of the trustees. If your request is approved, Ron will confirm with you the date is available. If your request is not received by the trustees prior to scheduling your event you may not be able to hold your event.

NORTH 77 DQ FUNDRAISER NIGHT: On Monday, April 8th, St. Paul’s will be hosting their next fundraiser night out at the North 77 Dairy Queen. From 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Dairy Queen will donate 15% of all proceeds to St. Paul’s PTL. Please mark your calendars now and plan to join us for this evening of fellowship with our church and school community!

DONATE YOUR CHANGE: Would you like to be able to support our school while doing shopping? Click on the link below to learn how change from your everyday purchases can make a huge impact for our school. www.stpaulbeatrice.donateyourchange.com Any questions contact the school or church office.

OFFERING CAMPAIGN: We are beginning a new special offering campaign, “*Back in the Black for our new Pastor*”. We will incur additional expenses when we are blessed with our new Pastor, including expenses for when he comes to visit, moving expenses, possible parsonage update, etc. You are encouraged to contribute to this special fund. You may put “Back in the Black” or “Special Offering” on the memo line. Thank You!!!

SUNMART RECEIPTS: SunMart cash register receipts update: our current total is \$34,747.09. Our goal is to collect receipts totaling \$150,000.00 and then we will receive another check for \$1,000.00. Our school also collects Box Tops and Best Choice UPCs so please remember to save those too and drop them off at the school or church office.

SECOND QUARTER VOTERS’ MEETING will be Sunday, April 14, 2019 at 1:30pm in the church basement.

SPRING MUSICALS: The grades 1-5 spring musical entitled Once Upon a Parable will be presented on Friday, April 12th at 7:00p.m. Students are enjoying their practices as they prepare for the performance! We hope all of you will be able to join us for the musical. The Pre-School, Pre-Kindergarten, and Kindergarten Program will be presented on Friday, April 26th at 7:00p.m. They are working hard to prepare and enjoyable evening for you.

THANK YOU: I would like to say thank you to all my family and friends for 90th birthday wishes and the many beautiful cards. Thank you again. God bless all. Leonard Wortman

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: After a great deal of research, discussion, consideration, and personal interviews, the Call Committee is recommending two specific candidates for voter consideration. As has been the case in the past all names submitted to the Call Committee are still open for consideration. There were five candidates on the Call Committee's short list, but three withdrew themselves from consideration for personal reasons. The Call Committee encourages all members to prayerfully consider the qualifications of these two Pastors and how they match our survey results and needs as we move toward our next call. The two candidates the Call Committee is setting forward are Rev. Robert Hoffman and Rev. Charles Kanefke. (Information is provided in alphabetical order by last name.) As in previous calls, the PIF's and SET's will be available in the church office and during Bible Class time. Since these are confidential information, they may not leave the church. The Call Committee is also providing additional information. Personal interviews were conducted with each Pastor. A pre-set list of questions was composed by the Call Committee. Then each candidate was asked the same questions, so it would be a "level playing field." At the end of the set list of questions the candidate was given the opportunity to ask questions and make comments. THESE INTERVIEWS WILL BE PLAYED DURING THE BIBLE CLASS TIME ON APRIL 14. There were technical difficulties with Pastor Kanefke's interview, so it will be audio only. However, we will have pictures of him available. Pastor Hoffman's interview will include both audio and video. If you would like to hear sermons from each of the Pastors, Pastor Hoffmans' may be heard at <http://www.trinityhuntley.org/sermons> and Pastor Kanefke's may be heard at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTrx8HTAhbYp4CyjiAgA0LQ>. Please plan to join us during Bible class time on April 14 to hear the two interviews. The **Call Meeting** is scheduled for April 28 at 1:30pm in the church basement.

PALM PROCESSIONAL: Attention parents and teachers! On Palm Sunday April 14 we will have a children's procession of palms at both services. As pastor makes the announcements at the beginning of service, please have your children bring their palms and meet their teachers in the narthex. We will process down the center isle as the first verse of the first hymn is sung and wait until the last verse of the first hymn and then go back out down the side isles and return to their parents. We need all school and Sunday school teachers help line them up and make sure they get to their parents. The acolytes will lead two rows of children and lead them out during the last verse.

Bake Sale



Palm Sunday, April 14th

Immediately following both services
on the St. Paul's Church lawn

Please consider donating your delicious
baked goods and Easter treats.

You can drop them off in the church narthex
Saturday, April 13th by 3:00pm.

Sponsored by your St. Paul's Evangelism Committee

Mother/Daughter Banquet

(sponsored by St. Paul's LWML)

Therefore, if anyone
is in Christ, he is a
new creation.

2 Corinthians 5:17



May 1, 2019
6:30-8:30pm

In the church basement



Theme: "New Life in Christ"
2 Corinthians 5:17

Bring: A friend and a salad to share.

Watch the bulletin for more updates!

Church Directory Sign-Up

CHEESE!



Coming Soon...Save the Date

Do you know the names of the people sitting around you?
Help us build a tool that will put names with faces.

Be a part of our new family directory – we need YOU to make it complete.
Photos will be taken by Lifetouch Photography
May 20-23, 2019.

Each Participating family receives a Free Family Directory &
complimentary 8x10 photograph.

Signing up is easy. Beginning March 31st go to the link on our website or Facebook
page to reserve your spot today.

Our member site URL: <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/ypk6rzcx/>.

Plus! Just for signing up you will receive a \$10 off coupon at your photography
session.

Plus! You will be included in the Mobile Directory for all families to use.

More information is on the fliers in the narthex or contact Kelly in the church office.

Church Photo
Directory



Relief Efforts

The **Nebraska District** would like to say thank you to all who have given funds to assist those affected by the flooding in communities across Nebraska. Congregations and individuals who would like to give via credit card through the Nebraska District website can visit <http://www.ndlcms.org/disaster-response/>. Checks can be mailed to: Nebraska District LCMS, PO Box 407, Seward, NE 68434 with a note indicating that it is for "Disaster Relief - NE Flooding." Donations can also be sent through Synod's online giving portal at <https://www.lcms.org/givenow/flood>.

All of the above links, including additional resources for disaster and recovery, can be found archived on our district website at <http://www.ndlcms.org/disaster-response/>. In the weeks to come, we will keep you updated with news on the recovery efforts through our Weekly Update newsletter. You can subscribe to it or access it on our website at <http://www.ndlcms.org/weekly-update/>.

Orphan Grain Train is accepting donations for the relief of families devastated by the flood waters in Nebraska. The devastation is widespread with numerous towns, farms and homes engulfed with water. For online donations click on [Donate to Nebraska Floods](#) or mail your donation to:

Orphan Grain Train
PO Box 1466
Norfolk, NE 68702

100% of your donation will go towards helping families affected by recent floods.

Mission Central is working with the Nebraska District Special Flood Relief Project! Mission Central will pass on 100% of any funds received to this restricted account at the Nebraska District for those impacted by flooding in Nebraska.

The Lord is still in charge of all that happens! He knows that our friends in Nebraska are suffering from the impact of the flooding and devastation caused by these events. All of us here at Mission Central are praying for the families and individuals with losses caused by the flooding in Nebraska. We would ask that you would also pray for these dear friends.

If you feel the Holy Spirit is "calling" you to help with this support project, just print it off and make the gift payable to the NEBRASKA DISTRICT and send it to our office here at Mission Central, 40718 Highway E-16, Mapleton, Iowa 51034. We will make certain that these funds will be deposited in this relief account. Updates on the relief effort may be found here: <http://www.ndlcms.org/disaster-response/>

Every Wednesday during Lent



4:30pm Lenten Service
 5:00pm Lenten Supper
Meals are served by various boards of the congregation
 7:00pm Lenten Service

*Come for dinner and enjoy fellowship
 with other congregation members!*

A small donation is appreciated (but not required) to benefit our various organizations and missions.



LILIES FOR EASTER SEASON 2019

During the 2019 Easter Season, we will again decorate our church with lilies. The price is \$16.00 per plant. If you would like to purchase a lily, please fill out the section below and return it to the church office or in the offering plate by Monday, April 1st with your money. The plants may be picked up following the second service on Sunday, April 21, 2019. Lilies may be designated in memory or in honor of a loved one or in thanksgiving for a special occasion, etc. If you would like to participate in this special display on behalf of yourself or your family, feel free to do so.

Given by _____

In Memory of _____

In Recognition of _____

In Thanksgiving for _____

I will order _____ lily(s) at \$16.00 each. Please make checks payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church.



EASTER BREAKFAST

The youth that will be attending the National Youth Gathering will be hosting treats and breakfast on Easter morning. There will be rolls and coffee available between the sunrise and early service. The traditional Easter breakfast of scrambled eggs, ham, rolls, and drinks will be served between the 8:00 and 10:30 services. Please come join us for tasty food and great fellowship!

Our Weekly Birthdays & Anniversaries!

Birthdays:

31	Isaian Duever	1	Colby Huls	5	Robert Ankersen
	Carolyn Junker	2	Alysia Brethouwer		Virginia Thomas
	Rose Pittman		Erik Weakland	6	Terri Brejcha
	Michael Reinke	3	John Hill		Sue Fisher
	Michael Springer		Amy Southwick		Chris Schulz
	Amy Whitfield	4	Shelbi Ankersen		

Anniversaries:

- 31 Steven & Phyllis Schmidt, 40 yrs.
- 3 Bryan & Renee McAllister, 31 yrs.
- 5 Martin & Marlene Seckel Jr., 56 yrs.

Gifts of Time and Treasure

Attendance & Contributions		
8:00 AM Service	88	\$1,900.00
10:30 AM Service at School	85	\$2,483.00
Monday Evening Service	8	\$1,575.00
4:30 PM Lenten Service	51	\$269.00
7:00 PM Lenten Service	28	\$457.00
Coins for Christ (Loose Coins)		Lutheran Family Services--\$34.26

The Lord's Week

- Today
 - 8:00 Divine Service
 - 9:15 Sunday School/Youth/Adult Bible Class
 - 10:30 Divine Service
- Monday
 - 7:00 Weekday Holy Communion Service
- Tuesday
 - 12:00 Ladies Quilting
 - 2:00 LWML Executive Board
 - 6:30 Elders, Trustees, Stewardship, Evangelism & Board of Christian Education Meetings
- Wednesday
 - 8:20 School Chapel
 - 2:30 Catechism Class
 - 4:30 Lenten Service
 - 5:00 Lenten Meal
 - 5:30 Choir Practice
 - 7:00 Lenten Service
- Thursday
 - 9:30 Ruth Circle
 - 12:00 Ladies Quilting
- Sunday
 - 8:00 Divine Service
 - 9:15 Sunday School/Youth/Adult Bible Class
 - 10:30 Service at the School

Church office hours are 9:00am-3:00pm, Monday thru Friday
The office may be closed on occasion, so please call ahead.

Pastor Stuckwisch will be in the church office on Tuesday mornings and Wednesday afternoons. Anyone needing / wishing to visit personally with Pastor Stuckwisch, please contact the church office. Pastor Stuckwisch can also be reached at 402-230-0698.