

# St. Paul's Lutheran Church Weekly Announcements

## Week of March 29—April 5, 2026

**Today:** **Palm Sunday/Worship** 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.  
 Disciple Training Hour 9:30 a.m.  
 Voters' Meeting 2:00 p.m.

**Wednesday:** School Chapel 9:00 a.m.  
 Lamplighters—Redeemer 9:30 a.m.  
 School Easter Party –Gym 10:00 a.m.  
 School Early Out –Spring Break 1:00 p.m.  
 Confirmation –Church Basement 5:15 p.m.

**Thursday:** No School  
 Bible Study— Church Office 9:00 a.m.  
 Women's League –Church Basement 1:00 p.m.  
**Maudy Thursday Service** 6:00 p.m.

**Friday:** No School  
**Good Friday Service** 12:15 p.m.

**Saturday:** No Services

**Sunday:** **Resurrection Sunday**  
 Easter Breakfast –Gym 8:00-11:00 a.m.  
 Worship/Communion 8:00—10:45 a.m.  
 Disciple Training Hour 9:30 a.m.

Reader Schedule	Sat. 6:00 p.m.	Sun. 8:00 a.m.	Sun. 10:45 a.m.
Mar. 29		Doug Lehr	Chaney Teut
Apr. 5		Doug Lehr	Ralph Schroeder

Acolyte Schedule	Sat. 6:00 p.m.	Sun. 8:00 a.m.	Sun. 10:45 a.m.
Mar. 29		NA	NA
Apr. 5		Maxwell Knowles	Abby & Haden

## Financial Report 2026

### Love Offering/We Care Ministry Report

Last Week	Received To Date	Amount Distributed	Balance
\$153	\$19,092.43	\$8,525.88	\$10,566.55

### Gola Bales Children's Ministry Fund as of March 24, 2026

Last Week	Received To Date	Amount Distributed	Balance
\$50	\$10,197.46	\$4,200.00	\$5,997.46

Church Weekly Offerings Report			Church Yearly Budget \$382,329.00		
Received (03/22/2026)	Weekly Budget	%	Up-To-Date Received	Up-To-Date Budget	%
\$6,593.25	\$7,483.00	88%	<b>\$88,900.74</b>	\$89,796.00	99%

## **FAMILY MATTERS**

**Last Week's Attendance:** Mar: 18 & 22: 191

**Pray for Each Other** We ask your prayers on behalf of our friends in Christ who have been hospitalized and sick: Kenny Sherman, Richard E. Dodds, Philip Hageman, Alan Seymour, Connie Spahn, Janice Hinrichsen, Carolyn Stuhr, Ron & Karen Sherrill, Bernie Attema, Pat Berger-Conlon, Deb Wolfe, Judy Seaman, Vickie Johnson, and Kim and Sharon Sparr. We also pray for the Seibold family as Mary's mother passed away last week.

**Welcome Cards/Attendance Cards:** Can now be found in the pew holders next to the communion cards. Please fill out the brown cards and place them in the offering baskets.

**Voters' Meeting:** is today, **Sunday, Mar. 29** at 2:00 p.m. Make plans to attend!

**Holy Week Schedule Changes:** There has been a change to the Maundy Thursday and Good Friday Services. On **Maundy Thursday, Apr. 2** there will be only one service at 6:00 p.m. and on **Good Friday, Apr. 3** there will only be one service at 12:15 p.m. here at St. Paul's. The schedule will remain the same for over at Calvary.

**Lutheran Hour Ministry Lenten Devotionals:** Lenten Devotions are now available to download and print for personal use or to give to others. Beginning Ash Wednesday, you can receive the devotions via email or read or listen to them online. **You can find them at [www.LHM.org](http://www.LHM.org)**

**Special Lenten Devotions created by Pastor Travis:** This year our Lenten devotional will go along with our services. The Theme is "**Home as the Front Door of the Church**". Make sure you pick one up and follow along with the daily challenges and devotions.

**March is Lamplighter Sponsor Month:**

During the month of march our outreach will be for the Lamplighters Ministry. The Lamplighters are a group of volunteers who visit the people in the area nursing homes and bring them the good news of Christ. **They meet monthly on the first Wednesday of the month at 9:30 a.m.** Next month they are meeting Redeemer

Lutheran on **April 1**. Please consider giving of your time, talent or finances to help this very important ministry. If you have any questions contact Charlotte Grothaus or Connie Elliott. Please make your checks out to Lamplighters Lutheran Service Auxiliary and place them in the offering baskets as it passes by.

**Easter Morning Breakfast:** Easter Breakfast served **Sunday, April 5** from 8 to 11 am. in the School Gym. Join us for a delightful Easter Breakfast prepared by St. Paul's Youth Group. The breakfast is offered as a Free Will Donation and includes a variety of delicious items such as Fruit, Egg Bake, French Toast Bake, Cinnamon Rolls & Caramel Pecan Rolls.

**Youth sign up for Easter Breakfast:**

**Saturday, April 4** - Easter Breakfast Set Up at 9:30am in school gym

**Sunday, April 5** - Easter Breakfast, served from 8 am to 11 am.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094DADAA2BA1FAC43-63082087-stpauls>

**St. Paul's Summer Camp:** St. Paul's School is having Summer Camp again this year. Camp will be held here at St. Paul's for 9 weeks during the summer, June 8 to August 7. The cost is \$180 per week with a 10% discount (\$162 per week) for each additional child in the same family for families signing up for at least 6 weeks. The cost is \$190 per week for families signing up for less than 6 weeks. This covers all fees for activities, art projects, fieldtrips and lunch. Child care assistance HHS is also accepted. All payments must be cleared the week prior to camp for your child to attend. Each week will center around a different theme and activities will correspond to each theme. Mrs. Trobaugh and Mrs. Graves will be the teachers for the summer. For questions, call Pam Whightsil at 712-258-6325.

**MARDI GRAS -Youth Fundraiser Dinner** will be **Saturday, April 18** at the St. Paul's School Gym.. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., Dinner begins around 7:00 p.m., Silent Auction ends at 7:30 and 8:30 p.m. and the famous Dessert Auction begins around 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$35 per ticket or \$180 for a table of 6. Tickets can be

purchased in the church office or after services. Limited tickets are available. Wear your Mardi Gras attire to have your name entered for a prize!

**Confirmation Classes:** each **Wednesday**, at 5:15 p.m. in the church basement. Please ensure that your child arrives on time and is prepared for each session. If they are not able to come please contact the church office at 712-252-0338 or siouxcitystpauls@gmail.com.

**Confirmation Questioning:** The confirmands will have their questioning night on **Wednesday, April 22** during confirmation.

**Confirmation Sunday:** will be **Sunday, April 26** at the 10:45 a.m. service. Please mark your calendars and plan to come support these young teens as they make their profession of faith and choose to follow God.

**Adult Confirmation Classes:** Pastor Travis is offering an ongoing adult confirmation classes **every Saturday** at 9:00 a.m. at Calvary Lutheran and **Wednesdays** at 8:30 a.m. at St. Paul's. You can join anytime if you are interested in becoming a member or being confirmed. For more information you can talk to Pastor Travis. 712-202-8516

### **Winter Church Schedule:**

- **Traditional Services:** 1st & 3rd Saturdays: at 6:00 p.m. with communion  
Every Sunday at 8:00 a.m. with communion on the 1st & 3rd Sundays
- **Contemporary Service** at 10:45 a.m. on Every Sunday with communion on 1st & 3rd Sundays
- **Sunday Bible Study and Sunday School** will be at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday in the church basement.

**Pastor Office Hours:** Pastor James Travis office hours Wednesday mornings (8:00 a.m.—noon). For an emergency he can be reached at 712-202-8516.

### **Area Neighbor/Churches News**

**Easter Car Hop:** There will be a Easter Car Hop at Redeemer on **Sunday, March 29** from 2-4 p.m. It is similar to a Trunk or Treat.

**Ladies Night Out: Monday, March 30** at 6:30 p.m. at Redeemer Lutheran. Fresh floral arranging class. Get details, registration and prepayment info contact the Redeemer office.

**Holy Cross Easter Egg Hunt: Saturday, April 4** at Holy Cross in the Dunes beginning at 10:30 a.m. Free family fun event!

**Easter Vigil** is **Saturday, April 4** at 8 PM at Faith Lutheran Church Orange City our sister congregation to the North! 710 8th St SE, Orange City, IA 51041. The Easter Vigil is a interesting ancient service that looks at many Old Testament passages that prophesy Jesus' resurrection.

### **LWML Sioux City Zone Spring Rally 2026**

**Saturday April 11** at Calvary (4400 Central Street – Sioux City, IA). Registration 9:00-9:30 am (Sweet Breads and Coffee) Theme “The Kingdom of God Belongs to These” Mark 10: 13-16. Speaker – McKenzie Matasovsky from www.herhealth.org. Lunch provided (taco bar) after the program. In gathering-consider donating Baby items or gift cards to Target or Walmart.

### **Save The Dates LWML Events**

- **Saturday, April 11** at 9:00 a.m. Sioux City Zone Spring Rally at Calvary
- **June 11-13** the 41st Iowa District West Biennial District LWML Convention
- **Saturday, October 3** Sioux City Zone Fall Festival at Faith Lutheran

**\*\*All women are invited to be involved in LWML!** One place to join is the quilters group. They are looking for more people to help them make quilts. Please feel free to join them. No experience needed. They meet on the 2nd & 4th Mondays at 9:00 a.m. to noon in the church basement. Come for the fun and fellowship and help make quilts for the Orphan Grain Train and Camp Okoboji annual quilt auction. **Please join us and help spread the love of God.**

**Voices Unite:** The 10th annual Voices Unite vocal festival will be on **Saturday, April 11** at Bishop Heelan High School. 9:00 a.m. —4:00 p.m. is the free vocal festival. 4:30 p.m. Free Public Concert. Visit [www.voicesunite.org](http://www.voicesunite.org) to register or more details.

**CAMP OKOBOJI ANNUAL MEETING and Summer Help.** The Annual meeting is **Saturday, April 11.** Please encourage youth (at least 16 years of age) and college students to consider serving with us. Those interested in serving at Camp Okoboji, or any LCMS camp in 2026 should complete a NLOMA profile. That is the first step in being considered for a summer position. Visit NLOMA.org for the profile link.

**Her Health Women's Center Annual Fundraising Dinner:** Sign up in the back of the church to join us **Tuesday, April 14** for the annual Her Health dinner. It will be from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the South Sioux City Marriott Center.

**YouthLead Retreat:** The LCMS Youth Ministry Office in partnership with IDW Youth Services committee is hosting a YouthLead Workshop at Hidden Acres in Dayton, Iowa **April 24- April 26.** This event is not for entire youth groups, but for students who have shown leadership and want to grow in their leadership skills. Cost \$130. Space is limited.

**High School Senior Scholarship Opportunity:** Visit [lcef.org/scholarship](http://lcef.org/scholarship). Recipients could be awarded up to \$3,000. Apply by **Friday, May 1.**

**Redeemer Lutheran Youth Missions Trip:** An EF3 tornado ripped through Sulphur, OK the hometown of DCE Jonathon Bailey of Redeemer, Sioux City last April. Redeemer Lutheran will be taking a group on a mission trip, in June and needs to raise \$18,000 to cover travel expenses and materials. You can support this project by sending donations by **May 31st to the district office – c/o Julie Mann memo "OK Mission Trip"**.

**ISSUES, ETC.** is a podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL, and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's programming for Holy Week includes: Judas; the Lord's Supper & Closed Communion; The Holy Week Hymns "The Royal Banners Forward Go," "Sing My Tongue the Glorious Battle," "O Sacred Head Now Wounded" and more. You can listen at your

convenience at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org). or on the app.

**The LUTHERAN PUBLIC RADIO/ISSUES, ETC.** app offers a unique listening experience for listeners who appreciate both music and religious content. It streams SACRED MUSIC FOR THE WORLD, 24/7. following the course of the Church Year, allowing listeners to engage with music that is spiritually uplifting and relevant to their faith. The app is designed for the thinking Christian, providing a platform to listen to talk radio and discuss various topics or enjoy music. The app is available on multiple platforms, including the App Store and Google Play, as well as on Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn or other podcast providers.

### **School Fundraising**

**Hy-Vee Receipts Program: Wednesday, April 1** is the last day to turn in Hy-vee Receipts for this school year! Make sure to get them to the office!

**St. Paul's Apparel Shop Now Open!** You can now order your St. Paul's school apparel online at [www.rtithreads.com](http://www.rtithreads.com). Search under schools and select St. Paul's. There are t-shirts, polo shirts, sweaters, sweatshirts and more!

**RaiseRight Gift Cards:** Stop in the office and pick up gift cards or place an order on [www.raiseright.com](http://www.raiseright.com). With the app, you can download and pay directly at the stores. To set up your account contact the office.

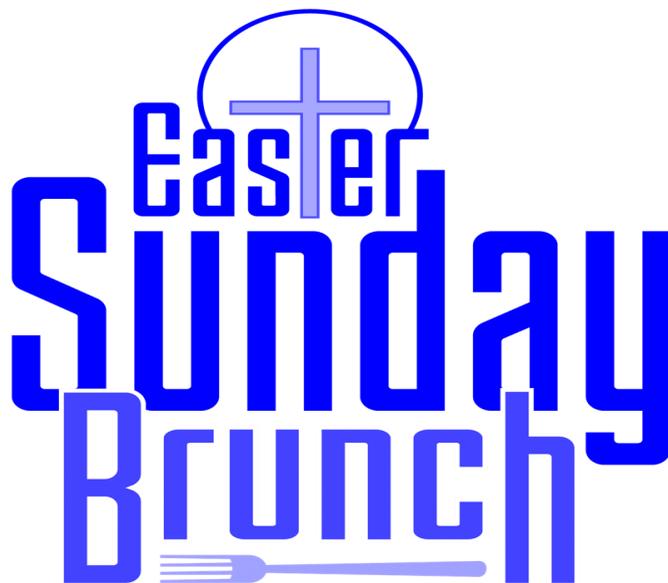
**Thrivent Members:** With the **March 31, 2026** deadline approaching, now is a great time to remind you to direct any remaining 2025 Choice Dollars® before they expire. go to [www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice) or call 800-THRIVENT (800-847-4836) before **March 31.** You have more choice dollars to direct after each quarter. ( March 31, June 30, Sept. 30 and Dec. 31).

**\$250 Community Impact Gift Cards** are also available (two per member per year). If you are willing and able please contact Pam at the school or just apply at [www.Thrivent.com](http://www.Thrivent.com).

**Casey's App:** Pick up a gift card in the office or on [raiseright](http://raiseright) for Casey's, go purchase gas

or other items, enter your Casey's rewards number and earn points. Cash in your rewards on their app for St. Paul's. Help St. Paul's make the most of this program and learn more at [www.caseys.com](http://www.caseys.com).

**Scan your BOX TOPS:** after shopping, just scan your receipts on the Box Tops App and earn more money for the school. It is easy to participate. Download the Box Tops app, shop as you normally would, then use the app to scan your store receipt **within 14 days** of purchase. The app will identify Box Tops products on your receipt and automatically credit your school's earnings online.



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Fruit, Egg Bake, French Toast Bake, Cinnamon Rolls & Caramel Pecan Rolls.



## 2026 Holy Week Schedule (\*\* Denotes a Change)

**St. Paul's Services      Calvary Services**

<b>Mar 29</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b> —"Is Jesus a Gimmick for Your House?"	8:00 AM Worship 10:45 AM Palm Procession	8:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM Palm Procession
<b>Apr 1</b>	<b>Holy Wednesday</b> —"Confession and Absolution in the Home – Jews for Jesus"	—No Services	5:00 PM Pizza 5:30–7:00 PM Seder Meal 7:00 PM Worship
<b>Apr 2</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> —"The Church's Meal; The Home's Action – Wash Feet"	<b>**6:00 p.m. only Worship Service</b>	Noon Worship w/ Communion 7:00 PM Worship w/ Communion
<b>Apr 3</b>	<b>Good Friday</b> —"The Cross to the Church & Home"	<b>**12:15 p.m. only Worship Service</b>	7:00 PM Worship
<b>Apr 5</b>	<b>Easter Sunday</b> —"The Home as the Front Door of the Church"	8:00 –11:00 AM Easter Brunch (Youth) 8:00 AM Traditional Worship 10:45 AM Contemporary	8:00 AM Easter Worship 10:30 AM Worship

### **Regular Scheduled Meetings**

**Sunday Disciple Training Hour**-Sunday Bible Study will be at 9:30 a.m. in the church basement taught by Frank Tenuta.

**Sunday School**: will be at 9:30 a.m. in the basement classrooms.

**Lamplighters**: Meets the first Wednesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. on **Apr. 1** at Redeemer Lutheran Church.

**St. Paul's Women's League Meeting**: will be **Thursday, Apr. 2** at 1:00 p.m. in the church basement.

**Finance Committee Meeting**: The next meeting will be **Monday, April 6** at 7:00 p.m.

**Elders Meeting**: will be **Tuesday, Apr. 7** at 7:00 p.m. in the church office conference

**Youth Board meeting** on **Wednesday, Apr. 8** at 5:30 p.m. in the church conference room.

**Anna Circle/Sewing Group** meet twice a month on the second and fourth Mondays on **Apr. 13 & 27** in the church basement.

**Evangelism Committee Meeting**: Will meet at 4:30 p.m. on the **second and fourth Tuesdays on Apr. 14 & 28** in Church office conference room.

**Board of Education**: will be **Tuesday Apr. 14** at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Office Conference Rm.

**Mary Martha Circle**: will meet **Monday, Apr. 20** at 6:00 p.m. at Perkins Eastside.

**Friends of Christ**: will meet **Sunday, Apr. 26** at 2 pm at the Betty Strong Event Center followed with dinner at the downtown Perkins with a meeting at 4pm.

**Thursday Morning Bible Study**: Each **Thursday at 9:00 a.m.** in the office conference room.

# MARDI GRAS

## Youth Fundraiser

An evening of festive fun, fabulous  
food, and joyful fellowship!

Grab your beads, masks, and Mardi Gras spirit –  
let's celebrate together!

**\$35/Ticket or \$180/Table (6 tickets)\***

Tickets can be purchased at the church office, after church  
services, or call **252-0338**.

\*Limited tickets available.

*St. Paul's Youth - Annual Fundraiser*

**April 18, 2026**

St. Paul's School Gym – 612 Jennings Street

- ✦ Doors Open at 6pm
- ✦ Silent Auction Ends – 7:30pm & 8:30pm
- ✦ Dessert Auction begins around 8pm

## Sixth window on the North wall



**Baptismal Font:** The Sacrament of Holy Baptism joins God's Word and simple water to grant forgiveness, life, and salvation to all who believe.

**The Ten Commandments:** The tablets represent the Law written by God and given to Moses. They remind us that we are all guilty but Christ has fulfilled the Law perfectly, thus securing our salvation through His death and resurrection.

