

St. Paul's Lutheran Church Weekly Announcements

Week of June 21—28, 2026

Today:	Worship/Communion	10:45 a.m.
	Disciple Training Hour	9:30 a.m.
Monday	Sewing Club	9:00 a.m.
Thursday:	Bible Study— Church Office	9:00 a.m.
Saturday:	Adult Confirmation—Calvary	11:00 a.m.
	Traditional Service	6:00 p.m.
Sunday:	Worship	10:45 a.m.
	Disciple Training Hour	9:30 a.m.

Reader Schedule	Sat. 6:00 p.m.	Sun. 10:45 a.m.
June 20-21	Connie Brown	Frank Tenuta
June 27-28	Marlis Hilden	Chaney Teut

Financial Report 2026

Love Offering/We Care Ministry Report

Last Week	Received To Date	Amount Distributed	Balance
\$0	\$20,511.43	\$9,525.88	\$10,985.55

Church Weekly Offerings Report			Church Yearly Budget \$389,072.00		
Received (06/14/2026)	Weekly Budget	%	Up-To-Date Received	Up-To-Date Budget	%
\$5,149.25	\$7,483.00	69%	\$154,658.54	\$179,592.00	86%

FAMILY MATTERS

Last Week's Attendance: June 13-14: 89

Pray for Each Other We ask your prayers on behalf of our friends in Christ who have been hospitalized and sick: Dennis Harwood, Barb Samson, Mabel Huldeen, Linda Arndt, Kenny Sherman, Coleen Reich, 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.

Welcome to our new members: Welcome to the Family! St. Paul's joyfully welcomes our

newest members who received the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. Those who were baptize during the Saturday service: **Noah Tymkowicz, Brenden Buracker and Elle Adams** and those who were confirmed during the Sunday service: **Tyson Nawanna, Elizabeth Lozano and Nathalia Young**. We are blessed to grow together in faith, love, and service to Christ. Please join us in praying for them as they begin this beautiful new chapter of their spiritual journey. Be sure to introduce yourself and offer a warm greeting when you see them.

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

Last Call for Pew Cushions: If you are interested in having some of the old church pew cushions, this is your last chance to get them. Talk to Bob Greene, Doug Lehr or stop in the office by **Wednesday, June 24.**

Summer Devotions: Pick up a Summer Devotions Packet in the back of the church. These 40 devotions each include a Scripture passage, a meditation, a prayer and a hymn, and are focused on bringing God's comfort and peace to those who are struggling after a disaster or other crisis.

Portals of Prayers: are available in the back of the church.

***** Summer Office Hours Begin:** The church office will be open M—F 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

****Summer Church Schedule:** through August 31.

- **Traditional Services:** Every Saturday at 6:00 p.m. with communion on the 1st & 3rd
- **Blended Service** at 10:45 a.m. on Every Sunday with communion on 1st & 3rd Sundays. (services will be a combined Traditional/Contemporary)
- **Sunday Bible Study** 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.

Visioning Meeting: There will be a visioning meeting on **Saturday, June 27** from 9:30 a.m. to Noon in the church basement to begin to come up with a vision and goals to unite the church and school. Rev. Dr. Keith Hanney will be here to assist and guide us during this meeting. At least one board or committee member from each board and committee is requested to be in attendance. More than one can come; Chairmen please let Pastor Travis know who will be attending. If you are not on a board or committee and you are interested in helping create a vision for the church and

school, please contact Pastor Travis at 712-202-8516. Please be praying that we will come up with concrete actions and goals for a vision for both the church and school.

Summer VBS Opportunities

- **July 9-12** Faith Lutheran Th-Fri 5:00 –7:30 p.m. and Sat 9:30 a.m.—Noon “Creation Genesis 1:1”
- **July 13 –16** Calvary Lutheran 6:00—8:00 p.m. “Camp Chaos”
- **July 19-23** Redeemer Lutheran 5:30 –8:30 p.m. “The Emerald Crossing”
- **July 20-23** Shepherd of Peace 5:30 –8:00 p.m. “Light It Up”
- **July 21** Calvary Lutheran “Woodworking Day Camp” 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
- **Aug. 11** Calvary Lutheran “Cooking Day Camp” 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Steaks Sale: The annual steak sale has begun. We have NY Strip Thick-cut steaks **2 for \$25.** Each steak is 12 oz and 3/4” thick and individually wrapped. (Previous steaks were 8-10 oz and 1/2” thick). See Donna Olson, Pam Whightsil or stop in the office to get your steaks. We also need Thrivent Action Cards to purchase steaks to sell. If you have not used your two \$250 cards, please contact Pastor Zirpel at Redeemer at (712) 276-1125.

Service PowerPoint and Live Stream

Operator needed: We are looking for a few more people to help out during both Sunday & Saturday services running the PowerPoint and livestreaming. If you are interested, please contact Dana at the office.

Friends of Christ: Join us for an Explorer's Baseball game on **Sunday June 28** at 4 p.m. with Culver's following the game. Tickets are \$11 and contact Joyce Santi to RSVP and to purchase tickets.

Now Enrolling at St. Paul's: We are now taking applications for the 2026-27 school year. Tuition for K-5th grade is \$8,500 and for Preschool at \$5,500. All families are eligible and can submit an online application for ESAs until **June 30.** The ESA amount will be \$8,148 to be used for tuition, fees, and other eligible qualified education expenses. You can apply at

www. iowa-households.withodyssey.com/login/

Mission Central Trip: Those wanting to carpool to Mission Central **Saturday, July 11** to meet Rev. Shauen and Krista Trump. We formerly supported the Trumps through the missions here at St. Paul's. Please sign up in the back of the church and we will meet at St. Paul's and car pool down.

LWML Sioux City Zone Meeting: Please join us for devotion, fellowship, fun and service on **Tuesday, July 14** at 6:00 p.m. at Oscar Carl.

Summer Potluck: You and your family are invited to come to a summer potluck on **Saturday, July 25** following the 6:00 p.m. service in the school gym. Bring your favorite summer dish, side, or dessert to share. It is the perfect chance to relax, eat some great food, and catch up with everyone. Please RSVP and sign up in the back of the church.

Woodbury County Fair Food Fundraiser: Each summer we volunteer at the Woodbury County Fair **August 5th—9th** to raise money for St. Paul's school. We invite each family to participate. Here are the ways you can make a difference.

- **Donate Pie Fillings**—All flavors of pie fillings are needed to make the pies for the bake sale and the dinner. Walmart GreatValue and Aldi's brands are the best. Please bring to the school office **now to July 31**.
- **Make Pies or donate money.** Types of pies needed are Cherry, Apple, Peach, Pecan or donate \$20 per pie. If you would like to make a pie, there are pie tins and boxes in the church office.
- **Come to Event**—Come out to the Woodbury County Fair **August 5th—9th** and eat at the Redeemer Lutheran Food Co-op in the Bleil Building.
- **Volunteer to serve** at the Food Co-op on **Sunday, August 9**. Several shifts are needed to help serve food and clean tables. **2 shifts of 9 people each are needed.** 1st shift 9:30 a.m. –2:30 p.m. 2nd shift is 2:30—7:30 p.m. Sign up in the back

***For more information on how your family can

participate, contact the school at 712-258-6325.

Adult Confirmation Classes: Pastor Travis is offering an ongoing adult confirmation classes **every Saturday** at 11:00 a.m. at Calvary Lutheran. For more information you can talk to Pastor Travis. 712-202-8516.

Thrivent Members: Thrivent Members More members now have access to Choice Dollars®. **All Thrivent clients with membership** now have access to Choice Dollars—making it easier than ever to support organizations like ours. To see if you have Choice Dollars available log in or register at thrivent.com/thriventchoice or call 800-THRIVENT (800-847-4836). **\$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.

St. Paul's Apparel Shop Now Open! You can now order your St. Paul's school apparel online at 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. With the app, you can download and pay directly at the stores. To set up your account contact the office.

Scan your BOX TOPS: Scan your BOX TOPS: after shopping, just scan your receipts on the Box Tops App and earn more money for the school. 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.

Casey's App: Pick up a gift card in the office for Casey's, go purchase gas and 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/schools.

2026 Golf Outing: Save the date! Sunday, August 16. Get your team registered! Sponsor a Hole, Donate pie filling and get your tickets! It is time for our Annual Golf Outing and Steak Dinner! We need everyone to make this year a success! You can sign up your team of 4, sponsor a hole, donate silent auction items and drop off pie fillings at the church office.

- **Tee time is 1:00 p.m.** at Sun Valley Golf Course. Golf Cost \$90/ person & includes 18 holes, cart, prizes and steak dinner.
- **Steak Dinner** cost \$20/Adults & \$10/ Children under 12. Dinner begins at 4:30 p.m. at the St. Paul's Gym.
- **Hole Sponsorships** wanted: Gold—\$1,000, Silver—\$500, Bronze—\$200 and General Hole—\$100
- Donate silent auction items, gift card or baskets
- **All flavors of Pie Filling needed.** Walmart GreatValue and Aldi's brands are the best.



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.

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

Anna Circle/Sewing Group meet twice a month on the second and fourth Mondays on June 8 & 22 in the church basement.

Friends of Christ: Join us for an Explorer's Baseball game on **Sunday June 28** at 4 p.m. with Culver's following the game. For tickets contact Joyce Santi.

Lamplighters: Meets the first Wednesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. on **July 1** at Hope

Lutheran Church.

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

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

Women's League Zone Meeting: will be **Tuesday, July 14** at 6:00 p.m. at Oscar Carl. (1473 Buchanan Ave.)

Evangelism Committee Meeting: Will meet at 4:30 p.m. on the **first and third Tuesdays on July 7 & 21** in Church office conference room.

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

Board of Education: will be **Tuesday Aug. 18** at 7:00 p.m. in the Office Conference Rm.

St. Paul's Lutheran talks of new school, church as old building comes down

By Julie Weeder
Journal staff writer



St. Paul's Lutheran School said good-bye to part of its aging school Tuesday as a wrecker swung its giant claw into the 1916 addition of the brick school.

It was a bittersweet moment, principal Lonnie Stuhr said, as he watched the wrecker tear away parts of the old building. But the good news is that the demise of the old building has sparked talks and plans of building a new church and school.

"We're hoping to build a new school out by the Southern Hills Country Club Golf Course," Stuhr said. "It's still three or four years down the road. We're still trying to work things out here."

The current school, at 614 Jennings St., is made up of three additions: one built in 1916, one in the 1950s and one in 1976. It houses about 128 students in preschool through sixth-grade. In February, the church board voted to close the oldest portion because of deteriorating conditions.

"Water was getting into the

Bystanders watch as the older section of St. Paul's Lutheran School is demolished Tuesday morning. The section of the Sioux City

school was previously declared structurally unsafe. (Staff photo by Tim Hynds)

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Pastor Kostizen, foreground, June 6, 2001, Sioux City Journal

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Part of the cement name slab from the top front of the building.

walls. The wood beams were weakening and deteriorating," Stuhr said. "We didn't want to take any chances."

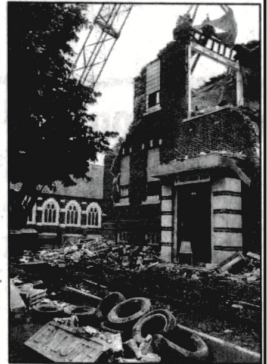
Congregation and faculty members spent a day moving desks, computers and supplies out of the old school building into the neighboring parish hall and gymnasium. Three classrooms were built in the parish hall; the lunchroom was converted into another classroom; and the stage in the gymnasium was turned into a media room and library.

"The kids have kind of liked it," Stuhr said. "It's been kind of an adventure for them."

After school dismissed in May, an auction was held to sell equipment from the old building. The wrecker came Tuesday, carefully tearing away the building from the other two additions. A new wall will be built on the west side, where the old school was torn away.

The total cost of the demolition and wall rebuilding will be about \$75,000 to \$85,000, Stuhr said. School will resume there this fall.

"The old building served its purpose," Stuhr said. "This was really a blessing in disguise. Now we can look forward to building a new one."



Demolition equipment takes a bite out of the old section of St. Paul's Lutheran School Tuesday. (Staff photo by Tim Hynds)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church Historical Notes

GERMAN LUTHERAN PICNIC.

St. Paul's Church Has Its Annual Recreation Party.

In spite of the threatening weather a large number of the friends and members of the St. Paul's German Lutheran church and Sunday school enjoyed the annual parochial school picnic at Schulein's park, near Greenville, yesterday. The picnic began at 10:30 o'clock in the morning, but on account of the dark clouds many feared it might rain and did not go out until later. A basket dinner was spread out on the grassy sward at noon and old and young shared in the pleasure of the out of door repast. Many more went out to the park in the afternoon and enjoyed the programme prepared.

Yesterday being the 375th anniversary of the presentation of the Augsburg confession, a day dear to all Lutherans, the pastor of the church, Rev. Theophile Stephan, preached with especial reference to this anniversary. He referred to the great blessings accruing from this divine work and exhorted the youth of the church to abide with a church having such a glorious history.

After the sermon the amusement programme was carried out under the able direction of Prof. Voigt. The children entered into the games and exercises in calisthenics with zest and skill and prizes were awarded the winners. Prof. Voigt was assisted in the management of the contests by Prof. Frender.

The afternoon was spent happily by all and it was only when the shadows of evening began to fall that they wearily left for home.

June 26, 1905
Sioux City Journal

FRIENDS OF ENGLISH WIN.

Local German Lutherans Favor an Innovation.

The evening sermons from the pulpit of St. Paul's German Lutheran church, 615 Jackson street, after September 1 will be preached in the English language.

Heretofore English sermons in St. Paul's church have been rarities, indulged in only on very special occasions, and the reform was not brought about without a contest on the part of the older members of the church.

Rev. T. Stephan, the energetic and up to date pastor, proposed the innovation and offered in its favor arguments which convinced the majority of the congregation, and the minority has bowed to its will.

In a great measure it was a case of the older members of the congregation being lined up against the younger members. From time immemorial the German language has held the almost exclusive favor of the church and it was felt by some of the more orthodox members that the admission of the English language into the church service was a compromise with new religious ideas.

During the summer months no evening services are held, but they will be resumed the first Sunday in September.

The question of the English language in the church is one of the most important matters for consideration of the international delegates' meeting of the Missouri Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church

June 30, 1905
Sioux City Journal

St. Paul's Pastor Holstein reported in March, 1956, that the District had asked for help to start a new mission on the northwest area of Sioux City near the proposed Sunset Plaza Shopping Center (now Marketplace). Walter Ducommun of St. Paul's, J. H. Berkett of Redeemer and Dr. A. W. Horst of Concordia were the committee to find a suitable location and secure the option for it. The first service was held three years later on February 1, 1959, at Lincoln Grade School. On June 28, 1959, Faith Lutheran Church was chartered with 89 adult members. Services continued at the school until the first church building was completed in 1960. That building was designated as an educational unit, but used as a worship area until 1965 when a church proper was added to the east wing of the building. On April 4, 1965, groundbreaking for the new structure was held. The church was dedicated September 19, 1965.