

St. Paul's Lutheran Church Weekly Announcements

Week of August 23—30, 2026

Today:	Worship/Teacher Installation/School Dedication	10:45 a.m.
	Disciple Training Hour	9:30 a.m.
Monday:	First Day of School	8:30 a.m.
	Opening Chapel Service	9:00 p.m.
	Sewing Club	9:00 a.m.
Thursday:	Bible Study— Church Office	9:00 a.m.
Saturday:	Adult Confirmation—Calvary	11:00 a.m.
	Traditional Worship	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.
Aug. 22-23	Bob Greene	Brandi Beller
Aug. 29-30	Bob Greene	Chaney Teut

Financial Report 2026

Love Offering/We Care Ministry Report

Last Week	Received To Date	Amount Distributed	Balance
\$0	\$20,526.43	\$9,958.88	\$10,567.55

Church Weekly Offerings Report			Church Yearly Budget \$389,072.00		
Received (08/16/2026)	Weekly Budget	%	Up-To-Date Received	Up-To-Date Budget	%
\$5,068.32	\$7,483.00	68%	\$204,378.84	\$246,939.00	83%

FAMILY MATTERS

Last Week's Attendance: Aug. 15-16: 126

Pray for Each Other We ask your prayers on behalf of our friends in Christ who have been hospitalized and sick: Jim Titus, Joe Rose, Sandra Murphy, Linda Arndt, Philip Hageman, Connie Spahn, Janice Hinrichsen, Carolyn Stuhr, Bernie Attema, Pat Berger-Conlon, and Vickie Johnson. Comfort and bring peace to both families of Ron Sherrill and Jeanette Amble in this time of grief. We also lift up Pastor Mark Squire and his family in our prayers.

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

Office Hours: The church office has returned to regular hours of 8:00 a.m. –5:00 p.m.

*****Church Schedule: through December 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.

Important Communication Updates from Pastor Travis

- **New Congregational Texting and daily devotions Line:** Pastor Travis has a new number for sending out group reminders and updates: 1-833-538-3075. Please do not block this number.

Friends of Christ will meet at Faith Lutheran to package Mercy Meals on **Sunday, August 23** at 3:00 PM.

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!

School Year Dedication and New Teacher Installation: Hannah Kruse, Our New Teacher will be installed on **Sunday, August 23** at the 10:45 a.m. service. Makes plans to come welcome her and to pray for the students and teachers as they begin the new school year.

- Let us introduce you to Hannah. "My name is Hannah Kruse, and I am from rural Hutchinson, Minnesota. I grew up attending a Lutheran school much like St. Paul's. Throughout my childhood, I enjoyed being involved in my church through hand bell choir, choir, Sunday School, quilting, and youth group. I graduated from Concordia University, Nebraska, in May with a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education, an endorsement in Early Childhood Education, and my Lutheran Teacher's Diploma. I am excited and grateful for the opportunity to spend my first year of teaching at St. Paul's and look forward to getting to know the students, families, and congregation!"

Back to School Dates and Information:

- Supply Lists are now available in the office or can be found on our website www.siouxcitystpauls.org.
- Teacher Installation and School year dedication is **Sun., Aug. 23** at 10:45 a.m.
- First Day of School is **Monday, Aug. 24** beginning at 8:30 a.m.
- Opening Chapel Service is **Monday, Aug. 24** at 9:00 a.m. Join us as we kick off the new school year with worship to our Lord.

Trinity Quilting Convocation - TLC Quilters invite you to join us **Saturday, August 29th** for our Quilting Convocation from 9 am - 3 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church in Algona, Iowa. Find out more at www.trinityalgona.org/tlc-quilters.

Confirmation Classes: We are excited to inform you about the upcoming Confirmation program for this year for 6th –7th graders. Through confirmation, your child will strengthen their relationship with Jesus, develop a better understanding of what and why we believe and grow in Christian moral values to face an ever increasingly immoral and corrupt world. Please let the church office or Tim Draube know if your child will be participating in confirmation if you haven't already.

Orientation Meeting:

- Date: **Wednesday, September 2, 2026**
- Time: 6:00 PM
- Location: Church Parish Hall/Basement

First Class:

- Date: **Wednesday, September 9, 2026**
 - Time: 5:15 – 6:30 PM
 - Location Church Parish Hall/Basement
- Classes will be held weekly at the same time unless otherwise notified.

8th graders will meet at Calvary beginning on **Wednesday, August 26** at 6:00 p.m.

Redeemer Lutheran 100th Anniversary

Celebration: Save the date, **Sunday, Sept. 20** for Redeemer's 100th Anniversary.

Services will be at 8:15 or 10:45 a.m. with a meal at noon. RSVP by Aug. 24. At 2:00 p.m. there will be a special service with Pastor Paul

Sieveking and a cake reception following.

Thrivent Members: 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.

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.

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.

Friends of Christ: Friends of Christ will meet at Faith Lutheran to package Mercy Meals on **Sunday, August 23rd** at 3:00 PM. Meal following packaging event.

Anna Circle/Sewing Group meet twice a month on the second and fourth Mondays on **Aug. 24** in the church basement.

Elders Meeting: will be **Tuesday, Sept. 1** at

7:00 p.m. in the church office conference

Evangelism Committee Meeting: Will meet at 4:30 p.m. every other **Tuesday on Sept. 1** in Church office conference room.

Lamplighters: Meets the first Wednesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. on **Sept. 2** at St. Paul's

Women's League Morning Meeting: will be **Thursday, Sept. 3** at **1:00 p.m.** in the church basement.

Youth Board meeting on **Wednesday, Sept. 9** at 5:30 p.m. in the church conference room.

Board of Education: will be **Tuesday Sept. 15** at 7:00 p.m. in the Office Conference Rm.

Mary Martha Circle: will meet **Monday, Sept. 21** at 6:00 p.m. at Perkins Eastside.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church Historical Notes

The Voters decided on August 2, 1925: "In regard to the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Congregation the Council recommended the following": •In order to be able to dedicate a new church at the time (1927) a committee be appointed to take subscriptions (*pledges*) for a new church •Moved to follow the recommendation and elect a committee •Moved that the Church Council act as such committee •This committee to begin work during the month of August. A new house of worship would be built and dedicated in 1927. Plans were now made in earnest. Temporary committees viewed plans and visited newly erected churches in the neighborhood.

PLANS TO BE DRAWN FOR NEW CHURCH

Plans for the new \$50,000 St. Paul's Lutheran church, which is to be built on a site at Seventh and Jennings streets, are to be drawn at once, it was decided at a meeting of the congregation. The plans will be prepared by Knut E. Westerlind, architect.

Construction of the new building is to begin about the 1st of September, Rev. G. A. Matthaidess, pastor, said. The building is to be constructed of brick and other fireproof materials and will have a banquet room and other usual facilities in the basement.

August 3, 1926
Sioux City Journal

On August 1, 1926, the building committee made its report on plans for a new church building and Mr. Knute Enoch Westerlind was selected as the architect.

In August 1934, Rev. Janke began to preach at the public school in Lawton to members of St.

Paul's who were not able to come to Sioux City for services and Sunday School. Other families in the neighborhood were interested and the service had an average attendance of 60. After June 1936, the Lawton Mission was served by Rev. H Otten. The congregation in Lawton organized under the name Bethel Lutheran Church in 1941, purchased a vacant church building, called a pastor, and bought a parsonage.

GROUND BROKEN FOR NEW HALL

Groundbreaking ceremonies for a \$130,000 parish hall were held Sunday morning at St. Paul Lutheran church, on Jennings street between Sixth and Seventh streets.

More than 3,300 members of the congregation watched Rev. A. J. Janke, pastor, turn the first spadeful of sod for the planned structure.

Others participating were E. L. Von Behren, president of the congregation; Vernell Miller, secretary-treasurer; Earl Layton, Frank Krom and Bert Greime, trustees; Homer Culley, board of education, and W. F. Scheel, deacon.

The new hall will be used to enlarge the capacity of the day school and Sunday school and provide rooms for junior school classes. The building will contain a combination gymnasium-auditorium which will be used as a youth recreation center. Pastoral and business offices will be included as well as assembly and classrooms.

The present school building will be remodeled in time for the opening of classes September 4.

August 20, 1951
Sioux City Journal

St. Paul's Lutheran Church Historical Notes



NOW as THEN we stress: *CHRIST in FAMILY LIFE*

BETHANY
1281 DURQUEE
Rev. Walter Dube 5-4060

CALVARY
CENTRAL AND 41st
Rev. Kevin G. Mosche 9-3487

CONCORDIA
WEST FOURTH AND GEORGE 2-2938
Rev. Robert C. Raedke 5-3382

FAITH
3101 HAMILTON BLVD. 8-4829
Rev. Albert C. Schroeder 5-4034

HOPE
216 West Eighteenth, SO. SIOUX CITY, NEBR. 4-1817
Rev. Oscar A. Marquardt 4-3809

REDEEMER
4107 ORLEANS AND 3201 S. LAKEPORT RD.
Rev. Luther Braunsig 6-6198

ST. PAUL'S
612 JENNINGS 2-6338
Rev. Ray G. Holschauer 5-9388

CENTRAL LUTHERAN SCHOOL
614 JENNINGS 8-6325
Dick Leu, Principal 8-3404

LUTHERAN CHURCHES MISSOURI SYNOD

THE GOOD SHEPHERD HOUR — Every Sunday at 8:15 A. M. on KSCJ
Speaker, REV. PAUL E. KRAUSE
Lutheran Institutional and Hospital Chaplain — 8-3178

Our call for an Assistant Pastor was accepted by Rev. Gu Hwai Hsu (Pastor Kenny) in August 2002.

On August 26, 2007, a program followed by a reception was held for the retirement of Lonnie Stuhr, Principal of St. Paul's Lutheran School. Lonnie had served in full time Christian education for 42 years, all of them at St. Paul's.

A project to replace the 6th Street retaining wall began in May 2016, and was finished in August, 2016.

In August 2021, Concordia Lutheran Church closed due to declining attendance and related financial difficulties.