

St. Paul's Lutheran Church Weekly Announcements

Week of September 13-20, 2026

Today:	Worship	10:45 a.m.
	Discipleship Training Hour	9:30 a.m.
	Sunday School Kick Off	9:30 a.m.
	Voters' Meeting	2:00 p.m.
Monday:	Sewing Club	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday:	Board of Education	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday:	School Chapel	9:00 a.m.
	Confirmation Classes	5:15 p.m.
Thursday:	Bible Study/ Church Office	9:00 a.m.
Saturday:	Diaper Dash	9:30 a.m.
	Traditional Worship/Communion	6:00 p.m.
Sunday:	Worship/Communion	10:45 a.m.
	Discipleship Training/Sunday School	9:30 a.m.

Reader Schedule	Sat. 6:00 p.m.	Sun. 10:45 a.m.
Sept. 12-13	Dallas Schulz	Brandi Beller
Sept 19-20	Marlis Hilden	Jami Langholdt
Acolyte Schedule	Sat. 6:00 p.m.	Sun. 10:45 a.m.
Sept. 12-13	Adelyn Zediker	Abby & Haden
Sept 19-20	Harrison & Elliot	Jackson Haller

Financial Report 2026

Love Offering/We Care Ministry Report

Last Week	Received To Date	Amount Distributed	Balance
\$0	\$20,926.43	\$9,958.88	\$10,967.55

Church Weekly Offerings Report **Church Yearly Budget \$389,072.00**

Received (09/08/2026)	Weekly Budget	%	Up-To-Date Received	Up-To-Date Budget	%
\$4,320.43	\$7,483.00	58%	\$218,401.16	\$269,388.00	81%

FAMILY MATTERS

Last Week's Attendance: Sept. 5-6: 94

Pray for Each Other: We ask your prayers on behalf of our friends in Christ who have been hospitalized and sick: Susie Joines, Richard Brown, Connie Spahn, Alan Seymour, Joe Rose, Sandra Murphy, Linda Arndt, Philip Hageman, Janice Hinrichsen, Lonnie and Carolyn Stuhr, Bernie Attema, Pat Berger-Conlon, Debbie Wolfe, and Vickie Johnson. We also pray comfort and peace for Jim Titus' family in this time of his passing

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

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.

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.

Altar Flowers: The flowers on the altar are in honor of Gene and Connie Elliott's 60th wedding anniversary. Congratulations and may God continue to pour out blessings in the years to come.

Confirmation Classes: Confirmation program for this year for 6th –7th graders **Wednesdays** at 5:15 p.m. Please let the church office or Tim

Draube know if your child will not be able to make it to confirmation classes. Classes will be held weekly at the same time unless otherwise notified. · 8th graders will meet at Calvary on **Wednesdays** at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday School Kickoff: will be **Sunday, September 13** at 9:30 a.m. for Children ages 3-18. Sunday School will begin in Sanctuary, and pickup will be in basement classrooms. Sunday School sessions will be Sept. 13 to Dec. 20 and Jan 10 to May 23. Please fill out the registration form in the bulletin and bring it to the office or to the kickoff day.

Back to Church Sunday: We will be celebrating Back to Church Sunday on **September 12 & 13** along with Sunday School Kickoff. Bring a friend, a neighbor or your family and worship the Lord with us. Following the services we will have light refreshments available at the back of the church, and you are welcome to come downstairs and fellowship after both Saturday and Sunday services.

Voters' Meeting: There will be a Voter's meeting on **Sunday, September 13** at 2:00 p.m. to call a new pastor. All voting members are requested to attend.

PTL (Parent/ Teacher League) Meeting: All parents are invited to our pizza potluck planning meeting on **Monday, Sept. 14** at 6:00 p.m. in the school gym. Bring a pizza to share and some good ideas for things to do this year.

Diaper Dash: Her Health Women's Center Annual Diaper Dash will be a prayer and praise event instead of a walk. Everyone will meet at the new Dream Center located at 2300 W. 19th St. Sioux City on **Sat., Sep. 19th** at 9:30 a.m.

LWML Fall Retreat: will be **Sat., Sept. 19** from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Perry Lutheran Homes, Eden Acres Campus (1300 28th St. Perry, IA). Registration is \$15. The Keynote speaker will be Rev. Max Phillips.

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. At 2:00 p.m. there will be a special service with Pastor Paul Sieveking and a cake reception following.

See You at the Pole 2026: See You at the Pole is celebrated on **Wednesday, September 23, 2026**. See You at the Pole (SYATP) is an annual gathering of Christians of all ages at a flagpole in front of their local school for prayer, scripture-reading and hymn-singing. **We are planning on meeting at the start of chapel by the flagpole at 9:00 a.m. and then finishing chapel in the church.** Please come and join with the children as we pray for schools, children and this nation.

Celebrate with the Elliots! Please join us in the school gym on **Saturday, September 26**, immediately following the 6:00 p.m. service, as we honor two very special milestones. We are celebrating Gene and Connie Elliott's 60th wedding anniversary as well as both of their 80th birthdays! Cake and refreshments will be served. In honor of their special days, we are hosting a card shower. Please bring a card sharing a favorite memory or well wishes to help shower Gene and Connie with love as they celebrate these wonderful milestones. We hope to see you there!

150th Planning Committee: St. Paul's will be celebrating 150 years next year and we are beginning to put together a planning committee. If you are interested in helping plan our celebration events and services, please sign up in the back of the church by **Wed., Sept. 30**.

Senior Youth Gathering: The Iowa District West Senior High Youth Gathering is designed for high school students in grades 9–12 and will be at Camp Okoboji **Oct 3-4**. Centered on the theme "Unshakable Light," inspired by John 8:12 ("I am the light of the world"), the gathering aims to encourage and strengthen students in their Christian faith. Deadline to

register is **Wednesday, Sept. 16**. Cost \$90 for one night and \$120 for two. Talk to Brandi Beller to get signed up.

LWML Sunday: Join us on **Sunday, October 4** for Lutheran Women in Mission Sunday. This year's theme continues a four-year cycle focusing on the LWML Mission Statement — As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others. For Lutheran Women in Mission Sunday 2026, we focus on Supporting Missions.

Life Chain: Join us as we pray and take a stand for life on National Life Chain Day, **Sunday, Oct. 4** from 2:00—3:30 p.m. at one of two locations in Sioux City; 19th and Hamilton Blvd. and Gordon Dr. and Stone Ave. Signs will be provided at each location. Questions call 712-252-0338.

Junior Youth Gathering: Join junior youth from across Iowa District West for an exciting weekend of faith, fellowship, and fun at the JR Youth Gathering 2026 **October 24-25** at the Sheraton Hotel in West Des Moines. Centered on the theme "Love God. Love People." This event will inspire and encourage young people to grow in their faith, build lasting friendships, and deepen their relationship with Christ. The registration deadline is **Tuesday, Sept. 22**. Cost is \$175. Talk to Brandi Beller to get signed up.

Last Call for Steaks! We have just a few steaks left and when they are gone, we won't have any until next May. See Ralph Schroeder, Pam Whightsil or Donna Olson to get yours. 2 for \$25.

***We need pictures and names of past Confirmands.** If you, your children, parents, grandparents or great-grandparents have a group picture for any of the following years, please bring it to the Church Office or email it to siouxcitystpauls@gmail.com. Physical pictures will be returned within a week. The missing years are: 1905, 1906, 1907, 1910,

1912, 1915, 1916, 1919, 1920, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1928, 1929, 1932, 1933, 1936, 1942, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1962, 1966, 1989, 1990, 1992, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026.

Names of confirmands in the pictures are needed for the following years: 1912, 1915, 1978, 1979, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993. Thank you for your help.

Hy-Vee Receipts: Please continue to save your receipts from any Sioux City or South Sioux City Hy-Vee locations. Just make sure they are dated between **September 1, 2026, and April 1, 2027**, so we can turn them in for school rewards. Thank you for your support!

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.

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 begin on Sept. 13.

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 **Sept. 14 & 28** in the church basement.

Board of Education: will be on **Tuesday Sept. 15** at 7:00 p.m. in the office conference room.

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

Evangelism Committee Meeting: Will meet at 4:30 p.m. every other Tuesday. Next meeting is on **Sept. 22** in Church office conference room.

Friends of Christ: Friends of Christ will meet at Faith Lutheran for a Potluck Picnic on **Sunday, Sept. 27** at 4:00 p.m. Grilled chicken and hot dogs will be provided, please bring a dish to share.

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

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

Elders' Meeting: will be **Tuesday, Oct. 6** at 7:00 p.m. in the church office conference room.

Youth Board meeting: The next meeting will be on **Thursday, Nov. 5** at 6:00 p.m. in the church conference room.