

Regular Scheduled Meetings

Sunday Disciple Training Hour— will not meet this week due to the town hall meeting.

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

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.

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

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

Elders Meeting: will be **Tuesday, May 5** at

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

Lamplighters: Meets the first Wednesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. on **May 6** at Calvary Lutheran Church.

St. Paul's Women's League Meeting: will be **Thursday, May 7** at 1:00 p.m. in the church basement.

Board of Education: will be **Tuesday May 12** at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Office Conference Rm.

Youth Board meeting on **Wednesday, May 13** at 5:30 p.m. in the church conference room.

Mary Martha Circle: will meet **Monday, May 18** at 6:00 p.m. at Perkins Eastside.

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

FAMILY MATTERS

Last Week's Attendance: Apr. 18-19: 122

Pray for Each Other We ask your prayers on behalf of our friends in Christ who have been hospitalized and sick: Lonnie Stuhr, Linda Arndt, Jeannette Amble, Jennifer Monk, 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. God Bless the quilts being sent to Camp Okoboji, may they bring comfort to those who receive 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.

Confirmation Sunday: will be **Sunday, April 26** at the 10:45 a.m. service. You are invited after the service for sandwiches and cake in the school gym to honor and celebrate Lincoln Beller and Emilee DeVries as they made their profession of faith and chose to follow God today.

Special Voters' Meeting: There will be a special voters' meeting on **Sunday, May 3** at 12:15 p.m. to call a new teacher.

Boards and Committees: We are coming up upon the time when we will elect new officers and select new board and committee members in May. Anyone can be on a board or committee if they are interested. The voters will vote on the new Chairperson for each board and the Church Officers in May. Please consider stepping up and filling the positions that will becoming open. This is a great way to get involved in the local church. There is a sign up sheet and a description flyer of the boards and duties in the foyer or contact Dallas Schulz for more information.

Voters' Meeting: There will be a Voters' meeting on **Sunday, May 17** at 2:00 p.m. for elections to vote for New Officers and Chairmen.

Old Church Pew Cushions: The Church pews have been replace and the old cushions are available to anyone who would like to have them. Contact the church office if you would be interested in them. Please have them picked up by Friday, May 15. Any cushions left after that date will be thrown away.

Pastoral Nomination Forms: The pastoral nomination forms that are needed to begin the process of calling for the pastoral vacancy here at St. Paul are available either from Dallas Schulz, in the Narthex or you may pick one up in the church office if you are wanting to nominate someone for the Pastor position.

Church lights and doors: If you unlock a door at the church, you are responsible to make sure it is locked when you leave. Also please make sure all lights are off when you leave. In the last few weeks lights have been left on and doors have been left unlocked. Lets keep the House of God protected as well as we can.

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 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.

90th Birthday: Marlene Mertens is turning 90 years old on **Tuesday, April 28**. Let's help her celebrate by sending her lots of birthday well wishes. Marlene has been a very faithful member of this church and can always be found helping out where ever she can. Please send cards to: Marlene Mertens 3209 Viking Dr. Sioux City, IA 51104.

90th Birthday Party: Come celebrate Rose Borchers' 90th birthday on **Saturday May 2nd** at Sandra Murphy's home 3106 Jackson Street Sioux City IA. Open house 1-4 pm.

"The Bumble Beaatitudes" You are invited to come to a fun and inspirational performance of "The Bumble Beaatitudes" by the St. Paul's school children on **Thursday, May 7** at 6:00 p.m. in the school gym.

Farewell Reception: Paulette Schmidt, one of our organist and Chaplain Schmidt's wife is

moving to Ames, IA, to be near family. Redeemer Lutheran is hosting a cake and coffee farewell from 9:15-10:45 am on **Sunday, May 10**. You are invited!

Steaks Sale: Are you getting excited about your Mother's Day grill out? St. Paul's is here to help. The annual steak sale has begun. We have NY Strip Thick-cut steaks **2 for \$25** available for purchase. See Ralph Schroeder or stop in the office to get your steaks.

Adult Confirmation Classes: Pastor Travis is offering an ongoing adult confirmation classes **every Saturday** at 11:00 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

Mission Central Trip: Those wanting to carpool to Mission Central **Saturday, July 11** to meet Rev. Shauen and Krista Trump. Please contact Marlis Hilden. We formerly supported the Trumps through the missions here at St. Paul's.

Youth Mardi Gras Silent Auction and Dinner Recap: Thank you to everyone who supported our Mardi Gras – themed Youth Fundraiser Dinner. It was a fun and memorable evening, and our youth did an outstanding job serving and representing our church. We are especially grateful to the parents and volunteers who donated, decorated, and helped with cleanup—your support made it all possible. After expenses, we raised nearly \$10,000 to support our youth programs. Thank you for investing in the faith and future of our youth — we are truly grateful and blessed! - Youth Board

Her Health Women's Center Banquet: We're so grateful to everyone who joined us and lifted up the Her Health team with your presence. People from different churches and backgrounds came together with one mission... and God moved mightily. Every gift mattered. Together, we are declaring that from womb to tomb, life is beautiful and worth fighting for! They hit their fundraising goal of \$520,000 and

because you said yes, lives will be changed, families restored, and eternity impacted!!

History Facts: Next year it will be our 150th anniversary and leading up to our big celebrations we will be putting out occasional historical facts in the bulletin announcements. Keep an eye out for them.

TUITION ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR for St Paul's Lutheran School (grades K-5). Members of St Paul's Lutheran Church may receive \$1,000 per student towards St Paul's Lutheran School tuition. This assistance is courtesy of a generous donation to the Redeemer Lutheran Church Endowment and Legacy Fund. If interested, please call the St Paul's Lutheran church office {712-252-0338} to provide your contact information or pick up a form. Please return the form to Redeemer Lutheran Church or St Paul's Lutheran Church. Deadline to apply is July 31st, 2026. Please note completion of this form does not take the place of a school enrollment application. Funds are limited and offered on a first come/first service basis.

Camp Okoboji Scholarships: The Auxiliary has TWO scholarships available yet for 2026. If you know of someone in need of financial assistance for Camp this year, please contact camp@campokoboji.org, and we will send the application.

School Fundraising

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!

IOWA LUTHERAN SCHOOL TUITION ORGANIZATION (ILSTO)

Parents -Now taking applications!
Submit this application directly to ILSTO, Box 176, Terril, IA 51364, POSTMARKED by **May 1, 2026**.

- PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE ONLY 1 ROUND OF APPLICATIONS FOR RETURNING FAMILIES.

- NEW STUDENTS SHOULD APPLY FOR THE STO BY **MAY 1** & ESA BY JUNE 30.

Your donations are more impactful than ever—every contribution qualifies for a generous 75% Iowa tax credit! For further information, please contact Dewey Torkelson at 712-260-2991. Check the website: www.iowalutheransto.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: 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.

Casey's App: Pick up a gift card in the office or on 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.

Church Schedule:

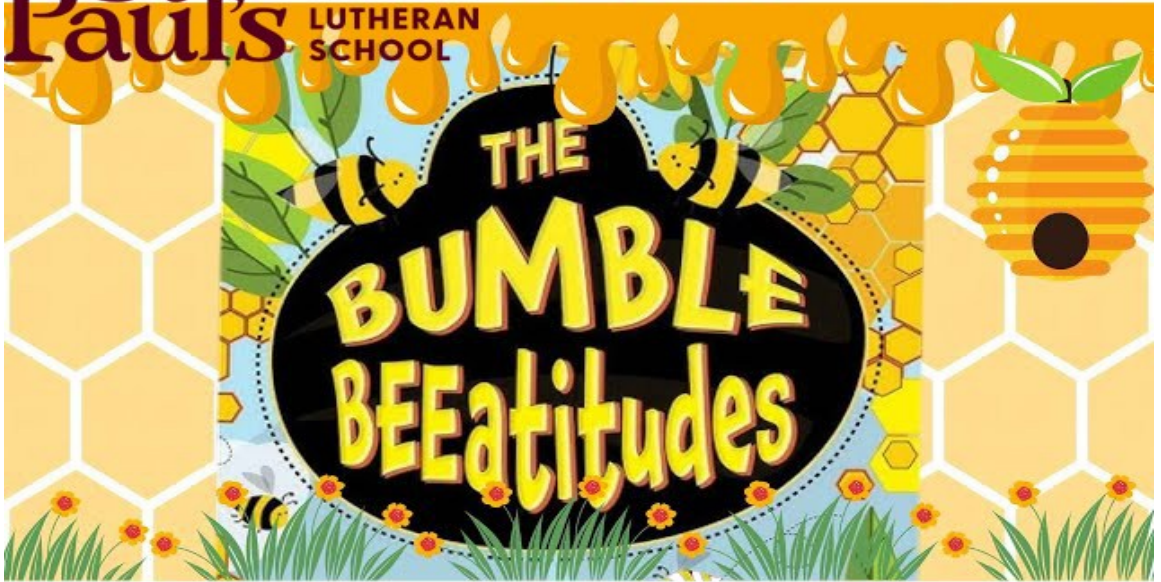
- **Traditional Services:** 1st & 3rd Saturdays: at 6:00 p.m. with communion
Every Sunday at 8:00 a.m. with communion on the 1st & 3rd Sundays
- **Contemporary Service** at 10:45 a.m. on Every Sunday with communion on 1st & 3rd Sundays
- **Sunday Bible Study and Sunday School** will be at 9:30 a.m. every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

St. Paul's

LUTHERAN
SCHOOL

Invites You to



Thursday, May 7 at 6 pm in the Gym



Come Celebrate Our Graduates

Preschool Graduation

Friday, May 22 at 2pm - Gym

5th Grade Graduation

Tuesday, May 26 at 6pm- Church

St. Paul's Lutheran Church Historical Notes

In a meeting on April 14, 1901, it was decided to build a larger church on Jackson Street, 40' x 70', with a school room below, and \$6,000.00 was set as the maximum sum.

Our second Church building

NEW LUTHERAN CHURCH.

German Society Will Erect New Structure on the Present Site.

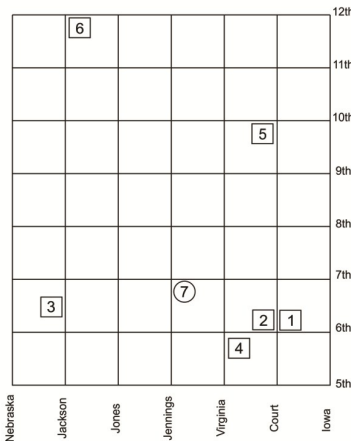
The German Lutheran church has decided to build a new home for its church and its parochial school on the site of its present building in Jackson street, between Sixth and Seventh streets. The construction will begin early next month and the entire cost of the structure will be about \$6,000.

This decision has just been reached by the church. The present building has been quite outgrown both by the church and the school and the need of a larger home has become urgent and necessary. The proposed building will be of brick and frame. The basement story, which will be of brick, will be occupied by the school. As there are eighty pupils attending this school at the present time, two teachers instead of one will be provided.

April 16, 1901
Sioux City Journal



1926 Map of Downtown Area Lutheran Churches



- 1 - Augustana Lutheran
- 2 - St. John's Lutheran
- 3 - St. Paul's Lutheran (until 1928)
- 4 - St. Peter's Lutheran
- 5 - Swedish Evangelical Lutheran
- 6 - Trinity Lutheran
- 7 - St. Paul's Lutheran (current location)

[Author created map created for information purposes]- BA

In 1926, there were several Lutheran churches in the vicinity of our present Church, as illustrated in the map above.

From the April 4, 1926 minutes: •The Pastor reported that the total pledges for the church building fund was \$26,931.00. This includes a pledge of Mr. Gruner of \$5000.00 in memory of his deceased wife (died in 1925) under the condition that the church be built in 1927 but if not built at that time he will withdraw the pledge. •Resolved to accept the pledge of Mr. Gruner with the conditions with thanks. •Resolved to order two dozen new English hymn books.

Our current Church building