



ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN
CHURCH & SCHOOL

Family Newsletter

September 2026



Date: Sunday, September 13

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Who: Children ages 3-18

Where: Begin in Sanctuary and
pickup in basement classrooms

When: Sept. 13 to Dec. 20 and
Jan 10 to May 23

Labor Day: Honoring Work and Rest

Labor Day gives us an opportunity to honor the work of our hands and the many ways people serve their families, churches and communities. As we pause from our usual routines, may we give thanks for meaningful work, remember those seeking employment and receive God's gift of renewing rest.



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PASTOR'S

P O S T S

Dear members and friends of St. Paul's,

It was disappointing to get the first "Call" to Pastor Mark Squire returned. However, we pray God's blessings to Him as He begins his new Call at Concordia Seward as an Associate Professor of Theology. I still am convinced God has a man in mind that will fit well to serve His church at St. Paul's. Please pray for the Call Committee as it searches through the Call list to identify who God might be leading you to call next. Look for another congregational "Call Meeting" soon.

I have other matters to share with you:

Confirmation—I will be teaching five Calvary students plus St. Paul's 8th graders in Confirmation. We will be going through the Lord's Prayer, Baptism, the Office of the Keys, and the Lord's Supper this year with Harrison, Maxwell, Ryder, Kale, Adelyn. If you have an 8th grader, please have them come to Calvary Lutheran Church at 7 PM on Wednesday nights—4400 Central St. in Leeds.

Finances – Tim Draube, Tabatha Consier (Book Keeper) and the Finance Committee continue continues to do book reviews on the past five plus years of finances to make sure all bills are paid and accounted.

St. Paul's School Resumes – Be Part of It! It is important for church

and school to work together, so please pray for your teachers and students that God has brought to St. Paul's. May all of them know Jesus better and follow Him! One way to help this happen is to do what Jesus did. In Matthew 9, Jesus spends time with people: *"And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?'"* Can you recline, eat, talk with students and their parents, watch how Jesus works!

New Member Class – If you would like to join the church please call me – 712-202-8516. I am preparing a new class, most likely on Saturdays or Thursdays!

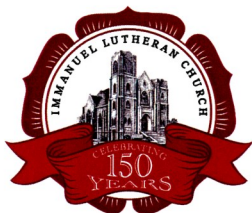
Daily Devotions— So far 72 have signed up for daily devotions. If you would like them text "Devotions" to my business line: 1 -833-538-3075. If you would like updates from St. Paul's text "St. Paul's".

Lastly, consider this quote from Dietrich Bonheifer about God's building versus our building when it comes to building the local church: *"We shall confess—He shall build. We shall preach—He shall build. We shall pray to Him—He shall build. We do not know His plan. We do not see whether He builds or tears down. It may be that*

the times, which by human standards are times of collapse, are for Him the times of great building. It may be that the times, which by human standards are times of great success, are for Him the times to tear down. It is a great

comfort that Christ gives to His church: confess, preach, and bear witness to me...." May God continue to build as we wonder what He is doing next!

In Christ, Pastor James Travis -
Philippians 1:12



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August 18, 2026

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Cor 1:3). I am honored that you extended the call to serve as your pastor. I have been praying for discernment and wisdom, but also for St. Paul's in your search for a shepherd.

As I mentioned in my email to your circuit visitor, the timing of your call was unfortunate. I had just received a call to serve as Assistant Professor of Theology at Concordia University Nebraska the week before. I informed our congregation on Sunday that, after much prayer, thought, and discussion, I am accepting the call to serve at CUNE. Therefore, it is with a heavy heart that I must return the call to serve as Pastor of St. Paul's.

However, I can say with confidence that our Lord Jesus will continue to be with you, just as he promised (Matt 28:20), and that he will provide you with a faithful man of his choosing to lead you and proclaim to you his unceasing love. I will continue to keep the people of St. Paul's my prayers, that the Lord of the harvest will send his servant among you to do the work set before him. Indeed, our God is faithful and loving!

Blessings in Christ,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Mark Squire".

Rev. Mark Squire

cc: Rev. Dr. Brian Saunders (Iowa District East President)
cc: Rev. Paul Egger (Iowa District West President)
cc: Rev. Jesse Burns (Circuit Visitor)
cc: Rev. James Travis (Circuit Visitor)

yesterDAY today forever

Hebrews 13:8



Back to Church Sunday and Sunday School Kickoff:

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 service we will have light refreshments available in the back of the church and you are welcomed to come downstairs and fellowship after both Saturday and Sunday services.

We are also looking forward to seeing your kid(s) soon! We believe that Sunday School is one of the most important activities for your children, giving them a valuable opportunity to become more familiar with God and Scripture. During Sunday School, we enjoy fellowship with each other, crafts, activities, songs and Bible stories.

The Sunday School has two sessions and a winter break. The first is **September 13 to December 20**, and the second is **January 10 to May 23**. Starting time is 9:30 a.m. in the church sanctuary and ending promptly at 10:30 a.m. in the church basement. Children will not be dismissed until you or your authorized person comes for them.

We welcome all children to attend as often as possible and feel free to invite other friends and family! Parents are also invited anytime.

Please return your child(s) registration to the church office or give to a Sunday School teacher the first day your child attends. If you have any questions feel free to contact any teacher or the church office.

Fall Rally / Kickoff Day

Date: Sunday, September 13

Time: 9:30 a.m.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Sunday School Registration Form
School Year
2026-2027



Student Names Grade Birthday Baptism Date

Parent 1 Name _____ Phone _____

Parent 2 Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City/State _____ Zip _____

Email address _____

Are you a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church (circle one)? YES NO

Please initial by each statement you authorize

- _____ I give permission to have photographs taken of my student(s).
_____ I give permission to have photographs of my student(s) posted on the church website and Facebook.
_____ I give permission to have photographs of my student(s) posted on bulletin boards at St. Paul's

☐ Check here if your child has allergies or health concerns that our volunteer Sunday School staff should know about, please list that information here _____

I hereby authorize the following person(s) to pick up my child other than parents listed above.

Name & relationship to child _____ Phone _____
Name & relationship to child _____ Phone _____

Parent or Guardian Signature Date

News & Notes

*****Fall Church Schedule:**

August to December 31

- **Traditional Services:** Every Saturday at 6:00 p.m. with communion on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays
- **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/Sunday School** will be at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday in the church basement.

LWML Mites offering will be placed on the table in the back of the church on the first weekend of each month. Your donations are appreciated. Mite boxes are used to collect money for missions.

Engaged in Mission: Congregation and Community

Join clergy and laity for Engaged in Mission, a two-day workshop focused on evangelism, outreach, discipleship, and church planting **Sept. 18-19** at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Carroll.

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.

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 **Saturday, 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.

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 **Wednesday, Sept. 30.**

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.

Conflict & Difficult Conversations Workshop Join Rev. Dr. Todd Jenks for a practical and faith-centered workshop on navigating conflict and difficult conversations with wisdom, confidence, and Christ centered communication on **Saturday, November 7** at the IDW District Office in Fort Dodge. This free event is open to all church workers and laity.

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.



Confirmation

CLASSES

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, Sept. 2, 2026**
- Time: 6:00 PM
- Location: Church Parish Hall/ Basement

First Class:

- Date: **Wednesday, Sept. 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 on **Wednesdays** at 6:00 p.m.

Adult Confirmation Classes:

Pastor Travis is offering an ongoing adult confirmation classes **every Saturday** at 11:00 a.m. at Calvary Lutheran. You can join anytime if you are interested in becoming a member or being confirmed. For more information you can talk to Pastor Travis.

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.

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 . Next meeting is 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.

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 **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.

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.

Pure Water

I'm going to start my timer. 20 seconds. For 20 seconds, think of pure water. Nothing else. Just pure water. 20 seconds. Go! How'd you do? Be honest. Were you able the full 20 seconds to think of pure water and pure water ONLY? When I try, I very quickly picture polluted water. God says, "*Think about what is pure.*" Philippians 4. It's difficult, isn't it?!

How can I go from pure thoughts -- and in the blink of an eye, impure thoughts?! Lord, have mercy! Saint and sinner. Godly mind wrapped in ungodliness. My mind needs help -- work -- training!

Speaking of training, consider this thought from a 100+ year old devotion: How should you, then, test amusements? Ask if they draw you nearer to Christ or remove you farther from Him; if they increase or diminish respect for Christian manhood and womanhood; if they increase or lessen love for virtue and PURITY; if they make resistance to temptation easier or harder; and if they redound to the glory of God.

During
our Evening
Prayer service



(LSB p.244) we sing: *Joyous light of glory: of the immortal Father; heavenly, holy, blessed Jesus Christ. We have come to the setting of the sun, and we look to the evening light. We sing to God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit: You are worthy of being praised with PURE voices forever. Pure voices -- think of such things.*

And then we pray: Let the incense of our repentant prayer ascend before You, O Lord -- and let

Your loving kindness descend on us -- that with PURIFIED minds, we may sing Your praises with the Church on earth and the whole heavenly host. God's apostle writes, "*Whatever is PURE, think about such things.*" Jesus is PURE. The Greek word is "AGNA." Agna -- PURE -- means "fit to be brought into God's

presence & used in His service." The service of purifying you and me. God the Son! Perfect servant! Jesus certainly is "fit to be brought into God's presence and used in His service." Jesus is PURE. Agna. It means "without stain or error or sin." Jesus certainly is w/o stain or error or sin. **Jesus is PURE.** So think of Jesus and the God of peace will be with you. Jesus PURIFIES us!

Support Our Missionaries

Rev. Tim & Lisa Beckendorf (tbeckendorf@LBT.org)
And **Siouxland Hispanic Ministry**

400 years before Jesus... God's prophet writes: When Jesus comes, He will sit as a refiner and PURIFIER. Malachi 3:3. Daniel, the lions' den guy, writes: *Many will be PURIFIED, made spotless and refined - but the wicked will continue to be wicked.* Daniel 12:10.

We think of pure air yet live in the reality of polluted air. We think of pure water while knowing it will always have some impurities. Our pure clothes and pure furniture over time pick up dirt and stains. Earlier you thought briefly of pure water. Think of the expense or purifying

water. Water treatment plants. Various home water purification units. Think about Jesus' expense on His cross to purify us -- the Pure One for us impure many.

Think about these things. Jesus spent much to purify you and me. Jesus spent everything to purify us. Think about such things! Whatever is PURE -- think about these things -- and the God of peace will be with you.

Pastor Paul Egger President, Iowa District West



ST. PAUL'S WOMEN'S LEAGUE June 4th MINUTES

Our Women's League met August 6th with nine members present. August was our breakfast meeting for the year and Joyce was our hostess and served us her delicious rolls.

Joyce Segebart read a devotion from 1 Peter 2:9 that she had gotten at the convention in Okoboji. Joyce also gave us a report on the Okoboji convention.

She enjoyed the experience very much. The theme at the convention was "Share the Light of Christ." Treasurer and secretary's reports were approved as written. We sang happy birthday to Joyce Santi and Charlotte Grothaus. Fall Rally will be at Faith in

October. No date set yet.

St. Paul's will be celebrating our 150 years in 2027. We discussed if any committees were working on plans yet.

The two small coffee pots are no longer working so all groups need to use the big pots.

We sang "Holy God We Praise Thy Name" and "Today Thy Mercy Calls Us".

Motion to adjourn. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bernice Johnsen

Happy New School Year

Each new school year brings a familiar mix of sharpened pencils, fresh notebooks, new teachers, new classmates, and new routines. For students, families, teachers, and congregations, it is a season of beginnings. Some children will walk into a classroom for the very first time. Others will return ready for the next grade, the next challenge, and the next opportunity to grow. In all these new starts, God is already at work.

Across Iowa District West, Lutheran schools and early child hood centers are preparing to welcome children with the love of Jesus. These ministries are more than places of instruction. They are communities where the Word of God is heard, faith is nurtured, families are served, and children are reminded daily that they belong to Christ.

As the school year begins, please pray for our Lutheran schools and preschools in Iowa District West. Pray for teachers, administrators, pastors, classroom aides, cooks,

custodians, and volunteers as they serve with patience, wisdom, and joy. Pray for students as they learn, make friends, ask questions, and grow in body, mind, and faith. Pray for parents and grandparents as they encourage children at home. Pray also for congregations that support these ministries with their gifts, time, and love.

May He bless every new start, every classroom, and every child entrusted to our care.

Rhonda Mohr—Assistant to the President for Youth, Education and Family Life

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Iowa District West Youth Gatherings

Please note because the Senior Youth Gathering will be at Camp Okoboji the first weekend in October – registration deadline will come quickly. We encourage early conversations and sign-ups with the youth in your congregation or download on our district website. www.idwlcms.org
JR Youth Gathering Registration
Cost \$175

SR Youth Gathering Two nights
\$120 and one night \$90



**IOWA DISTRICT WEST
JUNIOR YOUTH
GATHERING**
Sheraton Hotel
West Des Moines, IA
October 24-25, 2026



**IOWA DISTRICT WEST
SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GATHERING**
**UNSHAKABLE
LIGHT**
"I am the light of the world..." - John 8:12
October 3-4, 2026
CAMP OKOBOJI
OPTIONAL EARLY ARRIVAL: OCTOBER 2

MAIN SPEAKERS	WHO	COST	PAYMENT
Pastor Ryan Roehrig & DCE Hailey Jo Miller	Senior High Youth (Grades 9-12)	\$90 (1 night) \$120 (2 nights)	One check per church payable to Iowa District West

Save the Date!
MORE DETAILS AND REGISTRATION COMING SOON!



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A PEACEFUL, PRAYERFUL WITNESS FOR LIFE

WE STAND Silently.	WE PRAY Faithfully.	WE WITNESS Together.
 SUNDAY OCTOBER 4, 2026 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.	 19th & Hamilton Blvd and Gordon Dr. & Stone Ave.	

Join us as we stand for life.
Signs will be available at each location
For More Information Call 712-252-0338

LOVE. LIFE. HOPE. | Your presence makes a difference.
ALL ARE WELCOME

*****Education Hour/Sundays 9:30 -10:30 a.m.*****

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

Sun

Mon

Tue

		1 7:00 p.m. Elders' Meeting/Church Office 4:30 p.m. Evangelism Meeting	2 9:00 a.m. Chapel 9:30 a.m. St. Paul's 6:00 p.m. Orientation
6 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 10:45 a.m. Blended Worship/Communion—Pastor Phill Hannemann	7 No School and Offices Closed 	8	9 9:00 a.m. Chapel 5:00 p.m. Meeting 5:15 p.m. Confirmation
13 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* Sunday School Kickoff 10:45 a.m. Blended Worship—Pastor David Doellinger  	14 9 a.m. Sewing Club 6:00 p.m. PTA Pizza Potluck Meeting	15 4:30 p.m. Evangelism Meeting 7:00 p.m. Board of Ed Meeting	16 9:00 a.m. Chapel 5:15 p.m. Confirmation
20 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 10:45 a.m. Blended Worship/Communion—Pastor Michael Awe 	21 6:00 p.m. Mary Martha Circle/Perkins-Eastside	22  First Day of Fall	23 9:00 a.m. Chapel 5:15 p.m. Confirmation
27 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 10:45 a.m. Blended Worship—Pastor Ezra Grabau	28 9 a.m. Sewing Club	29 4:30 p.m. Evangelism Meeting	30 9:00 a.m. Chapel 5:15 p.m. Confirmation

September 2026

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
—School Lamplighters—Lutheran Confirmation	3 9:00 a.m. Bible Study/ Church Office	4 <i>Picture Day</i> 1:00 p.m. School Early Out	5 6:00 p.m. Traditional Worship/Communion— Pastor Phill Hannemann
m.—School Youth Board — 6th & 7th ion Classed	10 9:00 a.m. Bible Study/ Church Office 4th & 5th Outdoor Ed	11 	12 6:00 p.m. Traditional Worship—Pastor David Doelinger
—School — 6th & 7th ion Classed  —School — 6th & 7th ion Classed	17 9:00 a.m. Bible Study/ Church Office	18	19 9:30 a.m. Diaper Dash 6:00 p.m. Traditional Worship/Communion— Pastor James Travis
—School — 6th & 7th ion Classed	24 9:00 a.m. Bible Study/ Church Office	25	26 6:00 p.m. Traditional Worship—Pastor James Travis
—School — 6th & 7th ion Classed			

Rooted in Christ

The theme for the 2026-27 school year is Rooted in Christ. Our verses are Colossians 2:6-7. *"So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in Him, rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness."*

These verses remind us that as Christians we bold say that Jesus is our God. Then it is followed by three truths about our relationship with God. These three truths are actions done by God not us.

We ARE rooted and built up in Jesus. God provides us with a strong faith that gives us stability in Jesus. We will be able to withstand the attacks of the devil, just as a tree can withstand the winds of a storm. We ARE strengthened in faith by Word, Sacrament and fellowship.

Worship is the primary way we receive these three

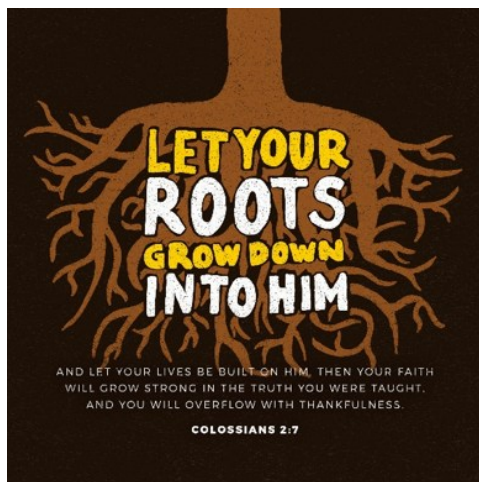
blessings. Paul encourages Christians in Hebrews 10:25 to remain worship and fellowship. *"Not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching."* Finally, we ARE filled with thankfulness as we see all that God has done for us.

Philippians 4:4 puts it *"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!"*

We gather for worship as a school on Wednesday mornings at 9:00. We offer a open invitation for

you to join us any Wednesday as we learn, grow and rejoice.

Pam Whightsil, Principal



September Dates To Remember:

- Sept. 4: Picture Day
- Sept. 4: Early Out 1:00 p.m.
- Sept. 7: Labor Day No School



PTA (Parent/ Teacher Association) 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.



See You at the Pole 2026

Wednesday, September 23, 2026

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, during the early morning before school starts. **We are planning on meeting at the start of chapel by the flag pole at 9:00 a.m. and then finishing chapel in the church.** Please join the children as we pray for schools, children and this nation.

This text has been taken from
www.cute-calendar.com



St. Paul's '26-'27 School Calendar

LUTHERAN SCHOOL

St. Paul's Lutheran School 2026-2027 Calendar

August 2026							Days
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
						1	
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	5
30	31						

September 2026							Days
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	10
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	24
27	28	29	30				

October 2026							Days
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	29
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	34
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	39
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	46

November 2026							Days
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	51
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	56
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	61
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	64
29	30						

December 2026							Days
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	69
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	74
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	79
27	28	29	30	31			

Yellow – Holidays and Days Off
 Green – End Quarter
 Orange – Early Outs
 Blue – Classes Begin

August 11 Teacher Inservice
 August 18 Staff Pictures
 August 20 Registration 2-7pm
 August 24 First Day of School

Sept 4 Prof. Dev. Early Out – 1pm
 Sept 7 Labor Day No School
 Sept 4 Picture Day

Oct 2 PD Early Out – 1pm
 Oct 9 Picture Retake Day
 Oct 17-19 GPLEC
 Oct 20-21 No School
 Oct 23 End 1st Quarter Early Out-1pm (41 days)
 Oct 27 Parent/Teacher Conferences-Early out-1pm

Nov 6 Prof. Dev. Early Out – 1pm
 Nov 25 Early out – 1pm
 Nov 26-27 Thanksgiving – No School

Dec 4 Prof. Dev. Early Out – 1pm
 Dec 18 Christmas Break – Early Out – 1pm
 Dec 22-Jan 2 Christmas Break – No School

Jan 1 No School
 Jan 4 Classes Resume
 Jan 14 End 2nd Quarter – Early Out – 1pm (47 days)
 Jan 15 Teacher Workday – No School

Feb 5 Prof. Dev. Early Out – 1pm
 Feb 15 No School

March 5 PD Early Out 1pm
 March 11 – Spring Pictures
 March 19 End 3rd Quarter Early Out - 1pm (44 days)
 March 23 Parent/Teacher Con. Early out – 1pm
 March 24 Early out – 1pm
 March 25-29 Easter Break

April 2 Prof. Dev. Early Out – 1pm

May 7 Prof. Dev. Early Out – 1pm
 May 27 Last Day of School
 May 28 Teacher Workday

January 2027							Days
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	84
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	88
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	93
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	98
31							

February 2027							Days
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	103
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	108
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	112
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	117
29							

March 2027							Days
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	122
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	127
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	132
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	135
29	30	31					

April 2027							Days
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	139
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	144
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	149
27	28	29	30	31			154
							159

May 2027							Days
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	164
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	169
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	174
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	178
30	31						

Contact Hours
 259.0 – 1st Quarter
 290.5 – 2nd Quarter
 278.5 – 3rd Quarter
 286.5 – 4th Quarter
 1,114.5 - Total Hours

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"This is the Life," followed by Lutheran Worship Service, led by local LCMS pastors airs at 10 a.m. every Sunday morning on KCAU Channel 9. You can also watch these programs on demand at www.mainstreetliving.com.



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Sept. 01

Charles Kanaby

Sept. 03

Jason Gomez

Jessica Orr

Sept. 04

Luke Bochmann

Arnold Johnson

Melissa Lyons

Sept. 05

Ralph Modlin

Sept. 07

Yesenia Stevenson

Sept. 08

Brett Baker

Janice Hinrichsen

Kenneth Perera

Sept. 09

Jason Marrinan

Debra Trudeau

Sept. 10

Travis Benson

Gail Brown

Bennett Haller

Maggie Peters

Sept. 11

Carolyn Collins

Patricia Peirce

Michael Williams

Sept. 13

Jeff Frank

Faye Koch

Mathias Kroese

Jill Orban

Allen Seymour

Sept. 14

Briar Murphy

Sam Schweigert

Sept. 15

Kevin Bock, Jr.

Jessica Boom

Lois Bower-Stein

Denise Dodds

Sarah Jimenez

Adeline Porter

Sept. 16

Marla Anderson

Tammy Dicus

Paxtyn Wagner

Kevin Woehler

Sept. 17

Marty Figge

Olivia Wagner

Sept. 18

Tim Everton

Sept. 19

Dennis Jensen

Ivey Winckler

Sept. 20

Helen Eriksen

Rebecca Granstrom

Sacha Williams

Sept. 21

Marlis Hilden

Sherry Junck

Sept. 22

Lori Treft

Sept. 23

Diane Bald

Steve Lyons

Attalie Strong

Sept. 24

Caleb Jager

Bennett Schweder

Sept. 25

Jeff Bald

Jackie Johnson

Nicole De Vries

Gene Elliott

Robert Greene

Jennie Moore

Sept. 26

Delight Kretlow

Jim Roscovious

Anthony Strong

Erin Strong

Carolyn Stuhr

Sept. 27

Connie Elliott

JD Ferdig

Rosalie Holland

Raymond Kissinger

Sept. 28

John Kollman

Nick Roan

Bethany Sanders

Sept. 29

Liz Hannemann

Bobby Murphy

Sept. 30

Maxwell Knowles

Harrison Knowles

Elizabeth Lozano



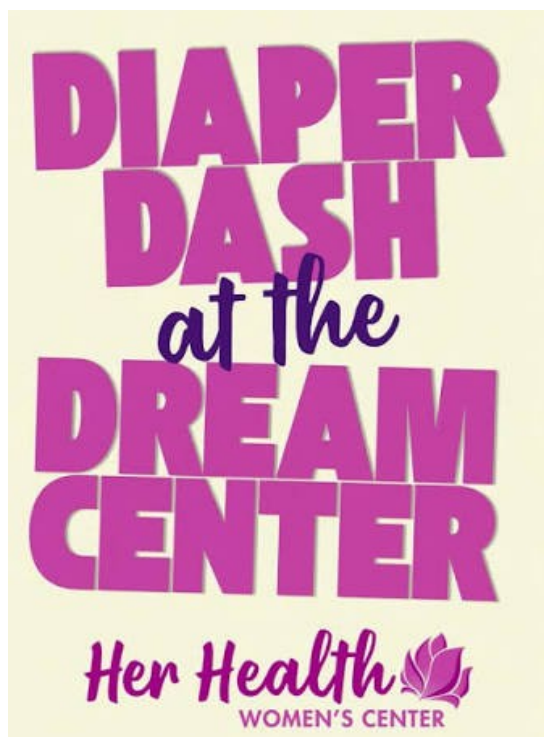
9/01	Daniel & Candi Martin	8 years
9/01	Leroy & June Zeising	64 Years
9/03	Ron & Brenda Cason	50 Years
9/04	Lorenzo & Courtney Schweigert	16 Years
9/05	Ted & Leann Orr	39 Years
9/10	Chris & Megan Hansen	7 Years
9/10	Dawn & Brian Hindman	38 Years
9/11	Gene & Connie Elliott	60 Years
9/14	Dustin & Chelsea Brown	13 Years
9/18	Kevin & Sharon Godwin	33 Years
9/18	Joseph & Kristen Zediker	16 Years
9/19	Dave & Sue Everton	51 Years
9/19	Tony & Jessica Wilcox	17 Years
9/21	Ed & Melissa Van Etten	78 Years
9/28	Carl & Kay Domsch	23 Years
9/28	Kenneth & Joni Perera	44 Years
9/29	Travis & Alyson Cardwell	19 Years

(If you see any discrepancy in names, day or years in our birthday or anniversary list, please let the church office know, so we may update our records.)



A quarter-century has passed, but our collective memory has not faded.

This September marks the milestone 25th anniversary of 9/11. We look back not only with profound grief for the lives cut short, but with immense pride in the unity, heroism, and courage that defined our darkest hours. Today, we pass the torch of remembrance to a new generation, ensuring that the legacy of those we lost continues to inspire hope, service, and strength.



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 **Saturday, Sep. 19th** at 9:30 a.m.

September Readers, Ushers, Elders and PP *Altar Guild: Liz Sanders and Karen Baker*

September 2026	Sat 6:00	Sun 10:45
1st week Sept. 5-6 Readers	Doug Lehr	Ralph Schroeder
Ushers	Steve Segebart	Tim Draube
Elders	Randy Johnson	Bob Greene
PowerPoint/Live Stream	Joyce Segebart	Sarah Gunn
2nd week Sept. 12-13 Readers	Dallas Schulz	Jami Langholdt
Ushers	Dallas Schulz	Aaron Guillaume
PowerPoint/Live Stream	Lis Sanders	Hannemanns
3rd week Sept. 19-20 Readers	Marlis Hilden	Frank Tenuta
Ushers	Doug Lehr	Dallas Schulz
Elders	Randy Johnson	Dallas Schulz
PowerPoint/Live Stream	Joyce Segebart	Jami Langholdt
4th week Sept. 26-27 Readers	Bob Greene	Brandi Beller
Ushers	Nick Gunn	Tim Draube
PowerPoint/Live Stream	Liz Sanders	Sarah Gunn

*****Fall Church Schedule:**

August 31 to December 31.

- **Traditional Services:** Every Saturday at 6:00 p.m. with communion on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays
- **Blended Service** at 10:45 a.m. 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.
- **Sunday School** will be at 9:30 a.m. beginning in the sanctuary and ending in the classrooms from **September 13 to December 20.**





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Sunday Service—Every Sunday 10:45 a.m. with Communion on the
1st & 3rd Sundays

Sunday School & Disciple Training Hour— Sundays: 9:30 a.m.

Live Streaming—Sundays at 10:45 a.m. on [www.facebook.com/
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