St. Paul Lutheran Church

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Sunday, November 29, 2026

First Sunday in Advent
Divine Service Setting Three LSB page 184 and on screens
Hymns: 355, *A Stable Lamp is Lighted* (screens only), 622, 357, 350, 601, 336
Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 64:1-9, Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Gospel Reading: Mark 11:1-10

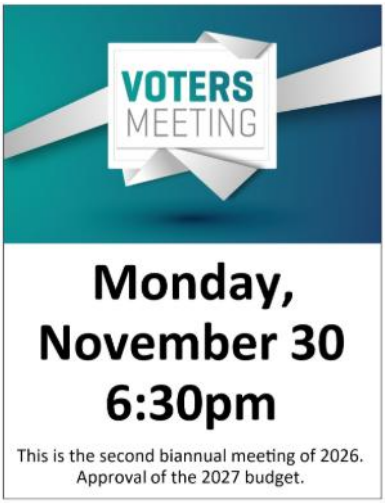
Welcome to St. Paul, a people walking together in the life of Jesus. We're glad you're here! Today, Jesus meets us in Word and Sacrament. His gifts are for you and for your children! If you are caring for little ones, don't worry about noises and squirming; we rejoice in Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these." (Luke 18:16)

This morning we joyfully receive Holy Communion, in which our Lord Jesus Christ gives us a great blessing: His true body and blood in, with, and under ordinary bread and wine. If you are a member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod who has been instructed and has confessed this reality, we invite you to participate in the Holy Supper. Other guests interested in joining our confession and life are asked to meet with Pastor Newton in the weeks before communing for the first time. We encourage you still to come to the altar and cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing.

Poinsettia Orders — Orders are being taken for poinsettias to decorate the church during Advent and Christmas. Orders are due by December 1. Cost is $13 again this season. Order forms are on the LWML table. Place orders and payment in Kathy Olson's church mailbox.

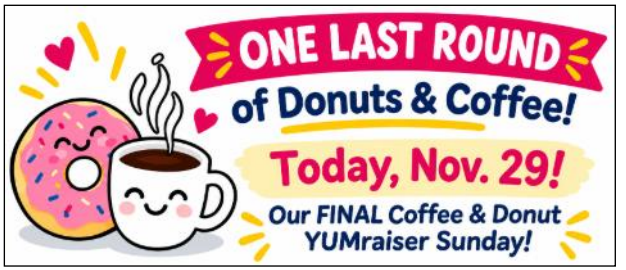
2027 Altar Flowers — The sign-up sheet to provide altar flowers in 2027 is now posted in the FLC hallway. If you have questions see Kathy.

Voters Meeting — Budget information for the voters meeting is located in the Narthex. It will also be available on Monday evening.





LWML Gathering Donations for Capitol View — LWML is gathering winter wear for the students and families at Capitol View Elementary in Des Moines. Please drop off winter coats, hats, gloves and socks for the kids and adults. They will also take diapers (sizes 3-5) and wipes. In December they have a festival for the families where they can "shop" for gifts, supplies and clothing. You can drop off donations by the LWML table near the church office (not the boxes in FLC hallway). Deadline is December 7 but if you need more time contact Kathy.



One Last Round of Donuts and Coffee — Today, November 29, is our final coffee and donut YUMraiser Sunday! Stop by between services for a donut, a cup of coffee, and a little time together! A huge thank you to everyone who has stopped by, shared a conversation, made a donation, or helped serve throughout November! Your generosity is helping our youth attend upcoming gatherings and conferences. We're so thankful for one last sweet morning! — *Youth Board*



Advent by Candlelight Today — Doors open at 5:00pm and the program begins at 5:30pm. If you didn't sign up as a guest there may still be spaces available. Check the sign-up sheets in the Narthex.

Sacristan Meeting — Calling all men and young men high school age and older. Are you interested in assisting with Divine Service as a crucifer or in another role? Please join us on **Sunday, December 20 at Noon** to learn more. Lunch will be provided.



Daily Advent Devotions Return

November 29 — We're looking forward to sharing Daily Advent Devotions with you once again. Whether you're listening with your morning coffee, gathering around the dinner table, or winding down at the end of the day, we invite you to make these daily devotions a little part of your Advent routine. Just a few minutes each day to be still, open God's Word, and turn our attention to Jesus!

We look forward to spending this Advent season with you, rejoicing in the Good News of Emmanuel—God with us!

Click on the QR code to view each video.

Children/Families

Junior/Senior Youth

Adults/Pastor Newton

Serving at St. Paul

Altar Committee
November 29 — Karen Kisker, Kim Rasler
December 6 — Karen Dozler, Sue Crawford

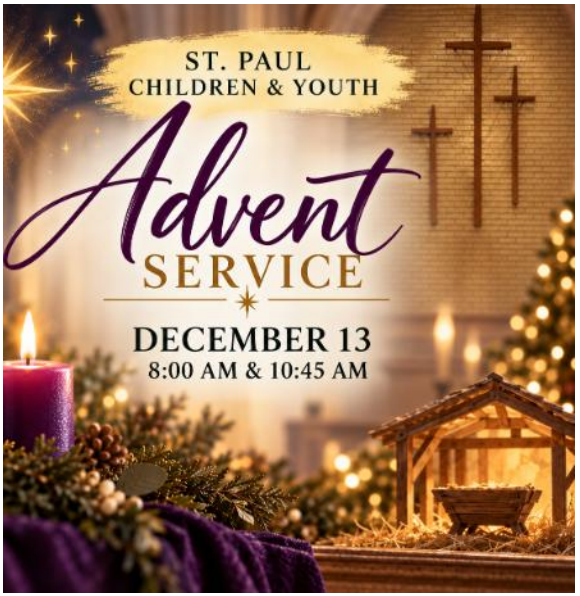
Elder
November 29 — Dan Pottratz
December 6 — Steve Bradley

Offering Counters November 29 & Dec. 6
Rod Silvey, Doyle Witt

Ushers November 29 & December 6
8:00am — Tim Davies, Eric Forde
10:45am — Rod Silvey, Matt Hayden

Worship Slides November 29
8:00am — Jessica Loghry
10:45am (livestream) — Jill & Jason Juhl, Logan Ellsworth

Worship Slides December 6
8:00am — Eddie Bell, Rochelle Sandvick
10:45am (livestream) — Candy & Jon Jero, Kaaren Eide



St. Paul Prayer List

Marie Van Beek, cancer, friend of the Glenns
David Glenn, Alzheimer's, Tim Glenn's father
Nicole, Aaron and Sarah, grandchildren of Ken and Betty McConnell
Chad Keeling, cancer, Joyce Keeling's son
Abby, leukemia, friend of Marley Anderson
Jimmy, cirrhosis, friend of Paula and Jeremy Sellen
Kyler Hess, cancer, friend of the Wielenga family
Jim Harvey
Joel Ausan
Jeff, Trevor Loeschen's father, recovering from a stroke
Layne, friend of Haase family, spinal injury
Renee, friend of Newtons, diagnosed with cancer
John Hopkins, Viviane Kottlowski's brother-in-law
Kipp Petersen, ALS, friend of the Behrens family
Kathy Ingram, Karen Whipple's twin sister, in palliative care
Ronny Adams, stroke, relative of the Hilchens
Deb Behn, open heart surgery, friend of the Horas
Grayson and Rachel Leavitt, health concerns, grandson and daughter of Joyce and Don Binneboese
Terri, cancer, sister-in-law of Strothcamps
Zach Saxton, motorcycle accident, Leola and Aurora's father
Linda Glenn, recovering from heart procedure
Marion Prill, Jennifer Heflebower's grandmother
Marcus, knee surgery, friend of Eddie Bell
Sam, Lauren, Freddy and family, struggling with addiction, friends of Johannes & Michelle Schrader
Brian Kreutner, Jennifer Kreutner and Joyce Peterson, parents and grandmother of Sarah Heilman
Greg Crawford, recovering from a broken pelvis
Erna Davies, declining health and hospitalization, Libby Wielenga's grandmother
John Ireland, cancer treatments, uncle of Annie Taugher and Susie McCarragher
Pam Houseman, medical concerns
Ken McConnell, recovering from surgery
Cianna Gilbert, Keagan's sister, struggling with sickness and health
Fred Bell, cancer and health problems, Eddie Bell's grandfather
For the Boughtons, Aowyn Schrader's boyfriend's family, having family issues

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Tori Gilbert's infant class, who are all ill
Grabrielle, Tori's friend, breast cancer
Claire Carlson, Candra Grev's cousin, whose husband died
Sally, friend of the Kiskers, illness
Steve Townsend, recovering from knee surgery
James Lett, Malisa Davies' nephew, hip replacement surgery
Rev. Randy Lett, Malisa's brother, heart tests
Mike Gerot, son-in-law of Carol Wenndt, congestive heart failure

This Week at St. Paul

Today	8:00am Worship Service
	9:15am Sunday School
	9:30am Bible Studies
	10:45am Worship Service
	5:00pm Advent by Candlelight
Monday	9:00am Staff Meeting
	6:30pm Voters Meeting
Tuesday	11:30am Lady Diners
Wednesday	10:00am Moms Group
	Noon Advent Service
	5:00-6:00pm Meal
	5:15pm Handbell Rehearsal
	6:00pm Midweek, Bible Studies
	7:00pm Advent Service
	7:30pm Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	9:30am Chapel
	10:00am Ladies Bible Study
	7:00pm Men's Fellowship and Bible Study