

St. Paul Lutheran Church

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Sunday, October 11, 2026

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Service Setting One LSB page 151 and on screens

Hymns: 813, 633, 631, 435, *O Blessed Home Where Man and Wife* (screens), 643, 803

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah: 25:6-9, Epistle Reading: Philippians 4:4-13

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:1-14

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.



Altar Flowers — Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Libby and Travis Wielenga in honor of their wedding anniversary.

Out of the Office — Pastor and Sarah will be gone from October 11-22. He will not have access to email or voicemail during this time. If you need pastoral care please contact the church office and we'll put you in touch with Pastor Kottlowski or Steve Bradley.

LWML — Ladies of St. Paul are invited to attend the LWML get-together on **Tuesday, October 13** at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy devotions, fellowship time and a brief business meeting. If you are interested in LWML and would like more information feel free to contact Sue Stoll, Sarah Kroemer, Betty Berlau or Vicki Sickels.

Building Healthy Families — Research conducted recently with college age students in the Midwest found that most of them reported having an important relationship with grandparents or significant elders who influence their values, goals, and life choices and give them a sense of self, roots, and tradition. Grandparents and older members of our church family, do you realize how important you are? Make sure the young adults in your family and congregation who have gone off to college or are returning to high school after summer break continue to hear from you. Now, more than ever, they need your love and support – even if they're not asking for it.
— *Lutheran Family Service*

Bulletin Prayer List — When submitting names please include the person's name, relation to you and the reason for the prayer. You can request a prayer (or have a name removed) on the attendance card, or simply call and email the church office.

Guest Pastor — Next **Sunday, October 18** we welcome Pastor Mark Gerken as our guest preacher. He will also lead adult Bible study.



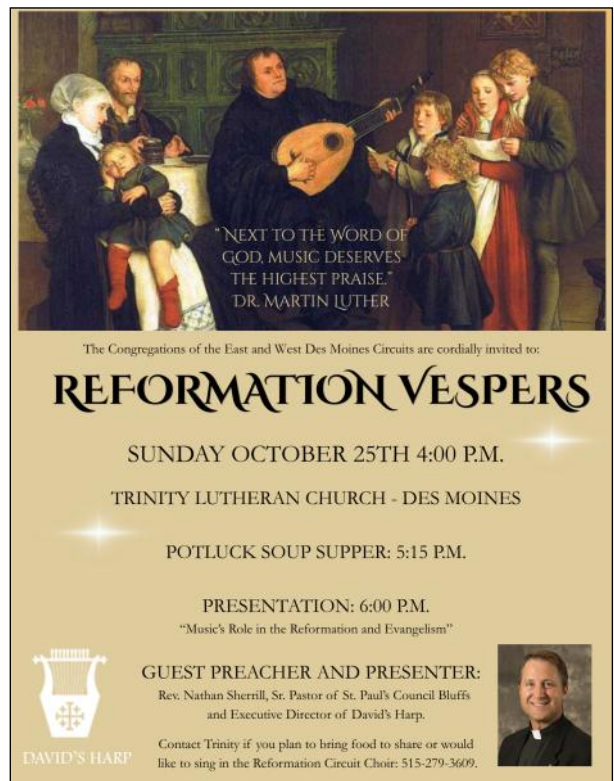
Join us
**Saturday,
November 14, 2026**
9am-2pm
and explore our
6th Annual
**"UNEXPECTED TREASURES"
Craft & Vendor Fair**
at
St. Paul Lutheran Church
1100 SE Sharon Dr, Ankeny, IA

**Come Browse the
Variety of
"Unexpected Treasures"**

**Look for that
Perfect Gift!**

**Participate in our
Vendor Sponsored
Door Prizes**

**and
Support Local
Vendors!**



"NEXT TO THE WORD OF
GOD, MUSIC DESERVES
THE HIGHEST PRAISE."
DR. MARTIN LUTHER

The Congregations of the East and West Des Moines Circuits are cordially invited to:

REFORMATION VESPERS

SUNDAY OCTOBER 25TH 4:00 P.M.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH - DES MOINES

POTLUCK SOUP SUPPER: 5:15 P.M.

PRESENTATION: 6:00 P.M.
"Music's Role in the Reformation and Evangelism"

GUEST PREACHER AND PRESENTER:
Rev. Nathan Sherrill, Sr. Pastor of St. Paul's Council Bluffs
and Executive Director of David's Harp.

Contact Trinity if you plan to bring food to share or would
like to sing in the Reformation Circuit Choir: 515-279-3609.



DAVID'S HARP

Serving at St. Paul

Altar Committee

October 11 — Alise Sunderman, Mary Suhr

October 18 — Alyssa Forde, Vicki Sickels

Altar Flowers

October 11 — Libby & Travis Wielenga

October 18 — Madonna & Gary Hauge

Elder

October 11 — Eric Bradley

October 18 — Kaleb Grev

Offering Counters

October 11 — Dan Deppe, Jon Gerths

October 18 — Tim Davies, Kevin Kisker

Ushers October 11

8:00am — Ray Marvin, Randy Sunderman

10:45am — Mark Lauthen, Adam Haselhuhn

Ushers October 18 & 25

8:00am — Gary Hauge, Mike Hayden

10:45am — Steve Bradley, Tim Krehbiel

Attendance Sunday, October 4

8:00am — 163 10:45am — 124

Build a Healthy Marriage

Join us for a free
Marriage Enrichment Seminar
by Lutheran Family Service
At Immanuel Lutheran Church in
Osceola (101 East View Pl.)
Saturday October 24th 1:00-3:00pm



Lutheran
Family Service

Learn more and register today at
immanuelosceola.org/marriage

70th Anniversary — Join us for Perry Lutheran Homes' 70th Anniversary Worship and Ice Cream Social on **Sunday, October 18**, at 2:00 p.m., with guest preacher Rev. Dr. Jim Lamb and featured speaker Rev. Max Phillips. Established 70 years ago by the LCMS Iowa District West and East to serve the western half of Iowa, Perry Lutheran Homes



Perry
Lutheran
homes
70 YEARS

continues to grow through the faithful support of congregations like yours. With Christ at the center, this ministry serves generations from six weeks to 106 years old through Acorns & Oaks Christian Academy and a full continuum of care at Perry Lutheran Homes. Hear our vision for a Lutheran missionary village and retirement community, with Christ Lutheran Church at its heart, where generations live, serve, and grow in faith. Come see what God is doing through the ministry you helped build! Worship and the ice cream social will take place at Perry Lutheran Homes' Eden Acres Campus, 1300 28th Street, Perry.



*The earth and everything in it
exists for the Lord—the world
and those who live in it.
Psalm 24:1*

Please recycle pop cans, pop bottles, water bottles, and paper. There are containers in the FLC, kitchen, office and youth rooms.

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 W. and Jeremy S.
Kyler Hess, cancer, friend of the Wielenga family
Ken Wehmas, in hospice care
Jim Harvey
Mark Mueller
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 Kottowski's brother-in-law
Cordell Wabeke, cancer, former member
Greta, niece of the Grevs, cochlear implant recovery
Jaydee Hoffmann, recovering from hip surgery
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
Denny Lensch, in hospice care
Ashley, friend of Jeremy Selen and Paula Wehmas, recovering from hand surgery
Grayson and Rachel Leavitt, health concerns, grandson and daughter of Joyce and Don Binneboese
Terri, cancer, sister-in-law of Strothcamps
Diane Halbur, health issues
Zach Saxton, motorcycle accident, Leola and Aurora's father
McKenna Boersma, granddaughter of Davies
Linda Glenn, recovering from heart procedure
Torre Nordstrom, Linda's brother-in-law, recovering from kidney surgery
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

St. Paul Prayer List

For those suffering from mental health issues.

For those in the military
Chris Madsen, Tim Fairchild
Axel Pottratz as he begins Air Force training

For those preparing for the Holy Ministry
Ezekiel Grabau, Jarrod Thomas

For our shut-in members
Cookie Brown, Phil Eshelman, Vel Hans, Denny Lensch, Pat Livingston, Terry Moehnke, Mark Mueller, Doris Olson, Kathryn Witt

This Week at St. Paul

<u>Today</u>	8:00am Worship Service 9:15pm Sunday School 9:30pm Bible Studies 10:45am Worship Service Noon Catechumenate Tailgate at Nelsons 5:00pm Senior Youth Hayride
<u>Monday</u>	6:30pm Women's Bible Study
<u>Tuesday</u>	6:30pm LWML 6:30pm Elders Meeting
<u>Wednesday</u>	10:00am Moms Group 5:00-6:00pm Meal 5:15pm Handbell Rehearsal 6:00pm Midweek, Bible Studies 7:00pm Service 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal
<u>Thursday</u>	9:30am Chapel 10:00am Ladies Bible Study 7:00pm Men's Bible Study and Fellowship