

Called by Christ to Serve

St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church & Lighthouse Preschool

Aberdeen, SD

February 2024

Dear St Paul's Family,

Greetings to you! What a whirlwind it has been these last few weeks. The kids have started school. I have been feeling my way through my first few weeks learning much about how you worship and do bible study as well as confirmation. I hope to get to know many of you in the coming weeks.

I did want to write about to you about a slight change in how communion is done. My family is very used to using the common cup. We would really enjoy to use the common cup for communion so we will be adding it on Sunday Morning. After the table is instructed to "take and drink" I will go around with the common cup to offer that to anyone who would like that prior to the final blessing. I don't anticipate this adding much length to the time of service. Not only will my family appreciate this but the Common cup has a longstanding historical tradition and hopefully even if you are not taking it you will appreciate seeing it on Sunday morning.

I hope you know that I will not be changing things on a whim. I plan on taking my time and learning the traditions of St Paul's. I think this will be something that is added and hopefully will not cause any issues. My plan is to take my time and to enculturate to St Paul's. I think in me you will find a pastor who is a good listener and communicator. I hope in my sermons I will be able to communicate a gospel message of peace and hope in the forgiveness of Jesus Christ.

I would love to hear from you. If you would like to stop by and say hello or if you would like me to come and visit please let me know. I am free for lunch most days and would love to get to know you. I hope to be a pastor who leads well. I hope also that I instill in all of you a deep trust in the grace of God.

God Bless you,

Rev. Drevlow

Installation—Rev. Ryan Drevlow
January 14, 2024



Pastor Ryan Drevlow, his wife—Laura,
Children: Wynlynn, Gracelynn, Joy, Esther, Moses, and Eliezer



Five Loaves Supper



The next Five Loaves supper will be held on Wed., February 7th at 5:15 pm. Menu is baked potato bar. Members are encouraged to bring a salad or a dessert.

Prayer Service



The next Prayer Service will be held on Sunday, Feb. 11th at 12:30pm. All members are encouraged to attend the monthly prayer services.

Ash Wednesday & Lent Services

Ash Wednesday is Wed. February 14th. Worship services will be at 12:15pm and 6:15pm. Soup and sandwiches after the 12:15 pm service and prior to the 6:15 pm service. Weekly Lent services each Wednesday at 12:15 and 6:15pm.

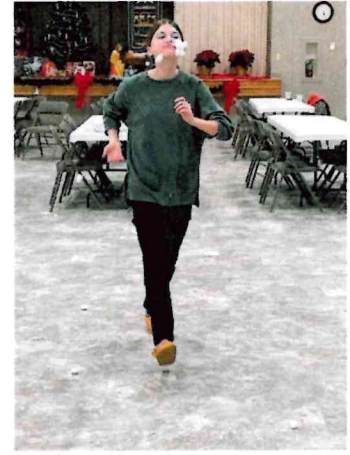
Gathering God's Flock

On the 3rd Sunday of each month, we are going out to make inactive calls. We need your help to reach more people! We simply want to welcome members who have not been in church for a while back to receive all the many blessings God gives to us in His service. Groups can be husbands and wives, entire families, or just two to three people that want to help. Reach out to Pastor Smith or DCE Michael Leapley if you have questions.

Check It Out!

The Sunday School Christmas program was fantastic (pictured on the left)! Our Sunday School children shared with us their gifts and talents. Through the program we learned of the promise of a Savior born in a manger and that this Savior would die and rise again for our sins! We are so thankful to everyone that helped with the program!

On the last youth group before Christmas, we had some specially planned activities (pictured on the right). We had a snowman relay race which was hilarious to watch! For Bible study, we compared the nativity narratives found in Matthew and Luke. Both Christmas stories communicate the richness of God becoming flesh for us.



Events and Information

- Soup and Dessert Cook-Off
 - Sunday, February 4th at 12:15 PM
 - Join us for some delicious soups and desserts!
- Men's Retreat at Lutheran Island Camp
 - March 8th-10th
 - \$155 per person
- 3v3 Co-ed Basketball Tournament
 - Sunday, March 24th from 2-7 PM
 - At Aberdeen Christian School
 - Contact DCE Leapley to sign up.



Lighthouse Preschool News

Teaching God's children about their Creator, Savior, and Friend while preparing them for a lifetime of wonder, learning, and service.

February/March 2024

We celebrated National Lutheran Schools Week!



Lutheran Schools

PROVIDING EXCELLENT

Academic Preparation

- Developing love for and excitement about learning
- Excelling at reading, writing and effective communication
- Training minds for success at the next academic level
- Creating a strong work ethic, critical thinking skills and the ability to relate well with others

1,885

Schools



21,222

Teachers



35

Districts

Sharing the life-changing message of Jesus' love with more than

200,000

students, their families and the community

RAISING UP THE NEXT GENERATION OF

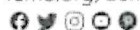
Faithful Christian Disciples

- Experiencing and celebrating God's lavish gifts of love, grace and mercy
- Sharing those gifts with others
- Being transformed by God's Word
- Clinging to the cross of Jesus

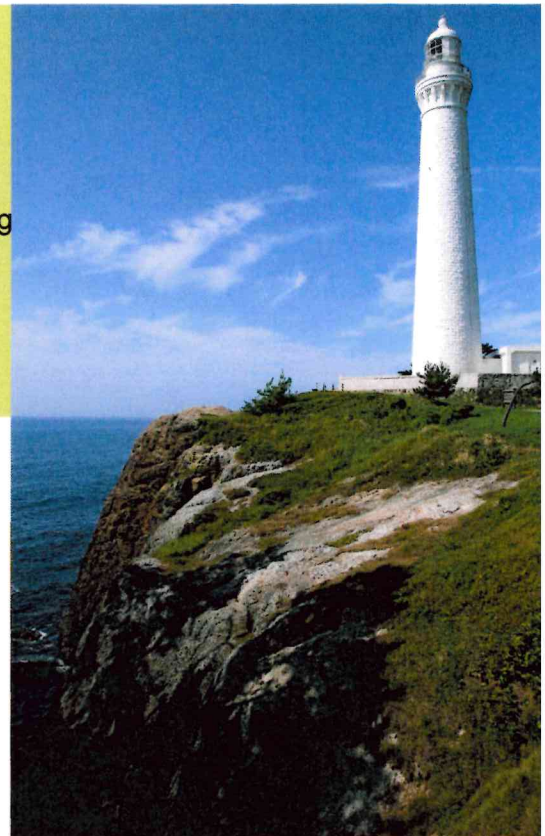
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lcms.org/school-ministry



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Upcoming Dates:

Feb. 16- NO SCHOOL

Feb. 19- President's Day- NO SCHOOL

March 7-8 No School- Spring Break!

March 29-April 1-No School- Easter Break

Reminders:

Save Those Grocery Receipts!

We are also collecting Pop tabs!

Some of our activities during NLSW this year!



Silly Sock Day!



Field Trip!

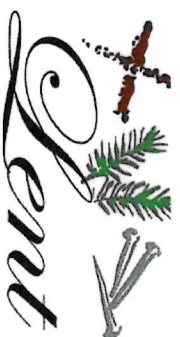


Building Fun!

REMINDERS: Registrations are now being accepted for the 2024-2025 School year! Please call the preschool for more information or pick up a registration packet from the church office!

St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)
& Lighthouse Preschool

Rev. Ryan Drevlow
Rev. Jacob Smith (586) 556-6077



February

Every Sunday
Divine Service @ 8am
Bible Study @ 9:30 am
Divine Service @ 10:45 am

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
				1 9am Quilting 6:30 pm Preschool Board Meeting	2	3
4 12:30 pm Soup & Dessert Cook-off	5	6 7:00 pm Elder's mtg.	7 10am Bible Study 5:15pm Women's Bible St. 5:15 Five Loaves Supper 6:15pm Worship 7pm Confirmation 7pm Christ in Film Bible St	8 9am LWMML Meeting	9	10
11 12:30pm Prayer Serv. 5-7pm Youth Group	12	13 6:45pm Choir Prac.	14 11am Bible Study 12:15pm, Ash Wed. Service 5:15pm Women's Bible St 6:15pm Ash Wed Worship 7pm Confirmation 7pm Christ in Film Bible St	15 9am Quilting 7:00pm RGI Meeting	16	17
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