

St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

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Second Sunday in Lent

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Please pray for Roger Blum, Barbara Dahme, Gladys Felix, Harry and Fern Preston, Sheyenne Seely, Andrew & Cindy Ruenzel, Courtney Frohling, Dawn Dohn, Lorelei Hartung, Baelyn Schwab, Pam Dutenhoffer, Clayton and Karen Johnson, Sally Kushman, Dan Lingor, Viril Layton, Martha Jerke, Geraldine McIntire, Sandy Wolf, Barb Wacholz, Gloria Anderson, Norma Miller, Sharon Dixon, and Myron Voegele..

Please inform the Pastor or the church office when you or a loved one is hospitalized.

Our condolences to the family of Cy Kaiser, whose funeral was held at St. Paul's on February 16, 2024.

Farrah Charlotte Haar, daughter of Brady and Lexy Haar, will be Baptized at the 10:45 am service today.

Thrivent Choice Dollars – Don't forget your 2023 Choice Dollars need to be directed by March 31st.

Lent Worship - Worship services at 12:15 and 6:15 pm. Soup and sandwiches will be served after the 12:15pm service and prior to the 6:15pm service. Lent services each Wednesday until Holy Week.

Camp Minneboji – Register now for Camp Minneboji. Registration information packets are located on the table in the South Narthex. Register before April 1st to receive a discount price, after April 1st the price increases. Registration will close May 1st. Contact the church office to add your name for the van list. Camp is June 16 – June 22, 2024.

You are invited to attend an LCMS Foundation Gift Giving Seminar on Sunday March 17th at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 214 7th Ave SW, Aberdeen, SD, with presentations at 1:00 and 5:00. Kurt Fuhr, Foundation Counselor, will be the presenter. The free seminar is sponsored by the Rural Gospel Initiative (RGI). To sign up by March 10th, call or text 605-887-7130 or email pganderson@nrctv.com. For more info: www.RuralGospel.org

Looking for anyone who plays brass instruments, please contact Pastor Drevlow or the church office.

Bell Choir practice will begin Tuesday, Feb 27th at 7:30pm. Anyone interested in playing Bells is welcomed. If you have questions, please call Cyrece @ 605-380-5745 or Cindy at the Church office.

Reminder to return the Preschool feedback forms by March 3rd.

Coed 3v3 Basketball Tournament – Inviting all girls, boys, and adults to join us for some friendly competition between Circuit 1 churches at Aberdeen Christian School on Sunday, March 24th, 2024. The co-ed 3v3 basketball tournament will start at 2:00 pm and end around 7:00 pm, or when the championship game is finished (whichever comes first). Churches can bring as many teams as they want. A team must have 1 girl on the floor at all times, and no more than 2 adults on the floor at a time. There is no limit to the number of players on any given team. And even if you don't have a team, come anyway and we'll provide you with teammates! We will also have a Bible study and snacks will be provided. Register no later than Sunday, March 17th by emailing DCE Michael Leapley with your team's name and players: michaell@stpaulsaberdeen.org. Please bring a **\$5 registration fee** for each team.

The Women's Bible Study will be beginning a new book on March 6, 2024 at 5:15 p.m. All women in the church are invited to join in this upcoming study of *Waiting: A Bible Study on Patience, Hope and Trust* by Sharla Fritz. According to the author, "Throughout history, God has called on His people to wait for His timing and His will. This study focuses on the lives of eight biblical women who waited and yearned and ached. Women like us. *Waiting* highlights principles that make these times more bearable, and maybe more meaningful, even if it feels like God isn't present or there's nothing we can do. Learn how to surrender your worries to God, and handle the daily-ness of waiting, and draw close to Jesus."

Books can be purchased from CPH or Amazon. March meetings will continue to be on Zoom at the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7649328029>

Weather permitting, the group will return to meeting in person in April.

Sunday Attendance: Feb. 18: 8:00 am – 103 Communed – 81
10:45 am – 139 Communed - 95
Wed: 12:15 - 55 6:15 - 95 Communed - 44
Bible Study: Sun. – 76 Wed.: 11am – 8 5:15pm – 5

Offering: February 18 - \$13,122.00
Coffee - \$116.00 Sunday School - \$15.00 Missions - \$40.00

Amount to meet budget: \$12,569.00 per week

Please sign the fellowship booklet attendance.

Organist: Sunday – Sue Ellingson **Wed** – Cyrece Kono

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S: (Feb. 25 – Mar. 3)

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service
9:30 am Bible Study, Donuts and Coffee
9:30 am Sunday School
10:45 am Worship Service
5-7:00 pm Youth Group Meeting

Tue 6:45 pm Choir Practice
7:30 pm Bell Practice

Wed 11:00 am Bible study
12:15 pm Lent Worship
12:45 pm Soup and Sandwiches
5:15 pm Women's Bible Study – Zoom
5:15 pm Soup and Sandwiches
6:15 pm Lent Worship Service
7:00 pm Confirmation
7:00 pm Christ in Film Bible Study

Thurs 9:00 am Quilting

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service
9:30 am Bible Study/Coffee & Donuts
9:30 am Sunday School
10:45 am Worship Service

Psalm Psalm 22:23–31; antiphon: v. 22

- P**²³ You who fear the LORD, praise him!
C All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him,
 and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!
- P**²⁴ For he has not despised or abhorred
 the affliction of the afflicted,
C and he has not hidden his face from him,
 but has heard, when he cried to him.
- P**²⁵ From you comes my praise in the great congregation;
C my vows I will perform before those who fear him.
- P**²⁶ The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied;
 those who seek him shall praise the LORD!
C May your hearts live forever!
- P**²⁷ All the ends of the earth shall remember
 and turn to the LORD,
C and all the families of the nations
 shall worship before you.
- P**²⁸ For kingship belongs to the LORD,
C and he rules over the nations.
- P**²⁹ All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship;
C before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,
 even the one who could not keep himself alive.
- P**³⁰ Posterity shall serve him;
 it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;
C³¹ they shall come and proclaim his righteousness
 To a people yet unborn,
 that he has done it.

ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 and to the Holy Spirit;
 as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** Let us pray.
 O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your
 mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the
 body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul;
 through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with
 You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading *Genesis 17:1–7, 15–16*

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, ²that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly.” ³Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, ⁴“Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. ⁷And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. . . .

¹⁵And God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual *Hebrews 12:2*

P: [O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,

C: the founder and perfecter of our faith,

P: who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,

C: and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Epistle *Romans 5:1–11*

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to

shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

⁹Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

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Holy Gospel *Mark 8:27–38*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eighth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

C ²⁷And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” ²⁸And they told him, “John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets.” ²⁹And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Christ.” ³⁰And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

³¹And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

³⁴And he called to him the crowd with his disciples and said to them, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ³⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it.

³⁶For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? ³⁷For what can a man give in return for his life? ³⁸For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Catechetical Review - The Conclusion

C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

P: What does this mean?

C This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means “yes, yes, it shall be so.”