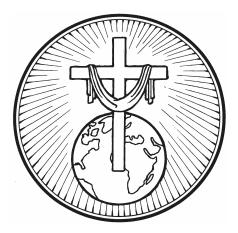
St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

Aberdeen, SD 57401 605-225-1847

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 10, 2024



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

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.

Memorials have been received in memory of Cy Kaiser, Donna Parsch Hess (organ fund), and Courtney Frohling (preschool).

Having an LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Seminar in Aberdeen is a rare opportunity for our LCMS members. Foundation representative, Kurt Fuhr, will advise how various gifting avenues could be a blessing to others, or entities such as the RGI, while benefiting the person gifting. Join us Sunday, March 17 at St. Paul Lutheran, 214 7th Ave SW, Aberdeen at 1:00 or 5:00. A light lunch will be served at both. To sign up call or text 605-887-7130, email <u>pganderson@nrctv.com</u>, or go to <u>www.RuralGospelorg</u>. The seminar is informational with no obligation or cost to you. We hope you can join us. Sponsored by the Rural Gospel Initiative.

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

Bell Choir practice on Tuesdays 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.

Romania Missionary Presentation: Join us on Wednesday, March 13th at 11:00 am or 7:00 pm for a presentation given by Pastor Jordon Andreasen on the work and service he will be doing with his family in Romania. In this role, Pastor Andreasen will work with the Confessional Lutheran Church in Romania to plant Lutheran congregations in Romania and in the surrounding Balkan-Mediterranean sub-region. Please come to learn more and keep this missionary family in your prayers!

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.

Sunday Attendance: March 3: 8:00 am - 103 10:45 am - 195 Wed: 12:15 - 46 6:15 - 94 Bible Study: Sun. - 66 Wed.: 11am - 10 5:15pm - 5 7pm - 7 **Offering: March 3 -** \$8,705.00 Coffee - \$109.00 Sunday School - \$22.00 Missions - \$100.00

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: (Mar. 10 – Mar. 17)

Sun8:00 amWorship Service9:30 amBible Study, Donuts and Coffee9:30 am Sunday School10:45 amWorship Service12:30 pmPrayer Service5-7:00 pmYouth Group Meeting

Tue 6:45 pm Choir Practice 7:00 pm Elder Meeting

Wed 11:00 am Rev. Andreasen - Romania Presentation
12:15 pmLent Worship
12:45 pm Soup and Sandwich lunch
5:15 pm Women's Bible Study – Zoom
5:15 pm Soup/Sandwich supper
6:15 pm Lent Worship Service
7:00 pm Confirmation
7:00 pm Rev. Andreasen - Romania Presentation
7:00 pm Bell Practice

Thurs 9:00 am LWML

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Bible Study/Coffee & Donuts 9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship Service

1:00 pm Rural Gospel Gift Planning Seminar

2:00 pm Gathering God's Flock

5:00 pm Rural Gospel Gift Planning Seminar

Psalm Psalm 107:1–9; antiphon: v. 19

P: 1Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,C: for his steadfast love endures forever!

P: 2Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,

C: whom he has redeemed from trouble **P** sand gathered in from the lands,

G: from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

P 4Some wandered in desert wastes,

C: finding no way to a city to dwell in; P ₅hungry and thirsty,

C: their soul fainted within them.

P 6Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble,

C: and he delivered them from their distress.

P 7He led them by a straight way

C: till they reached a city to dwell in.

P &Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,

C: for his wondrous works to the children of men! ${\sf P}\,{\scriptstyle {\tt 9}}$ For he satisfies the longing soul,

C: and the hungry soul he fills with good things.

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.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; 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 Numbers 21:4–9

⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." ⁶Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." ⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

- 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 Ephesians 2:1–10

¹And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— ³among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the coming ages he might show the

immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

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- C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel John 3:14–21

- P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.
- C: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁴[Jesus said:] "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. ²¹But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Announcements:

The Women's Bible Study began 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: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7649328029</u>

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

MAIN STREET LIVING – Mar. 17, 2024 KDLT (NBC) This the Life – 10:00 AM – "Holy Land Tour –part 1" 10:30 AM – Worship – Rev. Matthew Bless presents a message titled "*Not To Be Served, But to Serve*" "The sermon is based on Mark 10:35-45. For more information go to the web site: <u>www.mainstreetliving.com</u>.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR – Mar. 17, 2024 "*The Strangest Request*" "The Lutheran Hour can be heard on KAWZ 88.1 at 9:00 am or Bismarck radio station KFYR at 7:30 am on Sundays.