

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

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Second Sunday after Christmas

January 5, 2025



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PRAYER LIST: Please pray for Roger Blum, Sheyenne Seely, Andrew & Cindy Ruenzel, Dawn Dohn, Baelyn Schwab, Pam Dutenhoffer, Dora Lane, Sandy Wolf, Barb Wacholz, Nels Olson, Norma Miller, Eric Gerth, Hunter Wilkie, Kathy Licht, Karen Steichen, Pastor Laue, and Roger Drevlow.

Please inform the Pastor or the church office when you or a loved one is hospitalized. If you would like to add your name or remove a name to the above prayer list, please contact the church office.

A Circuit Epiphany worship service will be held on Monday, Jan. 6th at 6:16 pm here at St. Paul's.

Offering envelopes for 2025 are on the table at both narthexes.

The next meeting of St Paul's Men's Club will meet at Santo Tequila Tuesday, January 14th at 6pm. Following dinner we will return to St. Paul's and have a short devotion/Bible study covering the 1st chapter of the book "Man Up" by Jeffery Hemmer. Let Shane know if you need a copy of the book. Following our study, cards or other activities. All manly men are welcome to attend, hope to see you there!

In His Service, Shane

*****Lighthouse Preschool/Jr. Kindergarten*****

Registration for our NEW full-day Jr. Kindergarten program is now open! This new Jr. Kindergarten program is designed to help students transition for the needs and demands of a full-day Kindergarten lifestyle. We have purchased a new, faith-based, Jr. Kindergarten Classical Education curriculum, that will help students grow academically, physically, socially, and spiritually. Please note that **our new program will be limited to 12 students, ages 4-5. Turning in your application and deposit in a timely manner is essential to guarantee your child a spot!** Applications can be picked up in the narthex. Please reach out to the preschool with any questions about our new program and I will be happy to answer them for you!

Organist: Sunday: Pam Behan **Wed:** Geraldine McIntire

THE LUTHERAN HOUR – Jan. 5, 2025 “*In the Beginning was Dialogue*” Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Ziegler. The Lutheran Hour can be heard on KAWZ 88.1 at 9:00 am or Bismarck radio station KFYZ at 7:30 am on Sundays.

MAIN STREET LIVING – Jan. 5, 2025 FOX This the Life – **10:00 AM** – “*The Other Wiseman*” **10:30 AM – Worship** – Rev. David Otten presents a message titled “*Lost Child.*” The sermon is based on Luke 2:49 For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

Sunday Attendance: Dec. 29, 2024 –
8:00am - 76 Communed - 65 10:45 – 91 Communed - 76

Offering: Dec 29, 2024 - \$12,887.00
Coffee - \$118.00

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

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S: (Jan 5 – Jan 12)

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

Mon 6:15 pm Circuit Epiphany Service

Tue 7:00 pm Elder Meeting

Wed 10:00 am Bible Study
 5:15 pm Women's Bible Study
6:15 pm **Worship Service**
 7:00 pm Confirmation

Thurs 9:00 am LWML Meeting
 6:30 pm Choir Practice

Sun **8:00 am** **Worship Service**
 9:30 am Donuts and Coffee
 9:30 am Bible Study
 9:30 am Sunday School
10:45 am **Worship Service**
12:30 pm **Prayer Service**
 5-7:00 pm Youth Meeting

Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 3:4-15

L A reading from 1 Kings, the third chapter.

⁴ The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the great high place. Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. ⁵At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, “Ask what I shall give you.” ⁶And Solomon said, “You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant David my father, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you. And you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne this day. ⁷And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of David my father, although I am but a little child. I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your servant is in the midst of your people whom you have chosen, a great people, too many to be numbered or counted for multitude. ⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people?”

¹⁰It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹And God said to him, “Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹²behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you. ¹³I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor, so that no other king shall compare with you, all your days. ¹⁴And if you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your days.”

¹⁵And Solomon awoke, and behold, it was a dream. Then he came to Jerusalem and stood before the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and offered up burnt offerings and peace offerings, and made a feast for all his servants.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Isaiah 9:6; Psalm 98:1a

P: To us a child is born, to us a son is given;

C: and the government shall be upon his shoulder.

P: And his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,

C: Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

P: Sing to the Lord a new song,

C: for he has done marvelous things!

Epistle

Ephesians 1:3–14

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, ⁸which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight ⁹making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

¹¹In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, ¹²so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴who is the guarantee of our

inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Luke 2:40–52

⁴⁰The child [Jesus] grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

⁴¹Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. ⁴²And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. ⁴³And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, ⁴⁴but supposing him to be in the group they went a day’s journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, ⁴⁵and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. ⁴⁶After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, “Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress.” ⁴⁹And he said to them, “Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?” ⁵⁰And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. ⁵¹And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart.

⁵²And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Catechetical Instruction

The Fourth Commandment

Honor your father and your mother.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.