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

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Second Sunday after Easter April 27, 2025



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Cindy Jung, Church Admin – <u>cindyj@stpaulsaberdeen.org</u> <u>www.stpaulsaberdeen.org</u> **PRAYER LIST:** Please pray for Roger Blum, Sheyenne Seely, Andrew & Cindy Ruenzel, Dawn Dohn, Pam Dutenhoffer, Dora Lane, Sandy Wolf, Barb Wacholz, Nels Olson, Kathy Licht, Shane Sass, Cheryl Zinter, Roger Drevlow, Beverly Schrader, Norma Miller, Karen Johnson, and Irene Feickert. The family of Ethan Brittenham (Howard & Paige Anderson and Sandra Hobart)

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.

Jesus Door 2 Door- We will be canvassing in Faulkton May 10th and plan to leave from here at 8 a.m. and will be back around 3:30. Hope to see you there!

Music Cantor - We extended an opportunity for a Music Cantor Internship to Concordia Seward and a young man has agreed to join us for the months of June/July. We are looking into ways of housing him. If you would have an extra bedroom or place for him to stay we would greatly appreciate the help. Please let someone in the office know either Cindy or Rev. Drevlow.

The next meeting of **St Paul's Men's Club** will meet at St. Paul's Tuesday May 13th at 6pm. We will be grilling burgers, brats, and Tim's famous taters. We will be continuing with Chapter 2 in the Book Man Up; by Jeffery Hemmer. All manly men of all ages are encouraged to attend. I hope to see you all in May.

A high school graduation **open house** on Saturday, May 10th from 2-4pm will be held for Mia Jung in the gym. All are welcome.

Let's get ready for an epic Australian adventure! VBS is coming up June 8 - 12 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm each evening. We are looking forward to an exciting week of learning and fun for kids ages Preschool through 5th Grade. Can you help out by volunteering your time or donating supplies? Check out the VBS display in the South Narthex for volunteer opportunities and a donation tree. Thank you for your support!

Organist: Sunday-Sue Ellingson Wed - Cindy Jung

Church softball – Anyone interested in playing church league softball this summer, please contact Pastor Smith.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR – May 4, 2025 "An Old Place, A New Beginning" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Daniel Paavola. 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.

Camp Minneboji 2025 – June 15 to June 21, 2025. This year's theme is "*Hidden and Revealed*." Please go to their website to register online. Last date to register is May 1, 2025 or when camp is full. Register early to guarantee attendance. Also, a sign-up sheet is on the table in the South Narthex so we know who is going with the bus.

The Lighthouse Preschool will be holding a raffle style fundraiser from April 7-May 2. Raffle tickets are available for \$10 each and can be picked up in the office or the church narthex. Please see the flyer in the narthex for pictures of our awesome raffle prizes! All funds raised will go to our tuition assistance program. Money and ticket stubs can be turned into the church office or to Jenelle at the preschool no later than May 2. Thank you for your support!

The Church Administrator/Secretary will be retiring at the end of May. Anyone interested in the position should pick up an application and job description at the church office.

Preschool Program/Graduation - We will be having our spring program and graduation on Monday, May 12, at 6:15PM. Our children have been working very hard and would love to share how "Jesus is our Shepherd" with you! Please join us for fellowship after the program as we celebrate our kindergarten graduates! We would like to thank you all for your prayers, snack donations and financial support this school year! We were blessed to teach and share the Gospel with 16 students and families. We are excited to share that we have reached full enrollment for our new full day Jr. Kindergarten program this fall! Please continue to keep the preschool in your prayers, especially as we make the transition to this new program.

Sunday Attendance: April 2, 2025 -

8:00am - 207 Communed - 143 10:45 - 124 Communed - 85

Wed: Bible Study 5:00-6

MAIN STREET LIVING - May 4, 2025 FOX This the Life - 10:00 AM - "The Day We Lost Ella Mae" 10:30 AM - Worship - Rev. Chris Nitzel presents a message titled "The Revealed Jesus" The sermon is based on John 21. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

Offering: April 20, 2025 - \$15,995.50 Coffee - \$342.00 Missions - \$125.00

Amount to meet budget: \$12,824.00 per week

WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S: (April 27 - May 4)

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Easter Breakfast

10:45 am Worship Service 5-7:00 pm Youth Group Meeting

Wed 10:00 am Bible Study

6:15 pm Worship

7:00 pm Confirmation Statements of Faith

Thurs 9:00 am Quilting

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service with Communion

9:30 am Donuts and Coffee

9:30 am Bible Study

9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship Service – Confirmation

with Communion

Psalm Psalm 148; antiphon: v. 13

P: ¹Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD from the heavens;

C: praise him in the heights!

P: ²Praise him, all his angels;

C: praise him, all his hosts!

P: ³Praise him, sun and moon,

C: praise him, all you shining stars!

P: ⁴Praise him, you highest heavens,

C: and you waters above the heavens!

P: 5Let them praise the name of the LORD!

C: For he commanded and they were created.

P: ⁶And he established them forever and ever;

C: he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

P: ⁷Praise the LORD from the earth,

C: you great sea creatures and all deeps,

P: 8 fire and hail, snow and mist,

C: stormy wind fulfilling his word!

P: 9Mountains and all hills,

C: fruit trees and all cedars!

P: 10Beasts and all livestock,

C: creeping things and flying birds!

P: 11Kings of the earth and all peoples,

C: princes and all rulers of the earth!

P: 12Young men and maidens together,

C: old men and children!

P: ¹³Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted;

C: his majesty is above earth and heaven.

P: ¹⁴He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints,

C: for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the LORD!

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, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Reading Acts 5:12–32

¹²Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. ¹³None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. ¹⁴And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, ¹⁵so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. ¹⁶The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed.

¹⁷But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy ¹⁸they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. ¹⁹But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, ²⁰"Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life." ²¹And when they heard this, they entered the temple at daybreak and began to teach.

Now when the high priest came, and those who were with him, they called together the council and all the senate of Israel and sent to the prison to have them brought. ²²But when the officers came, they did not find them in the prison, so they returned and reported, ²³"We found the prison securely locked and the guards standing at the doors, but when we opened them we found no one inside." ²⁴Now when the captain of the temple and

the chief priests heard these words, they were greatly perplexed about them, wondering what this would come to. ²⁵And someone came and told them, "Look! The men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people." ²⁶Then the captain with the officers went and brought them, but not by force, for they were afraid of being stoned by the people.

²⁷And when they had brought them, they set them before the council. And the high priest questioned them, ²⁸saying, "We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this man's blood upon us." ²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. ³⁰The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6

P: Christ has risen from the dead.

C: [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.

P: He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

C: he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle *Revelation 1:4–18*

⁴John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷Behold, he is coming with the clouds,

and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

8"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

⁹I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet ¹¹saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea."

¹²Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴The hairs of his head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, ¹⁵his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. ¹⁶In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

¹⁷When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, ¹⁸and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

John 20:19-31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As

the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

²⁶Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

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