

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

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2026



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PRAYER LIST: Please pray for Andrew Ruenzel, Dawn Dohn, Dora Lane, Barb Wacholz, Kathy Licht, Shane Sass, Cheryl Zinter, Baelyn Schwab, Lou Thomas, David Gulland, Dan & Joan Swisher, Penny Butler, Leone Dutenhoffer, Doug Johnson, and the family of Ellen Fiechtner.

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.

Scarlett Blue Sundberg will be baptized today at the 8:00am service. Scarlett's sponsors are Clint and Tara Fjelstad.

Happy Mother's Day!

Church Softball – If you are interested in playing softball, there is a signup sheet on the table in the south narthex. The season starts June 1st. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Smith.

The Church Office will be closed - Friday, May 8th through Tuesday, May 12th as Jennifer will be on vacation.

Preschool Program/Graduation – We will be having our spring program and graduation on Monday, May 11th at 6:15pm. All are welcome to attend.

There will be a **VBS Volunteers Meeting** on Tuesday, May 19th at 5:30 in the fellowship hall. This meeting will be an update on what we have, volunteer roles, and what we still need to do to be ready for VBS.

Please note there will be a **Joint Service on Sunday, May 31st at 10:00am** with **Bible Study at 9:00am**.

Camp Minneboji – Summer camp for kids in grades 4-9 is June 21-27, 2026. This year's camp theme is "Lifted Up." Registration is online through the South Dakota District Website: <https://sddlcms.org>. Registration deadline is May 1st. Signup sheet is on the table in the south narthex.

Lighthouse Preschool/Jr. Kindergarten - Registration for our full-day Jr. Kindergarten program for the 2026-27 school year is now open! Our program is limited to 12 students, ages 4-5.

St. Paul's Blood Drive - Upcoming Donation Day

Thank you for faithfully supporting this life saving mission. We are truly grateful for your willingness to help those in need. Our next scheduled donation day is: **Monday, June 15th 2:30–6:00PM.**

St Paul's/Our Savior's Men's Club will meet at St. Paul's Tuesday, May 12th at 6pm discussing the Book Man Up; by Jeffery Hemmer. Tell a friend and remember, All manly men of all ages are encouraged to attend. Please message Shane Jung to be added to the email list. 1-605-216-3784.

The **Women's Wednesday Bible Study** at 5:15 pm. They are reading the book: Emotions & the Gospel by Heidi Goehmann. A Zoom option is available to those who would like to participate remotely. Please contact Cheryl Wold at cheryl.m.wold@gmail.com for more information. We invite all women to join us!

Building Healthy Families: How do you put a mother's love into words? It's steady and selfless, quiet yet powerful—woven into everyday moments and lifelong sacrifices. Scripture paints this kind of love in many places, and while 1 Corinthians 13:4–8 isn't always labeled as a "mother's passage," it beautifully reflects what so many mothers live out each day: *Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends.* Happy Mother's Day to all women who so lovingly care for their children and others. (P.S. No texting or snapchatting today: call or visit your mother!)
www.LutheranFamilyService.org **Lutheran Family Service**

THE LUTHERAN HOUR – May 17, 2026 “Don't Despise Small Beginnings” Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler with a message based on Acts 1:14. Our small efforts to become the people Jesus saved us to be might seem insignificant, but small efforts compound. 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 – May 17, 2026 KEVN (FOX) & KDLT(NBC) channels 5.1/46.1 – 10:00 AM – *“Poisoned Banquet”* 10:30 AM – Worship – Rev. Jason Rensner presents a message titled “The Answer is Always Jesus.” The sermon is based on Acts 1:12-26. For more information, visit: www.mainstreetliving.com.

Sunday Attendance: May 3, 2026

8:00am - 90 Communed - 71
10:45am – 136 Communed - 82
Wed 6:15pm - 18 Communed - 15

Bible Study:

Sunday – 58 Wed 10:00 – 10 Wed 5:15 - 5

Organist – Sunday/Wednesday: Sue Ellingson/Tina Board

Offering: May 3, 2026 - \$7966.02 Coffee - \$115.26

Amount to meet budget: \$12,918.00 per week

WEEK AT ST. PAUL’S: (May 10th – May 17th)

Sun	8:00am	Worship
	9:30am	Donuts & Coffee/Sunday School
	10:45am	Worship
	12:30pm	Prayer Service
Tues	6:00pm	Men’s Club Bible Study
Wed	10:00am	Bible Study
	6:15pm	Worship
Thurs	9:00am	LWML Meeting
	6:15pm	Ascension Worship Service
Fri	5:30pm	Youth for Christ
Sun	8:00am	Worship
	9:30am	Donuts & Coffee/Sunday School
	10:45am	Worship
	1:00pm	Gathering God’s Flock

Psalm *Psalm 66:8–20; antiphon: v. 8*

P: ⁸Bless our God, O peoples;

C: let the sound of his praise be heard,

P: ⁹who has kept our soul among the living

C: and has not let our feet slip.

P: ¹⁰For you, O God, have tested us;

C: you have tried us as silver is tried.

P: ¹¹You brought us into the net;

C: you laid a crushing burden on our backs;

P: ¹²you let men ride over our heads;

C: we went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us out to a place of abundance.

P: ¹³I will come into your house with burnt offerings;

C: I will perform my vows to you,

P: ¹⁴that which my lips uttered

C: and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

P: ¹⁵I will offer to you burnt offerings of fattened animals, with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams;

C: I will make an offering of bulls and goats.

P: ¹⁶Come and hear, all you who fear God,

C: and I will tell what he has done for my soul.

P: ¹⁷I cried to him with my mouth,

C: and high praise was on my tongue.

P: ¹⁸If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,

C: the Lord would not have listened.

P: ¹⁹But truly God has listened;

C: he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

P: ²⁰Blessèd be God,

C: because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!

**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**

Reading Acts 17:16–31

□ A reading from Acts, chapter 17.

¹⁶While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babbler wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities”—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. ¹⁹And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? ²⁰For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.” ²¹Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

²²So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸for

“‘In him we live and move and have our being’;
as even some of your own poets have said,

“‘For we are indeed his offspring.’

²⁹Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. ³⁰The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a

man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Reading *1 Peter 3:13–22*

L A reading from 1 Peter, chapter 3.

¹³Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for righteousness’ sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God’s will, than for doing evil.

¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, ²⁰because they formerly did not obey, when God’s patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. ²¹Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Reading *John 14:15–21*

L A reading from John, chapter 14.

¹⁵[Jesus said:] “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷even the Spirit of truth,

whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

¹⁸“I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.”

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

May Baptismal Birthdays

Howard Anderson

Emily Blair

Cora Burrer

Robert Casper

Nate Collins

Shawn Cutler

Janice Frohling

Michael Guerin

Henry Habeck

Jessica Harry

Alaina Huff

Mason Huff

Tate Huff

Karlie Jacobson

Dan Johnson

Melinda Johnson

Donald Johnston

Alex Jones

Larry Jung

Kenny Kilber

Sally Kushman

Clayton Lout

Markcus Selzler

Kelly Stadel

Edna Stoebner

Darlene Wahl

Maren Wakefield

May Wedding Anniversaries

Ray & Emily Anderson

Zach & Jessica Harry

Mike & Marg Janke

Mike & Rebecca Jeschke

Dustin & Susie Klapperich

Rod & Cyrece Kono

Nels & Marsha Olson

Jesse & Laura Staebner

Dennis & Edna Stoebner

Dave & Brenda Taffe