

## ~NOTES AND NEWS~ St. Paul Lutheran Church, January 4, 2026

**WELCOME:** A warm welcome to all worshipers on this Second Sunday after Christmas. Empowered by our Lord's Spirit, we continue to run the race of faith! This is an important "training stop" along the way as together we grow in faith and worship our loving Lord Jesus. We thank the Lord for your presence with us today.

**COMMUNION IN THE PEW:** If it has become necessary for you to have communion brought to you in the pew, please notify the pastor or an Elder. We are pleased to assist you in receiving this great blessing on a regular basis.

Servant Role	1/04 - 8:30 am	1/04 - 11:00 am	1/07 – 7:00 pm
Elder/Greeter	Bob Smith	Bob Smith	
Ushers	Chris & Lucas G, Randy T & Scott C	Ray S & Doug D	Doug D & Tim B

**Attendance:** 12/24 = 242, 12/25 = 40, 12/28 = 45, 12/31 = 28

**Offering:** \$13,042.00      **Needed** \$8,642.37

- **A NOTE FOR FAMILIES:** We love seeing children in our worship service! Their presence is a gift. To support our families, we offer a Cry Room at the back of the sanctuary, equipped with a speaker so you won't miss the service. We also have reserved pews in the rear for families with young children, allowing for easy exits if needed. Our goal is for everyone—parents, children, and **all members**—to have a blessed worship experience.
- **FELLOWSHIP PAD:** Visitors & Members - please sign the Fellowship Pad. Visitors, please include your address and/or phone number. If you do not have a church home, are interested in joining our church family, or would like information about St. Paul, please speak with Pastor Boshoven, an Elder, or an usher, who will be happy to assist you.
- **JANUARY VOTERS' ASSEMBLY:** Our next Voters' Assembly is **January 18 at 12:15 PM**, following second service. Please join us for the meeting **and a potluck lunch**.
- **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** The Women's Bible Study meets every **2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday from 10:00 - 11:30 AM**. The next one will be on **January 8**. If Caro School is closed for inclement weather, Bible Study will be canceled.
- **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** **FORGE** will now be meeting every **2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 3:00 PM**. The first meeting of 2026 will be on **Jan. 14**. We invite all men to join us!
- **JOY GROUP:** Just Older Youth will meet in our church fellowship hall at **NOON on Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>** for a **potluck lunch** followed by an afternoon of sharing, fun, and games. If you have a hobby or craft you would like to share, bring something to show us and tell us about it. Then we will play games. Please sign up and see more details on the sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board.
- **YOUTH TRIP INTEREST MEETING:** This summer, we are taking a group to the Michigan District Youth Gathering on Mackinac Island. This is open to all youth going into **9th grade - 2026 graduates**. Please join us for an interest meeting on **January 25 at 2:00 PM** to discuss all the details of the gathering.

- **CAN DRIVE FUNDRAISER:** The high school youth are collecting pop cans and bottles to fundraise for the Michigan District Youth Gathering. Please bring any cans you have at home in to help support our youth!
- **CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY SUMMIT:** Everyone is invited to attend "*Live to Tell About It!*" on **January 31 in Frankenmuth**. This is an opportunity to hear from ministry leaders and innovators who want to encourage all congregations in their ministry. You can register at [michigandistrict.org/cms26](http://michigandistrict.org/cms26)
- **2026 ENVELOPES:** Your contribution envelopes for 2026 are in the Fellowship Hall on the counter. Please pick them up from there. *After the new year, please discard your unused 2025 envelopes and use only those from your new box. Some of the envelope numbers do change from year to year. If you have your check automatically sent to the church from your bank, I have kept your weekly envelopes here in the office, and left the special envelopes in the envelope box. (Advent, Lent, Building Fund, etc.).* Thank you!

**January 4 - 11**

<b>Sunday, January 4</b>	<b>8:30 am – Contemporary Worship with Communion 9:45 am – Bible Class / Sunday School 11:00 am – Traditional Worship with Communion 12:15 pm – Confirmation Class</b>
<b>Monday, January 5</b>	<b>5:30 pm – Choir 6:30 pm – Handbells</b>
<b>Tuesday, January 6</b>	<b>8:30 am – Quilters 5:30 pm – Contemporary Rehearsal 6:30 pm – Board of Elders</b>
<b>Wednesday, January 7</b>	<b>7:00 pm – Worship Service</b>
<b>Thursday, January 8</b>	<b>10:00 – 11:30 am – Women’s Bible Study</b>
<b>Friday, January 9</b>	
<b>Saturday, January 10</b>	
<b>Sunday, January 11</b>	<b>8:30 am – Traditional Worship with Communion 9:45 am – Bible Class / Sunday School 11:00 am – Contemporary Worship with Communion 12:15 pm – Confirmation Class</b>

**NEXT WEEK...**

<b>Servant Role</b>	<b>1/11 - 8:30 am</b>	<b>1/11 - 11:00 am</b>	<b>1/14 – 7:00 pm</b>
<b>Elder/Greeter</b>			
<b>Ushers</b>	Chris & Lucas G, Randy T & Scott C	Ray S & Tim B	Doug D & Larry N

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