

The Messenger

MARCH 2025

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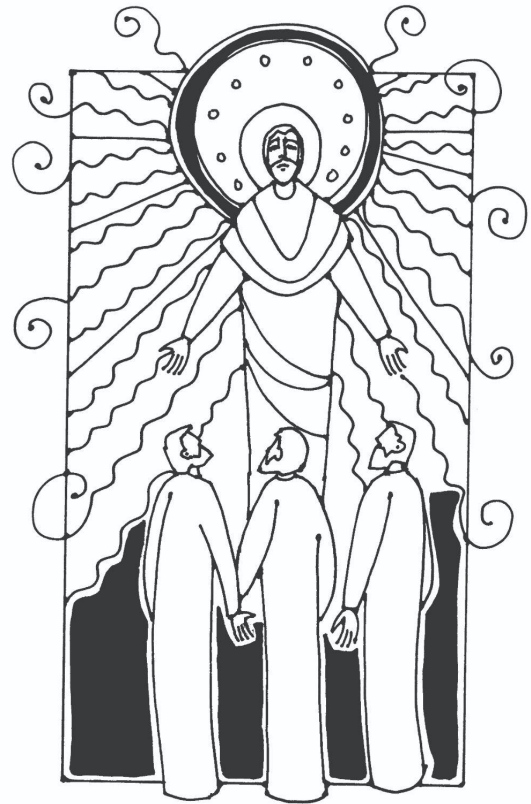
SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES
AT 8:30 A.M. AND 11:00 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE
CLASSES AT 9:45 A.M.
WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
AT 7:00 P.M.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

STUDY the Word
SEEK the lost
SERVE all people
SHARE our gifts
In JESUS' name.

...St. Paul Lutheran Church

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FACTS & FIGURES

DATE	SERVICE	ATTENDANCE	OFFERING
1/26 & 1/29	Worship Services	61 + 77 + 23 = 161	\$4,007.00
2/2 & 2/5	Worship Services	85 + 62 + 22 = 169	\$0.00
2/9	Worship Services	49 + 62 = 111	\$7,430.00
2/16 & 2/19	Worship Services	39 + 37 + 26 = 102	\$2,969.00
Needed each week			\$8,642.37

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the April 2025 issue of *The Messenger* is:
Monday, March 24 at 12:00 (noon)

Articles may be emailed to **lynn@stpaulcaro.org** or put in Secretary mailbox.

To ensure that I get all information correct, please only submit by email or in my mailbox. No phone calls please. Thank you!

CHILDREN'S BULLETIN DRAWING

The winners for the Children's Bulletin Drawing for January are - **Cora, Stella, Grahm, Gwen, & one with no name!** (The one with no name left a note on it about his/her brother coloring on it). If you haven't yet, you can either pick up your prize at the church office M-F, 8:30-4:30, or you can tell myself (Lynn), or Pastor, or the Elder on any Sunday and they can let you choose a prize from the prize box. The winner for February will be announced in the first Sunday bulletin in March and in the April newsletter.

LENTEN MEALS

We still have one date available for hosting. If your group or family would like to host the dinner on April 16, please let me know.



Don't forget to
Spring Ahead
 on March 9.

NEWSLETTER SPONSORS FOR 2025

If you would like to sponsor the newsletter for a month, please see or call Lynn in the office at 989-673-4214. The cost is only \$25 for a month.



**American
Red Cross**



Our next blood drive will be held on Monday, March 10 from 12 - 5:45 PM. Call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org to schedule your appointment. Save time with RapidPass®. Complete your pre-donation reading and health history at RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass or with the Blood Donor App before your appointment.

SHOEBOXES: You may bring them in and put them under the second coat rack at any time. Eric cleaned out a place in the garage to store them. Thank you!

Scripture Readings: March

2	OT: Deuteronomy 34:1-12 PS: Psalm 99 EP: Hebrews 3:1-6 GO: Luke 9:28-36
9	OT: Deuteronomy 26:1-11 PS: Psalm 91:1-13 EP: Romans 10:8b-13 GO: Luke 4:1-13
16	OT: Jeremiah 26:8-15 PS: Psalm 4 EP: Philippians 3:17-4:1 GO: Luke 13:31-35
23	OT: Ezekiel 33:7-20 PS: Psalm 85 EP: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 GO: Luke 13:1-9
30	OT: Isaiah 12:1-6 PS: Psalm 32 EP: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 GO: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

LWML

Ladies - did you know that if you are a confirmed member of the church, you are automatically a member of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML)? Join us on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 in the Fellowship Hall. We take summer and December off. This month, we will listen to a presentation on the Holy Land and the Dead Sea by Pastor Haller from Grace Lutheran in Fairgrove.

Lenten Midweek Series



1. Ash Wednesday, 3/05/25:

The Good News of a Savior Who Covers Our Sin, *Genesis 3:1–13, 21*

2. Lenten Midweek 2, 3/12/25:

The Good News of a Savior Who Conquers Evil, *Genesis 3:14–15*

3. Lenten Midweek 3, 3/19/25:

The Good News of a Savior Who Gives Us a New Beginning, *Genesis 6*

4. Lenten Midweek 4, 3/26/25:

The Good News of a Savior Who Gives Himself in Our Place, *Genesis 22:1–18*

5. Lenten Midweek 5, 4/02/25:

The Good News of a Savior Who Unites Heaven and Earth, *Genesis 28:10–22*

6. Lenten Midweek 6, 4/09/25:

The Good News of a Savior Who Brings Good from Evil, *Genesis 50:15–21*

J.O.Y. TRIP ~ FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 2025

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Just Older Youth will meet at the church at **11:00 AM on Friday, March 21**, and go to the Pompei Restaurant in Reese for lunch, then on to Bay City to the Delta College Planetarium to see the *Aurora: Lights of Wonder* Planetarium Show. The aurora is one of the greatest wonders one can experience in nature. Now, you can experience the actual aurora with the world's first 4Kx4K real-time hemispherical immersive video. Animations and CG depict auroral myths and the science behind the aurora, also known as the northern or southern lights. This show tells the story of how auroras are formed, the secret behind the colors, the best places to see them, different shapes, auroras on other planets, and more. Tickets are \$5 for seniors or military, and will be purchased there. We may stop at Tony's after the show if time and weather cooperate.

PLEASE JOIN US for Christian fun and fellowship!! Just Older Youth includes everyone 50 and older. If you can come, please sign the sheet posted on the bulletin board in the narthex.



Wednesday, 3/05/25:
 5:30 PM - Meal sponsored by
 LWML - Sloppy Joes
 7:00 PM - Ash Wednesday Service

Midweek of Lent 2
Wednesday, 3/12/25:
 5:30 PM - Meal sponsored by
 Quilters - Chili
 7:00 PM - Lenten Service

Midweek of Lent 3
Wednesday, 3/19/25:
 5:30 PM - Meal sponsored by
 LaValleys
 7:00 PM - Lenten Service

Midweek of Lent 4
Wednesday, 3/26/25:
 5:30 PM - Meal sponsored by
 Choirs - Lasagna
 7:00 PM - Lenten Service

Midweek of Lent 5
Wednesday, 4/02/25:
 5:30 PM - Meal sponsored by
 Youth
 7:00 PM - Lenten Service

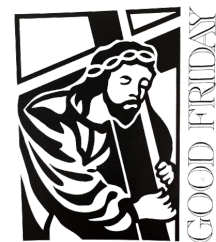
Midweek of Lent 6
Wednesday, 4/9/25:
 5:30 PM - Meal sponsored by
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 7:00 PM - Lenten Service



Palm Sunday
Sunday, 4/13/25:
8:30 AM & 11:00 AM



Maundy Thursday
Thursday, 4/17/25:
7:00 PM



Good Friday
Friday, 4/18/25:
1:30 PM



Easter Sunday
Sunday, 4/20/25:
7:30 AM & 11:00 AM

THE ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

The application process is now open and will stay open until June 1, 2025. Please contact anyone on the committee with questions. The endowment committee members are Liz Zuercher, Jeremy Creutz, Doug DeRocco, Mitzi LaValley, Linda Matuszak, Kathy Smith, and Cindy Morley.

Donations are accepted at any time from anyone for the Endowment Fund. Memorials and special occasions such as baptisms, weddings, and anniversaries are great opportunities to honor someone with a donation.

WHAT DOES THIS COMMITTEE DO?

- We manage the funds we receive.
- We invest the money into our Thrivent accounts.
- We give 3-5% of what we make for the year to applicants.

HOW IS THE MONEY GIVEN OUT?

- We accept applications for restricted and unrestricted funds.
- Fill out the application found on the back table in the Narthex.
- Return the application to Liz Zuercher's mailbox or the church office.
- The deadline is June 1st.

WHAT ARE RESTRICTED AND UNRESTRICTED FUNDS?

- **Restricted**- members of St. Paul who are attending a Lutheran school, preschool through college can receive funds.
- New church building projects, renovations, or property acquisitions.
- **Unrestricted**- other church projects and programs.
- Further growth of your church mission and ministry.

Please fill out an application today. We are honored to serve your requests. Please verify with the endowment team that we received your application prior to the deadline.
Thank you.



March 2025

Resurrection and Renewal

This year, we are writing out some Bible verses. If you don't like to write, you can type them, (or at least read them). Each month has a theme. As you can see, the theme for March is "Resurrection and Renewal." Each of the verses for this month will have something to do with resurrection and renewal. I looked one of the verses up for you - look at the bottom of the page.

- 1 - Ephesians 2:8
- 2 - Romans 5:1
- 3 - 1 Corinthians 6:11
- 4 - 2 Corinthians 5:17
- 5 - 2 Peter 1:4
- 6 - Galatians 3:20
- 7 - Colossians 1:13
- 8 - Romans 8:14
- 9 - Philippians 4:19
- 10 - 1 Peter 5:10
- 11 - Philippians 4:13
- 12 - Romans 8:17
- 13 - Ephesians 6:10
- 14 - Galatians 3:13-14
- 15 - 1 John 5:11-12
- 16 - Ephesians 1:3

- 17 - 1 Peter 2:24
- 18 - Luke 10:19
- 19 - Romans 8:37
- 20 - Revelation 12:11
- 21 - 1 John 4:4
- 22 - 2 Corinthians 5:7
- 23 - 2 Corinthians 10:4
- 24 - 2 Corinthians 10:5
- 25 - Romans 12:1-2
- 26 - Psalm 91:11
- 27 - 1 Corinthians 3:9
- 28 - 2 Corinthians 5:21
- 29 - Ephesians 5:1
- 30 - Matthew 5:14
- 31 - 2 Corinthians 9:8



'For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, '

Ephesians 2:8

FAMILY DEVOTION CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 PRAY FOR GODCHILDREN/ BAPTISM SPONSORS MEMORIZE THE 10 COMMANDMENTS
2 PRAY FOR PASTORS READ PSALM 99	3 PRAY THE REQUESTS OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS RECITE THE APOSTLES CREED	4 PRAY FOR MISSIONARIES READ JOHN 18	5 PRAY THE LORD'S PRAYER MEMORIZE 1 TIMOTHY 6:6-7	6 PRAY LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER CATECHISM: THE 10TH COMMANDMENT	7 PRAY FOR UNBELIEVERS READ JOHN 19	8 PRAY FOR GODCHILDREN/ BAPTISM SPONSORS MEMORIZE THE 10 COMMANDMENTS
9 PRAY FOR PASTORS READ PSALM 51:1-13	10 PRAY THE REQUESTS OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS RECITE THE NICENE CREED	11 PRAY FOR WORLD LEADERS READ JOHN 20	12 PRAY THE LORD'S PRAYER MEMORIZE ISAIAH 42:8	13 PRAY LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER CATECHISM: CLOSE OF THE COMMANDMENTS	14 PRAY FOR THE CHURCH READ JOHN 21	15 PRAY FOR GODCHILDREN/ BAPTISM SPONSORS MEMORIZE THE 10 COMMANDMENTS
16 PRAY FOR PASTORS READ PSALM 91:1-13	17 PRAY THE REQUESTS OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS RECITE THE APOSTLES CREED	18 PRAY FOR THE UNBORN READ GENESIS 1	19 PRAY THE LORD'S PRAYER MEMORIZE ROMANS 6:23	20 PRAY LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER CATECHISM: MEANING OF CLOSE OF THE COMMANDMENTS	21 PRAY FOR UNBELIEVERS READ GENESIS 2	22 PRAY FOR GODCHILDREN/ BAPTISM SPONSORS MEMORIZE THE 10 COMMANDMENTS
23 PRAY FOR PASTORS READ PSALM 4	24 PRAY THE REQUESTS OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS RECITE THE NICENE CREED	25 PRAY FOR TEACHERS READ GENESIS 3	26 PRAY THE LORD'S PRAYER MEMORIZE PSALM 33:8-9	27 PRAY LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER CATECHISM: CREED ARTICLE 1 AND 1ST PARA. OF EXPLANATION	28 PRAY FOR THE CHURCH READ GENESIS 4	29 PRAY FOR GODCHILDREN/ BAPTISM SPONSORS MEMORIZE THE APOSTLES CREED
30 PRAY FOR PASTORS READ PSALM 85	31 PRAY THE REQUESTS OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS RECITE THE APOSTLES CREED					

HAPPY Birthday



God's Blessings as you celebrate your special day!

March 1

Adam Donald Singer
Grant Koehler
Adam Fisch
Jacqueline Hergenreder
Haydin Johnson

March 2

Gary King
Tom Culbert

March 3

Mitzi LaValley
Callie Katz

March 4

Jennifer Miners

March 6

Donna Rieck
Robert TerBush
Cora McCreedy

March 7

Donald Berry

March 8

Julianna Hecht

March 9

Kristina Corradi

March 10

Chariti Hill
Dan Hergenreder

March 11

Rhonda Sattelberg
Mary Carter
Willa Owen

March 13

Edwina Lockwood
Jared Koehler
Julia LaJoie

March 14

Melanie Boylan
Bob DeBoer
Megan Freeman

March 15

Brian Holmes
Jan Wenzel

March 17

Larry Scott

March 18

Patti Gaudett
Emeril Brinkman
Angela Olson

March 19

Trina Hall
Jae Steffen

March 20

Kent Graf

March 23

Nolan Lynch

March 24

Kristel Ziemba

March 25

Averie Stefanovsky

March 27

Joy Scherzer

March 28

Mark Temerowski

March 29

Harper Decker
Gavin Owen

March 30

Nicholas Bishop

March 31

Thomas Nault
Logan Wark

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
2 The Transfiguration of Our Lord 8:30 Contemporary with Holy Communion 9:45 Bible Class / Sunday School 11:00 Traditional with Holy Communion 12:15 1st & 2nd Year Confirmation	3 5:30 Choir Practice 6:30 Handbells Practice	4 8:30 Quilters 5:30 Contemporary Rehearsal 6:30 Board of Elders	5 Ash Wednesday 5:30 Lenten Meal - LWML - Sloppy Joes 7:00 Lenten Worship Service	6	7	8 / 1		
9 Daylight Saving Time Begins First Sunday In Lent 8:30 Traditional with Holy Communion 9:45 Bible Class / Sunday School 11:00 Contemporary with Holy Communion 12:15 1st & 2nd Year Confirmation	10 12:00 Red Cross Blood Drive 5:30 Choir Practice 6:30 Handbells Practice	11 8:30 Quilters 5:30 Contemporary Rehearsal 6:00 Endowment	12 Midweek of Lent 2 5:30 Lenten Meal - Quilters - Chili 7:00 Lenten Worship Service	13	14	15		
16 Second Sunday In Lent 8:30 Contemporary with Holy Communion 9:45 Bible Class / Family Sunday 11:00 Traditional with Holy Communion 12:15 1st & 2nd Year Confirmation	17 5:30 Choir Practice 6:30 Handbells Practice	18 8:30 Quilters 5:30 Contemporary Rehearsal 6:00 LWML	19 Midweek of Lent 3 5:30 Lenten Meal - LaValleys 7:00 Lenten Worship Service	20	21 11:00 JOY Event	22		
23 Third Sunday In Lent 8:30 Traditional with Holy Communion 9:45 Bible Class / Sunday School 11:00 Contemporary with Holy Communion 11:00 SS kids sing Song of the Month 12:15 1st & 2nd Year Confirmation	24 5:30 Choir Practice 6:30 Handbells Practice	25 The Annunciation of Our Lord 8:30 Quilters	26 Midweek of Lent 4 5:30 Lenten Meal - Choirs - Lasagna 7:00 Lenten Worship Service	27	28	29		
30 Fourth Sunday In Lent Fifth Sunday Door Offering 8:30 Traditional with Holy Communion 9:45 Bible Class / Sunday School 11:00 Traditional with Holy Communion 12:15 1st & 2nd Year Confirmation	31 5:30 Choir Practice 6:30 Handbells Practice	Ushers: Singers Larry McCreedy Enders Linda Matuszak Robyn Blasius	Prayer Chain: Church Office: 673-4214 lynn@stpaulcaro.org Flower Chair: Carol Haag					