

December 07, 2025

eBulletin

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Regular Office Hours: M-F, 8:30-4:30

Interim Pastor: Richard Boshoven pastor.bosh@stpaulcaro.org

December 7 - Advent 2 Matthew 3:1-2 - "In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."" John prepared the way for Jesus by preaching repentance. Then, when Jesus' ministry was complete and He was raised from the dead, He sent out His disciples to preach "repentance for the forgiveness of sins" (Luke 24:47). We never outgrow the need for repentance – for examining our lives, turning away from our sins and turning toward Jesus in faith to receive his forgiveness and strength for a renewed life of godliness.

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod LCMS Stewardship Ministry Stewardship Thoughts – Dec. 2025 Minister of Family Life: Zane Simon zane@stpaulcaro.org Administrative Assistant: Lynn LeBlanc lynn@stpaulcaro.org

Serving This Week:

Servant	12/07	12/07	12/10
Role	8:30 AM	11:00 AM	7:00 PM
Elder/ Greeter	Kent Graf	Bob Smith	John Weidman
Ushers	Gary Z	Matt B	Darlene G
	Jay H	Brian/Zeke R	& Tim B



Sunday Worship Services are

available online on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>YouTube</u>.

The 11:00 service
will be recorded
on Sunday,
December 07.
This is subject to
change without
notice.



Sunday, December 07

8:30 am - Contemporary Worship Service 9:45 am - Bible Study / Christmas Service Practice 11:00 am - Traditional Worship Service 12:15 pm - Confirmation Class

Monday, December 8

5:30 pm - Choir 6:30 pm - Handbells

Tuesday, December 9

8:30 am - Quilters 5:30 pm - Contemporary Rehearsal 6:00 pm - Endowment

Wednesday, December 10 Midweek Advent 2

5:30 pm - Dinner - Tacos - Youth 7:00 pm - Worship Service - no communion

Thursday, December 11

10:00 - 11:30 - Women's Bible Study 12:30 - Evangelism Meeting



BIBLE WRITING PLAN December 8-14

Monday	12/08	Matthew 1:18-25
Tuesday	12/09	John 1:1-4
Wednesday	12/10	John 1:14
Thursday	12/11	John 1:16
Friday	12/12	John 3:16
Saturday	12/13	Romans 8:1-3
Sunday	12/14	Numbers 24:17

Bible Class with
Pastor
Boshoven meets
on Sundays in
the Meeting
Room from
9:45-10:45

Serving Next Week:

Servant	12/14	12/14	12/17
Role	8:30 AM	11:00 AM	7:00 PM
Elder/ Greeter	Jamie LeBlanc	Jamie LeBlanc	Jamie LeBlanc
Ushers	Gary Z	Matt B	Darlene G
	Jay H	Brian/Zeke R	& Tim B

A NOTE FOR FAMILIES: We love seeing children in our worship service! Their presence is a gift. To support our families with young children, 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, allowing for easy exits if needed. Our goal is for everyone—parents, children, and all members—to have a blessed worship experience.

<u>2026 ENVELOPES</u>: 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!

BIBLE WRITING PLAN 2026: I will continue doing the Bible Writing Plan in 2026 with one little change – I'm not going to continue to post it in the bulletin and eBulletin, just the monthly plan in The Messenger.



CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR PASTOR AND ZANE: It is the custom to give a gift of money to our called staff. Please give your contribution to any usher, Elder, Lynn in the office, or put it in the **Secretary** mailbox (left side, 3rd down) before Monday, December 15. It will be given to Pastor and Zane on December 21, during the Children's Christmas Worship Service at 11:00.

**CASH IS EASIEST!! If you want to write a check - please write it to Zane Simon or Richard Boshoven directly.

THE EVANGELISM TEAM for St. Paul met in November and brainstormed some fantastic ideas on how we can better serve our congregation and community. If you're interested in learning more, please join us for our next meeting on Thursday, December 11th at 12:30 PM in the church meeting room. If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Morley, Evangelism Chair. We hope to see you there!

<u>JOY</u>: The JOY Group will meet in the church at **12:15 PM on Sunday, Dec. 14**, and go to Nick's in Cass City for lunch and then to the Cass City United Methodist Church to see the **Tom Thumb Singers' concert** at 3:00. JOY Group includes everyone 50 and older. See the signup sheet in the Narthex for more details.

<u>CHRISTMAS CAROLING</u>: Please join us for Christmas Caroling for our shut-ins on **Saturday, December 20**^{th,} **from 5:00 – 7:00 PM**. Pizza and fellowship to follow at the church. A goodwill offering will be gathered for family gifts. See you there!

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SERVICE: St. Paul's Sunday School students, teachers, leaders, and friends will lead our worship on December 21 in our 11:00 AM service. The entire service will be dedicated to the message of Christmas brought to us by our youngest members. Please come and support our young ones and their teachers by hearing the message of Jesus from them. Note: We will NOT offer the Sacrament of Holy Communion during this 11:00 AM service. Our 8:30 worship will include Holy Communion. A meal will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the 11:00 service.

FOOD TOTES: To clear up any confusion – there are two totes under the table in the Narthex – with one common goal – to help people who are in need. One food tote helps to fill our own food pantry right here at St. Paul for the people who come here on any given day, looking for some food. The other tote supports the Good Samaritan Food Pantry at the Methodist Church.

FOOD PANTRY: Thank you for your non-perishable food donations for our food pantry. The food continues to be a blessing for many who are still in need.





FROM THE QUILTERS: At the present time, the quilters have an abundance of material. We would appreciate your holding your donations until February, 2026.

KIDS HAVE QUESTIONS SERIES... Will my dead pets be in heaven? Does everyone have a guardian angel? What does God think about suicide? Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL, and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen to the ongoing "Kids Have Questions" series with Pastor Jonathan Conner at issuesetc.org/kidshavequestions.



