

**THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S
DECEMBER 28 – JANUARY 3**

- Sunday** **Revelation 1-5 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**
9:00am **Worship Service**
10:30am Adult Bible Study
No Sunday School/Confirmation Class
No Rejoicing Ringers Practice
- Monday** **Exodus 31(Daily Bible Reading)**
Revelation 6-11(Chronological Daily Bible Reading)
12:30pm Prayer Shawl
No Stephen Ministry Training
No Men's Bible Study
- Tuesday** **Exodus 32 (Daily Bible Reading)**
Revelation 12-17 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)
6:00pm Grief Share
- Wednesday** **Exodus 33 (Daily Bible Reading)**
Revelation 18-22 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)
9:30am Bible Study – Myth or Faith
7:00pm No Wednesday Evening Bible Study
- Thursday** **Exodus 34 (Daily Bible Reading)**
OFFICE CLOSED
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- Friday** **Exodus 35 (Daily Bible Reading)**
- Saturday** **Exodus 36(Daily Bible Reading)**
7:00am Men's Bible Study
8:30am Praise Team Practice



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A congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

“Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it!” Luke 11:28

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2025

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 63:7-14 *p791*

Epistle Reading Galatians 4:4-7 *p1238*

Holy Gospel Reading Matthew 2:13-23 *p1026*

Altar Flowers are given in thanks and praise to God and in honor of Andrew & Karen Gustafson’s 28th Wedding Anniversary

SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Elder – Megan Rudzinski

Acolyte – Katie Fleming

Ushers – Don & Yvonne Blume

Music – Don & Kathy Smith, Carolyn Becker, Matt Schulz & Pete Whalen

Tech Team – John Boor, Mitch Troester & Bill Miller

Altar Guild – Annette Alston & Brenda Woods

Counters – Kathy Dahlman & John DeVries

Sacred Grounds – Dottie Hagestad & Yvonne Blume

2026 Flower Chart is up on the bulletin board in the narthex. We would like to **thank Sue Fleming for putting together the chart**; Sue has done this for us for many of years and we truly appreciate it! (If you wish to remember or honor a loved ones Birthday or Anniversary with flowers on the altar the cost for flowers is \$40.)

Church Mailboxes – If you haven't picked up your 2026 Offering Envelopes you can find them in your church mailbox. If you do not see your envelopes or you would like your own, please contact the church office. We will be re-alphabetizing the mailboxes after the first of the year. **If you could, please pick up anything that is in your mailbox before the first of the year; we would appreciate it. Thank you!**

Sunday, January 11th at the 9:00am service we will have **Installation of Officers for 2025** and "Thank You" to the Officers and Elders who completed their service in 2025.

2026 Church Address/Phone Directory – if you have any changes/updates for the paper copy of 2026 directory; please either email the changes to sec3@stpaulsonline.org or contact the office no later than Wednesday, January 14th.

John Crist – On January 23rd, we will be taking a trip to see comedian John Crist at the Rialto Square Theatre in Joliet. There are 15 tickets available but there is a possibility of getting more if we exceed that number. **Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex if you would like tickets. As of now this event is limited to our youth members and their families and friends.** If there are tickets leftover we will expand to our members of the congregation. Transportation will be available/provided if necessary. See Paul Szymanski with any questions.

Online Pictorial Directory – In order to update and complete the Online Directory for St. Paul we need your updated digital pictures. Please email a digital picture to Diane Norcutt, at sec3@stpaulsonline.org. If you don't have our Online Directory, go to our St. Paul webpage and look for the Church Directory link to get started.

Food Pantry – Through your gifts of food we helped feed struggling families from School District 162 for Christmas. Also, there is extra food for those in our neighborhood who have called or will call this season.

Prayer Chain & Care Givers – Did you know that each week a group of members pray for those on our Sunday prayer list throughout the week, while others make phone calls and send cards to them. If you want to know more, talk with Pastor Troester or Pastor Larry, or call the church office.

IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Peggy Smutny, Diane Hattendorf,
Steve Siezega, Kay Meyer, Paul
Szymanski, Ethel Habel

College Students – Karleigh Baran &
Isabella Brands

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TOGETHER BEING CHURCH

Weekly	Needs	Receiving
Current	\$8,852	\$27,976.51
Building Fund	\$577	\$720
Mission	\$327	\$210

Discretionary Fund-\$5,020; St.Matthews-\$20; Returning Citizens-\$5; Troops Care Packages-\$15; LCC Comfort Dogs-\$60; St Paul Alaska Mission Trip-\$100: Sacred Grounds-\$36; Advent Midweek Meal-\$87; LCC-\$250:Feed My Starving Children-\$80; National Youth Gathering-\$25; Christmas Eve-\$25; Christmas Day-\$25; Advent-\$417

MARY'S CORNER

As we begin 2026 and leave 2025 behind think about how you could made this year a little better than the last. May 2026 be a year of Good Health for you and your family, may you all Prosper and have a year of Miracles and much Joy. **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**