

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S
December 29 – January 4

Sunday

9:00am

Worship Service

10:30am

Adult Bible Study – Meeting Room

10:30am

Bible Basics – Education Building

No Sunday School/Confirmation/High School & Beyond

No Rejoicing Ringers Practice

Monday

Psalm 7 (Daily Bible Reading)

No Prayer Shawl

Tuesday

Psalm 8 (Daily Bible Reading)

2:00pm

Sunrise Service

Wednesday

Psalm 9 (Daily Bible Reading)

OFFICE CLOSED

HAPPY NEW YEAR! WELCOME 2025!!

Thursday

Psalm 10 (Daily Bible Reading)

7:00pm

Elders Meeting

Friday

Psalm 11 (Daily Bible Reading)

Saturday

Psalm 12 (Daily Bible Reading)

7:00am

Men's Bible Study

8:30-11:00am Food Pantry

DAILY BIBLE READING

In the Winter time, after Christmas and with the New Year, you have time to reflect on your life and the book of Psalms in your Bible walks you through your relationship with God. It's a good time to start a blessed habit of being in God's Word.



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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 29, 2024

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading Exodus 13:1-3a, 11-15 p.70

Epistle Reading Colossians 3:12-17 p.1253

Gospel Reading Luke 2:22-40 p.1090

Private Baptism - God's Blessings to Keith & Missy Cabay as their daughter Violet Marie is being baptized today at a private service. Violet's sponsors are Stephanie Becker & Jimmy Reagan. We pray that Violet will grow in faith in Jesus Christ & live to serve Him.

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God.

SERVING THIS WEEK

Elder – Valerie Pieper

Acolyte – Savannah Golf

Ushers – Dale & Kathy Johnson

Music – Paul Szymanski & Song Leaders

Tech Team – Tyler Burnett, Bill Miller & Jack Fleming

Altar Guild – Annette Alston & Brenda Woods

Offerings Counters – Yvonne Blume & Dottie Hagestad

Sacred Grounds Hosts – The Troesters

Fellowship Hall will be closed Monday, December 30th – Wednesday, January 1st due to the floors are being stripped and waxed and will need time to dry. Fellowship Hall will reopen on Thursday, January 2nd. Thank you.

Church Mailboxes – If you haven't picked up your 2025 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.

Sunday, January 12th 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 2024.

2025 Church Address/Phone Directory – if you have any changes/updates for the 2025 directory; please either email the changes to sec3@stpaulsonline.org or contact the office no later than Wednesday, January 15th.

St. Paul Blood Drive - Versiti Blood Center will to St. Paul on **Sunday, January 26th, from 9:00a.m. – 12:15p.m.** to receive donations. St. Paul has had great success at giving blood in the past. Please step up to help save lives again. It takes about 30 minutes including rest/snack time after giving. See or call Rosanne Tadsen at 708-209-5335 to make your appointment.

Stephen Ministry – If you've ever considered being a Stephen Ministry and want to know more about it, sign up on the Information Table and someone will contact you and answer any questions you may have. We will start a new training session in January, 2025.

Quilting Group - Quilts are being made throughout the year and most are given to Lutheran World Relief given to those in need for warmth, comfort and some even for shelter around the world. The Quilters meet on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month in the Education Building at 9 a.m. For more information contact Karen Gustafson at 708-478-1841. You can also purchase a quilt and money received helps to ship the quilts.

Technology Group - We benefit by the projection of the worship service, along with sound for those speaking and singing, and by the live stream of the worship service each Sunday, as well as other events. We are thankful for many who make this happen. This may be something that you can do, or would like to learn how to be involved. For more information and contact Bill Miller (815-739-2633) or Mitchell Troester (708-674-8686).

Focus Mission for the 4th Quarter is Lutheran Church Charities - Across all the ministries of LCC, their desire is to *BE THERE* to share the Mercy, Compassion, Presence and Proclamation of Jesus Christ to those who are suffering and in need. Amid life's storms, LCC's steady presence becomes a beacon of hope, a reminder that God's love is unwavering. St. Paul's support will help Lutheran Church Charities in answering the call to be a source of strength and comfort, to cast aside fear and doubt, and *BE THERE* to bring light to the darkest corners of crisis.

Bible Story Books - There are sets of Bible Story Books available for anyone to share with children and help them to get to know the Bible. Those sets are the table in the Narthex and they are free for the taking.

**IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS
THIS WEEK**

Corinne Dituri, Caren Neushwander,
Barb Stege, Ruth Treichel, College
Students – Jack Schmeckpeper & Emma
Whalen

TOGETHER BEING CHURCH

Weekly	Needs	Receiving
Current	\$8,852	\$9,574
Building Fund	\$577	\$350
Mission	\$327	\$522

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Discretionary Fund-\$650; St. Matthews-\$70; Food Pantry-\$65; Feed My Starving Children-\$40; Advent-\$453; Advent Meal-\$184

MARY'S CORNER

This week we will celebrate the beginning of a new year. Once again God has given us a chance to start anew and make this year a better year than last. May you all have a Very Happy and Healthy New Year!