## THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S JANUARY 19-25

Sunday

Job 38-39 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)

9:00am Worship Service

10:30am Voter's Meeting with lunch to follow

10:30am Sunday School

No Rejoicing Ringers Practice

Monday Psalm 25 (Daily Bible Reading)

Job 40-42 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)

12:30pm Prayer Shawl

7:00pm Titus Ten Men's Bible Study

Tuesday Psalm 26 (Daily Bible Reading)

**Genesis 12-14 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)** 

2:00pm Sunrise Service 6:00pm Grief Share

7:00pm Informational Alaska Trip Meeting

Wednesday Psalm 27 (Daily Bible Reading)

Genesis 15-17 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)

9:30am Bible Study

7:00pm Wednesday Evening Bible Study

Thursday Psalm 28 (Daily Bible Reading)

Genesis 18-19 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)

9:00am Quilting

5:00-8:00pm HSRC (FH Rental)

Friday Psalm 29 (Daily Bible Reading)

**Genesis 20-22 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)** 

12:00pm 4-H Meeting

Saturday Psalm 30 (Daily Bible Reading)

Genesis 23-25 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)

7:00am Men's Bible Study

8:30-11:00am Food Pantry

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

# THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY Sunday, January 19, 2025

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 62:1-5 p.789

Epistle Reading 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 p.1219

Gospel Reading John 2:1-11 p.1129

**Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Beth; Shirley Adams daughter.

## **SERVING THIS WEEK**

Elder – Don Blume & Megan Rudzinski
Acolyte – Asher Huber
Ushers – Dennis & Elaine Schmeckpeper
Music – Paul Szymanski & Song Leaders
Tech Team – Mitchell & Ian Troester & Jack Fleming
Altar Guild – Mary Schmidtke & Brenda Woods
Offerings Counters – Rosanne Tadsen & Rich Treichel
Sacred Grounds Hosts – George Kraus & Pauline Griffin

**Voter's Meeting** – **Today, Sunday, January 19**<sup>th</sup> after the worship service is the first Voters Meeting for 2025. Everyone who has confirmed their faith in Jesus Christ is a Voter; please plan on attending. **Lunch will be provided after the Voter's Meeting in Fellowship Hall.** 

**Missionaries Wanted**: You are invited to the kickoff meeting for the St. Paul 2025 Alaska Mission Trip on **Tuesday**, **January 21**<sup>st</sup>, **at 7:00 here at the church**. Come out and ask all your questions and learn about serving God's people in Alaska. No commitment is required. The dates for this years mission trip are July 23<sup>rd</sup> through August 3<sup>rd</sup> for the 10-day team, and July 26<sup>th</sup> through August 3<sup>rd</sup> for the 7-day team. Please contact Pastor Troester, Pastor Larry, or Scott Schulz for more information.

**2024 Offering/Contribution Statements are in –** please check your church mailbox. We will be re-alphabetizing the mailboxes soon. Please pick up your statement and anything else that is in your mailbox; we would appreciate it. Thank you!

**Give blood. Save a life.** Get rehydrated with a \$5 gift card to Starbucks (limited to the first 15 people to give). **Versiti will be at St. Paul Sunday, January 26, from 9:00a.m. to 12:15p.m.** There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Call Rosanne Tadsen at 708-209-5335 with questions. Thank you!

**Corinne Dituri** would like to thank everyone for all the cards and prayers while she is home recovering and is very blessed to have her church family.

**Chronological Bible Study** - If you have ever wanted to read the entire bible, this is for you! Across 365 days, we'll cover the entire bible, in chronological order. It's not too late to join us! Videos are between 12 and 15 minutes long and are available on our Facebook page and on Spotify, as well as other streaming services. See Pastor Larry if you would like more information. Come join us as we get in the good habit of reading God's word daily!

**Focus Mission for 1**st **Quarter – St Matthew's** - Pastor Cesar Sifuentes and Deaconess Elle Sifuentes, originally from Guatemala, serve this small Spanish-speaking congregation, which operates a food pantry and soup kitchen, "El Comedor Popular", to help feed countless neighbors in their community every week. Please consider supporting the ministry of St. Matthew with your prayers and contributions. The Soup Kitchen is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and a group from St. Paul's is scheduled to go on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month, leaving church at 10:30 and returning by 1:30 pm. Come and meet us at church and we will car-pool together.

Prayer Chain - We are called to pray for one another in times of need, and every Sunday we ask for prayer requests and lift them up to God. On Monday, those prayers are communicated through email to a group who continue those prayers throughout the week--that group is our Prayer Chain. If you would like to be a part of the chain, please contact Diane Norcutt in the church office.

Caregivers - In order to support those who are going through a difficult time, we pray for one another and we communicate through cards and calls. The Caregivers are assigned to someone who needs support each week and they pray and send a card and make a call to those in need. If you would like to be a caregiver, contact Diane Norcutt in the church office.

#### IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Carol Lessmann, Betty Borrowdale, Lori Renaldi, Ruth Treichel, College Students - Mackenzie Burnett & Becca Ruger

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## TOGETHER BEING CHURCH

Weekly	Needs	Receiving
Current	\$8,852	\$25,057.39
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$577	\$470
Mission	\$327	\$82

Discretionary Fund-\$1,125; Alaska Mission for Christ-\$100; Scholarship Fund-\$125; St Matthews-\$2,120; Returning Citizens-\$2,000; Troops Care Packages-\$50; Sacred Grounds-\$31; Food Pantry-\$675; Orphan Grain Train-\$225; Lutheran Church Charities-\$100; Stephen Ministry-\$20; National Youth Gathering-\$25; Alaska Mission Trip-\$25

## MARY'S CORNER

It is said that every snowflake is beautiful and unique. No two of them are exactly the same. God took the time to make each one so special for us to enjoy. If God took so much time with a little snow flake, he had to spend much more time creating each of us. Each one of us having something special that God gave only to each of us. How special is that!