

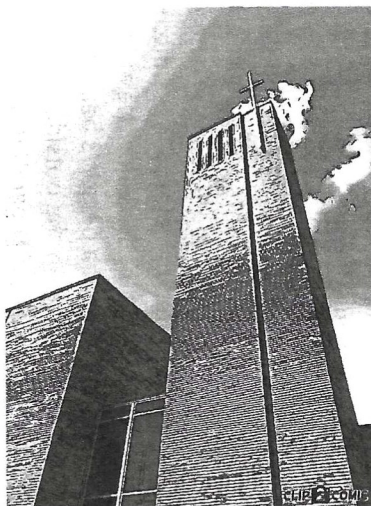
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January 28, 2024

**+Order of Service+**  
January 28, 2024  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**  
Divine Service Setting One  
LSB 151

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Opening Hymn: **O Holy Spirit, Enter In** LSB 913

Confession and Absolution LSB 151

Introit, Kyrie, and Hymn of Praise LSB 152 ff.

Collect of the Day LSB 156

**Old Testament Reading:** Deuteronomy 18:15-20

**Epistle:** 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

**Holy Gospel:** Mark 1:21-28

Installation of 2024 Church Officers

Hymn of the Day: **Jesus Has Come and Bring Pleasure Eternal** LSB 533

Sermon

Creed

Prayers of the Church

Offertory

Communion Liturgy LSB 160

Distribution Hymns:

**Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior** LSB 627

**Son of God, Eternal Savior** LSB 842

**What Is This Bread** LSB 629

Nunc Dimittis LSB 164

Concluding Liturgy LSB 166

Closing Hymn: **Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise** LSB 917

**SERVING US TODAY IN GOD'S HOUSE**

**Musicians:** Sylvia Burmeister

**Ushers:** Larry Hintz, Jeff Hoppe, Lowell Boesch, Ken Urban

**Elder of the Month:** Scott Halverson



**Introit** Ps. 32:1–2, 5–7; antiphon: Ps. 32:10

Pastor: Many are the sorrows of the | wicked,\*

**Cong: But steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts | in the LORD.**

Pastor: Blessed is the one whose transgression is for- | given,\*

**Cong: Whose sin is | covered.**

Pastor: Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no in- | iquity,\*

**Cong: And in whose spirit there is | no deceit.**

Pastor: I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my in- | iquity,\*

**Cong: I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,” and you forgave the iniquity | of my sin.**

Pastor: Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you | may be found;\*

**Cong: Surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not | reach him.**

Pastor: You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from | trouble;\*

**Cong: You surround me with shouts of de- | liverance.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

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### **Old Testament Reading**

### **Deuteronomy 18:15-20**

“The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen— (16) just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, ‘Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.’ (17) And the LORD said to me, ‘They are right in what they have spoken. (18) I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. (19) And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. (20) But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.’

## Epistle


## 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Now concerning food offered to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” This “knowledge” puffs up, but love builds up. (2) If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. (3) But if anyone loves God, he is known by God. (4) Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “an idol has no real existence,” and that “there is no God but one.” (5) For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”— (6) yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. (7) However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. (8) Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. (9) But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. (10) For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? (11) And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. (12) Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. (13) Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

## Gospel

## Mark 1:21-28

And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath he entered the synagogue and was teaching. (22) And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. (23) And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, (24) “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” (25) But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” (26) And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. (27) And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” (28) And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

 Scripture declares that in the Sacrament of the Altar each communicant receives the body and blood of Christ to eat and to drink with the mouth of their bodies. Communicants who believe this receive forgiveness of sins, those who don't eat and drink judgement unto themselves. Communion also is a confession of oneness of the Faith we are baptized into, is preached in our pulpit, and summarized in the Small Catechism. Sadly, since these clear doctrines of The Holy Bible are not accepted by all Christian denominations, we continue the historic Christian practice of Closed Communion. **We request that anyone who is not a communicant member of the LC-MS please speak with our Pastor or an elder before the service and join our congregation in singing hymns during the distribution. Membership classes are offered.**



# ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

January 28, 2024

Worship: Sundays @ 9 A.M. Chapel: Wednesdays @10 Midweek Services during Advent & Lent: Wednesdays @10 & 7

### BIBLE CLASSES

- Sunday Morning Bible Class: 10:15-11:15
- Sunday School: 10:15-11:15
- Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study: 10-11
- Wednesday After-school Confirmation: 4:30-5:30

### OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE

Attendance Last Sunday: 156  
 Communion: 103  
 Offerings Given Last Sunday: \$ 12,352.50

### IN OUR PRAYERS

- †Ronald Schultz, Candace Doerfler, Mike Barfknecht, Charlotte Dobie, Matthew Sieg, Audrey Becker, Shauna Gunnink, Duane Danner, Lois Camelin, DeLaine Krenz, Dick Eckmann, Alania Jans, Pastor Fretham, Terry Bentele, Brandi Stohs, Cliff Dobie, Gloria Drevlow, Marsha Miller, Larye Anderson
- † Our Shut-Ins: Jo Rusert, RoseMary Kasten, Carol Ritz, June Mausling, Mary Breitbarth
- † Our Servicemen: Mike Hintz, Lance Halverson, Josh Rusert, Duane Cox, Andrew Reed, Cade Hotzler

### LUTHERAN HOUR

What fills the heart that has no room to forgive?  
 February 4 Message: "Nature Abhors a Vacuum"  
 "Nature Abhors a Vacuum" "Nature Abhors a Vacuum"  
 Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler  
 speaks on WCCO (830): 6.05 AM and KSUM (1370): 11:00 AM.

**UPCOMING AREA CHURCH EVENTS** Please see the narthex bulletin board for a full listing of each activity:

\*In Celebration of Lutheran Schools Week, St James Lutheran Church & School, 108 S James St, Northrop, will be having a Pancake Breakfast **TODAY** from 10am-noon.

### CHURCH NEWS

\*The church office will be closed January 31-February 6. If you need Pastoral care, please call your Elder.

\*Information and order forms for the History bricks which will be going around the new sign/bell to complete the landscaping, are on the desk in the narthex. They can be returned to the church office. Questions ask Kerry Krenz.

### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

#### SUNDAY

- Worship.....9 a.m.
- Annual Voters meeting
- Sunday School & Adult Bible Study.....10:15 a.m.
- Sock Hop.....5:30-7:30p.m.

#### MONDAY (Pastor's Day Off)

- A BB vs Worthington Christian HOME at SPL Fairmont 4:00 p.m.
- B BB at Fairmont..... 4 p.m.

#### TUESDAY

- Women's Bible Study.....10 a.m.
- B BB at Mt. Olive, Mankato.....4:30 p.m.
- A BB at Fairmont vs. Janesville.....4:00 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY

Officed closed

- Chapel.....10 a.m.
- Bulletin Announcements Due.....3 p.m.
- Confirmation.....4:30-5:30 p.m.

#### THURSDAY

Office closed

- B BB HOME vs Lakefield.....4 p.m.
- A BOYS at SPL Fairmont vs. Genesis.....4:30 p.m.

#### FRIDAY

Office closed

SPL FAIRMONT B BB Tournament

#### SATURDAY

SPL FAIRMONT B BB Tournament

#### SUNDAY

- Worship with Holy Communion.....9 a.m.
- Sunday School & Adult Bible Study.....10: 15 a.m.

### MLHS NEWS

The Class of 2026 will be holding a Waffle Feed at Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School, Northrop on Sunday, February 25th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Cost is a free will donation to help with their Senior Class Trip.

# Amazing Grace

For by grace, you have been saved  
through faith.

## SPL School's Mission Statement:

To work  
together with families and area  
congregations to provide a quality  
education in a Christian environment,  
leading students to lives of service.

**Our Goals:** Nurture faith, Celebrate learning,  
Pursue excellence.

## IMPORTANT SPL DATES

January 28 – Sock Hop 5:30-7:30 p.m.  
February 14<sup>th</sup>: Valentine's Day Breakfast (730-830pm,  
come and go event)

## THIS WEEK'S LUNCH MENU

### Lunch Menu

#### January 29- February 2

**Monday:** Hot dog/bun, Waffle fries, Green beans, Rosy  
applesauce

**Tuesday:** Max stick, Dipping sauce, Tri taters, Carrots,  
Tropical fruit

**Wednesday:** Dorito Bandito, Lettuce/cheese, Corn,  
Peaches

**Thursday:** Pizza, Lettuce salad, Baby carrots

**Friday:** National Tater Tot Hotdish Day – Tater tot hotdish,  
Cottage cheese, Baked Beans, Fruit cocktail, Bread stick

## SCHOOL REMINDERS

The Sock Hop is happening January 28 at 5:30 p.m. Get on  
your dancing socks and join us for a fun evening.

## Valentine's Day Breakfast

We invite you to join us for our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Valentine's  
Breakfast on Wednesday, February 14th, from 7:30am to  
8:30am in the cafeteria. This is a flexible, drop-in event.  
Please enter through the school doors.

A student is missing a tall, overall type pair of black snow  
pants with pink zipper handles and pink buckles. If your  
child happened to grab it accidentally, please return to  
Mrs. Bennett's classroom. Thank you so much!

Thank you so much for all of your help in the kitchen this  
past weekend at the basketball tournament! A special  
thanks to you for the food prepping, cooking, baking,  
serving, calculating, and cash taking, thank you to the pizza  
bakers and cinnamon roll maker, the taco seasoner and the  
order takers, thank you for the food donations that were  
brought in, thank you to the young taste testers and food  
mixers, thank you to the errand and food runners, thank  
you to the dish washers, dryers and all the cleaner uppers!  
It all was greatly appreciated! I love seeing so many people  
come together for such a fun event. God continues to bless  
our school.

-Allison

Thank you to all who made it a priority to be at  
singing/ringing last Sunday. It is appreciated!

## SCHOOL NEEDS

\*The 5th & 6th grade classroom will be collecting clean,  
plastic caps of all shapes, sizes and colors. Please make  
sure that they are clean and dried and please - no meatal  
caps or lids.

## FROM OUR CLASSROOMS

### Classroom News....

**Preschool:** This week we worked on the letter P, the  
number 15 and reviewed manners. We have also been  
working on positional words such as above and beside.

**Kindergarten:** In Jesus Time He is calling His 12 special  
friends who will take over for Him when He goes back to  
Heaven, we are also talking about His first 2 miracles. We  
read a book on a very brave little girl...Ruby Bridges. We  
are practicing the blend "cl." We learned about compound  
words & have been practicing. We are also learning our cell  
phone numbers to the tune of *Are You Sleeping*. We drew  
some very entertaining self portraits in art. Don't forget to  
get your dancing socks on for our first Sock Hop in the  
gym!

**1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>:** What a wonderful class! Memory and Spelling:  
Please check your child's Homework folder for the lists!  
Spelling: Gr. 1: came, name, same, game, gate, gave, wake,  
ape. Gr. 2: birds, boxes, eggs, glasses, boats, dishes, boys,  
foxes, girls, washes, apples, guesses, radishes, benches. In  
Social Studies we are traveling around the world - this  
week we learned about England and The Netherlands  
(Holland). We had a tea party - European cookies, Windmill  
cookies, chocolate, cheese, tea and apple juice!

**3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>:** Thank you to all who helped at the tournament  
this weekend by working and/or providing food. It is  
appreciated! A couple of quick reminders. This Sunday two  
events are happening. The first one is "Just for CiCs" from  
1-3 pm at SPL Fairmont in their gym. The second event is  
our school's Sock Hop from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. The other  
reminder is on Friday, February 2nd, we will have our  
States test. Be sure you are working on matching the  
states! Only one more test after this.

**5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>:** What a fun week! On Tuesday we had the  
privilege of attending the Civil War presentation by Arn  
Kind at MLHS in the morning. It was very well done! Thank  
you to MLHS for inviting us. A big "thank you" to Scott  
Becker, Allison Slabbert, Mary Reinke, and Brandi Stohs for  
driving the 5th-8th graders to MLHS. On Tuesday  
afternoon we were at Heartland Senior Living for Eager  
Readers. We read "The Snowman" short story to our  
residents, had a snack and played Bible Trivia. Everyone  
had a great time!! In Reading Class we are reading the  
novel "Maniac Magee". We get into some great  
discussions. Remember that the AR Challenge is on  
Monday. Be sure to read and take tests!! Our class goal is  
to be in the top three schools for our grade level at the end  
of the challenge. Make sure you get your 30 minutes of IXL  
in each week. God is Good!!!

**7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>:** Keep up the good work! Keep assignment  
books current so the words "I forget" or "When was that  
assigned?" Are not uttered from your lips. A math test will  
happen next week. With not having Latin or Confirmation  
next week, we will have extra time to get different subjects  
happening. Rhetoric will continue with rough drafts due  
Wednesday and CTFC due Friday. A tiny change will take  
place next week. Be ready! I am keeping my policy of  
homework not done.....no basketball. It seems to be  
working. PLEASE STAY UP-TO-DATE ON HOMEWORK. Be  
reading for the AR Challenge. See you all at the Sock Hop!