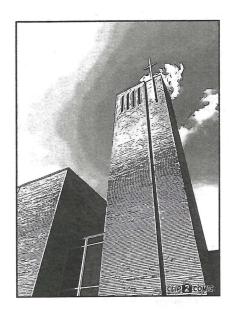
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January 26, 2025

+Order of Service+

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3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Divine Service Setting Three

LSB 184

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Processional Hymn I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light LSB 411

School Kids Sing

Confession and Absolution LSB 184

Introit, Kyrie, and Gloria in Excelsis LSB 186 ff.

Collect of the Day LSB 189

Old Testament Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

School Kids Ring

Epistle 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Holy Gospel Luke 4:16-30

Creed

Hymn of the Day: O Christ, Our True and Only Light LSB 839

Sermon

Offertory

Prayers of the Church

Communion Liturgy LSB 194

Distribution Hymns

Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior LSB 619
The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us LSB 349
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence LSB 621

Concluding Liturgy LSB 199

Closing Hymn: On What Has Now Been Sown LSB 921

SERVING US TODAY IN GOD'S HOUSE

Musicians: Juleen Breitbarth

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

Elder of the Month: Scott Halverson



Introit Ps. 102:18-22; antiphon: Ps. 102:13

You will arise and have pity on | Zion;

it is the time to favor her; the appointed | time has come.

Let this be recorded for a genera- | tion to come, so that a people yet to be created may | praise the LORD:

that he looked down from his | holy height; from heaven the LORD looked | at the earth,

to hear the groans of the | prisoners, to set free those who were | doomed to die,

that they may declare in Zion the name | of the LORD, and in Jerusa- | lem his praise,

when peoples gather to- | gether, and kingdoms, to wor- | ship the LORD.

You will arise and have pity on | Zion; it is the time to favor her; the appointed | time has come.

Old Testament Reading

Nehemiah 8:1-3,5-6,8-10

And all the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that the LORD had commanded Israel. (2) So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month. (3) And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law. (5) And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. (6) And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. (8) They read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. (9) And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law. (10) Then he said to them, "Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a **Epistle**

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. (13) For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit. (14) For the body does not consist of one member but of many. (15) If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. (16) And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. (17) If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? (18) But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. (19) If all were a single member, where would the body be? (20) As it is, there are many parts, yet one body. (21) The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." (22) On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, (23) and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, (24) which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, (25) that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. (26) If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together. (27) Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. (28) And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues. (29) Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? (30) Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? (31) But earnestly desire the higher gifts.

Luke 4:16-40 Gospel

And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. (17) And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written, (18) "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, (19) to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." (20) And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. (21) And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." (22) And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" (23) And he said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Physician, heal yourself." What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well." (24) And he said, "Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. (25) But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, (26) and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. (27) And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." (28) When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. (29) And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. (30) But passing through their midst, he went away.

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 ; $U_{p,p} \in \mathbb{R}$ 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.

Online giving is an easy and reliable method to contribute to St. Paul's Lutheran. You can make a one-time donation or schedule recurring contributions. This option is available through the church's website; spltruman.com or by simply scanning the following QR code.





January 19, 2025

Worship: Sundays @ 9am - Chapel: Wednesdays @ 10am Midweek Services during Advent & Lent: Wednesdays @ 10am & 6pm

BIBLE CLASSES

Sunday Morning Bible Class & Sunday School: 10:15-11:15 a.m.

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study: 10-11 a.m. Wednesday After-School Confirmation: 4:30-5:30 p.m.

OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE

Attendance Last Sunday: 85

Communion: 65

Offerings Given Last Sunday: \$ 10,860.00

School Roof Fund: \$ 28,060.12 (Total cost: \$95,000.00)

IN OUR PRAYERS

*Erika Lotheringen, Hannes Slabbert's sister, Alice Raddatz, John Matasovsky, Tom Koeritz, Marsha Miller, Marilyn Vogt, Ronald Schultz, Candace Doerfler, Mike Barfknecht, Cliff & Charlotte Dobie, Audrey Becker, Dick Eckmann, Pastor Fretham, Terry Bentele, Brandi Stohs, and Larye Anderson

† Our Shut-Ins: RoseMary Kasten, Carol Ritz, and June Mausling

† Our Servicemen: Mike Hintz, Lance Halverson, Josh Rusert, Duane Cox, Andrew Reed, and Cade Hotzler

CHURCH NEWS

Pastor will be on vacation from after church today until evening of next Sunday. If you need pastoral care, please call your Elder.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

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o with Holy Communion......9:00 a.m. Sunday School......10:15 a.m. Annual Voters meeting after church Winter Carnival at MLHS......1 to 3 p.m.

MONDAY (Pastor's Day Off)

B BB at Lakefield......4:15 p.m.

Tuesday

Women's Bible Study......10:00 a.m.

Grades 5 - 8 to MLHS for History Day

Four Home BB games against Immanuel, Lakefield at 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Chapel......10:00 a.m.

Quilting......10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Four Home BB Games vs. Janesville at 4 p.m.

FRIDAY

A BB at Lakefield Tournament

SATURDAY

A BB at Lakefield Tournament

SUNDAY

Worship with Holy Communion.....9:00 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study......10:15 a.m.

LUTHERAN HOUR

February 2 (John 4:9)

"Do the Things That Make for Unity"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler Jesus crosses borders and even breaks down the barrier of death to do the things that make for unity: shared worship,

shared mission, shared harvest.

MLHS NEWS

*The Parent/Teacher League of Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School, Northrop is sponsoring a history presentation entitled "The Great Northfield Bank Raid--Minnesotans Foil the James/Younger Gang" by historian Arn Kind on Tuesday, January 28. Presentations are grades 5-8 at 9:00-11:15 a.m. and grades 9-12 at noon-1:15 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

*In celebration of Lutheran Schools Week January 26-February 1st, Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School will be offering early bird enrollment discounts for new and returning students for the 2025-2026 school year. Interested families are invited to visit the school at any time. Go to www.martinlutherhs.com for more information or call 507-436-5249 to speak with Principal David Stuckwisch.

*The Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School Class of 2026 will be working for tips at the Fairmont Pizza Ranch on Wednesday, January 29th from 5-9 p.m. Everyone is invited to support them. Proceeds will go toward the Junior/Senior Prom 2025.

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

Check the bulletin board for more information about these events.

*St James Lutheran School Board of Christian Education is sponsoring a Pancake Breakfast TODAY 10am-noon at St James Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 108 S James St, Northrop. They will be serving pancakes (gluten-free also available), sausages, applesauce, and beverages. Free-will donations will go towards curriculum. Please come help us celebrate Lutheran Schools Week!

*The Lewisville Volunteer Ambulance is having a fundraiser to benefit the Lewisville Ambulance Service. They are holding their second annual Chili and Soup Cook-Off on Sunday, February 2, 2025, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Lewisville. Bring your taste buds and an empty stomach to judge the winner!!!

Faith, Hope, Love

And now abide Faith, Hope, and Love, these three; but the greatest of these is Love.

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

THIS WEEK'S LUNCH MENU

Monday: BBQ rib/bun, French fries, Baked beans, Peaches Tuesday: Meatballs, Spaghetti/sauce, Peas, Warm apple slices, Bread stick

<u>Wednesday:</u> Chicken strips, Mashed potatoes, Gravy, Green beans, Rosy applesauce

<u>Thursday</u>: Sloppy Jo/bun, Corn chips, Broccoli/cheese, Carrots, Pears

<u>Friday</u>: Sub sandwich, Tri taters, Tomato soup, Mandarin oranges

School Reminders:

*His Kids and 7th & 8th Handbell Choir sing and ring at St. Paul's this Sunday, January 26th. We will be wearing our black choir shirts.

Handbells be in the balcony set up and ready to start practicing at 8:30 a.m.

Choir meet in the Fireside room at 8:40 a.m. to warm up. As always we will sing at the beginning of the service and then the students will sit with their parents for the service.

AR CHALLENGE IS HAPPENING NOW! READ! READ! READ!

Achievement Tests happen in early February. Plan now and make sure that you are here and rested.

Thank You to everybody who made our tournament the great event that it was. Many positive comments were heard about the well-run tournament that we had. THANK YOU.

See all of you on Sunday when we sing/ring in church. Let us all say **Thank You** to St. Paul's Lutheran Church for giving us St. Paul's Lutheran School.

FROM THE CLASSROOM

<u>Preschool</u>: This week we learned about okapi, worked on the letter O, and building towers with blocks. We have also been talking about manners and working on using good manners. Kid quote of the week "she doesn't have wrinkles like you do."

Kindergarten: We're starting to talk about Jesus' Miracles starting with turning water into wine. We're also working on the first 3 commandments. We started our Secret Stories/Blends book, last week was the "Mommy e" telling the "a" to say its name (cape, lake, shake) & this week it's the "Mommy e" telling the "i" to say its name (dime, dice, bike). Art class has us practicing cutting out snowflakes and our Social Study time is learning about the bravery of Rosa Parks. Wear your choir shirt for sing in church this Sunday.

1st & 2nd: What an awesome class! Memory and Spelling: Check your child's Homework Folder for the lists. Spelling: Gr. 2: unplug, unsafe, reread, rename, dislike, unpack, untie, unload, recheck, refresh, unhappy, uncover, distrust, refill. Gr. 1: we, be, see, deep, feet, feed, peek, peel. We are singing here at St. Paul's this Sunday, January 26": Check for more details elsewhere in this Saintinel! Thinking ahead: Fine Arts Festival at MLHS: Saturday, March 8.: More details later!

<u>3rd & 4th</u>: We sing this Sunday, January 26th. We started our AR reading challenge last week and will have more time this week to read. Please have your student come to school with a book to read or they can choose from my classroom library. A new book for Social Studies was started this last week as well. We are working on My State History Book. Keep up the good work!

5th & 6th: The AR challenge started on Monday. Be sure to be reading and taking tests. Also be working on your 3rd Quarter AR goal. Remember to do IXL - 30 minutes every week. Tuesday, January 28th we go to MLHS for the Arn Kind history presentation from 9-11:15 a.m. A permission slip went home on Wednesday. Please be sure to sign and return it ASAP and let us know if you can drive. Math concepts being taught are new (not review) and students need to make sure they are checking over their work before handing it in. Also, they need to be sure to ask for help if they don't understand something. Please remind students to write neatly on every assignment.

7th & 8th: This will be a great week squeezed into three days. We will start working on our piece about ourselves tomorrow. Book Reports are due Monday. Book Talks will happen at the end of next week. Science Fair Projects plan of action is due Monday. Start working on your project and start gathering your data. Fun stuff is happening in Algebra. History and Science are rolling along. Verbs are the topic in English. Get your time in on IXL. AR Challenge is happening right now. Get Progress Reports signed and returned.