



St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran

Church • School • Preschool

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Worship Schedule: Saturday at 6:30 PM and Sunday at 7:45 AM & 10:15 AM

Online services, materials and so much more can be found at

www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com or follow us at www.facebook.com/stpaulsnfdl

April 15 & 16, 2023	Easter 2	Hymns
Order of Service	Service Setting Two p 172	683 Psalm 16
Sermon Trust the Word!	John 20:19-31	456 444:2,3 656 & 797 800:1,5

Welcome to St. Paul's!

- Parents, feel free to use the **child training room** to calm or feed small children. It's located across from the restrooms and is equipped with sound & light controls. There is a one-way privacy shade in the smaller section past the room divider as well should you need it.
- A **t-coil hearing loop system** is active for those with hearing aids. Headsets are also available. Ushers can help if you have questions.
- **Large print copies** of our service are available in the entryway.
- **Restrooms** with changing stations are to the right as you exit church.
- **Offerings** are gathered during worship. *As the offering plates are brought forward, please stand and sing 444:2,3.*

Ushers this week (15&16) are teams 9 (J. White), 10 (T. Schwefel), and 11 (D. Babler). Greeters are V. White, K&J Kovalaske, & D. White. Next week (22&23) will be teams 1 (D. Schumacher) 2 (L. Ziemer) and 3 (M. Peachy). Greeters will be B&E Davies, D&K Thurow, and J&L Jerman. Our organist this week is Becky Miller. Thank you for your service to our Savior and St. Paul's!

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

HE LIVES TO GIVE ME PROOF AND PEACE

Thomas had been taught and trained by Christ. He heard Jesus predict His death and resurrection. Yet, even after hearing the eyewitness testimony, Thomas had doubts: "Rising from the dead. That can't be possible!" Today is a day of great comfort for any follower of Jesus who wrestles with doubt concerning Christ's promises or doubts about God's Word. Jesus does not come to rebuke Thomas. Jesus comes to strengthen him, giving him proof of the mind-bending reality of the resurrection. Jesus didn't reject Thomas. Jesus engaged Thomas and gave him peace. Still today, Jesus comes to His disciples in Word and Sacrament. The living Lord speaks to us. He lets us partake of His true body and blood. When we are weak, He does not reject us. Just like Thomas, Jesus engages us, giving us proof and peace.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

April 15 - 23, 2023

4/15	Sat.	6:30 PM	Worship with Lord's Supper
4/16	Sun.	7:45 AM	Worship with Lord's Supper
		9:00 AM	Sunday School, Bible Class, & Bible Info. Class
		10:15 AM	Worship with Lord's Supper and the Baptism of Madeline Ardine Palmer
		11:15 AM	Baptism of Cordelia Joy Drummond
		4 - 7 PM	Visitation for Janet Schwefel at church
4/17	Mon.	8:30 AM	Pastor's Conference at Faith in Fond du Lac
		10:00 AM	Visitation for Janet Schwefel at church
		11:00 AM	Christian Funeral for Janet Schwefel
		6:00 PM	Public School Catechism Class
4/18	Tues.	6:30 PM	Worship at the Cross at St. Paul's
		6:30 PM	Church Council Meeting
4/19	Wed.	8:45 AM	Adult Bible Class
		6:00 PM	St. Paul's Forensics Meet – Helpers welcome!
4/20	Thur.	3:30 PM	Board of Elders
		6:00 PM	Board of Christian Education
4/21	Fri.	5:00 PM	"Spring Event" hosted by CES
4/22	Sat.	6:30 PM	Worship
4/23	Sun.	7:45 AM	Worship
		9:00 AM	Sunday School, Bible Class, & Bible Info. Class
		10:15 AM	Worship with Baptism of Evelyn Lucille Hinz & Grades 1-2 sing
		11:15 AM	Quarterly Voters Meeting

Adult Bible Study: A Clear Confession for a Clearly Confused World

A confession is a statement of what one believes. Study of the Lutheran confessions might sound a bit boring, but in a world where we are confused about, well, just about everything, confessions are not only needed but the only way out of the confusion and back to clarity. This study will seek to acquaint us with the Lutheran Confessions, allow us to compare them to Scripture, and discuss a few doctrines they contain. Join us Sundays at 9:00 am or Wednesdays at 8:45 am in the fellowship hall.

Bible Information Classes Sundays at 9 AM!

Basic Bible Christianity is a 15 – lesson Bible information course. Each lesson includes a study of key passages of Scripture and the opportunity to search and discuss those Scriptures with a pastor. Upon completion, this class also prepares participants to decide whether they wish to join us at St. Paul's and receive the Lord's Supper. Please let Pastor Ehlert know if you are interested in attending. You can still jump in. We would be happy to catch you up!

Preschool Aide for the 2023-2024 school year

Our current preschool numbers indicate that we will likely need a preschool aide for the coming school year, likely part-time 8:00 – 11:30 AM but more hours may be available. Pay would be \$15 an hour whenever school was in session. If you are interested please contact Mr. Aaron Hartwig.

St. Paul's Preschool is currently accepting applications for enrollment

With Mrs. Megan Schoenbach taking over next year, it would be great to pack the preschool room with young people ready and eager to learn about their Savior and the many blessings He has provided through an education here at St. Paul's. *We have had a lot of interest and are encouraging members to lock in their child's seat now as we may run out of room and be forced to cap enrollment.* Brochures with registration information are available in the entryway or across from the office. Information is available online at www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com/preschool.

St. Paul's Lutheran School

While preschool is filling up, we still have plenty of room in our K-8 classrooms. If you know anyone who would benefit from a Christian Education, please let them know about all we have to offer here at St. Paul's. Feel free to grab a school brochure and pass it along or have them check us out online. If they want to talk to someone you can have them contact Mr. Aaron Hartwig, our school principal, or our pastors. Any of them would love to let people know all our church and school can offer their families at a pretty affordable price.

Christian Funeral of Janet Schwefel

The Lord in His boundless love called home our Christian sister, Janet Schwefel, on Wednesday, April 12, 2023. We keep her four children, Gary (Carol) Schwefel, David (Mylene) Schwefel, Sandy (Guy) Werner, and Dan (Amy) Schwefel along with all her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and family in our prayers as they mourn their loss but rejoice in the promise of Easter morning and the Words of Jesus which promise that she is with Him even now. The Funeral is scheduled for Monday at 11 AM with a visitation from 10 until the time of the funeral and also on Sunday from 4-7 PM. *Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.* Psalm 116:15

Baptisms are always a blessing!

In our 10:15 AM service, we have the joy of welcoming *Madeline Ardine Palmer* into the family of God through Water and the Word. Madeline was born to Dylan and Brittany (Mallinger) Palmer on March 19, 2023. After our 10:15 AM service, we receive the double joy of welcoming *Cordelia Joy Drummond* to God's family through the rebirth of Holy Baptism. Cordelia was born to Robert and Janet (Kovalaske) Drummond on March 7, 2023.

Confirmation 2023

As we approach the end of April, confirmation is quickly approaching. Sunday, April 30 at our 10:15 AM service, we plan to confirm seven young men and women. That means Thursday, April 27th at 6:00 PM we plan to have our annual examination of our confirmands. The confirmands have prepared essays and will answer a few questions as they profess the truths of Scripture taught by the church and synod they become communicant members within. There should be plenty of room for our regular worshippers and the family of our confirmands in worship that day so feel free to come to celebrate these young men and women and more importantly God and His Word which they have been instructed in.

Three Good Reasons to Worship In-Person Each Week: Reason #2

Why does God bring us together in families? So that we can help, encourage, love, and support, one another. Everyone needs it! Have you ever shown up to something and been the only one there? It doesn't feel great. It's not encouraging at all. I suppose we might make a weak argument that we can do the Means of Grace thing all alone, but for this one, we need our brothers and sisters. No snappy words are needed. You don't have to have all the right things to say. Just you in a pew will do. The more that gather the more encouraging it is. Oh, and it's good for your pastors too.

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striving to proclaim Christ and His saving Word to more people, more often.

Winnebago Lutheran Academy News

WLA Summer Camp

Registrations have begun. Drama, music, and sports are all available. Go to www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com/WLAsummercamps to get more information and to register for all that is offered.

WLA Call Update

Mr. Scott Loberger has returned the call to serve as math department chairman and teacher at WLA. He will remain as Vice Principal, AD, and instructor at Manitowoc Lutheran High School.

Mr. Andy Mildebrandt has received a call to teach English and Drama at Illinois Lutheran High School. Currently, Mr. Mildebrandt is the chair of the drama department and teaches history and religion.

Mr. Brad Bendix has received a call to be principal at Risen Savior in Mankato, MN. Currently, Mr. Bendix is WLA's Activities Director and history teacher.

Mr. Jamie Roecker continues to deliberate the call to serve as principal at Ascension Lutheran School in Sarasota, FL. Mr. Roecker's wife, *Roberta*, has received a call to serve as a 7th & 8th-grade teacher at Ascension. Mr. Roecker teaches health and English and is WLA's head wrestling coach. Mrs. Roecker teaches 4th grade at St. Peter Lutheran School in Fond du Lac.

Please keep these teachers, their families, and their schools in your prayers.

It's time to renew your Forward in Christ Magazine subscription

The Forward in Christ is our synods magazine chalked full of great articles about our faith and the many things that are happening in the synod at large. The cost for this year is \$12.00 (that's \$1 a month). There is a signup sheet on the information center should you wish to receive a copy in your mailbox here at church. Sign-up is needed by Friday, May 19 to take advantage of this awesome deal.

Spring Event hosted by CES April 21 at 5:00 PM

Games, Food, Fun, and Activities for our families and the community. Invite your friends, relatives, and neighbors to come and enjoy the fun for children of all ages (even the really old ones 😊). Want to help by providing a game, food item, etc.? Contact Amy Surian in the office (920) 922-1080. or visit www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com/springevent and sign up.

Thank You!!

We want to thank everyone for the hard work put in for our Holy Week Services and for coming to raise your voices in praise. It is truly uplifting when we gather together and fellowship with one another.

St. Paul's Funds Highlight: Special Funds (2 each week)

Church Computer Fund

We need 'em in the office, they are required to stream services, and for everything else too. This helps offset the cost when they break down or an upgrade is necessary.

Organ/Piano Fund

Our worship instruments require maintenance, tuning, repair, and replacement (though we pray not often). These expenses are not always planned. This fund helps with the sticker shock.

April Voter's Meeting: Sunday, April 23 after our Late Service

Our Quarterly Voter's Meeting has been set for Next weekend, April 23 after our 10:15 AM service. We will need to look at some changes coming to our budget after setting our staff for next year, talk moving expenses, a new roof on the parsonage, and ratify several membership changes.

Offerings

We offer a variety of options to help you support the Gospel ministry:

- Place your gift in the offering baskets at church when you worship.
- Mail your gift to St. Paul's Lutheran, 1010 Adams Ave., NFdL, 54937.
- Drop your gift off in the "birdhouse" post near the office entrance.
- Scan the QR Code to go to our giving site.
- Use Vanco Automatic withdrawal from your checking account. Sign-up sheets are available at the information center, on the table in front of the office, or our website. Contact the office to set it up.
- Use "Vanco Mobile" found in your smartphone's app store. Search for "North Fond du Lac, WI", and choose St. Paul's. The church account is for offerings. The School account is for tuition payments.



Offerings & Attendance Holy Week:

Rejoicing in the Resurrection, we brought the following gifts: Current – \$8,398.65; Missions – \$487.50; Improvement – \$87; Mortgage – \$2,978; Lenten Envelopes – \$125; Maundy Thursday Envelopes – \$1,300; Good Friday – \$2,782; Easter – \$7,128; Preschool Tuition – \$877; Extended Care - \$660; Audio Visual Fund – \$87; Easter Breakfast – \$519 (Electronic funds in these gifts – \$4,342.65; Weekend offerings totaled \$24,384.65; Weekly target \$18,960). In-Person Worship: Thursday – 131 [livestream – 47]; Friday – 314 (158 & 156) [livestream – 43]; Easter Sunday – 475 (206 & 269 [livestream – 74 & 53]). Flowers donated by Keith & Joyce Kovalaske for the Baptism of Cordelia Joy Drummond.