

St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran

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Worship Schedule: Saturday at 6:30pm and Sunday at 7:45am & 10:15am Online services, materials and so much more can be found at www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com or follow us www.facebook.com/stpaulsnfdl

| December 11 & 12, 2021 | Advent 3 | Hymns |
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| Order of Service | Service of the Word (p38) | Gathering Rite |
| Sermon | Philippians 4:4-7 | (cf. insert) Psalm 130 p114 |
| | Pieces to Peace | 18 15:1,3 7 428 |

Welcome to St. Paul's!

- A t-coil hearing loop system is active for those with hearing aids. Headsets are also available. Ushers can help if you have questions.
- Parents, please 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.
- Large print copies of our service are available in the entryway.
- **Restrooms** with baby changing stations are to the right as you exit the church.
- Offerings are gathered during worship. We pass offering plates. After the offering has been gathered, *please stand and sing hymn 14:1-2*.

God's Word This Week

When the Lord Comes Near, He Humbles His enemies. Last week we saw that the Lord sends messengers to call us to repentance. This week we learn that those who refuse to heed the call to humble themselves will be humbled anyway. The Lord who once came near in flesh and now comes near in Word and Sacraments will one day come near with consuming fire and judgment. The Lord will humble his enemies. This truth does two important things. First, it adds urgency to God's Advent call to repent. Second, it gives us comfort when we, as God's people, experience opposition from the world. Those who oppress and harm God's people will face judgment.

Ushers this weekend (Dec. 11 & 12) are Team 13 (T. Schwefel), 14 (D. Babler), & 15 (B. Tabbert). Greeters are P. Brennand, D. White, Kampmans. Next weekend (Dec. 18 & 19) will be Team 16 (B. Bruss), 1 (D. Schumacher), & 2 (L. Ziemer). Greeters will be P. Eckert, D&K Thurow, K. Robinet.

December 11-19, 2021

| 12/11 12/12 | Sat. Sun. | 6:30pm 7:45am 9:00am 9:00am 10:15am | Worship (team #13) Worship (team #14) Sunday School (pre-8) <i>NO Adult Bible Study</i> Preschool Christmas Service with fellowship Worship (team #15) |
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| 12/13 | Mon. | 6:15pm | Public School Catechism |
| 12/14 | Tues. | 6:00pm | Girl & Boy Pioneers |
| | | 6:00pm | Church Council Meeting |
| 12/15 | Wed. | 8:45am | Adult Bible Class |
| | | 6:30pm | Choir Practice |
| | | 7:30pm | Chime Practice |
| 12/16 | Thur. | 8:00pm | Adult Open Gym |
| 12/18 | Sat. | 8:30am | K-8 Christmas Practice |
| | | 6:30pm | Worship (team #16) |
| 12/19 | Sun. | 7:45am | Worship (team #1) |
| | | 9:00am | Sunday School & Bible Study |
| | | 10:15am | Worship (team #2) |
| | | 4:00pm | Children's Christmas Service |
| | | | doors don't open any earlier than 3pm |

Christmas Worship: Eve 4 & 6pm Day 9am New Years Eve 6:30pm

Advent 3

Did you miss church this week?

Recorded services and live streams are available. Find all the links at www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com. Looking for weekly devotions? Try https://wels.net/serving-you/devotions. There is a little bit of everything for everyone available from our church body.

New Ushering Schedules for 2022

Updated Ushering Schedules are in mailboxes and in the information center. We shuffled the deck a bit so you may be on a different team.

Christmas Cards

There are a variety of greeting cards available in the church library at very reasonable prices. Feel free to check them out and while you're at it, see the great books we have available in the library.

Poinsettias for Christmas

The envelopes to order poinsettias for our Christmas Services (Eve and Day and beyond) are available in the church library. As usual, a list of plants given in memory or in honor of loved ones will be placed in our service folders on Christmas Eve and Day. A 6-inch poinsettia is \$12 and an 8-inch poinsettia (2 plants in a pot) is \$28. Please return envelopes with payment to the marked box in the library.

Children's Christmas Service Practices (ALL CHILDREN)

Once again, this year we will be able to combine St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran School and our Sunday School for our Children's Christmas Service. The Service itself is scheduled for Sunday, December 19th at 4:00pm in the church (doors will open 1 hour beforehand). Practices are scheduled for the two Saturdays preceding the service: Saturday, December 11th & Saturday, December 18th at 8:30am.

Christmas Flyers Distributed

A special thank you goes out to grades 5-8 in our school. They distributed 800 flyers on Thursday morning in the village. Some extras are available on the table in the narthex under the picture of the three wise men. Take one home as a reminder of our service times or use them to invite your family, friends, and neighbors to services.

Call News

Last week, Mr. Aaron Hartwig received a call to serve Risen Savior Lutheran School in Mankato, MN as principal and 7/8 teacher. Please keep him in your prayers and offer him support and input as he considers where the Lord would have him serve.

WLA News!

- *Christmas Concerts* are Dec. 13 at 7:00pm and Dec. 14 at 1:00pm all are welcome to come and rejoice as we celebrate Jesus' birth.
- •*Christmas Pies!* Yep, pies are available for the holidays. Order before December 19th call or text 920-904-1147
- •*St. Paul's up for Kitchen Service in January!* We are set to serve again January 17-21 (only need 1 person on 18th and 19th is filled). We are also up Feb 28-Mar 4! There is a sign-up sheet on the information center in the narthex or signup online: http://www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com/WLAkitchen

Mortgage Commitment Cards:

We would like to have all the Mortgage commitments in before the new year. Extras are available in the information center in the entryway.

Offering Envelopes

Offering envelopes are ready for 2022. Please pick up your packet, even if you plan on giving electronically. The packets contain special offering envelopes as well as the regular offering envelopes and may serve as a great offering calendar as we work our way through the packets. Just a reminder that these envelopes should not be used until 2022.

Offering Plates are back!

Our Thanksgiving Services marked the return of the passing of the offering plate once again in services. This practice allows us to begin using **new pew cards** to collect information from our visitors and our communing members once again. A guest book for visitors and a communion register (on communion Sundays) are already available at the podium in the Narthex and will continue even with the pew cards.

Offerings

We offer a variety of options to support the work of the Gospel:

- Give your offering during worship as the plates are passed around.
- Drop it off in the "birdhouse" post near the office/school entrance.
- Send it to St. Paul's Lutheran, 1010 Adams Ave., NFDL, 54937.
- Electronic Options: (use a checking account, debit card, or credit card.) NOTE: Search for Fond du Lac or North Fond du Lac to find our church
 - o online giving at www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com/offerings
 - $\circ\,$ "Vanco Mobile" app found through your phone's app store.
 - Paper sign-ups are also available at the information center the table in front of the office, or on our website to set up automatic withdrawal. Contact the office if you require any assistance.

Last Week's Offerings

In thanksgiving, God's people brought these gifts: Current – \$11,724.70; Missions - \$2,247.72; Improvement - \$127; Mortgage - \$2,741.59; Thanksgiving Envelopes - \$220; Preschool Tuition - \$875; Extended Care - \$785; Worship at the Cross - \$10; Hymnal Fund (388) - \$866; St. Paul's Student Aid - \$65; \$1200 was given to the WinGS in honor of Christian Mothers (Electronic funds included in these gifts - \$3517.01; all offerings totaled \$20,862.01; Weekly target \$16,770). 299 people attended attended regular weekend services (148, 63, 88, livestream = 35).

Flowers: The two poinsettias on the altar this weekend were donated by an anonymous donor.