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Worship Schedule: Saturdays at 6:30pm & Sundays at 7:45 & 10:15am Midweek Lenten Worship: Wednesdays at 3:30 & 6:30pm

February 17 & 18, 2018	Lent One	Hymns
Order of Service:	Page 26, Christian Worship	129
Psalm of the Day:	Psalm 6, page 66	102
Sermon Text & Theme:	Romans 8:31-34a	612 v. 1
<u>God I</u>		
"If God is for you, who can be a	431 & 114	
"If God gave his Son for you, w	417 v. 1-2	

Welcome to St. Paul's. God's blessings on your worship!

- Assistive listening devices for the hearing impaired, as well as children's bulletins, are on the information centers.
- **Large-print service folders** are available in the entry. These may be helpful to visitors as well because they contain the whole service.
- A **Child Training Room** is available for parents with small children. You can hear and see the service from this area.
- **Restrooms** are to the right as you leave the sanctuary.
- Please sign our friendship register and pass it along in the pew.
- **Service Notes**: We will stand and sing **612 v. 1** after the offering. We will **not** sing alleluias during Lent, including the *Thank the Lord*, p. 36.

God's Word this week: During Lent we see Jesus go to the cross to suffer and die for us. Today's lessons show that when God tests us and the devil tempts us (every day!), Jesus is our holiness before God. He is also our strength and our example. We cling to God's promises. They come to us in baptism, communion, and straight from the Bible—the book in which every word is from the mouth of God.

Please save this "let's do this together" date: WInGS is hosting a church spring cleaning night on Tuesday, March 6th, beginning at 6:15pm. Everyone is invited to come and have some "good clean" fun!

Ushers this weekend are Teams Wilhelms, Hill, and Ewerdt. Next weekend *(Feb. 24/25)* ushers will be Teams 9 (J. Laudolff), 10 (D. Preissner) and 11 (C. Williams). Our **greeters** this week are Trish Babler, Barb Taddey, and Beth Ewerdt. Next week they will be Jeff Wegner and Gilda Wegner, Don & Kathy Thurow, and Katie Fischer. Thank you!

February 17 - 25, 2018				
2/17	Sat	6:30pm	Worship with communion	
2/18	Sun	7:45 & 10:15am	Worship with communion	
		9:00am	Sunday School and Bible Study	
		9:00am	Bible Information Class	
2/19	Mon		No School at St. Paul's	
		6:10pm	Confirmation Instructions	
2/20	Tue	10:30am	Worship at Lake View Place	
2/21	Wed	3:30pm	Lenten Worship	
		6:30pm	Lenten Worship	
		7:30pm	Church Council	
2/22	Thu	7:00pm	Adult Open Gym	
2/24	Sat	6:30pm	Worship	
2/25	Sun	7:45 & 10:15am	Worship (Junior Choir & Chimes @ 10:15)	
		9:00am	Sun. School, Bible Study, BIC	

Our Mid-week Lenten services continue on Wednesdays at 3:30 and 6:30pm. Our theme is *Jesus Is Our Great High Priest*. This week Pastor Mark Parsons from Faith, Fond du Lac will be with us for worship. These worship opportunities help us focus our hearts on the great love Jesus has for us sinners. We never get tired of hearing him say, "I love you!"

Sunday School: As it was for Peter, so it is for us in the message of our Sunday School lesson (Acts 12). The Word of God is never proclaimed in vain. Though we may suffer, God's will is done. Talk with your children about modern-day persecution of the Church of God and how, even in the midst of persecution, God sustains and increases his Church. *How does God's Word break through the chains of our sin and the suffering it causes*?

Bible Study: This Sunday and next we will use a study prepared by the WELS Women's Ministry called *Your Identity in Christ*. How does God want me to see myself? Where do I find my real worth? How does God want me to look at and evaluate others? See how faith in Christ colors how we view ourselves and the world. During Lent we have Bible Study on Sunday mornings at 9:00am. Everyone is invited to come and "grow in the knowledge and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ" (2 Peter 3:18).

Preschool: We are now registering students for the 2018-19 session of St. Paul's Little Pioneers Preschool! Our Christian preschool is for all children ages 3 and 4. Our next year comes with an *expanded schedule* for our 4K students: Monday-Thursday, 8:30-11:30am. Three-year-olds will meet Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30-11:30am. Please encourage your neighbors and friends with young children to get to know us. Brochures with more information are available from the information center. Please contact Director Susan Wright with any questions: 926-0565.

A School/Preschool Open House will be Saturday, March 17th from 9:30-11:00am. Visit the preschool and kindergarten classrooms. Take a tour and meet our faculty. A Scholastic Book Fair will take place in the gym all morning long. The morning will conclude with a professional *live reptile show* at 11:00am -- presented by David Stokes. The congregation and community are invited! Please reach out to neighbors, friends, and family members and invite them to come and learn more about St. Paul's Christian education opportunities. Pick up a flyer from the narthex!

We can always the help of fellow members with *church cleaning* and *snow blowing*. We have several volunteer teams cleaning regularly, but more dates are available each month. Sign-up lists are on the information center for both volunteer duties. Getting involved means blessings for everyone!

The Wisconsin Herd's first regular season wraps up as we host WELS Night: Friday, March 23, 7:00pm. Come join your fellow WELS church body in celebrating a fun group outing in Oshkosh for the season finale against the Canton Charge. Please go to our church website for more information. Purchase deadline is March 21st.

WLA is accepting bids for facility repairs and maintenance to be completed during the summer of 2018. A description of the improvements can be found at <u>wlavikings.org</u> following the "Request for Proposal" link. Send all inquires to Jeff Isom at <u>jisom@wlavikings.org</u>, or you can call 251-2547. All bids are due no later than midnight Feb. 23 (this week on Friday). Bids will be reviewed and awarded by WLA's Building and Grounds Committee.

2018 Youth Rally - June 26-29 - Bowling Green University in Ohio: Some youth have expressed interest in going to the youth rally this summer and Mr. Steven Lehman has expressed interest in chaperoning. Registration is open from March 1 until April 30, but if you are interested, please contact Pastor Kampman in the next few weeks so we can get a better idea of a total number interested and how we can assist with a portion of the cost (\$345 per person - travel & added activities not included).

Camp Phillip brochures with information about summer camps are available from the information center. St. Paul's is a member of the Camp Phillip Association, a WELS camp located near Wautoma.

The WLA Budget Committee will meet Tues., Mar. 6th, 6:30pm, in the WLA Media Center to review and finalize a budget for the 2018-19 school year. The budget will include proposed tuition rates. This will then be submitted for approval to the Plenary Board at its next meeting (Tuesday, March 27th, 7:00pm).

Communion: Members of the WELS and ELS are invited to receive the Lord's Supper. Please register in the entryway or pew folder. Preparation questions are on page 156 in the front of the hymnal.

Meditations, daily devotional booklets, are available in the tract rack on the information center. A receptacle in a drawer below is available for those wishing to give a donation to offset the cost to the congregation.

Thank you to our women of WInGS and all members who donated food for our New Member Welcome Potluck last Sunday. Great job! This note was recently received: *"As a new member who attended the New Member Welcome Potluck, I'd like to thank everyone who organized and attended this event. This church has been and is a great blessing, and I am thankful to the congregation for being so welcoming and accepting. I'd also like to thank our amazing pastors* **and** *their wives for being kind and caring to everyone who walks through the door."* How blessed we are to share in the privilege of bringing the Savior to our community and surrounding area!

Flowers: If you would like to provide flowers for services, there is a marked three-ringed binder on the information center with easy-to-follow directions. The cost for a bouquet from the flower shop is \$20. Our altar guild will order it and pick it up. If you have any questions, please call our office (922-1080).

A Prayer: Heavenly Father, you give without limit. You give not according to what we deserve, nor even according to what we need, but in great abundance. Give us grateful hearts that respond with joyful, generous giving to the work of your kingdom so that your saving name might be known to all. In Jesus' name we ask it. Amen.

