



St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran

Church • School • Preschool

A member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (www.wels.net)

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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

February 25 & 26, 2023	Lent 1	Hymns
Order of Service	Service of the Word	556
	Service Booklet p14	Psalm 46
Sermon	Matthew 4:1-11	863
		750
	We Need A Hero!	574
		842

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 750.*

Ushers this week (25&26) are teams 11 (D. Babler), 1 (D. Schumacher), and 2 (L. Ziemer). Greeters are D. White, R. Eggers, and K. Sebestyen. Next week (4&5) will be teams 3 (M. Peachy), 4 (C. Hintz), and 5 (B. Tabbert). Greeters will be C. Kitchen, K&J Kovalaske, & Kampmans. Our organist this week is Will Hinn. Thank you for your service to our Savior and St. Paul's!

A CHAMPION FOR THE DEFEATED

Our modern English word “champion” comes from an old English word that meant “warrior.” In ancient times, when two armies gathered to fight, sometimes as a prelude to the battle—and sometimes in place of the battle—each army would pick a mighty soldier, and these two men would fight each other. These elite warriors, these champions, would represent their people in battle. They would meet in the middle of the field. With everyone watching, they would fight to the death.

Today we are reminded of an ancient war that began in Eden. The perfect peace and prosperity of Paradise was lost when a fallen angel convinced mankind to follow the demons in rebelling against their Creator. When Adam fell, he condemned the world to darkness and death. The enemy of God claimed that the children of men now belonged to him. God was having none of it. He promised he would send forth his champion, his Son. And so, today we see a battle of champions. The demons send forth their strongest warrior—Satan. God sends forth the best of men, Jesus Christ. Jesus does what Adam and we could not. In crushing the devil, Jesus meets one of our greatest needs.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

February 25 – March 5, 2023

2/25	Sat.	6:30 PM	Worship
2/26	Sun.	7:45 AM	Worship
		9:00 AM	Sunday School & Bible Class
		10:15 AM	Worship
2/27	Mon.	6:00 PM	Public School Catechism Class
		6:30 PM	Choir Practice
		7:30 PM	Chimes Practice
2/28	Tues.	5:00 PM	Living History (Grades 3-8) ALL INVITED
3/1	Wed.	8:45 AM	Adult Bible Class: Pharisees
		3:30 PM	Lenten Worship (7-8 sing & Chimes play)
			<i>Taco/Nacho Bar (hosted by CES) between Services</i>
		6:30 PM	Lenten Worship
3/2	Thur.	4:00 PM	Christian Education Society Meeting
		7:30 PM	Open Gym
3/4	Sat.	6:30 PM	Worship with Lord's Supper
3/5	Sun.	7:45 AM	Worship with Lord's Supper
		9:00 AM	Sunday School & Bible Class
		10:15 AM	Worship with Lord's Supper

Living History Museum

On Tuesday, February 28, students K-8th grade will perform their Living History Museum Person for you! The K-2 grade students will have a short presentation in the gym to begin the evening. The students have been working very hard on their presentations and costumes. We hope to see you there!

St. Paul's Call News

At our call meeting on February 12, we voted to extend a call to **Mrs. Kristi Utsch** to serve in our 1-2 grade. She currently serves as 1-2 grade teacher at Immanuel Lutheran in Hutchinson, MN. She has served there since 2008. Kristi is married to Timothy and they have four children 10, 7, 2, and a newborn. We keep the Utsch family and the people of Immanuel in our prayers and ask the Lord of the Church to supply us with a 1-2 grade teacher soon.

Preschool Aide for the 2023-2024 school year

Our current Preschool/Kindergarten aide, Katie Schwartz, has taken a call to serve as a part-time Kindergarten Teacher at St. Luke's in Oakfield. We are thankful for the assistance that she has provided this year and wish her the best as she transitions to this position at her home congregation. However, our current preschool numbers indicate that we will need a replacement, likely part-time 8:00 – 11:30 AM Whenever school is in session. Pay would be \$15 an hour. 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. Mr. Hartwig can answer questions should you have them. You can also pick up a brochure at our information centers in the entryway or across from the office. Information is also available online at www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com/preschool.

St. Paul's Curriculum Review

Did you know that our school faculty gets together with the faculty at St. Peter's for a curriculum review every other month? They bring in a Martin Luther College professor on each subject to assist in the review. This year they are working on the history curriculum with the intent of doing one core subject each year to keep our curriculum fresh and up to snuff.

LWMS Convention registration is open

The 60th annual convention of the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society is scheduled for June 22-25 in LaCrosse, WI. The Theme is "Peace Like a River". So much goes on that a paragraph just can't do it justice. Suffice it to say that I have never met someone who went and didn't say it was well worth the time. You can find out more, including how to register, at 60.lwms.org.

Easter Flowers

Envelopes for Easter flowers are available in the entryway by the Martin Luther Room. Our florist has requested that we have the final totals by 3/19 to ensure that they will have the flowers people want. Please mark the envelope and place it in the donation box in the same location.

Lenten Meals for 2023

Lent began this last Wednesday. Any congregational group or member can sign up to provide a meal between services (4:20-6:20 PM). The Spaghetti meal hosted by Women In God's Service which had been scheduled for Ash Wednesday has been rescheduled for March 8. Our Christian Education Society is also planning on a nacho/taco bar this coming Wednesday, March 1. Donations of toppings and desserts would be greatly appreciated. Please review the available slots at stpaulslutherannfdl.com/taconacho, or call the office and Amy can sign up for you. Please have items dropped off by Tuesday (2/28) evening. Items such as diced onions, tomatoes, jalapenos, etc can be dropped off on Wednesday (3/1) before 3:00. Thank you!

Lenten Wednesdays run through March 29. Those serving can designate which fund they would like the meal offering to go. Please contact the office to lock in a Wednesday if you would like to serve a meal. It really would be awesome to provide a meal each week this Lenten season.

Church & School Wear Is Available at Hopper's

A couple of our logos are on file at Hoppers in Fond du Lac. You can bring in any shirt you want and they will print them onto them for a small fee. They also do mugs, water bottles, and other items. Stop in or call to find out all the cool stuff they can do. Please note that they cannot embroider any type of fleece. Please see below for the available logos.





WLA Open Enrollment

February 1 marked the beginning of a re-enrollment period for all returning students at WLA. Of course, enrollment for new students is open as well. Download the WLA App from your phone's App store or call (920) 921-4930 for more information.

WLA Call News

Calls have been extended to *Dr. Greta Scharp* at Bethlehem Lutheran in Germantown to serve as the Director of Curriculum and Instruction and to *Mr. Andy Papenfuss* serving at Michigan Lutheran High School in St. Joseph, MI to serve as a science teacher and department chair. *Mr. Kaleb Buch* at St. Luke's in Oakfield has returned the call to serve in the Math department and coach. *Mr. Andrew Mildebrandt* has returned the call to serve at Crown of Life in Fort Meyers, Florida. Mr. Mildebrandt teaches World History, Speech, and Mythology and is the theater department director.

The Event

Saturday, April 29th, at the South Hills Country Club in Fond du Lac WLA will host their yearly, The Event. This year's theme is "A Night In Hollywood". All proceeds will support Winnebago Lutheran Academy. Register at wlavikings.org/theevent or call 920-921-4930 by April 10.

WLA Theater Presents: The Legend of Sleepy Hollow

The Legend of Sleepy Hollow is coming to the WLA Stage March 24-25 at 7:00 pm and March 26 at 2:00 pm. Adults are \$5 and Students are \$3. Tickets are currently available at hometowntickets.com or in the WLA office during normal school hours.

WLA Junior Vikes Bowling Team

WLA is excited to announce the introduction of Junior Vikes Bowling! Do you have a middle school student attending a WLA Association school? Does that student currently bowl or would love to learn the sport of bowling? WLA bowling is currently looking for middle school students (Boys and Girls in grades 6-8) to form the first-ever Jr. Vikes bowling team. Practices will be starting at the end of February and the season will run until late April. No experience or equipment is necessary. Our coaches are well-prepared to teach new bowlers and help current bowlers improve their skills as well. The ultimate goal of this program is to prepare young bowlers to join the high school team when they get to WLA. If you're interested in learning more, please email Head Coach Corey Hintz at wlabowling@gmail.com.

HIS FINAL STEPS

Lenten Series 2023

This year's series ponders the significance of the people and places on Jesus' resolute final steps to the cross. Join us Wednesdays at 3:30 or 6:30 PM as we recall the history and significance of the Passion History of our Lord.

St. Paul's Funds Highlight: Current Fund

Anything placed here will be used to support the day-to-day expenses of ministry here at St. Paul's. This is the largest portion of our yearly budget as it includes all the compensation packages for our called workers, utilities, insurances, and the like. It's not very showy but it keeps ministry going here at St. Paul's. The Current Fund then also becomes the bin from which we pull should any other fund run dry or misses its budgetary mark, if voter approval is granted to do so.

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.
- 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 Last Week:

We brought the following gifts to the altar of the Lord: Current – \$18,542.95; Missions – \$1,112; Improvement – \$50; Mortgage – \$3,293.75; WLA Building Fund - \$100; Lenten Envelopes - \$280; Preschool Tuition – \$433; Facilities Usage Gift – \$50; Extended Care – \$766.25; Hand Chime Fund – \$20; St. Paul's Student Aid Fund – \$110; Organ/Piano Fund - \$130 (Electronic funds included in these gifts – \$4,786.70; Weekend offerings totaled \$24,887.95; Weekly target \$18,960). Attending In-Person Worship – 229 (64, 62, and 103 [livestream – 55]). Memorials given to the glory of God included in these Funds: a gift was given to the current Fund in loving memory of Jill Frederick who went home to heaven on January 24, 2023.