



# St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran

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**Worship: Thursdays and Saturdays at 6:30pm and Sundays at 9:00am**

**Online services and materials can be found at [www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com](http://www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com)**

**January 14, 16, 17, 2021**

**Epiphany 1: The Baptism of Our Lord**

**Order of Service:** Service Folder

**Sermon:** Mark 1:4-11

**I Am Baptized into Christ!**

I need it because I share John's confession.

Connected to Christ, I rejoice in the Father's declaration.

## **Welcome to St. Paul's!**

- **Seating:** Please sit in the designated pews, socially distancing between families for the comfort of all in attendance.
- **A t-coil hearing loop system** is active for those with hearing aids. Headsets are also available for those without hearing aids. An usher can help if you have questions.
- **Service folders** are on stands near the sanctuary doors. These contain the entire service. *Please take it and the bulletin home with you.* Large print copies are available on the information center.
- Parents, please feel free to use the **child training room** to calm or feed small children.
- **Restrooms** are to the right as you exit the sanctuary.
- **Your offering** may be placed in baskets on stands near the door.

## God's Word this week: Epiphany 1 – The Baptism of our Lord

During the Epiphany season we want to get to know Jesus. This Sunday we get to know Him by baptism, both His and ours. But the glory is evident only to a chosen few; notice, too, that the greater the glory, the more hidden its manifestation—the glory of our life with Christ is by faith, not by sight.

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### January 2, 2021 - January 10, 2021

1/14	<b>Thu</b>	6:30pm	Worship with Communion
1/16	<b>Sat</b>	6:30pm	Worship with Communion
1/17	<b>Sun</b>	9:00am	Worship with Communion
1/17	<b>Sun</b>	10:00am	Voter's Meeting (no Adult Bible Class)
1/20	<b>Wed</b>	8:45am	Bible Class: The Gospel of Luke
1/21	<b>Thu</b>	6:30pm	Worship
1/22	<b>Fri</b>	12:00pm	SPLS Noon Release (Faculty Inservice)
1/23	<b>Sat</b>	6:30pm	Worship
1/24	<b>Sun</b>	9:00am	Worship
1/24	<b>Sun</b>	10:00am	Bible Class: The Gospel of Luke
1/24	<b>Sun</b>	11:00am	Bible Information Class

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### Annual Voter's Meeting

Our Annual Voter's Meeting is scheduled for this Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. Every Year at this meeting, we set our budget and work through any other business as we prepare for the upcoming year. We will also need to look at our third call packet as we prayerfully consider who to extend our call for an associate pastor too.

**Worship Attendance:** Members and guests can sign up to attend worship at [www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com](http://www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com) or call 922-1080. If you forget to sign up or have trouble doing so, please come anyway, we have plenty of room.

**Ushers** this weekend are teams 16 (B. Bruss) and 2 (L. Ziemer). Next weekend (Jan. 23/24) teams 3 (M. Peachy) and 5 (J. Weigand) will usher. Ushering schedules for 2021 are available in the narthex.

**Face Coverings** The Lord directs us to obey earthly authorities unless they require us to sin against Him (Rom. 13:1-5; Acts 5:29; 1 Peter 2:13-17). Unless you are exempt, please wear a mask while inside the building.

### **Year End Statements**

Statements of yearly contributions for 2020 are in your church mailbox. If something seems incorrect, please contact our church secretary, Amy Surian.

### **Stewardship Moment:**

Psalm 24:1: *"The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein."* This passage is foundational as we contemplate our stewardship and seek to use the many blessings God has placed into our hands as His people. As we recall that everything comes from Him, we seek out His Word and will regarding how we use it in our everyday lives.

**Adult Bible Class: Luke** There is plenty of room in the church as we gather together to study the book of Luke. Join us as we dive into this treasured Gospel and get to know our Savior Jesus all the better.

**Envelopes for 2021** are still available on the tables across from the mailboxes. If you regularly see someone and would like to deliver a box to them. Please feel free. Thank you!

**Offerings:** If you are not yet attending worship because of the pandemic, here are some options for sharing Christ's good news with your offering:

- Send it to St. Paul's Lutheran, 1010 Adams Ave., NFDL, 54937.
- Drop it off in the lock box post near the office/school entrance.
- Use Vanco electronic options, including your smart phone. Go to your phone's app store under "Giving Plus." Thank you!



### **Other worship opportunities:**

- Online at [www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com](http://www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com) (Recorded services are available anytime or live-stream it at 9:00am Sundays.)
- WELS Sunday radio: AM1450 (FDL) and AM1280 (Appleton) at 8:00am; AM1430 (Beaver Dam) at 9:30am.
- WELS Sunday TV: *Time of Grace* on Green Bay NBC-26 at 6:30am and Milwaukee CBS-58 at 10:30am.

**Last week's gifts:** Current Fund - \$11,012.15; Missions - \$2037.50; Improvement Fund - \$130; Mortgage Fund - \$2242; Initial Offering - \$251; Christmas Eve - \$50; Christmas Day - \$50; Preschool Tuition - \$1297; Extended Care - \$409.50; Worship at the Cross - \$40; Hymnal Fund - \$15; (Electronic funds included in these gifts total \$5389.65)

**Memorials:** to the Mortgage Fund in memory of those members who have gone home to heaven in 2020 from WInGS; to the Hymnal Fund in memory of Deloris Merk who has been rejoicing with her Savior in heaven since 1-23-2020; Flowers in memory of Todd Rupert who was able to open his eyes to the joys of heaven 1-19-2010 and in celebration of Bob and MaryLou England's 33 anniversary on January 16 as well as MaryLou England's birthday on January 19.

## Some Coming Changes to our COVID protocols in February

*We will continually evaluate these changes as we move forward.*

- **Sign-Ups:** We are the last WELS church in our area requiring worship sign-ups. Our services have not been hitting their limits and a little over ½ of those in attendance each week used the sign-up model. With this in mind, we will continue our sign-ups through January and in February suspend our signups to see how things go.
- **Hymnals:** A number of members have requested hymnals. We will have hymnals available at each service. Hymnals, should you be comfortable using them, can be picked up when you come in and returned as you head out. They will then sit for one full week before we bring them back into rotation. We will continue to print the words for hymns/music in our worship folders.
- **Regular Worship Times:** Beginning in February, our regular worship times will resume. Wednesday Lenten Services (3:30pm & 6:30pm) also begin on Ash Wednesday (Feb. 17). This will keep Pastors preaching schedule at 3 days per week instead of increasing it to four.
- **Congregational E-mail Blasts:** These will still go out each week with links to service folders, bulletins, and all other printed media as before. However, without the Thursday service we will no longer have the prerecorded option for that blast. A link to the live stream which becomes a recording after the service time will still be available just at the 10:15am time.

The council will continue to monitor all mandates and recommendations which come to us from local, state, and federal governments and attempt to keep the best interests of our congregational members and their health in mind as we navigate these strange days.

In every change that comes, we remain steadfast in the Word of our God even as we place our trust in our Savior who told His disciples, *“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world. (John 16:13)”*