

St. Paul Lutheran Church

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Sunday, February 15, 2026

Transfiguration of Our Lord

Divine Service Setting Three, LSB page 184 and on screens

Hymns: 454, 414, 631, 560, 621, 417

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 24:8-18, Epistle Reading: 2 Peter 1:16-21

Gospel Reading: Matthew 17:1-9

Welcome to St. Paul, a people walking together in the life of Jesus. We're glad you're here! Today, Jesus meets us in Word and Sacrament. His gifts are for you and for your children! If you are caring for little ones, don't worry about noises and squirming; we rejoice in Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these." (Luke 18:16)

This morning we joyfully receive Holy Communion, in which our Lord Jesus Christ gives us a great blessing: His true body and blood in, with, and under ordinary bread and wine. If you are a member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod who has been instructed and has confessed this reality, we invite you to participate in the Holy Supper. Other guests interested in joining our confession and life are asked to meet with Pastor Newton in the weeks before communing for the first time. We encourage you still to come to the altar and cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing.

Youth Serving Fellowship — Only two Sundays left!

In February, families and youth have been providing hospitality between services. This yummy fundraiser is a fun way for our youth to serve alongside their parents and help care for our church family here at St. Paul.

Baby Shower in a Basket — Lauren and Kyle Stephens welcomed Holden on November 16, 2025. Let's shower them with gifts! You can find the basket in the Narthex. Today is the last day to place cards and gifts in the basket before they are delivered to the family.



February 18

Services at

Noon, 5pm & 7pm

Imposition of ashes at all services.

There are no Midweek Bible studies or classes.
There will not be a meal served on Ash Wednesday.

Lutheran Witness Subscription — Today is the last day to let Kathy know if you would like to continue receiving the *Lutheran Witness* magazine, Cost is \$31.10 per year.

Name Tags — If you are interested in a name tag there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Please make sure to write down exactly how you want your name printed. If you've lost yours and would like another the cost is around \$10. Name tags are free (unless you need a replacement), as Evangelism is covering the cost. Today is the last day to sign up.

Mission Workshop March 7 — Can you tie a knot? Use scissors? String a bead? And/or rip a bedsheet? If you can do any of these, then you're perfect for the job! These are just a few of the tasks we'll have available. Come on your own, or bring a friend(s) or family member - all ages are invited to participate! Saturday, March 7 from 9am – Noon. Sponsored by St. Paul LWML.

Easter Lilies — Orders are now being taken for Easter lilies that will decorate the Sanctuary and building for Easter Sunday. Order forms are on the LWML table near the church office. Cost is \$15 each. Deadline to submit an order is March 8. You can take home your lilies after the last service on Easter Sunday (April 5).

Movie Night — The movie being shown on movie night is the animated feature *David*.

Lost & Found — There is a winter coat, some scarves, sunglasses, a book titled *Dog Man Unleashed*, jewelry, and several other items in the lost and found cabinet. Located in the FLC hallway, please check it out! Items will be donated if not claimed.

Church Mailboxes — Please remember to check your church mailbox today!



Sunday Adult Bible Study — Sunday mornings at 9:30am in the FLC. *The Who, What, When, Where, Why of It All*. Join us as we explore all that it means that Jesus descends from heaven to be with us in the Divine Liturgy, why we do what we do, say what we say, sing what we sing, and even dress how we dress!

Sunday Youth Bible Study — Sundays at 9:30am. Join Dave Brunelle and Laura Nelson on an engaging journey through God's Word as we look into the lectionary and see how it points us to Jesus and our identity in Him. Each Sunday from 9:30–10:30am, junior youth gather with Dave and senior youth with Laura for conversational Bible study. Together we'll explore Christ's teachings and rejoice in the many wonders of God's grace!

Monday Night Women's Bible Study — They'll be walking through the first several chapters of the Gospel of Matthew, using their usual format of prayer, reading/meditating on the Scripture passage for the night, and discussion. Join them on Mondays at 6:30pm.

Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study — Pastor Kottlowski leads, working through a book study of *Unfailing: God's Assurance for Times of Change*. They meet February 19 at 10:00am.

Thursday Night Men's Fellowship and Bible Study — Men of all ages are invited to join in fellowship time and a Bible study each Thursday night at 7:00pm. They are doing a study of *The Augsburg Confession*.

BASIC Bible Study — Pastor Kottlowski continues the study of Romans, following the Apostle Paul on a course through the context of the doctrine of justification and its joyous outflow in the life of the Christian. They meet on Thursday, February 26 at 10:00am.

Homebuilders — *The Sanctuary Is Our Home*. This year Homebuilders (a group for those interested in following Jesus as a household) will delve into the Sacrament of the Altar as the center of life for the Christian family. They meet Sunday, March 1 at 4:00pm.

New Men's Program — Looking for men to join! Please take a minute and take a look at this program for men developed by Lutheran pastors, professors, and leaders who have given their lives to forming men of faith and discipline. If you have interest in joining this Lenten season, please go to memento70.com and reach out to Jeff Fahrmann or Shawn Thomas.

Fake Emails — If you get a suspicious email that says it is from a staff member, remember to look at the email address. All staff emails end in @stpaulankeny.org. If you receive a fake email simply delete it. You do not need to contact church staff.



Happening This Week at St. Paul

<u>Today</u>	8:00am Worship Service 9:15am Sunday School 9:30am Bible studies 9:30am Catechumenate 10:45am Worship Service 2:30pm Sunny View Service
<u>Monday</u>	9:00am Staff Meeting 10:00am Sonshine Kids 6:30pm Women's Bible Study
<u>Tuesday</u>	2:00pm Rock Creek Service 6:30pm Council Meeting
<u>Wednesday</u>	10:00am Moms Group Noon Ash Wednesday Service 5:00pm Ash Wednesday Service 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Service
<u>Thursday</u>	9:30am Chapel 10:00am Ladies Bible Study 7:00pm Men's Fellowship Bible Study
<u>Saturday</u>	5:00pm Movie Night

February Altar Committee

Vicki Sickels, Mary Suhr

Altar Flowers

February 15 —

February 22 — Betty & Ken McConnell

Elder

February 15 — Dan Pottratz

February 22 — Kaleb Grev

Offering Counters February 15

Donna Stoelk, Doyle Witt

Ushers February 15 & 22

8:00am — Ken Kise, Dan Hubbard

10:45am — Cal Uhlig, Steve Bradley (15th),
Eric Bradley (22nd)

Attendance Sunday, February 8

8:00am — 148 10:45am — 152

St. Paul Prayer List

Marie Van Beek, cancer, friend of the Glenns
David Glenn, Alzheimer's, Tim Glenn's father
Nicole and Aaron, surgeries, grandchildren of
Ken and Betty McConnell
Joel Ausan, health issues
Terry Moehnke, health issues
Yann and Gwendolyn, relatives of Viviane K.
Bob, brain tumor, friend of Kottlowskis
Kathy and Cindy, Char Shaw's sisters, lung cancer
Bill, brother-in-law of Char Shaw, cancer
Conrad, Tony Miller's brother, cancer
Chad Keeling, cancer, Joyce Keeling's son
Zayden Cornick, car accident, friend of Behrens
Savannah, ovarian cancer, friend of Stephanie Hilchen
Abby, leukemia, friend of Marley Anderson
Gabrielle, Tori Hilchen's friend, breast cancer
Jimmy, cirrhosis, friend of Paula W. and Jeremy S.
Summer, broken foot, teammate of Emma Thompson
Ken Wehmas, Leukemia
Kyler Hess, cancer, friend of the Wielenga family
Kalyne, hip surgery, friend of Hannah Haselhuhn
Lola Eastman, recovering from hip surgery
Jim Harvey, recovering from a stroke
Danette, Connie Warmbier's cousin, heart surgery

Expectant mothers and newborns

Rev. Paul Egger, our District President

Pastor Kevin Johnson, our Circuit Visitor

For those deployed & active military

Chris Madsen, Drake Johnson, TJ Krehbiel, Joshua
Krehbiel, William Krehbiel, Jayden Krehbiel, Tim
Fairchild, Peter Kottlowski

For those preparing for the Holy Ministry

Ezekiel Grabau, Jarrod Thomas

For our shut-in members

Cookie Brown, Doris Olson, Kathy Witt, Pat
Livingston, Mark Mueller, Marcia Hora, Phil
Eshelman, Kevin Wesack

Lent Devotions Begin Wednesday, February

Starting Wednesday, February 18, new videos will be posted each morning of the Lent season. Simply subscribe to get an email alert. Videos will also be posted to our Facebook page each day.

- **Lent 2026: Devotions for Children & Families**

Join Laura Nelson for The Cross and Me Daily Devotions for Lent! Get the whole family involved in reflection and prayer this Lent through this devotional—designed for children to read on their own or with a parent each day. The Cross and Me helps teach children what Jesus means when He says, “Take up your cross and follow me,” through true-to-life stories and Scripture-based reflections.



- **Lent 2026: Devotions for Everyone**

This Lenten season, Pastor Newton invites you to join him on a special journey using the Treasury of Daily Prayer as his devotion template. Organized around the Christian Church Year, Treasury of Daily Prayer is an all-in-one resource for daily devotions for individuals, families, and small groups.



- **Lent 2026: Devotions for Junior & Senior Youth**

In Behold Your King! (a devotion by Lutheran Hour Ministries), Jesus comes to us in flesh and blood as a Man, as God's own Son, and as the lowly Servant-King bearing the sins of the world. Though He was forlorn and forsaken, He did not abandon His mission or shirk His obedience to the Father. He followed through—and in so doing He won for each of us the forgiveness of our sins and eternal life in His presence.



An Evening of Music & Poetry

with **Tanner Olson**
and **Blake Flattley**

Tuesday, March 24

Meal: 5:45 pm | Music & Poetry: 6:30–8:00 pm

A simple evening to rest and
breathe in hope and God's
goodness. All ages welcome—
bring your family and friends!

Questions? Contact Laura Nelson at
Laura@StPaulAnkeny.org



St. Paul is excited to host An Evening of Music and Poetry with Tanner Olson and Blake Flattley. This Christ-centered, family-friendly evening is an invitation to slow down, breathe, and rest in the hope we have in Jesus.

Through spoken-word poetry and acoustic music, Tanner and Blake share honest, grace-filled reflections that point us back to Christ and His faithfulness in everyday life.

Please **RSVP and reserve tickets** with the QR code provided. **Payment will be collected at the door.** Tickets are \$10 each or \$20 for a family and \$50 group of six or more.