

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN GROWTH & SERVICE

SATURDAY: Worship.....5:30pm
SUNDAY: Worship.....9:00am
Fellowship10:00am
Children's Christmas Practice 10:00am
Adult Bible Class.....10:15am
TUESDAY: Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study 9:00am
Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study..... 9:00am
His Too Bible Class3:00pm
WEDNESDAY: Early Out
Meal served by St. Paul High School Choir... 5:00pm
Midweek grades 3-66:30pm
Advent Worship service.....6:30pm
Confirmation grades 7th & 8th7:30pm
THURSDAY: Women's Guild Christmas.....1:30pm
NEXT SAT: Worship/Communion.....5:30pm
SUNDAY: Worship/Communion.....9:00am
Fellowship.....10:00am
Children's Christmas Practice10:00am
Adult Bible Study10:15am
Highland Ridge2:30pm

The Lutheran Hour December 9 "Redeemer with a Capital R" Speaker:
Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler When people use the word "redeem" outside of religious context, they tend to use it in a commercial sense-redeeming points from purchases or casino tokens for cash. In the Bible, the word "redeem" is used in a family setting. In the story of Ruth, Boaz is a "kinsman redeemer," who points to Jesus, our capital-r-Redeemer. Jesus has done more than pay our points. He redeems by bringing us into his clan, his people, his household, that we might be with him forever. (Ruth 3-4)On WGN720AM at 6am, WMT 600AM at 6:30 am, WHO-1040AM at 7:30 am, or XM's Family Talk Radio XM170 at noon.

Attendance Last Week:

Saturday — 49 Sunday — 85 Total— 134
Adult Bible Study — N/A Sunday School— NA His Too— NA

Welcome to

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH - LCMS
500 Clark Street
Williamsburg, IA 52361

First Sunday In Advent
December 1, 2018

The LORD is our righteousness

Jeremiah 33:14-16

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St. Paul Lutheran Church

“Glorifying God together by sharing God’s Word and serving others”

Welcome! Visitors: Our worship has been enriched by your presence! Please return soon. **Members:** Let us truly be the family of God in greeting and loving one another. **Everyone:** Please sign the Record of Fellowship book found in each pew. On Sunday after worship, please join us in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments being served by Parish Education.

Altar Flowers given to the Glory of God by Richard & Ethel Newkirk for their 70th Anniversary.

Saturday December 1

Acolytes:*Arianna Acosta, Cady Campbell*
Altar Guild:..... *Helen Kozishek, Darlene Read, Val Snyder,*
Karen Wichmann
Elder: *Doug Rowe*
Greeter:*Marian Tanke*
Organist Sat/Sun:.....*Pat Dellamuth*
Head Ushers:*Loren Timm, Richard Wichmann*
Ushers:.....*Volunteers*

Wednesday December 5

Acolytes:*Katharyn Cox, Benjamin Roberts*
Altar Guild:.....*Helen Kozishek, Darlene Read, Val Snyder,*
Karen Wichmann
Elder: *Mark Imhoff*
Greeter:*Jeanette Peirce*
Organist:.....*Pat Dellamuth*
Head Ushers:*Harvey Schwarting, Don Hiner*
Stewardship:*Lyle Grimm*
Ushers:.....*Volunteers*

Altar Guild members will be available before and after worship services for members to purchase red poinsettias to be used to enhance our sanctuary/church during the Christmas season. Cost is \$7.00 each. There are 20 available.

break is December 13th. Order will be placed first thing in the morning!
Christmas Gifts- Amazon, Bath and Body Works, Bed Bath and Beyond, Best Buy, Cabela's, Claire's, Dicks Sporting Goods, Discover, Gap, Hartig, iTunes, JC Penney, Kohl's, Marcus Theaters, Michaels, Old Navy.

The Williamsburg High School choirs along with community singers will present “Christmas in Williamsburg, a Grand Concert” on December 9th at the New W.H.S. Gymnasium. There will be only one performance at 3:00 p.m. A free-will donation will be collected, with proceeds going toward the Music Department and the Iowa County Food Bank. The singers will perform “A Festival of Lessons and Carols” with orchestra. This work, rich in holiday splendor, is a stirring presentation of the Christmas story in readings and carols. The combined choirs will feature over 150 singers accompanied by orchestra. There will be a Holiday Bake Sale before and after the Concert. Proceeds for this sale will go to the Music Department.

Wanted: Someone to clean the sidewalks off after each snowfall here at St. Paul's. Contact the church office if interested.

Serving December 8 & 9—Acolytes: Sat: Elizabeth Stohlmann, Braden Mumm; Sun: Frannie Ogilvie, Brooklyn Kilgard; **Altar Guild—Sat:** Helen Kozishek, Darlene Read, Val Snyder, Karen Wichmann; **Elders—Sat:** Doug Rowe; Sun: Rodger Bohrn; **Greeters—Sat:** Leon & Val Snyder; Sun: Karen Asbe, Mellissa Zuber; **Organist— Sat:/Sun:** Peggy Wardenburg; **PA System—**Mike Dellamuth; **Reader—**Eric Wardenburg; **Sunday Refreshments—**Parish Education; **Stewardship—Sun:** Karmen Schlesselman, Elizabeth Wichmann, Aaron Loy; **Head Ushers—Sat:** Loren Timm, Richard Wichmann; **Ushers—Sat:** Volunteers; **Head Ushers—Sun:** Richard Schaefer, Gilbert Asbe; **Ushers—** Seth Dellamuth, Steve Knock, Zach Zuber.

Vespers – LSB p. 229

Dec 4 – Derek Bohrn 9, 2522 Q Blvd

Dec 4 – Vernon & Shirley Schmidt 58th, 2512 U Ave.

Dec 5 – KayLynn Martinson 5, 603 E St Apt. 7

Dec 5 – Eric Slaymaker 30, 901 Chatham St.

Dec 5 – Jade Pasturczak 2, 804 Elm St., Box 1019

Dec 5 – Richard & Ethel Newkirk 70th, Highland Ridge Care Center, 100 Village View Circle Apt. 262

Dec 8 – Kelsi Bohrn 16, 2522 Q Blvd

Dec 8 - Steven Iburg 50, 549 Maplewood Ave.

Dec 10 – Payton Plotz 16, 202 Madison St.

There is a complete list of birthdays and anniversaries on the basement bulletin board.

Those in need of prayers or who are sick or in hospital

Grace Belland, 112 Ridge View Circle

Christopher Doehrmann, 304 Taylor Dr., PO Box 557 Lone Tree 52755

Joyce Lortz, 18 Bailey Park Road

Gary Harrison, 206 E Penn

Roland Williams, 304 West Welsh Street St.

Our sympathy to the family of Wilbert (Pete) Petersen who passed away Nov 26th. His funeral was here at St. Paul on Friday, Nov 30. Pete is the husband to Elvina, the father to Lynne(Kevin) Doehrmann, and the grandfather to Zach Doehrmann.

And to the family of Bob Gerard who passed away Nov. 20th. Bob is the brother of Jeanie (Gene) Collingwood

The flower arrangement at the front of the church is in honor of Richard and Ethel Newkirk's 70th wedding anniversary on Dec 5. It will be presented to them at their home.

Advent Meals — December 5th: Million Dollar Spaghetti, Salad and Dessert, December 12th; loose meat sandwiches will be served. Both weeks funds are going towards the St. Paul High School Kids going on the WHS Band & Choir trip. We have 10 kids attending from our church.

Christmas Carols for Church. Anyone who is interested in singing some Christmas Carols for the church service on Dec 16th is invited to a quick rehearsal in the choir room after the Advent Service on December 12th! We will meet at 8:30 AM to warm up before the Dec. 16th service!

Mid-Week Service Project! 3rd –6th grade Mid-Week students will be tying blankets for The Linus Project during the weeks of Advent. They need 2- 2 yd pieces of fleece for each blanket! If you would like to help out with this project please put your fleece donations in the Choir Room!

LIS SCRIP. The last day to place an order and have it arrive before Christmas

Hymn Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring *LSB 353*

Versicles *LSB 229*

Psalmody Psalm 25:1–10

☐ To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

☩ **O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me.**

☐ Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame; they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

☩ **Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths.**

☐ Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.

☩ **Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**

☐ Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

☩ **Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.**

☐ He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

☩ **All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Hymn Savior of the Nations, Come *LSB 332 sts. 1–3*

Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 33:14-16

¹⁴“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

Epistle

1 Thessalonians 3:9–13

⁹ What thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, ¹⁰as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith? ¹¹Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, ¹²and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, ¹³so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Hymn Savior of the Nations, Come *LSB 332 sts. 4–6*

Holy Gospel Luke 19:28–40

²⁸ When he had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, “Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’” ³²So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. ³³And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the colt?” ³⁴And they said, “The Lord has need of it.” ³⁵And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, ³⁸saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” ³⁹And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” ⁴⁰He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.”

Hymn Savior of the Nations, Come *LSB 332 sts. 7–8*

Sermon The Promise of Righteousness *Jeremiah 33:14-16*

Canticle Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord *LSB 935*

Offering

Prayers *LSB 233*

Benedicamus & Benediction *LSB 234*

Hymn Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come *LSB 350*

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Bible Study Note. This Advent season, the Sunday morning Bible study will focus on one of the key figures of the Advent season—John the Baptist. This week, we will dig into the wondrous story around his birth. Join us in the Fellowship Hall from 10:15-11:15. Enjoy some refreshments and fellowship, and then sit down for Bible study.

“Songs of Joy” This Advent Season. All are encouraged to attend the midweek Advent service on Wednesday. The services will focus on songs of joy that we find in the Scriptures and examine how they lead us to receive Jesus when He comes to us. This week we examine the song of triumph that Moses sang after the Israelites crossed the Red Sea. Join us for worship at 6:30 p.m. Come early and enjoy fellowship over a meal served from 5:00-6:15 p.m.

Seasonal Midweek Schedule Change. The midweek instruction schedule will shift for the weeks of Advent. December 5, 12, and 19, the 3rd-6th grade classes will meet from 5:00-6:15 p.m., and then the students may attend the midweek service. The 7th and 8th grade students can attend the midweek service, and then class will be held from 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Disaster Relief. If you are wondering how you might help victims of the wildfires in California, the LCMS Disaster Response is seeking financial donations to help work among those who are being impacted. You can go online and make a donation. Go to www.lcms.org/how-we-serve/mercy/disaster-response, and on the right-hand side of the page, under the heading “How to Help,” click on “Give to wildfire relief” and you will be taken to a safe and secure page on which you can donate whatever amount you desire.

Women’s Guild will be meeting at 1:30pm on December 6th, not at noon as listed on the St. Paul calendar that went out with the Clarion.

Altar Flowers needed for December 8/9, 29/30.

Christian Service Committee News about our Church Family (all addresses are Williamsburg, IA 52361 unless noted)

Dec 1 – Gordon Doehrmann 70, 2381 250th St.

Dec 1 – Patricia Faas 87, 1688 266th St, Ladora 52251

Dec 1 - Ethan Uhlmann 2, 121 Country Club Rd

Dec 3 - Dalton Harper 5, 1349 Keokuk Iowa Rd, Webster 52355