

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School**  
624 Jennings St. Sioux City, Iowa 51101  
Church: (712)252-0338 School: (712) 258-6325  
[www.siouxcitystpauls.org](http://www.siouxcitystpauls.org)



10:45 a.m. Sun., Sept. 14, 2025  
Sermon: "For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I myself will  
search for my sheep and will seek them out."  
Theme: God Looks For Us.



# St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School

- a Family to Whom You Belong -

Our Mission is to: **Make More & Better Disciples**

## THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

(10:45 a.m. Sun., Sept. 14, 2025)

**Servants of God's House Today:**

**Vacancy Pastor:** Rev. James Travis & **Guest Pastor:** Rev. Henry Witte

**Praise Team Leader:** Doris Hill

**Usher:** Aaron Guillaume

**Readers:** Jami Langholdt

**Missionaries:** Rev. Tim & Lisa Beckendorf and the Siouxland Hispanic Ministry

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**WELCOME!** We are glad that you are here worshipping God with us. We pray for God's blessings to you and invite you to come back again soon.

**AS WE GATHER** The charge against Jesus was always the same—He keeps the wrong company. But Jesus has come for sinners, and if you are not a sinner, He does not have anything for you. To emphasize why He has come, our Lord tells the stories of ninety-nine sheep left behind to find one who is lost and a woman who rejoices over finding one lost coin. You are that lost sheep and lost coin for whom Christ has come and in whom heaven rejoices. Jesus has come for you and for you He has offered Himself upon the cross and been laid in the tomb. This is the heavenly joy of the angels above, and it is our earthly joy as well. Christ came for us!

**PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP** Let us pray. Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Worship Service

- The Ringing of the Bells
- The Hand of Fellowship
- Invocation
- Confession and Absolution
- Opening Song "As We Gather"
- First Lesson Ezekiel 34:11-24 (The Lord promises to rescue His sheep and to set up a shepherd who will lead them to eternal life.)
- Second Lesson 1 Timothy 1:5-17 (Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.)
- Holy Gospel Luke 15:1-10 (Jesus tells the parables of the lost sheep and the lost coin.)
- Apostles' Creed
- Children's Message
- Song of Instruction "Thy Word"
- The Word "God Looks For Us" Ezekiel 34:11
- Offertory "Chaney Teut Flute Solo"

Psalm 51:10 - "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me."

### **We Worship God through our Giving**

**St. Paul's members** have pledged to support our ministry in their tithes & offerings.

**To our guest:** Thank you for joining us today and please do not feel that you are obligated to participate. We invite you to come back again.

*Please put your **Welcome Card** in the offering basket or give to an usher.*

- The Prayer of the Church
- The Lord's Prayer
- The Benediction
- The Closing Song "Great Are You Lord"

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**Date: Sunday, September 21**  
**Time: 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM**  
**Location: Holly View Acres, Hornick, IA**



Join Youth Connect for a fun afternoon at the pumpkin patch and corn maze! The cost for the corn maze is \$8 for ages 13 and up, \$6 for ages 5-12, and free for children 4 and under.

**Meeting Point:** Caravan will leave at 1:00 PM from the south side of the Fleet Farm parking lot (along Christy Rd.)

**Note:** Dress accordingly!




REV. DR. KEITH HANEY

**God at work through Media!**

Faith Lutheran Church  
3101 Hamilton Blvd.  
Sioux City, IA 51104



**SUNDAY**

**SEPTEMBER 28**

**2:00 PM**

## St. Paul's Lutheran Church Weekly Announcements

**Week of Sept. 14—21, 2025**

<b>Today:</b>	Worship	8:00 & 10:45 a.m.
	Disciple Training Hour	9:30 a.m.
<b>Monday:</b>	<i>Survey Deadline</i>	5:00 p.m.
	Mary/Martha Circle—Perkins Eastside	6:00 p.m.
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Confirmation Classes	5:15 p.m.
<b>Thursday:</b>	Bible Study— Church Office Conference Rm	9:00 a.m.
<b>Saturday:</b>	Evening Worship Service/Communion	6:00 p.m.
<b>Sunday:</b>	Worship/Communion	8:00 & 10:45 a.m.
	Disciple Training Hour	9:30 a.m.
	Youth Corn Maze Trip—Meet at Fleet Farm	1:00 p.m.
	Friends of Christ—Faith Lutheran	3:30 p.m.

<b>Reader Schedule</b>	Sat. 6:00 p.m.	Sun. 8:00 a.m.	Sun. 10:45 a.m.
Sept. 14	NA	Dallas Schulz	Jami Langholdt
Sept. 20-21	Connie Brown	Bob Greene	Frank Tenuta

### **FAMILY MATTERS**

**Last Week's Attendance:** September 7: 136


**Pray for Each Other** We ask your prayers on behalf of our friends in Christ who have been hospitalized and sick: Pastor Johnathon Riggert, Pastor Kadahl's baby Jacob, Deshaun Williams, Ulianna Pylypcheek, Marge Delzell, Joyce Santi, Leroy Zeising, Marvin Hilden, Connie Spahn, Janice Hinrichsen, Carolyn Stuhr, Ron & Karen Sherrill, Bernie Attema, Pat Berger-Conlon, Patty Murphy, Dorothy and Ron Will, Deb and Julian Wolfe, Judy Seaman, Vickie Johnson, and Kim and Sharon Sparr. We pray for Amanda Swearingen and family as her father, Douglas Schuldts passed away. We also pray for all those who are deployed for the military. Protect and keep them, O Lord.

**Welcome Cards/Attendance Cards:** Please pick up a welcome card on the back table when you come in and then fill them out and place in the offering baskets. They will no longer be placed in the bulletins.

**Announcement Emails:** I will be sending out the weekly announcements via email. **If you**

**have not received them, then I do not have an updated email.** Please fill out an attendance card or go to [www.siouxcitystpauls.org](http://www.siouxcitystpauls.org) and update your email on the main page of our website—

**Call Process Survey Link: Monday is the final day to complete the survey!** All members, attendees (middle school age and older), teachers, and school parents are encouraged to participate. The link is live now until **September 15**. Please go to our website

 ([www.siouxcitystpauls.org](http://www.siouxcitystpauls.org)), App or Facebook ([www.facebook.com/StPaulsLutheranChurchSchool](http://www.facebook.com/StPaulsLutheranChurchSchool)) page to get access to the link or you can scan this QR code.

Here is the link if you want to type this into your computer browser **[www.surveymonkey.com/r/STPAULLCSIUXCITYIA](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/STPAULLCSIUXCITYIA)**. If you are having troubles finding the link, please call Dana at the office. Please give yourself plenty of time to complete the survey (at least 15-20 minutes).

**Confirmation Classes:** Every Wednesday at

5:15 p.m. in the church basement. Classes will be held weekly at the same time unless otherwise notified. Please ensure that your child arrives on time and is prepared for each session. If they are not able to come please contact the church office at 712-252-0338 or [siouxcitystpauls@gmail.com](mailto:siouxcitystpauls@gmail.com)

### **Fall Church Schedule:**

- **Traditional Services:**  
Saturday: 1st & 3rd weekends at 6:00 p.m. with communion  
Sunday at 8:00 a.m.
- **Contemporary Service** at 10:45 a.m. on Sundays.
- **Sunday Bible Study and Sunday School** will go back to 9:30 a.m.

**Pastor Travis Office Hours:** Pastor James Travis office hours Wednesday mornings (8:00 a.m.—noon). If you have a spiritual need or questions, he will be available on Wednesdays to assist you. For an emergency he can be reached at 712-202-8516.

**Facebook Live Streaming:** We will be live streaming on our **MAIN Facebook page** for our services at 8:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

**Tailgate Party:** Join us next **Friday, Sept. 19** from 6:00—8:00 p.m. at St. Paul's School for a Tailgate Party! Wear your favorite team Jersey.

**Her Health Women's Center Diaper Dash:** Join us and walk for life **Saturday, Sept. 20** at 9:30 a.m. at Cystal Cove in South Sioux City. If you are unable to walk, please grab a baby bottle at the back of the church and fill it up with loose change. See Marlis Hilden to register.

**LWML Fall Retreat:** The Iowa District West LWML Fall retreat will be **Saturday, September 20** at Mission Central in Mapleton. Make plans to join us.

**Friends of Christ** will meet on **Sunday Sept 21** at 3:30 PM at Faith Lutheran to package Mercy Meals.

**Pew Petition:** A decision was made at the June 22, 2025, Voters Meeting to modify all of our Church pews. This action involves cutting every pew to shorten it, removing some pews 6

and re-spacing the remaining pews. I have started a petition to reconsider this action and I have informed our President, Dallas Schulz of the petition. If you are opposed to modifying our 99 year old pews and wish to re-open the subject for further discussion, please see me after the Saturday or Sunday services and add your name. Thank you - Bernie Attema

### **Siouxland Youth Connect Bonfire:**

**Saturday, October 5** from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Copenhaver Farm, Northwest of Sioux City - 19378 310th St, Sioux City, IA 51108 (Alternate location: Redeemer Lutheran Church) St. Paul's youth are invited to enjoy a night of pumpkin carving, campfire songs, hay rides, devotions, and fellowship! Families of youth in grades 6-12 are encouraged to attend. Children under the age of 12 should be accompanied by an adult. If the weather is inclement, the event will be held at Redeemer Lutheran Church. Please contact Christopher Hannemann at 712-251-6238 by **September 28** if you plan on attending.

**Annual Golfing was a success!** Thanks to everyone who golfed, sponsored holes, helped at the dinner and all the behind scenes efforts this year we raised \$24,000 to help meet the needs of the school and the children. Thank you again, we wouldn't be able to do this without you!

### **Neighbor News and Events**

**God at Work Through Media Presentation:** Rev. Dr. Keith Haney will be speaking at Faith Lutheran on **Sunday, September 28** at 2:00 p.m. about how God is at work through the media.

**The Woodbury County Fair Redeemer Lutheran Food Coop was a tremendous success!** Five groups were the benefactors of the profit proceeds: Sioux City LWML Zone, Youth Connect of Sioux City Circuit, Bibi's Hope Orphanage in Africa, Boy Scouts Troop of RLC, and St. Paul's Lutheran School. Each group received \$4,000. Also, a significant portion of profits was kept for continued improvements of the Food Stand. Thanks to everyone for monetary donations, pie ingredients, workers, etc. Each shift was adequately equipped with workers taking

orders, grillers, assembly lines, managing pies and canned goods, clean-up, and general help! We thank Chesterman's (coke products), McCormick's distributing of Le Mars (ice cream), Dairy Queen (cone shells), Doug Stucky insulating, Kalin's Comfort (AC), and various food companies. A very blessed week! ~~Pastor Zirpel School Fundraising

**Scan your BOX TOPS:** after shopping, just scan your receipts on the Box Tops App and earn more money for the school. It is easy to participate. Download the Box Tops app, shop as you normally would, then use the app to scan your store receipt **within 14 days** of purchase. The app will identify Box Tops products on your receipt and automatically credit your school's earnings online.

**Casey's App:** Pick up a gift card in the office for Casey's, go purchase gas or other items, enter your Casey's rewards number and earn points. Cash in your rewards on their app for St. Paul's. Help St. Paul's make the most of this program and learn more at [www.caseys.com](http://www.caseys.com).

**RaiseRight Gift Cards:** Stop in the office and pick up gift cards or place an order on [www.raiseright.com](http://www.raiseright.com) by just scanning this code. With the app, you can download and pay directly at the stores. To set up your account contact the school.



## Financial Report 2025

### Love Offering/We Care Ministry Report

Last Week	Received To Date	Amount Distributed	Balance
\$0	\$18,259.43	\$5,896.68	\$12,362.75

Church Weekly Offerings Report			Church Yearly Budget \$382,329.00		
Received (09/07/25)	Weekly Budget	%	Up-To-Date Received	Up-To-Date Budget	%
<b>\$7,631.03</b>	\$7,352.48	104%	<b>\$240,585.52</b>	\$264,689.28	91%

#### **Regular Scheduled Meetings**

**Sunday Disciple Training Hour-**Sunday Bible Study will be at 9:30 a.m. in the church basement taught by Frank Tenuta.

**Thursday Bible Study:** Every Thursday at 9:00 a.m. Bible Study will be meeting in the Church Office again.

**Mary Martha Circle:** will meet **Monday, Sept. 15** at 6:00 p.m. at Perkins Eastside.

**Anna Circle/Sewing Group** meet twice a month on the second and fourth Mondays. We will meet on **Sept. 8 & 22** at 9:00 a.m. in the church basement.

**Evangelism Committee Meeting:** Will meet at 4:30 p.m. on the **second and fourth Tuesdays Sept. 8 & 22** in Church basement

until the office remodel is complete

**Lamplighters:** Meets the first Wednesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. on **Oct. 1** at Trinity Lutheran Church.

**St. Paul's Women's League Meeting:** will be Thursday, **Oct. 2** at 1:00 p.m. in the Church basement.

**Elders Meeting:** will be **Tuesday, Oct. 7** at 7:00 p.m. in the church office conference room.

**Board of Education:** will be **Tuesday, Oct. 7** at 7:00 p.m. in the church office conference room.

**Youth Board meeting** on **Wednesday, Oct. 8** at 5:30 p.m. in the church basement.

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