

St. Paul's Lutheran Church Weekly Announcements

Week of Oct. 12—19, 2025

Today: ILSTO & Gideons Sunday
Worship 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.
Disciple Training Hour—Gideon's Presentation 9:30 a.m.

Monday: Sewing Club 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday: Confirmation Classes 5:15 p.m.
PTL Meeting/Pizza Potluck 5:45 p.m.

Thursday: Bible Study— Church Conference Rm 9:00 a.m.

Saturday: Worship/Communion 6:00 p.m.
Jr. High Youth Gathering

Sunday: Worship/Communion 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.
Disciple Training Hour 9:30 a.m.
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Reader Schedule	Sat. 6:00 p.m.	Sun. 8:00 a.m.	Sun. 10:45 a.m.
October 12	NA	Dallas Schulz	Jami Langholdt
October 18-19	Marlis Hilden	Bob Greene	Frank Tenuta

Acolyte Schedule	Sat. 6:00 p.m.	Sun. 8:00 a.m.	Sun. 10:45 a.m.
October 12	NA	Maxwell Knowles	Abby Guillaume & Haden Seibold
October 18-19	Ryder Huff	Adelyn Zediker	Jackson Haller

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.

Sunday School: will be at 9:30 a.m. in the basement classrooms. The lesson this weekend is "The Pointing Prophet John Points to Jesus" Matthew 3; John 1:29-34

Anna Circle/Sewing Group meet twice a month on the second and fourth Mondays. We will meet on **Oct. 13 & 27** 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 on Oct. 13 & 27** in Church basement until the office remodel is complete

Finance Committee Meeting: Monday, Oct. 13 at 7:00 p.m.

Mary Martha Circle: will meet **Monday, Oct. 20** at 6:00 p.m. at Perkins Eastside.

Friends of Christ Art program and Potluck Dinner at Faith Lutheran on **Sunday, October 26 at 4:30 p.m.**

Elders Meeting: will be **Tuesday, Nov. 4** at 7:00 p.m. in the church office conference room.

Lamplighters: Meets the first Wednesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. on **Nov. 5** at Calvary Lutheran Church.

St. Paul's Women's League Meeting: will be Thursday, **Nov. 6** at 1:00 p.m. in the Church basement.

Board of Education: will be **Tuesday, Nov. 11** at 7:00 p.m. in the school library.

Youth Board meeting on **Wednesday, Nov. 12** at 5:30 p.m. in the church conference room.

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 (10/05/25)	Weekly Budget	%	Up-To-Date Received	Up-To-Date Budget	%
\$6,807.90	\$7,352.48	93%	\$260,476.38	\$294,099.20	89%

FAMILY MATTERS

Last Week's Attendance: September 28: 102

Pray for Each Other We ask your prayers on behalf of our friends in Christ who have been hospitalized and sick: Marge Delzell, Joyce Santi, Leroy Zeising, Marvin Hilden, Connie Spahn, Janice Hinrichsen, Carolyn Stuhr, Ron & Karen Sherrill, Bernie Attema, Pat Berger-Conlon, Patty Murphy, Deb and Julian Wolfe, Judy Seaman, Vickie Johnson, and Kim and Sharon Sparr. We also keep Fran Snyder and family in our prayers as her mother, Gail Wiener passed away. We offer thanksgiving and praise to God for healing Marvin Hilden of cancer.

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.

Confirmation Classes: Every Wednesday at 5:15 p.m. in the church basement. 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

Fall Church Schedule:

- **Traditional Services:**
 - 1st & 3rd Saturdays: at 6:00 p.m. with communion
 - Every Sunday at 8:00 a.m. with communion on the 1st & 3rd Sundays
- **Contemporary Service** at 10:45 a.m. on Every Sunday with communion on 1st & 3rd Sundays
- **Sunday Bible Study and Sunday School** will be at 9:30 a.m. in the church

basement.

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.

ILSTO Sunday: is **October 12**. By giving to the Iowa Lutheran Student Tuition Organization, you help families afford tuition to be able to send their kids to a Christ-centered school. You also receive a 75% Iowa state income tax credit for your gift. For more information about the Iowa Lutheran School Tuition Organization, contact Dewey Torkelson at 712-260-2991.

The Gideon's International: The Gideon's will be here **Sunday, Oct. 12**.

PTL Meeting and Pizza Potluck:

Wednesday, Oct. 15 there will be a Parent Teacher League meeting starting at 5:45 p.m. Bring a pizza to share and be ready to plan upcoming school events and activities.

Jr. High Youth Gathering: The teens will be leaving this coming **Saturday, Oct. 18** at 6:00 a.m. and return **Sunday, Oct. 19** at 5:00 p.m. Bethany and Becky will contact those going with additional information prior to leaving. Please keep the teens and leaders in your prayers as they travel to and from this great event.

Sr. High Gathering Deadline: The deadline to get registered for the Sr. High Youth Gathering is **Monday, Oct. 20**. The event is open for all 9-12 graders. Registration is \$150 for St. Paul members and \$250 for non members. Contact Christopher Hannemann 712-251-6238 or the church office for the forms. The gathering is Nov. 21-23.

Trunk or Treat: Our annual trunk or treat has just gotten better! On **Friday, October 24** from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. we will be having booths inside the school gym with bouncy houses and food trucks outside. Also there will be free tours of our school. Wear your costumes and come for fun and food! **We are now accepting candy donations and registrations for “Trunks or booths”.** Please place your candy in the bins at the church or in the office. Call the office or register on our website on the home page. Click on the trunk or treat graphic and fill in the form if you want to host a booth. Prizes available for best booth!!!!

Youth Lock-In: Friday, October 24 Following Trunk or Treat - 12:00 AM at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. St. Paul's youth (grades 6-12) and their friends are welcome to join us for a lock-in following the Trunk or Treat in the church basement. Devotional, games, movie, and FUN will be provided! Youth should bring their favorite snack to share! Contact: Please let Christopher Hannemann know if you plan on attending at 712-251-6238.

Operation Christmas Child delivers great joy and the Good News of Jesus Christ to children in need around the world through gift-filled shoeboxes. Please consider picking up a box to bless a child. Boxes will be needed to be returned, filled with goodies and ready to go with a label and a \$10 shipping donation is suggested by **Sunday, Oct. 26.**

September Friends of Christ : Mercy Meals: We started out with a special event for "Friends of Christ", Sioux City. On Sunday, Sept. 21st, 17 members packaged 3,048 meals. Then not only were meals packaged, but also 8 pallets of meals were shipped to Orphan Grain Train/Norfolk. That's 57,024 meals to feed hungry children worldwide who will also hear the Gospel Message of Jesus. The Orphan Grain Train truck also delivered supplies of soy, dried vegetable flakes, nutrient packets and boxes. Thank you for choosing this service activity to feed hungry children worldwide. MercyMeals is looking for some

volunteers for their upcoming packing events on **Saturday October 25** at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM. **Saturday November 1** at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM. All events are at Faith Lutheran Church.

The Redeeming Grace Retreat: a confidential, Christ-centered healing retreat for women who have experienced abortion. Held **November 13–16, 2025**, at Wildwood Hills Ranch in St. Charles, Iowa, this retreat offers a sacred space to rest, reflect, and receive Christ's redeeming love. Cost of attending the retreat is just \$75, thanks to generous donors covering all other retreat expenses. Travel assistance is available to ensure no woman is turned away due to financial hardship. For more information or to register, please contact us www.word-of-hope.org/rgr.

Mission Central Visit: Rev. Steve Schulz will be here **Sunday, Nov. 23** at all the services and Bible Study to tell you about your LCMS missionaries who are telling lost and hurting people about Jesus! Come and be a part of bringing Christ to the world.

The Best of Ireland Trip: Pastor Michael Awe in cooperation with Nawas International Travel would like to invite you to join him to experience St. Patrick's Day in Ireland. The dates are **March 16-26, 2026**. We will enjoy the Emerald Isle, what some have passionately called "God's country." We will see sights like Waterford and visit the glass factory where the world famous crystal is made. A stop at Blarney castle is a must with a visit to the infamous Blarney stone. A breathtaking tour of "The Ring of Kerry" that promises spectacular vistas of mountains, lakes, and villages. Cliffs of Moher, Connemara, Hills of Donegal and Dublin are just a few more stops that we will take on this amazing tour! The price is \$4599 and includes most meals, first-class accommodations, transportation, and roundtrip airfare from Omaha. Taxes and tips are extra. If you are interested in joining him for this memorable experience, please contact Pastor Michael Awe at 531.218.5793 or e-mail me

at the1revma@gmail.com for more information and a copy of my brochure. Space is limited.

School Fundraisers

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.

RaiseRight Gift Cards: Stop in the office and pick up gift cards or place an order on 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.

Thrivent Members: New Choice Dollars for the 3rd quarter of 2025 will be available after October 6. Please direct them as soon as possible by calling 1-800-847-4836 or online at www.thrivent.com. **\$250 Thrivent cards**—members can continue to apply for two Action Team cards up to \$250 annually. If you are willing and able please contact the church office or just apply at www.Thrivent.com. We could use one for the Trunk or Treat event coming up soon.

IOWA LUTHERAN SCHOOL TUITION ORGANIZATION (ILSTO) Please help ILSTO be fully funded for 2025! For the 2025 tax year, the legislature has again allocated \$20,000,000 for Tuition Tax Credits for the STO program across the state of Iowa. ILSTO will have over \$1,000,000 in tax credits to distribute to donors. We need your help to raise this money to be able to fund our tuition

assistance. For more information about the Iowa Lutheran School Tuition Organization, contact Dewey Torkelson at 712-260-2991.

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.

RMHC Pop Tab Program: We are collecting pop can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House here in Sioux City. There is a container in the church office if you would like to drop off your pop tabs.

Main Street Living — Local Lutheran Worship "This is the Life," followed by Lutheran Worship Service, led by local LCMS pastors airs at 10 a.m. every Sunday morning on KCAU Channel 9. You can also watch these programs on demand at www.mainstreetliving.com.

The Good Shepherd Hour airs every Sunday morning on the following radio stations.

KSCJ — 1360 AM & 94.9 FM — Sioux City at 8 a.m.

KLEM — 1410 AM & 96.9 FM — Le Mars at 8 a.m.

For your own additional spiritual food or to help somebody else who can't go to church, go to KSCJ.com and select the Good Shepherd Hour under the 'Programming' tab. We also have a link on our home page on our website at the bottom of the page under monthly newsletters.

St. Paul's Social Media and Website:

- **App:** Go to the App Store or Google Play and look for **St. Paul's Lutheran, Sioux City** to download our App. The App has previous sermons and church services, calendar, newsletters, groups and school info. You can also give your tithes and offerings directly on the App or on the church website **www.siouxcitystpauls.org**.
- October Newsletter is available in the back of the church, or online, or on the church