St. Paul Lutheran Church

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Sunday, November 2, 2025

All Saints' Day — Feast of All Saints

Divine Service Setting One, LSB page 151 and on screens

Hymns: 677, Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand, 670, 461, 667, 676, 672

First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17, Epistle Reading: 1 John 3:1-3, Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:1-12

Welcome to St. Paul, a people walking together in the life of Jesus. We're glad you're here! To-day, 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)

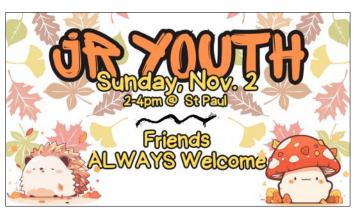
This morning we joyfully receive Holy Communion, in which our Lord Jesus Christ gives us a great blessing: His true body and blood in, with, and under ordinary bread and wine. If you are a member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod who has been instructed and has confessed this reality, we invite you 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.

Altar Flowers — Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Lola and Russ Eastman in honor of their 65th wedding anniversary on November 5.

Lady Diners — Single ladies of St. Paul are invited to join together at Boulder Tap (former Old Chicago) in Ankeny on Tuesday, November 4 at 11:30am.

Cyber Security Presentation —

St. Paul members are invited to a presentation on **Thursday, November 6** at 5:00pm in the Family Life Center. The Ankeny Police Department is providing the presentation on Cyber Security and what to be aware of. If you have questions please contact David Reddel.



Veterans Day Flags — Flags will be installed on Saturday, November 8 at 8:30am. Volunteers of all ages are welcome!

LWML — St. Paul ladies are invited to our next get together on Tuesday, November 11 6:30pm-8:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. We'll have some fellowship time along with a hands-on mission project and discussion on upcoming ways to serve in the church and community. Come for some or all of our time together ~ we'd love to see you! — St. Paul LWML

Silver Cord Opportunities for Senior Youth —

The Youth Board is looking for ways that St. Paul can help support our senior youth in earning silver cord hours. We have a couple of great opportunities to jump into right now for those youth that are interested.

1. Babysitting during the Catechumenate class. If you are a youth that loves the little ones, reach out to Candra Grev or Laura Nelson to get scheduled to volunteer at any of the upcoming Sunday Catechumenate classes.



2. Helping with the livestream and/or running the worship slides during services. Please reach out to Jason or Jill Juhl if you are interested.

2026 Altar Flowers — The sign-up sheet to provide altar flowers for 2026 is posted in the FLC Hallway. If you have any questions please see Kathy in the church office.

Advent by Candlelight — Ladies, please join us for this year's Advent by Candlelight in the FLC on **Sunday**, **November 30** from 5:00-6:30pm (doors open at 4:30pm). This event is a time for women to come together in a lovely fellowship atmosphere and prepare our hearts for the coming of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. It is an evening of songs, scripture, and sweets. Please join us as a guest. On the table near the main just find a host sign-up sheet with an opening at her table and put your name down, It's that easy! We also

Sheet Advent by Candlelight
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? Contact Eileen Anderson,

have a few host tables available, so it's not too late if you want to be a host! This event is a great way to pause in this busy season and remember the reason. *Questions? Contact Eileen Anderson, LeAnn Hilchen or Donna Stoelk.*

Nativity Walk November 30 — The Advent by Candlelight planning committee is doing something new this year — a Nativity Walk. They are looking for people to share a nativity set for a table display. You can add a description of where it is from or what special meaning it has to you. Please drop them off at church on or before Saturday, November 29 at 5:00pm. They can be taken home after Advent by Candlelight or on Monday, December 1. *Questions? Contact LeAnn Hilchen*.

Sunday Morning 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 Morning Youth Bible Study — Blessed and beloved: living as God's children. Imagine a crowd so big it can't be counted, from every nation and language, all standing before God and shouting, "Salvation belongs to our God!" (Rev. 7:9–10). That's us—His kids—already loved, forgiven, and part of something eternal (1 John 3:1–3). Jesus' Beatitudes (Matt. 5:1–12) show us what it looks like to live humble, grace-filled lives. The poor in spirit, the merciful, the meek, and even those who get picked on—God calls them blessed. And that blessing isn't about what we do—it's all about what Jesus has done for us. Come ready to talk about what it means to trust God, live in His grace, and be lifted up as His beloved children.

Homebuilders — Today, November 2 at 4:00pm. 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. From the altar where the Lord visits His people extend the spokes of Christian living: mercy, witness, and life together as a household held in Christ. We'll ponder the mysteries of God's gift in the Body and Blood of Christ, and learn together how we can live more fully in Jesus as we step from the altar toward all the places the Jesus sends His people.

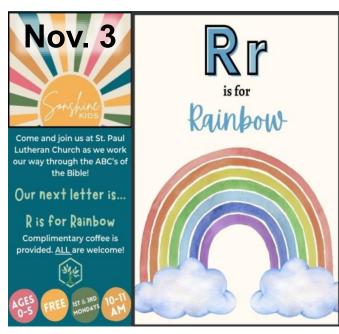
Monday Night Women's Bible Study — Ladies are invited on Mondays at 6:30pm in the FLC as we walk together through Paul's letter to the Colossians. All you need is your Bible.

Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study—ship Hall. Pastor Kottlowski leads, working through a book study of *Unfailing: God's Assurance for Times of Change*.

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. Meets Thursday, November 13 at 10:00am.

Church Mailbox — Please remember to check your church mailbox often. New members, if you don't see one with your name on it, please contact the church office.

Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study — Thursday, November 6 at 10:00am in the Fellow-



Happening This Week at St. Paul

8:00am Worship Service
9:15am Sunday School
9:30am Bible Studies
10:45am Worship Service
Noon Catechumenate

2-4pm Jr. Youth Sunday Funday

4:00pm Homebuilders

Monday 9:00am Staff Meeting 10:00am Sonshine Kids

5:30pm Education Board Mtg. 6:30pm Women's Bible Study

Tuesday 11:30am Lady Diners

5:30pm Youth Board Meeting

Wednesday 10:00am Moms Group

5:00pm Meal

5:15pm Handbell Rehearsal 6:00-7:00pm Midweek

7:00pm Service

7:30pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 9:30am Matins

10:00am Ladies Bible Study

5:00pm Cyber Security Presentation

7:00pm Men's Fellowship

& Bible Study

November Altar Committee

Jane Thompson, Dorothy Marvin, Vicki Sickels

Altar Flowers

November 2 — Lola & Russ Eastman November 9 — Carolyn & Gary Vesely

Elder

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Offering Counters November 2 & 9

Jon Geths, Kevin Kisker

Ushers November 2

8:am — Les Stave, Jeff, Cael, Colby Fahrmann 10:45am — David & Collin Reddel, Mark Lauthen

Attendance Sunday, October 26

8:00am — 154 10:45am — 122

St. Paul Prayer List

Nicole, granddaughter of McConnells Emelia, John, Michelle, relatives of Viviane Kottlowski

Chad Keeling, cancer, son of Joyce Keeling Marie Van Beek, friend of the Glenns, cancer

Colleen Wessel, Caitlin Remington's mother
John and Jodi, cancer, uncle and friend of Jeremy

Sellen and Paula Wehmas

Denny Lensch, Parkinson's Disease and cancer

Christy, Karen Kisker's cousin, breast cancer Mike, cancer, nephew of Tony and Sandi Miller

Sherry Barton, aunt of Jacob and Tyler Dozler, cancer Pastor David Kottlowski, recovering from back surgery

Morgan, friend of Becky Haase, stroke

Savannah, cancer, friend of Stephanie Hilchen Kristin Strothcamp, recovering from brain aneurysm

Lawrence, brother of McConnell's daughter-in-law

Kyler Hess, friend of Wielenga family, cancer

Conrad, Tony Miller's brother, cancer

Val Miller, sister-in-law of Tony Miller, COPD

Tess Soholt, Brent Rangen's mother, cancer

Rose Vawser, medical issues, Carolyn Vesely's sister

Terry Moehnke

Joel Ausan Curt Hora

Amy Schmidt, former DCE, breast cancer

Greta, niece of the Grevs, born with hearing issues Debbie Tunnell, Hauge's daughter, breast cancer

Lola Eastman

Diana, sister-in-law of David & Char Shaw, stroke

David Stephens, Traci Haselhuhn's brother,

incurable colon cancer

Jan Volf, hospitalized

For those deployed & Active Military

Chris Madsen, Drake Johnson, TJ Krehbiel, Joshua Krehbiel, William Krehbiel, Jayden Krehbiel,

Tim Fairchild

For those preparing for the Holy Ministry Ezekiel Grabau, Jarrod Thomas

For our shut-in members

Cookie Brown, Carol Jeske, Len Mash, Doris Olson, Sharon Dallman, Kathy Witt, Pat Livingston, Mark Mueller, Marcia Hora, Phil Eshelman, Kevin Wesack