

# St. Paul Lutheran Church



## Advent and Christmas Schedule

### Advent Midweek Services:

**Wednesdays: November 30, December 7, December 14**

**6:00pm: Soup Supper**

**7:00 pm: Advent Worship**

### Sundays in Advent:

**December 4**            Second Sunday in Advent–            St. Paul 9:00 am

**December 11**        Third Sunday in Advent–            St. Paul 9:00 am

**St. John's 11:00am**

**December 18**        Fourth Sunday in Advent– St. Paul 9:00 am–

**Youth Christmas Program**

### Candlelight Christmas Eve:

**Friday, December 23,**

**7:00 pm– St. John's**

**Saturday, December 24,**

**5:30 pm– St. Paul Lutheran Church**

### Christmas Season:

**Sunday, December 25, Christmas Day**

**9:00 am St. Paul Lutheran**

### First Sunday of Christmas

**Sunday, January 1, New Year's Day**

**9:00 am St. Paul Lutheran**



# Congregation News



### Happy Anniversary!

**Rob & Sheila McCormick**

**December 13th**

**Sam and Laura Showalter**

**December 17th**

Tanner Miller	12-5
Julie Abendschein	12-9
Jayson Stevens	12-9
Kent Cramer	12-11
Susan Wulf Flint	12-12
Wesley Burmester	12-13
Brittany Stevens	12-19
Landry Ketelsen	12-23
Don Latham	12-23
Bernice Borcharding	12-24
Jesus	12-25



Terry Wheeler, Justin Mejia, Kathy Brandt, Jan Hinrichs, Arvin Stadlander, Gary and Curtis Askew, Steve Sandvig, John Sandvig, Marlys Peterson, The John Showalter family, Jo Coonley, Ron Hintch, and the Call Committee Process.



Cheyenne McCormick	12-25
Janell Brinkman	12-26
Amy Holmgaard	12-29
Nadine Goodwin	12-30
Karen Wheeler	12-31

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Ken Anderson who passed away on November 2.

We remember the family of Patty Blau. Patty passed away on November 7th. Please keep Dale and June in prayer.

We continue to pray for the family of John Showalter who passed away on November 17. Please keep Nancy and her family in prayer.

Also, we pray for Esther Van Deest and her family in the passing of her sister, Elisabeth Marks on November 17.

# Participating in Worship:

Date	Coffee	Greeters	Reader	Ushers
December 4	Rayne and Reeve Wagner and NEED	Larry and Charlene Richtsmeier	Peyton Kofoot	Al Sly Larry Spear Eldean Madetzke
December 11	Dawson Wikert And NEED	Al and Lori Sly	Paul Krull	
December 18	Youth Christmas Program Board of Ed	Larry Alquist	Paul Krull	
December 25	Church Council	Larry Alquist	Jay Van Wert, II	



If you would like to bring in a Poinsettia to help decorate the sanctuary during Christmas, you may bring them in anytime Tuesday thru Friday 9:00 am 12:00 pm and put them on a table in the skylight area. Please mark your Poinsettia with your name if you would like it returned. If you are placing the Poinsettia in memory of a loved one, please sign the clipboard with your name and with the name of your loved one. Thank you.

Volunteers needed:

If you would like to make phone calls and visits to the shut ins and to those on the prayer list, please contact Mari Cramer.

## Stewardship Report

Date	Giving
November 6	\$6,328.00
November 13	\$1,853.00
November 20	\$2,047.00
November 27	\$2,365.00

November Total Giving	November Sunday Average Giving
\$12,593.00	\$ 3,148.25



Totals include: Donations to the General fund and the Building Fund.



## Children's Christmas Program

You are cordially invited to join us on  
Sunday, December 18th at 9:00 am!

Coffee and refreshments will be served in our fellowship hall following the program by our Board of Education.

## Christmas Caroling

December 18th- Meet at the church at 4:15 p.m.

Sing from 4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

Walking Tacos will be served at the church upon returning.

Anyone and everyone is invited!

Please sign up to sing or to help prepare food.

The Sign ups are in the Fellowship Hall. Please do so  
by Sunday, December 11th.

## Caroling Party



## **GOD'S CHRISTMAS BARNYARD**

**An animal can make a world of a difference for a family in need.**

**Animals provide food to eat,**

**fertilizer to grow crops and offspring to sell at the market.**

**With one gift, you can help a family escape the cycle of hunger and poverty for good.**

**During December you will be given an opportunity to purchase farm animals to be given to God's Christmas Barnyard through the**

**ELCA Good Gifts program.**

**With each donation an animal will be added to a nativity board as these animals gather around God's gift to us, the baby Jesus.**

**Having trouble thinking of a Christmas gift for a friend or loved one?**

**Donate in their honor (cards will be available).**

**Donations can also be made in memory of a loved one.**







## Christmas Bazaar St. Paul Lutheran Church Hampton

Baked Goodies    Coffee Bar  
Crafts and Used Treasures

Saturday, December 3rd  
9:30 am to 11:00 am

# Baptism

Celebrating with joy,  
Kyra Afton  
Koster  
child of God.

Baptized:  
November 6, 2022  
Thanks be to God.



Celebrating with joy,  
Blake Charlotte  
Heilskov  
child of God.

Baptized:  
November 20, 2022  
Thanks be to God.

St. Paul Lutheran Church  
Monthly Council Meeting  
November 16, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Mari Cramer. Those in attendance were: Mari Cramer, Paul Krull, Jay Van Wert, Steph Korth, Shelley Hilton, Jane Crawford, Patrick Sietsema, Robyn Kofoot, Jason VanWert and Charlene Richtsmeier.

**Secretary's Report:** Motion to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2022 meeting was made by Steph, seconded. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Financial summary and budget report was reviewed. Motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Pat, seconded. Motion carried.

Board Reports:

Education: Robyn-Sunday school is going well with 8-10 kids attending; there are 7 confirmation students; and 30 kids have signed up for the Christmas program on December 18<sup>th</sup>.

Life and Growth: Jane – A sign-up sheet is available for people to bring soup for the advent suppers.

Property and Management: Patrick-1) Snow removal schedule has been made. 2) Larry Adams is not available to do the repairs on the altar. 3) Central Lock is making 15 new **keys to replace ones that aren't working properly.**

Stewardship: Jay – **God's Barnyard will be offered to people wanting to make a donation.**

Worship and Music: Paul – 1) Church decorating will be November 27<sup>th</sup>. 2) Christmas Eve service will be at 5:30.

A motion was made to continue with the radio broadcast in 2023 through June by Jay, seconded. Motion carried.

Youth: Shelley – Ten youth helped with the ham dinner. Next activity will be helping with the church decorating.

WELCA: The ham dinner was a success serving 370. Bazaar is December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Old Business: Christmas greeting letter will be sent inviting everyone to the upcoming activities.

New Business: Volunteers are needed to call on those on the prayer list with a phone call or personal visit.

**Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Steph, seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:15.**

Next Meeting will be December 21<sup>st</sup>.

Respectfully submitted:

Charlene Richtsmeier

## Ham Dinner Thank You

A huge thank you to EVERYONE who helped with ham dinner this year! From selling tickets, to inviting friends, making pies or salads, cooking hams, making potatoes, or being on site the day of the dinner to help in any way needed. We definitely couldn't do this without ALL of our volunteers!! You. all are appreciated more than you know. On to next year!

Steph and Nancy



**Thank you to WELCA for the new vacuum and  
Christmas tree for the Fellowship Hall.**

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**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**  
*Living in God's amazing grace*

We are called through baptism to be a welcoming community of faith, grounded in worship and prayer, so that we may grow in Christ-like forgiveness and love.

*Marked with the cross of Christ forever, we are claimed, gathered, and sent for the sake of the world.*