

+++THE GUIDE +++
ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH-STRASBURG ILLINOIS

November 24, 2024 **Last Sunday of the Church Year**

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THIS WEEK WITH THE LORD

SUN.	8:30 AM Communion Service
	9:30 AM SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S., College+
	5:30 PM Worship Service @ Grace
	6:30 PM Cantata Rehearsal
TUE.	9:00 AM Morning Bible Study
	6:30-8PM WDS
WED.	8:00 AM Guide/Bulletin
	8:30 AM Chair Yoga
	2:30 PM Social Hall Communion
THURS	9:00 AM Thanksgiving Service @ Grace
SUN.	8:30 AM Worship Service
	9:30 AM SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S., College+
	4:00 PM LYF Caroling
	5:30 PM Worship Service @ Grace
	6:30 PM Bible Trivia

November 17 8:30: 151 Year Ago: 136 Sunday School: 51

Welcome Today we celebrate Christ the King, who declared to Pilate, "My kingdom is not of this world" (John 18:36). May we be open to his countercultural rule. Welcome to worship. *If you are a visitor, we invite you to worship with us again and to please sign our guestbook.*

Thank you We would like to thank those who supplied treats to Weekday School children in October: Mariah Williams, Lisa Shelton and the High School Sunday School class (3 weeks). Thank you so much!

The Annual Weekday Christmas Party will be held on Tuesday, November 26, from 6:30-7:00. There will be games and refreshments, and all the kids will receive a gift from the Board of Education. At 7:00, the St. Paul's students will go over to the church for our first Christmas Eve Program practice.

O Holy Night The 61st Annual Christmas Cantata presented by singers from the area Lutheran Churches will be December 8, 2024, 7:00 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church in Stewardson. This year's Cantata will be under the direction of Mark Wascher and accompanied by Krystal Friese. Singers are from Faith, Shumway, Grace, Strasburg, St. Paul, Sigel, St. Paul, Strasburg and Trinity, Stewardson Lutheran Churches. Come and hear the good news of the Savior's birth one Holy Night long ago!

FOR THE LORD'S WORK

CURRENT OFFERINGS	\$ TO MEET YEARLY BUDGET	\$ RECEIVED	\$ DIFFERENCE
Nov 17	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 2,414.00	\$-1,336.00
year-to-date	\$ 162,375.00	\$179,223.56	\$16,848.56
<u>Synod-Offerings</u>			
Nov 17	\$ 481.00	\$ 425.00	\$ -56.00
year-to-date	\$ 21,126.00	\$21,564.00	\$ 438.00
TRINITY GOAL-\$10,000		Total to Date	\$8,630.00
Building \$1580 Sem. Student \$100 Trintiy \$100 Choir \$50			
Op. Christmas Child \$140 Lutheran Care Center \$100 Rev. Alex Gordon \$100			

Nov 17 \$5,009.00

- 12/2 7:00 PM Cantata Rehearsal
- 12/3 9:00 AM Morning Bible Study
- 12/4 8:30 AM Chair Yoga
- 10:00 AM Advent Service @ Grace
- 6:30 PM Advent @ St. Paul
- 6:30-8PM WDS
- 12/5 1:30 PM Ladies Aid
- 12/7 TBA Cantata Rehearsal

Christmas Caroling The LYF will be doing their annual caroling event on Sunday, December 1st at 4:00PM. We would like to invite the youth as well as members and families in the congregation who would like to take part! Join us as we sing praises to God and bring others some holiday cheer! After caroling, we will meet back at St. Paul's for pizza, salad and other refreshments. If you would like to join us, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex so that we can arrange the appropriate amount of drivers and food. If you have questions, please contact Sarah Luce.

Midweek Advent Services begin December 4th.

Advent Theme is- His Name Shall Be Called

Grace 10:30 AM St. Paul's 6:30 PM

December 4- Wonderful Counselor

December 11- Mighty God

December 18- Everlasting Father

December 24- Children's Service-Grace 5PM & St. Paul's 6:30PM

December 25- Christmas Day Service-9AM @ Grace-Prince of Peace

Christmas Eve Program Our children are busy preparing for the Christmas Eve program. This year's title is "His Name Shall Be Called". The children will explain the different names of Jesus we so often use around Christmas time. Hymns that will be sung that evening are also centered around this theme. Autumn McCormick is leading the preschool and kindergarten students from her Sunday School class. Dee Dee Batson and Susie Allen are directing the program for grades 1-8. Sheryl Vonderheide is leading the music and chimes. The congregation will be surprised and delighted as Mary and Joseph enter during the reading of Luke 2. The program begins at 6:30 p.m. on December 24. Offerings from the Christmas Eve program go towards the Education (Sunday School) fund.

Christmas Decorating Please join us this afternoon at 2:30PM for Christmas decorating.



ANNIVERSARIES

26-Scott & Lori Pieper;
Blake* & Whitney Furr
28-Austin & Kelsey* Rincker
30-Dusty & Claudia* Rincker;
Derek & Jessica Bloemer

BIRTHDAYS

25-Allison Manhart
26-Jake McIllwain
29-Louis* Camilotto;
Travis Dollarhide;
Connie Wirth; Brittney Gilbert
30-Lauren Wetherell;

HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK

Brian Kessler, Roger & Wanda Kessler,
Brittany & Drew Kirkley, Kevin & Chris
Kramer, Kim & Brad Storm, Kurt Storm, Ryan
& Sonia Storm, Brad & Kim Stremming

Recorded Services

Website: stpaul-strasburg.com

YouTube: St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Strasburg Illinois

Facebook: St. Paul's Lutheran Church

PRAYER

Dianna Gibson	Anna Schlechte
Nick Hanfland	Kendall Fulk
Frances York	Wayne Wirth
Robert Pfeiffer	Ronda Schlechte
Margaret Swank	Nick Oller
Beulah Ulmer	Debra Richards
Karla Tabbert	

LIMITED MOBILITY

Rose Schlechte- StoneBridge
Robert Stremming
Imogene Lading – Villas of Holly Brook
Bill Orr
Rosemary Sporleder-Brookstone
Mattoon
Mildred Rincker – Heartland, Neoga
Doris Stremming – Lutheran Care
Center
Margaret Swank – Willowbrook
Effingham

FRIENDS & FAMILY **(non-members)**

Ken Daily (Karen Pfeiffer's father)
stroke
Zona Doty (Health)
Walker Warden (cancer)
Christie Dust (Howard & Kay's
daughter) (Primary Progressive
Multiple Sclerosis)
Laikyn Bauer (Digeorge syndrome)
Matt Durbin
Ivan Crutcher (cancer, Karen Rentfro's
uncle)

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Last Sunday Of the Church Year – Setting One

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

LSB 816

- 1 From all that dwell below the skies Let the Creator's praise arise;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Let the Redeemer's name be sung Through ev'ry land by ev'ry tongue.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 Eternal are Thy mercies, Lord; Eternal truth attends Thy Word.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore Till suns shall rise and set no more.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- D 3 All praise to God the Father be, All praise, eternal Son, to Thee.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Whom with the Spirit we adore Forever and forevermore:
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Text (sts. 1–2): Isaac Watts, 1674–1748; (st. 3): William W. How, 1823–97 Text: Public domain

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have**

mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Introit

Psalm 39:4–5a, 7–8, 12a; antiphon: 2 Peter 3:13b NIV

Kyrie

LSB 152

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

This Is the Feast

LSB 155

C **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 51:4–6

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Jude 20–25

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156

C **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Holy Gospel

Mark 13:24–37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The Gospel is Read

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

- 1 Lo! He comes with clouds descending,
 Once for ev'ry sinner slain;
 Thousand thousand saints attending
 Swell the triumph of His train:
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 Christ the Lord returns to reign.
- 2 Ev'ry eye shall now behold Him
 Robed in glorious majesty;
 Those who set at naught and sold Him,
 Pierced and nailed Him to the tree,
 Deeply wailing, deeply wailing,
 Shall their true Messiah see.
- 3 Those dear tokens of His passion
 Still His dazzling body bears,
 Cause of endless exultation
 To His ransomed worshipers.
 With what rapture, with what rapture,
 Gaze we on those glorious scars!
- 4 Yea, amen, let all adore Thee,
 High on Thine eternal throne;
 Savior, take the pow'r and glory,
 Claim the kingdom as Thine own.
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 Thou shalt reign, and Thou alone!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-88, alt.
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Sermon Jude 20-25 "Now and Forever"

Nicene Creed

- C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth
 and of all things visible and invisible.**

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Offertory

LSB 159

C What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

Preface

LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our

Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 161

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

- C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Pax Domini

LSB 163

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei

LSB 163

- C **Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

Distribution

Glory Be to God the Father

LSB 506

- 1 Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory While eternal ages run!
- 2 Glory be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain;
Glory be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign!
Glory, glory To the Lamb that once was slain!
- 3 Glory to the King of angels, Glory to the Church's King,
Glory to the King of nations; Heav'n and earth, your praises bring!
Glory, glory To the King of glory sing!
- 4 Glory, blessing, praise eternal! Thus the choir of angels sings;
Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion! Thus its praise creation brings.
Glory, glory, Glory to the King of kings!

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89 Text: Public domain

Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying

LSB 516

- 1 "Wake, awake, for night is flying," The watchmen on the heights are crying;
"Awake, Jerusalem, arise!"
Midnight hears the welcome voices And at the thrilling cry rejoices:
"Oh, where are ye, ye virgins wise?
The Bridegroom comes, awake! Your lamps with gladness take!
Alleluia!
With bridal care Yourselves prepare
To meet the Bridegroom, who is near."

- 2 Zion hears the watchmen singing, And all her heart with joy is springing;
She wakes, she rises from her gloom.
For her Lord comes down all-glorious, The strong in grace, in truth victorious;
Her star is ris'n, her light is come.
Now come, Thou Blessèd One, Lord Jesus, God's own Son,
Hail! Hosanna!
We enter all The wedding hall
To eat the Supper at Thy call.

- 3 Now let all the heav'ns adore Thee, Let saints and angels sing before Thee
With harp and cymbals' clearest tone.
Of one pearl each shining portal, Where, joining with the choir immortal,
We gather round Thy radiant throne.
No eye has seen the light, No ear has heard the might
Of Thy glory;
Therefore will we Eternally
Sing hymns of praise and joy to Thee!

Text: tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.; Philipp Nicolai, 1556-1608 Text: Public domain

O Savior, Precious Savior

LSB 527

- 1 O Savior, precious Savior, Whom yet unseen we love;
O name of might and favor, All other names above,
We worship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee and confess Thee, Our holy Lord and King.

2 O bringer of salvation, Who wondrously hast wrought
Thyself the revelation Of love beyond our thought,
We worship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee and confess Thee, Our gracious Lord and King.

3 In Thee all fullness dwelleth, All grace and pow'r divine;
The glory that excelleth, O Son of God, is Thine.
We worship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee and confess Thee, Our glorious Lord and King.

4 O grant the consummation Of this our song above
In endless adoration And everlasting love;
Then shall we praise and bless Thee Where perfect praises ring,
And evermore confess Thee, Our Savior and our King!

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-79 Text: Public domain

Thank the Lord

LSB 164

C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction

LSB 166

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C Amen.

The God of Abraham Praise

- 1 The God of Abr'ham praise,
 Who reigns enthroned above;
 Ancient of everlasting days
 And God of love.
 Jehovah, great I AM!
 By earth and heav'n confessed;
 I bow and bless the sacred name
 Forever blest.
- 8 The God who reigns on high
 The great archangels sing,
 And "Holy, holy, holy!" cry,
 "Almighty King!
 Who was and is the same
 And evermore shall be:
 Jehovah, Father, great I AM!
 We worship Thee!"
- 9 The whole triumphant host
 Give thanks to God on high.
 "Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!"
 They ever cry.
 Hail, Abr'ham's God and mine!
 I join the heav'nly lays:
 All might and majesty are Thine
 And endless praise!

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Next Sunday's Readings – Jeremiah 33:14-16, 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13, Luke 19:28-40

This Sunday's Memory – Jude 20 "But you, beloved, build yourselves up in your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit..."

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