

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church (LCMS)

321 N 10th, Beatrice, NE 68310

LWML Sunday, October 5, 2025

Hymns are found in the Lutheran Service Book in the pews. We use Divine Service, Setting 2 on page 167 in the front section of that hymnal.

(♪ denotes responses that are to be sung. P= Pastor; C= Congregation)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Opening Hymn 512: "At the Name of Jesus"

Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the † Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: 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.

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 Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Service of the Word

Kyrie ♪ (LSB pg 168)

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 pg 171)

P: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

C: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain;

Whose blood set us free to be people of god.

Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are His.

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

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

Blessing and honor and glory and might

Be to God and the Lam forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign.

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, we implore You to hear our prayers and to lighten the darkness of our hearts by Your gracious visitation; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 62:1-7 (pg 621 in the pew Bible)

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,

and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,

until her vindication goes forth as brightness,

and her salvation as a burning torch.

² The nations shall see your vindication,

and all the kings your glory;
 and you shall be called by a new name
 which the mouth of the LORD will give.
³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,
 and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
⁴ You shall no more be termed Forsaken,^[a]
 and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;^[a]
 but you shall be called My delight is in her,^[a]
 and your land Married;^[a]
 for the LORD delights in you,
 and your land shall be married.
⁵ For as a young man marries a virgin,
 so shall your sons marry you,
 and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
 so shall your God rejoice over you.
⁶ Upon your walls, O Jerusalem,
 I have set watchmen;
 all the day and all the night
 they shall never be silent.
 You who put the LORD in remembrance,
 take no rest,
⁷ and give him no rest
 until he establishes Jerusalem
 and makes it a praise in the earth.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle: Romans 10:11-17 (pg 946 in the pew Bible)

¹ The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and bestows his riches upon all who call upon him. ¹³ For, "every one who calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved."
¹⁴ But how are men to call upon him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without a preacher? ¹⁵ And how can men preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach good news!" ¹⁶ But they have not all obeyed the gospel; for Isaiah

says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" ¹⁷ So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes by the preaching of Christ.
 Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse ♪ (LSB pg 173)

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

Holy Gospel: Luke 24:44-53 (pg 885 in the pew Bible)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Then he said to them, "These are my words which I spoke to you, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and the prophets and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶ and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be preached in his name to all nations,^[a] beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ And behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city, until you are clothed with power from on high."

The Ascension of Jesus

⁵⁰ Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. ⁵¹ While he blessed them, he parted from them, and was carried up into heaven.^[b] ⁵² And they^[c] returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³ and were continually in the temple blessing God.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Glory to You, O Christ.

Children's Message

Hymn 830: "Spread the Reign of God the Lord"

Sermon

Nicene Creed (LSB pg 174 **AND** inside the back cover of the LSB)

Prayers of the Church

Congregational response after each petition: **“Hear our prayer.”**

Offering

Offertory ♪ (LSB pg 176)

♪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.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface & Proper Preface ♪ (LSB pg 177)

♪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.

Pastor: 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.... 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 pg 178)

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 pg 178)

At the conclusion: C: Amen

The Words of Our Lord (LSB pg 179)

Proclamation of Christ (LSB pg 179)

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:

The Lord’s Prayer

*ALL: 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 page 180)

Pastor: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

♪C: Amen.

Agnus Dei (LSB page 180)

♪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

Distribution Hymn 832: “Jesus Shall Reign”

Distribution Hymn 839: “O Christ, Our True and Only Light”

Distribution Hymn 539: “Christ is the Worlds Redeemer”

Thank the Lord (LSB page 181)

♪ **C:** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ry one 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

P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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

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 give you peace.

♪ **C: Amen.**

Departing Hymn 837 "Lift High the Cross"

(Please greet one another as you exit.)

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Please remember with prayers, cards, texts, or calls, our sisters and brothers-in-Christ: with cancer, Mary Scheve, Angie Fossler, Mike Holthus, Cheri McConnell, Cindy Weise; with COPD, Pat Nave; with lung blood clots: Duane Delozier; recovering from a fall, Marge Itzen; serving our country Olivia Hatzenbuehler and William Kelley;

****Please contact the church by Thursday morning if you have a prayer request or when you no longer wish to be on the prayer list.**

St. Paul's Lutheran Church - LCMS

Our Mission: "Growing and Serving Together in Christ"

Serving Today:

Elder: Andrew Landon

Organist: Bev Duensing

Greeters: LWML members

Pastor: Rev. Karl Hollibaugh

Reader: Marilyn Keilig

Children's Message: Shelley Eisele

Ushers: LWML members

***Sponsoring Today's Radio Broadcast: David & Janet Trout
In celebration of their 41st Wedding Anniversary***

Bulletin Sponsor: none

Children's Bulletin: Jared & Hannah Himmelberg in honor of Everett's Baptismal Anniversary on October 7.

(Broadcast Sponsorships (\$100), bulletins (\$25) & children's bulletins are available. 2025 broadcast dates open are Oct 12 and 26. Call the church office to schedule.)

Birthdays this week: *(if yours is missing, let us know!)*

6: Carolyn Pacha

7: Shirley Hoyle, Sherri Thomas, Tamitha Styers

8: Connie Hartig, Mary Scheve, Cody Walters, Spencer Weishahn,
Torree Lang, Samantha Loseman, Darla Ramsey

9: Tuff Lang

10: Debra Hoadley, Trevor Polson, Dillon Rudder, Wanda Rains

11: McKenley Elstun, Mathew Stover

Anniversaries this week: *(if yours is missing, let us know!)*

5: David & Janet Trout, 40 years

7: Lynn & Kristine Riekenberg, 29 years

9: Kevin & Booke Ankersen, 31 years

9: Zach & Holly Carpenter, 14 years

11: Brian & Patti Clausen, 39 years.

Happening this week:

Sunday, October 5

8:00 am KWBE Broadcast of Sept 28

9:00 am Divine Service – LWML Sunday

10:15 am Youth & Adult Sunday School

Tuesday, Oct 7

2 pm LWML Executive Board

Wednesday, Oct 9

8:30 am School Chapel

2 pm Lydia/Mary Circle

6:30 pm Confirmation Class

Sunday, October 5

8:00 am KWBE Broadcast of Oct 5

9:00 am Divine Service

10:15 am Youth & Adult Sunday School

Welcome! We're glad you're here and hope to see you again soon! Please sign the guest book at the entrance of the church. If you do not have a church home, are interested in the teachings of the Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, or interested in becoming a member of St. Paul's, please speak with the Pastor, Elder, or Usher on duty or the church office.

Communion Guidance: For visitors who wish to commune, please speak to the pastor or an elder prior to communing. Our summary of faith is available on our webpage and in print in the pews to help you determine if you share in our confession of faith. LCMS members and those from congregations in fellowship with LCMS are always welcome at the table.

Pastor Karl Hollibaugh, our Interim Pastor, is at church on Wednesday afternoons and evenings for confirmation class. If you'd like to talk to him please call him at 225-361-5121 to schedule.

CHURCH & SCHOOL NEWS

Children, Youth, and Adults! Come downstairs after the service for coffee, juice, snacks, and an informal Bible Study with Pastor Karl, and kids Sunday School classes with bible stories, activities, singing, and maybe even a craft! **Sunday School is not held on Sundays when congregational meetings are held (October 19). Sunday School teachers are Dixie Johnson, Lisa Oltmans, Vicki Frerking, Amanda Brand, and Peggy Doering. **Special note: Dixie Johnson has been teaching Sunday School and 6th grade confirmation for more than 40 years!! Thank you for your dedication, Dixie!**

Middle and High School Youth Group meets the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at school from 5-7 pm for a meal, Bible Study, and some fun activities! Watch the bulletin for additional special activities or contact leaders Joanna Gellerman-Long (425-591-5318) or Jessica Leseberg (402-230-0988). **We sell discounted **Car Wash Tokens** for Super Wash: 5 for \$20! They're available in the church office after worship or from school.

The Call Committee is compiling the returned surveys. Watch for their next report in the bulletin. Call Committee Members: Rod Aden, David Doering, Carissa Hoops, Carla Loemker, Brad Long, Diane Lux, Martin D. Seckel, Penny Shaffer, Kelly Mees, and Marilus Snyder.



2nd Annual Blessings of the Harvest Dinner & Auction

Saturday, November 22,

doors open 4:30 pm, dinner 6 pm, Live Auction 7 pm.

at the Vintage Venue, downtown Beatrice.

Tickets available after church or at the school office.

\$50/person for the meal & 2 drink tickets. (\$25 is tax deductible). Donations for the auction can be given to Carla Loemker or Julie Fehn.

***Wouldn't it be fun for former St. Paul students to hold a class reunion with their St. Paul class at the Blessings of the Harvest Dinner & Auction? If your kids are St. Paul alumni, pass the Dinner & Auction info on to them with the suggestion of inviting their former classmates!*



St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School are participating in a food drive challenge grant to support the Beatrice Community Food Pantry. If we collect 500 food items by November 15 the food pantry will receive a \$500 grant. There are boxes in

the church narthex and school library for anyone who wishes to donate and help us meet our goal of 500 items and help support food insecurity in our community. **Especially needed:**

Pizza crusts and sauce,

Taco supplies (refried beans, taco shells and seasonings),

Soups: chicken noodle soup, variety chunky soup,

Manwich,

Helper boxes: Hamburger Helper, Chicken Helper, Tuna Helper, pancake mix and syrup,

Condiments: ketchup, mustard, mayo

Crackers: saltines, graham crackers, snack crackers.

PopTarts

These are items the pantry usually has to buy so if they are donated, it saves the pantry's cash donations for other items.

Thank You

to all who contributed to beautifying our church through your donations of labor and money! The improvements look great!

Projects done: painting the sanctuary, replacing flooring/carpet, repair of flat roof, refinishing the front doors. They all look wonderful!

Left to do: replace the outside pole and step lights, add LED lighting behind the front pictures, replace chapel ceiling tile, and other things that may have surfaced.

October school Chapel Offerings on Wednesday morning are for "Stuff the Cruiser Christmas Toy Event" sponsored by the Beatrice Police Department. Contributions of cash and toys will be collected during chapel (Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m.) or put a designated offering for school chapel in the church offering plate. (September total for Mercy Meals was \$311.)

We're collecting Russ's Market receipts again! Receipts from September 1 through March 30, 2026 can be put in the box in the narthex behind the greeters, along with **Best Choice and Our Family UPC Codes**. Russ's cash register receipts current total is \$27,011.15. Keep turning them in!

On Sunday, October 12 our K-5 **students will sing** during worship service at 9:00 a.m. Church. Students may sit with parents and come forward when it's time to sing.

Community Events

Immanuel Lutheran Church (Hermansberg) Smorgasbord & Bake Sale" Parish Hall **Oct. 5**, 4:30-8:00 pm. Fried Chicken, ham, bbq meatballs, pie & drinks. Adults \$15, Children \$5, Preschool free.

Mosaic 100th Anniversary Celebration of the founding of Martin Luther Home is **Sunday, Oct 5**, 1-4 pm on their campus in Beatrice. Tours, games, refreshments, & the opening of the new MLH Museum.

LifeChain 2025 is Sunday, **October 5** from 2-3 pm on Highway 77 extending north from 6th & Court. LifeChain is a non-denominational peaceful, non-confrontational, silent protest & prayer gathering of the holocaust of abortion. - Beatrice Coalition for Life.

Beatrice Regional Orchestra Concert October 12, 2 pm at the Hevelone Center. Tickets \$10 at the door. Students are free.

October is Church Worker Appreciation Month!

Each Sunday in October, we'll feature some of our Church, School and Child Care workers. Help us thank our staff for all they do in the ministry of our church, school, and child care center. Please give them a "Thanks for all you do!" to show your appreciation, keep them & their families in your prayers, and a box is in the narthex if you want to give them a card of thanks.

This week we're highlighting our school staff.

Thank you to all of them for teaching the children not only the three "R"'s, reading, "riting" and "rithmetic", but much more importantly, about Jesus.

Lead Teacher: Mrs. Jonetta Hagemeyer

Teachers:

Preschool/PreKindergarten- Mrs. Melody Philippi-Aden

Kindergarten- Mrs. Shelley Eisele

1st Grade- Mrs. Joanna Gellermann-Long

2nd Grade- Ms. Jessica Leseberg

3rd Grade- Mrs. Susan Schotte

4th Grade- Mr. Brad Long

5th Grade- Mrs. Jonetta Hagemeyer

Para Professionals:

Mrs. Rhonda Ragland

Mrs. Kelsy Wollenburg

Mrs. Jenny Brockman

Kitchen: Ms. Chisity Laflin

School Secretary: Mrs. KayLynn McCormick

SCHOOL EVENTS THIS WEEK

Oct. 3 - 4 Grade Pioneer Days

Oct. 6 - Vala's All School Field Trip

Oct. 10 - 2 Grade Swimming @the YMCA

Oct. 12 - Singing in Church @ 9:00 a.m.

SCHOOL PRAYER FAMILIES THIS WEEK:

Zach & Holly Carpenter,

Abby Carroll,

Anthony Chisano and Laura Chisano



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Matt Helmke, Steve Sandman.

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Lead Teacher: Jonetta Hagemeier

Childcare Director: Sheridan Martinez

****Reserving the church or school** for a function? Please see

Wayne Oestreich. (402-440-5054).

****Large print hymnals** are in the back pew and near the elevator.

****Busy Bags** for kids are under the bulletin board in the narthex.

****Church office hours** vary at this time. Please leave a message at
402-228-1540 or email stpaulbeatrice@gmail.com. For immediate
or pastoral assistance, contact Church Chair Rod Aden at 402-
239-5305 or Head Elder Dave Doering at 402-806-1015.

****October newsletter and calendar** are available as you leave
Church.

A Place for your Sermon Notes: