

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

321 N 10th, Beatrice, NE 68310

November 16, 2025

Hymns are found in the Lutheran Service Book in the pews. We're using Divine Service, Setting 3 on page 184 in the front section of that hymnal.

(♪denotes responses that are to be sung.)

(P= Pastor; C= Congregation)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Hymn 873: "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

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

C: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord

Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Introit: (*Psalm 121:1, 2 5, 7, 8; antiphon: Luke 21:33*)

P: Heaven and earth will pass away,
but my words will not pass away.

C: I lift up my eyes to the hills.

From where does my help come?

P: My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

C: The Lord is your keeper;

The Lord is your shade on your right hand.

P: The Lord will keep you from all evil;
He will keep your life.

**C: The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore.**

**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: Heaven and earth will pass away,
but my words will not pass away.

Kyrie: ♪

C: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Gloria in Excelsis: ♪

P: Glory be to God on high.

C: and on earth peace, good-will toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,

We glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

St. Paul's Lutheran School, Pre-School & Childcare

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Lead Teacher: Jonetta Hagemeier

Childcare Director: Sheridan Martinez

- **Need to reserve the church or school?** Call Wayne Oestreich. (402-440-5054).
- **Large print hymnals** are in the back pew and near the elevator.
- **Busy Bags** for kids are in the narthex under the bulletin board.
- **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.
- **November newsletter & calendar** are available in the narthex.

Advent and Christmas Services at St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Sunday, Nov 30, (1st Sunday in Advent)

9:00 a.m. Divine Service

Wednesday, Dec 3, 10:30 am & 5:30 pm

Service of Light, (both followed by a meal)

Sunday, December 7, (2nd Sunday in Advent)

9:00 a.m. Divine Service

Wednesday, Dec 10, 10:30 am & 5:30 pm

Service of Light, (both followed by a meal)

Sunday, Dec 14, (3rd Sunday in Advent)

9:00 a.m. Divine Service

3:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Program

5:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Program

Wednesday, Dec 17, 10:30 am & 5:30 pm

Service of Light, (both followed by a meal)

Sunday, Dec 21, (4th Sunday of Advent)

9:00 a.m. Divine Service

Wednesday, Dec 24, 4:30 pm and 7:00 pm, Divine Services

Thursday, Dec 25, 9:00 am, Divine Service

Sunday, Dec 28, 9:00 am Divine Service

Wednesday, NY's Eve, Dec 31, 7:00 p.m. Divine Service



School's Ongoing Scrip Card Fundraiser: Shop with gift cards that give money back to our school through the "Scrip Card" program. The program is at no extra cost to you, but, depending on the vendor, the school can earn up to 14% of the denomination of the card you purchase. The cards are vendor specific (i.e. Walmart gift cards may only be used at Walmart). More information and order forms are available at the school. If you plan to shop at a certain participating vendor or give gift cards for birthdays or holidays, consider buying them through school.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

Beatrice Farmers Market's **Fall Farmers Market & Brunch Buffet** is on Sunday, November 23, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Vintage Venue. Admission to the indoor farmers market is free. You can also purchase a ticket for the local food brunch buffet. Support local farmers, bakers, and makers while celebrating the fall harvest!

Big Daddy Weave concert on Saturday, November 22nd, 7 pm at Christ Community Church. Email aubrey@loopevents.org to be a volunteer. Tickets are available at bigdaddyweave.com/tour.

Your Elder through December 31:

Jared Himmelberg, 402-416-3004.....Adam to Carpenter
Greg Penner, 402-806-3576.....Carel to Fisher
Kevin Ankersen, 402-239-5870.....Ford to Holle
Chuck Baker, 714-232-2794.....Holthus to Kuhlmann
David Doering, 402-223-5123.....Kumm to Mentgen
Andrew Landon, 402-520-1326.....Meyer to Porter
David Oltmans, 402-223-8713.....Prall to Schouboe
Matt Helmke, 402-239-4879.....Schroeder to Thomas
Steve Sandman, 402-239-7060.....Thomas to Zimmerman

If you are unable to get to church and desire communion, or have a church concern or question, please contact your Elder.

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**That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.**

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy: Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect J

JP: The Lord be with you.

JC: And with thy spirit.

P: Let us pray. Living God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of Your grace to lay hold of Your promises and live forever in Your presence; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

JC: Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Malachi 4:1-6

¹ "For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ²But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. ³And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

⁴ "Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

⁵ "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. ⁶And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:1-13

¹Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, ²and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. ³But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. ⁴And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command. ⁵May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

⁶Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. ⁷For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. ⁹It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. ¹¹For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. ¹²Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

¹³As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse 🎵

C: Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia.

Upcoming School Events

Nov. 19 – 3rd Grade Class leading Chapel

*Nov. 22 - **Blessings of the Harvest Dinner & Auction 6:00 p.m.***

Nov. 26 -28 – Thanksgiving Break

Dec. 14 – Christmas Program 3 and 5 pm

School Prayer Families this week

Brent & Anna Erikson

Brett & Darcy Esau

Robert & Amanda Fitzwater

Check out the **1st Graders art work** decorating the downstairs stairway on your way downstairs!



Save your Russ's Market receipts from Sept 1 – March 30, 2026 **for the school!** Put them in the box behind the greeters, along with **Best Choice and Our Family UPC Codes**. Russ's receipts currently total \$104,046!

Thank you for your generosity with collecting items for the Food Pantry! We had over 1000 items thanks to you giving from the heart. They also received the \$500 Thrivent grant.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS!

Christmas Wreaths for Sale! Youth group is selling fresh locally assembled evergreen wreaths as a fundraiser. The cost is \$30 per wreath and orders are due by November 24. If you haven't been approached by a youth group member, please call leaders Joanna Gellerman-Long (425-591-5318) or Jessica Leseberg (402-230-0988).

Middle and High School groups meet the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at school from 5-7 pm for a meal, Bible Study, and some fun activities! Questions? 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 are available in the church office or from school.

*2nd Annual "Blessings of the Harvest"
Dinner and Auction*

Saturday, November 22

Supporting our church, school, and day care

Doors open at 4:30 pm

Dinner at 6 pm - Live Auction at 7 pm

Today's the last chance to get your tickets!

Available today as you leave.

Tickets are not available at the event.

\$50 includes dinner and two drink tickets.

LWML Christmas Tea is Saturday, December 6, 11 am- 1 pm!
All are invited to come and bring a guest! Brian and Carissa Hoops will present the program on their trip to the Holy Lands, highlighting the sites around Jesus' birth. A collection will be taken to benefit Mercy Meals and for Mite projects. Tea sandwiches/cookies will be served. Get in the Christmas Spirit with this program and with our display of nativities.

Confirmation Class Pictures wanted! We are looking for group pictures of the confirmation classes of 2010, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025 for the display in the basement. If you have any of these, would you be willing to put it in an envelope and leave it in the church office? We would appreciate it if you could name the youth in the picture. We will make a 5 x7 copy of the picture and return yours to you. Thank you so much!!

November and December Chapel Offerings are for the Coat Closet at First Christian Church. New and gently used coats, gloves, hats and monetary donations will be collected. If you want to donate, you can put a designated offering for school chapel in the offering plate or take coats to the school.

Holy Gospel: Luke 21:5-28

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, twenty first chapter.

C: **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

⁵While some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, [Jesus] said, ⁶"As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." ⁷And they asked him, "Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?" ⁸And he said, "See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is at hand!' Do not go after them. ⁹And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once."

¹⁰Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. ¹¹There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. ¹²But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. ¹³This will be your opportunity to bear witness. ¹⁴Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, ¹⁵for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all for my name's sake. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your lives.

²⁰"But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. ²¹Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, ²²for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. ²³Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be

great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. ²⁴They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

²⁵“And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, ²⁶people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **♪Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed (said by all)

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 Pontious 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

Serving Today:

Elder: Dave Doering

Pastor: Pastor Karl Hollibaugh

Organist: Becky Hollibaugh

Reader: Marilyn Keilig

Greeters: Bob & Vicki Frerking

Acolytes: Travis & Asher Landon

Ushers: Larry Huls, Clair Duensing, Lyndon Wiegand,

Today's broadcast and bulletin are sponsored by Marilyn Keilig in memory of her brother, Jerry Keilig.

Children's Bulletins this quarter sponsored by Jared & Hannah Himmelberg in honor of Everett's Oct 7 Baptism Anniver (*Sponsorships are available of broadcasts (\$100), bulletins (\$25) & children's bulletins. Call the church office to schedule.*)

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

16: Tamara D'Andrea

18: Sadie Eisele, Kelly Mees, Rebecca Meyer, Sunny Smith

19: Matt Helmke, Douglas Tegtmeier, Dennis Wallman

20: Teresa Workman

21: Rajean May

22: Melody Johnsen, Brent McAllister, Arvid Wiest,
David Wright

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

21: Thomas & Verjean Noojin

22: Lloyd & Carolina VanLaningham

Happening this week:

Sunday, Nov 16

8:00 am KWBE Broadcast of Nov 9

9:00 am Divine Service

10:15 am Youth & Adult Sunday School

Wednesday, Nov 19

8:15 am School Chapel

Afternoon: Shut-ins Communed

6:30 pm Confirmation Class

Thursday, Nov 20

7:00 pm Banner Committee

Saturday, Nov 22

10:00 am Altar Guild

6:00 pm "Blessings of the Harvest"

Sunday, Nov 23

8:00 am KWBE Broadcast from Nov 16

9:00 am Divine Service

10:15 am Special Voter's Meeting

Wednesday, Nov 26

7:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service

Departing Hymn 728: “How Firm a Foundation”

*****Please greet each other as you exit.***

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Please remember with prayers, cards, texts, or calls, our sisters- and brothers-in-Christ who are hospitalized or at home: Mary Scheve, Angie Fossler, Mike Holthus, Cheri McConnell, Cindy Weise (all with cancer); Pat Nave; Connie Hartig; Duane Delozier; Marge Itzen; and Olivia Hatzenbuehler and William Kelley (military). ****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.**

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 to the Pastor, Elder, Usher, or the church office.

Please join us downstairs after the service for coffee, Bible Study, and Children's Sunday School.

Communion Guidance: Visitors wanting to commune should speak to the pastor or an elder prior to the service. 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 to participate in communion.

Pastor Karl Hollibaugh, our Interim Pastor, is at church Wednesday afternoons to commune shut-ins and evenings for confirmation class. If you'd like to see him please call him at 225-361-5121 to schedule an appointment.

A SPECIAL VOTER'S MEETING is scheduled for **November 23** following the worship service at 10:15 to adopt the 2026 budget.

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.

Hymn 508: “The Day is Surely Drawing Nigh”

Sermon

Offertory

**℟C: Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence,
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,
and uphold me with Thy free spirit.**

Offering

Prayer of the Church

Congregational response after each petition: **“Hear our prayer.”**
At the conclusion: **“Amen.”**

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface: ℟

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up unto the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: It is meet and right so to do.

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary..... praising You and saying:

Sanctus: ℟

**C: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is He, blessed is He,
Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Lord's Prayer

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.

The Words of Our Lord ♪

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed,
took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave
it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is
given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He
had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of
you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for
you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in
remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini ♪

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

Agnus Dei ♪

C: O Christ, Thou Lamb of God,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God,

that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Distribution

Hymn 595: "O Blessed Spring"

Hymn 809: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Hymn 735: "Have No Fear, Little Flock"

Nunc Dimittis ♪ (Song of Simeon)

**C: Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according
to Thy word,
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou has
prepared before the face of all people,
a light to lighten the Gentiles
and the glory of Thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

Thanksgiving ♪

♪P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

♪**C: and His mercy endureth forever.**

P: Let us pray...

♪ **C: A---men.**

Salutation ♪

P: The Lord be with you.

C: and with thy spirit.

P: Bless we the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Benediction ♪

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: Amen, Amen, Amen.