



# St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

January 11, 2026 – Baptism of Our Lord (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Epiphany)



**Jesus Is the Christ, the  
Anointed One**

**Welcome!** Thank you for joining us for worship. In our service we gather before our almighty God to offer him our worship and praise. We also gather to strengthen ourselves through the study of God's holy and powerful Word, and through the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

**Restrooms and a drinking fountain** are located on the right in the hallway outside the sanctuary. We have **personal hearing devices**. If you need one, please let an usher know before the service. If you are a parent with young children, we want you to know that we love having children worship with us since worship includes them, too. At the same time, we know that children sometimes like to make their presence known in spite of the best efforts to keep them quiet. For your convenience and in consideration of those seated near you, we have a **Family Room** located through the door in the back of the Fellowship Hall. The facility includes a TV, a window, and speakers so that you can still follow along with the worship service. **Busy bags** are also available near the central sanctuary doors.

**Prayer before worship:** Lord of glory, as the light of your star once led the wise men to Jesus, so the light of your Word has led us to see Jesus. Let your Word so shine in our hearts by your Spirit that each day we see Christ at the center of all we do. With him let us find comfort from sorrows, forgiveness from sins, and rest from turmoil. In his name, cause us to do good to others, to reveal him to the lost, and to praise your holy name. Amen.

## Personal Preparation for Holy Communion

*Q: What does God tell me about myself in his holy Word?*

A: He says I am a sinner and deserve only his punishment.

*Q: What should I do if I am not aware of my sins or am not troubled by them?*

A: I should examine myself according to the Ten Commandments and ask how well I have carried out my responsibilities as a husband or wife or single person, as a parent or child, an employer or employee, a teacher or student. Have I loved God with all my heart, gladly heard his Word, and patiently endured affliction? Have I been disobedient, proud, or unforgiving? Have I been selfish, lazy, envious, or quarrelsome? Have I lied or deceived, taken something not mine, or given anyone a bad name? Have I abused my body or permitted indecent thoughts to linger in my mind? Have I failed to do what is right and good?

*Q: When I realize that I have sinned against God and deserve his punishment, what should I do?*

A: I will confess before God all my sins, those which I remember as well as those of which I am unaware. I will pray to God for his mercy and forgiveness.

*Q: How do I receive his gracious forgiveness?*

A: His Word assures me that Jesus led a pure and holy life for me and died on the cross for me to pay the full price for all my sins. Through faith in Jesus, I have been clothed in my Savior's perfect righteousness and holiness.

*Q: What further assurance do I have that Jesus is mine and I am his?*

A: In Holy Communion he gives me his body and blood together with the bread and wine as a truly life-giving food and drink to unite me with him and my fellow believers. By means of this sacrament, Jesus not only forgives my sins but sweeps away all my doubts about his love for me, gives me his own strength to live a God-pleasing life, and grants me a joyful foretaste of heaven.

*Q: How can I be sure that I receive all these blessings in the Lord's Supper?*

A: I have his own word spoken as his last will and testament on the night before he died. There he tells me: ***"Take and eat; this is my body. Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me."***

*Q: How will I respond to this priceless gift from Jesus?*

A: I will daily thank and praise him for his love to me. With his help I will fight temptation, do my best to correct whatever wrongs I have done, and serve him and those around me with love and good works.

Lord Jesus, with joy and gratitude I now come to your table to receive the precious food of your life-giving body and blood. May it strengthen me to remain in you as you remain in me, so that I bear much fruit in devoted service to you and in acts of kindness to others. Amen.

*God's people long to gather together for strength from God and for mutual encouragement. The accompaniment for the opening hymn will be played softly during the responses.*

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

**Congregation: Amen.**

## **(Red CW 294) Baptized into Your Name Most Holy**

st.1

*Through baptism we are part of God's family, buried with Christ in death and raised with his resurrection!*

**C: Baptized into your name most holy, O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
I claim a place though weak and lowly, among your saints, your chosen host,  
buried with Christ and dead to sin. Your Spirit now shall live within.**

P: I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit.

**C: Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit.**

P: Surely we were sinful at birth, sinful from the time our mothers conceived us.

**C: But we were washed, we were sanctified, we were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.**

## **Baptized into Your Name Most Holy**

st.2

*The triune God himself is with us through all life's threats and sorrows until we inherit heaven.*

**C: My loving Father, there you took me to be henceforth your child and heir.  
My faithful Savior, there you let me the fruit of all your sorrows share.  
O Holy Spirit, comfort me when threat'ning clouds around I see.**

## **Confession**

P: As baptized children of God, we confess our sins.

**C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

## **Baptized into Your Name Most Holy**

st.3

*God keeps all his promises and remains by our side—even as often as we fail, his forgiveness is forever!*

**C: My faithful God, you fail me never; your promise surely will endure.  
Oh, cast me not away forever if words and deeds become impure.  
Have mercy when I come defiled; forgive, lift up, restore your child.**

## **Absolution**

P: Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## **Baptized into Your Name Most Holy**

st.4

*Our grateful confession leads to loving service as a child of God seeking his glory and will every day.*

**C: All that I am and love most dearly—receive it all, O Lord, from me.  
Let me confess my faith sincerely, and help me your own child to be!  
Let nothing that I am or own serve any will but yours alone.**

# **The Word**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

P: Let us pray: Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan, you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep us who are baptized into Christ faithful in our calling as your children, and make us heirs with him of everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## First Reading

Isaiah 42:1–7

*The Lord promises to put his Spirit on the Messiah.*

<sup>1</sup>Here is my servant, whom I uphold,  
my chosen one in whom I delight.  
I am placing my Spirit on him.  
He will announce a just verdict for the nations.

<sup>2</sup>He will not cry out.  
He will not raise his voice.  
He will not make his voice heard in the street.

<sup>3</sup>A bent reed he will not break,  
and a dimly burning wick he will not snuff out.  
He will faithfully bring forth a just verdict.

<sup>4</sup>He will not burn out, and he will not be broken,  
until he establishes justice on the earth.  
The coastlands will wait for his law.

<sup>5</sup>This is what the true God says,  
the LORD who creates the heavens and stretches them out,  
who spreads out the earth  
and everything that it produces,  
who gives breath to the people on it  
and life to those who walk on it.

<sup>6</sup>I am the LORD.

I have called you in righteousness.

I will hold on to your hand,  
and I will guard you.

I will appoint you to be a covenant for the people,  
to be a light for the nations,

<sup>7</sup>to open the eyes of the blind,  
to bring the prisoners out from the dungeon,  
and to bring those who sit in darkness out of prison.

P: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm of the Day – A Noble Theme Inspires My Heart

Psalm 45A sts. 1, 4

\*1 A no - ble theme in - spires my heart and mind  
\*4 With oil of joy he has a - noint - ed you,  
as I re - cite my vers - es for the king;  
with pleas - ant fra - grance all your robes a - bound.  
my tongue is like a skill - ful writ - er's pen.  
From pal - ac - es a - dorned with i - vo - ry,  
Of you, most ex - cel - lent of men, I sing.  
stringed in - stru - ments de - light you with their sound.  
With heav'n - ly grace your lips have been re - freshed, since  
A - mong your wom - en roy - al daugh - ters stand, the  
God for - ev - er - more has made you blest.  
king's own bride in gold at your right hand.

Text: Sing Psalms

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## Second Reading

Acts 10:34–38

*The Holy Spirit was poured out on Peter's listeners as he told them how God anointed Jesus.*

<sup>34</sup>Then Peter began to speak: "Now I really am beginning to understand that God does not show favoritism, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation, anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>He sent his word to the people of Israel, proclaiming the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.

<sup>37</sup>"You know what happened throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached. <sup>38</sup>God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went around doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the Devil, because God was with him.

P: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

Mark 1:11

Alleluia! You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased. Alleluia!

## Gospel

Matthew 3:13–17

*In the waters of the Jordan River, Jesus was anointed with the Holy Spirit and with power.*

## John Baptizes Jesus

<sup>13</sup>Then Jesus came from Galilee to be baptized by John at the Jordan. <sup>14</sup>But John tried to stop him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and yet you come to me?"

<sup>15</sup>But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, because it is proper for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then John let him. <sup>16</sup>After Jesus was baptized, he immediately went up out of the water. Suddenly, the heavens were opened for him! He saw the Spirit of God, descending like a dove and landing on him, <sup>17</sup>and a voice out of the heavens said, "This is my Son, whom I love. I am well pleased with him."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

## To Jordan's River Came Our Lord

CW 377

*Describing Jesus baptism with brilliant detail we see Jesus baptized as our Substitute and Savior.*

1 To Jor - dan's riv - er came our Lord, the Christ, whom  
2 The Sav - ior came to be bap - tized— the Son of  
3 As Je - sus in the Jor - dan stood and John bap -  
4 Then from God's throne with thun - d'rous sound came God's own  
heav'n - ly hosts a - dored, the God from God, the  
God in flesh dis - guised— to stand be - neath the  
tized the Lamb of God, the Ho - ly Spir - it,  
voice with words pro - found: "This is my Son," was  
Light from Light, the Lord of glo - ry, pow'r, and might.  
Fa - ther's will and all his prom - is - es - ful - fill.  
heav'n - ly dove, de - scend - ed on him from a - bove.  
his de - cree, "the one I love, who pleas - es me."

5 The Father's word, the Spirit's flight  
anointed Christ in glorious sight  
as God's own choice, from Adam's fall  
to save the world and free us all.

6 Now rise, faint hearts: be resolute!  
This man is Christ, our substitute!  
He was baptized in Jordan's stream,  
proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.

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## Sermon

*Matthew 3:13-17*

### Who Does That?

*As you take God's Word with you from worship, think about the following:*

- 1) What does God remind me to take OFF of my schedule for this week?
- 2) What are the typical times I'm tempted to try and do that work anyway?  
(Then pray: Lord, keep me far away from falling into that temptation!)
- 3) Because I don't need to spend time and energy trying to do what God has already done, what would be a better use of my time and energy this week?



## Nicene Creed

**C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Offering

***To our guests:** Our offering is not a debt we owe God but a way that we return to God a portion of what he generously gave to us. Our motivation, then, is not obligation but love for God. Please do not feel obligated to contribute. We're happy that you're with us to hear about God's love for you.*

**NOTE:** At this time we are not passing the offering plates. You can place your offering in the plate in the Gathering Area as you leave today.

## Prayer of the Church

# The Sacrament

## Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them up 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 and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

## Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of might.  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -  
na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -  
na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

P: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.  
By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.  
By his innocent death, he overcame hell.  
By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

**C: Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

**C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## Words of Institution

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my ✠ body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my ✠ blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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

**C: Amen.**

## O Christ, Lamb of God

The musical score is written on ten staves, organized into five pairs. Each pair consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: "O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us." This phrase is repeated twice. The final line of the score is "A - men. A - men." with a double bar line at the end.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us your peace.  
A - men. A - men.

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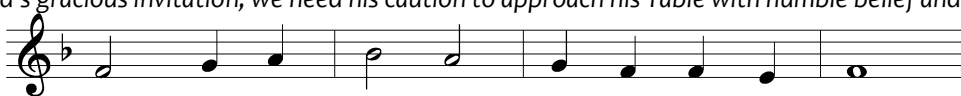
## Distribution

**To our guests:** Scripture teaches us that those who commune together are expressing a unity in faith and in all of Scripture's teachings. This is called close communion. If you are not a member of St. Paul's, the Wisconsin Synod, or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod, you will want to learn what we teach and have the opportunity to express that unity at your confirmation before you commune with us. If you are interested in taking a class to learn more about our teachings, or if you have any questions, please speak with our pastors.

# Draw Near and Take the Body of Your Lord

CW 661

*With God's gracious invitation, we heed his caution to approach his Table with humble belief and joy.*



1 Draw near and take the bod - y of your Lord,  
 2 Christ our Re - deem - er, God's e - ter - nal Son,  
 3 Let us ap - proach with faith - ful hearts sin - cere  
 4 With heav'n - ly bread he makes the hun - gry whole,



and drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured.  
 has by his cross and blood the vic - t'ry won.  
 and take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.  
 gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirst - ing soul.



Saved by his bod - y and his ho - ly blood,  
 He gave his life for great - est and for least,  
 Christ, who in this life all the saints de - fends,  
 Lord of the na - tions, to whom all must bow,



with souls re - fresh - ed we give our thanks to God.  
 him - self the of - f'ring and him - self the priest.  
 gives all be - liev - ers life that nev - er ends.  
 in this great feast of love be with us now.

Text: Latin, 7th cent., abr.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.

Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, Geneva, 1551, ed. Louis Bourgeois

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# God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It

CW 679

*This hymn beautifully reflects on how baptism gives us an eternal answer to sin, Satan, and death.*



1 God's own child, I glad - ly say it: I am bap-tized  
2 Sin, dis - turb my soul no long - er: I am bap-tized  
3 Sa - tan, hear this proc - la - ma - tion: I am bap-tized  
4 Death, you can - not end my glad-ness: I am bap-tized  
5 There is noth - ing worth com - par - ing to this life - long



in - to Christ! He, be - cause I could not pay it, gave my  
in - to Christ! I have com - fort e - ven strong - er: Je - sus'  
in - to Christ! Drop your ug - ly ac - cu - sa - tion, I am  
in - to Christ! When I die, I leave all sad - ness to in -  
com - fort sure! O - pen - eyed my grave is star - ing: e - ven



full re - demp-tion price. Do I need earth's trea - sures man - y?  
cleans-ing sac - ri - fice. Should a guilt - y con-science seize me  
not so soon en - ticed. Now that to the font I've trav - eled,  
her - it par - a - dise! Though I lie in dust and ash - es  
there I'll sleep se - cure. Though my flesh a - waits its rais - ing,



I have one worth more than an - y that brought me sal -  
since my bap - tism did re - lease me in a dear for -  
all your might has come un - rav - eled, and, a - gainst your  
faith's as - sur - ance bright - ly flash - es: Bap - tism has the  
still my soul con - tin - ues prais - ing: I am bap - tized



va - tion free, last - ing to e - ter - ni - ty!  
giv - ing flood, sprink-ling me with Je - sus' blood?  
tyr - an - ny, God, my Lord, u - nites with me!  
strength di - vine to make life im - mor - tal mine.  
in - to Christ; I'm a child of par - a - dise!

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P: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

**C: his mercy endures forever.**

P: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

**C: we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look on you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

## Renew Me, O Eternal Light

CW 689

*Our prayer for renewal from God involves destroying sin's darkness and growing in the gift of God's love.*

1 Re - new me, O e - ter - nal Light, and let my  
2 De - stroy in me the lust of sin, from all im -  
3 Cre - ate in me a new heart, Lord, that glad - ly  
4 Grant that I on - ly you may love and seek those

heart and soul be bright, il - lu - mined with the  
pure - ness make me clean. O grant me pow'r and  
I o - bey your Word. O let your will be  
things which are a - bove till I be - hold you

light of grace that is - sues from your ho - ly face.  
strength, my God, to strive a - gainst my flesh and blood.  
my de - sire and with new life my soul in - spire.  
face to face, O Light e - ter - nal, through your grace.

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## + Ministry Notes +

### **Our good day in God's house continues after worship, too.**

Our after-worship adult Bible Class time is a great time for good Christian encouragement as we grow in the Word together and take time to pray for one another. Today we will continue our *Hidden Acts* study, examining the lives of Apollos and Demetrius.

### **Bible Information Class**

Tomorrow, **Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM** all are welcome to learn/review the basic teachings of Scripture together. Whether you're just curious about what the Bible teaches, have questions, would like to become a member, or have been one for decades, all are encouraged to attend this class that gathers us around God's Word.

### **Family Game Night!**

This **Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup>** we will be hosting a Family Game Night in the church Fellowship Hall. Bring a favorite game or two, snacks, and drinks (with several options of all of the above provided). Games and gamers of all levels are welcome. Join us for an evening of fun, fellowship, and friendly competition and collaboration!



### **New Flower Chart Available**

The flower signup chart is available for the Sundays in 2026! Please sign up on the chart in the Gathering Area.

### **Offering Envelopes for 2026**

Our financial secretary has placed the offering envelopes for 2026 on a table at the back of the Fellowship Hall. Please pick yours up at your earliest opportunity.

## **LWMS Reporter needed!**

We are grateful to Sue Leinberger for serving as our LWMS Reporter. Sue has chosen to step down from her position, so we are now in need of another woman in the congregation to help promote and serve as contact for the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society. If you are interested in learning more or would like to be considered for the position, please speak with Pastor Saatkamp.

## **Catching Up on the Numbers**

Since we printed the last several weeks' worth of bulletins ahead of Christmas break, we were unable to record the weekly attendance and offering numbers. Here is what we missed recording:

**PreK-K Service:** Attendance: 193

**1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Service:** Attendance: 264

**Sunday, December 21:** Attendance: 92, Offering: \$5,485

**Christmas Eve:** Attendance: 161

**Christmas Day:** Attendance: 54

**Sunday, December 28:** Attendance: 106, Offering: \$4,297

**New Year's Eve:** Attendance: 30

## Our Christian Stewardship of God's Gifts

*Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful. – 1 Cor. 4:2*

**ATTENDANCE:** 119

**PREACHER:** James Saatkamp

**ACCOMPANIST:** Cindy Lendt

**USHERS:** Newton Trimmer and Gary Warren

**OFFERING:** \$4,168

**PRESIDING MINISTER:** Tim Rosenow

**STREAMING:** Tony Moore

### Let's pray this week!

*birthdays* | **Scott Williamson** (1-14)

*anniversaries* | (None this week)

*homebound members* | **Dave Brandt, Bee Grunig, John Hambel, Leona Harms, Leon and Barbara Johnson, Susan Rammel, Kathy Saracione, Josephine Throo, and Paula Vitolo**

*health* | **Linda Bond** (continue recovery); **Tom Colwell** (recovering from surgery); **Madison Duncan** (Becky Ramsey's daughter, ongoing autoimmune issues); **Richard Floyd** (heart issues); **Rick Robinson** (continued recovery); **Barbara Sadler, Kathy Babcock** (Barbara's daughter), and **Kathy's daughters** (genetic health issues); **Nancy Scruton** (recovering from her medical procedure); **Jim Teller** (ongoing heart issues)

*divine call* | **Justin Siegler** (5<sup>th</sup> grade, school music, at Zion, Columbus, WI);

**Cindy Lendt** (Asia-Oceania Team, Women's Ministry Coordinator *new position*)

### Serving in worship next week

*Streaming:* 1/18 Mark Meyer

*Ushers:* 1/18 Rick Freihofer and Gary Warren

### This Week | January 11<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>

**TODAY** – Taking down Christmas decorations

**MON** – Kingsway Birthday Celebration 1 PM; \*NEW\* Bible Information Class (BIC) 6 PM

**TUE** – Council of Ministry meeting 5:15 PM

**WED** – Isaiah Bible study 10 AM

**THU** – Choir 6:30 PM

**FRI** – Chapel 8:30 AM; Family Game Night 6 PM

### Upcoming Events

**January 18** – Midyear Voters' Meeting

**January 19** – NO SCHOOL (MLK Day)

**January 20-23** – Spirit Week

# Who We Are

## (Our Mission)

*St. Paul's Lutheran Church is a family. Like any family, we have our strengths and we have our weaknesses. We experience successes and we experience struggles. These are the things which unite us. For we know that we aren't perfect, but our Heavenly Father is; and he has loved us with a perfect love, sending his Son Jesus to die on the cross for our sins and to give us eternal life in heaven. With that same love, he comes to us through his Word, the Bible, to equip us and encourage us as we live in a world which can leave us feeling discouraged and hopeless at times. So, as a family, we **gather** together around God's Word in church and in Bible classes. We have a school where children can **grow** in their relationship with our Heavenly Father and where we can **go** to share the love of Jesus with them. We want as many people as possible to know the joy and hope which we have as members of God's family.*

*If you would like to learn more about our church family or the ministries we offer through our church, school, and preschool, please speak with our pastor, principal, preschool director, faculty, or one of our members.*

*Thank you for being a part of our church family today!*



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