

✧ Called to be Christ's Community of Truth and Mercy ✧  
 ✧ Saved by Grace - Solid in the Word - Here to Serve ✧

## Welcome!

*"Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire."* Hebrews 12: 28



### Holy Communion

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of our Lord Jesus Christ's true body and true blood. Reception of the Lord's Supper expresses not only fellowship with the Lord, but also fellowship and agreement with the teaching of the pastor and congregation. We want to express our sincere welcome to our guests and assure them that out of care for each person and a desire to be faithful to God's Word we follow the biblical practice of closed communion. **All guests are kindly asked to please speak with Pastor Gaunt before communing at our altar.** Normally, people from churches in fellowship with the LCMS, are welcome to partake. Those not communing, who so desire, may come to the altar to receive a blessing. So that the pastor knows you desire a blessing please cross your arms over your chest. Please pray with us that we might all be truly united in the teaching of our Lord's precious word. (For further study: 1 Cor. 11:17-34; Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 6:26-29.)

## Prayers of the Church

**Circuit Congregation** St. Paul, Lowell **Hospice** + Maxine Weseman  
**Health Issues** + Betty Krueger + Jenny Brogan (Daughter of Jan Hinze)  
 + Duane Hoegren (Katie Hoin's Father) + June Rose + Lisa Novak  
 + Kellie Boutin + Linda Parsons + Don Nissen + Kara Nissen + John Parsons  
 + Dee Janssen **Missions** Wellspring Pregnancy Health Center, David Preus  
 Family, Heartland Lutheran, Zion Classical Academy **Military** + Ross Peters  
 + Gary Thompson + Rev. Glen Gutz (deliberating a call)

## In His Service

Presiding Minister: Rev. Micah Gaunt  
 Organist: Dr. Phil Hesterman Cantor: Mr. David Witt  
 Altar Guild: February Ethel Schukei, Tonda Wolfe  
 Elders: Dick LeBeau, Derek Zeisler, Dustin Russell, Dale Bauman  
 Acolyte: Merrick Russell

## Gifts of Time and Treasure

For more Financial Information see monthly newsletter.  
 A complete accounting of all financials are provided at each Quarterly Voters' Meeting. Questions? Jerry Blazer, Treasurer 402-303-0932

### The Lord's Week

Sunday	Feb. 4	9:00am	Divine Service
		10:15am	Sunday School, Bible Study-opening
		10:30am	Board of Education meet w/Parents
		11:30am	Luncheon all invited Human Care
Monday-Friday		8:30am	Daily Prayer Service
Tuesday	Feb. 6	9:30am	Bible Study
		6:00pm	Choir Practice
Wednesday	Feb. 7	5:00pm	Communion Service
		5:30pm	Meal
		6:15pm	Catechetical Service
Saturday	Feb. 10	9:00am	Mens' Prayer Group
		7p-9pm	Trivia Night
Sunday	Feb. 11	9:00am	Divine Service
		10:15am	Sunday School, Bible Study-opening

### Scripture Alone

The Sower sows the seed of His Word (Luke 8:4-15). This Word is living and powerful (Heb. 4:9-13) to conceive new life in those who hear it. But the planting of Christ is attacked by the devil, the world, and the flesh. Satan snatches the Word away from hard hearts. The riches and pleasures of this life choke off faith. Shallow and emotional belief withers in time of temptation and trouble. But see how Christ bears this attack for us! Christ's cross was planted in the hard and rocky soil of Golgotha. A crown of thorns was placed upon His head. Satan and His demons hellishly hounded and devoured Him. Yet, through His dying and rising again, He destroyed these enemies of ours. Jesus is Himself the Seed which fell to the ground and died in order that it might sprout forth to new life and produce much grain. In Him, the weak are strong (2 Cor. 11:19-12:9). He is the Word of the Father which does not return void (Is. 55:10-13) but yields a harvest hundredfold.



Prelude & Ringing of Bells	
Hymn	#655
Confession and Absolution	p. 184
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Hymn of the Day	#824
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Salutation & Benedicamus	
Benediction	
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Postlude	
Announcements	
<i>P: Go In Peace</i>	
<b>C: Thanks Be To God!</b>	

## News and Notes of Interest

**Divine Service:** Sunday, Divine Service 9 AM  
10:15 AM Sunday School, Bible Study, opening  
10:30am Board of Education Meeting w/Parents  
11:30am Luncheon—all invited

**Line-up your team for TRIVIA NIGHT, 7-9 p.m. Saturday, February 10, 2024** church office will be collecting players names and team fees. Two teams have signed up so more teams are needed! Give us a call or stop in.

Meals will be provided by groups through Lent. All Groups - please see Sign-up sheet, narthex. Wednesday, February 14th - Public Relations Board Please support our groups and enjoy a good meal and good fellowship, free will offering to help fray costs.

**Birthdays 2/05** Aaron Nissen **2/07** Jamie O'Shea  
**2/08** Hunter Dalland, Linda Parsons, Kathy Stutesman  
**2/09** Sawyer Blackwell **Baptismal 2/07** Jamie O'Shea, Randy Scott, Peggy Saddler Wedding Anniversary  
**2/06** Clint & Summer Nunnenkamp  
**2/09** Kelvin & Mary Wolzen

**Wednesday Communion Service.** we will be offering the Divine Service with Communion starting at **5 pm**. We will follow an abbreviated spoken liturgy with no hymns. The service will be done around 5:30. Please contact Pr. Gaunt with any questions.

**Wednesday Night Meal.** Please note, after the Communion service at 5, you are welcome to join the catechism families for a meal at 5:30.

**L.W.M.L.** On February 12th we are planning a Quarterly meeting to take the place of the one we cancelled because of weather. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 7 pm. Bring your mites. We look forward to seeing many there.

**Everyone His Witness Evangelism** Witnessing. What's it all about? The program puts sound doctrine into practical action for sharing the faith with people in our everyday lives. Participants learn: What is witnessing? Why do we witness? And the "how-to" of witnessing in a simple relational way. Members of your congregation are invited to the Everyone His Witness Workshop. The workshop will be from 9:00 AM to around 4:00 PM on **Saturday, February 17, at St. Paul, Minden, NE.** Lunch and snacks will be provided. To sign up for the workshop, please call the St. Paul Lutheran Church office at (308) 832-1343. We will need to know the names of the participants! Cost will be \$15.00 per person to cover the cost of the workbook. **Signup deadline is February 11, 2024.**

## The Congregation at Prayer

*Speak aloud as much of this order of prayer as you are able.*

**In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*The 10 Commandments  
The Apostles Creed  
The Lord's Prayer*

**Other Readings for the Week:** *The Gospel Lesson on Monday, The Gospel Verse on Tuesday, The Epistle Lesson on Wednesday, The Gradual Verse on Thursday, The First Lesson on Friday & The Introit on Saturday.*

**Pray in response to the Catechism and/or Readings for the Week.** *What is God teaching you to **thank** Him for? What sin is He teaching you to **confess**? What is God teaching you to **ask** for? You may also pray this week's Collect, as well as for the prayers of the church (found in the bulletin).*

**May the almighty and most merciful God, Father, ✠ Son and Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us. Amen.**

**Hymn- #824 "May God Bestow on Us His Grace"**

**Next Week's Readings: Isaiah 35:3-7,  
1 Corinthians 13:1-13, Luke 18:31-43.**

**Week of Sunday, Feb. 4 th (Midweek Service Feb. 7 th)  
Holy Baptism**

*What benefits does Baptism give?*

It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.

*Which are these words and promises of God?*

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark: "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned." (Mark 16:16)

**Question**

*If Christ has already won forgiveness and salvation for us, why do we need Baptism?*

**Bible Reading**

Acts 2: 1-14, 37-41

**Luther's Small Catechism for Kids: p. 96-98**

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Divine Service Setting 3

February 4th  
9:00am



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