

St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church

Holstein, Iowa

Phone: (712) 368-2228; fax: (712) 368-4584

Worship Services:

Sunday 8:15 am and 10:30 am

Sunday School 9:20 am

Coffee Hour: 9:30 am

Office Hours

Mon. – Thurs. 8:30 am – 4:00 pm; Fri. 8:30 – 12:00

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Scripture Readings for

February 19, 2017

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

First Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

Psalmody: Psalm 119:33-40

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:10-11,
16-23

Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

Worship Participants

GREETERS

8:15 am: Susan Endrulat, Mikka Belson

10:30 am: Marvin and Lorraine Todd

DEACONS: Tyler Gebers and Chad Dutler

ACOLYTE

8:15 am: Aiden Martin, Colton Dutler, Caleb Kistenmacher

10:30 am: Carly Murphy, Anya Kistenmacher

SOUND/VIDEO OPERATOR

8:15 am: Lex Jacobson and Emerson Else

10:30 am: Dave Kistenmacher and Kyra Martin

TRANSPORTATION: Brandon Stevenson (369-0428)

FLOWERS: Altar vases provide by the Altar fund.

Arrangements from Eunice Downs funeral.

COFFEE HOSTS: Kelby and Joy Wulf (chairman)

Marvin and Lorraine Todd

St. Paul Church Schedule

THURSDAY, February 16

7:00 PM Start of Mission Task Force

7:00 PM Call Committee meet

7:00 PM Task Force

8:00 PM Church Council

SATURDAY, February 18

9:00 AM Western Iowa Synod Leadership Academy
in Fort Dodge

SUNDAY, February 19

8:15 AM Worship with comm.

9:20 AM Sunday School and Coffee Hour

9:30 AM Adult Forum

10:30 AM Worship with comm.

TUESDAY, February 21

9:00 AM Sewing Day

WEDNESDAY, February 22

3:45 PM LOGOS – *It's Mardi Gras*

6:00 PM Parenting class

THURSDAY, February 23

7:00 PM Mutual Ministry Committee meets

SUNDAY, February 26

8:15 AM Worship

9:20 AM Sunday School and Coffee Hour

9:30 AM Adult Forum

10:30 AM Worship

4:30 PM Sunday School Bowling Party

TUESDAY, February 14

9:00 AM Ruth Circle

LOGOS – Feb. 22 – Schedule

Set-up: Laura Burk, Mark Vincent, Annette Vohs

Snack Servers: Jackie Meyer, Lori Volkert

Cook Team: Karen Breyfogle, Monica Nedved, Lynette Henry, Susan Endrulat, Joy Wulf

Clean-up: Lex & Steph Jacobson, Justin & Val Georg, Dave & Bonnie Stevenson, AJ Stevenson, Jeana Todd

Wash Table Cloths: Diane Droegmiller

Wash Towels: Diane Droegmiller

Home Bakers: Jan Grell, Monica Nedved, Bonnie Barkema, Bonnie Wallace, Audrey Dittmer



No one is in the hospital at the time of printing.

If you know of anyone who needs transportation to/from worship services please call the person listed for transportation on our participant list in this mid-week by **Thursday afternoon.**

If you have a prayer request or wish to be included on the prayer chain please call Eileen Ostermann (368-4579), Eunice Downs (368-2325), or the Church Office (368-2228).



We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Eunice Downs. Eunice passed away on Feb 8, 2017. Her funeral was here at St. Paul on Saturday Feb. 11. May God's grace help comfort her family and friends.

Baptism Anniversaries

(February 16 – February 22)



- 2-16: *Brayden Bisenius*
- 2-17: *Sheryle Ehlers and Amy Leinbaugh*
- 2-18: *Nathan Vohs*
- 2-19: *Gretchen Kistenmacher, Jim Sorensen*
- 2-20: *Viktor Brunelle*
- 2-21: *Daniel Brosamle, Benjamin Butcher*

Char Mac Annual Pie Social

Thursday, February 23rd, 2017

2:00 p.m.

Char Mac Dining Room



Please help Char Mac with their Annual Pie Social. You may bring a pie to enjoy with the residents or just come and socialize with the residents. They will provide the coffee, plates, napkins, and silverware.

A great time to sit, socialize and enjoy your pie.

Congregational Close-up **Worship Service Attendance**

February 12, 2017

8:15 am – 62 10:30 am – 88 Sunday School –

Treasurer's Report for the week of Feb. 12

Current.....	\$3,097.00
Loose Plate	\$63.01
Sunday School	\$17.00
ELCA/Western IA Synod	\$85.00
Ingham/Okobojo Beyond campaign.....	\$80.00
Lutheran Lakeside Bible Camp	\$10.00
LOGOS-donations-Lutheran.....	\$15.00
Bldg-kitchen	\$25.00
Wee Wisdom fees	\$1,090.00
Altar Flowers	\$10.00
Total Income Feb. 22, 2017.....	\$4,492.01

Presidents Day, Feb. 20, 2017

President's Day is a federal holiday in the United States celebrated every year on the third Monday of February to honor George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and also all the Presidents of the country.

Until 1971 both February 12th and February 22nd were celebrated as public holidays to honor the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln and George Washington. In 1971 President Richard Nixon declared the Presidents' Day as one federal public holiday to honor all the Presidents of the United States.

George Washington (22nd February, 1732 - 14th December, 1799): At the time of his birth America was not a free nation, it was under British rule and Americans were struggling for freedom. George Washington was an American general in the war against Britain to get freedom for America. He was elected as the first president of the United States.

Abraham Lincoln (12th February, 1809 - 15th April, 1865): He was born in a very poor family and struggled a lot to obtain his basic education. By virtue of his hard work and dedication he became the 16th president of the United States.

Birthday Anniversaries

(February 16 – February 22)



- 2-16: Mary Gebers
- 2-17: Val Georg, Andrew Tiefenthaler, Karen Wessling
- 2-18: Chloe Murphy, Brynn Nedved, Kelly Otto
- 2-21: Randy Vollmar
- 2-22: Braden Else

Wish these St. Paul members a very "Happy Birthday" and watch for a new list each week.

If your birthday was inadvertently omitted, or is incorrect, please call the office so we can make the correction to our records.

St. Paul Sunday School



Bowling Party

**Grades Preschool-8th
Sunday**

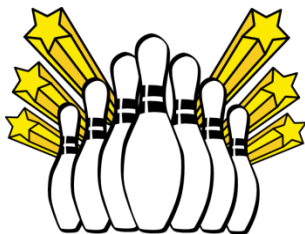
February 26, 2017

Depart from church at 4:30 p.m.

Bowl from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Ida Bowl in Ida Grove

Pizza included



Suggested donations for the **Community Basket** during the month of **February** are laundry items. You may leave these items in the North entrance under the coat rack. Thank you for your donations!

WHERE'S LUTHERAN?

Pastor Matthew Martens, Interim

ELCA Presiding Bishop, Elizabeth Eaton, tells in her most recent article in *Gather Magazine*, how a seminarian in NE Ohio was wearing a Luther Rose (Luther's seal) pendant at a restaurant, and the waitress asked, "That's beautiful, what is it?" The seminarian replied, "It's Lutheran." The waitress asked, "Where's Lutheran?" She knew nothing about Lutherans and imagined "Lutheran" was a place somewhere!

As we approach the 500th anniversary of the Reformation this October 31, Lutherans will be more and more in the news. What an opportunity to share with people "Where's Lutheran?" To share what we're all about, what we stand for, what's our mission.

Eaton reminds us, Luther's clear exposition of the gospel is as fresh and powerful today as it was 500 years ago. It's still liberating to hear about grace. The theology of the cross is still a needed critique of the theology of prosperity. It's still refreshing to know Baptism and Holy Communion as Christ's real presence, giving us spiritual nourishment. It's still crucial to live our lives always in the presence of God.

To be Lutheran 500 years after the Reformation is to live in the freedom of not having to justify ourselves before God—but to trust Christ justifies us and we are free to serve our neighbor with a "living, daring faith." We can be open and genuine and honest because we are loved completely by God, who knows us completely. This is most certainly true!

Our Evangelism Task Force is tasked with leading the congregation in ways that will help us get the liberating gospel word of God's grace out to the world around us. If you have ideas for outreach and faith sharing, please offer your input to the Evangelism Task Force this Thursday evening at 7:00 at their meeting. We want fewer people asking "Where's Lutheran?"