

February Sermon Schedule: 8 am & 10:30 am & Monday 6:30 pm

February 1st & 2nd "Needy and Blessed" Matthew 5:1-12

February 8th & 9th "Neighbor Centered Fasting" Isaiah 58:3-9am

February 15th & 16th Transfiguration Guest Speaker, Rev. Bruce Kesemann

February 22nd & 23rd "The Look of Sin, and the power of the Promise" Genesis 3:1-21



Re-scheduled: Everyone is invited to a hymn festival commemorating the liturgical Festival of the Conversion of St. Paul on February 7th. Four SID churches named 'St. Paul' will join together for this hymn festival that afternoon: **St. Paul's Columbia, St. Paul Hamel, St. Paul's Troy, and St. Paul Wood River.**

The Hymn Festival will be Jan. 25, 2026 at 3:00 PM at St. Paul's Troy, 112 N. Border St., Troy, IL.

In the spirit of St. Paul, a mission offering will be collected for the Seminario Concordia El Reformador in the Dominican Republic, (a mission partner of the SID).

Eve's Restoration Ministries UPCOMING EVENTS:

Imo's pizza in Columbia. All day **Feb 24th**. Dine in, carryout and delivery.

Percent of all sales that day goes towards Eve's Restoration.



"Through the Decades" TRIVIA NIGHT Fundraiser

Date: **Thursday, March 26, 2026 6:00 pm (doors open at 5:30 pm)**

\$25 per person \$150 for table of 6

Get together with some friends - pick up a registration flier in the foyer.

Call, text or email Amanda Douglas at evesrestorationhome@gmail.com or 314-221-6700.



The **annual Family Ministry Bowling Night** is **tonight, Sunday February 1**.

If you have not signed up already but want to join the fun, contact Lillian Koenigstein 618.541.4657. We might be able to add more lanes. We have 8 currently. Spectators welcome free of charge. Reminder arrive at 5:45 for lane assignment and shoes. Bowling starts at 6:00. \$10 per adult, \$5/student. Family lanes and youth lanes available. Payment at the event includes shoes and one large pizza & pitcher of soda per lane. Other menu items available for purchase.

Save the date and your items:

The **annual youth group Rummage Sale will be Saturday, March 14**,

8 am - noon. We are asking for help from the congregation in general

for setup and particularly sale day please. It is our largest fundraiser; we usually raise about \$3,000. The next National Youth Gathering will be costly to travel to as it's in San Antonio, July 2028, so we need to build our coffers starting this year. Sign up in the Narthex please. No computers, TVs, clothing or car seats please.

Due to the extreme winter weather, the **Bible Presentations were canceled for Sunday,**

January 25, and Tuesday, January 27. These presentations will be rescheduled as follows:

Pastor Anthony Troup will present on Sunday, February 8, at St. John's Lutheran, Ruma, at 1:30 pm and Pastor John Lukomski will present on Tuesday, February 10, at St. Peter's Lutheran,

Evansville, at 6pm. We hope to see you there!



Welcome both members and visitors to worship. If you are a visitor and do not have a church home, we invite you to consider this congregation as a place for you to grow through God's Word in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. Contact Pastor Krenz (618-363-0121) with any questions on this congregation, the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and/or the process of church membership. If you are a visitor, feel free to leave us your address in the attendance folder. It is also in that folder you can see our belief and practice concerning the Lord's Supper.

Based on Divine Service I

The Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany

2/1 8 & 10:30 am; 2/2 6:30 pm

Pre-Service Music

St. Paul's Handbell Choir

"Westminster Chimes" Wagner (Sunday)

Ringing of the Bells, Greeting,

Announcements, Sharing the Peace

Opening Hymn LSB 533

"Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure"

Invocation, Confession, Absolution, Introit

Kyrie, Salutation, Collect/Prayer of the Day

Old Testament Reading Micah 6:1-8

St. Paul's Adult Choir (Sunday)

"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

Epistle 1 Corinthians 1:18-31, Alleluia Verse

Holy Gospel Matthew 5:1-12; Apostles' Creed

Pre-School Songs (10:30 only)

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day LSB 932

"Jesus Sat With His Disciples"

Sermon Matthew 5:1-12

"**Needy and Blessed**"

Presentation of Offerings

Prayer of the Church, Service of the

Sacrament, Proper Preface, Sanctus,

Prayer of Thanksgiving, Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord, Pax Domini, Agnus Dei

Distribution Hymns

"**Jesus Loves Me**" LSB 588

St. Paul's Adult Choir

"Lord, Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee" (8 am only)

"**Amazing Grace**" LSB 744

"**Sent Forth by God's Blessing**" LSB 643

Nunc Dimittis, Post-Communion Canticle,

Post-Communion Collect, Benediction

Closing Hymn LSB 922

"**Go, My Children, With My Blessing**"



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Pre-School Sunday

This morning we are recognizing the rich blessing the pre school is to this congregation and our community. With that in mind, we welcome our pre-school students and their families to our worship service, and hope that you can stay for a meal that will follow the late service. For over 31 years our gracious Lord has used our pre-school to be a blessing to many, and for that we give him all the praise. Enjoy the pre-school pictures that are on the screens before the service, the pre-school art which is in the narthex, and the songs which the pre-schoolers will sing at the second service. If you are able to join us for lunch following the second service please do so. In addition, all are welcome to donate through a free-will offering following the service to help the pre-school.

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class: 9:15 am to 10:15

Luke Sunday Morning Bible Class: Do join us in the fellowship hall at 9:15am as we continue our verse by verse look at the book of Luke. This week we are in chapter 13 & 14 where we see Jesus compare the kingdom of God to the growth of the Mustard Seed, how we can enter through the narrow door, Jesus lament over Jerusalem, the parable of the wedding feast, and the parable of the Great banquet. Even if you miss a Sunday, you can pick up where we left off. Come one, come all. On Sunday, Feb 8th our Seminarian, Austin Kudray will be leading this class.



Youth
8th - 12th grade
Sundays:
9:15 - 10:15 am
Meet In the Loft upstairs

dawn, Jesus appears on the beach and tells them to cast their nets on the right side of the boat. Immediately, the nets fill to overflowing, and John realizes Jesus is there. Peter swims ashore to see Jesus, who prepares breakfast. Addressing Peter directly, Jesus asks three times, "Do you love Me?" With each question, Peter becomes more distressed. But through these questions, the Lord restores and reinstates Peter to lead His Church.

Life with God

A new adult membership class will start on **Sunday, February 22nd at 4 pm**. This 10 week class is for those interested in learning what Lutherans teach and for becoming part of the fellowship here at St. Paul's. Please contact Pastor Krenz at 618-363-0121 if you or someone you might know are interested.

Fridays, Once a Month: 2026 EYES on Isaiah

Our **Not-for-Couples-Only Bible Class** led by Pastor Sievers will focus on the OT book of Isaiah in 2026, meeting monthly on a convenient Friday. Learn how the Holy Spirit used Isaiah not only to predict with amazing detail our Savior's birth, death, and resurrection, but also to warn and comfort God's people. **First class is February 13 at 6:30 p.m.** For more info or to order your \$12 study guide, call or text Pastor Sievers (314-882-2097).

Thank You! To our volunteers...

Sunday, February 1st 8 am

Organist: Jeanine Consolino
Elder: David Greatting
Greeter/Usher: Jonathan Busch
Acolyte: Lexi Grandt
Screens: Josh Colyer
Video: Aiden Colyer

Sunday, February 1st 10:30 am

Organist: Jeanine Consolino
Elder: Levi Ottwell
Greeter/Usher: Joydean Beatty
Acolyte: Lennon Ottwell
Screens: Campbell Ottwell

Monday, February 2nd 6:30 pm

Organist: Jeanine Consolino
Elder: Bob Thoma
Greeter/Usher: Kevin Miller

Sunday, February 8th 8 am

Organist: Jeanine Consolino
Elder: Mark Eischer
Greeter/Usher: L. Schmidt, J. Stumpf
Acolyte: Evy Colyer
Screens: Josh Colyer
Video: Aiden Colyer

Sunday, February 8th 10:30 am

Organist: Jeanine Consolino
Elder: Charlie Consolino
Greeter/Usher: Lynn McAuliffe, Ezra Douglas
Acolyte: Elijah Douglas
Screens: Leah Douglas

Monday, February 9th 6:30 pm

Organist: Jeanine Consolino
Elder: Glenn Grebing
Greeter/Usher:

Special Prayers

- † **Family of Gary Crawford**, as they grieve his recent death
- † **Family of Bill Haas**, uncle of Bethany Haas, who died this past week
- † **Joanie Jo Weinrich**, great niece of Consolino's, broken ankle
- † **Linda Stevens**, Jay Stevens's mother, recovering from surgery
- † **Praises for John & Jean Kirk**, celebrating 60 years of marriage 1.29.26
- † **Quintin Roland**, who is becoming a confirmed member this weekend.
- † **Mary Lou Oglesby**, at Oak Hill in Waterloo
- † **Joe Locastro**, Cousin to Charlie Consolino, for additional healing, in the hospital
- † **Joe Starek**, recovering from hip replacement surgery

Additional Prayers

- † **The Kaster's**, our missionaries in the Czech Republic
- † **Eve's Restoration Home**
- † **Beverly Pulcher**, recovering from foot surgery
- † **Matthew Scholz, Lisa Schmidt's son-in-law**, Recovering from surgery
- † **Barb Schneider**, on hospice care
- † **Chris Schoenhoff**, friend of Mike Arras, health issues
- † **For the DCE Call process**



Welcome:

This Monday night during the 6:30pm service Quintin Roland will become a confirmed member of St. Paul's. Quintin recently graduated from Columbia, High School and he presently works at Budnick Converting here in Columbia. He resides with his mother, Crystal Craft and his two siblings, and he is the great grandson of Sandy Roessler. Welcome Quintin.

Call Committee update:

The Call Committee is now setting up interviews with 3 of the candidates.

1/25/26 Voter's Meeting Update

- ★ A \$438,000 dollar budget was approved for next year. Last year's budget was \$428,000 of which we spent \$390,425. (A more detailed summation of income & Expenses if available in the church entryway)
- ★ The Company that inquired about putting a cell tower on our property no longer desires a cell tower at this location.
- ★ The congregation nominated Rev. Richard Snow of Nebraska as Regional vice president, and Rev. Mark Nebel as a regional vice president.
- ★ A committee to revamp our church constitution will begin its work this week.
- ★ The Mid-week Lenten meal schedule was finalized.
- ★ A church cleaning day has been set for Saturday, April 11th.
- ★ A number of committee & board reports were given and these are available in the church entryway.



2025 contribution statements have been mailed. If you have any questions, please call Lisa Schmidt ([281-8413](tel:281-8413)).

St. Paul's Lutheran Church is participating in the Baby Bottle Fundraiser on behalf of Life Network of Southern Illinois (Waterloo and Red Bud) to protect the sanctity of human life. You are invited to bring back the Baby Bottles to the church office thru the month of February.

For Those Living With Cancer / Undergoing Cancer Treatments...

- Patti French**, friend of congregation
- Harold Thoma**, brother of Bob Thoma
- Jeffrey Gruber**, son of Don & Pat Gruber
- Kip Quevreaux**
- Nancy Puhi**, sister of Mike Arras
- Robert Ebner**, friend of Bob Thoma
- Tara Menard**, granddaughter of Don & Pat Gruber
- Gwen Shreeman**, niece of Janet Kenney
- Virginia Schweigert**, Theresa Mancarella's sister
- Tony Tumminia**, friend of Scott Moeslein
- Sandy Cates**, friend of Susan S. & Mona N.
- Katie Pernoud**, co-worker of Beth Niehaus.

Our Response To His Love With Attendance

1/24/26 9 am (Sat.)	42
1/25 10:30 am N/A Snow	
1/26 6:30 pm	18 60

1/25 SS Children/Youth	n/a
1/25 Adult Bible Study	n/a
1/27 Men's Bible Study	6
1/28 Women's Bible Study	10

Our Response To His Love W/ Our Finances

General Fund	
Weekly Budgeted	
Amount Needed	\$ 8,400

Received 1/18/26 \$ 14,461

Building Repair Fund	
Received 1/18/26	\$ 631

Next Pantry:
February 4th
1:30—3 pm

Pantry Needs:
Popcorn, Coffee,
Chicken Broth, Beef Broth
1/21 Served: 17 Families
36 Adults & 7 Children