



Family Newsletter

BY HIS WOUNDS WE ARE HEALED

A SERIES OF SERVICES
FOR THE SEASON OF LENT

ASH WEDNESDAY



**THE WOUNDS OF
BLASPHEMY**

FEBRUARY 26th 12:15 and 6:00 p.m.

WEEK 1



**THE WOUNDS OF
VIOLATING
THE SABBATH**

MARCH 4th 12:15 and 6:00 p.m.

WEEK 2



**THE WOUNDS OF
DISHONORING
AUTHORITY**

MARCH 11th 12:15 and 6:00 p.m.

WEEK 3



**THE WOUNDS
OF MURDER**

MARCH 18th 12:15 and 6:00 p.m.

WEEK 4



**THE WOUNDS OF
ADULTERY**

MARCH 25th 12:15 and 6:00 p.m.

WEEK 5



**THE WOUNDS OF
STEALING**

APRIL 1st 12:15 and 6:00 p.m.

Pastor's Page



Recently, as we watch the news on TV, we are bombarded with all kinds of information about the outbreak of coronavirus in China. So far, as of Feb. 24th, over 80,000 people are infected by this virus, and over 2,700 have died worldwide.

Since it is highly contagious, many cities in China are now on lockdown. It is very hard for us to imagine that all the roads connected to Wuhan, the epicenter of this coronavirus, a city of 11.9 million people, are shut down. From the TV news we see very few people are allowed to walk on the street. Stores are closed. Airport and train stations have no travelers. All citizens are required to stay in their homes to avoid unnecessary human contact. These are the scenes that you thought you would only see in a disaster movie but now it is showing in real life. Many people are afraid to be the next victim, and their anxiety level is extremely high.

With all the shocking reports on this outbreak, one has particularly caught my attention. A lady was crying from the balcony of her high-rise apartment house. The next thing was that she started throwing her money down from the balcony, screaming out in desperation: "If I can't stay alive, what's the use of keeping all of my money?"

I was speechless after watching that report. Then I glanced over all the things in my house with this epiphany: if I were in her situation, none of these earthly possessions would be able to save me either.

We need to pray for those who are under the impact of coronavirus outbreak. We ask God that not only the new treatment would soon be discovered, but also all the victims and their families could have the real peace, comfort and hope.

Further, we should remind ourselves not to put our hope and trust in earthly possessions. God puts them in our hands to support our bodies and lives, or to accomplish what He wants us to do, not to rely on them.

Sadly, many people have invested a lot of their energy on pursuing earthly gains. They think the more possessions they own, the happier their lives will be.

But life is vulnerable. Any unexpected things, like coronavirus, can turn their world upside down. Just in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye, all they have trusted would mean nothing to them.

Jesus says to us in Matthew 6:19–20:

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal."

Remember we live in a sinful and broken world. We should not be surprised that all kinds of disasters are happening all the time. Therefore, we shouldn't be looking for something this world cannot provide. Instead, let us go to our Creator and our Redeemer, Jesus Christ. In Him, we find the true peace, joy and hope. Amen.

God Bless,

Pastor Kenny Hsu

YOUTH EVENTS



“Starry Night” DINNER & SILENT AUCTION

Hosted by the St. Paul’s Youth Group

Saturday, March 14th at 6:30 p.m.

Get your tickets now. Tickets are \$20 per person or \$100 for a table of six. Purchase tickets by Friday, March 6. Choose between Chicken or Prime Rib when purchasing tickets. We are now accepting donations for the silent auction and they may be left at the church office until March 13th. The youth have raised over \$4K on this event in the past and this year we are in need of some youth servers. Please let us know if you can serve from 6:30-8:30 p.m. (Meal included with serving). The money raised from this fundraiser will go toward our youth attending the National Youth Gathering. For more information contact Chris Hannemann at 712-251-6238.



Belgian Waffle Brunch

Sunday, March 1 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Tickets are \$8/Adults and \$5/kids 5-10 and \$1/kids 4 and under

Get your tickets from any St. Paul student, in the church office, or at the door. The youth have been asked to help make waffles. Please let Chris Hannemann know what time he can put you down for.



MercyMe and Jeremy Camp Concert

The Sunday School Committee is headed to the MercyMe and Jeremy Camp Concert at the Sioux Falls Denny Sanford Premier Center on Saturday, Mar. 28 at 7 p.m. We will meet at the church office to carpool. Depending on the group size and location, tickets would be \$45. So that we can organize seating and tickets please pay by **March 5th** at the church office or contact Jaime Langholdt at 712-574-9660 or txjami@yahoo.com



DATE	6 p.m. Saturday	8:15 a.m. Sunday	10:45 a.m. Sunday
Feb. 29-Mar. 1	Marla Anderson	Eliza Gunn	Ava Hannemann
Mar. 7-8	Breezie Treglia		Justice Sherman & Diamond Henry
Mar. 14-15	Marla Anderson	Jacey Kennedy	Christian Spencer
Mar. 21-22	Carter Sulzbach		Reagan Granstrom
Mar. 28-29	Sara & Emma Sparr		Elijah Coleman



Dear Friends in Christ,

During Lent, look to the cross and the One who died there in our place. As Mary and Martha stood at the grave of their brother, Jesus reminded them that He, Himself, was the resurrection and the life. (John 11:25) Let's remind our family and friends of that this Lenten season as we prepare our hearts for His resurrection celebration.



Please, write down these dates:

March 1st – Waffle Brunch (8:00AM – 1:00PM) Help needed!!!

March 1st – (8:15 & 10:45 Am) The choir sings

March 9th – 2nd thru 5th go to the Symphony @ Orpheum Theater (leave at 9:30 for a 10:00 AM concert)

March 23rd – End of 3rd Quarter/Dismiss at 1:00 PM (Teachers' Workshop)

March 30th - We dismiss at 1:00 for Parent/Teacher Conferences (note coming)

April 9th-13th – No School/ Easter Break

***Please note these changes to the calendar:

April 28th – Literacy Night (Jungle Safari Camp Out)/6:30-7:30 PM Gym

May 6th – 7th - Plants delivered & sorted

May 8th – 9th – Plant sales & pick-up

May 14th – Operetta 7:00 PM/Gym ***Plant sale will be in the gym May 7th

May 20th – Field Day in Paullina, IA (K-5th Grades/all day) ***This date is a Wednesday.

Have a Blessed Lent! Celebrate the fact Jesus died for your family!!! Celebrate that He rose and prepares a place for us in heaven. He is the resurrection and the life. We need to live lives of thankfulness for His sacrifice. Jesus truly is the Good Shepherd who laid down His life for His sheep.

A Fellow Worker in the Living Christ,
Alyce Strong Davis

Lutheran Schools Week January 26-31, 2020



NEED A BOOK TO READ? St. Paul's Lutheran School has a Lending Library that you can use for free. The Library is located next to our flag pole and children that are Preschool through 5th Grade may borrow a book from the box and return it for another one. Lending and returning are on a trust and grace basis. Please, enjoy!!! If you would like to donate, there is a box by the trophy case for gently used or new books, or just leave the book in the Lending Library.



ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL CALENDAR

- February 28** No School
- March 1** Waffle Brunch
- March 23** End of 3rd 9 weeks – 45 days
Dismiss at 1:00 p.m. – Teacher In-service
- March 30** 3rd Quarter Parent Teacher Conferences
Dismiss at 1:00 p.m.
- April 9-13** Easter Break
- May 22** Early Out – 1:00 p.m.
- May 25** Memorial Day
- May 28** End of 4th 9 weeks – 44 days
Last Day of School – Dismiss at 1:00 p.m.
- May 29** Snow Make Up Day or Teacher Workday
- June 1** Possible Snow Makeup Day

Be a Voice for Life! Monday, March 2 11AM - 3PM
 Prayer Rally for Life 12PM - 1PM)
 Hear from Iowa's pro-life leaders on the latest efforts to save babies' lives, hear from and encourage legislators who are standing up to defend life, and join local clergy in powerful prayer.

2020
 IOWA PRAYER RALLY
 FOR LIFE

MON, MARCH 2
 11AM - 3PM
 IOWA STATE CAPITOL

#SHESABABY

Ways to Support St. Paul's Lutheran School

Support our School with Scrip!

How it works ...You buy gift cards from the school, and the school earns money. We carry a variety of cards in the office. To order, call Sarah Gunn at (712) 223-1238 or stop in the church office. Orders placed by noon **Friday, March 6th** may be picked up **Thursday, March 12th**. Scrip is a year-long fundraising program that supports St. Paul's Lutheran School and its families. Scrip cards are simply purchased for everyday expenses, such as food, clothing, gifts, gas, etc. To order go to www.shopwithscrip.com or stop in the office.

Hy-Vee Receipts Program *Hy-Vee Receipts Program:* Keep saving your Hy-Vee receipts (also includes prescription receipts but excludes receipts on gas and stamps) now through **April 26, 2020**. Drop-offs are located in the church office or in the church or can be sent with St. Paul's students. The receipts accepted are the receipts from the four Sioux City Hy-Vee locations and the South Sioux City Hy-Vee location. Thanks for your support.

Hy-Vee
 Receipts



Shoparoo is school fundraising made *easy*: the free app turns pictures of your everyday shopping receipts into cash donations and sweepstakes entries for our school! Yep, it's that simple. All you have to do is shop as you normally do, snap pictures of **all your receipts** with the app, and just like that the school as earned \$\$\$!

Get started today:

1. Download the free Shoparoo app from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store
2. Select our school from the list and start taking pictures of your receipts - shop anywhere, buy anything!

THRIVENT MEMBERS

This is the time when Thrivent members are able to designate their free Thrivent dollars. Thrivent members may call 800-847-4836 or may go online at www.thrivent.com/thrivent-choice and designate your Thrivent choice dollars. We would encourage you to designate to St. Paul's Lutheran Church or School. Thank you for your support and care. Lon Stuhr.

ILSTO:

The Iowa Lutheran School Tuition Organization raised just over \$500,000 in 2019 that will be awarded for the next school year 2020-2021. With changes in the law, ILSTO will be able to raise \$950,000 in 2020. We need your help to almost double our donations to help many more families attend Iowa Lutheran schools. Make a donation to ILSTO and receive a 65% Iowa tax credit. Call Dewey Torkelson at 712-260-2991 for more information.



MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

March 04	Richard & Connie Brown	48 Years
March 12	Charles & Cheryl Ball	28 Years
March 16	Lori & John Bowitz	29 Years
March 17	Rich & Barb Lee	48 Years
March 26	Duane & Sherri Benson	48 Years
March 26	Sara & Nick DeAnda	16 Years
March 28	David & Kelly Siefker	39 Years
March 28	Brendan & Erin White	22 Years
March 30	Justin & Shelli Tuttle	20 Years
March 31	Lewis & Tresa Matthews	31 Years

(If you see any discrepancy in names, day or years in our birthday or anniversary list, please let the church office know, so we may update our records.)

Sunday, March 8th begins Daylight Savings! Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour Saturday Night before you go to bed so that you are not late for services.



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

March 1

Brady McCormick

March 2

Natalie Powell

Karen Sherrill

March 3

Wanita Lane

Mike Mertens

Melissa Van Etten

March 4

Bill Hanna

Frieda Lehr

Leticia Robles

March 5

Tony Figge

Matthew Lee

Avery Petersen

March 6

Bev McCallister

James Wagner

Kim Weier

March 7

Meadow Gardner

Tubby Mitchell

March 8

Alle Grant

March 9

Adam Wagner

Brendan White

March 10

Carson Jager

Pam Schulz

Kelly Winegar

March 11

Jim Ellickson

March 12

Jacob Popken

March 13

Joni Perera

March 14

Vera Stoltze

March 15

Gabbie Schweigert

March 16

Rita Raeside

Doug Siefker

March 17

Kathy Donaldson

Chantilly March

March 18

Brandon Kasdorf

March 19

Pastor Kenny Hsu

Joyce Segebart

March 20

Gola Bales

March 21

Kenny Kasdorf, Jr.

Dorothy Will

March 22

Steven Benson

Charlotte Hansen

Sue Munson

Liam Mahaney

March 24

Gerald Collins

Chelsey Worden

March 25

Enid De Vries

Reta Lantis

Ruth Moore

March 26

Kara Holland

Andrea Hsu

Barry Hueschen

Robert Koeppe

Heather Koll

Amanda Morehead

JoAnn Williams

March 27

Rodney Feller

March 28

Jodi Becks

Candi Martin

March 29

Suzy Joines

Mckenzie Steele

Frances Sulzbach

March 30

Natalie Schulz

Bryan Siefker

Ari Lynn Van Etten

Jean Wetrosky

March 31

Megan Beck

Jan Black

Zach Carter

Anamarie VanCura



Notes from St. Paul's



The Lutheran Witness Renewals

Renewals for the new subscription year are due by March 2, 2020. There are 11 magazines mailed over 12 months (Please note the June/July is a combined edition). The price is \$22.68. You may send your checks to the church office. Please clearly mark them for The Lutheran Witness.

Lamplighters

Will be meeting at Hope Lutheran on March 4th at 9:30 a.m.

Blood Pressures

There will not be any blood pressure checks in the month of March.

Board of Education

Our next meeting will be slightly different times:
March 10, 2020, NSLA 6:00-7:00 followed by Board of Education meeting 7:00 p.m.

Sunday School

Is each Sunday at 9:30am. We meet in the sanctuary and kids can be picked up in the classroom. We are discussing the Sermon on the Mount and Jesus' message in the Beatitudes. Please join us if you are in Pre-School through fifth grade.

Young at Heart Club

"Young At Heart Club" will meet Sunday, March 15th for a noon "Soup" luncheon after the late service in the church basement "fellowship hall". Three different soups will be furnished with those in attendance bringing the side dishes. Plan to join us for a great meal and fellowship. The committee.

Evangelism

Hello Everyone, Do you feel lucky? Or do you feel blessed? I can actually said that I am blessed not lucky. My God has watch over me all my life. He has provided and protected me. No matter what, He has been there. Ups and Downs, He has been there. God has been good to me. And I know there is so many people in the U.S and other countries that are not as blessed. Thank God we have missionaries that can help so many people. March is our Missionary Month. We will be talking about the four missionaries that we support. If you are blessed. Let's bless our missionaries and help them share God's Word. Evangelist Committee Marlis Hilden



Main Street Living — Local Lutheran Worship

"This is the Life," followed by Lutheran Worship Service, led by local LCMS pastors. 10 a.m. Sunday mornings on KCAU Channel 9. Watch these programs on demand at www.mainstreetliving.com.

St. Paul's Lutheran Women's League—February 6, 2020

The February Meeting was held with Bernice Johnsen as hostess. Five Members and Pastor Kenny were present. Pastor's devotion was on Losing Faith. We need God's continued guidance. Bernice read an article entitled, "Guard Your Heart". The Secretary and Treasurer's report were accepted as printed.

Circle Reports:

Anna Circle – Making Quilts – A quilt will be given to the Youth, "Starry Night" silent auction March 14th.

Elizabeth Circle – Prayer Chain

Mary/Martha Circle meets at Eastside Perkins

Old Business & New Business —The Spring Rally date is April 18, 2020. Carolyn is calling for a speaker.

Pastor's Conference was February 11, 2020. We sang "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise" and "Abide, O Dearest Jesus". The meeting was adjourned. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Marlene Mertens, Acting Secretary

Lent 2020 Midweek Schedule

Services 12:15 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

By His Wounds We Are Healed!

The innocent Son of God had no sins of his own for which he deserved to die, yet his enemies falsely accused him of violating every commandment of God. In each service in this series, we will see that it was our sin, our disobedience that Jesus bore in his body on the cross. The Lord laid on him “the iniquity of us all.” Jesus suffered the penalty of death in our place, and “by his wounds we are healed.”

Light Supper will be served after 6:00 PM service

Date	Theme
Feb 26	Ash Wednesday: Blasphemy – John 10:31-39 Jesus is accused of blasphemy and misusing God’s name.
Mar 04	Week 1 – Violating the Sabbath – Luke 6:6-11 Jesus is accused of violating the Sabbath.
Mar 11	Week 2 – Dishonoring Authority – John 19:12-16 Jesus is accused of dishonoring authority, calling himself a king.
Mar 18	Week 3 – Murder – John 11:47-53 Jesus is accused of inspiring rebellion and the destruction of Israel; he is accused of being in league with Satan, who is “a murderer from the beginning” (John 8:44).
Mar 25	Week 4 – Associating with Tax Collectors and Prostitutes – Mark 2:13-17 Jesus is accused of associating with tax collectors and prostitutes.
Apr 02	Week 5 – Stealing – Luke 23:1-5 Jesus is accused of forbidding the paying of taxes.

Strengthened through His Word

During this penitential season of Lent, we kneel at the cross, pondering the perfection of our Savior and the sin of our souls which led Him to that place (1 Peter 1:18-20). We ask for forgiveness, and we ask that we might be strengthened through His Word and Sacrament to rise as new creatures, eager to do His will, eager to thank Him with grateful hearts, and eager to speak the message of His love and sacrifice for all.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, You are the Creator and Sustainer of the universe. You are the King of glory, the Lord strong and mighty. We pray that You will strengthen us to follow Your ways. Help us to boldly proclaim the Good News of the Gospel to those around us. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen

Blessing on your stewardship journey!



March 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Waffle Brunch 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. 8:15 a.m. Worship/ Communion 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 10:45 a.m. Worship/ Communion 5:00 p.m. Elders Meeting	2 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Aerobics	3	4 9:30 a.m. Lamplighters at Hope Lutheran 12:15 and 6:00 p.m. Week 1 Lent Service 5 p.m. Confirmation	5 8:30 a.m. Bible Study, Fellowship Hall 1:00 p.m. Women's League 7 p.m. Bible Study at Pastor's home	6	7 6 p.m. Worship
8 Daylights Savings 8:15 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 10:45 a.m. Worship	9 9 a.m. Sewing	10 6 p.m. NSLA meeting and Board of Ed Meeting	11 12:15 and 6:00 p.m. Week 2 Lent Service 5 p.m. Confirmation	12 8:30 a.m. Bible Study, Fellowship Hall 7 p.m. Bible Study at Pastor's home	13	14 6 p.m. Worship/ Communion 6 p.m. Starry Night Dinner and Silent Auction
15 8:15 a.m. Worship/ Communion 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 10:45 a.m. Worship/ Communion Noon Young at Heart Soup Meal	16 6 p.m. Mary Martha Circle	17  St. Patrick's Day	18 12:15 and 6:00 p.m. Week 3 Lent Service 5 p.m. Confirmation	19 8:30 a.m. Bible Study, Fellowship Hall 7 p.m. Bible Study at Pastor's home	20	21 11 a.m. Maxine Jones Funeral 6 p.m. Worship
22 8:15 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 10:45 a.m. Worship Friends of Christ	23 9 a.m. Sewing	24	25 12:15 and 6:00 p.m. Week 4 Lent Service 5 p.m. Confirmation	26 8:30 a.m. Bible Study, Fellowship Hall 7 p.m. Bible Study at Pastor's home	27	28 6 p.m. Worship
29 8:15 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 10:45 a.m. Worship/ Pastor Flo and Potluck luncheon	30	31 6:30 p.m. Parish Planning Meeting			* Sunday Education Hour: High School Bible Study, two adult Bible Studies, Praise Team, and Sunday School, all at 9:30 a.m.	

LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS AS OURSELVES

2020 Outreach Opportunities at St. Paul's

Our March Outreach will be directed towards Missions. Each weekend there will be a Wishing –Well in the back to fill up for the missionaries that we currently are supporting: Trumps, Cortwrights, Beckendorfs and Pastor Paul Flo, who will be here on March 28-29 to give us an update on what is happening with the Siouxland Hispanic Ministry and preach during regular service times. We will also have a potluck dinner after the 10:45 a.m. service. Please sign up to bring a side, salad or dessert and join us for some fun, food and fellowship.

The next Hispanic Ministry Meeting will be on March 3rd at 6:30 PM at Hope Lutheran Church in South Sioux City, NE. Everyone is invited.



Month	Events	Dates	Group
March	Lamplighters at Hope	Mar. 4	
	Missions Month Pastor Flo	Mar. 28-29	Evangelism Committee
April	Lamplighters at Redeemer	Apr. 1	
	Lamplighters Fundraiser		
	Easter Egg Hunt	Apr. 4	Fellowship Club
May	Lamplighters at St. Paul's	May 6	
	Child Evangelism Fellowship		Evangelism Club
	Soup Kitchen	May 26	Evangelism Committee
June	V.B.S.		Sunday School
	Lamplighters at Trinity	Jun. 3	
July	Lamplighters at Calvary	Jul. 1	
August	Soup Kitchen	Aug. 24-25	Evangelism Committee
	Lamplighters at Concordia	Aug. 5	
September	Friendship Sunday		Evangelism Committee
	Lamplighters at Faith	Sept. 2	
October	Trunk or Treat		Evangelism Committee
	Lamplighters at Hope	Oct. 7	
November	Dried food for Gospel Mission		Social Concern
	Soup Kitchen	Nov. 23-24	
	Lamplighters at Redeemer	Nov. 4	
December	Mittens & Hats for Women's Shelter		St. Paul's School
	Lamplighters at St. Paul's	Dec. 2	

Servants for the Month of March

Altar Guild:

Charlotte Grothaus and Bernice Johnson

Elders:

Sat., 6:00 p.m.: Randy Johnson

Sun., 8:15 a.m.: Ron Cason and Robert Greene

Sun., 10:45 a.m.: Tim Draube and Randy Johnson

Ushers for March

3/1	1st Service	Jack Smith
	2nd Service	Jack Smith
3/8	1st Service	Tim Draube
	2nd Service	Bill Hanna
3/15	1st Service	Nick Gunn
	2nd Service	Bob Grothaus
3/22	1st Service	Steven Segebart
	2nd Service	Randy Johnson
3/29	1st Service	Dallas Schulz
	2nd Service	Mike Popken



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