



## *Behold, My Servant*

Baptism of Our Lord

January 11, 2026



# St. Paul Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod  
Columbus, Indiana

## Welcome to St. Paul!

We are glad that you have come to God's house to be fed and strengthened by His holy Word. The order of service for today is printed on the **insert** in this bulletin. Guests, we extend a special welcome to you this morning. We are privileged to have you as our guest today and encourage you to worship with us again soon.

**The Family Quiet Room and Restroom** are located outside the doors of the sanctuary and to the left. In the Family Quiet Room, you can hear and see the service. **Assisted hearing devices** are available for the service. Please contact an usher.

Do you need prayer support? Please call Bonnie England at **812-447-7895** to activate our **Prayer Chain**. Your fellow church members will pray for you.

**Our Communion Practice:** We invite and encourage those who have been instructed, confirmed, and confess the faith of this congregation and other congregations of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod to receive the Sacrament. Communicants at this altar acknowledge their sins, believe that the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, and desire the Spirit's help to turn from their sins.

Those who are not communing are invited to come forward and receive a blessing by placing their arms across their chest.

If you have questions regarding our Communion teaching and practice, please speak to a pastor.

**Communion Preparation:** To prepare for the Lord's Supper, you may wish to pray the prayer on the inside cover of the hymnal or review the Christian Questions and Answers on pages 329-330.

### Today's Christian Education Opportunities

First Steps of Faith (Infants and Toddlers with a parent)  
Sunday School classes for ages three-sixth grade  
Confirmation Instruction (grades 7-8) led by Pastor Patterson  
Sr. High Youth in the Youth Room led by DCE Probst  
Christian Leadership Class meets in the Music Room led by Zach Mathews  
Bible Study meets in the fellowship room studying the Nicene Creed

### Serving Today

Organist: Kantor Dan Mau  
Acolytes: 8 AM Service Kylie Price  
10:45 AM Service Lane Gilmore

## Church Calendar

Today

### Baptism of Our Lord

#### 8:00 AM Divine Service

9:00 AM Radio Service WYGS 91.1 FM

9:10 AM Fellowship

9:30 AM Sunday School

#### 10:45 AM Divine Service—English and Spanish

Noon Lunch

12:15 PM Spanish Bible Study

12:15 PM Youth Confirmation

12:15 PM Choristers Rehearsal

12:30 PM Youth Board Meeting

12:45 PM Jr. Handchimes Rehearsal

1:15 PM Jr. Handbells Rehearsal

7:00 PM Lutheran Hour WYGS 91.1 FM

Monday

February Newsletter Deadline

9:30 AM Homeschool Religion Class

10:00 AM Small Group Handbells

Tuesday

5:30-9:00 PM Church Reserved

Wednesday

9:00 AM Bible Study

#### 10:15 AM Matins Service

5:00 PM Stewardship Board Meeting

6:00 PM Bible Study

6:00 PM Sr. Handbells

7:00 PM Sr. Choir

7:00 PM Education Board Meeting

Next Sunday

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### IN THE GATHERING SPACE...

- January-March *Portals of Prayer*
- Latest edition of *Lutheran Women's Quarterly*
- 2026 Offering Envelopes
- Registration materials for our Early Childhood Ministry to share with others

# Baptism of Our Lord

## Prelude

Albert Nolting, guitar

## Welcome and Announcements

*Please sign the Record of Fellowship*

## Ringin' of the Bell

## Opening Hymn 10:45 AM Service

**938** *Choir sings stanzas 1 and 2—see hymn narration page 3*

## Baptismal Remembrance Service

*please stand*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** There is one body and one Spirit.

**C** **There is one hope in God's call to us.**

**P** One Lord, one faith, one Baptism.

**C** **One God and Father of us all.**

**P** As Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father,

**C** **even so we also should walk in the newness of life.**

## Baptismal Hymn

*please remain standing* **601**

## Scripture Reading

Romans 6:1-11

[Paul writes:] What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His. We know that our old self was crucified with Him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with Him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. For the death He died He died to sin, once for all, but the life He lives He lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**P** In Holy Baptism we are forgiven our sins and granted a new life in Christ, our Lord. We solemnly renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways; we confess the gift of faith in God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

I ask you anew: Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?

**C** **I do renounce them.**

**P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

**C** **Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son?

**C** **Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**P** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**G Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

**P** Is it your earnest purpose to continue steadfast in this faith and in the promise of your Baptism and, as a member of the Church, to be diligent in the use of the means of grace and prayer?

**G Yes, with the help of God.**

**P** The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life everlasting.

**G Amen.**

**P** Let us pray. Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G Amen.**

*please be seated*

## Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 42:1-9

[The LORD declares to His Servant:] Behold My servant, whom I uphold, My chosen, in whom My soul delights; I have put My Spirit upon Him; He will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry aloud or lift up His voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed He will not break, and a faintly burning wick He will not quench; He will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be discouraged till He has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for His law.

Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it: "I am the LORD; I have called You in righteousness; I will take You by the hand and keep You; I will give You as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD; that is My name; My glory I give to no other, nor My praise to carved idols. Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them."

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Hymn

405 *Choir sings stanzas 3 and 5*

## Gospel Reading

*please stand* Matthew 3:13-17

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the third chapter. **G Glory to You, O Lord.**

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by You, and do You come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus was baptized, immediately He went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on Him; and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G Praise to You, O Christ.** *please be seated*

## Little Sermon

## Hymn of the Day

404 *Choir sings stanza 1*

## Sermon

*Behold, My Servant*

Isaiah 42:1-7

## Confession of Sins

*please stand* (from the Small Catechism—LSB 292)

**P** As the baptized children of God, let us come before our heavenly Father seeking His forgiveness.

**C** **I, a poor sinner, plead guilty of all sins. I have lived as if You did not matter and as if I mattered most. Your name I have not honored as I should; my worship and prayers have faltered. I have not let Your love have its way with me, and so my love for others has failed. There are those whom I have hurt, and those whom I have failed to help. My thoughts and desires have been soiled with sin. I am sorry for all of this and ask for grace. I want to do better. Amen.**

**P** God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## Prayers

*After each petition:*

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

## Offering

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## Service of the Sacrament

*please stand* pages 160-163

## Distribution of the Sacrament

Hymns: **596 stanzas 1-5, 407, 398, 409, 595**

*Visitors—please read the Communion statement on the inside front cover of the bulletin.*

## Post-Communion Canticle

*please stand*

8 AM Service: **Hymn 938** *Choir sings stanzas 1 and 2—see hymn narration below*

10:45 AM Service: **Page 164** *Thank the Lord*

## Post-Communion Collect and Benediction

**P** Let us pray...one God, now and forever.

**C** **(spoken) Amen.**

**P** The Lord bless you...give you peace.

**C** **(spoken) Amen.**

## Closing Hymn

**596 stanza 6**

## Postlude

*How Brightly Shines the Morning Star—J. Pachelbel*

*Thanks to Albert Nolting for playing the guitar this morning.*

The hymn *In Peace and Joy I Now Depart* was written by Martin Luther for the Feast of Candlemas, February 2, 1524. Candlemas occurs 40 days after Christmas and recounts the presentation of Jesus at the Temple, where Simeon takes the Christ Child in his arms. Luther's hymn is a paraphrase of Simeon's Song recorded in Luke 2:29-32. We often sing Simeon's Song after receiving Communion.

Simeon was familiar with the prophecy of Isaiah 42 and many other Messianic prophecies. In his song of praise, Simeon extols Jesus as the light to the nations (Gentiles) and the glory of God's people Israel.

Like Simeon, we have seen the Lord's salvation in the baby born of Mary. We have received His forgiveness and salvation through His Word and the gift of His body and blood. Thus, like Simeon, we are prepared to depart this life in peace, knowing that there is an eternity of joy that awaits us in the presence of our Savior and Lord.

# Behold, My Servant

## Isaiah 42:1-7

**Jesus is the Father's beloved S\_\_\_\_\_ and S\_\_\_\_\_.**

He is the c\_\_\_\_\_ one, the Messiah.

The S\_\_\_\_\_ descends upon Him for His saving mission.

He comes to bring forth justice (justification/righteousness) to the n\_\_\_\_\_.

He does not break the bruised r\_\_\_\_\_. He does not quench the faintly burning w\_\_\_\_\_.

He establishes and is the c\_\_\_\_\_ for all people.

**Because of your baptism into Christ, you are a beloved c\_\_\_\_\_ and a s\_\_\_\_\_ of the LORD.**

God has called you by n\_\_\_\_\_.

The Holy S\_\_\_\_\_ dwells within you.

Christ has fulfilled all r\_\_\_\_\_ for you. In your baptism, you have been clothed with Christ.

You are now a member of God's c\_\_\_\_\_ people.

When you are like a bruised reed, Jesus heals and r\_\_\_\_\_ you. When you are a faintly burning wick,

Jesus fills you with the o\_\_\_\_\_ of His Word and Supper.

### ***Next Sunday's Readings—Second Sunday after Epiphany***

*Isaiah 49:1-7; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42a*

**LIVING THE SERMON...** Christ is the Father's beloved Son and chosen His Servant. He came to this world to make you a beloved child of the Father and a servant of our gracious Lord. Everything Jesus accomplished for you by His perfect life and His suffering and death was given to you on your baptism day. Rejoice in the gifts given to you in your baptism, and ***daily*** live in the grace and power of Your baptism as you put to death your old self through repentance and the new self arises and emerges through the gift of forgiveness. Pray for God's help to remain steadfast in the faith you have been given, to remain steadfast in times of trial and temptation, to make faithful use of the means of grace, God's Word and Sacraments, and to be fervent in calling upon your heavenly Father in prayer.

**PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH...** Rejoice in who you are and whose you are because of your baptism into Christ. Pray for God's help and strength to be a faithful child and servant, always seeking the Spirit's help to empower you to live as one who is dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

**MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK...** *The next day [John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"* John 1:29

# Youth Events

## **KfC (Kids for Christ—fifth graders and younger)**

**Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>**—Lutheran Schools Week is a celebration of the sharing God's Word with all of God's children. We are blessed in this community to have several Lutheran schools who have the privilege of teaching the Bible in school. Join us from noon-1:15 PM for lunch and special activities that rejoice in God's richest gifts through His word.

## **Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>—KfC Event, Noon-1:15 PM**

Mark your calendar for an afternoon of fun and fellowship with your church friends.

## **SPY (high schoolers) and C4Life (sixth-eighth grade)**

*Thanks to our youth counselors and parent volunteers who attended the lock-in!*

## **Thursday-Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>—Y4Life Conference in Washington, DC**

Please pray for our youth and adult chaperones who will be attending this for life conference.

## **Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>—Sign-up Deadline for Higher Things Conference**

Join hundreds of youth from across the nation for worship, Bible study, fellowship and fun in St. Louis June 30<sup>th</sup>-July 3<sup>rd</sup>. All 8-12 graders are invited to attend. Please sign up on the clipboard in the Sunday School hallways. Questions? Please contact DCE Probst.

## **Saturday, February 14<sup>th</sup>—Valentine's Day Childcare**

Our SPY and C4Life Youth will again be offering childcare on Valentine's Day from 5-9 PM. Youth, please come and serve as this fundraiser. All parents are invited to take advantage of this opportunity. Freewill donations will be accepted.

## **Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup>—Broomball at Hamilton Ice Arena**

Always a youth favorite. Please plan to attend!

*Friends are always welcome! For more information, contact DCE Jen Probst or a youth counselor.*



# Extending Christ's Love

## **Thanks for Your Generous Support!**

At the conclusion of the first full year of our five-year Extending Christ's Love Campaign, we are both humbled by and grateful for your generosity. Total gifts and income have exceeded **\$3 million!** Many of you have chosen to increase your pledge or to fulfill your pledge early which means that we can both postpone the time when we will need to begin outside financing of the project and also decrease the amount that we will need to finance, saving us thousands of dollars in interest. Continue to pray for this endeavor and for those who will be served through our Christian Education Center.

**Playground Project:** We are closing in on fully funding the Playground Project. We need **\$4,503** to reach our goal. Remember all gifts are matched dollar-for-dollar. Thanks to all who have supported this endeavor.

With the temperatures moderating, look for more activity on the building site. It is an exciting season in our life together as God's family in this place. Thanks to your generosity we are creating a space and place for ministry to occur for many years to come!



# St Paul Scholarship Granting Organization

## **Donate to our Lutheran Scholarship Granting Organization at St. Paul!**

A donation to our St. Paul SGO directly benefits our Early Childhood Ministry by helping us fund our mission and ministry! When you donate to our St. Paul SGO, you are eligible to receive 50% of your donation back in the form of an Indiana tax credit!

## **Did you know that you can use the SGO to strategically plan your church tithing?**

Here is an idea:

A couple decides to donate \$10,000 to our St. Paul SGO in 2026. They file their 2026 taxes at the beginning of 2027, and they receive \$5,000 back as an Indiana tax credit. They immediately give that \$5,000 back to the church as their general fund tithe for 2027. The result is that a \$10,000 gift turned into \$15,000 for St. Paul!

## **Please consult with your tax advisor for specific tax advice.**

Please contact Rachel Fohne for more information at [financialsecretary@stpaulcolumbus.org](mailto:financialsecretary@stpaulcolumbus.org) or 812-343-3786. You can also visit [www.lutheransgo.org](http://www.lutheransgo.org) for more information!

2025-2026 St. Paul SGO Fundraising Goal \$135,000

Amount Raised as of 12/31/2025 \$80,676.39

*Thanks to all who have donated to our SGO! We have received over \$80,000 since July!*

## **IN OUR PRAYERS... Retirement and Congregation**

**Vacancy:** Pastor Richard Kolaskey and Trinity Lutheran, Dillsboro; **Sick and Recovering:** Emmy Baker, Wilma Yeley, Sheila Shaffer, Henry Wischmeier, Marie Tellman, Gloria Schultz, Joan Wilcox, Beverly Neawedde, Gerald Helt, Jim Probst, Jill Scheidt, Bob and Marilyn Runge, Marilyn Brown, Larry Hoeltke (Dennis Hoeltke's brother/Mike and Wilma Yeley's brother-in-law), Connie Ball, Lisa Williams (Ann Linke's niece/Jordan Patterson's aunt), Pastor Craig Wulf and Jesse Lopez (John and Gail Jones' friends), Lori Lucas (Katrina Smith's friend), Mary Putz (Anne Wiltsey's mother), Deb Larsen and Ozzy Hentges (Kallis' friends), Curt Carothers, Al Abrams (Pam Roth's brother), Mike Greve (Nora Cleary's cousin), Marcia Carson and Linda Hall (Gayla Alesandro's friends), Jami Maher (Joanne Kirby's niece), Bob McDonald (Wendy Wiederhoeft's father), Margaret Osmon (Nancy Dyer's sister), Ed Vogel (Eddie Vogel's father), William Leitshuh (Clearys' friend), Marilyn Gifford and Sherry Hart (Hinds' friends); **Active Military:** Garrett McGaha, Shane McGowen (Sally Haak's nephew), Peyton Mullins (Sperrys' friend), Ty Chamberlain (Taffy Schroer's relative)

**TODAY'S RADIO MINISTRY...** is sponsored by Wilbur and Bonnie England in celebration of Bonnie's 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday.

**PASTOR RICHARD KOLASKEY...** is retiring today as pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church in Dillsboro where he has served since 2005. He and wife Tina are moving to Ohio to be closer to family. We give thanks to God for Pastor Kolaskey's faithful ministry and pray for the saints at Trinity during their pastoral vacancy.

**SIGN-UP TO SERVE IN THE LWML...** Yesterday the LWML held their Annual Meeting where they chose their mission and service projects for 2026. All women of St. Paul are invited and encouraged to serve in the LWML. If you missed yesterday's meeting, please stop by the table in the gathering space to learn more about the LWML's mission and sign up to serve, if interested.

**SUNDAY LUNCHESES...** The January-May sign-up sheet is posted in the gathering space. Please sign up if you would like to serve.

Today—Chicken Wraps

Next Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup>—Meatball Subs

January 25<sup>th</sup>—Walking Tacos—KfC/NLSW Celebration

February 1<sup>st</sup>—Sandwich Bar

**FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE...** is **tomorrow, January 12<sup>th</sup>**.

**TLHS INFORMATION NIGHT...** Attention future Cougars and families! Trinity Lutheran High School invites current 8<sup>th</sup> graders, students interested in transferring, and their parents or guardians to attend



TLHS Information Night on **Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>** at 6:30 PM. Join in to learn what makes Trinity Lutheran High School a special place to grow in faith, knowledge, and community. During the evening, families will hear about academics, student life, faith formation, and the many opportunities available at TLHS. If this date doesn't work for your family, there is an additional Information Night on April 22, 2026. For questions or more information, please contact Admissions Director Erin Brooks at [ebrooks@trinitycougars.org](mailto:ebrooks@trinitycougars.org) or 812-524-8547.

**NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK...** is **January 25-February 1**. We will join with Lutheran schools throughout the nation around the theme *Let's Make a Joyful Noise*. Our school students will participate in many special activities and events to celebrate our school. Our Sunday celebration of National Lutheran Schools Week is **Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>**. Our early childhood ministry students will sing at the 10:45 AM service. After the service, our KFC event will include both church and early childhood ministry children and their families. Lunch will be provided for all with activities and events from noon-1:15 PM. Please continue to pray for our school and our teaching staff. Join us as we celebrate the many opportunities that the Lord gives us through our early childhood ministry to extend Christ's love!

**WAYMANSVILLE SOUP SUPPER AND EUCHRE PARTY...** is **Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup>** at St. Peter, Waymansville. Soup supper begins at 5 PM and Euchre at 6 PM. \$5 for supper and \$5 to play euchre.

**ECM REGISTRATION...** Registration for the 2026-2027 school year for our early childhood ministry is now open! All registration is online so encourage families to visit the church website ([stpaulcolumbus.org](http://stpaulcolumbus.org)) to learn more and to register. Families are also invited to tour our school. Financial aid is available to all families so that no student is turned away. Please contact Director Jen Probst to schedule a tour or for more information.

**INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP...** God continues to lead more people to our family of faith. If you would like more information on becoming a member of our congregation, please contact Pastor Bauman.

**JANUARY-APRIL FELLOWSHIP HOUR...** sign-up sheet is posted in the gathering space.

**2026 RADIO MINISTRY AND FLOWER CHART...** are posted in the gathering space. Sponsorship for our Sunday morning service and the *Lutheran Hour* at 7 PM on Sundays is \$125 in 2026.

**ADDITIONAL POINSETTIA DONATED...** Catherine Nolting and family donated a poinsettia in memory of Max Nolting.

**THANKS FROM...** Jill and Randy Scheidt thank you for the wonderful cards and notes that they have received throughout 2025. They are especially thankful for the church members who continue to pray for Jill every day.

**THANKS FROM KANTOR MAU...** Thank you for the kind words, prayers, and very generous gifts to me during the Christmas season and throughout the past year. You are a blessing to both me and my family, and I am beyond thankful for the opportunity to serve the Lord through the church's song at St. Paul!

In Christ's Love, Dan

**ONLINE GIVING...** You can set up your tithing completely online! Follow the link below or QR code on to access our secure, online giving platform. If you forgot to bring cash or check to worship today, you can give a one-time donation at any time through our website where we accept ACH or credit card payments. You can also create recurring donations that happen weekly or monthly. And better yet, you have complete control over any adjustments or modifications that need to be made at any time. You can also indicate specific designations for your donation such as general fund, in memory of, Extending Christ's Love etc. Members and guests are finding this to be a great, convenient way to donate to our church. If you have more questions or would like help setting up your online tithing, please reach out to Rachel Fohne at [financialsecretary@stpaulcolumbus.org](mailto:financialsecretary@stpaulcolumbus.org) or 812-343-3786. Thank you for your generous financial support that helps us fund our mission and ministry at St. Paul!

Visit the Link: <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z2RE/campaign/C-125CF>



# The Response of God's People

## Christmas Eve and Day

Divine Service: **601** Communion: **270**

## Sunday, December 28<sup>th</sup>

Divine Service: **348** Communion: **277**  
Sunday School: **112**

## New Year's Eve

Divine Service: **95** Communion: **87**

## Sunday, January 4<sup>th</sup>

Divine Service: **386** Communion: **310**  
Sunday School: **178**

## 2025 Offerings

General Fund: **\$66,042.65**

Extending Christ's Love: **\$40,542.59** including \$25,000  
Jim Baute Memorial with great thanks; \$5,050  
Playground Project; \$1,140 Amy Price Memorials; \$35  
Silent Auction

SGO Donations: \$13,180.83 Special Projects: \$20,000

Latino Ministry: \$250 Helping Hands: \$250

Radio Ministry: \$125 Food Pantry: \$50

Cemetery Fund: \$24.36

## 2026 Offerings

General Fund: **\$19,914.33** Weekly Need: \$17,721

Extending Christ's Love: **\$6,453**

SGO Donation: \$900 Radio Ministry: \$125

## **St. Paul Lutheran Church and Early Childhood Ministry**

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ECM Assistants: Gayla Alesandro, Sarah Lewis, Laurie Schultz,

Claudia Sims, Caroline Wilcox, Amy Yeley

*Reaching out with Christ's Love to Serve and Grow*