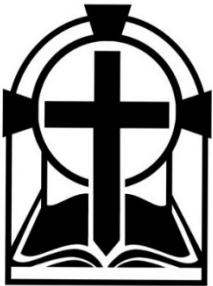


**My salvation will be  
forever, and my  
righteousness will  
never be dismayed.  
Isaiah 51:6b**

*My Salvation Will Be Forever*

Christ the King Sunday

November 24, 2024



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 Mrs. Probst  
*Signs, Symbols, and their Meaning* led by Pastor Bauman meets in the fellowship room.

### Serving Today

Organist: Kantor Dan Mau  
Acolytes: 8 AM Service Jaclyn Dettmer  
10:45 AM Service Elijah Stepper

## Church Calendar

*No School This Week*

*Church Office Closed Wednesday-Friday*

Today

**Christ the King Sunday**

**8:00 AM Divine Service**

9:10 AM Fellowship

9:30 AM Sunday School

9:30 AM Radio Service WYGS 91.1 FM

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

Noon Lunch

12:15 PM Spanish Bible Study

12:15 PM Confirmation Class

1:15 PM Jr. Handbells

1:45 PM Choristers

**5:00 PM Pitch-In Meal**

**6:00 PM Annual Meeting**

7:00 PM Lutheran Hour WYGS 91.1 FM

Monday

10:00 AM Small Group Handbells

Wednesday

9:00 AM Bible Study

**10:15 AM Matins Service**

**7:00 PM Thanksgiving Divine Service**

Thursday

Thanksgiving Day

Next Sunday

*Mite Box Sunday*

**8:00 AM Divine Service**

9:10 AM Fellowship

9:30 AM Sunday School

9:30 AM Radio Service WYGS 91.1 FM

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

Noon Lunch

Noon Youth Gingerbread Dough Making

12:15 PM Spanish Bible Study

12:15 PM Confirmation Make-up/Work

Ahead Session

1:15 PM Jr. Handbells

1:45 PM Choristers

7:00 PM Lutheran Hour WYGS 91.1 FM

**DECEMBER NEWSLETTERS...** are available in the gathering space or the church website: [stpaulcolumbus.org](http://stpaulcolumbus.org).

**2025 FLOWER CHART AND RADIO MINISTRY SIGN-UP...** are posted in the gathering space. Radio sponsoring for our worship service and the Lutheran Hour is \$105 per Sunday.

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS...** Due to Thanksgiving, there is no school this week. Mackenzie will be in the office only on Tuesday morning. If you need pastoral care, please contact the pastors directly.

# Christ the King Sunday

## Prelude

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*—H. Hopson

## Welcome and Announcements

*Please sign the Record of Fellowship*

## Ringling of the Bell

## Opening Hymn

*Jr. Choir sings stanzas two and four*

**549**

## Confession of Sins

*please stand* page 151

## Kyrie

pages 152-153

## Hymn of Praise

*This Is the Feast*

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## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** (*sung*) **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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

*please be seated*

## Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 51:4-6

[The LORD declares:] Give attention to Me, My people, and give ear to Me, My nation; for a law will go out from Me, and I will set My justice for a light to the peoples. My righteousness draws near, My salvation has gone out, and My arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for Me, and for My arm they wait. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but My salvation will be forever, and My righteousness will never be dismayed."

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

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

## Epistle Reading

Jude 20-25

[Jude writes:] But you, beloved, build yourselves up in your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit; keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. And have mercy on those who doubt; save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh.

Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of His glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

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

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

## Alleluia and Verse

*please stand and sing*

**C** **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel

Mark 13:24-37

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter. **C** (*sung*) **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] "In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And then He will send out the angels and gather His elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that He is near, at the very gates. Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.

“But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the cock crows, or in the morning—lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake.”

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

**G (sung) Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Little Sermon

## Hymn of the Day

**578 stanzas 1-5**

## Sermon

*My Salvation Will Be Forever*

Isaiah 51:4-6

## Apostles Creed

*please stand* page 159

## Prayer of the Church

## Offering

**532**

## Service of the Sacrament

*please stand* pages 160-163

## Distribution

**Hymns: 802, 621, 512, 663, 525**

*Visitors: Please read the Communion statement on the inside front cover of the bulletin.*

## Post-Communion Canticle

*Thank the Lord*

*please stand* page 164

## Closing Liturgy

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## Closing Hymn

**578 stanza 6**

## Postlude

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*—H. Micheelsen

# Advent and Christmas Special Services and Events

**Wednesdays, December 4, 11 and 18:** 6:45 PM Midweek Advent Services

**Saturday, December 7:** 10 AM-Noon Cookies and Chrismons Fellowship Event

**Sunday, December 15:** 3 PM Christmas Caroling; 5 PM Christmas Family Fun Night

**Thursday, December 19:** Early Childhood Ministry Parents Day; 8:20 AM Chapel

**Saturday, December 21:** 5 PM Posadas Service and Fiesta

**Sunday, December 22:** 9:30 AM Grades 7-12 Christmas Party in the Education Building

10:45 AM Children's Christmas Service; Rehearsal is Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup> 9-10:30 AM

7:00 PM Christmas Concert; 6:40 PM Pre-Concert Harp Recital

**Christmas Eve Tuesday, December 24: 5:30 PM** Candlelight Service; Pre-Service Carol Singing at 5:10 PM

**10 PM** Candlelight and Communion Service; Pre-Service Carol Singing at 9:40 PM

**Christmas Day Wednesday, December 25:** 10 AM Festival Communion Service

**Christmas Celebration Sunday, December 29:** 9:30 AM Together as Family Day

**New Year's Eve Tuesday, December 31: 5:30 PM** Divine Service

**Epiphany Celebration Sunday, January 5:** Divine Services with Installation of Officers



# My Salvation Will Be Forever

## Isaiah 51:4-6

Through the prophet Isaiah, the LORD declares that which endures into eternity:

*"My s\_\_\_\_\_ will be forever, and My r\_\_\_\_\_ will never be dismayed."*

The LORD also speaks of that which will not endure:

*"The h\_\_\_\_\_ will vanish like smoke, the e\_\_\_\_\_ will wear out like a garment."*

After Jesus, the righteous one, accomplished our salvation, the l\_\_\_\_\_ of the Gospel has been proclaimed to the nations.

What gifts have you received through God's strong Word that endures forever?

For us who believe, Judgment Day is not a day we f\_\_\_\_\_. Instead, we h\_\_\_\_\_ and w\_\_\_\_\_ for the Last Day.

When Jesus returns as Judge, He will forever deliver and set us free from s\_\_\_\_\_ and d\_\_\_\_\_.

### ***Readings for Thanksgiving Eve Service—Wednesday at 7 PM***

*Deuteronomy 26:1-11; 2 Corinthians 9:6-15; Luke 12:13-21*

### ***Next Sunday's Readings—First Sunday in Advent***

*Jeremiah 33:14-16; 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36*

**LIVING THE SERMON...** As we wait for our mighty Judge to come in glory on the Last Day, we live in a sure and certain hope of the resurrection of the body and the life of the world to come. We not only live in hope but we proclaim that hope to others, God working through us to fulfill this prophecy to proclaim the light of the Gospel to the nations. Consider those you know who are living apart from the salvation, righteousness, and hope of Christ. Pray for them and witness to them of that which endures into eternity.

**PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH...** Pray that as a congregation and in our daily callings, we would faithfully proclaim the light of the Gospel and the hope we have in Christ. Pray for those who do not believe or have fallen away, that they would be brought to faith or restored to faith and numbered with the saints in glory everlasting.

**MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK...** *Behold the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah...And this is the name by which He will be called: The LORD is our righteousness.* Jeremiah 33:14, 16

# Extending Christ's Love

**Baking for the Building:** Thanks to everyone for their generosity last Sunday for Baking for the Building. We had over **150 donations** of baked good and we received **\$2,241** through the freewill offering. Your faithful and generous support of Extending Christ's Love is amazing!

**Christmas Wall Hanging.** Marilyn Brown is a gifted seamstress. For more than 20 years she has made our baptismal banners as well as other banners. This wall hanging will be available as a silent auction item. Bids will be accepted now through next Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 AM with the winner announced at the beginning of Sunday School that day. The wall hanging is displayed in the fellowship room. Thanks to Marilyn for using her time and talent to support Extending Christ's Love.

If God has blessed you with special gifts of time, talent, or treasure that you desire to employ to support our Extending Christ's Love Campaign, please contact Finance Committee Chair Phil Burbrink.



## Upcoming Youth Events

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

December all Youth and Family Event is Christmas Family Fun Night on **Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**. Christmas caroling to our shut-ins is at 3 PM with supper, activities, and gingerbread house decorating beginning at 5 PM. *Please bring some candy to share for gingerbread house decorating!*

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

**This evening, November 24:** Youth will eat supper with their families at 5 PM and then provide childcare during the Annual Meeting at 6 PM.

**Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>:** Youth will enjoy pizza after second service and then make the dough for the gingerbread houses. Parents are also welcome to serve. Pick-up is at 2 PM.

**Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>:** Christmas Family Fun Night—Join us at 3 PM as we spread the joy of Jesus' birth to our shut-ins by Christmas caroling. At 5 PM, we will enjoy supper, activities, and gingerbread house decorating. All youth will be able to decorate their own gingerbread house.

**Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>:** Youth in grades 7-12 will have their annual Christmas party in the education building during the Sunday School hour.

***Friends are always welcome at all our youth events!***



## Our Annual Meeting is This Evening

Our Annual Meeting is **this evening, November 24<sup>th</sup>** at 6 PM and we want you there! We will celebrate the mission and ministry the Lord has given to us as we review reports from boards, committees, and staff, ratify officers, and adopt the 2025 budget. Anyone can attend and all confirmed members 18 years and older can vote.

Please plan to come at 5 PM and enjoy a **pitch-in supper**. Meat and drinks will be provided. Please bring a dish to share.

**Annual Meeting Packets** are available in the gathering space. Please pick up a copy if you have not already done so and review before the meeting tonight.

**Non-perishable Food Drive:** You are invited to bring non-perishable food items to the Annual Meeting to help restock our food pantry. Please drop off your food donations in the conference room.

**IN OUR PRAYERS... Divine Call:** Pastor Bauman to First Trinity Lutheran Church, Bloomfield, Nebraska; **Sick and Recovering:** Nancy Lipka, Kay Newton, Lynn Hoeltke, Joe Arnholt, Darlene Bower, Paul Meier, Betty Fox, Dianne Hartke, Jan Sherbundy, Jesse Gonsior, Bob Runge, Kathy Hoover, Jill Scheidt, Karen Hendershot, Debbie Schroer, Jill Hoeltke, Gloria Schultz, Pam Jenkins, Kristina Hargitt (Kim Chandler's friend), Ed Vogel (Eddie Vogel's father), Francis Hughes (Glenn's brother), Sabastian Sutton (Danny and Sandy Johnson's grandson), Mary Lou Droll (Kris Taylor's mother), Jon Owens (Mark and Anne's son), Bub Wright (Owens' neighbor), Cora Waterman (Mark Wint's mother), Jim Baute (Jeff Booher's uncle), Denise Smith (Jennifer Seifer's friend), Cassie Murray (Jason and Laurie Schroer's friend), Maria Mears (Gail Jones' sister), Glenn Strietelmeier (Don Schroer's uncle), Pastor Jeffrey Geisler (Tim and Janice Scheidt's friend), Andy England (Eric and Linda Scheidt's nephew), Maxie Hotz (Jim Hinds' sister), Doug Baumann (Haak's friend), Maureen Veyssets (Jim Cleary's niece), Dianne Hargraves (Carolyn Schuette's sister), Daniel Meier (Lewis' friend), Kyra Groves (Amy Yeley's friend), Theresa Gannon (Jim Cleary's sister), Deb Harlan (Mary Scheidt's mother), Annie Walton (Holly Wischmeier's co-worker's daughter), Beth Schultz (Gloria Schultz's daughter-in-law), Jill Many (Cindy Hendershot's daughter), Marcell Williams (Bridges' friend's mother), William Leitshuh (Cleary's friend), Julie Phillips (Bonnie Nolting's sister), Connie Ball (Jan Voelz's friend), Kyle Huckaby (Koester's friend), Erica Gretzinger (Jennifer Dougherty's cousin), Naomi Gillespie (Haak's great-niece), Rick Sapper (Cleary's brother-in-law), Lucy Boyd (Hinds' neighbor); **Active Military:** Garrett McGaha, Noah Hoeltke, Evan Rickus, Michael Mullins (Sperry's friend), Sam Studler (Kalli's friend), Ty Chamberlain (Taffy Schroer's relative)

**PRAYER LIST UPDATE...** We gladly lift up in prayer all who are in need. Twice a year we update our prayer list. This will occur **next Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>**. If you or a loved one is on the prayer list and you would like them to remain on the prayer list, please email Mackenzie Wint at [secretary@stpaulcolumbus.org](mailto:secretary@stpaulcolumbus.org) or write a note and give it to one of the pastors or Mackenzie.

## **SUNDAY LUNCH MENUS...**

Today: Coney Dogs

Next Sunday, December 1: Pizza – Gingerbread Dough Making Day

December 8: Chicken Sandwiches

December 15: Taco Bar

**TURKEY AND HAM SUPPER...** St. Paul, Dewberry invites you to their turkey and ham supper **this evening** from 4-6 PM. A freewill offering will be accepted. The church's address is 5588 East 900 South, Cross Plains.

**THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE... This Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>** at 7 PM we will gather to give thanks to the Lord for all His blessings. Before you gather with your family on Thanksgiving, please take time to gather with your forever family of faith to give thanks. Holy Communion will be celebrated. The theme of the service is *A Bountiful Harvest* based on 2 Corinthians 9:6-15.

**MILITARY CARE PACKAGES... Next Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>** is the final Sunday to donate items for Military Care Packages to send to service members. The following items are desired: travel size grooming products (bar soap, shampoo, body wash, deodorant), and single-serve snacks like granola bars, cookies, chips (in boxes or cans to survive travel), individually packaged crackers with cheese or peanut butter, and STURDY homemade cookies (packaged four to a Ziplock bag). Please place donations in the tote in the gathering space. If you have any questions, please contact Sally Haak at 812-579-9065.

**ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT...** St. John's, White Creek invites women of all ages to Advent by Candlelight **next Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>** at 2 PM. The theme is *All Things Work Out for Good* focusing on the women in the lineage of Jesus. Suggested donation is \$3. Dress is holiday attire. For more information or to attend, please contact Jean Voelker at 812-216-1489.

## **GINGERBREAD HOUSE BAKING AND ASSEMBLY...**

We need many servants to help us make and bake the gingerbread house pieces **Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>** beginning at 8:30 AM. Come for all or some of the morning. Any help you can give is greatly appreciated! Volunteers are also needed for assembling the gingerbread houses on **Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>** beginning at 10 AM.



**MOMS IN THE WORD...** All mothers and children are invited to Moms in the Word on **Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>** at 10 AM in the conference room. Join us for a children's devotional and fellowship.

**ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN WORKDAY...** is **Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>** from 10 AM-noon at the Jonesville Warehouse. The need for volunteers and donations is great. You may volunteer any time Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 10 AM-3 PM.

**MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICES...** *To Us...Is Given* is the theme of our midweek Advent and Christmas season services. During Advent, we will be looking at the names of the Messiah as found in Isaiah chapter nine. Advent services are **December 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup>** at 6:45 PM.

**FELLOWSHIP EVENT...** Join us for a Cookies and Chrismons Fellowship Event on **Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>** from 10 AM-noon at the church. Plan ahead now to bring in two or more dozen of your favorite holiday cookies to share. Everyone in attendance will have an opportunity to mix and match all kinds of holiday treats to take home to their friends and families for the holidays. We'll also be decorating Chrismons for our homebound and shut-in church members.

**MIDWEEK ADVENT COMMUNION SERVICE...** On **Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**, we will host the Aurora Circuit Pastors Conference. You are invited to attend the Divine Service which begins at 10:30 AM.

**CONCORDIA COUNSELING MATCHING GRANT...** Thanks to all who contributed to the Concordia Counseling \$50,000 Matching Grant. If you would like to make a contribution, you may send your gift by mail to Concordia Counseling, 504 North Walnut Street, Seymour, Indiana 47274. You can also make a donation online at [concordiacounseling.org](http://concordiacounseling.org). All gifts received by December 15, 2024, will be matched dollar-for-dollar.

**THANKS FROM...** Jill Scheidt for all the prayers, cards, meals, and words of support and encouragement. They are greatly appreciated.

## **The Response of God's People**

**Last Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>**

Divine Service Attendance: **370**; Communion: **291**

Sunday School Attendance: **201**

Offering: **\$15,838.73** Needed Weekly: \$15,397

Extending Christ's Love: \$43,151

St. Paul Lutheran Church Music Department: \$10,000

Lutheran Witness: \$25

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

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