

Scripture Readings

Feb 15	The Transfiguration of Our Lord	Ex. 24:8-18	Psalms 2:6-12	2 Peter 1:16-21	Matt. 17:1-9
Feb 22	First Sunday in Lent	Gen. 3:1-21	Psalms 32:1-7	Rom. 5:12-29	Matt. 4:1-11
Mar 1	Second Sunday in Lent	Gen. 12:1-9	Psalms 121	Rom. 4:1-8, 13-17	John 3:1-17

Looking for volunteers to sign-up to do Fellowship Host on Sunday Mornings. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for those who would like to volunteer. Any questions talk to Gene Ferguson or Pastor Tessaro. Thank you!

Building Project Update

The initial Capital Fund Raising Campaign has been a success and \$1 million has been raised to begin construction of our building project. Any future contributions for the building project should continue to be identified as made for the "New Building Fund" and will help reduce the amount needed to be financed to complete the project. Please continue to keep the building project and our congregation in your prayers.

The Devotions for Lent are on the table located in the Narthex. This year's topic is 'BEHOLD YOUR KING!'. Feel free to take one or more for family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers. Don't worry if supply on the table is low as there will always be more the following week.

This Week's Schedule - February 7 through February 15

Saturday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM
Sunday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM Family Education - 10:30 AM Unified Boards - 11:30 AM Parish Directors - 12:30 PM
Monday	Men's Bible Study - 7:00 PM
Wednesday	Bulletin Deadline - Noon Midweek - 5:30 PM
Next Saturday	Men's Fellowship Breakfast - 7:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM
Next Sunday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM Family Education - 10:30 AM

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OUR MISSION

"Existing in God's love and forgiveness, St. Paul proclaims the Gospel of Christ, helps people grow in faith, and nurtures lives of worship and service."

February 7 & 8, 2026

The Righteousness of Christ

Jesus warns that "unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 5:20), but He also calls His imperfect people "the salt of the earth" and "the light of the world" (Matt. 5:13, 14). That's because the Lord Jesus came not to abolish the Law or the prophets, "but to fulfill them" (Matt. 5:17) in perfect faith and love. Since He does and teaches all of God's commandments, He is "called great in the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 5:19). God manifests His "demonstration of the Spirit and of power" in "Jesus Christ and him crucified" (1 Cor. 2:2-4), and through the preaching of the Gospel He gives His "secret and hidden wisdom" (1 Cor. 2:7). Christ gives this perfect righteousness to His people, and it leads them to true fasting, which is "to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free" (Is. 58:6) and "to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house" (Is. 58:7).

RADIO BROADCAST this week is sponsored - Buena Burger -
In Memory of Dale.

The cost to sponsor a broadcast is \$40.00.
A book is in the Narthex to sign-up for dates.

WELCOME to our guests and congregation! We are glad you are here! Thank you for joining us for worship and please feel free to join us again!

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
Hymn #s - 902, 578, 618, 644, 543, 643, 922

SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Organist Sat. Connie Paronto/Sun. Gary Fredrickson
Ushers Jerry Siebold, Allan Schmale, Ethan Schuette, Matt Baxter
Greeters Addy Pladson, Maizy Gurney, Isabel Mesalles
Live Stream Jarrett Wachsnicht
Acolyte Maizy Gurney, Marlie Kahrs
Communion Assistant T.R. Reiner
Altar Guild Pam Sump, Winnie Wells, Rosie Hager, Kathy Burger
Fellowship Host Sarah Lehman

FAMILY EDUCATION - 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Preschool - Kindergarten - meet in Room 11 (West Wing)
1st Grade - 3rd Grade - meet in Library Room (West Wing)
4th Grade - 8th Grade - meet in Conference Room (West Wing)
9th Grade - 12th Grade - meet in High School Room (Basement)
Adult - meet in Fellowship Hall (Basement)

Weekly Attendance	Sat	Sun	Total	Family Education Attendance	Total
January 24 & 25	6	43	49	January 25	NC
January 31 & February 1	22	131	153	February 1	38

The LYF is offering homemade soup for the Super Bowl Sunday, February 8. The soup will be packaged in approximate one-quart containers for use at your Super Bowl parties or for use later on.

UNIFIED BOARDS
 will meet on Sunday, February 8 at 11:30 AM in the Sanctuary and Parish Director's Meeting will follow at 12:30 PM. All board members and officers are encouraged to participate.

****Sunday, February 22**** there will be special music during worship as the Children's Hand-Chime Choir will be performing. We are excited to have this addition to our worship.

February 8th is Scout Sunday.

IN OUR PRAYERS
Congregational Members

Remembering our shut-ins: Bonnie VonLehe-Wakefield Care/Rehab, Georgie Dierking, Larry Rakowsky -Presbyterian Manor; Julie Hillman-Linn Nursing Home; Cedric Pfaff-Well Springs of Westmoreland; Mary Ann Mall, Lola Lehman-Liberty Place; Pauline Burger-Legend; Larry Ernsting - Topeka VA.

Health concerns: Mary Ann Mall, Dwight Koch, Ron Schmale, Raef Schuette, Larry Ernsting, Lyle Underwood, Nancy Kemp, Stan Ohlde, and Larry Rakowsky.

Our outreach programs: Prayer Shawl Ministry, Small Group Ministry, Christian Preschool at St. Paul, Radio Ministry, LWML Friendship Circle, and our Youth groups.

Larger Community Members

Healing: Idonna Perkins, Bobbi Holz, Dee Knitter, Jackie Hall, Sarah Tessaro, Ron Baehr, Ryan Withee, Emmitt Budy, Dee Hilton, Malissa Milum, Rev. David Grouner, Scott Trautwein, Gary Hilton, Donna Watson, Ron McDaniels, Micah Helms, Addie Voelker, Ann Huninghake, Arnold Pittenger, Mike Dunn, Sandy Larkey, Irene Bane, John Zeller, Rev. Greg DuBois, Melissa Martin, Benjamin Willroth, Jennifer Zimmerman, Gail Thomas, Lois Nash, Melissa Dunn, Darlene Miller, Darla Wilder, Rachelle Smith, Joe Parlli, Sheila McGrew, Grant & Grace Goodin, Connie Winter, and Kerri Brown

Military: Kyle, Enrique, and Cooper.

Mission Efforts beyond St. Paul

Hope House; LeadaChild; For the Sake of the Church; Lutheran Bible Translators; Lutheran Heritage Foundation; KansaSEED Deaf Ministry; Lutheran Hour Ministries; North Central Kansas LCMS Outreach

Please remember to inform the church office when the person for whom you requested prayer should be removed from the prayer

During this season of cold and possibly inclement weather, please use caution in attending and traveling to worship services. This is a "Place of Grace" we always welcome worshippers, but also understand if some need to remain at home to be safe.

Our radio broadcast is on at 9:30 AM on Sunday's on KCLY Radio for those who are unable to venture out or view on Facebook live. Tune in to KCLY and/or Facebook for weather related updates to the church schedule.

We are looking for sponsors for the Radio Broadcast for the year 2026. Please see the sign-up book located in the Narthex to choose your week to sponsor for the cost of \$40. You can sponsor in celebration of, in memory of, or in honor of someone or something special in your life to give thanks to God!

The Clay County Arts Council is presenting an organ recital concert on Feb. 22, 2026 at 2pm at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 816 Ninth Street, Clay Center, KS.

The concert will be performed by Dr. Tyler Boehmer, who is the primary organist for the "Messiah" annual presentations at Bethany College, Lindsborg, KS.

Dr. Boehmer will be performing a variety of music styles on the newly renovated Reuter pipe organ at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

This concert has been underwritten by private donations and will be FREE at all attending.