

# Announcements

## St. Paul Lutheran Church

### April 26, 2026



Thank You for Joining Us!

Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church. We are grateful to God that you are here. We pray that you will feel the Spirit and warm welcome of this faith community.

### **Welcome Visitors!**

We are so glad to have you here. Are you interested in learning more about St. Paul Lutheran? Curious about our activities and outreach opportunities? Are you considering becoming a member? Please contact the church office at 651-439-5970, or email [SPLC@stpaulcc.org](mailto:SPLC@stpaulcc.org), if you would like more information and to connect with people who would be happy to assist you. We'd love to get to know you better!

### **Pastor Nathan Away this Sunday**

This Sunday marks the 150th Anniversary of First Evangelical Lutheran of Rush City where Pastor Nathan served from 2018-2024. To mark this celebration, he has been invited back to preach and celebrate with them this Sunday. Please continue to pray for this congregation as they form a call committee and enter the final stages of calling a new pastor.

### **Altar Flowers**

Today's altar flowers are given by Jennifer and Nick Braun in celebration of Karen Hillmann's retirement from her work in hospice music therapy. May this new chapter bring her abundant time to enjoy family, friends, travel, and, of course, music.

### **Sarah Bible Study**

The Spring Gather Magazine has arrived. Please do not discard your copy, as it contains March, April, and May's studies. The Sarah Bible Study will meet in the lounge on Tuesday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, at 1:30 PM. We will be studying God's name, God's promise - Session 2, "Gate and shepherd: Guiding and protecting us (John 10)" starting on page 24. If you are in need of a copy, please contact the church office.

### **Welcome to Michael Benson on May 3<sup>rd</sup>!**

Our new Senior Accountant, Michael Benson, has been quietly and diligently at work for several weeks now, and we are so pleased to have him on board! Join us in welcoming Michael next Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, at a reception following worship.

## Constitution Update

Now that we have adopted a Vision and Values Statement, the next step in our life together is to take a close look at our church's constitution and propose updates that support our vision and values. The Church Council will appoint a working group and invites any who are interested in serving to speak to Pastor Nathan or President Shelley Jokinen. The plan is to create a revised draft over the summer months and early fall, and to invite congregational feedback beginning in October. We are looking for a variety of people, including those with good attention to detail, who are knowledgeable of our history, and who care about aligning it with our vision and values.

## Malt Shop Melodies – This Wednesday!

**Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> - Lunch at 12 Noon - Show at 1:30 PM** - Take a step back in time to the music of the 50's and 60's. Join us for Malt Shop



Melodies, a nostalgic event filled with toe-tapping tunes, smiles, and good company in the Fellowship Hall. Sponsored by the Senior Committee, all ages are welcome, and bring your friends! Lunch will be hamburgers, cheeseburgers, fries, chocolate malts, and root beer

floats. Cost for members age 55+ is \$5. Under age 55 and guests are \$10. Use the envelopes located by the sign-up sheets for your payment, and drop it off in the office or put it in the offering plate. You're welcome to attend just the show at no cost; we simply ask that you sign up and indicate "show only" on the sign-up sheet. It's guaranteed to be a fun afternoon!

## Yarnsters!



The Yarnsters meet Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 10:00 AM in the Downstairs Conference Room. Knitters, crocheters, and yarn-lovers of all skill levels, especially beginners, are welcome. Come stitch and enjoy the fun! We will be taking a break for the summer, and this will be our final gathering until the fall.

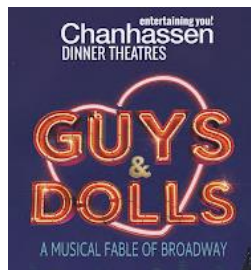
## 75th Anniversary

Did you know that 2027 officially marks 75 years at our current location? We are grateful to the faithfulness and foresight of previous generations who made sure we would have a presence here on the "South Hill" of Stillwater. Many great ideas have been shared, and now is the time to get organized! There will no doubt be many individual tasks and one-time events; however, we will need a few individuals to help direct and facilitate a year's worth of events that promise to be meaningful, fun, and future-oriented!

## **Chanhassen Dinner Theater – Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> – Guys and Dolls**

From the gritty streets of New York to the colorful cafes of Havana, Guys and Dolls is a wildly entertaining musical comedy. A perfectly balanced story with dance, music, and romance.

There are 20 tickets available. Cost for members 55+ and one caregiver is \$65. The cost for members under age 55 and guests is \$130. Sign up in the Gathering Area by Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. There is also a waitlist sign-up available once the 20 tickets are spoken for. Guest names go on the waitlist.



The price includes round-trip transportation on a coach bus, lunch, and the show. The bus will pick us up in the church parking lot and will leave promptly at 9:45 AM. Please plan on arriving by 9:30 AM.

Use the provided envelopes for payment, making checks payable to St. Paul Lutheran and **note on the memo line: Chanhassen**. Turn into the church office or drop in the offering plate.

### **Large Print Bibles**

The Senior Committee has two large-print Bibles available for you to borrow. Contact Bob Michaelis at 651-278-0072.

### **Prayer Requests**

**Congregants:** Chuck C., Jenny B., Jennifer B., Ardyce S., Barb D., Nancy T., Dan B., Al M., Ron K., Judith K., Alida P., Pastor Laurel, Steve P., Mark C., and Abri B.

**Family and Friends:** Brandon C., Steven W, Michael S., Mike S., Toby, Ami, Brian J., Lucas J., Joe F., Soto B., Mein B., Gavin, Kurt S., William J., Karmen P., Jerry, Dick, Mary A., Troy A., Sophia M., Marv D., The Family of family of David and Carol S., Connor D., Dan J., Mary A., Renae S., Mike S., Ann B., Katie P., Gary R., Jerry S., Sophia F., Sonja H., Kellye, Dave, Lucy, Keith, & Josh, Becky O., Mike, Jenny, Lisa, Kristen B., Mary Jo D., Rick & Jean, Patti & Family, Randy & Laura, Muggs, Carolyn, Paul, Kevin, Kara, Allison J., Evy, Dave, Georgia, Russel B., Bonnie M., Connie, Mary A., Bonnie S., Leo H., Jane S., Laura C., Lisa, Steph D., Brian D., Tyson D., Teegan D., Lexen, Danny, Harry E., Diane L., Jenny O., Lyle J, Kathy B., Vince S., Jim G., Rick W., Karen W., Carol L., Jeff E., Mike M., and Jeffrey T.

**In Loving Memory:** Thomas Schwietz, Scott Anderson, Janet Stuessy, Mary Richter, Steven Michaelis, Darrel Henton, Patty Thomsen, James Flynn, Marshall Ray Reams, Jacquilyn Pierre, Dorie Nelson, Lois Haase, Marlene Ritzer, Holly Halvorson, Mark Walker, and Sister Eileen Trinity.

## SPLC In-person & Online Attendance

Date	In-Person Worship	Online Worship
3/29/2026	119	154
4/5/2026	178	138
4/12/2026	98	160
4/19/2026	64	104

## Upcoming Events

<b>Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup></b>	9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Coffee & Tea Time 10:15 AM By Heart: Luther's Small Catechism
<b>Tuesday, April 28<sup>th</sup></b>	10:00 AM Toddler Tuesdays! 1:30 PM Sarah Bible Study in the Lounge
<b>Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup></b>	12:00 PM Malt Shop Melodies Lunch 1:00 PM A Faith of Many Rooms – In-person 1:30 PM Malt Shop Melodies Show 5:00 PM A Faith of Many Rooms – Zoom
<b>Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup></b>	9:00 AM Quilters 7:00 PM AA Fourth Dimension Meeting
<b>Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	10:00 AM Yarnsters!
<b>Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	9:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM By Heart: Luther's Small Catechism 11:00 AM 55+ Worship in Fellowship Hall

## Weekly Worship Assistants

### Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>

Ushers Jay Swanson, Ashton Bell, Sabrina Bell, and Kamel Benyahia

Assisting Minister Atticus Mikla

Reader Shelley Jokinen

Communion Set-up Adele Urhammer

Communion Server Shelley Jokinen

### Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

Ushers Adele Urhammer, Keith & Carol Wille, and Judy Clausen

Assisting Minister Riley MacDonald

Reader Chris Shivers

Communion Set-up Adele Urhammer

Communion Server Ann Kriesel