

# Announcements

## St. Paul Lutheran Church

### August 10, 2025



### Thank You for Joining Us!

Your presence at worship is important to God and to us! Whether you are a first-time visitor, frequent participant, neighbor, member, or friend, please take a moment as you prepare for worship to share some information on the "Welcome to Worship" card included with your bulletin. Place it in the offering plate at the time the offering is received.

### 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@stpaulc.org](mailto:SPLC@stpaulc.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!

### TODAY – SPLC's Ice Cream Social!

SPLC's Annual Ice Cream Social is today, Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, from 2:30 PM to 4:30 PM. We hope you can attend and bring plenty of family and friends with you. Pass the word along to your neighbors. Sunshine, music, ice cream and fellowship – what could be better? See you there! This is SPLC's thank you to our neighborhood and community, and as always your support is what makes it a big success!



### September 55+ Worship

The September service will be on Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 AM upstairs in the Sanctuary. **Yes, you "heard" that right!** After worship, we will have our meal in Fellowship Hall. The menu will be an Egg bake, Salad Greens, Fruit, and Dessert. Please sign-up in the Gathering Area by Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup> if you will be staying for the meal. **Remember - limited bus service is available for Stillwater and Oak Park Heights.**



## Pastoral and Hospital Calls

You are welcome to contact the church office anytime you have a pastoral need, especially for medical emergencies or at the time of a death. If you or a loved one are hospitalized, please be aware that hospitals no longer contact pastors directly, so please encourage your family or loved ones to be in touch with us. The church's phone system can connect you to one of the pastors anytime.

## Evening Grief Support Group

Beginning in September, Pastor Nathan would like to offer an evening grief support group. Please use your Welcome to Worship card to indicate your interest and the times that work for you. Any change or loss in life can cause grief, and grief is complex and deeply personal. There is no "right" way to grieve. This group is for anyone to "come as you are" to receive hope in the midst of grief.

## 55+ SPLC Senior Members' Foot Care



A Foot Care RN will tend to your toenails or other foot-related care in the comfort and privacy of your home. You can also visit an office location in Bayport if you prefer.

The cost is \$15 per appointment. Pick up an information packet in the Gathering Area or contact Jenny Powell

## Grief Support Group Resumes through August 27<sup>th</sup>

No matter what stage of grief or what kind of loss you're dealing with, all are welcome to come as you are to receive the support of others. Pastor Nathan will provide some centering scripture verses, a conversation starter question, and a prayer to conclude our time together. We are using the book *Good Grief* as a basis for our time together, however, it is not necessary to have read the book ahead of time. (If you'd like a copy of the book, they are available at the church office for \$10). Our gatherings will conclude on August 27<sup>th</sup>.

## Lutheran Night with the Twins!

The bus loads at 4:15 PM in the church parking lot and departs at 4:30 PM. The bus will return to the church after the game. Your ticket gets you Club Level Seating in Legends Landing along the third base line AND all-you-can-eat ballpark fare! So grab your glove, wear your team colors, and get ready for a night of great baseball, good food, and even better company. **Let's make it a night to remember!**



## Harvest & Holly Market – Coming Soon!

Get into the spirit of the season at St. Paul Lutheran Church's Harvest &



Holly Market! This festive event will feature beautiful handmade quilts, unique seasonal crafts, delicious baked goods, and a variety of thoughtful gift items perfect for holiday giving. Whether you're shopping for loved ones or treating yourself, you'll find something special while supporting local makers and the 4<sup>th</sup> Street Exterior Repair and Refresh Project. Join us on Saturday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM for a warm and welcoming day of shopping, fellowship, and fun. We hope to see you

there! **Questions or Want to Volunteer?** Please contact Kristin!

## NEXT SUNDAY – The SPLC Bake Off!

Get ready for some sweet competition! The Fellowship Committee is hosting a Bake Off next Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, during Sunday Shine time, right after worship! ***We have 12 talented bakers ready to battle it out for top honors!***

Come sample the goodies and cast your vote with a donation. Every dollar goes toward the Parking Lot Fund, and yes, there's a special prize for the baker who raises the most money! So bring your sweet tooth, your spare change, and your generous spirit. Come for the fun, stay for the treats, and help us pave the way... literally!



## Prayer Requests

**Congregants:** Dorie N., Dan B., Carol S., Al M., Ron K., Judith K., Alida P., Pastor Laurel, Steve P., Lois H., Mark C., and Abri B.

**Family and Friends:** Jackie G., Dave, Broten Family, Lucy, Keith, & Josh, Becky O., Mike, Kit, Dana, Emilee, Flannery, Sophie, Jenny, Erica B., Lisa, Kristen B., Mary Jo D., Cody, Rick & Jean, Patti & Family, Randy & Laura, Muggs, Carolyn, Paul, Kevin, Char G., Kara, Allison J., Evy, Dave, Georgia, Russel B., Bonnie M., Connie, Shannon S., 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., Kathy B., Lyle J, Vince S, Phyllis F., Rick W., Karen W., Carol L., Jeff E., Tom S., Mike M., and Jeffrey T.

**In Loving Memory:** Marlene Ritzer, Holly Halvorson, Mark Walker, Richard Markgraf, Sister Eileen Trinity, Judy Becker, Becky Dufresne, Jerry Sharon, Judy (Ek) Anderson, Jeremy Green, Paul Baker, Scott Coleman, Becky Moore, and Len Schrade.

## Privacy Notice

You may be photographed, filmed, or recorded during worship or church events, including livestreams on [stpaulc.org](http://stpaulc.org). These images may be used in newsletters, on our website, social media, or future promotions. If you have concerns, please contact the office before Sunday or speak with a pastor, worship leader, or usher when you arrive. A designated digital privacy area is located in front of the sound booth in the sanctuary.

## St Paul Lutheran Church's QR Code for Giving

QR codes are everywhere these days, and SPLC has joined the trend! You can now use our giving QR code for any type of donation.

Here's how it works: **Scan** the QR code. **Enter** the amount you'd like to give. **Choose** from the dropdown menu to designate your gift to a specific fund. Options include: Current Offering, Music Ministry, 4th Street Exterior Repair, Video/Audio Upgrades ...and more!



It's quick, secure, and helps ensure your gift goes exactly where you want it to.

## Rally Day Picnic – September 7<sup>th</sup>

Mark your calendars and plan to join us after worship on Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, for our Rally Day Picnic! This special gathering is the perfect way to kick off the fall season, reconnect with friends, welcome new faces, and celebrate all that's ahead for our church family.

We'll be serving up hot dogs, burgers, fresh off the grill, along with lemonade and water. All we ask is that you bring a favorite dish to share, whether it's a crisp salad, a hearty side, or a sweet dessert. Together, we'll create a table overflowing with delicious food and warm fellowship.



Please join us as we look forward to a new season of worship, service, and community. Come hungry, come joyful, and come ready to start this next chapter together. We can't wait to see you there!

## 4<sup>th</sup> Street Exterior Repair and Refresh Project Update

*Excitement begins as the old wall comes down and the new one is built for the 4th Street Exterior Repair and Refresh Project! On Monday, August 4<sup>th</sup>, John Raleigh (Miller Excavating) and Jeff Thomsen began tearing down the old leaning wall on the east side of the church and*



*replacing it with a sturdy new block wall. It took seven truckloads and two side-dump trailers to haul away the debris - No Small Feat! The remaining pile of dirt was used to refill behind the new wall. We owe a huge thank-you to both John and Jeff for their tireless work and generosity in donating their time and labor to make this possible. **If you see either of them, please take a***

***moment to thank them for a job well done.*** The next step will be for the committee to decide on plans for the patio area. We are deeply grateful to our members for their ongoing generosity in supporting this project. We'll know more about any surprises once the cement is removed, but since the wall demolition revealed none, we're staying positive that the patio work will go just as smoothly.

How can you help?

Be part of our fundraisers coming up:

- August 17<sup>th</sup>'s Bake Off – Come and vote/donate for your winning entry.
- October 19<sup>th</sup> Waffle Bar following worship
- September 30<sup>th</sup> & October 28<sup>th</sup>, eat your dinner at Culver's between 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM, and tell your family & friends about it.
- Fill the Wheelbarrow with your change/bills through Labor Day.
- "Buy a Block" for the wall at \$133 each.
- Regular 4<sup>th</sup> Street Exterior Repair & Refresh Project Envelopes
- Craft/Bake Sale on Saturday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>; call Kristin Nelson or Barb Dietrich for details.

Again, we are so grateful for our members and their generosity in continuing to help with the fundraisers through giving.

Committee Members: Jeff Thomsen, Barb Dietrich, Shelley Jokinen, Renee Swanson, Chuck Clausen, Pastor Nathan, and Marguerite DeFore.

**Feel free to reach out to any of them regarding this project!**

## Additional Pictures!



### **Nashville Youth Mission Trip Recap – Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>!**

Come hear all about the incredible experiences from our youth who traveled to Nashville for this summer's mission trip! On Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, following worship, our team will share stories, reflections, and a few surprises from their week of service and connection. Participants include Johnny Isaacson, Kamel Benyahia, Hannah Bell, Ashton Bell, Sabrina Bell, Katie Peterson, Henry Lundquist, Zac Thompson, Jenny Brelje, Julian Galvin, and Elijah Mack. Don't miss this chance to celebrate their journey and the impact they made together!

### **SPLC In-person & Online Attendance**

<b>Date</b>	<b>In-Person Worship</b>	<b>Online Worship</b>
<b>7/13/25</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>145</b>
<b>7/20/2025</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>180</b>
<b>7/27/2025</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>154</b>
<b>8/3/2025</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>139</b>



### **This Week's Events**

<b>Sunday, August 10, 2025</b>	9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Coffee & Tea Time! <b>2:30 PM Ice Cream Social!</b>
<b>Monday, August 11, 2025</b>	WOW Camp at Trinity through Friday 5:15 CYF Meeting
<b>Tuesday, August 12, 2025</b>	3:00 PM Memorials and Grants 5:30 PM Financial Operations
<b>Wednesday, August 13, 2025</b>	10:00 AM Oak Park Sr. Living 1:00 PM Grief Support Group 6:30 PM Zoom Executive Committee
<b>Thursday, August 14, 2025</b>	9:00 AM Quilters <b>4:15 PM Twin's Game!</b> 7:00 PM AA Group
<b>Sunday, August 17, 2025</b>	9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Sunday Shine & Bake-Off!

### **Weekly Worship Assistants**

#### **Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup>**

Greeters

Ushers Tom and Carol Weber

Assisting Minister Riley MacDonald

Reader Shelley Jokinen

Communion Set-up Nancy Schlagel

Communion Server Adele Urhammer

Altar Flowers

#### **Sunday, August 17<sup>h</sup>**

Greeters

Ushers Dan & Kristin Nelson, Libby Thibodeau,  
and Ethan Ekblad

Assisting Minister Atticus Mikla

Reader Riley MacDonald

Communion Set-up Nancy Schlagel

Communion Server Jennifer Braun

Altar Flowers

## **Church Staff**

Sr. Pastor	Rev. Nathan Baker-Trinity
Visitation Pastor	Rev. Laurel Halvorson Bernard
Director of Music	Andy Peterson
Casual Worship Leader	Karen Hillmann
Office Coordinator	Kristin Nelson
CYF & Outreach Director	Jenny Brelje
Maintenance	Jeff Thomsen
Audio-Video Engineer	Tim Schingen

## **2025 Church Council Officers**

President	Shelley Jokinen
Secretary	Chris Shivers

## **2025 Committee Chairpersons**

Financial Operations	(Open Seat)
CYF	Sabrina Bell
Evangelism & Membership	(Open Seat)
Fellowship	Janine Siversen
Memorial & Grants	Diane Podratz Barb LaCosse
Mission Outreach	Ann Kriesel
Property & Grounds	(Open Seat)
Seniors	Jenny Powell
Worship	Jennifer Braun

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### **Office Hours**

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