

Announcements

St. Paul Lutheran Church

May 10, 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, 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!

Synod Assembly May 15th-16th, St. Andrew's Lutheran, Mahtomedi

This week our congregation sends three voting members and an additional visitor to this year's assembly: Pam Seekel, Jenny Brelje, Mugs DeFore, and Pastor Laurel. This year's assembly's theme is "God's Steadfast Love" and encompasses two days of inspiring worship, stimulating learning, and making decisions about governance, mission, and finances, as well as electing members of Synod Council or other committees. Most exciting, however, is that this year they will also elect our next bishop! Voting members are not designated "representatives" of a congregation (like elected officials), but they are asked to take seriously the responsibility of voting with their conscience for the well-being of the synod. Please pray this week for Pam, Mugs, Jenny, and Pastor Laurel.

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!

Large Print Bibles

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

Chanhassen Dinner Theater – Wednesday, May 13th – Guys and Dolls

Guys and Dolls at the Chanhassen on Wednesday, May 13th. The bus will pick us up in our church parking lot. **The Bus leaves promptly at 9:45 AM. Plan on arriving by 9:30 AM, so you don't get left behind!**

High School Graduation Quilts!

The quilters will be displaying their handmade quilts along the banisters near the office from Sunday, May 17th, through June 11th. These beautiful quilts have been lovingly created for our high school



graduates. If you have a 2026 high school graduate, you are invited to select a quilt in their honor. A sign-up sheet will be available.

Please include the graduate's name, school, and graduation date so we can keep track of each quilt. Quilts may be picked up at any time during this display period. As you browse, you might even spot fabrics you once donated, now

transformed into something truly special. Take a moment to enjoy the creativity and care stitched into each one. As the saying goes, many hands

make light work! The quilters gather every Thursday at 9:00 AM and always welcome extra help. If you're interested in joining this meaningful ministry, they would love to have you!

June 55+ Worship

The June service will be on Sunday, June 7th, at 11:00 AM. The menu includes: Chef Luke's Barbecue Meatballs, Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, and Rhubarb dessert. Please sign-up in the Gathering Area by Sunday, May 31st, if you will be staying for the meal. Remember - Limited Bus service is available for Stillwater and Oak Park Heights. Please contact Bob Michaelis if you are interested in riding the bus

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.

Sunday Shine! May 17th! Surprise Topic this Month!

Join us on the third Sunday in May, following worship, for a fun and welcoming intergenerational activity! This is a great opportunity for all ages to gather, connect, and enjoy time together. There will be something for everyone, and yes, treats will be provided, because fellowship is always better with snacks. **This summer, we will hold Sunday Shine out on the Patio (if the weather is nice)! Join us on June 21st and July 19th.**



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, and Holly Halvorson

SPLC In-person & Online Attendance

| Date | In-Person Worship | Online Worship |
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| 4/12/2026 | 98 | 160 |
| 4/19/2026 | 64 | 104 |
| 4/26/2026 | 54 | 134 |
| 5/3/2026 | 62 | 148 |

Upcoming Events

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| Sunday, May 10th | 9:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM By Heart: Luther's Small Catechism |
| Monday, May 11th | 3:30 PM Executive Committee (Zoom) 5:15 PM CYF Committee |
| Tuesday, May 12th | 10:00 AM Toddler Tuesdays 3:00 PM Memorials and Grants Committee 5:30 PM Financial Operations Committee |
| Wednesday, May 13th | 10:00 AM Oak Park Senior Living Service 12:00 PM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Bell Choir 7:00 PM Chancel Choir |
| Thursday, May 14th | 9:00 AM Quilters 4:30 PM Fellowship Committee 7:00 AM AA Fourth Dimension |
| Friday, May 15th | 10:00 AM Wash Co. parade staging begins Synod Assembly at St. Andrew's (all day) |
| Saturday, May 16th | Synod Assembly at St. Andrew's (all day) |
| Sunday, May 17th | 9:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM Sunday Shine |

Weekly Worship Assistants

Sunday, May 10th

Ushers Tom & Carol Weber, Jennifer Braun, and Susan Markgraf
Assisting Minister Atticus Mikla
Reader Abri Bell
Communion Set-up Nancy Schlagel
Communion Server Cheryl Renne

Sunday, May 17

Ushers Dan & Kristin Nelson, Libby Thibodeau, and Ethan Ekblad
Assisting Minister Jenny Brelje
Reader Chuck Clausen
Communion Set-up Nancy Schlagel
Communion Server Nancy Schlagel