

Week of February 8

Sun.: 9:00 am - Sunday School Music
9:00 am - Adult Bible Class-Large Catechism
10:00 am - Divine Service
12:00 pm - Lao Bible Class
1:00 pm - Lao Divine Service
Mon.: 6:00 pm - Confirmation
6:30 pm - Handbells
7:00 pm - Elders Meeting
Tues.: 9:00 am - Christians In Action
4:00 pm - Food Pantry
Thurs.: 6:30 pm - Bible Study- Pastoral Epistles
Sat.: 8:00 am - Men's Fellowship
10:00 am - Young Women's Fellowship
Sun.: 9:00 am - Sunday School Music
9:00 am - Adult Bible Class-Large Catechism
10:00 am - Divine Service with Communion
12:00 pm - Lao Bible Class
1:00 pm - Lao Divine Service with Communion

THOSE SERVING THIS SUNDAY: (Feb.8)

Elders/Ushers: Bill Breitenkamp, Harrison Hayes,
Ryan Branning

Greeters: Adalie & Harrison Hayes

Audio/Visual: Will Breitenkamp

Screens: Jo Reaman

Organist: Lavonne Breitenkamp

Altar: Julie Irvin/Linda George

THOSE SERVING NEXT SUNDAY: (Feb.15)

Elders/Ushers: Rick Rasmussen, Ryan Irvin, Darryl Pagel

Greeters: Nancy Long & Emily Bochmann

Audio/Visual: Renate Venegas

Screens: Nancy Long

Organist: Lavonne Breitenkamp

Altar: Julie Irvin/Linda George

Attendance: 72 **Lao:** 17 **Offering:** \$6768.16
Lao Offering: \$64.00

UNABLE TO WORSHIP IN PERSON: Join us via live broadcast over KQWC 95.7 FM or live streaming on St. Paul's Website, Facebook, or Youtube.

WELCOME to St. Paul's Lutheran Church! We are glad that you are here to join us in worship this morning. If you are a guest, we would love to get to know you.

Please take a moment to sign the record of fellowship folder at the end of the pew and introduce yourself to Pastor Pierson. Finally, if there is any way we can be a blessing to you, please let us know!

PRAYER CONCERNS: Lyle Busse, Neil Bromm, Kathy, all our homebound members, persecuted and endangered Christians throughout the world.

If you have someone you wish to add to or remove from the Prayer List, feel free to call the church office.

FEBRUARY FOOD PANTRY REQUEST: canned fruits, canned tuna and canned chicken. Thank you to everyone for your donations and help volunteering!

Caring Cards Ministry Please take a moment either before or after the service to sign the cards in the fellowship hall. These cards go to members who are recovering from illness, mourning the death of a loved one, or celebrating a birthday or anniversary.

Greeters for 2026: Please Contact Khan at the office if you are interested in being a Greeter.
515-832-3043

Food Pantry- We are in need of grocery bags. If you have any extras laying around there is a place to give them too. We will deeply appreciate it.

Lutheran Witness: Now is the time to renew or start your subscription to the Lutheran Witness, which is the LCMS magazine. Subscriptions are \$31.10 per year. Contact Khan @ 515-832-3043 to subscribe or if you have questions.

Kitchen Supplies: Please use what we have for forks, spoons, and paper plates. Please do not buy more. We have an abundance. Thanks_)

Special Voter's Meeting: To appoint our voter for the LCMS Presidential election. February 22 after Church.



St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 8, 2026

Introit Psalm 119:9-16; antiphon: v. 12



Blessèd are you, | O LORD;*
teach me your | statutes!

How can a young man keep his | way pure?*

By guarding it according | to your word.

With my whole heart I | seek you;*

let me not wander from your com- | mandments!

I have stored up your word | in my heart,*

that I might not sin a- | gainst you.

Blessèd are you, | O LORD;*
teach me your | statutes!

With my lips | I declare*

all the just decrees | of your mouth.

In the way of your testimonies | I delight*

as much as in all | riches.

I will meditate on your | precepts*

and fix my eyes | on your ways.

I will delight in your | statutes,*

I will not for- | get your word.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Blessèd are you, | O LORD;*
teach me your | statutes!

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 58:3-9a

³“Why have we fasted, and you see it not?
Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it?
Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure,
and oppress all your workers.
⁴Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight
and to hit with a wicked fist.
Fasting like yours this day
will not make your voice to be heard on high.
⁵Is such the fast that I choose,
a day for a person to humble himself?
Is it to bow down his head like a reed,
and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him?
Will you call this a fast,
and a day acceptable to the LORD?
⁶“Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of wickedness,
to undo the straps of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?
⁷Is it not to share your bread with the hungry
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover him,
and not to hide yourself from your own flesh?
⁸Then shall your light break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up speedily;
your righteousness shall go before you;
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.
⁹Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry, and he will say, ‘Here I am.’”

Epistle

1 Corinthians 2:1-16

¹And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, ⁴and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.
⁶Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. ⁷But we impart

a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. ⁸None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the heart of man imagined,
what God has prepared for those who love him” —

¹⁰these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For who knows a person’s thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God. ¹³And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual.

¹⁴The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. ¹⁶“For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:13-20

¹³[Jesus said:] “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet.

¹⁴“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

¹⁷“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

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