

## Week of March 1

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  
Mon.: 6:30 pm - Handbells  
7:00 pm - Elders Meeting  
Tues.: 9:00 am - Christians In Action  
4:00 pm - Food Pantry  
6:30 pm - Board of Trustees Meeting  
Wed.: 4:30 pm - Board of Ed. Meeting  
5:15 pm - Lenten Supper  
6:00 pm - Board of Evangelism Meeting  
6:30 pm - Lenten Service  
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

### THOSE SERVING THIS SUNDAY: (Mar.1)

**Elders/Ushers:** Richard Rieck, Ryan Branning, Ryan Irvin

**Greeters:** LeRoy Draeger & Jo Reaman

**Audio/Visual:** Renate Venegas

**Screens:** Arlene Blue

**Organist:** Lavonne Breitenkamp

**Altar:** Lavonne Breitenkamp

### THOSE SERVING WEDNESDAY: (Mar.4)

**Elders:** Rick Rasmussen

**Audio/Visual:** Linda George

**Organist:** Lavonne Breitenkamp

**Altar:** Lavonne Breitenkamp

### THOSE SERVING NEXT SUNDAY: (Mar.8)

**Elders/Ushers:** Rick George, Darryl Pagel, John Vulgamott

**Greeters:** Steve & Diane Doering

**Audio/Visual:** Jasmin/Lila Venegas

**Screens:** Lorilee Seiser

**Organist:** Lavonne Breitenkamp

**Altar:** Lavonne Breitenkamp

**Attendance:** 68 **Lao:** 21 **Offering:** \$2455.16

**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.

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Family of Virginia Nulle, Susan Hanken, Neil Bromm, 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.*

**MARCH FOOD PANTRY REQUEST:** canned fruits, pasta, pasta sauce and toothbrushes. 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\_:)



## St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2026

### Introit



He remembers his covenant for- | ever,\*  
the word that he commanded, for a thousand gener- | ations.

**Seek the LORD | and his strength;\***

**seek his presence con- | tinually!**

Remember the wondrous works that | he has done,\*

his miracles, and the judgments he | uttered,

**O offspring of Abraham, his | servant,\***

**children of Jacob, his | chosen ones!**

He is the | LORD our God;\*

his judgments are in | all the earth.

**Glorify 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.**

He remembers his covenant for- | ever,\*

the word that he commanded, for a thousand gener- | ations.

## Old Testament Reading

*Genesis 12:1-9*

<sup>1</sup>The LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

<sup>4</sup>So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. <sup>5</sup>And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother’s son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. When they came to the land of Canaan, <sup>6</sup>Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. <sup>7</sup>Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. <sup>8</sup>From there he moved to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. And there he built an altar to the LORD and called upon the name of the LORD. <sup>9</sup>And Abram journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb.

## Epistle

*Romans 4:1-8, 13-17*

<sup>1</sup>What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? <sup>2</sup>For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. <sup>3</sup>For what does the Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness.”

<sup>4</sup>Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. <sup>5</sup>And to the one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, <sup>6</sup>just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works:

<sup>7</sup>“Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven,  
and whose sins are covered;

<sup>8</sup>blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin.” . . .

<sup>13</sup>For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is

null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

<sup>16</sup>That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

## Holy Gospel

*John 3:1-17*

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. <sup>6</sup>That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

<sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things?

<sup>11</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

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