

Week of March 15

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.: 1:30 pm - LWML
6:00 pm - Confirmation
6:30 pm - Handbells
Tues.: 9:00 am - Christians In Action
4:00 pm - Mobile Food Pantry
Wed.: 5:15 pm - Lenten Supper
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

THOSE SERVING THIS SUNDAY: (Mar.15)

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

Greeters: Lorilee Seiser & Marsha Royster

Audio/Visual: Renate Venegas

Screens: Beth Brandt

Organist: Diane Doering

Altar: Lavonne Breitenkamp

THOSE SERVING WEDNESDAY: (Mar.18)

Elders: Richard Rieck

Audio/Visual: Linda George

Organist: Lavonne Breitenkamp

Altar: Lavonne Breitenkamp

THOSE SERVING NEXT SUNDAY: (Mar.22)

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

Greeters: Rick & Alayne Rasmussen

Audio/Visual: Jasmin/Lila Venegas

Screens: Jo Reaman

Organist: Diane Doering

Altar: Lavonne Breitenkamp

Attendance: 72 **Lao:** 23 **Offering:** \$5723.81

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 Doris Gommels, Family Of Ken Graves, Family of Sheila Johnson, 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!

EASTER LILIES- Please let Khan know by Monday March 16, if you are interested in getting easter lilies. They are \$17 plus tax.

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

Food Pantry- We are need of empty egg cartons. There is a farmer that generously donates eggs to the food pantry.

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.

The same weekend of April 2024, when IDW was hit by a massive storm front, including the funnel that destroyed most of Minden, IA, another EF3 tornado ripped through Sulphur, OK, hometown of DCE Jonathon Bailey of Redeemer, Sioux City. It flattened the entire east side of town, sadly took the life of one individual, while more than 30 others were injured and required medical care. At this time, the community of Sulphur is still trying to rebuild! The people who could afford to repair their homes or had insurance have already completed those repairs. There are, however, people who cannot afford to purchase materials or hire people to help. Redeemer Lutheran Church of Sioux City will be taking a group of 25 youth and adults on a mission trip, basing out of Hope Lutheran Church in Sulphur, in June of this year, and is trying to raise \$18,000 to cover travel expenses as well as materials for the people who need help. If you choose to support this project, please send donations by May 31st to the district office – c/o Julie Mann memo "OK Mission Trip". Thank you and God Bless.
Julie Mann (IOWAY Director)



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Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2026

Introit



My eyes are ever | toward the LORD,*

for he will pluck my feet out | of the net.

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek | after:*

that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his | temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of | trouble;*

he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high up-
| on a rock.

And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with | shouts of joy;*

I will sing and make melody | to the LORD.

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.

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Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 42:14-21

¹⁴For a long time I have held my peace;
I have kept still and restrained myself;
now I will cry out like a woman in labor;
I will gasp and pant.

¹⁵I will lay waste mountains and hills,
and dry up all their vegetation;
I will turn the rivers into islands,
and dry up the pools.

¹⁶And I will lead the blind
in a way that they do not know,
in paths that they have not known
I will guide them.

I will turn the darkness before them into light,
the rough places into level ground.
These are the things I do,
and I do not forsake them.

¹⁷They are turned back and utterly put to shame,
who trust in carved idols,
who say to metal images,
“You are our gods.”

¹⁸Hear, you deaf,
and look, you blind, that you may see!
¹⁹Who is blind but my servant,
or deaf as my messenger whom I send?
Who is blind as my dedicated one,
or blind as the servant of the LORD?

²⁰He sees many things, but does not observe them;
his ears are open, but he does not hear.

²¹The LORD was pleased, for his righteousness' sake,
to magnify his law and make it glorious.

Epistle

Ephesians 5:8-14

⁸For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), ¹⁰and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. ¹³But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, ¹⁴for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Awake, O sleeper,
and arise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.”

Holy Gospel

John 9:1-41

¹As [Jesus] passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. ²And his disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” ³Jesus answered, “It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. ⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. ⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” ⁶Having said these things, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man's eyes with the mud ⁷and said to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.

⁸The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” ⁹Some said, “It is he.” Others said, “No, but he is like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” ¹⁰So they said to him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” ¹¹He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So I went and washed and received my sight.” ¹²They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

¹³They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. ¹⁴Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. ¹⁵So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, “He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see.”

¹⁶Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?” And there was a division among them. ¹⁷So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?” He said, “He is a prophet.”

¹⁸The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight ¹⁹and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” ²⁰His parents answered, “We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. ²¹But how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.” ²²(His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess Jesus to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue.) ²³Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

²⁴So for the second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, “Give glory to God. We know that this man is a sinner.” ²⁵He answered, “Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” ²⁶They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” ²⁷He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?” ²⁸And they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. ²⁹We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” ³⁰The man answered, “Why, this is an amazing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. ³¹We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. ³²Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. ³³If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.”

³⁴They answered him, “You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?” And they cast him out.

³⁵Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” ³⁶He answered, “And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?” ³⁷Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you.” ³⁸He said, “Lord, I believe,” and he worshiped him. ³⁹Jesus said, “For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind.” ⁴⁰Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, “Are we also blind?” ⁴¹Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, ‘We see,’ your guilt remains.”

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