

Week of Oct.4

- Sun.: 9:00 am - Adult Bible Class
- 10:00 am - Divine Service with Communion
- 12:00 pm - Lao Bible Class
- 1:00 pm - Lao Divine Service with Communion
- Mon.: 5:00 pm - Board of Stewardship/Finance
- 6:30 pm - Handbells
- Tues.: 9:00 am - Christians In Action
- 4:00 pm - Food Pantry
- 6:00 pm - Board of Trustees
- Wed.: 4:30 pm - Board of Ed. Meeting
- 5:30 pm - Confirmation
- 6:00 pm - Board of Evangelism Meeting
- 6:30 pm - Bible Study
- Sat.: 8:00 am - Men's Fellowship
- 10:00 am - Young Women's Fellowship
- Sun.: 9:00 am - Adult Bible Class
- 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: (Oct.4)

Elders/Ushers: Richard Rieck, Ryan Irvin, John Vulgamott
Greeters: Duane & Diane Madoerin
Audio/Visual: Jasmin / Lila Venegas
Screens: Emily Bochmann
Organist: Lavonne Breitenkamp
Altar: Gina Campidilli

THOSE SERVING NEXT SUNDAY: (Oct.11)

Elders/Ushers: Rick George, Ryan Branning, Darryl Pagel
Greeters: Phyllis Bisbee & Shirley Bowman
Audio/Visual: Will Breitenkamp
Screens: Beth Brandt
Organist: Lavonne Breitenkamp
Altar: Gina Campidilli

Attendance: 64 **Lao:** 15 **Offering:** \$2,738.50

UNABLE TO WORSHIP IN PERSON? Join us via live broadcast over KQWC 95.7 FM or live streaming on stpaulwebstercity.org, 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: Family of Jason Madoerin, Emma Cruz, Taylor Gomels, Family of Madison VanEngen, Pam Robinson, 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.

OCTOBER FOOD PANTRY REQUEST: Cereal, Canned Vegetables, Canned Fruits, Toothbrushes and Toothpaste. Thank you to everyone for your donations and help volunteering!

English Handbells: The Joy Ringers have positions open. Prayerfully consider ringing with us. More information to come. Any questions, please contact Jo @ 515-835-1308.

Altar Committee: would you prayerfully consider helping set the Lord's Table by serving on the Altar Committee? Pastor and the Elders have prepared a new step-by-step guide to help train new volunteers. Copies available in the Fellowship Hall under the TV.

MATCHING FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR FOOD PANTRY!!! Enhance Hamilton County Foundation is expanding its annual food assistance challenge this October and giving the effort a new name to reflect its broader purpose. Previously known as the "Food Pantry Challenge", the campaign will now be called the Hamilton County Food for Neighbors Challenge. The challenge will run October 1-31, 2026, with the first \$20,000 donated matched 100% dollar-for-dollar. This has been a great way to support the food pantry at St. Paul. Whatever you wish to donate will be matched by this program. Below is how you can donate – **make sure you designate it to "St. Paul Lutheran Church Food Pantry" in the memo line.** Mail or drop off at: Enhance Hamilton County Foundation
501 Bank Street
Webster City, IA 50595.
You may see more info on this at www.desmoinesfoundation.org/HamiltonPassthrough

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
1023 South 27th St. Fort Dodge
Quilt Craft & Bake Sale (Saturday, October 10) 10am to 2pm.
LWML is having a Quilt, craft and bake sale. Lunch including Sloppy Joes, chips, bars, and drinks will be available for a free-will offering. Hosted by LWML and Sewing Group.



St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Pastor Joseph Pierson
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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 4, 2026

Introit *Psalm 118:22-24; antiphon: v. 1*

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever!
**The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.**
This is the LORD's doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.
**This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;**
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.
Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever!

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 5:1-7

¹Let me sing for my beloved
my love song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.
²He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
and he looked for it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.
³And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem
and men of Judah,
judge between me and my vineyard.
⁴What more was there to do for my vineyard,
that I have not done in it?
When I looked for it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?
⁵And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.
⁶I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and briars and thorns shall grow up;
I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.
⁷For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the men of Judah
are his pleasant planting;
and he looked for justice,
but behold, bloodshed;
for righteousness,
but behold, an outcry!

Epistle

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church;

as to righteousness, under the law blameless. ⁷But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.
¹²Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:33-46

³³[Jesus said:] “Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. ³⁴When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. ³⁵And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. ³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.’ ³⁹And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. ⁴⁰When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” ⁴¹They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.”
⁴²Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures:
“‘The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord’s doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes’?
⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. ⁴⁴And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.”
⁴⁵When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

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