

+++THE GUIDE +++
ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH-STRASBURG ILLINOIS

December 26, 2021

First Sunday After Christmas

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THIS WEEK WITH THE LORD

SUN. 8:30 AM Communion Service
9:30 AM Sunday School-Alpha, W.L.S., College Plus, High School
TUE. 9:00 AM Morning Bible Study
WED. 8:00 AM **Guide/Bulletin** deadline
8:30 AM Chair Yoga
FRI. 8:30 PM New Year's Eve Service with Communion
SAT. 10:00 AM New Year's Day Service @ Grace with Communion
SUN. 8:30 AM Worship Service
9:30 AM Sunday School, Alpha, W.L.S., College Plus, High School

December 19 8:30: 142 Year Ago: 169 Sunday School: 54

Welcome Welcome to worship as we continue to revel in the Christmas season. Friends, we're glad you're here! *If you are a visitor, we invite you to worship with us again and to please sign our guestbook*

Officer Installation The installation of the newly elected officers for 2022 will be January 2.

Election meeting results The newly elected church officers for 2022 are President: Gerry Schlechte, Vice President: Jim Weiss, Secretary: Lisa Rincker, Financial Secretary: Daniel Vogel, Evangelism: Charlene Telgmann. Head Usher: Dalton Storm, Elder: Mark Luce, Trustee: Don Telgmann, Board of Education: Diane Jack and Sunday School Superintendent: Karen Kull. We thank all who volunteered to participate in the election. We also thank those who have served as officers during past years including Gary Kull who has served as our President for the past 7 years, Gary Schultz who served as Trustee for 3 years, Virginia Vogel, Jacob Schultz and Jay Vogel.

LYF The LYF would like to thank the church members that joined us in Christmas Caroling! It was a great afternoon visiting our friends and family.

FOR THE LORD'S WORK

<u>CURRENT OFFERINGS</u>	<u>\$ TO MEET YEARLY BUDGET</u>	<u>\$ RECEIVED</u>	<u>\$ DIFFERENCE</u>
December 19	\$ 3,436.00	\$2,270.00	\$-1166.00
year-to-date	\$ 177,432.00	\$188,216.98	\$ 10,784.98
<u>SYNOD OFFERINGS</u>			
December 19	\$ 423.00	\$1,970.00	\$ 1,547.00
year-to-date	\$21,996.00	\$22,790.00	\$ -794.00
<u>TRINITY GOAL-\$10,000</u>		Total to Date	\$10,055.00
Building \$325 Trinity \$190 Cemetery \$5 Organ \$100			

December 19 \$4,860.00

- 1/4 9:00 AM Morning Bible Study
- 1/5 8:30 AM Chair Yoga
- 7:30 PM LYF Meeting @ Trinity
- 1/6 1:30 PM Ladies Aid

Thanksgiving offering in the amount of \$3210.00 was distributed this year to the following organizations. Lutheran Care Center (20%-\$642.00), Lutheran Hour Ministries (15%-\$481.50), LWML Mites(15%-\$481.50), KFYO Radio (10%-\$321.00), Bethesda (10%-\$321.00), LCMS World Relief (10%-\$321.00), Food For The Poor (10%-\$321.00), Dakota Ranch (10%-\$321.00).

2022 Offering Envelopes are available for pickup in the narthex. Since your offering box number will most likely change for 2022 please do not begin using them until January 2022 to ensure that your contribution is recorded correctly.

Mites January 2nd will be Mites Sunday.

LYF Soup Luncheon The Joint LYF of Grace, St. Paul's, and Trinity will be hosting a Soup Luncheon on Sunday, January 9 at Trinity Lutheran Church. The youth will begin serving homemade chili and chicken noodle soup, hot dogs, potato chips and desserts from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Dine-in and To-go available! Proceeds from your freewill donations will go toward local youth group activities and trips. We appreciate your support and hope to see you after church on the 9th!



ANNIVERSARIES

- 29- Gary* & Mary Brehmer
- 30- Jesse* & Rachel Wallin

BIRTHDAYS

- 26- Kingston* Rincker
- 27- Breck Beltz; Don Doehring
- 28- Noah Vonderheide
- 29- Mariah Williams; Stephanie Tracy

HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK

Adam Hoene, Norma Huddleston, Diane Jack, Megan Jack, Stephanie (Delia) Jack, Alicia (Rachel) Kessler, Carolyn Stremming, David & Deb Stremming, Doris Stremming, Doug & Amy Stremming, Elizabeth Stremming, Gaylord & Dixie Stremming

Recorded Services

- Website:** stpaul-strasburg.com
- YouTube:** St. Paul's Lutheran Church Strasburg Illinois
- Facebook:** St. Paul's Lutheran Church

HEALING

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|----------------|-------------------|
| Kay Dust | Jackie Stodden |
| Diane Paraiso | Melba Storm |
| Anna Schlechte | Ken Hagan |
| Mary Rincker | Carolyn Stremming |
| Joe Oakley | Wayne Wirth |
| Glen Spannagel | Nick Hanfland |

LIMITED MOBILITY

- Noma Huddleston - Lakeland Healthcare Center
- Imogene Lading - Villas of Holly Brook
- Bill Orr
- Rosemary Sporleder-Brookstone Mattoon
- Mildred Rincker - Heartland, Neoga
- Doris Stremming - Villas of Holly Brook

FRIENDS & FAMILY (non-members)

- Lori Cannon (Chris Kramer cousin-cancer)
- Geoff Kowalczyk (Jesse Wallin's cousin)
- Tammy Gebben (cancer-friend of Scott & Lori Pieper)
- Christie Dust (Howard & Kay Dust daughter in-law)
- Laikyn Bauer (Digeorge syndrome)
- Gloria Fortkamp
- Erica Stollard (cancer)
- Matt Durbin
- Diana Vonderheide (Joe & Linda Oakley' daughter)
- Ivan Crutcher (cancer, Karen Rentfro's uncle)
- Karl Zalman (cancer)
- Bryan Mowry (Laurie Wirth's brother, health)
- Caralea (Moffett) Smith (cancer, undergoing treatments)
- Austin Miller, (leukemia, Dennis & Nitelle Lading's gson.)

Seminary Student

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First Sunday after Christmas 26, 2021
Liturgy – Setting Four

Hymn of Invocation

Angels We Have Heard on High

LSB 368

1 Angels we have heard on high, Sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply, Echoing their joyous strains. Refrain

ref Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gloria in excelsis Deo.

2 Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be Which inspire your heav'nly song? Refrain

3 Come to Bethlehem and see Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee Christ the Lord, the newborn King. Refrain

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Introit

Psalm 98:1–4; antiphon: Isaiah 52:10

Kyrie

LSB 204

C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204

C **1 To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**2 To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—**

**3 For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 13:1–3a, 11–15

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Colossians 3:12–17

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse

- C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**
- C **These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**
- C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Holy Gospel

Luke 2:22–40

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.
- C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The Gospel is Read

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed

- C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was
buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He
ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

389 Let All Together Praise Our God

LSB 389

- 1 Let all together praise our God Before His glorious throne;
Today He opens heav'n again To give us His own Son, To give us His own Son.
- 2 He leaves His heav'nly Father's throne, Is born an infant small,
And in a manger, poor and lone, Lies in a humble stall, Lies in a humble stall.
- 3 Within an earthborn form He hides His all-creating light;
To serve us all He humbly cloaks The splendor of His might, The splendor of His might.
- 4 He undertakes a great exchange, Puts on our human frame,
And in return gives us His realm, His glory, and His name, His glory, and His name.

Sermon "The Peace of Christ" Colossians 3:12-17

- 5 He is a servant, I a lord: How great a mystery!
How strong the tender Christ Child's love! No truer friend than He, No truer friend than He.
- 6 He is the key and He the door To blessed paradise;
The angel bars the way no more. To God our praises rise, To God our praises rise.
- D 7 Your grace in lowliness revealed, Lord Jesus, we adore
And praise to God the Father yield And Spirit evermore; We praise You evermore.

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Prayer of the Church

Preface

LSB 208

- P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
P Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them to the Lord.**
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 208

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In the beginning You created all things by Your Word; and in the fullness of time Your Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth.

Let Your Word made flesh dwell richly among us that, faithfully eating His body and drinking His blood, we may receive the fullness of Your grace and truth in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei

LSB 210

C **1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

Distribution

383 A Great and Mighty Wonder

LSB 383

386 Now Sing We, Now Rejoice

LSB 386

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211

C **1 O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.**

**2 All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.**

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Benedicamus

LSB 212

A Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C **Amen.**

393 Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

LSB 393

1 Infant holy, Infant lowly, For His bed a cattle stall;

Oxen lowing, Little knowing Christ the child is Lord of all.

Swiftly winging, Angels singing, Bells are ringing, Tidings bringing:

Christ the child is Lord of all! Christ the child is Lord of all!

2 Flocks were sleeping, Shepherds keeping Vigil till the morning new

Saw the glory, Heard the story, Tidings of a Gospel true.

Thus rejoicing, Free from sorrow, Praises voicing, Greet the morrow:

Christ the child was born for you! Christ the child was born for you!

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