

Traditional Worship

Saturday 5pm
Sunday 8am
Sunday 11am
Monday 6:30pm

Contemporary Worship

Sunday 9:30am

Servant Leaders:

Pastor: Luke Anderson
Pastor: Jacob Schultz
Pastor of Care Ministry: Timothy Maschke
Pastor Emeritus: Larry Prah
Pastor Emeritus: John Suelflow
Pastor Emeritus: Kenton Wendorf
Principal: Michael Yurk
Director of Music: Valerie Bremer
Director of Christian Ed: Tracy Krueger

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY
THE LAST SUNDAY IN THE CHURCH YEAR
November 26, 2023



EQUIPPING
Every Generation
to Live Rooted
in JESUS

AS WE GATHER...The end of the Church Year leads us one step further away from Christ's coming in Bethlehem and one step closer to His coming in glory. Christ is the King who was promised of old and who will return to call the world to accountability. We who are part of His Kingdom by faith are called to faithfulness here on earth so that we may enjoy His eternal reign in heaven.

Welcome! We are glad you are worshipping today!

Fellowship: Refreshments are available in the Gathering Hall on Sundays from 9am–10:45am

Holy Communion: Celebrated in all Worship Services on the first, third & fifth weekends each month

Parents With Children: Children's bulletins & Busy Bags are available. There is a quiet room in the back of church

We Care Cards: Everyone attending is asked to complete a Card, found in the pew rack and picked up after offering

Worship Volunteers: Sign-up at tinyurl.com/SPLsignups (Future Acolytes, PowerPoint & Live-stream help)

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICES—Saturday 5pm; Sunday 8am,11am; Monday 6:30pm

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

LIGHTING OF CANDLES and RINGING OF THE BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS and ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION (Offerings may be placed in collection box near the exits. We Care Cards will be collected during the hymn before the sermon.)

OPENING HYMN "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

LSB 549, St. 1,4,6,7

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by Him and for Him.

People: He is King of kings and Lord of lords!

Pastor: He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church; He is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything He might have the supremacy.

People: He is King of kings and Lord of lords!

Pastor: Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the name that is above every name.

People: He is King of kings and Lord of lords!

Pastor: At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth.

People: He is King of kings and Lord of lords!

Pastor: And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.

ALL: He is King of kings and Lord of lords!

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our merciful King.

People: Christ our King, we come before You in humble adoration, but not in unholy fear. At Your name our knees bow and our hearts burn in love. We acknowledge our unworthiness, but claim Your forgiveness. We know that we have failed You. Hear our confession, gracious Monarch of the Cross. Forgive us and rule us.

(A time of silence for personal reflection and confession)

Pastor: Fellow sinners and fellow saints, our King has heard the confession we have made this day and does forgive us. He will not speak a condescending word from a distant throne, but comes into our midst to suffer with us, for us, and to die on a cross. His word of forgiveness restores us and we rise to serve Him. As a called and ordained servant of Christ the King, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Christ the King! We are His, and we are forgiven! Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

HYMN OF PRAISE “Rejoice, The Lord Is King”

LW 179

- 1 Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore;
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, And triumph evermore.

Refrain: Lift up your hearts, lift up your voice; Rejoice; again I say, Rejoice!

- 2 Our Savior Jesus reigns, The God of truth and love;
When He had purged our stains, He took His seat above: *Refrain*

- 4 He sits at God’s right hand Till all His foes submit
And bow to His command And fall beneath His feet: *Refrain*

SALUTATION and PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things to Your beloved Son, whom You anointed Priest forever and King of all creation, grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united under the glorious and gentle rule of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,

ALL: who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Jeremiah 23:2-6 God promises to send a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. (Holy Bible p. 825)*

Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: “You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. ³ Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD. ⁵ “Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *Colossians 1:13-20 God has reconciled us to Himself through the blood of the King. (Holy Bible p. 1251)*

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶ For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE “All Creatures of Our God and King”

(sing to tune of LSB 493; A hymn of Glory let Us Sing)

All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice with us and sing:

Alleluia, alleluia!

O burning sun with golden beam And silver moon with softer gleam:

Oh, praise him! Oh, Praise him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 25:31-46 The Great Shepherd separates the sheep from the goats using their deeds to testify either of their faith or unbelief. The merciful find mercy but the unmerciful suffer under the weight of their own self-centeredness (Holy Bible p. 1056)*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

People: *(sung)* **Glory to You, O Lord.**

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. ³² Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³ And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. ³⁴ Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶ I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' ³⁷ Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? ³⁸ And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? ³⁹ And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' ⁴⁰ And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' ⁴¹ "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴² For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, ⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' ⁴⁴ Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' ⁴⁵ Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' ⁴⁶ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: *(sung)* **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

LSB 525

SERMON by Pastor Prah! based on the lessons appointed for the day.

MARTIN LUTHER'S EXPLANATION OF THE SECOND ARTICLE OF THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity,
and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord,
who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me
from all sins, from death, and the power of the devil; not with gold or silver,
But with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own
and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him
In everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives
and reigns to all eternity This is most certainly true.

OFFERTORY HYMN "Beautiful Savior"

LSB 537, St. 1 & 4

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ—let us come before our King to offer our praise and make known our petitions. We pray for the **kingdom of grace**, that it may come to us and to others who seek the steadfast love of Christ: for the sick and the recovering, especially...as well as those listed in our prayer guide and those we remember silently in our hearts...for the lost and erring; for the poor, the hungry, and the homeless; for the unemployed and underemployed; for the broken and burdened; for those who mourn the loss of loved ones, *especially...*, for missionaries and all who spread the news of the kingdom. Eternal Lord and King,

People: **Thy kingdom come.**

Pastor: We pray for the **kingdom of power**, that the authority and lordship of Christ may continue to hold sway over all things; for the nations and their leaders; for corporations and places of business; for marriages and families; and for all who have yet to see Christ as head over all; for those of the armed forces, police and fire departments, doctors and nurses and other health care givers. Eternal Lord and King,

People: **Thy kingdom come.**

Pastor: We pray for the **kingdom of glory**, that Christ will return soon: for those whose faith has led them to suffering and martyrdom; for all who bear a cross for the cause of Christ; for those who must find hope if they are to go on; for Your church waiting for the coming of Christ. Eternal Lord and King,

People: Thy kingdom come.

(Special prayers are offered. The pastor concludes each prayer with the words, "Eternal Lord and King," to which the congregation responds, "Thy kingdom come.")

Pastor: Move among us, Lord, with grace and power and make us ready to receive You when at last You come again in glory. In Your strong name,

People: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9-13*

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.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: May the peace, of Christ our King and the blessing of almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be and abide with you now and forever.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN "Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng"

LSB 813, St. 1, 5, 6, 7

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CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE-9:30am

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC "Come & Listen"

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Offerings may be placed in collection box near the exits. We Care Cards will be collected during the opening song.)

INVOCATION

OPENING SONG "Your Love Never Fails;"
"Evidence"

CONFESSION & WORD OF FORGIVENESS

SONG OF PRAISE "Every Hour"

CHILDRENS MESSAGE by Tracy Krueger, DCE

WORD OF GOD *Colossians 1:13-20*
(*Holy Bible p. 1251*)

**MARTIN LUTHER'S EXPLANATION OF THE
SECOND ARTICLE OF THE APOSTLES' CREED**
(see screens)

PRAYERS / LORD'S PRAYER

WORD OF GOD *Matthew 25:31-46*
(*Holy Bible p. 1056*)

SERMON by Pastor Pahl based on the lessons
appointed for the day.

BLESSING

CLOSING SONG "Goodness of God"



ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION

This weekend we are celebrating Pastor Pahl on his 40th ordination anniversary. We thank God for him and Norma and their faithful service at St. Paul for so many years. Please take the time to congratulate him and thank him for all that he does (cheerfully!) among us. Well done, good and faithful servant!

Please join us after all service's in the Gathering Hall for a reception in celebration of Pastor Pahl's 40 years in the Pastoral ministry.

MONDAY NIGHT SERVICE HIATUS

The Board of Elders, working with the Pastors and Music Ministry Staff, have decided to pause Monday night services during Advent and Christmas, similar to last year. Monday night services will not be held from **December 4 through January 1, and will resume on January 8.** *Thank you for your understanding!*

BIBLE STUDIES

SUNDAY MORNING RELIGIOUS ED HOUR 9:30am–Family Life Center

November 26

Understanding the Holy Spirit, Pt. 1
Dr. Randy Ferguson

December 3

Understanding the Holy Spirit, Pt. 2
Dr. Randy Ferguson

December 10

Understanding the Holy Spirit, Pt. 3
Dr. Randy Ferguson

THURSDAY MORNING MENS BIBLE CLASS

Topic: Acts of the Apostles

Led by: Bob Kasten

When: Thursday, 6:30am

Where: Church Front Conference Room

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH



11/26: There will be no Middle School Youth today. Enjoy the holiday weekend!

12/17: We will be talking about the best Christmas gift. We will also be decorating cookies and having a White Elephant gift exchange. **Please bring a wrapped gift (\$10 or less):** Gag gifts are always a big hit, but there's also nothing wrong with bringing a nice item that people actually want. Better yet, if you can find something that's both funny and useful, you've hit the White Elephant jackpot.

Questions? Contact Tracy Krueger at tracy.krueger@splgrifton.org



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Come join us for the fun! Sunday School runs Sundays September-May from 8:15-9:15am, and is open to children ages 3 thru 5th Grade.

Register here for Sunday School:
tinyurl.com/SSregister23

11/26: There will be no Sunday School today. Enjoy the holiday weekend! Sunday school resumes on **Sunday, December 3.**

12/3: Join us as we learn that God is bigger than our fears and hear about God giving Caleb courage in Numbers 13-14.

Questions? Contact Tracy Krueger at tracy.krueger@splgrifton.org

VEGGIES & ICE CREAM



Families are invited to come join us on **Friday, December 15** from **6-7pm** as we watch The Little Drummer Boy. We will also be making some fun crafts and enjoying some ice cream.

Signup here to join the fun:
tinyurl.com/VeggiesDec23.

IMPACT HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH



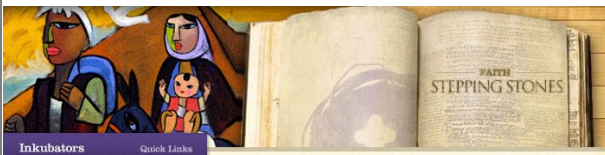
IMPACT will meet on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of every month from 5-6:30pm in the Youth Room.

November 26: What is God's plan for my life?
Activity: Ultimate Manna

December 17: IMPACT Christmas Party, 4-6pm

SAVE THE DATE!

Summer Trip: Whispering Pines Fellowship Retreat, August 5-8. More information to follow in the coming months. This trip will be focused on team building, fellowship, and Bible study, as we head into a Youth Gathering year.



Faith Stepping Stones

Faith Stepping Stones is faith based parenting education from cradle to high school graduation through eight short-courses, which pull parents into the role of primary faith mentors for their own children every night through blessing, prayer, scripture Highs & Lows, and faith dialogue (FAITH 5).

Stone 6: Surviving Adolescence

This class consists of three sessions on "Surviving Adolescence" where 5 & 6 grade youth and parents learn and commit to talking about their faith and how they see God at work in their lives on a daily basis. Adding this to the previous faith practices of confession/absolution, Bible reading, Highs & Lows, prayer and blessing. This class will start **Wednesday, January 3 at 6pm and run through Wednesday, January 17** in the Youth Room. Signup at tinyurl.com/Stone62024 or contact Tracy at tracy.krueger@splgrifton.org for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MERRY CHRISTMAS ST PAUL CHURCH AND SCHOOL!



'Tis the Season! The Christmas season is a time of joy and happiness as we celebrate the birth of our Savior. Sadly, as many of us celebrate, there are many local families that are struggling to have what they need for winter, much less purchase Christmas gifts for their children. Your support and generosity are greatly needed. The Giving Tree is up, and what a great time to start shopping all the holiday sales! The gifts this year will go to several local families, children from Benediction Church, as well as the Milwaukee Homeless Veterans Initiative and Place of Refuge Women's Shelter.

The Giving Tree and tags can be found in the carport entrance. Please turn in the gifts (left unwrapped) by **Monday, December 4**, and please attach the tag to the gift when dropping off the items. Items can be turned in to the school office or under the tree to be collected daily.

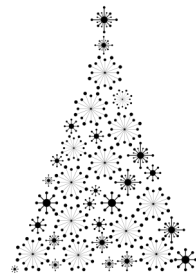
Please reach out to Samantha McCarthy at samccarthy09@gmail.com or 262-227-4777, or Nora Brooks at norabeth219@yahoo.com with any questions.



ST. PAUL SENIOR MINISTRY

The St. Paul Senior Ministry group has planned a road trip to the Old World German Christmas Market at the Osthoff Resort in Elkhart Lake, WI. We will board the bus at the Providence Place on **Wednesday, December 6 at 10am** and leave around 1:30pm for our trip back. The cost is \$15.00 which includes transportation and admission. There are 12 seats available first come, first serve.

Call Jenny at 377-9900 or e-mail to jgall@theprovidenceplace.org.
Sign-up by Monday, December 4



WOMEN'S GUILD CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON Thursday, December 7; 12pm

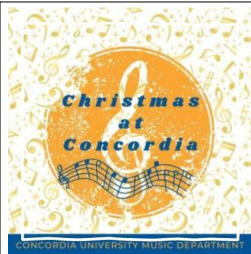
CALLING ALL QUILTERS



Quilters are taking a recess until **Tuesday, January 9, 2024 from 9am - 12pm.**

Special thanks to all of those that worked so hard to help us put together 250 quilts this year. They will be picked up on Thursday, November 16, 2023 by the mission group, "Orphan Grain Train." The LWML will ship infant layettes and personal care products for infants at the same time.

Questions? Contact Maribeth Witkowski at 262-339-4796



CHRISTMAS AT CONCORDIA

**Friday, December 1;
7:30pm - 9:30pm**

**LOCATION:
Chapel of Christ Triumphant**

Join us for our annual tradition of celebrating the Christmas season with the talented music students of Concordia University Wisconsin!

This event features all of CUW's instrumental, vocal, and handbell ensembles; including Kammerchor, Selah, Chapel Choir, Alleluia Ringers, Chapel Ringers, Symphonic Wind Ensemble, University Band, Jazz Ensemble, String Ensemble, and Civic Chorale. Welcome in the glory of Christmas with all the hard work put forth this year by Concordia's music ensembles!

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit <https://www.cuw.edu/events/details.php?id=56320>. Online ticket sales end December 1 at 9:30pm. This event tends to sell out; if tickets are still available, be prepared to use a credit/debit card at the ticket table on the night of the performance.


LIVING WORD
LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL



CHRISTMAS

CONCERT



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 AT 4:00 PM

AT ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH - GRAFTON, WI

Join the Living Word Music Department as the celebrate the birth of our Savior through song for their annual Christmas Concert held at St. Paul Lutheran Church on **Sunday, December 10 at 4pm.** Doors open at 3:30pm and is open to all members of the community. *Free admission.*



EVERY
GENERATION
FAITHFUL
TOGETHER

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Thank you for your generous and gracious response during Commitment Weekend. If you did not get a chance to return your pledge card, please either drop it at the Office or put it in the offering box. We ask that you continue to keep the Capital Campaign in your prayers as the steering committee continues to work toward a final proposal. We will provide updates on the website at www.splgraffton.org/faithfultogether.

2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Please stop by the tables in the Gathering Hall to pick up your **2024 Offering Envelopes**.

If you have any questions please contact Martha Witt in the Church Office at 262-377-4659, Ext. 332

2023 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Contribution statements through October will be in the Gathering Hall **THIS WEEKEND**

Please pick yours up before/after Worship Services.

DECEMBER BULLETIN DEADLINES

The deadline for bulletin announcements will be changing throughout the next two months due to the schedule of our printer. Here are the changes for December:

December 3: Due Monday, November 27, 10am
December 10: Due Tuesday, November 28, 10am
December 17: Due Monday, December 4, 10am
December 31: Due Monday, December 18, 10am

Thank you!

thank you



ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN UPDATE

Project Completed!

Thank you to all that donated to this annual project! We were blessed to assemble on November 4 the following items: 104 layettes, 32 school kits, 13 hygiene kits, and 13 blankets.

Sponsored by The Lutheran Women's Missionary League.
To God be the Glory!

LWML CHRISTMAS CARDS

Christmas Cards to share the blessings of faith and the joy and peace of Christmas are available in the Gathering Hall while supplies last! Support the LWML mission grant with your purchase of these cards. Proceeds go the SOS Center in Milwaukee to support their young adult guidance center.

Thank You!

IT'S YOUR CHANCE TO LEND A HAND!

We have a few ways you that could really make a difference:

Transportation - Can you offer a ride to those with medical appointments?

Shut-in member support - A simple visit or phone call can brighten someone's day.

Ushers - Welcome and assist worshippers at our services. Due to the additional services during the holidays, there is a greater need for Ushers.

Interested in any of these roles or have additional questions?

Contact Marty Hauser at 262-377-4659, Ext. 375 or servantministries@splgraffton.org.

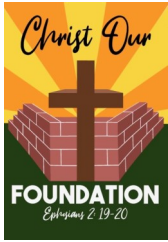
CHURCH FLOWERS UPDATE

Since many of you order flowers for our church sanctuary from Groth's Country Gardens, we wanted to make you aware of this from Groth's:

With sincere regret, we are informing you that as of December 31st, the floral shop division of Groth's Country Gardens will close permanently. This is not a decision we have taken lightly and have been monitoring since 2019. The continuous price increase in product and supplies along with a decrease in demand since 2019 has led us to this decision. We will be accepting fresh floral orders until December 30th, 2023 and will close the floral shop at noon that day. We will continue to operate the greenhouse portion at Groth's Country Gardens as normal and look forward to seeing you in the greenhouses in the future.

Questions? Contact Kathy Lubner at kathy.lubner@icloud.com.

SCHOOL NEWS FROM MR. YURK



1. We've closed out the first trimester of the 2023-24 school year. School will not be in session the week of Thanksgiving. As we look forward to the upcoming holiday, I give thanks to the St. Paul community for the prayers and support given to our staff as we live out our motto of being Focused on Excellence...Centered on Christ.
2. As we begin preparations for Christmas, please join us for our Christian Day School Christmas programs. Programs will take place at 8:25am and 6:30pm the following Wednesdays: December 6 (Gr. 1-2), December 13 (Gr. 3-4), December 20 (Gr. 5-8) and on Saturday, December 16 (9 & 10:30am / Gr. PreK-K). Our Band and Christmas Concert is Friday, December 8 at 9am & 6:30pm.
3. Registration for the 2024-25 school year will open up in January. Call the school office for more information.

WE ARE HIRING!



Guardian Angel Extended Care is looking for help Monday-Friday. **Lunch Help** from 10:30-1pm & **Afterschool** from 2:30-5:15pm High School students 15 years old may apply for afternoon hours (3-5pm)

Questions? Contact Kim Edgar at 262 377-7523

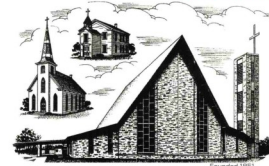
ART ROOM DONATIONS



Do you have any art supplies hanging out at your house that you need gone? The St. Paul Art Room is always looking for donated items. Some of the types of items we are always in need of include: buttons and beads of all types and sizes, pom poms, yarn, material, craft (popsicle) sticks, glitter, sequins, acrylic paint, styrofoam balls, and felt. If you are looking to find a better home for your unwanted art supplies, we will be happy to take them!

If you have any questions, please contact Diane Schumann at diane.schumann@splgraffton.org.

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL ALUMNI & FRIENDS



facebook.com/groups/stpaulgrafftonalumni

Exciting news! We are thrilled to announce the launch of our brand-new St. Paul Alumni Group - whether you attended for a few years or graduated from St. Paul, this group is for you! Reconnect with classmates, share throwback photos, and stay up to date with alumni events. Let's celebrate our shared legacy and build a future filled with more unforgettable moments.

Join the group today and share with other St. Paul classmates and friends!
www.facebook.com/groups/stpaulgrafftonalumni

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING WITH SCRIP

With gift cards from more than **750 top brands**, find gifts for everyone on your list! **The travelers** (Kwik Trip, BP, Mobil, Speedway). **The foodies** (Culver's, Noodles, Qdoba, Panera, Eaton's, Buffalo Wild Wings). **The caffeine aficionados** (Starbucks). **The trendsetters** (TJMaxx, Ulta, Target, Dick's Sporting Goods, Walmart). **The home improvement DIY-ers** (Home Depot, Menards, Fleet Farm) **and the on the fly-ers** (Amazon). Plus so much more! Contact Meagan Steinke at 262-377-4659.



*Our final order before the Christmas holiday will be placed on **Monday, December 18 at 8:30am!** Don't delay!*

WAYS TO GIVE AT ST. PAUL—Visit splgraffton.org/church and Look for the Give Now! Button.

Plate: Offerings may be placed in a collection box near the exits.

Mail/Drop-Off: You can mail or drop-off your Offerings at St. Paul. Our address is: 701 Washington Street, Grafton, WI 53024. Our Office hours are Monday—Friday, 8am to 4pm.

VancoOnline Electronic Giving: Visit splgraffton.org/church/giving (then click Online Giving).

Vanco Mobile App: Vanco Mobile is a mobile giving app that enables you to make one-time or recurring gifts from your smartphone. Visit the Apple App Store or Google Play and search for "Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement" to download the app.

Give+ Text: Simply text 855.927.0750 (the St. Paul Give+ Text number) the amount you would like to contribute (example: 25 for \$25). You will be sent a registration link. After registering, you will receive a text verification and an emailed receipt. For future giving, text the amount you wish to give, and text "repeat" to make it a recurring donation.

Thank you for supporting St. Paul. If you have questions, contact St. Paul Finance office at 262-377-4659.

Music: Ms. Valerie Bremer / Greg Batiansila
Leaders: Rev. Luke Anderson

Altar Guild: Sharon Hawkins & Maribeth Witkowski
Sermon: Rev. Larry Prah

| SERVICE | ELDERS | HEAD USHERS |
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| Sat., 5pm | Kevin Frinzi | Rich & Jo Wolf |
| Sun., 8am | Rick Wellman | Bob Utecht |
| Sun., 9:30am | Phil Greve | Todd Willman |
| Sun., 11am | Mark Papcke | Mark Papcke |
| Mon., 6:30pm | Stu Natale | Casey Haas |

PRAYER REQUESTS

Strength and Healing: *Drew Bartel* (son of Mona Bartel); *Timothy Brauer* (father of Nicholas Brauer); *Jean Dormann* (niece of Norma Prah); *Kathy Gruszecki*; *Diane Hostetter*; *Elaine Hurley* (sister of Joanne Wolf); *Paul Klotka* (son of Randy & Lois Klotka); *Marcia Krenak* (friend of Joan Suelflow); Rev. *James Kroemer*; *Larry Luckjohn*; *Susan Metzger*; *Shirley Neubauer*; *Ted Otto*; *Darlene Sukowski*; *Susan Swanson* (sister & sister-in-law of Catherine & Larry Kiener); *Julie Vandermause* (special friend of Richard & Evonne Musbach); *Joanne (Jodie) Wolf*; *Randy Zachow*

Long Term Illness/Treatment: *Pam A.* (friend of Maribeth Witkowski); *Kathy Bruskewitz*; *Jim & Sharon Caulfield* (parents/in-law's of Alison & Steve Eckert); *Christine Catspram* (daughter of Lyle & Terry Sperber); *Cindy C.* (coworker of Jessica Roeder); *Bonnie Guse* (sister of Brian Hadler); *Dan Haupt* (son of Frank & Bernice Haupt); *Tim Hubacek* (grandson of Frank & Bernice Haupt); *Daniel Kekic* (nephew of Paulette Rammel); *Mary Lou Mercer*; *Andy Panasa* (friend of Dennis Kranz); *Patrick Swan* (friend of Liz Dehm)

Hospice: *John Eckhart*, Lasata; *Dorothy Rutz*, Harbor View

Wedding: *Joshua Eggold and Hannah Boehme* (son of Brad & Diana Eggold) were married on Saturday, November 18, 2023 in St. Louis.

Please Note: If you have a Prayer Request listed in either "Strength and Healing" or "Long-term Illness/Treatment" please notify the church office at (377-4659 x332) with any updates. At the end of each month any requests that we do not receive an update on is removed. **Deadline: Monday, November 27.**

FLOWERS, MEMORIALS & PLEDGES

Flowers next to the pulpit are given to the Glory of God by *Richard and Joanne Wolf*.

A Memorial has been given to the Every Generation Faithful Together Ministry Expansion Fund in memory of *Jules A. Nelson*.

A Memorial has been given to the Glory of God to St. Paul Lutheran Church in memory of *Stewart Scherf* (brother of Vivian Laabs).

A Pledge has been made to the Every Generation Faithful Together Ministry Expansion Fund by *John and Patty Richmond* to encourage others to make a commitment.

A Pledge has been made to the Every Generation Faithful Together Ministry Expansion Fund in memory of *Doris Schmidt & Olivia Schultz* by David & Natasha Schmidt.

A Pledge has been made to the Every Generation Faithful Together Ministry Expansion Fund in honor of our children & grandchildren that attended St. Paul School by *Nicholas & Karen Schmidt*.

CHURCH RECORDS

Funeral: *Dorothy Andrews*, born, went to be with Jesus on November 13, 2023. A Christian funeral was held for her at St. Paul on Friday, November 17, 2023.

Funeral: *Paul H. Brunnquell*, born March 20, 1931, went to be with Jesus on November 4, 2023. A Christian funeral was held for him at St. Paul on Tuesday, November 21, 2023.

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Wednesday Advent 6:30pm
December 6: Grades 1-2
December 13: Grades 3-4
December 20: Grades 5-8



Lessons & Carols
Adult Music Groups
Saturday, December 9: 5pm
Sunday, December 10: 8am
Soloists & Small Groups
Sunday, December 10:
9:30am, 11am

Pre-K & Kindergarten
Christmas Service
Saturday, December 16:
9am & 10:30am

*No Monday Night Worship
December 4 through January 1.
Resumes January 8.*

Saturday, December 23
No Worship

Christmas Eve
Sunday, December 24:
12pm, 2pm Traditional
4pm Contemporary
7pm, 11pm Candlelight

Christmas Day
Monday, December 25:
9:30am Traditional/Communion

New Year's Weekend
Saturday: 5pm
Sunday: 8am, 11am
9:30am (Contemporary)

Rooted Women Advent by Candlelight

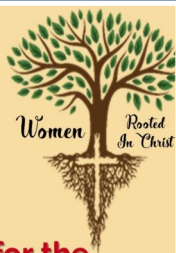
Sunday December 3, 2023

6:30PM



Join us as we prepare for the
Faith, Hope, Love, & Peace
of the Advent Season

Sign up: <https://tinyurl.com/AdventbyCandlelight23>



Save the Date!

St. Paul Lutheran

Cookie Walk

December 2, 2023

9:00am – 11:00am



We invite you to join us on **Sunday, December 3 at 6:30pm** for Advent by Candlelight. As we prepare our hearts in hope, love, joy, and peace that this season has to offer. Darcy Paape - Director of the Women's Leadership Institute - will be leading our time.

Sign up at tinyurl.com/AdventbyCandlelight23

We look forward to enjoying the Christmas season together. You may bring a dessert to share if you would like.

THE ST. PAUL CHRISTMAS COOKIE WALK

The Panther Parents annual Christmas Cookie Walk is on **Saturday, December 2 from 9am to 11am** (or until cookies run out) in the Family Life Center.

Mark your calendars and come early to see the beautifully decorated and delicious selection of cookies, candies, and treats. Containers will be provided for you to choose your own items. \$10 per container. Bring your friends and family and get into the Christmas spirit. You can get all of your holiday treats for the season at the Cookie Walk! The varieties will be endless and will include gluten-free and nut-free options!

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