



welcome to st. paul lutheran church & school

For the Weekend of January 20th and 21st, 2023

Pastor David Ritt

Jonah 3:1–5, 10

Corinthians 7:29–31

Mark 1:14–20

Sermon Notes



“This Is My Body...This Is My Blood” – Those who take part in the Lord’s Supper consume bread and wine. (1Corinthian 10:17; 11:27ff). But more than that, they also receive a miracle in the bread and wine, for therein Christ places His true Body and true Blood (1Corinthians 10:16). He gives them to us as His personal assurance of the forgiveness of our sins. ***It is the request of our congregation that anyone who wishes to commune with us share this faith.*** As His Body and Blood can be taken to one’s own judgment (1Corinthians 11:29), St. Paul urges each communicant “examine yourself” before participating in the Meal. By His admonition, therefore, we in turn urge you to ask yourself:

1. Do I believe that I am a sinner, admit my sins, and am I truly sorry for them?
 2. Do I believe that Jesus, by His death in my place, offers me forgiveness for all my sins?
 3. Do I believe that I receive the REAL Body and Blood of Jesus in, with, and under the bread and wine? (Not merely symbolically present)
 4. Will I, with a grateful heart, and in loving obedience, strive with the Spirit’s help to live a Godly life?
- If you need or desire to know more about Holy Communion, please talk to the pastor before communing. We encourage you to come up for a blessing if you do not wish to participate. God bless you as we celebrate together this amazing gift of forgiveness and grace.



Email or call the church office to add information, announcements or prayer requests, by Wednesday 12noon at info@stpaulaurora.com or call 630-896-3250 Four weeks will be the allotted time to post or request information.

Prayers for God's guidance and strength for the following people

- *Cathy Sumner and Steve*
- *Chris Lewis*
- *Karen Ruscitti*
- *Antoine, son of Magaly Foster*
- *Jacob Roush*
- *Nancy Mitchell, daughter of Mary Ellyn Giese*
- *John, brother of Carol Kling*
- *Allan Minor*
- *Bill Baumann and Marie Stevens*
- *Dennis Prell*
- *Mary Ellyn Giese*
- *Rick Banks, husband of Peggy Cairns Banks*
- *Edward Daugherty and family*
- *Karen Ellis, mother of Jason Ellis*
- *Michael Elliott and family*
- *Patrick Griffin*
- *Glen Anderson*
- *April Banks Harrison, daughter of*
- *Tina Mitchell, sister of Ralph Mitchell*
- *Scott Alecksen*
- *Sandy, cousin of Danna Grant*

Gracious God watch over and give comfort to the family of Jan Lee who lost her grandson, Michael Anthony Meyer, January 13th. Without haste surround them with Your mercy. Give them strength to face the future without Michael.



St. Paul Care Ministry

Donna Christian, Alide Guzalo, Susan Hess, Faye Heyl, Martha Kreyer, Elaine Lippert, Darrell Nichols, Marie Pauls, Margaret Seidelmann, Jean Maier, Mary Ellyn Giese, John Wiedman, Beth Stahl, Gerry Blank, Mona Miller, Karen Bernstein, Bill Witte, Norma Nicklas, Jan Lee, Norm Hofman, Gloria Kruse, Maryann Prell, Lillian Olson

For Our Country, Our Leadership and For Those Who Serve in Uniform on our Behalf
US Army, US Navy, US Air Force, US Marines, US Coast Guard, US National Guards and Reserves, Police Departments, Fire Departments, First Responders, Doctors, Nurses, and Medical Staff

Website Pictures

ATTENTION: Board of Directors, Board of Elders, Board of Education. Pictures for the website will be taken this Sunday, January 21 in the narthex at 9am. Please make every effort to stop by at that time to get your picture taken for the website, especially if you're newly elected or would like an updated picture. If you can't make it on Sunday, please let me know so I can reschedule another time. God's Blessings,
Margaret Riehle-Moeller (mmoeller@stpaulaurora.org)

Men's Breakfast Club — January 21st

MBC will have its breakfast on January 21st, from 9am until 11am. \$12 for adults and \$8 for kids 12 and under. The breakfast proceeds will go to the "St. Paul School. Please come down to the FLC and enjoy breakfast and help fund our St. Paul School.

National Lutheran Schools Week

Begins this Sunday, January 21 and runs through January 27! Our school children will be singing to the congregation at this Sunday's 8:00 a.m. service. Please also stop by the Men's Breakfast this Sunday to help support our school's 5th & 6th grade Walcamp trip! Be sure to check our church and school's Facebook page to see the many activities our teachers and students will be taking part in during this exciting week. As always, we are so thankful for the blessing of your support for our school's mission of "Making Disciples Who Make Disciples".

Hesed House Servant Event –February 10th

St. Paul Family...We need your help! Our next Hesed House servant event will be held on **Saturday February 10th**. We are looking for donations and volunteers to support this wonderful ministry in Aurora and help make it successful. Please visit our SignUp Genius page to see all the ways that you can assist with this event <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A094CABA62BAAF49-47224781-hesed>. We will also have a sign up sheet in the Church Narthex with additional items needed for donation.

We are looking for:

- ◆ Food Donations
- ◆ Supply Donations
- ◆ Monetary Donations to help cover the cost of Jewel chicken for dinner
- ◆ Volunteers to pack lunches Saturday afternoon
- ◆ Volunteers to serve at Hesed House Saturday evening
- ◆ Most importantly PRAYERS

Thank you in advance for your support and please feel free to contact **Jessica Schmidt 630-865-5702 with any questions.**

Save the Date — February 24th

St. Paul Lutheran School Maroon & Gold Gala and Silent Auction

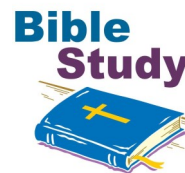
When: **Saturday, February 24, 2024**

Time: 6:15 PM - 9:00 PM

Where: St. Paul Lutheran School Gymnasium

For more info contact Erin Browning at Ptl@stpaulaurora.org

Bible Study Classes



Monday Morning Ladies Bible Class

The group is studying "Paul and his Writings" 9-11 a.m. in the Conference Room.

Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Class

The group is studying the book of Ephesians. We plan on defeating the "Age of Reason" by putting on the "Whole Armor of God" in the Conference Room from 8am-9am.

Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Class

Meet in the Multi-Purpose Room at 9:00am. Study is "Elijah Faith and Fire". Any questions please call Danna Grant at 630-277-8149.

Sunday Bible Study

Held in the Narthex at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Kusch leads the group.

Small Group

There are many small groups available to connect with, Please contact Bob or Mili French at:

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Our Faithfulness in Tithes and Offerings

Church Office hours: 8:00am-4:00pm
Monday –Friday

Date
January 14,2024

Attendance
66

Offering
\$7,759.00