
01 April A.D. 2018

The Resurrection of Our Lord – Easter Day

Welcome

***May you find God's amazing grace, mercy
and peace as you worship with us today.***

Holy Communion will be distributed in our service today to members of St. Paul and other Lutheran Church Missouri Synod congregations. Visitors wishing to commune are encouraged to speak to the pastor before the service.

Those communing are asked to register for communion as they sign the Friendship Register during the Rite of Friendship. Please provide contact information, including cell number and e-mail, if those have changed. ***Please indicate the date for our records.***

Visitors, please add your address and home church; if we can be of service to you, please speak with the pastor or a deacon after the service. *Thank you for visiting!*

May the Lord strengthen us through the Sacrament of the Altar.

The Easter Lilies on the altar are placed in loving memory of Trese Lovik by her sister Tjode Michelson.

The Radio Broadcast of our service may be heard Sundays at 12:30 pm over KIOW-FM 107.3, Forest City. Today's broadcast is sponsored by the Harvey Mitchell Radio Ministry Fund of St. Paul's Foundation. *If you would like to sponsor a broadcast (\$50), please sign the 2018 Sponsor Sheet on the Narthex bulletin board.*

PS: You can also catch a "Facebook Live" broadcast of our Sunday service.

***Thanks to the following for enhancing our services this morning:
6:30am: St. Paul Senior Choir, Bell ringers Denise Upmeyer and
Linda Webner, and Bruce Jolivette on trumpet; 9:00am Paige and
Alexis Fitzsimons.***

~ WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER ~

For Comfort, Strength & Healing:

Sandy Block	Harlan Johnson	Rhys Nieman
Bryce Cherryholmes	Marsha Johnson	Jody Roeber
Swede Englin	John Ketelsen	Brooke Waddingham
Mary Graham	Vallie Martin	

Members & Friends Serving in the Military & Law Enforcement:

Members: Corey Alden, Cory Graham, Danielle Graham, Brad Kozisek,
Kevin Kozisek, Jarod Lemke, Adam Stenberg, Jim Thiele

Friends: Matt Barton, Kelly Vedane-Finn, Corey Grote, Levi Loschen,
Ron Smith, James J. Sperr, Jacob Sperr

For Comfort & Strength:

The families of military and law enforcement officers wounded or
killed in service to our country, domestic and abroad.

Easter Breakfast Following the Sunrise Service YOU are invited to
head downstairs for our Easter Breakfast! All are welcome! St. Paul
Youth will be serving, eggs, ham, fruit, and pastries. We hope you can
join us! Thank you to everyone who donated items as well!

Our Youth will be also be selling coffee and teas from the Giving
Bean as part of our fund raising. You are welcome to taste for yourself
just how great it is!

Proceeds from our fundraisers will go towards expenses for the National Youth Gathering NEXT Summer in Minneapolis/St. Paul.

~ LYC Team ~

New Member Reception, Sunday, April 15, will be held immediately following our service in the Church Basement. Please help welcome our new members at an informal reception. We will be serving egg bake, muffins, juice and coffee. Please let us know if you'll be joining us (*so we have enough goodies to serve everyone*). RSVP to Jody at the Church Office 641-923-2261 or stpauloffice@comm1net.net.

8DOH Mission Trip Presentation, Sunday, April 15, following our New Member Reception. (*Sunday School will be held for those students PreK-4th Grade*). Our mission group will share about their experiences in Houston serving those impacted by Hurricane Harvey. Those who served as the hands and feet of Jesus include:

DZire Castillo

Brenda Formanek

Carson Madsen

Rosie Demro

Bruce Jolivette

Mike Madsen

Paige Fitzsimons

Jay Larkin

Steve Madsen

St. Paul's 8 Days of Hope Mission Team would like to thank everyone for your prayers, donated items, and sharing in the excitement of sending a group down to Houston, TX. Our group of 9 was able to serve on several projects and completed three projects. We worked on one house for three days! Tasks included demolition, installing drywall and cabinets and plumbing.

Homeowner Robin lost so much during Hurricane Harvey: furniture, cabinets, stove, flooring the list goes on. For the past six months she has lived with mold, and no drywall the lower 4' in her home. We were able to be a part of Robin's rebuild. We purchased Robin a brand new stove! Thank you, St. Paul, for being a part of restoring hope to our

homeowner, Robin.

Our team would also like to shout out to Pritchard Auto Company of Garner for the donation of the van!

We are already looking forward to our next trip to continue to help restore and build hope in homes that were damaged. Please keep 8 Days of Hope in your prayers. *St. Paul's 8 Days of Hope Mission Team*

2018 Confirmand Reception

Sunday, April 22 @ 10:00am in the Church Basement following our Sunday Worship Service.

Bible Study Opportunities:

#1 With Pastor Kozisek, Sundays @ 10:15am

#2 With Doug Hayes Sundays @ 10:15am

#3 With Dave Rosendahl Wednesdays @ 5:45pm

Starting soon: Biblical Christianity: A 12-session pre-requisite study for membership at St. Paul. Please contact Pastor Kozisek if you are interested.

Open House Bridal Shower honoring Sadie Hayes, daughter of Doug & Jaci Hayes, Saturday, April 14 @ 10:00am-12:00pm, Fellowship Hall. Bride Sadie and Groom Anand Hase are registered at Target, Bed Bath and Beyond and Kohls.

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The April 2018 issue of The Epistle, the official monthly newsletter of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Garner, IA, is now available online at www.stpaulgarner.org. Printed copies are also available at each entrance to the Sanctuary. [For those who already have a printed copy there is an UPDATED calendar. Check with the Church Office]

Camp Okoboji Annual Meeting, Saturday, April 7. A new executive director will be designated (Kirk Warnke) to replace Doug Kading who has served for 30 years as Executive Director at Camp Okoboji. After the meeting there will be a reception celebrating Doug's three decades of blessings and service to Camp Okoboji.

Camp Okoboji Spring Volunteer Weekend, May 3-5, 2018

Join your brothers and sisters in Christ for a fun-filled weekend. Thursday, May 3rd through Saturday May 5th. We will conclude Saturday, May 5th with a dinner. You are welcome to stay overnight and enjoy helping on Sunday May 6th with an Omelet Brunch from 9:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. with a free will offering going for camp projects and the annual fund. Please call ahead for reservations for housing and meals.

712-337-3325 or email Joy.campokoboji@gmail.com

Mobile Food Pantry - free of charge! 1st Tuesday of every month:
April 3, 5:00pm-7:00pm @ Garner United Methodist Church. Bring bags, laundry baskets, or boxes to carry your food. No ID required. Questions? Call the Food Bank of Iowa at 515-564-0330.

A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life - www.lutheransforlife.org

April 1 "Jesus has really, truly, physically been raised from the dead! And God stakes His entire reputation on these historical Easter facts! Luke was no liar, the women were not delusional, and the angels are

no myth. God proclaims His Easter truth to us so that we may know and believe that in Jesus all our sin is forgiven, death has gone to die, the devil has been defeated, and life lasts forever!" *Pastor Jonathan Kruschel, St. John Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota*

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Here are bold and true words for you to recall today when you are worried or overwhelmed with life's challenges and temptations: *"Know ye then- sin, death, devil, and everything that assails me- that you are missing the mark. I am not one of those who are afraid of you. For Christ, my dear Lord, has presented to me that triumph and victory of his by which you were laid low. And from this very gift of His I derive my name and am called a Christian. There is no other reason. My sin and death hung about His neck on Good Friday, but on the day of Easter they had completely disappeared. This victory He has bestowed on me. This is why I do not worry about you."* (Luther's Easter Sermon, 1530) A blessed celebration of Easter to you from the Board of Directors and Staff of LFS!



**Christ is Risen!
He is Risen
Indeed!
Alleluia!!**

The Lutheran World Relief truck will be accepting donations in Fort Dodge on Saturday, April 14. The truck will be parked at St. Olaf Lutheran Church, 239 North 11th Street. Monetary donations (checks) should be made payable to **St. Olaf Women** and mailed to the church. (Information in the letter was incorrect) If you need additional information, please contact the St. Olaf church office at 515-576-2103.

Acolyte "On Deck" 2017-2018 Schedule:

April 08 – Sam Wood, Trever Gardner

April 15 – Aleah Brown, Reed Cataldo

April 22 – Ryan Darg, Emma Goll

April 29 – Trevor Graham, Morgan Krein

Acolytes: Please remember, you are responsible for acolyting for the week to which you are assigned, from Sunday through the next Saturday. If you are unable to acolyte when you are scheduled, please find a substitute and notify the church office to advise who will take your place by Thursday prior to your scheduled date.

(phone 641-923-2261 or email stpauloffice@comm1net.net)

God's Pantry St Paul is scheduled to staff God's Pantry during the month of April. Mondays, April 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 from 9:00-11:00am and Thursdays, April 5, 12, 19 and 26 from 4:00-6:00pm. If you are able to work any of the open times, please sign up on the sheet posted on the Church Office door. Your help will be greatly appreciated. For additional information and questions, please call Linda Grote at 641-923-4100

Serving in the Lord's House the Week of April 01, 2018

Organist:	Bev Cataldo
6:30am Greeters:	Larry & Sue Bruxvoort
9:00am Greeters:	Jim Wetterling
Acolytes:	Jailyn Krein, Seneca Echelberger
6:30am Deacons:	Dan Clites, Al Luppen, Paul Luppen
9:00am Deacons:	Shawn Baker, Jon Hollatz, Rob Willms
Wednesday 04/04 Deacon:	Dan Clites
April Ushers:	Brad Bakken, Keith Christians, Ivan Dodd, Bryan Frayne
April Courtesy Driver:	Fred & Lisa Schroeder, 641-587-2386
Special Music:	6:30: St. Paul Senior Choir, St. Paul Bell Choir, Bell ringers Denise Upmeyer and Linda Webner; Bruce Jolivette, Trumpet – directed by Bev Cataldo; 9:00: Paige and Alexis Fitzsimons

MSP Mission Trip 7-12th grade Youth have a wonderful mission trip opportunity! We are headed to **Minneapolis April 20-22nd** to the Mall of America to work with *Feed My Starving Children* and get to know other youth groups. Lodging at a church with other youth groups, and being able to do service projects up and around the city. We hope to take a tour of Concordia St. Paul too! The cost is \$85 to go. If you have questions please contact DCE Paige.

Opportunities the week of April 01, 2018

Sunday, 04/01	6:30am	Easter Sunrise Worship / Communion
	7:45am	Easter Breakfast by Youth

	9:00am	Easter Worship / Communion
	4:00pm	Concord Care Service
Monday, 04/02	9:00am	Hope Circle (Sperr, Cataldo, S. Kozisek)
Tuesday, 04/03	1:30pm	Prairie View Service
Wednesday, 04/04	4:00pm	Junior Youth
	5:15pm	CE Meal
	5:45pm	CE Classes plus "The Family Project"
	6:00pm	Bell Choir
	7:00pm	Worship / Communion
	7:00pm	Senior Choir
Thursday, 04/05	6:00pm	Trustees
Friday, 04/06		
Saturday, 04/07		
Sunday, 04/08	9:00am	Worship / Communion
	10:00am	Fellowship
	10:15am	Sunday School
	10:15am	Adult Bible Studies – Kozisek & Hayes
Monday, 04/09	7:00pm	Rebekah Circle (Zill, Hollatz)