

St. Paul Lutheran Church & Little Lambs Preschool

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***St. Paul Lutheran Church is a congregation whose focus is
"Living and Proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ"***

28 October A.D. 2018

Reformation Day (Observed)

Order of Worship

Divine Service, Setting One – Page 151 in Hymnal

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

♪ Opening Praise Song... "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

(Please stand for the last verse)

- 1 How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory**

**2 Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished**

**3 I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom**

♪Opening Praise Song... "In Christ Alone"

(Please stand for the last verse)

**1 In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand**

**2 In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe**

**This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live**

**3 There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ**

**4 No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand**

✠ Confession and Absolution ✠

Invocation and Exhortation

LSB 151

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

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

G **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Confession of Sins and Absolution

LSB 151

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

G **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

G **Amen.**

✠ Service of the Word ✠

Introit

Psalm 34:1–2, 11, 22; antiphon: Psalm 119:46

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,]*
and shall not be put to shame.

I will bless the LORD at all times;*

his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the LORD;*

let the humble hear and be glad.

Come, O children, listen to me;*

I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

The LORD redeems the life of his servants;*

none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

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.

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,]*

and shall not be put to shame.

♪Kyrie

LSB 152

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

P Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

C **Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:**

We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

First Reading...Revelation 14:6–7

⁶Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every

nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Psalm 48:1a, 12–14a

Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised*
in the city of our God!

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers,*
consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels,
that you may tell the next generation*
that this is God, our God forever and ever.

Epistle...Romans 3:19–28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance

he had passed over former sins. ²⁶It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

♪ **Alleluia and Verse**

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C **Alleluia.**

Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel... John 8:31–36

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

♪ **C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

♪ **C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed

**☩ 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.**

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day #656 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

(Please stand for the last verse)

**1 A mighty fortress is our God,
A trusty shield and weapon;
He helps us free from ev'ry need
That hath us now o'ertaken.
The old evil foe**

**Now means deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might
Are his dread arms in fight;
On earth is not his equal.**

**2 With might of ours can naught be done,
Soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the valiant One,
Whom God Himself elected.
Ask ye, Who is this?
Jesus Christ it is,
Of Sabaoth Lord,
And there's none other God;
He holds the field forever.**

**3 Though devils all the world should fill,
All eager to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill;
They shall not overpow'r us.
This world's prince may still
Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none.
He's judged; the deed is done;
One little word can fell him.**

**4 The Word they still shall let remain
Nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain
With His good gifts and Spirit.
And take they our life,
Goods, fame, child, and wife,**

**Though these all be gone,
Our vict'ry has been won;
The Kingdom ours remaineth.**

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Sermon Truth? John 8:31-36, Romans 3:19-28

Offering and Rite of Friendship

♪Offertory

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**☐ What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the
name of the Lord.
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of
the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all
His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O
Jerusalem.**

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

**☐ 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

LSB 166

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 ✠ give you peace.

♪C Amen.

♪Closing Hymn #571 God Loved the World So That He Gave

- 1 God loved the world so that He gave
His only Son the lost to save,
That all who would in Him believe
Should everlasting life receive.**
- 2 Christ Jesus is the ground of faith,
Who was made flesh and suffered death;
All then who trust in Him alone
Are built on this chief cornerstone.**
- 3 God would not have the sinner die;
His Son with saving grace is nigh;
His Spirit in the Word declares
How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.**
- 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son
Forgives all sins which you have done;**

**And, justified by Jesus' blood,
Your Baptism grants the highest good.**

**5 If you are sick, if death is near,
This truth your troubled heart can cheer:
Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;
That is the firmest ground of faith.**

**6 Glory to God the Father, Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To You, O blessed Trinity,
Be praise now and eternally!**

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Welcome and Announcements

Postlude



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Welcome to St. Paul

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

Members & Visitors, please add your name to the Friendship Register as it is passed along in each pew during the Rite of Friendship.

Visitors, please add your address and home church; if we can be of service to you, please speak with Pastor or a Deacon after the service.

All are invited to meet in the Fellowship Hall for a time of fellowship and refreshment following the service.

Thank you for visiting!

The Radio Broadcast of our service may be heard Sundays at 12:30 pm over KIOU-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: Catch a "Facebook Live" broadcast of our Sunday service. Tune in for Pastor K's "Hour of Power"!

**Please note: 2018 Annual Meeting
Sunday, November 11 following Worship**

Thanks to St. Paul Praise Choir for enhancing our service today!

~ In Our Prayers ~

~ The Family of Robertine Gatchel in their time of loss.

~ The Family of Gunther Walkusch (brother-in-law of John Haugen) in their time of loss.

For Comfort, Strength & Healing:

Sandy Block	Herluf Jaspersen	Jerry Thompson
Bryce Cherryholmes	Marsha Johnson	Brooke Waddingham
Mary Graham	Paige Rasmuson	Alice Walkusch
Earl Jaspersen	Gary Sandell	

For 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, Eric Hythecker, 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.

***T O D A Y @ S T
P A U L***

10:00am Fellowship

10:15am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study

more opportunities...

Wednesdays @ St. Paul

4:00pm Junior High Youth – Join in & check it out!!!

5:15pm Meal (menu on FB!) – All are welcome!

5:45pm Christian Ed Classes, Grades 3-4-5-6-7-8

5:45pm Adult Bible Study: Mark

7:00pm Wednesday Worship: Changing it up, check it out!

Please note: There will be no events on Wednesday, October 31. We return to regularly scheduled events on Wednesday, November 7.

Reformation Celebration, October 28 – 4:00 5:30 meal
Algona Circuit Reformation Celebration - You are invited to celebrate the Lutheran Reformation once again together with the congregations of the Algona Circuit. The celebration will be held at ***Trinity Lutheran Church, 520 N. Garfield St. in Algona on Sunday, October 28th.*** We'll begin at 4:00 p.m. with a Divine Service, followed by German-style food and fellowship at 5:30 p.m.~ ***Let Pastor know if you plan to attend ~***

Monday, October 29
Bell Choir Practice @ 6:00pm – Senior Choir Practice @ 7:00pm

Foundation Board Meeting, November 1 @ 6:30pm

Starting this fall: Biblical Christianity 101 (Probably after harvest) A 12-session pre-requisite study for membership at St. Paul as well as a good review for anyone interested. Looking to start in October. *Please contact Pastor Kozisek if you are interested.*

A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life ~ www.lutheransforlife.org
October 28 "God justifies sinners by grace through faith for Jesus' sake. Salvation comes as a gift and not because of one's own works. This truth stands at the heart of all Christians say and do ... God's graciousness governs how we engage life issues. Not only are human

beings forgiven, redeemed, and resurrected by grace, but every human life is valued and beloved by grace—age, appearance, and ability notwithstanding. Even after 500 years, we rejoice to proclaim and perform this Gospel." *Rev. Michael W. Salemink, executive director of Lutherans For Life*

**Garner Lions Club Pork Loin Dinner,
Sunday, October 28 - 11am-1pm - GHV High School
Cafeteria
Advance tickets \$8 (\$9 at the door). Deliveries available.**

***Luther Fest, Sunday, October 28, Noon-1:30pm
Messiah Lutheran Church, Mason City, 25th Anniversary Year***
Enjoy Reformation Day, Fellowship and an Authentic German Dinner of Brats, Hot Dogs, Sauerbraten, Ham, Speckbohnen (German Style Green Beans), German Potato Salad, Sauerkraut, Red Cabbage, German Apple Cake, Schwartzwold Bars (Black Forest Cake), Apple Strudel.

\$8.00 over 12, \$4.00 5-12, Free-under 5.

Answer the Call – On Monday, October 29 @ 12:30pm at NIACC
in Stoltenberg Forum, Room 200, Beam Center, there will be an author on campus with ties to Mason City. Dr. Steve Meyer, brother of Mason City Ophthalmologist Mark Meyer, will tell the story of the *Miracle Kids of Tanzania*. A terrible bus accident that took 32 lives set events in motion. Dr. Meyer (from Sioux City) was there and offered all the aid he could and more. He and others managed to save three children, but they had to get them here in the states. We encourage

you to attend this event. (Drs Meyer are the sons of member Janice Meyer, brothers of Cathy Svare).

[Editor's note: Log in to <http://www.messengernews.net/news/local-news/2018/10/miracle-kids/> for the full story. Truly, God answers prayer.]

FREE FLU SHOTS FOR HANCOCK COUNTY VETERANS

Tuesday, October 30 – 11:00am – 1:00pm

Hancock Veterans' Affairs Office – 545 State Street, Garner

Staff Members available for eligibility/enrollment information for recently discharged or not involved with VA previously.

Garner Fire Department Open House/Soup Dinner

Saturday, November 10 - 4:00-7:00pm

Chili and Broccoli Cheese Soup will be served. Free will donations.

GriefShare at Garner United Methodist Church, Sundays 2:30-4:00pm Please contact Robin Sweers at 641-860-1704 with any questions or more information. (See bulletin board)

Christmas Cantata: "I Love to Tell the Story". Zion Evangelical & Reformed Church, December 12 @ Prairie View, December 16 @ 7:00pm at Zion. **For those interested in participating, practices held on Wednesdays @ 8:00pm until December 12.** Please contact Brenda Anderson 641-512-7423 for more information.

God's Pantry St Paul is staffing the God's pantry during the month of November. If you have never worked in the pantry before training will be provided. We will work on Mondays, November 5, 12, 19 and 26 from 9:00-11:00am and Thursdays, November 1, 8, 15 and 29 from 4:00-6:00pm (the pantry will be closed November on the 22nd). 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

Rollin'-Rollin' Lefse – November 12, 13 & 19 @ 8:30am

If you know the intricacies of making lefse, including "*brandishing the stick*" ~ or want to learn ~ or just like to peel potatoes (*Pastor seems to be a whiz!*) ~ please join us! If you have any questions, please contact Darlene Ziesmer, 923-3010.

Rollin' the Dutch "S"-October 29 & November 20 @ 8:30am

Learn the *ins and outs and abouts* of Dutch Letters - *with emphasis on the letter "S"*. Join in learning the how-to's. If you have any questions, please contact Darlene Ziesmer, 923-3010.

5 Loaves 2 Fish, Inc. is receiving ***winter outerwear donations*** (new or gently used coats, snow pants, waterproof boots, scarves, hats, waterproof gloves, blankets, and thick socks) will be ***collected through Nov. 7th***. There's a donation box located in the Bell Tower

area. Monetary donations are also welcome. Checks can be made out to 5 Loaves 2 Fish, Inc. and sent to PO Box 146 Garner, IA. ***Distribution day is scheduled for Saturday, November 10 from 9:00-11:30am*** at the old State of Wear store. For any questions call 641-519-0862.

Lutheran Family Service ~ LFSiowa.org ~ (515) 573-3138

October 28 Building Healthy Families: As you and your children or grandchildren plan fanciful costumes for Halloween this week, take time to reflect on the masks you wear. How do you think others view you? How do you want them to view you? More importantly, how does Jesus view you? (Look up 1 Samuel 16:7 and Colossians 2:13-14) Resist the temptation to compare yourself with others and don't allow feelings of insecurity to rob you of your identity in Christ. God knows who you really are. He loves you and created you for a purpose. Lutheran Family Service

Serving in the Lord's House this week of October 28, 2018

Organist: Bev Cataldo

Greeters: Brian & Bonnie Cataldo

Acolytes: Emma Goll, Luke Lamb

Deacons: Paul Luppen, David Roeber

Ushers: Mark Huling, Darwin Luedtke,
John Rohlf

October Courtesy Driver: Louise Piper, 641-923-3545

Special Music: St. Paul Praise Choir

Directed Bruce Jolivette

Acolyte "On Deck" 2018-2019 schedule:

November 04 – Trevor Graham, Alyssa Luppen

November 11 – Morgan Krein, Vanessa Waymier

November 18 – Dalton Mills, Brody Frayne

November 25 – Owen Pueggel, Kenedee Frayne

ACOLYTES, PLEASE REMEMBER, YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE

for serving as an acolyte for the week to which you are assigned, from Sunday through the next Saturday. If you are unable to serve 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.

Lawrence & Evelyn Radloff Fund: The Radloff Committee decided to have another application period due to the amount of requests in May. Applications are available from the church office and are due back by November 26, 2018. Funds to be used for the following purposes.

A. Youth

B. Education

C. Evangelism

D. Human Care

E. Preschool and/or Daycare

F. Member/Youth mission trips

G. Music and Worship

H. Outside speakers/Programs,
etc.

2018 Ethnic Bake Sale

Saturdays, November 10 & December 01

9:00 am to Noon

St. Paul Lutheran Church

810 State Street, Garner, IA 50438

in our Basement Fellowship Area

Find your favorite ethnic holiday goodies including Belgian Cookies, Danish Pastry, Dutch Letters, Kavrings, Kolaches, Kringla, Krumkake, Lefse, Pfeffernuesse, Pizzell, Rosettes, Russian Tea Cakes, Springerle & Stollen – *plus much more!*

Let us do your holiday baking!!

Order in advance by calling Darlene Ziesmer 641-923-3010
or the Church Office 641-923-2261

Looking forward to seeing you!!

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2019
ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
125TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

This week's opportunities at St. Paul ...

TODAY, OCTOBER 28... "Delivered" Junior Youth Gather – DSM

8:40am Praise Choir

9:00am Worship

10:00am Fellowship

10:15am Sunday School

10:15am Adult Bible Study

4:00-5:30pm Algona Circuit

**Reformation Celebration @ Algona
Trinity**

Monday.....

6:00pm Bell Choir Practice

7:00pm Senior Choir Practice

Tuesday.....

Wednesday.....

REFORMATION DAY

**Please note: There will be no events on
Wednesday, October 31.**

Thursday.....

6:00pm Trustees

6:30pm Foundation

Friday.....

Saturday.....

Daylight Savings Time – "Fall Back"

Sunday.....

9:00am Worship / Communion

10:00am Fellowship

10:15am Sunday School

10:15am Adult Bible Study

Monday.....

9:00am Hope Circle @ St. Paul Fellowship
Hall (Duregger/Grote/Piper)