

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church  
310 E. Second Street  
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Holstein, IA 51025

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Holstein, IA 51025

Worship Schedule

Sunday 9 am

Sunday School 10 am

Coffee and fellowship 10 am

(Facebook or YouTube after 4 pm)



**April 2 - 8 Edition**

**St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Holstein, Iowa

Phone: (712) 368-2228

**Sunday Worship Service: 9 AM**

Coffee and fellowship at 10 AM

Sunday School at 10 AM

Holy Communion 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month  
*or as noted*

The worship service is recorded and posted by  
4 PM Sunday afternoon on our YouTube channel:  
St Paul Lutheran Holstein IA  
(link is also on our church Facebook page)

**Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday 1 PM to 5 PM;

Friday 9 AM to 1 PM

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**Handbell Choir Director:** Vickie Heck

**Custodians:** Karen and Doug Wessling

**Wee Wisdom Staff:** Kathy Mohr

Jane Breyfogle

Connie Snyder

Worship Schedule & Participants

April 5 ~ 7:00 AM Easter Sunrise Service

With Holy Communion

Worship Participants:

**LECTORS:** Youth

**DEACONS:** Justin Georg and Marvin Todd

**SOUND & VIDEO:** Kyle Krager and Lex Jacobson

*There will be a light coffee hour at 8:00 AM  
in between worship services.*

**COFFEE HOSTS:**

Joy & Kelby Wulf

Vickie & Kevin Heck

April 5 ~ 9:00 AM Easter Sunday With Holy Communion

Scripture Readings:

**1st Reading:** Acts 10:34-43

**Psalm:** 118:1-2, 14-24

**2nd Reading:** Colossians 3:1-4

**Gospel:** Matthew 28:1-10

Worship Participants:

**LECTOR:** Renee AuMiller

**DEACONS:** Justin Georg and Mitch Trost

**GREETERS:** Rod & Audrey Flogstad

**ACOLYTES:** Brynn Nedved, Mason Christiansen,  
and Graham Boling

**SOUND & VIDEO:** Randy & Kathy Vollmar

*We will be celebrating Holy Communion this Thursday,*

*April 2nd at our Maundy Thursday service and*

*Sunday, April 5th, at our*

*7:00 AM and 9:00 AM services.*



## PRAYER & PRAISE LIST

Krystal Peterson  
 Cameron Sharkey  
 Layla Peterson  
 Jane Breyfogle



### LOGOS Leaders & Helpers for April 8th, 2026

“Get Groovy”

- Set up:** Cheryl Meyer and Janet Volkert
- Home Bake:** Deb Krager, Sharen Borchers, Joyce Johnson, Laura Peuse, Jan Grell
- Cook Team:** Vickie Heck, Kristine Garcia, Kathy Vollmar, Laura Peuse, Joyce Johnson, Sandy Jensen, Jackie Meyer
- Clean Up Crew:** Shanade Stevenson, Jann/Alex Murphy, Brianna/Ben Butcher, Jennifer/Justin Witzke, Justin Georg
- Fishes & Loaves:** Jeff Witzke
- Washing:** Jean Conover - Towels only  
 Andrea Niemeier - Table cloths only

*Radiation sessions for my brain tumor are complete! Thanks to all who brought food (LOGOS) and who sent messages of encouragement. I appreciate every prayer on my behalf. There is great power in prayer!*

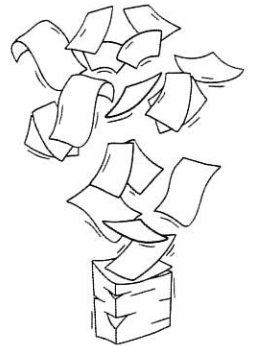
~ Barb Gebers



## ST. PAUL MIDWEEK - APRIL

Our April Midweek folding group is Karen Breyfogle, Barb Stratton, and Deb Bagenstos. Karen is the chairperson in charge of the group. Our first midweek folding will be **Tuesday, April 7th, at 1:30 p.m.** We usually only need one person, but the more the merrier! The last Tuesday of the month we will need at least 2 folders for sure. Please call or email me at the office if you have any questions, can't wait to see you all on Tuesday!

~Natasha the Secretary



## HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Maundy Thursday ~ April 2nd:** 7:00 PM Worship with Holy Communion

**Good Friday ~ April 3rd:** 7:00 PM Worship at St. Paul with Holstein UMC ~ *The offering will go to the Holstein Ministerial Association Fund*

**Easter Sunday ~ April 5th:**  
 7:00 AM Sunrise service / Holy Communion  
 8:00 AM light coffee hour  
 9:00 AM Worship / Holy Communion



### April Community Basket needs:

Breakfast Items: Baking / pancake mix, syrup, cereal, cereal bars, peanut butter, jelly, etc.  
*Please bring to the bin in the north entry.*  
Cash donations are always welcome!



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|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 4/2 Phil Burk             | 4/6 Lillian Kirchner     |
| 4/3 Cleo Breyfogle        | 4/7 Dennis Breyfogle     |
| 4/3 Florence Friedrichsen | 4/7 John Freese          |
| 4/3 Duane Staedtler       | 4/7 Owen Tiefenthaler    |
| 4/4 Chad Dutler           | 4/7 Sheree Vohs          |
| 4/4 Kirk Friedrichsen     | 4/8 Kaylee Blenner       |
| 4/5 Connie Butcher        | 4/8 Keely Dutler         |
| 4/5 Jase Martin           | 4/8 Dean Werner          |
| 4/5 Kyle Wessling         | 4/8 David Stevenson, Jr. |



**Holy Baptism  
Anniversaries**

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|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 4/3 Amy Bisenius      | 4/5 Pamela Kay         |
| 4/3 Cooper Wortman    | 4/5 Robert Kaus        |
| 4/4 Kyle Friedrichsen | 4/6 Sandy Jensen       |
| 4/4 Indy Stevenson    | 4/8 Jeannette Bruning  |
| 4/4 Parker Walsh      | 4/8 Ruth Bergmann      |
| 4/5 Joni Blenner      | 4/8 Mason Christiansen |
| 4/5 Lonney Kay        |                        |

**April 17th - 19th**

**Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp**

*Set aside some time just for you.*

*Fill up your car with all the materials and tools you need and come to camp for a weekend of creativity, relaxation, and spiritual growth. Enjoy time to craft,*

*inspiration from others, fellowship, massages, and more!*

*\$135 per person- Friday through Sunday. A nonrefundable deposit of \$40 is required to hold your spot. All attendees must be 13+ years old.*

*More information can be found in the church office.*

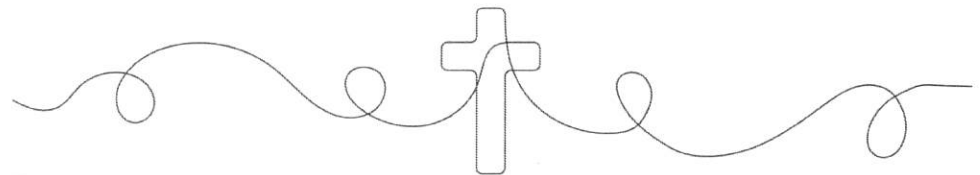


**Worship Service Attendance**  
**March 29th, 2026 - 9 AM: 160**  
**Sunday School Attendance: 39**

**Business Manager's Report for the week of March 29th, 2026**

<b>BENEVOLENCE</b>	<b>IOWA</b>	
	ELCA / Western IA Synod	\$50.00
	PIG Project	\$5.00
	Synod Assembly	\$175.00
<b>CURRENT</b>		
	General Fund	\$4,251.50
	Loose Plate	\$64.00
	Misc Current	\$25.00
	Sunday School	\$5.00
	Building	\$30.00
	Lent	\$209.00
	Logos Donations	\$95.00
	Palm Sunday	\$175.00
	Education	\$50.00
	VBS	\$50.00
	Media/Sound System	\$50.00
	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,234.50</b>

**Electronic giving for the week was \$700.50**



## St. Paul Church Calendar

### THURSDAY, April 2

7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Worship  
with Holy Communion

### FRIDAY, April 3

7:00 PM Good Friday worship @ St. Paul  
with Holstein UMC

### SUNDAY, April 5 ~ Easter Sunday

7:00 AM Easter Sunrise Worship with Holy Communion  
8:00 AM Light coffee hour  
9:00 AM Resurrection Worship with Holy Communion  
12:00 PM Private Fellowship Hall/Kitchen Rental

### TUESDAY, April 7

6:30 PM Wee Wisdom Preschool Registration Night

### WEDNESDAY, April 8

5:00 PM LOGOS ~ "Get Groovy"

*For the complete church calendar, visit our church web site:  
[www.holsteinstpaullutheran.com](http://www.holsteinstpaullutheran.com)*

## SUPPORT OUR SYNOD ASSEMBLY OFFERING

This year, our Congregation Council has voted to kick off our Synod Assembly offering with a contribution of \$500.

- 75% of the offering will go toward the "Pig Project". This project was featured at last year's Synod Assembly, and helps cover costs related to caring for pigs that were not acceptable by government standards to go through production. This project has distributed nearly 5,000 pounds of meat to community meals and food pantries!
- 25% of the offering will go toward the "Western Iowa Synod Fund for Leaders" scholarship program. This program supports students attending ELCA seminaries, making it more affordable for them and enabling more future ministers to go to seminary and graduate with less debt. This empowers those whom God calls into ministry to go and serve as the church needs and the Holy Spirit leads.

If you would like to contribute to this offering and help grow our impact, we will collect donations from now until Easter Sunday, April 5th. Your gifts will be added to the total check sent with our delegates to the upcoming assembly. If interested, please designate funds for "Synod Assembly Offering". Thank you for your support!

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT for February 2026

<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>9:00 AM</u>	<u>ONLINE</u>	<u>7:00 PM</u>
February 1, 2026	107	98	
February 8, 2026	112	64	
February 15, 2026	126	96	
February 18, 2026 ~ Ash Wednesday		64	84
February 22, 2026	99	70	
February 25, 2026 ~ Lenten Evening		22	74
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>158</b>

### AVERAGE ATTENDANCE FOR February 2026

Sunday 9:00 am Worship Services: 111

Online 9:00 AM Worship Services: 82

Online 7:00 PM Worship Services: 43

### **DEATHS:**

- 2/25/2026: Lorraine Kay – private family graveside service was held Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, Jim Kistenmacher led the prayer service
- 2/28/2026: Darlene Clausen – funeral was held here at St. Paul on Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, with Vicar Emily officiating

### **MARRIAGES:**

### **BAPTISMS:**

### **BIRTHS:**

### **CONFIRMANDS:**






### **1<sup>ST</sup> COMMUNION:**

### **NEW MEMBERS:**

### **TRANSFERS OUT:**

### **CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEETING:**

- Please consider online giving if you haven't already! You can contact our new business manager Julie at [spchurchbusinessmanager@outlook.com](mailto:spchurchbusinessmanager@outlook.com) if you have any questions regarding online giving. You can also visit the church website at : <https://www.holsteinstpaul.lutheran.com>, click the Give Now button in the upper right-hand corner and follow the prompts. Thank you for your generosity!
- If you are wanting giving envelopes, please contact Natasha or Julie in the church office and we will get you signed up!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29  9:00am Worship 10:00am Sunday School 10:00am Youth Brunch	30	31	1 6:00pm Seder Meal for First Communion students & families	2  7:00pm Maundy Thursday Worship / Holy Communion	3  7:00pm Good Friday Worship w/ Holstein UMC @ St. Paul	4
5 7:00am Easter Sunrise Service / Holy Communion 8:00am Light Coffee Hour 9:00am Worship / Holy Communion 12:00pm Private FH / Kitchen Rental	6	7 6:30pm Wee Wisdom Registration	8 5:00pm LOGOS	9 6:00pm Parish Education meeting	10	11
12 9:00am Worship 10:00am Coffee & Fellowship 10:00am Sunday School	13	14  6:30pm Painting Through Liturgy w/ Vicar Millie 7:00pm Trustees Meeting	15 5:00pm LOGOS	16 7:00pm Congregation Council	17 4:00pm Western IA Synod Assembly	18 7:45am Western IA Synod Assembly
19 9:00am Worship / Holy Communion 10:00am Coffee & Fellowship 10:00am Sunday School 5:30pm Shepherd's Table Meal	20	21 9:00am Sewing Day	22 5:00pm LOGOS	23	24	25
26 9:00am Worship / Baptism 10:00am Coffee & Fellowship 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Private FH / Kitchen Rental	27	28  6:30pm Painting Through Liturgy w/ Vicar Millie	29	30	1	2

## March Community Basket Report

Happy Easter blessings,

March is going to march out like a lamb. Robins are abundant, tulips and daffodils are showing their foliage, and the grass is beginning to turn green. Life abounding, but the fullest life, is accepting our Lord and Savior as your personal Savior. We are grateful to be His hands and feet helping those in need. We keep on marching.

We had 48 families come to our Site Pantry and 118 families come to our mobile outreach at the Fire Station in Battle Creek. (28 families were served both at our Pantry and Mobile)

<b>Community</b>		<b>Baskets filled-166</b>	
Arthur –	16	Battle Creek	34
Galva	8	Holstein	20
Ida Grove	69	Kiron	7
Odebolt	11	Other	1

A big thank you to Tami Shever, Lauren Schmidt, and Larry Boysen for the prep work done to make our mobile run so smoothly. Pastor Jim led the volunteers and families in prayer. We had 40 helpful volunteers. Over 11,000 pounds of food was handled at the mobile. Each family went home with a very heavy basket filling their cupboard and freezer and knowing we care for them.

The March report sent to the Food Bank of Siouxland will be **138 families receiving baskets of food- 241 adults and 80 children=321 individuals served.** We filled 166 baskets, but can only count a family once.

Area churches, benevolent people, and businesses continue to help us financially and fill our shelves. We also partner with Dollar General and receive weekly products for our Site Pantry located in Ida Grove.

Our Mobile Outreach will be at The Shed in Kiron on Thursday, April 19th. We will have our families come in to select their free food. Maren Smith and Heidi Schlecta are organizing this event. Volunteers are always welcome!

Be the good,  
Kris Gunderson-Community Basket-chairman



JOIN US FOR AN  
**EGG HUNT**

**11:30 AM - 12:30 PM**



**SATURDAY**

**APRIL**



Hotdogs - Chips  
Pop served  
starting  
at 11:30 AM

Egg Hunt

12:00 PM SHARP

**Good Samaritan**  
505 W 2nd Street  
Holstein

