St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church 310 E. Second Street PO Box 206 Holstein, IA 51025

Worship Schedule

Sunday 9 am
Coffee and fellowship 10 am
(Facebook or YouTube after 4 pm)

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August 14 - 20 Edition

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church

Holstein, Iowa Phone: (712) 368-2228

Sunday Worship Service: 9 AM

Coffee and fellowship at 10 AM

Holy Communion 1st and 3rd 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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Kathy Mohr and Jane Breyfogle

Worship Schedule & Participants

August 17 ~ 10th Sunday After Pentecost Scripture Readings:

1st Reading: Jeremiah 23:23-29

Psalm: 82

2nd Reading: Hebrews 11:29 - 12:2

Gospel: Luke 12:49-56

Worship Participants:

LECTOR:

Meagan Foresman

DEACONS:

Andrew Butcher and Susan Endrulat

Max Breyfogle and Gabe VanHouten

GREETERS: ACOLYTES:

Doug & Karen Wessling

SOUND & VIDEO:

Kelby & Joy Wulf

COFFEE HOSTS:

Karen & Doug Wessling

Darlene Kistenmacher



Layla Peterson has surgery again this Wednesday, August 13th.

Colleen Garland is home and recovering after knee surgery last week.

Dale Nelson is home and recovering after knee surgery last week.

Dennis Krager has returned home after having open heart surgery last week.



August Community Basket needs:

Baking Items: Flour, cane sugar, cake mixes, baking soda / powder, brown sugar, vanilla, etc. *Please bring to the bin in the narthex*.

Cash donations are always welcome!



We will be celebrating Holy Communion on August 17th.



for:

Peterson Family





Visit this link or scan the QR Code:

mealtrain.com/335gm8

If you've been looking for a way to help the Peterson Family but haven't had the chance, take a look at this meal train.



! SAVE THE DATE!



God's work. Our hands.









September 7 2025

Women ELCA

Lutheran World Relief is celebrating its 80th anniversary this year. Up until this time they have shipped the kits and quilts overseas. Now they have started to send many of them to the southeastern parts of the U.S after many hurricanes and floods have hit our country and left many in need.

It is time for our Action Team to assemble our kits for missions.

We need the following supplies to help us:

Spiral notebooks - (200-300 sheets, 8" x 10 ½")

Pencil sharpeners

Blunt scissors

Unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers

Black or blue ballpoint pens - (no gel ink)

Crayons – 16 or 24 in a box

Erasers – 2 ½ inches

Bath towels (cotton or cotton blend; 20" x 40" or 27" x 52";

dark color)

Hand towels (cotton or cotton blend; 15" - 18" or 25" - 30";

dark color)

Soap – bath size bars

Toothbrushes (adult size)

Metal nail clippers (attached file optional)

There will be collection baskets in the North entry of the church. Thank you for your generosity and support to this mission project!



8/14 Barb Gebers
8/14 Lauren Johnson
8/14 Michelle Rodriguez
8/15 Dan Pruitt
8/16 John Walsh
8/17 Paisley Quail
8/17 Emily Todd
8/18 Tregg Bagenstos

8/18 Collin Breyfogle 8/18 Lana Kay 8/19 Kreighton Krager 8/19 Evelyn Noelting 8/20 Gary Gebers 8/20 Abbie Otto 8/20 Emily Vollmar



8/15 Lexis Jacobson 8/15 Michelle Rodriguez 8/15 Brock Boling 8/16 Laurence Clausen 8/18 Brooklyn Albers 8/19 Macy Rodriguez 8/19 Zander Ernst

Worship Service Attendance August 3, 2025: 9 AM: 125

Business Manager's Report for the week of August 3rd, 2025

BENEVOLENCE	LOCAL Ingham / OLBC	\$5.00
	IOWA ELCA / Western IA Synod	\$25.00
	GLOBAL ELCA Hunger Appeal ELCA / Global Missions	\$150.00 \$20.00
CURRENT		
	General Fund	\$8,956.00
	Loose Plate	\$124.00
	Communion	\$10.00
	Misc Current	\$50.00
	LOGOS Donations	\$25.00
	Sanctuary 2025 Project	\$1,025.00
	Sunday School	\$29.00
	Building	\$160.00
	GRAND TOTAL:	\$10,579.00

Electronic giving for the week was \$4,141.00

Worship Service Attendance August 10, 2025: 9 AM: 100

Business Manager's Report for the week of August 10th, 2025

CURRENT

General Fund	\$1,275.00
Loose Plate	\$22.00
Sanctuary 2025 Project	\$100.00
Pews	\$100.00
Sunday School	\$17.00

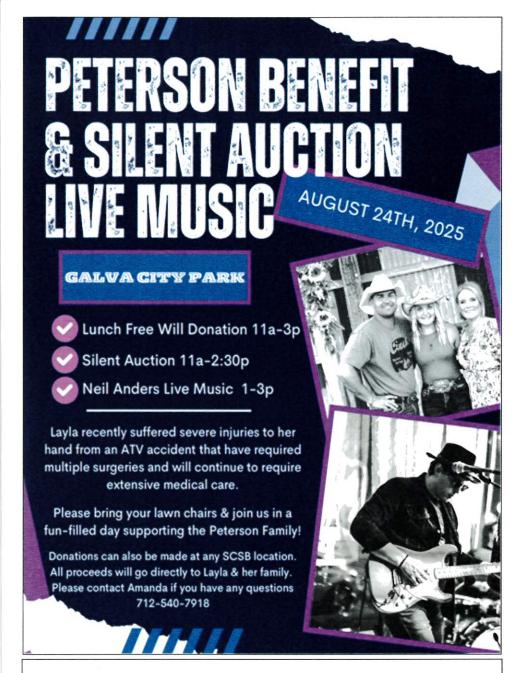
GRAND TOTAL \$1,514.00

Electronic giving for the week was \$100.00

Calling all Students & Teachers!!



Bring your backpacks to worship on August 24th to receive a blessing for the new school year!



<u>September 14th - Save the Date!!</u>

Parish Education is busy planning for Sunday School Rally Day on September 14th! St. Paul is also preparing to hold a benefit meal for the Peterson Family that day!

Stay tuned for more information to come!

From the August 2025 Waterlife Journal The News Magazine of the Western IA Synod ELCA



From Bishop-elect Scott Dalen

In the midst of about my 3rd consecutive night of fairly little sleep, actually the wee hours of the morning, June 16th, 2025...it occurs to me that today is 12 years. June 16th, 2013. My Ordination Day. My beloved mentor, Pr. Bob Vaage, who helped plant and water the seed that grew into my call to ministry, placed that red stole around my shoulders. I thought it felt heavy.

But that was a joyful day. One of celebration, surrounded by friends and family along with representatives of several different congregations that had been or would be part of my formation and ongoing pastoral ministry.

Pr. Bob gave me the mic to speak with the crowd that had gathered that day, and you can probably tell that my demeanor was pretty jovial. Yes I was already feeling the weight of pastoral ministry, which I would officially begin at Underwood Lutheran Church about 2 weeks later...and it has been amazingly wonderful. Difficult at times, but really wonderful. 34 year old, newly minted Pastor Scott had no idea what was in store.

June 14th, 2025. Almost exactly 12 years to the date... I'm standing before the Western Iowa Synod ELCA Assembly, having just been elected to serve as Bishop...a role that I never expected to hold, one that I didn't seek, one that I tried really hard to say no to, and yet a role that the representatives of 116 congregations of the Synod seem to believe I might be suited for...

I've been told that I have no poker face, and that what I'm thinking or feeling is usually pretty apparent by my expression.

As I've looked at this picture, snapped by some unknown individual in the crowd of faces that were looking up at me in that moment, the gravity, the immensity, the weight of what had just happened is strikingly apparent.

In my first address to the assembly I talked about Joshua 1, and the call to be strong and courageous because God promises "I am with you." I followed that up with the statement, "I am not alone... You are not alone." It seemed that the assembly latched onto that...and as I stood behind that podium in fear and trembling I said "Strong and courageous...didn't I say something about that?" And first one person from the crowd, followed by a second said back to



me "You are not alone." And that picture was my reaction.

In the early hours of my 12th Ordiversary I can say that this new call as Bishop is heavy, and I haven't even started yet. Honestly, I have no idea what I'm in for. I anticipate that there will be joy and there will be headaches and frustrations and everything in between, for that is life lived with one another.

That has been the blessing of my call as pastor, generally speaking but most certainly with the amazing people of Underwood Lutheran. As I shared with them in worship...it has been immense joy to live life along side them these last 12 years and I am sad, because I do not want to leave.

And yet, as I said throughout this election process during assembly, as I recall having said in a Pentecost Sermon a week earlier, and as I said to the people of ULC yesterday, the Holy Spirit is disruptive. And the Holy Spirit calls us to move and to change. But the promise of the Holy Spirit is that it also binds us together with all of the Body of Christ to be the church. I feel utterly inadequate, and I am afraid. But you know, that's the funny thing about being courageous, you can't have one without the other. And so, to the people of the Western IA Synod, I will do my best.

Together may we be the church and may we model this idea for one another and for every person we encounter in the midst of our lives, so that everyone knows...

The Lord is with you. You are not alone.

St. Paul Church Calendar

SUNDAY, August 17 ~ 10th Sunday After Pentecost

9:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion

10:00 AM Coffee & Fellowship

12:00 PM Pizza & Pool Party @ Holstein Pool

Pizza at 12:00 PM with swimming at 12:30

TUESDAY, August 19

9:00 AM Sewing Day

7:00 PM Trustees Meeting

THURSDAY, August 21

7:00 PM Congregation Council meeting

For the complete church calendar, visit our church web site: www.holsteinstpaullutheran.com

