

# St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

*Growing in Faith, Missions, Living, and Giving*

Bonduel, Wisconsin

January 21/22, 2017

## *The Third Sunday after Epiphany*

### **Welcome to the House of the Lord**

Joy, rejoicing, gladness. These are words from the Old Testament. They speak of God's people who lived in the land of Zebulun and Naphtali responding to the great Light that appeared in their darkness. Seven hundred years after the prophecy Jesus appeared in the land of Zebulun and Naphtali bringing the light of God's love. He comes again this morning to bring His light into our darkness. Blessings on your worship.



**Opening Hymn**

**395**

*O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright*

**Baptism**

10:15am

*Vincent James Hartlaben*

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**Old Testament Reading**

*Isaiah 9:1–4*

But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

<sup>2</sup>The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. <sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. <sup>4</sup>For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Epistle Reading**            *1 Corinthians 1:10–18*

I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. <sup>11</sup>For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. <sup>12</sup>What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." <sup>13</sup>Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? <sup>14</sup>I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, <sup>15</sup>so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. <sup>16</sup>(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) <sup>17</sup>For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. <sup>18</sup>For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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**Thanks be to God.**

## **Choral Anthem**            Sunday            *Song of Hope*

This anthem, written by Robert Hobby, supports this year's school year theme of "Christ's Commission: Our Mission". The first stanza will be sung in Spanish by students of Grades 3 – 8, symbolizing that Christ's commission is to make disciples of ALL nations.

*May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.*

*May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race.*

*Praying, let us work for peace. Singing, share our joy with all. Working, for a world that's new. Faithful, when we hear Christ's call.*

## **The Holy Gospel**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth chapter.

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

Now when [Jesus] heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. <sup>13</sup>And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, <sup>14</sup>so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: <sup>15</sup>"The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—<sup>16</sup>the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned." <sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."  
<sup>18</sup>While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter)

and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. <sup>19</sup>And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." <sup>20</sup>Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup>And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup>Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him. <sup>23</sup>And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. <sup>24</sup>So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, epileptics, and paralytics, and he healed them. <sup>25</sup>And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ.**

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**Good News for Kids**

**Hymn**                    **412**                    *The People that in Darkness Sat*

**Sermon**

**Offering**      *Please complete the Friendship Register found at the end of the pew.*

**Prayer**                    **page 265**

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**Closing Hymn**      **922**                    *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*



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## SERVING THE LORD IN WORSHIP

<b>Liturgy</b>	Rev. Timothy J. Shoup	<b>Sermon</b>	Rev. Mark R. Palmer
<b>Organists</b>	Mrs. Lorraine Doell		
<b>Acolytes</b>	Reed Luepke	Lila Pleshek	Heidi Dreyer

## PRAYERS

**In Need of Healing . . .** *Donna Beyer, Tony Brodhagen, J.J. Brusewitz, Ruby Christiansen, Makenzie Dingeldein, Kathy Ebert, Germaine Frank, Cliff Hanson, Michelle Hermann, Gregory Kopitske, Jr., Marian Monroe, Brittany Slack, David Wegner, and Pat Wudtke.*



**We pray for . . .** the family of *Kay Brusewitz*, who passed away on Wednesday, January 18, 2017, and will be given Christian burial at St. Paul at a later date.

**We pray for . . .** the family of Steve Hoffman, friend of the congregation, whose brother passed away in a skiing accident.

**Baptism . . .** *Vincent James Hartlaben*, son of Todd and Nicole, born October 21, 2016. Sponsors are Craig Hartlaben, Jenny Hartlaben, and Jacob Petruzates.

**Altar Flowers . . .** are given to the glory of God and in memory of Lydia Busch whose birthday would have been January 21, given by her family.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Date changed for Annual Meeting . . .** The annual meeting will be next Sunday, **January 29**, at 1:00pm in the fellowship hall. Please update your calendars.

**All Children AND Parents are invited . . .** to decorate Valentine cookies and cards for our St. Paul homebound and nursing home residents on Sunday, January 29 in the fellowship hall, following the 10:15am service.

**Super Bowl Sub Sandwich Sale . . .** Pick up an order form in the narthex. Proceeds from this sale will be used to support the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip to Washington D.C. Pre-order slips are due by Sunday, January 29, pick-up on Sunday, February 5 after both services.

**March for Life . . .** The Menominee-Shawano County Chapter of Wisconsin Right to Life is sponsoring its annual March for Life **today**, Sunday, January 22. Marchers should meet at 1:00pm at the City of Shawano Community Center, adjacent to the police department, for the march to the county courthouse. At 1:30pm at the Center there will be refreshments and a short program.

***Attended/Communed – January 14/15, 2017***

Saturday	1/14	7:00pm	101/ 79
Sunday	1/15	8:00am	210/164
Sunday	1/15	10:15am	<u>231/153</u>
		Total	542/396

**St. Paul gratefully accepted the following gifts  
for various purposes in memory of:**

- † Jalaria (Simon) Seyfert [1929–2015], former St. Paul member, for St. Paul Endowment Fund;
- † James E. Brandt [1929–2016], St. Paul member, for "Rooted in Christ...and Growing" mortgage fund;

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St. Paul Men's Club, St. Paul Ladies Aid, and St. Paul Mission Circle.

**Thrivent Choice Dollars . . .** for December 2016 were \$657. The fourth quarter has ended, so if you have a policy with Thrivent that makes you eligible for Choice Dollars once again. Go online at [www.thrivent.com/choice](http://www.thrivent.com/choice) or call Thrivent at 800–847–4836 to designate your dollars. Every quarter you may have more dollars to direct to St. Paul Church (240 E Green Bay St), School, or Preschool.

**Next Adult Instruction Class . . .** will begin January 30. If you are interested, please contact one of our pastors.

**A new Women's Bible Study . . .** will begin next Thursday, January 26, at 2:00pm in the meeting room. This group meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of the month. All are welcome to attend. Pick up a study guide in the narthex.

**Join us for IF: Gathering 2017 . . .** This is a women's ministry event that desires to "gather, equip and unleash women to live out their calling." Our desire is that women across denominations can gather together, unified, to be inspired and return to their home church excited to serve God and the world around them. This event is on the evening of Friday, February 3, and Saturday, February 4, at Hope Community Church in Shawano. The goal of the event is to disciple the next generation of women to live out God's calling on their lives. If you want more information, please call Cheri Weier at 715-758-6432. (She is our church's representative for this event.) If you want to register, go to [www.shawanochurch.org/if](http://www.shawanochurch.org/if), or call Cassie Beyer at 715-304-9808. The cost is \$25. Snacks and refreshments will be provided as well as lunch on Saturday.

**Families Helping Families . . .** basketball tournament benefit on Saturday, February 18, 9:00am-4:00pm will help Kathy Ebert with medical bills and the St. Paul Care/Share program. This is open to the public and will include bucket raffles (need not be present to win), cake walks, and a silent auction (need not be present to win).

I wish to thank everyone who helped celebrate my 90th birthday. It was a great day. Thanks also for the gifts and cards.

*Carl Busch*

**Lutheran Hour . . . "Our Foolishness, His Faithfulness"** (1 Corinthians 1:18-31) Many consider Christ's cross to be just so much foolishness. That is the worst foolishness of all. Tune in next Sunday to hear Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus at 7:30am on WTCH/960 AM or at 10:00am on WRVM/102.7.

**The Children's Story Bible . . .** is available for purchase in the narthex or the church/school office for \$25. Make checks payable to St. Paul Lutheran Church.

**Sunday School Attendance for January 15:**

Students: 27

Volunteers: 13



This week the Sunday School learned about the love of Jesus by helping others. The children made Valentines and wrote notes to the shut-ins who will be receiving the decorated cookies in February.

## Growing in Faith

### Read through the Bible in Two Years

- ❖ The schedule of readings for each day (six days per week) for 104 weeks is printed in the pamphlets on the church entry table. Feel welcome to take one.
- ❖ Begin Monday, January 30.
- ❖ Consider using *Today's Light Devotional Bible*
  - Copies are on display in the narthex
  - This Bible includes an explanatory note and a concluding devotional message for each day's reading
  - Suggested donation to cover cost is \$25
- ❖ Would you be interested in meeting one hour a month (perhaps 4:00pm the first Sunday of each month) to discuss the readings with Pastor Shoup? Please let him know.

**Lutheran Witness Subscriptions . . .** will be collected after church services by members of the Mission Circle.

**55+ Group . . .** will meet on Tuesday, January 31 with a noon potluck in the fellowship hall. The program will be a presentation by Bergsbaken Farms on its sunflowers grown on over 300 acres and how the business has grown. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Pails for Haiti . . .** January 1 – February 1, 2017 Orphan Grain Train volunteers at St. James Lutheran Church in Shawano will be collecting new or slightly used five (5) gallon pails. Pails are to help the people of Haiti recover from Hurricane Matthew. Pails will be purchased from a source with your donations. See the display in the narthex. Questions, contact Jim or Judy Oberstein at 715-201-0283.



#### Acolyte Schedule Next Week

**1/28** Salvador Oviedo  
**1/29** Abby Stoltenow

Noah Weier

#### SCRIP Schedule Next Week

**1/28** Sheila Bahr  
**1/29** Patti Rosin

Pam Schmidt

## EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

- SUN. 1/22 National Lutheran Schools Week**  
8:00am Worship  
9:00am Fellowship (Teachers)  
9:15am – 10:05am Sunday School  
9:15am Bible Study  
9:15am Youth Bible Bowl Practice  
10:15am Worship
- MON. 1/23 7:30am Strong Bones**
- TUES. 1/24 7:00am Bible Study**  
8:00am Quilting
- WED. 1/25 1:30pm Meadow View**  
5:00pm Public School Confirmation Class  
6:00pm Grades 5 & 6 Confirmation Class  
**NO Bell Choir or Choir Rehearsals**
- THURS. 1/26 2:00pm Women’s Bible Study**
- FRI. 1/27 7:30am Strong Bones**  
**Parent’s Day, Chapel at 8:30am, Lutherlympics at 1:00pm**  
SCRIP due by noon
- SAT. 1/28 7:00pm Worship**
- SUN. 1/29 8:00am Worship**  
9:00am Fellowship (Board of Elders)  
9:15am – 10:05am Sunday School  
9:15am Bible Study  
9:15am Youth Bible Bowl Practice  
10:15am Worship  
**1:00pm Annual Voters’ Meeting**



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