



Then Samuel said,

**“Speak, for your
servant is listening.”**

1 Samuel 3:10

St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

Bonduel, Wisconsin
January 11/14, 2024

The Second Sunday after Epiphany



Opening Hymn **804** *O Worship the King*

Baptism 10:15am *Kyler Wayne Radloff*

Opening Versicles

This is the day which the Lord has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

From the rising of the sun to its setting,

the name of the Lord is to be praised.

Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

Teach me Your paths.

Sanctify us in Your truth.

Your Word is truth.

From the rising of the sun to its setting,

the name of the Lord is to be praised.

**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.**

Old Testament Reading — 1 Samuel 3:1–20

The young man Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision.

²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. ³The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.

⁴Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, “Here I am!” ⁵and ran to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call; lie down again.” So he went and lay down.

⁶And the LORD called again, “Samuel!” and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call, my son; lie down again.”

⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

⁸And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the young man. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, “Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, ‘Speak, LORD, for your servant hears.’” So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant hears.” ¹¹Then the LORD said to Samuel, “Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which the two ears of everyone who hears it will tingle. ¹²On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³And I declare to him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli’s house shall not be atoned for by sacrifice or offering forever.”

¹⁵Samuel lay until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. And Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called Samuel and said, “Samuel, my son.” And he said, “Here I am.” ¹⁷And Eli said, “What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.” ¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. And he said, “It is the LORD. Let him do what seems good to him.”

¹⁹And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the LORD.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading — 1 Corinthians 6:12–20

“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are helpful. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be enslaved by anything. ¹³“Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food”—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. ¹⁵Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, “The two will become one flesh.” ¹⁷But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. ¹⁹Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, ²⁰for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” ⁴⁷Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!” ⁴⁸Nathanael said to him, “How do you know me?” Jesus answered him, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.” ⁴⁹Nathanael answered him, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” ⁵⁰Jesus answered him, “Because I said to you, ‘I saw you under the fig tree,’ do you believe? You will see greater things than these.” ⁵¹And he said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Common Responory

Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Catechism

Hymn **783** *Take My Life and Let It Be*

Sermon **“He Came and Stood”** *1 Samuel 3:10*

Offering

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Blessing

Closing Hymn **575** *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*



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Prayers



In Need of Healing . . . *Jon Baker, Bonnie Buss, Bruce Heling, Ron Kohn, Gregory Kopitske, Jr., Tom Kriehn, Sue Nohr, Theresa Runge, Marlene Schmidt, Dalton Schmidt, Leon Stuewer, Tracy Sundstrom, Orpha Swift, Marilyn Tessmann, Dick Wegner, Mark Welch, and Jacob Worthington.*

Baptism . . . *Kyler Wayne Radloff*, son of Jamie and Tressa Radloff, will be baptized during the 10:15am service this weekend. He was born November 15, 2023. His sponsors are Janalee Prochaska, Erin Bessett, and Deni Engel.

A side arrangement of flowers . . . has been placed by Kevin and Tammy Zuleger in honor of the baptism of their grandson, *Kyler Radloff*.

This weekend's bulletin . . . is sponsored to the glory of God by *Marian Kupsky*, in gratitude for "God's blessings which have been showered on me through the past **88 years.**"

Prayer Request . . . in thanksgiving to God for *Diane Genke's 85th* birthday on January 13.

Announcements

Lutherans for Life Signature Ad in the Market Messenger . . . Sign up in the narthex after all services **for this weekend only**. A donation of \$3 per name is suggested.

Special Voters' Meeting . . . A special voters' meeting will be held in the fellowship hall **today**, Sunday, January 14, after the 10:15am service. Information concerning the Ukraine Refugee Sponsorship Program will be shared.

Annual Voters' Meeting . . . is Sunday, January 28, at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall.

More about All Things St. Paul QR Code . . . Members: Please use the QR code today, found on the back of the bulletin, **to find opportunities to be in the Word – 2024**, update your email address, phone number, and mailing address. Also, please provide an online review of our church or school. **Guests...** You are welcome to use the QR code on the back of the bulletin to learn more about St. Paul Lutheran Church and School, and request information about membership or enrollment at our school.

Contribution Envelopes . . . for 2024 are available in the narthex. If you no longer use the envelopes, please call the church office at 715–758–8559.

The Lutheran Hour . . . "The Battleground of Forgiveness" *Psalm 32:1*

God's forgiveness covers our sins, but it's not a cover-up! Tune in next Sunday at 7:30am to hear Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler on WTCH/960 AM, or WRVM/102.7 FM at 10:00am, or go to www.lutheranhour.org.

<i>Attended/Communed— January 4/7, 2024</i>			
Thursday	1/4	7:00pm	89/ 76
Sunday	1/7	8:00am	149/135
		10:15am	<u>130/100</u>
		Total	368/311
Livestream Views			176

Lutheran Witness Subscription Renewal . . . If you have been receiving the Lutheran Witness or would like to sign up for the monthly magazine, or if you would like to know more about it, please stop by the table in the narthex. The Lutheran Witness provides lay people with stories and information that complement congregational life, foster personal growth in faith, and help interpret the contemporary world from a Lutheran Christian perspective. The cost for the annual subscription is \$19.25 to receive by bulk mailing to St. Paul. You may pay for your subscription in the church/school office. Simply place cash or a check made out to St. Paul in an envelope marked with your name and *Mission Circle*. Please contact Willa Rusch if you have any questions.

Labor of Love Million Dollar Campaign . . . The North Wisconsin District is committed to raising ONE MILLION DOLLARS in the next two years to reduce the educational debt of NWD professional church workers. There is a shortage of called church workers, and the educational debt of young people who do enter the ministry can impede their effectiveness in the course of their ministry. The Million Dollar Campaign endeavors to help them with this debt. There are several ways we can help. There will be a door offering on January 18/21. Also, there are a limited number of pledge cards and pamphlets available in the Narthex. Or you may donate online by visiting nwdlcms.org and selecting "Campaign." Please prayerfully consider your faithful and generous support of our District church workers. By helping our District church workers with their financial obligations, we are investing in the future of our Church.

Pastoral Call Process and Questionnaire Update

1. Our prayer is to call an associate pastor in 2024. Pastor Palmer intends, Lord willing, to retire in June of 2025. Our next step is to describe our congregation to the District President, and identify preferred skills in a new pastor. Results from the survey (taken in November and December) regarding pastoral traits that our congregation members shared as most important to them are as follows:
1. Preaching; 2. Personal Character; 3. Pro Lutheran School - Pastoral Care - Teaching (these three all had about the same value ranking); **6. Youth / Family Ministry;** and **7. Evangelism - Administration** (these two had about the same value ranking).
2. Our next step is to establish a list of candidates for associate pastor. We are submitting to the District President a congregational self-evaluation providing information he will use while considering names of pastors to place on our list.

Every member of St. Paul is welcome to submit the name of a pastor who you think would be a worthy candidate. To do so, please use a NOMINATION FORM (located in church entry) to submit a pastor's name to be added the list.

Director of Church Ministry – DCM

At the October 24 Quarterly Voters' Meeting, our congregation elected to call a part-time DCM who will help expand the gospel ministry at St. Paul. Our DCM will:

- Direct and facilitate mission projects, working with respective boards
- Coordinate events as identified
- Participate in visitation of shut-ins, hospitalized, and special needs as assigned
- Support the Board of Evangelism
- Facilitate communication of ministry activity within and without the congregation

Lord willing, we will vote to call a part-time Director of Church Ministry at the annual meeting January 28, 11:30 am.

SCRIP Schedule Next Week

January 18

Sandy Staszak

January 21

Louise Reisler

Amy Schmidt

WRLHS News

Spaghetti Dinner . . . A spaghetti dinner will be served on Sunday, January 14th from 10:30am – 1:00pm. Tickets are \$8, and children 5 and under are free. The menu will be spaghetti and meatballs, salad, garlic bread, dessert, and beverage.

Sheepshead Card Party . . . Sunday, January 21, 2024, 1:00pm – 3:30pm. Cost is \$2. Everyone is welcome.

A Word from Your Wolf River Principal . . . A week ago we held our 8th grade visit day for our Lutheran elementary schools. Watching sixty 8th grade students interact with our Wolf River students was so exciting! As principal, I ask myself “Why, why don’t the students in our four Lutheran elementary schools continue their Christian education at Wolf River?” Seeing our classrooms, hallways, commons, and the gym filled with so many students today was truly AMAZING! Wolf River has so many things to offer the students from a Biblical worldview curriculum, and extracurricular activities, to building one’s faith in our loving Lord Jesus Christ. So my question to each of you is, “Why don’t students continue their educational journey at Wolf River?” I would like to have your help with leading other families to Wolf River. I truly believe that together we can make this happen! Wouldn’t it be amazing to have a freshman class of 60 students next year? Have a wonderful week in the Lord. *Mrs. Kosmerchöck*

Rummage Sale . . . Faith United Lutheran Church, 11465 Old U Road, Gillett, is having a rummage sale January 18 – 20, Thursday and Friday 8:00am – 4:00pm, and half price Saturday 8:00am – noon.

Thrivent Choice . . . Thrivent members have allocated \$9,031 to St Paul Lutheran Church in 2022. Since the inception of the program in July of 2010, Thrivent members have directed more than \$210,442! March 31, 2024 is the deadline for Thrivent members to designate their 2023 Thrivent Choice funds. Visit www.thrivent.com/choice to designate your dollars. You may also call Thrivent’s home office at 800-847-4836.

Transfer the Blessings

What are the blessings God has entrusted to you in this life? How will you transfer those blessings to your family and the ministries you care about when you go to heaven? Gary Vought is serving as our Planned Giving Counselor at St. Paul. He is available to assist you in creating a plan to leave assets (such as home, business, real estate, investments, etc.) with your family and direct portions as gifts you will leave to your favorite ministries. His work is made possible through a partnership between St. Paul Lutheran, the North Wisconsin District, and the [LCMS Foundation](#) called *Transfer the Blessings*.

What is a Gift Plan? A Christ-centered gift plan is your plan to transfer the blessings God has provided to you in this life to your family when you are in heaven. It's also your plan to give back to the Lord by leaving gifts to ministries like St. Paul Lutheran Church and School and others that may have blessed your life. A gift plan also includes important documents such as:

Will or Living Trust - Power of Attorney for health care and finances - Health Care Directives - Trustee or Personal Representative - Minor's Trust (if applicable) - Guardians (if applicable) - Beneficiary Designations

You will be able to learn more about the Gift Planning process through a series of presentations offered at St. Paul. These dates will be made known in the coming weeks. At the conclusion of each presentation, you will be given the opportunity to set up a meeting with Gary to assist you in developing your gift plan. There is no cost for his services. If you have any questions, email him at gary.vought@lfnd.org or call 715-891-1447.

EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

- Sunday 1/14** 8:00am Worship
9:00am Fellowship (Altar Guild)
Bible Bowl Practice (**Gr. 5–12**)
Bible Study
Sunday School
10:15am Worship
11:30am **Special Voters' Meeting**
- Monday 1/15** *No School*
7:30am Strong Bodies
6:00pm Board of Evangelism/Online Ministry
6:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
- Tuesday 1/16** 7:00am Bible Class
8:00am Quilting
9:30am Circuit Pastors' Worship/Winkel
7:00pm Board of Elders
- Wednesday 1/17** 8:15am Chapel
11:00am Worship — Holy Communion
5:30pm Public School Confirmation
6:00pm Bell Choir
6:30pm SPYRT Feed the Flock Bible Study
7:05pm Choir
- Thursday 1/18** 1:00pm Mission Circle
7:00pm Worship — Holy Communion
- Friday 1/19** 7:30am Strong Bodies
- Saturday 1/20**
- Sunday 1/21** 8:00am Worship — Holy Communion
9:00am Fellowship (Ladies Aid)
Bible Bowl Practice (Gr. 5–12)
Bible Study
Sunday School
10:15am Worship — Holy Communion



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