



# THE TOWER TALK

**St. Paul Lutheran Church**

12 Park St, Box O, Treynor, Iowa 51575

Tel: 888-487-3880

**February  
2022**

## **Call Team Survey - Submit by Sunday, February 13th**

Two thousand years ago Christ Jesus established his church with Peter as the foundation. He is relying on each of us to be part of that church, fulfilling the great commission to bring others to faith in Him and to baptize them in His name. We are in the process of calling a new pastor to lead us in that endeavor, and each of you is needed to help make that choice. Surveys have been prepared by the team, and now we need your prayerful response to and timely return of that survey. Each confirmed and/or adult member in your household should complete the survey by February 13th.

If you are receiving this newsletter by mail, the survey is enclosed. Please drop your completed survey in the box outside the church office or mail it to the church with Attn: Call Team.

If you are receiving this tower talk by email, here is the link to do the survey online:

<https://forms.gle/6dHKUUw8GTqT7LTu9>

All responses will be held in confidence. Please direct any questions you have to any member of the team:

Berni Bichel, Mira Dreyer, Alice Falk, Sheryl Henderson, Adrienne Karr,  
Bob Schmidt, John Swalwell, Kirk Vorthmann, or Katie Weis.

**SPY Pancake Breakfast**  
**Sunday, Feb. 13th, 8:30am - 12pm**  
(see page 9 for more info)

**Lent Soup Suppers are back!**  
**Join us starting on Ash Wednesday,**  
**March 2nd, 5:30 - 6:30pm**

Come & enjoy homemade soups, breads, relishes, desserts and fellowship. To go meals will also be available. The free-will offering will go to the Companion Congregation Team to help our fellow Lutherans in Kidugala and the Girls School. The team will be reaching out to other St. Paul ministries to help provide and serve the soups/meal each week.

**7pm - Ash Wednesday Worship Service**

**The Annual Meeting will be on Sunday,**  
**March 20th at 9am in the Sanctuary**  
Ministry team leaders, please email your annual report information to the church office by Monday, February 28th. Thank you!

**Card shower for Norma Storm's**  
**100th birthday!!**

On March 6th, Norma will turn 100! Please help us bless her with lots of love and good wishes! Send a card to her at P.O. Box 33, Treynor, IA, 51575



We thank God for the blessing of her wonderful life!

Happy 100th Birthday  
Norma!

**Flowers needed for worship:** Please consider signing up on the flower chart in the church entryway to provide flowers for a Sunday. They can be in honor of a birthday, anniversary or a special occasion & then you can then take them home after the late service.



Altar Flowers

Shirley Chambers has offered to provide the flowers for worship for you for a donation to the preschool, contact her at (402)651-8816 if you are interested.

**“Knowing Jesus, Telling about Jesus, Loving as Jesus Loves”**

# St. Paul Lutheran Church information...

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Tel: 888-487-3880

Email: lutheranchurchspl@gmail.com

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Office hours: 8:30 am - 12:30pm

Monday - Friday

Preschool Tel: 712-796-1177

**Mission:**  
"Knowing Jesus,  
Telling about Jesus,  
Loving as Jesus  
Loves"



## STAFF

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**Denise Wilson, Youth Minister**

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**Preschool**

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Monday - 9am-12pm  
Wednesday - 9am-12pm  
Thursday - 9am - 12pm  
Friday - 9am - 12pm



**Pastor's  
Office Hours**

Or call the church  
office to schedule  
an appointment  
888-487-3880

## CHURCH COUNCIL

Corey Vorthmann, President  
Tracy Flathers, Vice President  
Katie Weis, Secretary  
Dave Key, Treasurer  
Erica Schnepel  
Cory Young  
JJ Pote



## MINISTRY TEAMS

The following is a list of contact persons that you can ask questions or get involved:

Praise Team - Deb Schmidt

Prayer Chain - Church Office

Stewardship Team - Ken Andersen, Jan Meis, Patty Walter, Glenrose Meier

Hospitality Team - Diana Andersen

Maintenance Team - Roger Andersen

Library - Adrienne Karr

SPY (High School youth) - Denise Wilson

Confirmation - Pastor Sharon

Sunday School & VBS - Denise Wilson

Preschool (Volunteers, Governing Board) - Shirley Chambers

Holy Communion - Lynell Vorthmann

Weddings - Shirley Chambers

Funerals - Ann Vorthmann & Lynell Vorthmann

Companion Congregation Team - Roger Andersen

Technology Team - Roger Andersen, Denise Wilson

WOW - Cory Young

Jr. Lutherans - Denise Wilson, Carrie Radford

Cemetery Committee - Josh Lammert, Dennis Deitchler, Ron Thomas, Jim Karr

Bingo Team - Julie Sealock

Quilting - Berni Bichel

Bethany Lutheran Health Services Auxiliary—Norma Vorthmann

IN OUR  
*Thoughts and Prayers*

Our sympathy and prayers to the families and friends of Joyce Wood, Duane King, Ed Collins and Don Marshall in their loss of their loved ones. May God comfort them and give them peace.

Thank you everyone for your prayers, expressions of sympathy and cards that we received on the loss of my brother, Wayne. Your support means a great deal to us.

Ken and Coretta Andersen

**Thank you from Wedded Band!**

Thank you to everyone who supported our annual spaghetti dinner on January 16th! We served 85 people and had 30 plus meals as take out. The free-will offering of \$1,555 will help with our future mission projects.



Warm the

**Homeless**

Thank you to all who have donated warm clothing items! We have now delivered 48 shopping bags of hats, gloves, socks, coats and other warm clothing items to New Visions and Micah House this winter!! We will continue to collect donations of new or lightly used warm clothing items throughout the winter.

**Parsonage available for rent mid-February:**

Our renters are moving out on Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> and the parsonage will be available mid-February for rent with a 3 month lease and then month to month after that. If you know someone that is interested, please contact the church office.

**Come & help us tie quilts on Feb. 21st!**

Ladies, many quilts have been pieced & layered, but now we need willing hands to help tie them!

Please circle Monday, February 21st on your calendars now to save the morning hours from 9-12 to do just that. We'll visit as we work, so come join the party. With lots of willing hands, we should be able to finish lots of quilts.

We need you!

**Quilting Needs:** We are also in need of old blankets, sheets, and any fabric and/or remnants that you can donate for making quilts. Please drop them off to the church marked for quilters.

Thank you!

**Preschool Director Needed:** We are sad to share that Linda Eitmann has stepped down as the director of the preschool. Many years ago, God blessed her with a vision for our preschool and with her faithfulness, passion and commitment, she has helped it to be a wonderful blessing to so many members and families! If you know someone who is interested in this position, please contact Shirley Chambers at 402-651-8816.

**Administrative Assistant Needed:** We are looking for an Administrative Assistant in the church office. The hours are Monday thru Friday, 8:30am to 12:30pm for 20 hours a week. Must be a people person with computer experience and an attention to details. Please contact Pastor Sharon or Denise if you are interested or would like more information.

**2022-2023 Preschool Registration**

The Preschool will accept 2022-2023 applications starting February 1. If you know of a parent with a preschool-aged child, give them our contact information:

Phone (712)796-1177

Website: [www.treynorpreschool.com](http://www.treynorpreschool.com)

Email: [admin@treynorpreschool.com](mailto:admin@treynorpreschool.com)



**Bethany Lutheran Health Services January 2022 News!**

The quarterly Bethany Lutheran Health Services Auxiliary met January 10 at the Bethany Heights community room. Cece Mickells, spiritual advisor, installed these officers for 2022: Rose Hansen, St. John Lutheran, Council Bluffs, as secretary; Sylvia Lilly, St. John Lutheran, Mineola, vice president; and Norma Vorthmann, St. Paul Lutheran, Treynor, president. Unable to attend was Carol Jeppesen, Our Savior's, Council Bluffs, who will serve as treasurer. Members from six supporting churches were represented. Several members were absent due to illness. Currently there are 99 residents at the Home and 57 residents at the Heights. Visitors are allowed at the Heights but they must wear a mask and go directly to the apartment of the community member. At the Home visitors must also wear a mask and sign in. For the past year there has been a three person management of BLHS. JR Moss oversees the Home, Angie Wagner serves as manager of the Heights and Mike Vaughn is the financial officer. Christine Gochenour, marketing director, represents BLHS at the CB Chamber of Commerce has been named a Cee Bee Ambassador. On BLHS's Facebook page we learn that some had a great trip to Lauritzen Gardens, December 23. They are so thankful for all of your donations of hats and mittens! With your help we were able to donate over 100 pairs to several organizations in town. At Christmas they celebrated with an Old Fashion Christmas Mixer! They had such fun singing carols and reminiscing about what Christmas was like "back in the good old days!" Mark your calendar for April 21, 5-7pm for the Grand Opening of their brand new Mary Pat Center for Healing and Hope. The next Auxiliary meeting will be Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at the Heights community room. Norma Vorthmann, Auxiliary President

## PUT ON LOVE

“Above all these, put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony” (Colossians 3:14)



Valentine's Day comes as a bright spot in the middle of a drab and dreary month. The non-stop festivities of the Christmas season are long past. The realities of bills to be paid and taxes to be prepared weigh upon us. Even the overcast days contribute to the sense of dullness that pervades this month. And then, in the middle comes Valentine's Day!

It bursts upon us with images of red hearts and roses and candy. Valentine's Day becomes an official reminder and a specific opportunity to express our feelings to those we love. Although the day is particularly associated with romantic love, it also becomes a time to express our love to parents and children, brothers and sisters, relatives and friends. We exchange valentines. Whether they are homemade or store-bought, funny or serious, elaborately designed or simple in form, each one seeks to say in a personalized way, "I love you".

The problem is that once a year is not enough! We need to hear that we are loved every day. We need to be assured often that we are valued and cherished. We need to know that we have worth and significance in someone's eyes. Sadly, too many people rarely hear these simple words. We are a people hungry for love, but too busy to take the time to express it. Just speaking the simple words seems to be very difficult for some people, but they are powerful words and worth saying.

Of course, valentines are not the only way to say "I love you." Sometimes it isn't even words that express our love, but it is done through our actions. There are many acts of kindness and thoughtfulness which can demonstrate your love. Some people give coupons for babysitting or hugs or doing dishes, household chores or yardwork to be redeemed anytime. Neighbors reach out in welcome or in times of trouble to help.

Ultimately, our assurance comes in knowing that God loves us. 1 John 4 tells us "In this is love, not that we loved God, but that God loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins". God's love has been put into action and God's love was made tangible in the person of his Son, Jesus. This is the basis of our worth and value. Whether or not anyone else loves us, God does. And because God loves us, we can love each other.

Happy Valentine's Day and rest secure in God's love.

Pastor Sharon

### Lift Update

On January 20<sup>th</sup> the maintenance team, along with Mark and Joe Sornson, met with Adam Denio of Access Elevator and Lifts (AEL) at St. Paul. The purpose of the meeting was to show Adam the completed concrete work and to go over the details for the layout and construction of the lift shaft way. We wanted to verify our understanding of the construction requirements and to make sure we weren't overlooking something. Having Adam here to see our specific situation and challenges was important to get all the information pulled together. As mentioned in last month's update, AEL must approve our completed shaft way before the lift is ordered. Working on the shaft way is the priority but we will also be starting the work in the area beyond the shaft way in the basement. That will include the work in the old restroom and old quilt room. Some wood framing and drywall work is necessary and we will add a new door from the quilt room to the fellowship hall for access to/from the lift. A new wall will be added in the quilt room to divide it into a corridor for access to the lift and a separate area for storage of the tables. We'll also be installing a suspended ceiling in the corridor and old restroom. Before the project is completed carpet squares will be installed to finish the floor in the access area from the fellowship hall to the lift. More updates next month. The Maintenance Team

# Council Minutes

## January 13, 2022



St. Paul Lutheran Church met at 6:30 on Thursday, January 13, 2022.

All members, except Corey V. and Erica, were present.

Pastor Sharon opened the meeting in prayer and Tracy called the meeting to order.

Pastor Sharon gave her pastor's report for the last few months because there was no December meeting. It was a busy few months with Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas services.

JJ made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Dave. The motion passed.

Discussion was had about continuing the contract with Terminix.

JJ made a motion to continue to have terminix come and check for any termite issues. Seconded by Katie. The motion passed.

Youth minister evaluations will be distributed and brought back to the next council meeting.

The February and March council meetings were set and will be held on February 21st and March 15th at 6:30 PM.

The annual meeting date was set for March 20th, 2022 at 9:00 AM in the sanctuary.

The administrative assistant job description was reviewed. Tracy has agreed to work with Pastor Sharon to work on the job description.

JJ made a motion to approve the administrative assistant pay to be listed starting at \$15 per hour. Seconded by Tracy. The motion passed.

The council would like to offer special thanks to Ken Anderson for his service to the Stewardship team. Ken has served on the Stewardship team for many years and has led the team the last few years.

The family that has been renting the parsonage will be moving out at the end of January. The parsonage will be posted again and will be available mid February on a 3 month lease to have a month to month option after that.

The lift concrete work has now been completed and the next step will be to start framing.

Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting. JJ seconded. The motion passed.

With no other business the meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Catherine (Katie) Weis, Secretary

**The next Church  
Council meeting  
will be Monday,  
February 21st at 6:30 pm**

### Ministry Team Council Report Schedule

February - Preschool

March - Worship Planning/Praise Team

April - Confirmation

**\*Team leaders—please provide a written update of your ministry to the church office a few days before the scheduled council meeting. Thank you!**



## Happy 72nd Anniversary Wedded Band!

On January 24, 2022, Wedded Band had their 72nd anniversary! We are blessed to have two charter members still with us, Roland Burger and Herb Sudmann. Wedded Band was created to “bind the young married folks into a closer fellowship.” That certainly worked because those young couples stayed together, along with many later additions, to keep Wedded Band going for these 72 years. Along with fellowship, the purpose of Wedded Band includes projects in support of St. Paul and the church's work in general. The first project was a movie projector. In 1953 the Nativity scene was created, and more figures were added in 1954. As you know that Nativity scene is still in use. The annual spaghetti dinner is the major fund raiser and helps support the various mission-related activities that Wedded Band contributes to. Our monthly meetings include various speakers and topics along with fun activities like bingo, museum visits and going out to eat at Pizza King. There are no age restrictions, and you don't have to be married to be part of the group. We have monthly meetings (except May and December) generally on the last Sunday of the month at 6pm with speakers covering everything from creating metal art to information about human trafficking or a mission trip to China. We also provide financial support to youth activities, have donated money for digging water wells in Africa and donated to support missionary work. Our business meetings (held as part of our monthly meeting) can be entertaining – our group has been known to be sort of like trying to herd cats. The regular meetings also include a light meal served by the members. Our working mission statement is: “Meet for fun and fellowship, and to serve the Lord through our projects and service to others.” Our meetings are always open to anyone who wants to attend!

**We hope you will join us on Sunday, February 27th at 6 pm in the fellowship hall for a light meal and bingo!**



**Prayer List**

*We Pray for You!*  
Request the Prayer Chain  
Contact: church office at 888-487-3880 or  
lutheranchurchspl@gmail.com

**PRAYER LIST OR PRAYER CHAIN?**  
The prayer chain is activated when a situation arises in which immediate prayer support is requested. A request made to the prayer chain is kept in absolute confidentiality and is not published. Individuals may be on both the prayer chain and the prayer list if desired.

**Prayers:** Family of Joyce Woods (Doug Woods mother); Tammy Ticer; Betty Schmidt; Susan Goos; Joy Young; John Sealock; Norma Voss; Marilyn Lustgraaf; Trent Casey; Roy Maguire; Jan Young; Logan Young; Kaelin Bruning; Bruce Bentley; Lois Von Weihe; Ann Roof; Herb Sudmann; Wendy Vorthmann; Palmer Vorthmann

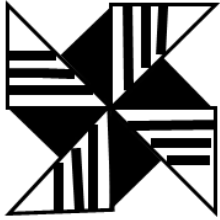
**Prayers For Others:** Dianna Smith; Don Korkow; Family of Duane King; Family of Ed Collins (Bob Meier's cousin); Family of Elmer Branson; Bobby Meier; Kendal Tripp; Julie Eden; Gerald Arens; Kya Hackett; Belinda VanAernam; Andy Anderson; Aubrey Greiner; Dennis Nelson, Jackie Stephens; Nixon Quick; LaVonne Sidebottom; Marlon McKenzie; Jack Smith

**february**  
BIRTHDAYS

Ethan Chambers February 2  
Ava McGreevy February 2  
Cera Mitchell February 3  
Mathes Vorthmann February 3  
Jason Moss February 4  
Logan Young February 6  
Phil McMartin February 7  
Shawn Miller February 7  
LuAnn Miller February 7  
Teri Vorthmann February 8  
Annie Vorthmann February 9  
Von Chambers February 11  
Carol Deitchler February 11  
Roger Vorthmann February 11  
Kyle Moss February 12  
Joleen Ahart February 14  
Bob Andersen February 14  
Jonas Keay February 14

Amber Schaaf February 15  
Kaleigh Gillespie February 16  
Dawn Rector February 16  
Jason Burmeister February 18  
Kendall Pitt February 19  
BrexLee Andersen February 20  
Laurel Anderson February 20  
Isaac Schmidt February 21  
Joey Sornson February 21  
Sheila McKern February 23  
Garrett Bazzell February 24  
Deb Schmidt February 24  
Bella LaScala February 25  
Cora Goos February 27  
Nolan Miller February 27  
Brock Poland February 28  
Myron Wahle February 28

# ST. PAUL LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL



## The PINWHEEL

February 2022

Our mission is  
to love the children, teach God's  
wonders and discover the love of  
learning.

**JANUARY ACTIVITIES:** The highlight for the Preschoolers in January was Family Fun Week in lieu of Family Fun Night. Special themed activities were sent home with the students throughout the week encouraging families to spend time and learn new things together. Themes included God is our Rock, Funny Feet, Favorite Recipes, Counting Mittens and Winter Bingo.

Kindernature visited the Preschool to present facts about groundhogs. It was fun for the students to learn about hibernation and other groundhog behaviors. They talked about the notoriety surrounding Groundhogs' Day and asked the students to predict if there will be a longer winter or earlier spring.

The students have enjoyed Chapel Time with Pastor Sharon and Denise. January's Bible stories emphasized Jesus' baptism, David & Goliath and Jesus says "Follow Me".

**ACTIVITIES:** The Preschool Staff has spent time creating an outline in each curriculum area as a focus for the month. The February\_classroom activities include the following:

**Theme:** Dental / Hearts in Nature

**Bible Verse:** As Jesus loves you, you must love one another. John 13:34

**Bible Truth:** Jesus loves us very much and fulfills all our needs; we must give love to others through sharing and caring.

**Bible Stories:** The Greatest Commandment Mark 12:28-31, Proverbs 3:1-3; A Shepherd finds His lost sheep. Luke 15:1-7; Ruth & Naomi Book of Ruth; Four friends help Mark 2: 1-2; The Lord's Prayer

**Character Trait:** Love / Share / Make good choices / Tattle--Differences

**Concepts:** Dental Health / Post Office; Directionality—left / right, up / down; Patterning: same & different; same & differences in sound (loud / soft; high / low):

**Fine Motor:** Stack / Twist / Turn / Pencil & Scissor grip

**Gross Motor:** Tiptoe / Bean bag / Scarf dance

**Color:** Pink / Purple **Shape:** Heart

**Numbers:** 13, 14, 15 **Letters:** V, L, G, X

**Nursery Rhymes:** Roses are Red, Violets are Blue, Sugar is Sweet and so are You; Patty Cake

**Service Project:** Valentine Cards for Prayer Chain

**Resource/Field Trip:** Post Office; I-SMILE; Kindernature

**Special Event:** Valentine's Party/Parent-teacher conferences

If anyone has some means of supporting the February themes, subjects or various concepts, please tell one of the Preschool Governing Board or a Preschool Staff member.

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:** If you would like to sponsor a child by assisting with preschool tuition for a week, month or school year, please contact the Preschool. Any amount would be appreciated.

**Preschool Staff**—Norah Beekhuizen, Payton Chapman, Judy Cryer, Linda Eitmann, Elsie Hrasky, Alyssa Johnson, Sonya Kinnison, Rachel Kinsella, Carrie Radford, Stephanie Vogt and Kaylie Williams

**Governing Board**— Shirley Chambers, Carol Deitchler, Alice Falk, Sheryl Henderson, Karen Swalwell, Annie Vorthmann, Sharon Weis

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# Stewardship News!

February 2022



## **Greetings from the Stewardship Team:**

Again, this year we are going to have the congregation write a message on a valentine that we will deliver to residents of, Bethany Lutheran Home, Risen Son and Oakland Manor. The Sunday School, Preschool, CREW and the confirmation class are also participating in this activity. The residents really enjoy receiving them, especially the ones made by the youth.

Our mission support for February is going to the Open Door Mission located at 2828 No. 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, Omaha. Open Door Mission is a Gospel Rescue Mission founded in 1954 committed to breaking the cycle of homelessness and poverty. Open Door Mission's campus offers 917 safe, shelter beds to people experiencing homelessness. They serve over 3500 nutritious meals to feed the hungry and provides homeless preventive resources to more than 1,000 people living in poverty to empower them to remain in their homes.

## **Open Door Mission is our February Mission:**

This is a very familiar name to members of St. Paul members as we have collected warm clothes for them, donated food and cash donations from VBS, and our confirmation and high school have served there many times. Open Door Mission to help clothe the homeless of the Council Bluffs/ Omaha area. Many members are also familiar with Lydia House which is branch of the Open Door Mission which supplies help for homeless women and families.

The Open Door Mission also has other branches which aid those men, women, and children in need. One of those programs is the Life-Changing Program. It is designed to break the cycle of homelessness and poverty. Lydia House and the Garland Thompson Men's Center offer life-changing recovery programs to address the causes of homelessness such as abuse, addiction, or the inability to obtain and maintain steady employment.

The New Life Recovery Program (NLRP) is another of the Open Door Mission programs. It is a Bible-based 12 step residential program that is committed to providing men, women, and families with the tools needed to become self-sufficient, contributing members of the community.

The Journey to Work Program focuses on breaking the cycle of homelessness and poverty that many experience. Through personal development, money management, job training and educational skills, people learn to break this cycle. Graduate Equivalency Diploma classes are also offered. Education is often the key to breaking the cycle.

The Veteran's Housing First Program focuses on the Veterans Administration combined goals of crisis intervention, emergency service, screening, and assessments in areas of mental health, chemical dependency, job skills, and training and life skills.

In order to assure that those in need are able to obtain gainful employment a program called Work Net also exists. Graduates of this program discover opportunities that are fulfilling and lead to employment.

Not all of the programs under the Open Door Mission are for the adults. They also offer afterschool programs to provide educational tutoring, field trips, and character building exercises. During the summer Kids to Kamp programs provide 3 hot nutritious meals, recreational activities, field trips, learning activities, educational tutoring, arts, crafts, and much more.

Our support of the Open Door Mission helps many people who are homeless in the Omaha and Council Bluffs area. Statistics tell us that about 2,000 people are homeless in the Omaha metro area. The Open Door Mission provided 189,000 nights of safe shelter, service 1.3 million nutritious meals to the hungry, helped 40,069 individuals to remain in the own homes, celebrated 47 graduates from the life-changing programs, cared for 300 homeless patients in the Free Health and Healing Clinic.

Pastor Sharon, Jan Meis, Glenrose Meier and Patty Walter.





## Sunday School

**3 yr. olds– 8th grade**

Something for all ages on Sunday mornings at 9:15am!!

Preschool through 5th grade classes are in the classrooms upstairs in the church building.

6th thru 8th grade are in the youth center.

**We hope to see you on Sunday mornings!**

### Sunday, February 13th

The SS children preschool thru 5th grade will play the bells at the 10:30am worship service!

### **SPY Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, February 13th, 8:30am - 12pm**

Come & enjoy some pancakes, sausage and scrambled eggs made by our youth!

The free will offering will go to our summer mission trip - we are hoping to know what our plan is very soon!

**Health/safety procedures:** We are not requiring masks at this time but they will be available at all entries into the church and youth center. We ask parents to please follow the same health/safety guidelines as the school, that if your child is not feeling well or has a fever, cough, difficulty breathing, fatigue, body aches, headache, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea, that you please keep them home. Thank you!

### Junior Lutherans and WOW for February

**Junior Lutherans, Weds., Feb. 9th, 5:30-6:30pm:** Jr. Lutherans is for 2nd thru 4th grade students and is held in the youth center. Bring your bible and come a little early to play the game tables! Contact the leaders, Denise Wilson and Carrie Radford, if you have any questions.

**WOW (Walk One Way), Weds., Feb. 16th, 5:30-6:30pm:** WOW is for 5th and 6th grade students and is held in the youth center. Contact the leader, Cory Young, or Denise Wilson if you have any questions.

### Confirmation Schedule for February

**Weds., Feb. 2nd** - 7:00pm—8:15pm: Learning Event

**Weds., Feb. 9th** - 7:00-8:15pm: Learning Event

**Weds., Feb. 16th** - 7:00-8:15pm: Learning Event

**Weds., Feb. 23rd** - Mentor night: Students are to meet with their mentors at the church at 6:15pm or schedule another time to meet for their discussion.

### Cell Group schedule for February 7pm - 8:15pm

High School youth!! Come for fun group games, read & discuss God's word with your peers, and have some snacks! We usually have 1 meal a month on the last Wednesday of the month in the church fellowship hall & do a project or special activity.



**Wednesday, Feb. 2nd, 9th & 16th:** We will meet in the youth center.

**Weds., Feb. 23rd:** We will meet in the church fellowship hall for a meal and do a service project or activity.

**Our January service project** was baking cookies for the homeless that hang out at the New Visions daytime warming center during the cold weather. The youth also made cards with scripture and blessings for each bag of cookies. The youth did a great job!

### Sunday Morning CREW for High School Youth

9:15am on Sunday mornings in the youth center! Come & join us for devotion time, prayer and service projects & treats!

The CREW youth adopted a family in December and were able to deliver gifts to a family with 6 children - what a blessing!

Come & be a part of their next project!

Contact our student leaders, Mira Dreyer and Avery Dyke, or Denise Wilson if you have any questions.

Christians  
Ready  
Equipped  
Willing

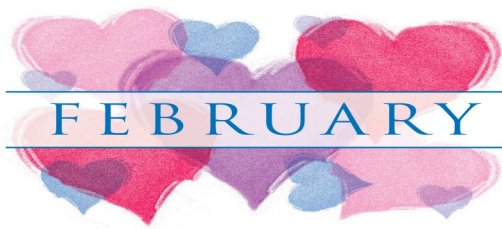


# February 2022

**Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 7pm Confirmation & Cell Group	<b>3</b> 8:30am Maint. Team Day 6pm PS Staff Mtg in Fhall 7pm AA upstairs	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> 8:00am Worship 9:00am Fellowship 9:15am SS/CREW 9:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship  4-6pm SilverKeg 4H Fhall	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 6:30 Call Team Meeting	<b>9</b> 5:30-6:30pm Jr. Lutherans 7pm Confirmation & Cell Group	<b>10</b> 7pm AA upstairs	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> 8:00am Worship 8:30 -12pm Pancake Brk 9:00am Fellowship 9:15am SS/CREW 9:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 6pm PS Gov. Board Mtg in Fhall	<b>16</b> 5:30-6:30pm WOW 7pm Confirmation & Cell Group	<b>17</b> 6:30 Call Team Mtg 7pm AA upstairs	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
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# **February 2022** **Volunteer Schedule** **for Worship Services**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Musicians</u>	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>	<u>Altar Flowers</u>	<u>Welcome Team</u>
2/6/22	8:00am	Brett Allen	Patty Walter	Ethan Chambers	Ron & Jolene Lammert	Bob & Glenrose Meier
2/6/22	10:30am	<b>Praise Team</b>	<b>None needed</b>	<b>Sophie Pedersen</b>		<b>SPY</b>
2/13/22	8:00am	Ruby Bentley	LaJean Wehring	Colton Clemsen	Dennis & Carol Deitchler	Bob & Glenrose Meier
2/13/22	10:30am	<b>Praise Team</b>	<b>None needed</b>	<b>Brady Dyke</b>		<b>Pote Family</b>
2/20/22	8:00am	Brett Allen	Berni Bichel	Lane Eitmann	Bob & Glenrose Meier	Bob & Glenrose Meier
2/20/22	10:30am	<b>Praise Team</b>	<b>None needed</b>	<b>Lila Eitmann</b>		<b>SPY</b>
2/27/22	8:00am	Ruby Bentley	Sheryl Henderson	Taryn White	Marcia Wolfe	Bob & Glenrose Meier
2/27/22	10:30am	<b>Praise Team</b>	<b>None needed</b>	<b>Livia Schroeder</b>		<b>Pote Family</b>

**2022 Flower Chart:** The new flower chart is hanging up in the church entryway. Please consider signing up to provide the altar flowers on a Sunday. You can have them in honor of someone for a birthday, an anniversary, in memory of someone, or just because! Live flowers on the altar add a lot to our worship service and space and you can take them home after the 10:30 service.

Contact Shirley Chambers at (402)651-8816 if you would like her to provide the flower bouquets for you in return for a donation to the preschool.

**Acolyte Reminder:**

***Be sure to check the calendar above for dates and services you are scheduled to acolyte. If you are unable to acolyte be sure to find a substitute and let the church office know of the change.***

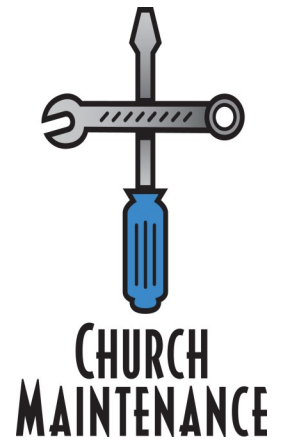


**Offering Envelopes for 2022:**

We are no longer using numbered envelopes. We have decided to go with plain giving envelopes where you can write your name and date on the outside and they never go out of date and are way cheaper. Envelopes are in the pews and there are some in the church entryway in a basket if you want to take a supply home.

St Paul Workday Jan 6, 2022

There were 5 people helped with the work day – Coretta and Ken Andersen,  
LaJean and Doug Wehring, and Roger Andersen.



Checked the AED and oxygen tank as a monthly task  
Moved the pulpit from the second overflow back to the altar area  
Christmas candles put away until next Christmas  
Christmas decorations put away until next Christmas  
Vacuumed upstairs after removing the Christmas trees  
Moved items from quilting room to subbasement  
Pulled nails from the old door and wall trim (out the back) with vise grips. Will probably use this when we put in a new door and hallway for access to the new lift  
Started cleaning the quilting room and lift area  
Installed handles on wooden compressor sound “box” for easier removal when needed  
Ken and Coretta took the recycle items from the boiler room  
Added the last bag of water softener salt at the preschool

We schedule the work day for the first Thursday of every month so join us Feb 3 for some “fun” and probably homemade cookie and brownies.

Other tasks performed since the last Tower Talk update includes:

Ken and Coretta have been taking the recycle cardboard and plastic to the recycle center

Picked up sticks for 2 hours after the Dec windstorm

Burned the limbs in the fire ring

Removed 1 last form from the concrete work so the contractor did not have to return

Wedded Band members took down the outside manger scene and put it in the shed until next Nov - Ron Lammert,  
Doug Wehring, Ken and Coretta Andersen, Kirk Vorthmann, and Roger Andersen

Cleaned the quilting room and lift area ceiling to floor with 2 shop vacs

Took a steel shelf from the quilting room to the boiler room after several changes and many hours of work. This gives Tammy twice as much storage as before

Took the wooden shelf from the boiler room to the subbasement after removing the nails and installing screws to make it stronger

Installed new battery in the small clock on N wall of balcony

Installed new battery in a SPY clock

Installed new batteries in a smoke and carbon monoxide detector in the preschool

Helped Adrienne with the cemetery layout

Ran vinegar through the tankless water heater for 2 hours to remove any lime buildup

Rehung a mirror on the fellowship side of Pastor’s north wall

Moved the picnic table from the preschool driveway south of the preschool sign so snow could be removed from the driveway

Bolted two preschool cubbies together so they could not be pulled over

Remove a bat from the church

Add weather stripping between the two sanctuary doors

*Met with Mark Sornson to discuss what needs to be done next for the lift completion*

Installed 2 stick-on-the-wall door stops – Pastor’s office door and bell tower door

Kirk and his big tractor and blade cleaned the snow from all of the parking areas. Doug and Rog cleaned the sidewalks

Met with Access Elevator & Lifts to get their blessing before proceeding on next steps



**Next workday:  
Thursday, February 3rd at 8:30 a.m.  
All are welcome to come and help!**

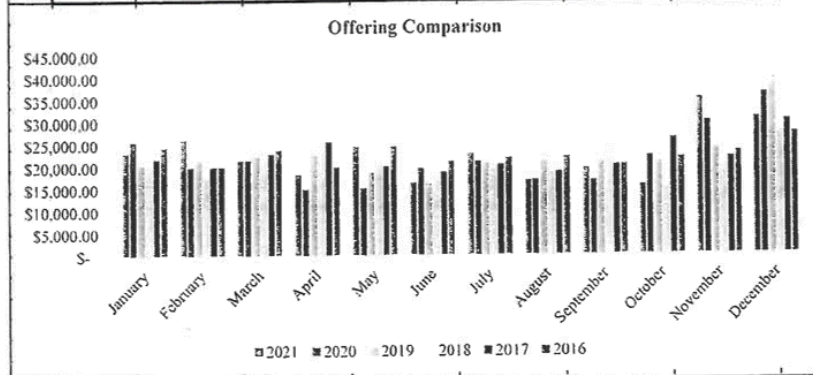
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 P O Box O  
 12 Park Street  
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**Balance Sheet Comparison**  
 December 2021

	2021	2020
<b>Assets</b>		
TS Bank - general operating	\$106,428.39	\$65,117.13
TS Bank - Farm Account	\$164,546.53	\$152,359.08
TS Bank - Cemetery Account	\$11,827.03	\$8,668.46
TS Bank CD	\$7,844.00	\$7,844.00
TS Bank - Memorial Account	\$11,710.98	\$13,705.22
Memorial Fund Savings	\$3,259.93	\$3,258.33
TS Bank - Building Account	\$82,552.30	\$41,667.27
Student Loans Receivable-Farm	\$1,940.00	\$1,940.00
Parsonage Fund Receivable-Farm	\$0.00	\$41,139.05
Cherish Our Church Receivable	\$0.00	\$25,282.64
Equipment	\$3,798.50	\$3,798.50
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$393,907.66</b>	<b>\$364,779.68</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Payroll Liabilities	\$2,829.29	\$2,676.85
Visa	\$716.98	\$0.00
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$3,546.27</b>	<b>\$2,676.85</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Restricted Funds	\$284,768.88	\$0.00
Unrestricted-Other Bank Funds	\$105,592.51	\$0.00
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>\$390,361.39</b>	<b>\$362,102.83</b>
<b>Total Liability &amp; Equity</b>	<b>\$393,907.66</b>	<b>\$364,779.68</b>

**Offering Comparison**

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
	Offerings	Offerings	Offerings	Offerings	Offerings	Offerings
January	\$ 23,094.00	\$ 25,729.17	\$ 20,644.30	\$ 20,432.25	\$ 21,715.46	\$ 24,458.12
February	\$ 26,114.00	\$ 19,966.65	\$ 21,605.00	\$ 17,879.50	\$ 19,957.47	\$ 20,043.57
March	\$ 21,405.50	\$ 21,560.35	\$ 22,577.43	\$ 22,001.66	\$ 22,840.75	\$ 23,779.97
April	\$ 18,169.00	\$ 15,001.35	\$ 22,789.78	\$ 25,807.50	\$ 25,525.00	\$ 19,880.75
May	\$ 24,482.00	\$ 15,156.35	\$ 18,638.50	\$ 20,467.50	\$ 20,048.75	\$ 24,423.42
June	\$ 16,179.00	\$ 19,511.35	\$ 16,112.21	\$ 17,450.44	\$ 18,639.00	\$ 21,147.75
July	\$ 22,845.00	\$ 21,145.84	\$ 20,942.90	\$ 19,910.00	\$ 20,317.00	\$ 21,841.00
August	\$ 16,762.00	\$ 16,973.35	\$ 21,209.93	\$ 19,111.00	\$ 18,662.50	\$ 21,974.00
September	\$ 19,385.62	\$ 16,726.00	\$ 20,736.98	\$ 26,363.67	\$ 20,147.50	\$ 20,288.72
October	\$ 15,637.00	\$ 22,191.00	\$ 20,691.37	\$ 15,122.64	\$ 26,130.13	\$ 21,766.91
November	\$ 35,110.71	\$ 30,022.00	\$ 23,788.63	\$ 19,938.30	\$ 21,767.58	\$ 23,115.98
December	\$30,590.00	\$36,209.07	\$ 39,371.67	\$ 27,298.19	\$ 30,006.98	\$ 27,210.94
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 269,773.83</b>	<b>\$ 260,192.48</b>	<b>\$ 269,108.70</b>	<b>\$ 251,782.65</b>	<b>\$ 265,758.12</b>	<b>\$ 269,931.13</b>



## TOWER TALK

St Paul Lutheran Church

Box O 12 Park St

Treynor, IA 51575

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

### DATED MATERIAL

February 1, 2022

WE ARE BLESSED AT ST PAUL!

### Sunday Morning Worship Schedule

8:00 am Traditional Worship

9:00 a.m. Fellowship, coffee & treats

9:15 a.m. Sunday School/High School CREW

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship

WE HAVE AN AWESOME GOD!

### Winter Weather Issues

If winter weather is ever an issue for Sunday worship, this information will be announced on local TV stations, KMA, St. Paul's website and St. Paul's Facebook page. If the weather is questionable, please check these resources before leaving home!

Thank you to all who help with snow and ice removal for big & small weather issues! They are always looking for extra help, so any youth or adults who can ever help, it would be greatly appreciated!

