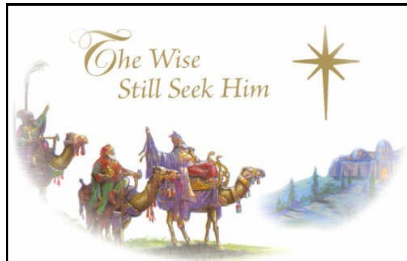




St. Paul and Immanuel Lutheran Churches
January 2024 Newsletter
Blue Earth, Minnesota



Receiving Forgiveness ✠ Growing Disciples ✠ Proclaiming Christ



January Meeting Schedule

St. Paul:

Thursday, January 18th ~
7:00pm Council

Sunday, January 21st ~
10:45am Annual Meeting in the Dining Room

Tuesday, January 23rd ~
LWSP at 1:30pm.

Worship Services

St. Paul: Saturday Evenings at 5:30pm

Sunday Mornings at 9:30am

Immanuel: Sunday Mornings at 8:00am

Broadcast Schedule:

KBEW 1560AM at 11 a.m. on Sundays

Email: stpauloffice@bevcomm.net

St. Paul Office: 526.7318

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Website: www.stpaulblueearth.weebly.com

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Beginning January 1, 2024:

Cable Channel 990 at 9am & 6pm on Wednesdays

Watch church services on our YouTube Page or search on You Tube for St. Paul Lutheran Church, Blue Earth, MN.

Zion Lutheran Church (1623 170th Street, Fairmont--Fraser TWP) will **celebrate the Epiphany of Our Lord with a Divine Service at 6pm on Friday, January 5th**, and we wish to extend an invitation to all our brothers and sisters in Christ in our area LCMS churches to join us for worship. Following the service, we will burn the Christmas greens in the Zion parking lot, and then enjoy time together in the fellowship hall. Feel free to bring your Christmas trees, wreaths, garlands, and greens (real!--no plastic!) to add to the bonfire, and also bring any leftover-but-still-fresh Christmas baked goods to share. Join us to close out the Christmas season in Jesus' Name! - Pastor John Henry



The Altar Guild and the Martha Guild (Funeral Lunch Coordinators) are looking for volunteers for the following months.

Altar Guild: April, June and August
Contact Janet Zabel

Martha Guild: January, February, April, May, June, August, September and December.
Contact Bea Wolf or the office.

JANUARY



4 - Aaron & Stacy Frank
 24 - Eugene & Laurie Halverson
 26 - Lawrence & Bea Wolf



The KBEW Radio broadcast cost has raised to \$42 beginning on January 1st. January sponsorship dates that are open: 8th & 15th. The cost is now \$42.00 Contact the office at 526.7318 if you have a special date this year you would like to sponsor.



Lucille Gerberding will be turning *102 years* on Thursday, January 11th. Birthday greetings may be sent to 1219 S. Ramsey, Blue Earth.

Ellen Katzke will be celebrating her *96th* birthday on Friday, January 5th. Cards can reach her at 211 6th St. NW #126, Winnebago, MN 56098

2nd - Cathy Haase & Cadence Glanzman
 3rd - Emmanuel Granillo, Gannon Haase & Mark Ristau
 4th - Diane Bell
 5th - Ellen Katzke & Frank Hoerth
 6th - Cody Meyer
 7th - Myla Bell
 8th - Steve Lawrence, Lilly Mathews & Becky Rippentrop
 9th - Karen Koestler
 10th - LeRoy Omland
 11th - Lucille Gerberding & Betsy Goltz
 12th - Jason Lawrence
 13th - Delores Schavey, Ruby Ferguson & Lucas Andrews
 14th - Mina Folven & Paige Kriewall
 15th - Peggy Day
 16th - Kevin Mastin, Susan Esser & Aubrey Mathews
 17th - Connor Thielfoldt & Les Schewe
 18th - JoAnn Stewart & Robert Werner
 20th - Violet Mensing
 21st - Chelsey Haase
 23rd - Ruth Gustafson
 24th - Patricia Bell & Barry Meyers
 25th - Travis Woodwick & Clara Bell
 27th - Marilyn Palm & Ashley Kriewall
 28th - Clare Prechel
 29th - Dick Hanson
 30th - MerriLynn Wessels
 31st - Amanda Hyland, Leon Prescher, Addison Prescher & Erin Prescher

If there are any member birthday or wedding anniversaries listed that are incorrect or needed to be added, please call the office at 526.7318 or email



On January 16 at 1:00 pm we will be having a Dementia Friends workshop at our offices. "Join a growing movement of people who are helping fellow community members living with dementia. A little support can make a big difference in their lives. Be a Dementia Friend...it's easy and rewarding!"



REMINDER: LWSP (Lutheran Women of St. Paul)

Every woman member of St. Paul Lutheran Church is a member of LWSP.

The group meets every fourth Tuesday of the month in the church basement at 1:30 p.m.

The meeting consists of a half hour bible study, usually a short business meeting followed by refreshments and fellowship. The next meeting is scheduled for January 23, 2024 at 1:30pm.

You are encouraged to join in.



2024 Offering envelopes can be found in the narthex. Please notice the new numbers, the envelopes will not be activated until January 1st. Continue to use the 2023 envelopes until that time.

If you do not see your envelopes, please contact the office or you may also use a regular envelope with your name on the front.



✝ To Dan Duden for coordinating the community "Giving Tree" project. To Fay & Cailynn Smith, Janet Zabel, Karen Malwitz, Sandy Hanson, Mona Eustice, Sharon Krieger & Betty Armon for all of their help with the wrapping.

✝ to our awesome Christmas decorators! Brad, Misty Wolf, Jerica Wolf, Ryan Pederson, Marilyn Krieger, Pastor Fretham & Darlene, Brad Zierke, Orlin & Marilyn Palm, John Gieser & Janet Zabel

Bevcomm

Starting on January 1, our local worship service on Bevcomm TV will be aired on **Channel 990 rather than channel 7**. You will find a listing for our worship service in the guide and can record the program if you subscribe to DVR services through Bevcomm.

Our Worship Service will air:

Wednesdays @ 9:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Giving through our GivePlus Mobile app is an easy and convenient way to donate to our church. It only takes a moment to set up an account:

1. Download the free GivePlus app from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store
2. Find our church by ZIP code 56013 or by searching for St. Paul Lutheran.
3. Donate!

The St. Paul Quarterly reports, Monthly Newsletters, and Portals of Prayer can all be found in the rack outside of the secretary's office.



New Horizons Adoption Agency is dedicated to supporting every child's right to be a family member. That said, International New Horizons Adoption Agency purchased a larger children's home in Liberia to provide more space and house more children while they await their adoption. To be habitable for the staff and children of INHAA, some updates and improvements must be made.

- 1 acre of property
- 4 bathrooms
- larger 4 bedrooms
- 3 buildings on the property that includes a Cottage family building (needs updating)
- The property is fenced in
- Roof needs to be fixed
- Update the interior
- Paint with mold-resistant paint

Provide new plumbing (big drainage problem)

Donations can be mailed to New Horizons Adoption Agency, Inc. 302 S. Grove St., P.O. Box 188 Blue Earth, MN 56013

- checks can be payable to New Horizons Adoption Agency, Inc.

- Make an online donation to NHAA PayPal account



St. Luke's Lutheran Care Center has a request for funds to be put toward new medicine carts. The carts are more secure for medicine storage and offer a safer work space for those who administer medications to residents.

Would you like to help the mission of St. Luke's? Your generous donation enables St. Luke's to purchase needed items for our resident that would not be possible otherwise.

To contribute monetarily to either need, please send your donations to St. Luke's Lutheran Care Center, 1219 South Ramsey St., Blue Earth, MN 56013

There are forms on the bulletin board you may use to designate where you would like your donation to go.