

*St. Paul Lutheran Church*  
*February 2024 Newsletter*

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual**  
**Winter Fun & Fellowship**



**Saturday, Feb 17<sup>th</sup> from 3 pm to ?.**

Food, beverages,  
**firepit fire** (conditions permitting), fellowship,  
&  
maybe even some impromptu contests!  
at Matt & Jayne Maser's place.

*Come & join the fun!*

# CHURCH NEWS



## **Acolyte Schedule:**

Sun, Feb 4<sup>th</sup>: Piper

Sun, Feb 11<sup>th</sup>: Norah

Wed, Feb 14<sup>th</sup>: (open)

Sun, Feb 18<sup>th</sup>: Corbin

Wed, Feb 21<sup>st</sup>: (open)

Sun, Feb 25<sup>th</sup>: Hunter

Wed, Feb 28<sup>th</sup>: (open)

## **February Ushers:**

Jacob and Sam Maser

**Family Dinner:** Wednesday February 7 from 5-7pm.

**Youth Group:** Meeting on Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

**Winter Fellowship** at Matt and Jayne Maser's, Saturday Feb 17<sup>th</sup> starting at 3pm. Pray for snow so sledding can part of the fellowship time.

**Ash Wednesday** begins on Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>. Worship at 7pm.

**Quilting** is Monday Mornings at 10am. Join the ladies for coffee, conversation and quilting.

Take a peek at the **fellowship sign up** and see what Sunday works for you to bake some baked goodies or even bring in donuts. Any questions, talk to Jennifer or Jayne

The **flower chart** is up, see which Sunday works for you to honor a loved one or celebrate a special day. \$20 a Sunday. If you have not paid for flowers in 2023 or poinsettias, please do so. Any questions, talk to Jennifer

**Service:** Missed a Sunday? You can view the Service online! All our Services are recorded and put on the website and YouTube. Visit the *church website* – *click on videos at the top*, *and then click on worship service* and you will find worship service recordings.

<https://www.stpaulhinckleymn.org/worship-service.html>

You can also find us on You tube at: [St. Paul Lutheran Church Hinckley - YouTube](#)



# Birthdays & Anniversaries



## Feb 2024

3rd: Davie Hopkins  
6th: Jenny Schroeder  
10th: Ron Rabe  
12th: Isla Zabrok  
13th: Lois Kendall  
14th: Jeanette Schaefer  
15th: JD and Chelsey Bottelson  
15th: Jayne Maser  
18th: Greg Wickstrom  
21st: Arden Gruett  
24th: Nicole Hansen  
26th: Shawn Ausmus, Larry and Linda Marotz  
27th: Doug Maser, Tim and Sue Davis, Liam Rogneby  
28th: Diane Rogneby

*If we missed anyone, please let Jennifer know!*

## Flower Chart:

**Feb 4th:** Hopkins Family

.....*in loving memory of Dave*

**Feb 11th:** Maryellen Bruns

.....*in loving memory of Harlow and family*

**Feb 18th:** Jeanette Schaefer

.....*in loving memory of Fred*

**Feb 25th:** Larry and Linda Marotz

.....*in honor of their 52nd wedding anniversary*

## Prayer List:

*Lorraine Robbins, Lois Kruse, Arden Gruett, Steve Marudas, and those named in our hearts, for God's continued healing and comfort for them and their families.*

## Upcoming Lent/Easter Worship Service Schedule

Lent 2024 – Wednesday Services from 2/14/24 to 3/20/24 at 7pm

Ash Wednesday is 2/14 - 7 pm

Maundy Thursday is 3/28 7pm

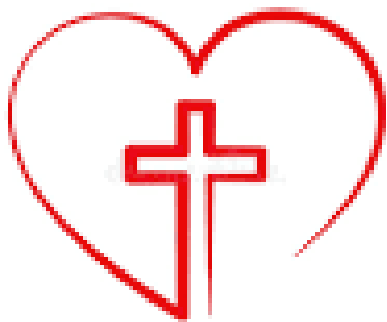
Good Friday is 3/29 7pm

Easter Sunday is 3/31

6:30am Sunrise Service,

7:30am Pancake breakfast

9am Easter Service



**Council Meeting Agenda  
St Paul Lutheran Church  
1-8-2024**

Attendance, Pastor, Matt, Bill, Rod, Star, Jennifer, Carol, Wendy, Doug, Aaron, David, John.

1. Call to Order Aaron 7PM
2. Open with Prayer, Pastor
3. Approve Agenda / Additions Bill, Star 2nd
4. Approve Minutes from December Council Meeting. Matt, Bill 2nd

**5. Treasurer's Report**

Total Income 135,705.23    Net Income. 4275.16  
Total Expense 131,430.17    Total Checking 34,736.24  
Total Savings. 27,745.84  
Total Memorials 5,983.02. Carol, Star 2<sup>nd</sup>.

6. **Pastor's Report.** Home visits, office visits, off site visits Bible Studies averages attendance of 4.8. Confirmation classes continue. Attendance December 312 which averages to 62.4 with Total commuted 119. Attendance for Christmas Eve candle light service 125 with 83 commuted. Christmas Day attendance 32 with 22 commuted. Various Circuit meetings, Church meetings, Family Fun night dinner, Caroling. In the works working on Lent/ Easter Liturgies, planning Lent/ Holy Week event. Writing for Hinckley News.

**7. Elders Report N/A**

8. **Trustee Report** Fire extinguishers ready for another year next year extinguishers will need to be redone cost estimate is 30.00 for each extinguisher.

**9. Other Committee Reports.**

BOF (Board of Fellowship). Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month.

Discussed Germanfest and meeting earlier in year for clear communication for everyone involved. Advertising should begin earlier.

Great response to Live Nativity estimates 174 people attended. Facebook reached 1.1 K people on the churches page. If this would be a continuing event, advertising should also begin sooner.

Winter Fellowship at Matt and Jaynes 2/17/24 weather permitting, if in climate weather alternate date 2/18/24.

Monthly meals going well with estimated 50 people attending.

In the works, having a speaker come in for congregation/ community regarding Christians in the digital age and internet safety for our children. There is a c out would congregation be willing to support this?

A box has been obtained and will be placed for dedicated missions. Looking for a liaison between the missionary support and the congregation.

Benefit opportunity for family of Kelly Christiansen, use of church, silent auction, donations and volunteers to assist.

## Old Business

- A. Roof – Still in process, Aaron continues to follow either pertinent finding to support concerns.
- B. Checking Account Closures Specifics needed in minutes, Closed accounts going to designated funds.

Little Lambs 80% to General fund with 20 % to Missions. This account was dissolved. John / Carol 2<sup>nd</sup>

Youth group account to general account, Rebecca to have credit card for Youth Group needs. David /Star 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Fellowship Account to general account. Jennifer to have credit card to use for fellowship Needs and office expenses. David / Carol 2<sup>nd</sup>.

All card users to keep receipts and line item each expense if needed for clarification of purchase and department if needed in clarification for bookkeeping such as fellowship or office expenses.

- C. Quick Books- Pro Desk Top version David and or Tracy to install
- D. Unfinished business N/A

## New Business

A. Quarterly Agenda

a. BOF benefit

b. Mower people interested for summer 2024 mowing.

B. Usher Duties, laminated instruction with service each Sunday for those who Usher

C. Council – anyone going off this year

D. Sound System John will check out sound board, checks speakers sound muffled in sanctuary. John will check with mic back feeding.

e. Lent Worship Service Schedule

Lent 2024 2/14/24 – 2/28/24

Ash Wednesday 2/14 7 pm

Maundy Thursday 3/28 7pm

Easter 3/31 6:30 breakfast

Easter Service 3/31 9 am

12. **Other Business.** Encourage outside services 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday's weather permitting.

13. **Adjourn** 8:15 pm

14. Close with Lord's Prayer

*Submitted by Carol Robinson, Secretary*



**Quarterly Voters Meeting  
St Paul Lutheran Church  
1st Quarter  
1-21-2024**

1. Call to Order, Roll call, Sign in.
2. Open with Prayer by Pastor
3. **Secretary Report** accepted Loren 1st Lynette 2nd

4. **Treasurer's Report** Jayne 1st Carolyn 2nd  
Checking 33,751.40. Savings Account 27,745.84  
Total income 4418.95. Total Expense 5,339.12  
Net ordinary Income -920.17

**5. Pastor's Report**

Clarification Home visits are in the home 22 home visits, 12 meetings/ visits, 3 offsite meetings/ visits, 2 Hospital visits, 2 official acts, 1 Baptism and 1 Funeral, 11 Confirmation classes, 9 Adult Bible Study classes, Began teaching Premarital classes in October 2023, Article's for Spotlight on Faith, Family Fun night, Kettle River Circuit, Youth Group, various Church Committee meetings, Live Nativity and Concert, Caroling, Christmas Eve and Christmas services with Holy Communion, In the works, Lent and Easter Liturgies, planning Holy Week event, Men's Group, Writing Articles for News.

**6. Church Committee and Group Reports**

Youth Group activities included volunteer at Ruby's Pantry, Working on The Case for Faith, crafts for Home bound, and Caroling in the works, discussions for National Youth Gathering in New Orleans 2025. Financial reports submitted.

BOF Board of Fellowship. Meet 1st Tuesday of the month. Discussed Germanfest, meeting earlier in the year so there is good clear communication with those involved. Advertising should start earlier than in the past. Live Nativity and Concert went over well, Winter Fellowship at Masers February 17th 3 pm 18th was chosen as a back up day iv in climate weather. Potluck and Movies January 28th. Discussions on having a speaker come in for the congregation and possibly community Regarding Christians in the digital age and internet safety for our children. If there is a cost would congregation be willing to support this? Discussed ability to live stream service into Sunday school room. Looking for a liason between the missionary and congregation.

**7. OLD BUSINESS.**

A. Roof Update, there was an offer made to place screens on the valleys to side in branches leaves and such, however declined due to thi findings of Roofing screws and additional construction debries. Plan is to continue moving forward.

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Lent Worship Service begins Ash Wednesday, February 14th at 7PM

B. Easter Services, 6:30 AM and 9:00 AM with pancake breakfast between. See John Frank if you are willing and able to help. There will be regular and gluten free pancakes

C. Outdoor worship services 1st and 3rd Sundays if weather permitting. If weather does not permit 2nd Sunday we will try the 3rd Sunday. We need additional Elders and volunteers to assist it setting up early or day before. Alternate music source and Elders to direct parishioners.

D. Lawn mowing for this year. Looking for volunteers, possibly a sign up sheet would be helpful.

E. Internet safety Speaker, would congregation be willing to support cost, Council to decide on? Advertising for a community outreach event or for our congregation.

F. Benefit for Kelly Christiansen family adoption. Council approved use of Fellowship hall for this event at the January council meeting. See Jayne Maser if you are willing and able to help in any way. Carol 1st Lynette 2nd

G. Live Nativity/Christmas Concert, should we continue annually? YES

## 9. Other Business

A. Pastor Loren Vogler reminder Sunday evening Concert is 6:30 PM, Sunday night Gospels, advertising, may need some fundraising, currently have a list of participants.

B. Fundraising youth will notify and place basket when serving for a Fundraising activity. Jeanette 1st Maryann 2nd

10. **Adjourn** Sue 1st Jayne 2nd

11. Close with Doxology.

*Respectfully submitted, Carol Robinson.*



## 1 John 4:7-8

*Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love.*

## CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

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*Check Facebook or church website for any updates on schedules for Worship Service and other events.*

**Pastor**

Rev. Mike Metzler

**Church Secretary**

Jennifer Kubesh

**Church Newsletter**

Jennifer Kubesh  
Cydelle Klande

**Organists**

Sue Hickle  
Connie Odendahl

**Church Council**

*Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Monday  
each month at 7pm*

**Chairman:** Aaron Peterson

**Vice Chair:** Toby Hickle

**Elders:** Rod Lawin

John Frank

Matt Maser

Greg Kroschel

**Trustees:** Bill Morgan

David Berquist

Doug Kottke

**Secretary:** Carol Robinson

**Fin. Sec.:** Star Lawin

**Treasurer:** Wendy Kottke

**Stewardship**

**1/01/2024 – 1/27/2024**

General Fund.....\$9,026.00

Lutheran Witness .....\$82.95

Altar Flowers .....\$149.00

Sunday School .....\$10.00

Missions .....\$5.00

**TOTAL.....\$9,272.95**





# February 2024



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
<i>February Ushers: Sam and Jacob Maser</i>				1	2	3
4 9am Worship 10am Fellowship 10am Sunday School 10:30am Confirmation	5 10am Quilting 7pm Council Mtg	6 1pm BOF meeting	7 10am Bible Study 5pm Family Dinner 6pm Youth Group	8	9	10 <i>Pastor's days off</i>
11 9am Worship w/ Communion 10am Fellowship 10am Sunday School 10:30am Confirmation	12 10am Quilting	13 9am Shrove Service at Peace Lutheran	14 10am Bible Study 7pm Worship Service ASH Wed <b>St. Valentine's Day</b>	15	16 <i>Newsletter Due</i>	17 3pm Winter Fellowship at Matt and Jayne Masers <i>Pastor's days off</i>
18 9am Worship 10am Fellowship 10am Sunday School 10:30am Confirmation	19 10am Quilting	20	21 10am Bible Study 7pm Lenten Services	22	23	24 <i>Pastor's days off</i>
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