



Purpose Statement

Living Christ centered lives so we may love all, serve our community, and share the Word.

News for Sunday, March 15, 2026 Fourth Sunday in Lent

Join us for at 9:00 a.m. for Worship

Click [HERE](#) for the 9:00 a.m. Worship bulletin

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We Remember in Prayer; those on our Home Visitation list and those on our prayer list: Brock Woessner, Jeff Waite, Dianne Miller, Lori Dewey, Maggie N., the Woodworth family. Michelle Klinger, Matt Friel, Sandy Julifs, Mike, Dylan Wescott, Phyllis Jacobson, and Betty Steinke

During this time of transition if you have an emergency, please call Sue in the church office or one of the council members who will contact the pastor that is covering during that time.

Thank You

We want to thank all our friends/church family at St. Paul for all your thoughts/prayers, food, phone calls, messages and cards during the past couple months during Ron's illness and passing. Thank You Pastor Mark for all your words of encouragement, prayers and presiding at his service. Thanks also to those involved with the luncheon. It was all greatly appreciated. We could feel God's arms wrapped around us.
~ Janie, Stacy & Gale

Easter Lilies/Spring Flowers

On the back of this morning's bulletin is the order form for a Easter Lily or Spring Flowers. Lilies are \$13.00; Spring Flowers (Tulip, Daffodil, Hyacinth) are \$10:00 each. The deadline to order is March 22.

WELCA Tri-Church

Please consider joining the WELCA retreat at LOMC on Saturday April 25th. All you need to do is complete the registration form and submit with a check to your church secretary. The retreat is April 25, 2026 - hope you can join us. Sign up deadline is March 22, 2026. The registration form is on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

Easter egg hunt | Candy needed: Easter Sunday is **April 5**. Immediately following the 9:00 a.m. worship service, we will be having an Easter egg hunt for kids of all ages. We are planning for outside, but will still have the hunt inside in case of rain. Congregation, we are asking for donations of individually packed candy, stickers, little toys (needs to fit inside plastic eggs). You can pick up a bag of empty eggs at church, fill them, then bring them to the church no later than Sunday, March 29. Or, just bring your candy, etc. donation to the church and we'll fill the eggs. Thank you for your support of this fun event for the children and youth of St. Paul.

Student Bibles

St. Paul will be placing an order for student Bibles soon. If you would like your child to receive a Bible from St. Paul please let Miss Gabby know. Bibles are available for all students age 0-18.

Confirmation Lunch 4/19

We need someone to help arrange and serve lunch to the Tri-church confirmation class at noon on April 19th. If you are able to help out, please reach out to Miss Gabby.

Children's Offering

The March Children's offering will go towards the Buddy Bags program.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, March 17

Pastor Mark will be in the office – 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.
WELCA Tri-Church Bible Study at Immanuel – 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, March 11

WELCA Tri-Church Quilting – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Lenten Worship with dessert following

Immanuel – 12:15 p.m.

St. Paul – 6:30 p.m.

Opener/Closer – *Volunteer needed*

Greeter – *Volunteer needed*

Sound – Greg Zeigler

Next Sunday, March 22

Worship/Communion service at 9:00 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday school at 10:15 a.m.

Next Week – March 22

Worship Assistants

Opener/Head Usher/Closer – Dawn Waite

Acolytes – Arians family

Greeters – Bob & Judy Bartel

Ushers – Bill & Carolyn Duncan

Reader – Carolyn Duncan

Sound – Bradyn Arians

Communion Assistant – Nancy Eilers

Altar Guild – Ann Beswick, JoAnn Garcia

Coffee Fellowship – Audrey & Cathy Cox

TRI-CHURCH LENTEN MID-WEEK WORSHIP



All are welcome to join Tri-Church (Immanuel, St. John's and St. Paul) for worship this Lenten season at **12:15 p.m. worship at Immanuel** in Rock Falls (501 8th Ave., Rock Falls) and **6:30 p.m. worship at St. Paul** in Sterling (1701 16th Ave., Sterling). Cookies/Dessert & fellowship will follow each service.

During the five weeks of Lent 2026, we will learn what it means to be **“WALKING WET”** – Living our baptismal promises in daily life. The five baptismal promises, which are made when we are baptized, provide guidance as we live as a child of God in the world. These promises are meant to drench us daily in God's love and grace – promises for each day. Come and be drenched – appreciating God's love for us all! Below are the “watchwords” and preaching texts for each week:

March 18: “Compassion” Mark 10:35-45, Pastor Jacob and Pastor Bree

March 25: “Witness” Jonah 3:10-4:11, Shawn Wolfe, SAM of Trinity & First

Come! Allow yourself to be drenched in God's immense love!