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

News for Sunday, November 8, 2026

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

Thankoffering envelopes are available are on the back table.

Sunday School at 10:15 a.m.
Tri-Church Confirmation class at 11:15 a.m.

Click HERE for the 9:00 a.m. Worship bulletin

Click HERE to watch the Livestream

We Remember in Prayer; those on our Home Visitation list and those on our prayer list: Mary Ann DeJonge, Tricia M., Ken & Stephanie, Richard J., Callahan McCallister, Brock Woessner, Lori Dewey, Michelle Klinger, Matt Friel, Sandy Julifs, and Phyllis Jacobson.

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.

Women of the ELCA are gathering a Thankoffering – one way Lutheran women have a way of acting on gratitude! Gifts to Women of the ELCA through Thankofferings support ministry resources for women's health, grants and scholarships, and publications like the Gather magazine. Special Thankoffering envelopes are available on the back table in the sanctuary. Checks are payable to WELCA with Thankoffering in the memo line. Thank you for supporting this long-standing tradition among Lutheran women of faith!

Gratitude Sunday
November 15 is Gratitude Sunday. Please bring your Time and Talents sheet and your Planned Giving card. There are extras on the back table in the sanctuary.

LSSI Holiday Hope Chest
Once again, we are participating in the LSSI'S Holiday Hope Chest. We have lists for 12 children, 9 teens and 5 adults. Lists are available to choose from in the west entryway. Gifts will need to be returned to the church (unwrapped) by Tuesday, December 1st.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at: 815-981-6479. Thank you. ~ Gabby Law.

November Tri Church Activities & Meetings

8 - Confirmation @ St. Paul, 11 am – 2 pm
8 - WELCA Thankoffering @ St. Paul
17 - WELCA Morning Gather Bible Study @ Immanuel, 9 am
18 - WELCA Quilting for Lutheran World Relief @ St. Paul, 9 am
18 - WELCA Family Group Meeting @ St. Paul, 5:30-7 pm
20/21 - Confirmation – LOMC Retreat
30 - Tri Church Leadership Meeting @ Immanuel, 6 pm
30 - WELCA CLEO (Church Ladies Eating Out), 5:30 pm at Lisa's Brickhouse in Sterling.
(RSVP to Judy Bartel at 815-751-6768)

Christmas Decorating
On Sunday, November 22, Fall decorations will be taken down and we will begin decorating for Christmas. Your help is greatly needed, especially in putting up the Christmas tree. Many hands make light work! Mark your calendar!

Children's Offering
The November and December children's offering with be for the God's Global Barnyard through the ELCA Good Gifts. A gift to God's Global Barnyard will be used where needed most to support livestock, agriculture and other sustainable-development projects, which help farmers and families with the resources they need to thrive.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, November 10
Pastor Mark will be in the office
BBT will meet at Candlelight Inn in Rock Falls at 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, November 12
Office closed
Congregation Council meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Next Sunday, November 15
Gratitude Sunday
Worship service at 9:00 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School Christmas program practice at St. Paul – 10:15 a.m.

Next Week – November 15
Worship Assistants
Opener/Head Usher/Closer – Volunteer Needed
Acolytes – Altar Guild
Greeters & Ushers – Nancy Beck, Diane Yoeckel
Reader – Greg Zeigler
Sound – Greg Zeigler
Communion Assistant – Nancy Beck
Altar Guild – Judy Bartel, Donna Kendall
Coffee Fellowship – *Volunteer Needed*