

JANUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER



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St. Paul's Church Council Meeting December 17, 2024

Church Council met on Tuesday, December 17, at 7:00 pm. Those present: Pastor Nitzel, Vickie Roghair, Leroy Rabe, Donna Ahlers, Carolyn Rubsam, Doug Nagel, and Justin Weber.

Pastor called the meeting to order. Pastor shared devotions from Luke 2:1-7 -- worship our Lord and celebrate! Pastor led us in prayer.

The minutes of the November 19 meeting were approved as distributed.

Treasurer Report: Vickie shared the balance of today's checkbook, with 89% of the budget used. She updated us on transactions of several special accounts. There was discussion on what should be done with the excess \$\$'s not used in the "Organ Fund".

Finance Report: Donna reported offering was counted and deposited twice since our November meeting.

Elders Report: Their meeting focused on the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services.

Education Report: Justin reported that the Sunday School kids will present the Christmas Program this Sunday, December 22.

Stewardship Report: Time and Talent forms are no longer being submitted by the congregation. There were no questions on the 2025 budget being submitted for approval at the January Voters meeting.

Evangelism Report: Carolyn shared that Jo Harders, with the help of Rhonda Pippy made Christmas cookies for the Hartley police officers, as part of the POP.

Trustees Report: The carpet for the balcony area where the organ was previously is finished up and a new handrail has been installed for the new organ area. And the problems with the stalled elevator have been repaired.

Pastor's Report: Pastor will be gone December 26-30. Pastor Dave will lead worship on December 29. Pastor is replacing his laptop with a new one as the screen is not working.

Old Business: After discussion about the future of the DCE program, the Council voted to add \$24,000 to line item 4020 for the DCE for the 2025 budget.

New Business: The IDW Convention is scheduled for June. Pastor will attend as the pastoral delegate; a lay delegate and an alternate are needed as well. Please let Pastor know if you're interested in serving in this way.

The next Voters Meeting will be Sunday, January 12. It will include approval of the 2025 budget.

The next Council meeting is Tuesday, January 21, 2025. The meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Vickie Roghair
Pro-tem Council Secretary

PEOPLE OF PASSION ...

If you are someone who passionately loves St. Paul's, please prayerfully consider being a part of this POP church group for the coming year. We currently meet once a month on either Monday or Tuesday mornings at 9am for one hour. Current group members include: Pastor Nitzel, Connie Olhausen, Rhonda Pippy, LeRoy Raabe, Sue Schulz, Mark Schulz, Dyan Roth, Joellen Harders, Roxie Williamson, Annette Gebert, Kathi Unterbrink, Kathy Luedke. Your input on ways we can serve our Lord in the church and community is appreciated. Our first meeting of the new year is Tuesday, January 7, at 9:00am! Thank you!

JANUARY / FEBRUARY

SERVING SCHEDULES

GREETERS

January 5 – Duane and Dee Kolpin
 January 12 – Ron and Carolyn Rubsam
 January 19 – Wade and Stephanie Gebert
 January 26 – Pat McCarty and Ellen Treimer
 February 2 – Allan and Inez Dacken
 February 9 – Brad and Beth Fear
 February 16 – Wally and Becky Tschopp
 February 23 – Gordon and Roxie Williamson

COMMUNION

Set-up

January 5 – Allan and Inez Dacken
 January 19 – Gene and Shelley Hjeltn
 February 2 – Brad and Betty Harms
 February 16 – Bill and Patty Treimer
 Clean-Up
 Ron and Carolyn Rubsam
 Wally and Becky Tschopp
 Allan and Inez Dacken
 Ed and Joellen Harders

USHERS

January 5
 David Treimer (H)
 Wally Tschopp
 Easton Teal
 Wade Gebert

January 12
 Ty Waddell (H)
 Leroy Raabe
 Jesse Benz

January 19
 Jeremy Walters (H)
 Mark Recher
 Rick Roghair
 Alex Billings

January 26
 Bill Pippy (H)
 Bill Treimer
 Allan Dacken

February 2
 Kent Billings (H)
 Gene Hjeltn
 Brad Fear

February 9
 Gordon W. (H)
 Ed Harders
 Easton Teal

February 16
 Ty Waddell (H)
 Rick Roghair
 Leroy Raabe

February 23
 Jeremy Walters (H)
 Allan Dacken
 Alex Billings

CAMERA OPERATORS

January 5 – Brad Harms
 January 12 – Alex Billings
 January 19 – Doug Nagel
 January 26 – Josiah Nitzel
 February 2 – Bill Treimer / Easton Teal
 February 9 – Brad Harms
 February 16 – Alex Billings
 February 23 – Doug Nagel

ACOLYTES

January 5 – Hoyt A.
 January 12 – Hayden B.
 January 19 – MacKenzie W.
 January 26 – Ellsyn S.
 February 2 – Sydney W.
 February 9 – Simeon N.
 February 16 – Hoyt A.
 February 23 – Hayden B.

FELLOWSHIP SERVERS

January 5 – Bill and Patty Treimer
 January 12 – Wally and Becky Tschopp
 January 19 – Allan and Inez Dacken
 January 26 – Wade and Stephanie Gebert
 February 2 – Ed and Joellen Harders
 February 9 – Cliff and Shirley Ripke
 February 16 – Brad and Betty Harms
 February 23 – Rodney and Dyan Roth

JANUARY

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

7 – Ed and Joellen Harders



BIRTHDAYS


1 – Ryan Peterson
 2 – Brett Wohlert
 Blake Seivert
 3 – Camden Larsen
 Vanny Avelino
 5 – Maggie Albert
 6 – Roxie Williamson
 7 – Glen Recher, Jr.
 Bill Hibbing

9 – Allan Dacken
 11 – Ron Arndt
 Tom Hengeveld

23 – Becky Tschopp
 Ashley Benz
 Krista Wohlert
 Ryan Nagel

27 – Matthew Queck
 28 – Roger Jacobs
 29 – Jason Ackerman
 31 – Bev Nagel





January 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<i>New Year's Day</i> 1	2	3	4
<i>Second Sunday after Christmas</i> 5 9:00am Communion Worship 10:00am Fellowship Time 10:15am SS/Adult Bible Class	6	7 9:00am POP Meeting	8 9:30am Prayer Group 10:00am Bible Study 5:00pm Choir practice 6:00pm Confirmation	9	10	11
<i>The Baptism of our Lord</i> 12 9:00am Morning Worship 10:00am Voters Meeting 10:15am Fellowship Time 10:30am SS/Adult Bible Class	13 6:30pm Rachel Circle	14 9:30am Qtrly LWML Meeting	15 9:30am Prayer Group 10:00am Bible Study 5:00pm Choir practice 6:00pm Confirmation	16	17	18
<i>Second Sunday after the Epiphany</i> 19 9:00am Communion Worship 10:00am Fellowship Time 10:15am SS/Adult Bible Class	20 9:30am Mary Circle 4:00pm Card Crew	21 6:00pm Elders Meeting 7:00pm Church Council	22 9:30am Prayer Group 10:00am Bible Study 5:00pm Choir practice 6:00pm Confirmation	23	24	25
<i>Third Sunday after the Epiphany</i> 26 9:00am Morning Worship 10:00am Fellowship Time 10:15am SS/Adult Bible Class	27	28	29 9:30am Prayer Group 10:00am Bible Study 5:00pm Choir practice 6:00pm Confirmation	30	31	