

Ministers today:	
Presiding & Preaching	Pastor Chris Flohr
Lectors	8:30 Jim Stauffer 11:00 Lynn Schwanke
Acolytes	8:30 youth from the congregation 11:00 youth from the congregation
Recording Ministry	Rolf Tandberg
Power Pointers	8:30 Melissa Hiniker 11:00 Mark Gorseth
Ushers	8:30 Lynne & Dave Dickman, Doug Davis 11:00 Reta Hicketier, Jim Jarrett
Communion Servers	Members of the congregation
Communion Preparation	BettyJane Larson, Edi Martin, Gayle & Gerry Knudsen
Flower Delivery	Bev Narum
Musicians	St. Paul Choir, directed by Chuck Bryson Organ, Bonnie Olsgaard

Looking Ahead

- Jan. 16 Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Event, 6:00pm
 Jan. 18 JOY Bunch potluck and Conversation, 12:00noon
 Jan. 22 First Communion Class (Lunch provided) 12noon
 Jan. 22 Adult Education: *Love Wins*, book discussion
 Jan. 29 Annual Congregational Meeting & potluck lunch after 2nd svc
 Feb. 5 Soup-er Bowl of Caring fund raiser for the hungry
 Feb. 5 New member Class Begins: 10:00am
 Feb. 11 *Beyond the ELW*, NRIT Class held in Butte, \$15.00
 Feb. 12 Fund DAT: Dinner, Live Auction, & Talent Show, 5:00pm:
 tickets on sale today

Worship Attendance:

Jan. 8 - 8:30am: 88; 11:00am: 109; Mon. Eve 6:30 15;

Readings for Sunday, January 22:

Deuteronomy 18:15–20, Psalm 111, 1 Corinthians 8:1–13, Mark 1:21–28

St. Paul Lutheran Church

*The mission of St. Paul Lutheran Church:
 Renew our faith, Rejoice in God's grace and Reach Out in love.*

A WARM WELCOME to all who worship here today. Please take a moment to fill out the Worship Registration Form and place it in the offering plate.

Sunday, January 15 TODAY

8:30am Worship

Fellowship Time Downstairs Between Services;

Fair Trade items will be available between services

9:45am Sunday School Classes for 3 yrs—5th grade

10:00am Adult Education: Building Project Update and Tour, Fellowship Room

11:00am Worship

5:00pm Confirmation Class & Dinner, Downstairs

Monday, January 16

6:00pm **Martin Luther King, Jr Celebration Event**, Sanctuary

7:30pm Monday evening Bible Study, Library

Tuesday, January 17

3:00pm Facility Enhancement Team, Downstairs

7:00pm Church Council, Fellowship Room

7:00pm Women of Spirit Book Study, Downstairs

Wednesday, January 18

10:00am Staff Meeting, Church Office

12:00noon JOY Bunch Potluck & Conversation, Downstairs

6:30pm Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, January 19

7:00am Men's Bible Study, Downstairs

9:00am Quilters, Downstairs

Next Sunday, January 22

8:30am Worship

Fellowship Time Downstairs Between Services;

9:45am Sunday School Classes for 3 yrs—5th grade

11:00am Worship

12:00noon First Communion Class, Downstairs

Church Office hours are: Monday—Thursday, 9am—5pm.

Today

Altar Flowers for January 8 were given by Denise & Ralph Herzog in memory of Dennis Jenkins, Denise's twin brother. **Today** flowers are given by Gayle & Gerhard Knudsen in memory of Paul Crowley.

Enjoy coffee and fellowship downstairs between services today.

Equal Exchange items will be for sale today between worship services. Come and find that perfect Fair Trade item for your gift list or restock your coffee, teas, chocolate or nuts.

Restrooms: The restroom next to the "Old Memorial Room" to the west of the sanctuary is now completed and available for use on Sundays. Use the door at the right of the chancel area. Other restrooms are downstairs on the East side of the fellowship hall.

Taking Faith Home Inserts for January 15 (on green paper) are available at the information center at the entrance to the sanctuary.

Sunday School Classes for children age 3 through 5th grade meet at 9:45am in the Chapel on the third floor of the Education Wing.

Building Project Update and Tour will be held at 10am TODAY in the Fellowship Room (210).

Tomorrow, Jan. 16

Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration event will be held at St. Paul on Mon., January 16 beginning at 6pm. Ralph Stone, Professor Emeritus, University of Illinois at Springfield will be the keynote speaker. Youth Essay and Art contest winners will be awarded. Music for the evening will be provided by Eden Atwood and Amy Martin from the F.R.O.G.S and Coyote Choirs. This event will be followed by a social in the basement (food provided).

This Week

The "JOY Bunch" potluck is the 3rd Wed., January 18. "Just Older Youthrans" know how to have fun. Come join the festivities! Please bring a hotdish or dessert or salad to share.

Women of Spirit started a new book, *TWELVE EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN* by John MacArthur on Tuesdays, at 7:00pm. Call Jan Turbak, for details: 251-3649.

Next Sunday

First Communion Class is set for Jan. 22 (12:30-2:20pm-lunch provided). All parents and children interested in communion are invited to attend.

Coming Soon

Annual Congregational Meeting & Potluck, Sunday, Jan. 29: The annual meeting will take place after a potluck lunch following the 11:00 service.

Worship Services are recorded on CD: If you would like a CD of worship services, please contact the Church Office (549-4141). If you need a CD player, please contact Pastor Chris.

Volunteers are needed to record Sunday services for use by homebound members and friends of the congregation. For more information call Bill Schwanke at 728-6278.

Missoula International Friendship Program (MIFP) seeks volunteers to become Community Friends to international students who will begin studies at the University of Montana this Spring. This is a NOT home stay and Community Friends have no financial obligations for the students or scholars. Many international students want to get to know Americans on a more personal basis and are eager to share their culture with you. MIFP provides support and activities for Community Friends and their students/scholars. Interested? You may download an application form at www.mifp.org (click on "forms") or call the Foreign Student & Scholar Services at 406-243-2226 to have one mailed to you. Contact us at mifp.news@gmail.com or find us on Facebook at Missoula International Friendship. Apply before Jan. 16th, 2012.

Coffee Hours Need Hosts—anyone can sign-up to serve on any available week: There is a whiteboard next to the kitchen downstairs on which anyone is welcome to sign-up to host or to provide treats for the weekly coffee hours. Thank you.

This week we pray for:

- Recovery and healing for all with health concerns: Aunt Darlene, Grandma Betty; Margit; Loren; Hazel's daughter Kaati; Emmy and Daniel; Debra, Alma, Shirley, Mark, Becci, Lena; Karleen, Teresa Diemer; Baylin;
- Hope, food, shelter and peace for all who hunger or are discouraged, homeless, unemployed, battling addictions, mental illness and for all who suffer economic hardship;
- Safety, strength and wisdom for all serving in the military wherever they are deployed: Chad Penn, Connor, Josh, Tim, and Ryan; peace for their loved ones; recovery for all who have been injured in military service;

Relay for Life Kick Off Rally will be held Sat., Jan. 21 from 1-3pm at Southgate Mall. A Clock tower will be set up to showcase our goal of finding a cure for cancer. This is a great way to meet fellow relayers and pick up needed supplies.

Adult Education January 22: Lutheran Campus Pastor John Lund will lead a discussion of **Love Wins, a book about heaven, hell, and the fate of every person who ever lived**, Rob Bell's bestselling book. Find out why this book has been banned in evangelical bookstores. Class begins at 10 am. Watch for the location.

"Soup-er Bowl" of Caring is coming February 5! This fund drive began more than 20 years ago with the simple prayer: *"Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat."* Since that day, more than \$81 million has been raised for local charities across the country through the Souper Bowl of Caring. Last year alone, youth collected \$9.5 million for hunger relief. *Imagine* what could happen if just \$1.00 was given for every person who watches this football game!! Youth from the congregation will be collecting spare change before and after each service for the local "Soup-er Bowl of Caring". 100% of your donations will go to local organizations that fight hunger.

The New Member class begins Feb. 5: Pastor Chris Flohr will be conducting a New Member class from February 5- March 25. Anyone interested in learning about more about the Lutheran faith is welcome to attend any/all of these sessions.

Reserve February 12, 2012, 5:00pm: SPLC Men in Mission will sponsor a fund-raiser, "FUND DAT," to help complete the Fellowship Room and adjoining kitchen in our remodeled education wing. This will be a special evening of **Dinner, Live Auction and Talent show**, for which we have coined the phrase "FUND DAT (standing for *dinner-auction-talent*). Tickets are: \$20/family, \$10/individual adult and \$5/for a child under 12 years with a single parent. Missoula Mayor John Engen has volunteered to be auctioneer for the live(ly) auction and men from SPLC are soliciting auction items from members and others. If you have an auction item or service to donate, please contact Bill Schwanke. The cream of St. Paul's talent will come to the top during the entertainment portion of the evening. Interested in performing? Contact Don Spritzer. Chuck Reaves, one of St. Paul's top chefs, is putting together a great Spaghetti & Meatballs dinner. Tickets are available at the church office and after services today. Seating is limited to the first 100 who sign up so get your tickets early!

LIFELONG LEARNING FOR ALL

NRIT is the continuing education and lifelong learning ministry of the Montana Synod. Here are some coming events to be held around the state, and you're invited!

Beyond the ELW: Exploring Music and Projection Led by Julie Long and Michelle McGuirl

Take some time to explore the ELW even further and see companion resources that have been published. In addition to learning more about the ELW, this workshop will address the use of image projection to lead songs and enhance sermon and worship themes. Come and share your experiences and learn how to use technology in worship.

February 11 at Gloria Dei Lutheran, Butte (10am – 3pm)

Cost is \$15 and includes lunch. Contact Gloria Dei Lutheran at 406-723-9182 to register. Continuing education credits are available.

Renew: Youth and Family Ministry Retreat

Held at Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp, this retreat is a collaboration between FLBC and NRIT. Consider sending someone from your congregation: a parent, a youth director, the director of education, or your pastor. Anyone who volunteers their time to help with your youth and family ministries is welcome. This retreat will provide an opportunity for talking with others about new ways of doing youth and family ministry and the challenges of these ministries. Dr. Andrew Root, professor of youth and family ministry at Luther Seminary will be there to speak about the importance of "place" in youth ministry.

March 1 (6:30 pm) through March 3 (11:30 am) at Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp

Cost is \$160 and covers room, board and tuition. Continuing ed credits available. Register with Brooke Ells at Brooke@flbc.net or call 406-844-3201

Domestic Violence Training for Clergy and Lay Leaders

This workshop is led by Mitzi Vorachek, Program Director for domestic and sexual violence services in Red Lodge.

The class will address:

Dynamics and issues of domestic violence

Montana law and responsibility

Safety planning in congregations

Religious responses: What congregations can do as well as strategies for working with victims and perpetrators in congregations.

April 23 at Northridge Lutheran in Kalispell (9am – 3pm)

April 24 at Our Redeemer's in Helena (9am – 3pm)

May 7 at Peace Lutheran in Billings (9am – 3pm)

Cost is \$45 – Continuing education credits available.

Register at www.nrit.org or by emailing or calling Jenny Kunka j.kunka@nrit.org or 406-452-1663.

Jessica Crist Scholarship funds are available for all NRIT events. Go to www.nrit.org for the form or contact Jenny Kunka at j.kunka@nrit.org or 452-1663