

It was on August 25, 1861, that Lutheranism came to Leavenworth! The service was held in a Methodist Church in the Kickapoo area and the preacher was a Lutheran pastor traveling home to Iowa from Junction City.

In November of that year, a graduate of our Synod's St. Louis seminary arrived by river steamer and became our first full time Lutheran minister. Following a winter of organization, St. Paul congregation was chartered on March 9, 1862.

Services were initially held in a public school building, later in the city courtroom, and then by Christmas of that first year, in a new sanctuary located between 6th and 7th Streets on Delaware. This became the first Lutheran church building in Kansas!

Another "first" soon followed: in 1863, the first Lutheran Parish School in Kansas was established. Due to growth, in 1866 the church building itself was moved to the corner of 7th and Miami Streets and placed over a basement that housed the school. Our church has been here ever since!

In 1887, St. Paul was host to the organizing convention of a new District of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, comprising both Kansas and Colorado.

We've seen many changes over the years – new church buildings, new school buildings, and even a daughter congregation at Trinity. Yet, one thing has never changed, and we pray that it never will: that the people of God here have pledged "to know Him and to make Him known!"

As we near the century-and-one-half mark as a congregation, may all that we do bring glory to God and to Him alone! Our sesquicentennial celebration will extend from Easter 2012 until the start of the school year in August 2013.

Many areas of Worship, Fellowship and Bible Study are offered:

Sunday Morning Worship Services
8:00 AM – Traditional Liturgical Worship Style
10:30 AM – Contemporary "Prayer & Praise"
Worship Style

Sunday School and Bible Study
(for Age 2 to Adults)
9:15 AM

* A staffed Nursery is provided throughout Sunday morning

✦ Bible Study and Small Group sessions throughout the week: call the Church Office for a schedule or more information

✦ Tape-Delayed Radio Broadcast of our Sunday Morning Worship Service on KKLO (1410 AM), Sunday mornings at 11:00 AM

✦ Afternoon Communion Worship, 3rd Wednesday of every month

✦ Prison Ministry Worship Services

✦ Special Occasion "Sprinter" Vocal & Handbell Choirs

✦ Early Communion Class

✦ Youth Confirmation Class

✦ New Members Class

✦ Youth Groups (Grades 5-8, and High School)

✦ Ladies' Groups

✦ Men's Ministry Events

✦ Stephen Ministry (a caring peer ministry)

✦ Back Pack Buddies (a food ministry)

✦ E-Mail & Phone Prayer Chains

- **St. Paul Preschool – Grade 8**

The Church and School's mission is to assist parents with their God-given responsibility of providing a Christian education for their children. St. Paul Lutheran School was established to give children an education in which love and faith in Christ become the center of their learning activity. Parents and teachers, working together toward this common goal, are the most effective force in educating a child. Children attend chapel services every Wednesday and participate in "Praise Friday" at the end of week.

School athletics teach young people many valuable lessons, and students at St. Paul learn these lessons in a Christian atmosphere under the guidance of Christian coaches. See our school's Athletic Director to find out the many programs we support.

Classes are offered for children from the age of 2 1/2 and up – with both before and after school care available.

- **Sunday School**

Sunday School classes for children ages 2 through 8th Grade begin in the School Gym each Sunday at 9:15 AM. Classes will reach students with the Word of God and then lead them to a growing life in Christ. Lessons will motivate students to lead God-pleasing lives and fulfill Christ's commandment to share the Gospel.

- **Cradle Roll**

A child is in the Cradle Roll program from baptism to three years of age. The material supplied in the Cradle Roll Packet is designed to provide new parents with suggestions and resources to help them with their child's spiritual growth (and is sent to them on a regular basis).

St. Paul

... a believing church

The Lutheran Church teaches:

- ✠ That the Bible is the Word of God through which God reveals to us who He is and what He has done, is doing, and will do for us – and also what He expects of us
 - ✠ That God is One-in-Three Persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit
 - ✠ That Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that He came into this world to redeem all mankind
 - ✠ That the Church is people who believe in Jesus Christ as Savior and who serve Him as Lord
 - ✠ That our Lord instituted two Sacraments, Baptism and the Lord's Supper: and that through Baptism God gives us spiritual life and makes us His children; and that through the Real Presence of His own Body and Blood in the Lord's Supper He sustains our growing spiritual life
 - ✠ That our Lord Jesus will come on the Last Day to judge all mankind and to give all believers eternal life
- Simply stated, The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod believes, teaches and confesses that there is salvation in Christ alone -- by grace alone, through faith alone, on the basis of Scripture alone. To share this message with the world is the mission of the Church and the reason for its existence.

St. Paul

... a friendly church

You are cordially invited to worship with us. If you have questions regarding St. Paul Lutheran Church or School, or would like more information, here's how to get in touch:

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Jay Floetke, Principal

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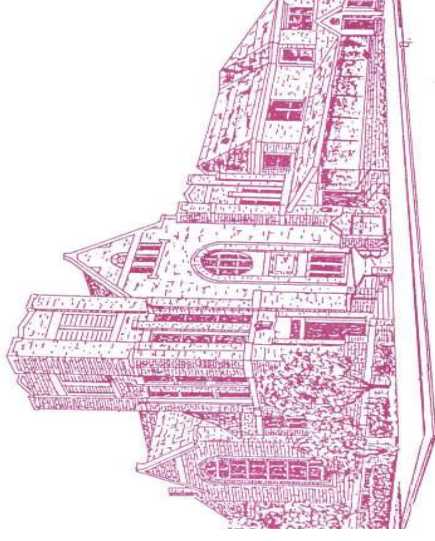
Church Staff:

Connie Denney, Parish Worker
Shelly Stroup & Barbara Regnier, Secretaries
Judy Ronk, Financial Office Assistant
Rev. Ray Schiefelbein, Visitation Pastor
Catheryn, Director of Christian Outreach

School Staff:

Kathleen Adams, Secretary
Andrea Staples, Admissions Counselor

*At St. Paul, We C.A.R.E.
We are "Cultivating Awesome
Relationships for
Eternity!"*



*St. Paul Lutheran
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