

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH - (MISSOURI SYNOD)

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Mission Statement

"Empowered by God's Word, we joyfully share the Love of Jesus with all people."

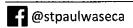
Vision Statement

"We will be a vibrant, welcoming church serving the needs of our members, community, and missions by partnering with other churches and organizations while preaching and teaching the inspired Word of God and our Savior Jesus Christ."

SUNDAY MORNINGS (SEPTEMBER - MAY)

- ₱ Divine Service w/Holy Communion:
 - 9:00 a.m. (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)
- → Sunday School: 10:15 am and Adult Bible Study: 10:30 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Paul A. Lauer Mobile: (507) 304-2402 Email: palauer@gmail.com



ANNOUNCEMENT'S:

- **WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!** If you are a visitor, we look forward to visiting with you today and in the near future. Please write your name, address, and phone number in our visitor's book located at the back of church at the visitor's desk. We invite you to fellowship, coffee & treats following the worship service. Adult Bible Study begins at 10:30 a.m. & Sunday School will resume September 12th at 10:15am.
- Individual or Family Pastoral Care: Please remember that Pastor Lauer is here to deliver the Word and Sacraments to those who are not able to attend worship due to their health or circumstances. Private devotion and Holy Communion are available for individuals or couples that are homebound, at greater risk for COVID, or in times of emergency. Call Pastor Lauer at (507) 304-2402 to schedule an appointment when needed.
 - Radio Broadcast: Today's broadcast (KOWZ 1170 AM or 106.3 FM) is dedicated to the glory of God and is in loving memory of Debra Kohnert sponsored by Bonita Kohnert.
 - **Deklan Drake Ingram** is the son of Anthony & Kelly Ingram, in a private baptism following today service.
- **Live Streaming on Facebook:** The 9:00 worship service will continue to be live-streamed on Facebook at least through the end of August as we look at long-term alternatives.
- <u>Contemporary Ensemble</u> is moving to holding weekly rehearsals on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm beginning this week, September 8th. There's still time to start participating or merely to see if it's something for you. And, by the way, the **Senior (Adult) Choir** will also begin its weekly rehearsals this week beginning at 7:00 p.m.
- Quilting will start again on September 7th from 1p-3p.
- Cotta Guild will meet Thursday September 9th at 7:00pm. Barb Denn's circle will provide a treat as we fellowship together. Cindy Wood will have a devotion. We will have a sing-a-long of hymns, asking God to bless and guide our nation and leaders in these uncertain times, as we remember the 20th anniversary of 9/11. Ron, Cindy and Kelli will accompany the singing. All women of the congregation are invited to join us.
- Sunday School will kick off on September 12th with Rally Sunday at 10:15am. We hope to see you all there. Please fill out the Sunday School registration form and return to the church office for our records.
- God's Quilt of Comfort Wrapping up in the Psalms 2021 Fall Women's Retreat September 17-18 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Owatonna. See bulletin board by the elevator for registration information if interested in attending, or talk to Judie Waters.

Sunday School: On summer break. We'll resume in September 12th. Meanwhile, "Video Bible Stories" are posted each week on our Sunday School group linked to our Facebook account.

The Lord's Supper

- ₩ We believe, teach, and confess in accordance with Holy Scripture that the Lord's Supper is a precious gift from God, in which Christ gives us His true body and blood, in, with, and under the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith.
- The Bible teaches that this sacrament may also be spiritually harmful when misused, (For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes. Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. For this reason many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep. 1 Corinthians 11:26-30)
- The Lord's Supper is a testimony of the unity in faith. We ask that only those who have been instructed and who are in fellowship with the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod come with a contrite and joyful heart to the Lord's Table. (Acts 2:42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers)
- 4 Any guest wishing to receive communion here at St. Paul Lutheran Church, please speak with the Pastor or the Elder on duty, prior to the church service.

Sunday, September 5, 2021

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Greeting and Announcements

Opening Hymn: "O Day of Rest and Gladness" LSB 906

Order of Service: Divine Service Setting One LSB 151

Introit Ps. 28:1-2, 6-7; antiphon: Ps. 28:8

Kyrie LSB 152

This is the Feast LSB 155

Salutation and Collect of the Day

First Reading Isaiah 35:4-7a

Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance. with the recompense of God. He will come and save you." ⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened. and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness. and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

Gradual Ps. 34:9, 19, alt.

Epistle James 2:1–10, 14–18

My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, "You sit here in a good place," while you say to the poor man, "You stand over there," or, "Sit down at my feet," have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges

with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called?

*If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. *But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors.

¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it...

"What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? "If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, "and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? "So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

Common Alleluia and Verse LSB 156

Holy Gospel Mark 7:31-37

³¹Then [Jesus] returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." ³⁶And his ears were opened, his tongue was more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

Hymn of the Day: "Praise the Almighty" LSB 797

Sermon

Nicene Creed

Prayer of the Church

Preface LSB 160

Sanctus LSB 161

Prayer of Thanksgiving LSB 161

Lord's Prayer LSB 162

The Words of Our Lord LSB 162

Pax Domini LSB 163

Agnus Dei LSB 163

Distribution Hymns:

"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" LSB 633

"Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service" LSB 848

Dismissal

Thank the Lord LSB 164

Post-Communion Collect

Benediction LSB 166

Closing Hymn: "The Lord, My God, Be Praised" LSB 794

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- Preparing for Holy Communion: To assist our time of preparation, prayers are located in the front cover and on pages 329-330 of your hymnal. For anyone with alcohol concerns, diluted cups are located in the center of the tray. Gluten free communion wafers are available upon request.
- Facebook Live-stream and Radio Broadcasts: Our worship service is live-streamed on Facebook each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. (in Facebook search for:
 @stpaulwaseca to locate our Facebook page.)
 Our worship service is also Radio Broadcast each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. on Radio 1170 AM or 106.3 FM, and www.newstalk1170.com
- Lutheran Hour: "The Lutheran Hour" can be heard on the following radio stations: WCCO, 830 AM radio, Minneapolis, Sunday, 6:05 AM; KDHL, 920 AM radio, Faribault, Sunday.
- **Prayer Chain:** If you would like to add someone or something to the prayer chain or to the Sunday prayers, please call the church office at 835-2647 or call/text Pastor Lauer 507-304-2402.

- 2021 Drive Through Live Nativity kick off planning meeting is scheduled for Thursday September 23rd at 7pm in the church Parish Hall. If you have an interest and wish to help with this wonderful event please come to this meeting. Hope to see you there.
- The Prayer Team is switching meeting days from Tuesdays at 10:00 10:30am to Monday's beginning September 13^{th} from 10:00 10:30 am. (there will be no meeting on September 6^{th} -Labor Day). Anyone interested in joining us to pray for our pastor, our church, and other concerns you may have are welcome to join us in the sanctuary Monday's at 10am. Martin Luther "not only delighted in prayer, but also desperately held on to it as a time to meditate on God's great and numerous blessings." Come and join us.
- Our Women's Bible Study is switching our meeting days to the first and third Wednesday of each month from 9:30 to 10:30. We are a small group and would welcome you to join us. We meet in the old basement parish hall.

IN OUR PRAYERS:

Hospice: Dennis Cole (son of the late Bud Cole)

Thanksgiving & Continued Recovery: Jess Klinger, Glen Schultz

Treatment: Katie Stalough (daughter of Jeanette Williams)

Those who are sick and/or in need and wish to remain unnamed.

All the service men & women who are serving in the military: Noah Berg, Ryan Berg, Jacob Claybaugh, Matthew Gilmore, Jordan Labiack, Jacob Lemmen, Aaron & Sarah Lenz, Jason Paschall, David Reinsbach, John Thompson

Waseca Circuit Missionaries: Rev. Edward Naumann (Sri Lanka) & Rev. Dr. Stephen Oliver (Taiwan) & John Wolff (Kenya)

Upcoming Events:

- September 8th: Parent Confirmation Meeting @ 6pm
- September 8th: Senior Choir 7pm
- September 8th: Contemporary Ensemble 6pm
- September 10th: Mission Trip Drive Thru meal
- September 12th: Rally Sunday/ Sunday School Begins
- September 15th: Confirmation begins

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: September 5th-12th, 2021

Sunday:

9:00 a.m. Divine Service w/Holy Communion (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)

10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study

Private Baptism for Deklan Ingram after service

Monday: Church Office Closed

Tuesday:

1:00 pm Quilters

7:00 pm Board of Elder's

Wednesday:

6:00 pm Parent Confirmation Meeting

6:00 pm Contemporary Ensemble

7:00 pm Senior Choir

Thursday:

6:00 am Bible Breakfast

7:00 pm Cotta Guild

Friday:

5:00 -7:00pm Drive Thru Hot Beef Commercials & Pie

Sunday:

9:00 a.m. Divine Service w/Holy Communion (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)

10:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 am Adult Bible Study

SERVING THE LORD IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE:

THIS WEEK: NEXT WEEK;

ORGANIST: Kaleb Schmidt
ORGANIST: Cindy Wood
ACOLYTE: Josephine Ross
ACOLYTE: Troy Ryan

ELDER/DEACON: Jim Wyffels/Jerry Flogstad ELDER/DEACON: Jim Wyffels/Jerry Flogstad

RADIO MONITOR: Cindy Gilmore RADIO MONITOR: Ron Wood FACEBOOK LIVE: Mike Lauer FACEBOOK LIVE: Madison Olsem

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:

August 29, 2021:

Worship attendance (in person): 123

Bible Study and Sunday School: Not available General Fund(in person & Direct Deposit): \$2909

Dedicated Funds: \$195.00