

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)
 - o 10:15 11:15 am Sunday School
 - o 10:30 am Adult Bible Study and Coffee Hour

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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. with Sunday School at 10:15 a.m.
- Individual or Family Pastoral Care: Please remember that 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 the church office at 507-835-2647 to schedule an appointment when needed.
- **Live Streaming on Facebook:** The 9:00 worship service will continue to be live-streamed on Facebook.
- **Secret Sisters,** please remember to send a card with a note to your Secret Brother or Sister this month and continue to pray for him/her.
- **THANK YOU:** Thank you for all your concerns and prayers. I am starting to recover and look forward to seeing you all again soon. Thanks, Pastor Zimmer.
- Women's Bible Study would like to invite you to join us as we begin the next <u>That the World May Know DVD</u>, Fire on the Mountain: <u>Displaying God to a Broken World</u>, when we meet in September on the 21st. We hope you can join us.
- Pastor Loeslie from Bethlehem Lutheran Morristown, husband and father of 6 has been diagnosed with Huntington's Disease. There will be a benefit on September 24th from 4p to 8p at Morristown American Legion. Please keep this family in your prayers.
- Sunday September 18th Cotta Guild will put out a Mite Box at both entrances to the church to collect money for our mission projects that were approved at our LWML convention. This will happen on the second Sunday of each month. Thank you for your support. There are small, individual Mite Boxes that you may take home, put your coins in and bring to church the second Sunday in October.
- **Sunday September 18**th Cotta Guild will be hosting Coffee Hour with free will donations going to Connection Meals in Mankato in October. Thank you for your support.
- Tuesday September 20th Newsletter Articles are Due!!

IN OUR PRAYERS:

- Called Home: Mark Manthe, Arliss M. Ortloff
- Illness: Pastor Loeslie from Bethlehem Lutheran Morristown
- Thanksgiving & Continued Recovery: LeeAnn Paulson, Pastor Rosenau, Ken Lenz, Rus Weir and Joy Weir
- *Treatment:* Tim Andree (friend of Matt Klinger), Gerald Schroeder
- For those with Covid-19
- 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, Matthew Gilmore, Jacob Lemmen, Aaron & Sarah Lenz, Jason Paschall, David Reinsbach, John Thompson
- Waseca Circuit Missionaries: Rev. Edward Naumann & Rev. Dr. Stephen Oliver (Taiwan)
 & John Wolff (Kenya)

15th Sunday After Pentecost

On the Edge of Disaster September 18, 2022

HYMN "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

LSB 341 verse 1-4

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Holy God, mighty Lord, we poor sinners confess our sins before You and plead guilty for all the evil we have said, thought, and done. We have lived as if You did not matter and we mattered most. We have not honored Your name nor have we been faithful in worship and prayer. We have resisted the impulse of Your love and sought our own way. We have not loved You above all things nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves.

People: We are sorry for all our sins and beg Your mercy through Jesus Christ to forgive our sins and lead us to amend our sinful lives. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: May He who began this good work within You bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. His peace be with you. *Philippians 1:6, adapted*

People: And also with you.

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SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

O Lord, Your anger burns against sin and we poor sinners stand naked before You. Bring us to sorrow over our sins, lead us to confession and repentance, and fill us with Your Holy Spirit and faith that we may rejoice in the mercy of Your Son, where redemption may be found; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 113

P: Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD,

C: praise the name of the LORD!

P: Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and forevermore!

C: From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised!

P: The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens!

C: Who is like the LORD our God, who is seated on high,

P: who looks far down on the heavens and the earth?

C: He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap,

P: to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people.

C: He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children.

ALL: Praise the LORD!

OLD TESTAMENT Amos 8:4-7 (The Lord will remember the sins of those who do not repent.)

⁴Hear this, you who trample on the needy and bring the poor of the land to an end,⁵ saying, "When will the new moon be over, that we may sell grain? And the Sabbath, that we may offer wheat for sale, that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great and deal deceitfully with false balances,⁶ that we may buy the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and sell the chaff of the wheat?" ⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: "Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE 1 Timothy 2:1-15 (For there is one God and one mediator, Jesus Christ.) 2 First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, 2 for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³ This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, 4 who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 5 For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶ who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. ⁷ For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.81 desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling; 9 likewise also that women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty and self-control, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly attire, 10 but with what is proper for women who profess godliness—with good works. ¹¹ Let a woman learn quietly with all submissiveness. 12 I do not permit a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man; rather, she is to remain quiet. 13 For Adam was formed first, then Eve; 14 and Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor. 15 Yet she will be save through childbearing if they continue in faith and love and holiness, with self-control.

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 16:1-15 (Jesus tells us that you cannot serve God and money.) 16 He also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. ² And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. 4 I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' 5 So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶ He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' ⁷ Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' 8 The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. 9 And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings. 10 "One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. 11 If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? 12 And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? 13 No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."14 The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him. ¹⁵ And he said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY "Onward, Christian Soldiers"

LSB 662

CREED Apostles' Creed:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for ourselves and for all people....faith we confess on our

lips. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

▼ SACRAMENT

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your heart Colossians 3:1

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Psalm 136

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who renders meaningless the voices of

falsehood with the Word of His truth, which springs forth from the love

of God for the world. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS: Jesus Christ is Risen Today LSB 457, Verse 1

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor:

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My & body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My & blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's

death until He comes. 1 Corinthians 11:26

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

LORD'S PRAYER:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

| AGNUS DEI: Jesus Christ is Risen Today | LSB 457, Verse 4 |
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| DISTRIBUTION | |
| "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" | LSB 449 |
| "Come To Calvary's Holy Mountain" | LSB 435 |
| "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds" | LSB 524 |

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor:

Let us pray.

Thank You, dear Father, that despite the claims of false prophets, all of Your promises are sure in Christ Jesus. Thank You, Lord Jesus, for becoming one with us again in this precious Meal of Your body and blood. Thank You, Holy Spirit, for calling, gathering, enlightening, and sanctifying the whole people of God into such a great cloud of witnesses who cheer us on in our life. All thanks and praise be unto You, dear Holy Trinity, for You live and reign together, one God, now and ever unto the ages of ages.

People:

Amen.

PAX DOMINI

Pastor:

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People:

Amen.

BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24–26

Pastor:

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ₱ give you peace.

People: Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN "My Jesus I love Thee" My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine:

For Thee all the follies of sin I resign.

My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou;

If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love Thee because Thou has first loved me, And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree. I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow; If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death, And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath; And say when the death dew lies cold on my brow, If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight, I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright; I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow; If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

Pastor: Go in Peace and Serve the Lord

People: Thanks Be To God

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- Preparing for Holy Communion: To assist in a 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
- **Prayer Chain:** If you would like to add someone or something to the prayer chain, please call the church office at 835-2647.
- Sunday School: Begins on September 11th, 2022, please join us for Sunday School at 10:15-11:15, for ages 3 through grade 8.

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)
- 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. Thank You.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: September 18th - September 25th, 2022

Sunday (18th):

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

10:15 am Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study and Coffee hour

Monday (19th):

10:00 am Prayer Team 6:00 pm NSC Board

Tuesday (20th):

1:00 pm Quilters

3:30 pm Adult Confirmation

Wednesday (21st):

9:30 am Women's Bible Study

3:30 - 4:30 pm Confirmation 6th - 8th grade

7:00 pm Senior Choir and Contemporary Ensemble practice

Thursday (22nd):

6:00 a.m. Bible Breakfast at Jonnie Bean

Friday (23rd):

Saturday (24th):

Sunday (25th):

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

10:15 am Sunday School

10:30 am Adult Bible Study and Coffee hour

SERVING THE LORD IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE:

THIS WEEK: September 18th:

ORGANIST: Cindy Wood
ACOLYTE: Troy Ryan

ELDER/DEACON: Jim Wyffels/Jerry Flogstad

RADIO MONITOR: Cindy Gilmore FACEBOOK LIVE: Kathy Flogstad

READER: Bill Kuschel

NEXT WEEK: September 25th:

ORGANIST: Cindy Wood **ACOLYTE**: Wyatt Arndt

ELDER/DEACON: Jim Wyffels/Jerry Flogstad

RADIO MONITOR: Kathy Flogstad FACEBOOK: Geri Kuschel

READER: Denise Duffy

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:

Worship Attendance on September 11th: 101 Bible Study: Sunday School: 15

General Fund (in person & Direct Deposit) September 11th: \$2455.00 Dedicated Funds: September 11th: Improvement Fund: \$90.00

Pastor Discretionary Fund: \$116.40 **Door Offering for Pastor Loeslie: \$507.03**