

LIFE CHANGING LESSONS FROM

# THE PARABLES OF JESUS

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## **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.”*

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### **SUNDAY MORNINGS (JUNE - AUGUST)**

- ✝ Divine Service w/Holy Communion: 9:00 a.m.  
(Also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)
- 10:15 – 11:15 am Sunday School (Will resume in September)
- 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** for the 9:00 worship service for your convenience.
- **Welcome Pastor Drews!** Rev. Dennis Drews will be our guest pastor today. He is here from Bloomington, MN. Please make him feel welcome!!
- **Thanks to all** that have contributed to the food shelf donation boxes located by the elevator. Because of your generosity, close to 150 pounds have been donated to the food shelf!! You are making a difference.
- Please join us **today** after service for a **Bible Study** led by Bill Kuschel.
- **Reminder to those who are Caring for Brothers and Sisters in Christ.** Please send a card with a note of encouragement to your Brother or Sister in Christ and continue to pray for him or her.
- **Cotta Guild is collecting School Supplies the month of June.** Drop off boxes are located by the elevator and in the back or church.
- **Voter's Meeting Sunday July 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 am in the Parish Hall followed by a quick update from the Call Committee**
- The Board of Evangelism would like to invite you to our **CORN ON THE COB FEED!** Sunday August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 4:30 pm till the corn is gone at North East Park under the Pavilion. We will be serving Corn on the Cob, Hot Dogs, Bars and Water. We are looking for volunteers to help with prep work before the event, serving the food and watching the tables and clean up. If you are willing and able, please contact Barb Denn at 1-507-461-2694. This is a free willing offering event.

## IN OUR PRAYERS:

- **Cancer Treatment:** Debbie Pehrson
- **Medical Procedure:** Karen Thompson waiting for available Kidney
- **Illness:** Cindy Kuschel
- **Treatment:** Terry George, Kirsten Tharp, Randy Gehring, Dixie Flitter, Tim Andree
- **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)
- **Our Mission Trip Team:** Alex Bethke, Camilla Staloch, Debbie Pehrson, Derek Hammer, Jacob Hadley, Jeanette Williams, Joel Hammer, Joey Schumacher, Juliana Ross, Kameron Kunkel, Lavayah Randall, Levi Root, Linda Cone, Linda Seifert, Mailee Gilmore, Mallorie

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OPENING HYMN: "Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear"

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OLD TESTAMENT READING: *Isaiah 44: 6-8*

Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel  
and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:

"I am the first and I am the last;  
besides me there is no god.

<sup>7</sup> Who is like me? Let him proclaim it.

Let him declare and set it before me,  
since I appointed an ancient people.

Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen.

<sup>8</sup> Fear not, nor be afraid;

have I not told you from of old and declared it?

And you are my witnesses!

Is there a God besides me?

There is no Rock; I know not any."

EPISTLE LESSON: Romans 8: 18-27

<sup>18</sup> For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup> For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. <sup>20</sup> For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup> that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup> For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. <sup>23</sup> And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup> For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? <sup>25</sup> But if we hope for what we do

not see, we wait for it with patience.<sup>26</sup> Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. <sup>27</sup> And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because<sup>[a]</sup> the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

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**GOSPEL READING:** *Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43*

<sup>24</sup> He put another parable before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, <sup>25</sup> but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. <sup>26</sup> So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. <sup>27</sup> And the servants<sup>[b]</sup> of the master of the house came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?' <sup>28</sup> He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' So the servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' <sup>29</sup> But he said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. <sup>30</sup> Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, "Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'""

<sup>36</sup> Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." <sup>37</sup> He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup> The field is the world, and the good seed is the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, <sup>39</sup> and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. <sup>40</sup> Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. <sup>41</sup> The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, <sup>42</sup> and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup> Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.

**APOSTELS CREED:**

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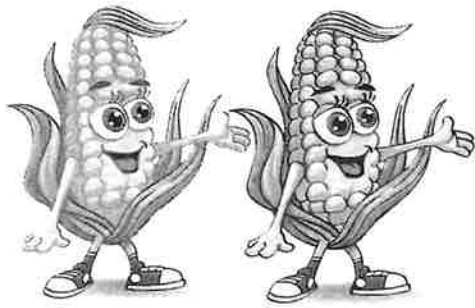
**HYMN OF THE DAY:** "Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast"

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**SERMON**

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Mark your Calendars!!!

The Board of Evangelism would like to invite you to our **CORN ON THE COB FEED!!**

WHEN: Sunday August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023

TIME: 4:30 pm till the corn is gone

WHERE: North East Park under the Pavilion

Menu: Corn on the Cob, Hot Dogs, Bars and Water

\*\* We are looking for volunteers to help out with Prep work before the event, serving the food and watching the tables and clean up. If you are willing and able, please contact Barb Denn at 1-507-461-2694. This is a free willing offering event.



**Community Salad Luncheon**

**August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 11am to 1pm \$8.00 per person**

Gehloff, Mandi Root, Marcie Ross, Mark Pehrson, Mason Prescher, Michelle Hammer, Morgan Proechel, Nathan Ross, Nathan Sipe, Oliver Staloch, Riley Mitchell, Sheila Root, Ton Bethke, Wyatt Arndt, Zane Staloch.

**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: July 23<sup>rd</sup> – July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Sunday (23<sup>rd</sup>):**

9:00 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion (Facebook Live and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)  
10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study (Led by Bill Kuschel) and Coffee hour

**Monday (24<sup>th</sup>):**

10:00 am Prayer Team

**Tuesday (25<sup>th</sup>):**

**Wednesday (26<sup>th</sup>):**

Noon: 29er's at church in the Parish Hall

**Thursday (27<sup>th</sup>):**

6:00 a.m. Bible Breakfast at Jonnie Bean  
\*\* Mission Trip Leaves. Will be back August 4<sup>th</sup>\*\*

**Friday (28<sup>th</sup>):**

**Saturday (29<sup>th</sup>):**

**Sunday (30<sup>th</sup>):**

9:00 a.m. Divine Service w/Communion (Facebook Live and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)  
10:15 a.m. Quarterly Voter's Meeting and Coffee hour

**SERVING THE LORD IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE:**

**THIS WEEK: July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023:**

**ORGANIST:** Cindy Wood

**ACOLYTE:** Josie Ross

**ELDER/DEACON:** Bob Roemhildt & Gary Hein/Kraig Deling

**RADIO MONITOR:** Kathy Flogstad

**FACEBOOK:** Geri Kuschel

**READER:**

**NEXT WEEK: July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023:**

**ORGANIST:** Cindy Wood

**ACOLYTE:** Blake Schroeder

**RADIO MONITOR:** Cindy Gilmore

**FACEBOOK:** Kathy Flogstad

**READER:** Bill Kuschel

**LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS**

**Worship Attendance on:**

Sunday July 16<sup>th</sup>: 97

Bible Study: 20

Sunday School: 0

Sunday July 16<sup>th</sup>: General Fund (in person & Direct Deposit): \$3,121.00

Improvement Fund: \$ 60.00

Other: Decorating Fund: \$

Radio Broadcast:

Undesignated:

\*\*\* Needed each week to make budget: \$ 3,000.00 \*\*





- 1 Lord, open now my heart to hear,  
And through Your Word to me draw near;  
Let me Your Word e'er pure retain;  
Let me Your child and heir remain.
- 2 Your Word inspires my heart within;  
Your Word grants healing from my sin;  
Your Word has pow'r to guide and bless;  
Your Word brings peace and happiness.
- △3 To God the Father, God the Son,  
And God the Spirit, Three in One,  
Shall glory, praise, and honor be  
Now and throughout eternity.

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1 Almighty God, Your Word is cast  
Like seed into the ground;  
Now let the dew of heav'n descend  
And righteous fruits abound.

2 Let not the sly satanic foe  
This holy seed remove,  
But give it root in ev'ry heart  
To bring forth fruits of love.

3 Let not the world's deceitful cares  
The rising plant destroy,  
But let it yield a hundredfold  
The fruits of peace and joy.

4 So when the precious seed is sown,  
Life-giving grace bestow  
That all whose souls the truth receive  
Its saving pow'r may know.

1 Sent forth by God's blessing,  
Our true faith confessing,  
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.  
The Supper is ended.

O now be extended  
The fruits of this service in all who believe.  
The seed of His teaching,  
Receptive souls reaching,  
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
His grace did invite us,  
His love shall unite us  
To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.

2 With praise and thanksgiving  
To God ever-living,  
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.  
Our faith ever sharing,  
In love ever caring,  
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.  
With Your feast You feed us,  
With Your light now lead us;  
Unite us as one in this life that we share.  
Then may all the living  
With praise and thanksgiving  
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, You have prepared  
This feast for our salvation;  
It is Your body and Your blood,  
And at Your invitation  
As weary souls, with sin oppressed,  
We come to You for needed rest,  
For comfort, and for pardon.
- 2 Although You did to heav'n ascend,  
Where angel hosts are dwelling,  
And in Your presence they behold  
Your glory, all excelling,  
And though Your people shall not see  
Your glory and Your majesty  
Till dawns the judgment morning,
- 3 Yet, Savior, You are not confined  
To any habitation;  
But You are present even now  
Here with Your congregation.  
Firm as a rock this truth shall stand,  
Unmoved by any daring hand  
Or subtle craft and cunning.
- 4 We eat this bread and drink this cup,  
Your precious Word believing  
That Your true body and Your blood  
Our lips are here receiving.  
This Word remains forever true,  
All things are possible with You,  
For You are Lord Almighty.
- 5 Though reason cannot understand,  
Yet faith this truth embraces:  
Your body, Lord, is even now  
At once in many places.

1 When peace, like a river, attendeth my way;  
When sorrows, like sea billows, roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,

*Refrain*

It is well, with my soul,  
It is well, it is well with my soul.

2 Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
Let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul. *Refrain*

3 He lives—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;  
My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to His cross, and I bear it no more.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! *Refrain*

4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;  
Even so it is well with my soul. *Refrain*

- 1 On what has now been sown  
Thy blessing, Lord, bestow;  
The pow'r is Thine alone  
To make it sprout and grow.  
Do Thou in grace the harvest raise,  
And Thou alone shalt have the praise!
- 2 To Thee our wants are known,  
From Thee are all our pow'rs;  
Accept what is Thine own  
And pardon what is ours.  
Our praises, Lord, and prayers receive,  
And to Thy Word a blessing give.
- 3 O grant that each of us,  
Now met before Thee here,  
May meet together thus  
When Thou and Thine appear  
And follow Thee to heav'n, our home.  
E'en so, amen, Lord Jesus, come!