



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)


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

Pastor: Rev. Bob Lund (Vacancy Pastor)

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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
- At the **special voter's meeting today, Sunday, September 11th**, the congregation will be asked to call a pastor from the following list. There will be supper at **5:00 pm** and the Voter's Meeting will take place after the meal with **voter's meeting to follow**. More detailed information will be provided on each candidate at the Voter's meeting.
 - Rev. Jeffrey Ross – St. John Lutheran in Garfield, MN
 - Rev Jason Shaw – St Paul Lutheran in Jackson, MO
 - Rev. Dr. Brent Klein – Trinity Lutheran in Northfield, MN
 - Rev. Michael Suelzie – St Peter's Lutheran in Devils Lake, ND, Grace Lutheran in Lakota, ND and St. Andrews Lutheran in Niagara, ND
- **S.A.G.E.S.** (Saints Alive, Growing, Ever Serving) MN South District (LCMS) Older Adult Ministry announces a one-day mini-Gathering event at Camp Omega on Tuesday September 20th from 9am to 3:30pm titled "Ministry with, to and by Seniors" by Rev. Mark Jeske. Cost is \$20.00. Please register by September 13th. Registration Forms located in the church office and on bulletin board.
- **Sunday School begins today, September 11th** with Rally Sunday at 10:15am in the Old Parish Hall. **Third grade bibles** will be handed out today in the Parish Hall following service.
- There will be a **Live Nativity kick off meeting** on Tuesday September 13th at 6:30pm. Anyone interested in being part of this activities, please contact Anita Nelson or come to the meeting.
- **Thank You!!!** I can not begin to say how much your prayers, cards and visits have meant to me as I was recovering from hip surgery. I am back home and I still have a way to go but thankful for God's love and help and my wonderful friends at church. LeeAnn Paulson.
- **Women's Bible Study** would like to invite you to join us as we begin the next That the World May Know DVD, Fire on the Mountain: Displaying God to a Broken World, 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.** (See bulletin board for more details). **We will be having a DOOR OFFERING on September 11th** and this money will be added to their fundraising on September 24th where all proceeds will be matched by Modern Woodmen.
- **Saturday September 17th** the Board of Ed/Sunday School and the Youth Mission Trip Team will be participating in the Waseca Classic Parade. We will have a float and handing out candy. Anyone interested in helping or riding the float (Sunday School Students and Youth). See Bulletin board for further details.
- **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.

Pastor Bob's office hours are as follows:

Monday through Thursday 9am to 2pm

OFF Friday's and Saturday's.

Please contact the church office to make an appointment to see him. Thank You

IN OUR PRAYERS:

- **Called Home:**
- **Hospice:**
- **Hospitalized:**
- **Illness: Pastor Loeslie from Bethlehem Lutheran Morristown**
- **Surgery, testing, and upcoming procedures:**
- **Thanksgiving & Continued Recovery:** LeeAnn Paulson, Pastor Rosenau, Ken Lenz, Rus Weir and Joy Weir
- **Treatment:** Tim Andree (friend of Matt Klinger)
- **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)
- **Ukraine**

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

A Sinner Saved by Jesus

September 11, 2022

HYMN: "Come, Thou Fount of Ev'ry Blessing" [LSB 686]

INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Most holy and merciful Father, like sheep, O Lord, we have strayed and wandered from You. We have sinned against You and each other. We have done the evil You forbid and we have not done the good You desire. There is no health in us.
People: **Come to us, Good Shepherd, claim us as Your own, cover us with Your grace, forgive us of our many sins, and restore us according to Your mercy, that we may love You above all things and serve You with all our gifts. 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.

+ LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD +

KYRIE: Lord, Have Mercy

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.
People: Lord, have mercy

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord
People: Lord, have mercy

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well – being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.
People: Amen.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

O loving Shepherd, Your greatest joy is the return of the lost to Your family of faith. Send out Your Spirit to bring to repentance all those who are lost and have gone astray. By Your grace restore all those who have wandered from Your fold. Keep within the bounds of Your Church all whom You have called Your own by Baptism; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT: Ezekiel 34:11-24 (*The Lord promises to rescue His sheep and to set up a shepherd who will lead them to eternal life.*)

¹¹“For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. ¹²As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice. ¹⁷“As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. ¹⁸Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear water, that you must muddy the rest of the water with your feet? ¹⁹And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet? ²⁰“Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. ²¹Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, ²²I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. ²³And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. ²⁴And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE 1 Timothy 1:5-17 (*Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.*)

⁵The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. ⁶Certain persons, by swerving from these, have wandered away into vain discussion, ⁷desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions. ⁸Now we know that the law is good, if one uses it lawfully, ⁹understanding this, that the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers, ¹⁰the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine, ¹¹in accordance with the gospel of the glory of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted. ¹²I thank him who

has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, ¹³ though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴ and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵ The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶ But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷ To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God!**

VERSE:

Pastor: Alleluia.
People: **I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.**
Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-10 (*Jesus tells the parables of the lost sheep and the lost coin.*)
15 Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. ² And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."³ So he told them this parable: ⁴ "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? ⁵ And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' ⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. ⁸ "Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? ⁹ And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' ¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

LSB 744

SERMON

CREED Apostles' Creed (*as found in the hymnal*):

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 as they have need.
Good Shepherd, You came into the world to save sinners.... restore us according to
Your promise, and help us that we may not sin; 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 hearts. *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 People: **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

DISTRIBUTION

God Loves Me Dearly

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

The King of Love, My Shepherd Is

LSB 392

LSB 641

LSB 709

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.

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the + Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN: *"Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"*

LSB 711

[Please include at the end of this service.]

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: September 11th - September 18th, 2022

Sunday (11th):

9:00 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)
10:15 am **RALLY SUNDAY** ... Sunday school begins. Meet in the Old Parish Hall
10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study and Coffee hour

Monday (12th):

10:00 am Prayer Team

Tuesday (13th):

1:00 pm Quilters
6:30 pm Live Nativity Kick off Meeting

Wednesday (14th):

5:30 pm Confirmation Parent Meeting
7:00 pm Senior Choir and Contemporary Ensemble practice

Thursday (15th):

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

Friday (16th):

5:00 pm Hot Beef Commercial Drive Thru

Saturday (17th):

11:00 am Meet for the Waseca Classic Parade (Sunday School and Youth)

Sunday (18th):

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 11th:

ORGANIST: Cindy Wood
ACOLYTE: Blake Schroeder
ELDER/DEACON: Jim Wyffels/Jerry Flogstad
RADIO MONITOR: Ron Wood
FACEBOOK LIVE: Cindy Gilmore
READER: Doug Draeger

NEXT WEEK: September 18th:

ORGANIST: Cindy Wood
ACOLYTE: Troy Ryan
ELDER/DEACON: Jim Wyffels/Jerry Flogstad
RADIO MONITOR: Cindy Gilmore
FACEBOOK: Kathy Flogstad
READER: Bill Kuschel

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:

Worship Attendance on September 4th: 94 **Bible Study:** **Sunday School:** 0
General Fund (in person & Direct Deposit) September 4th: \$3502.00
Dedicated Funds: September 4th: **Improvement Fund:** \$20.00
Decoration Fund from Coffee hour: \$98.50