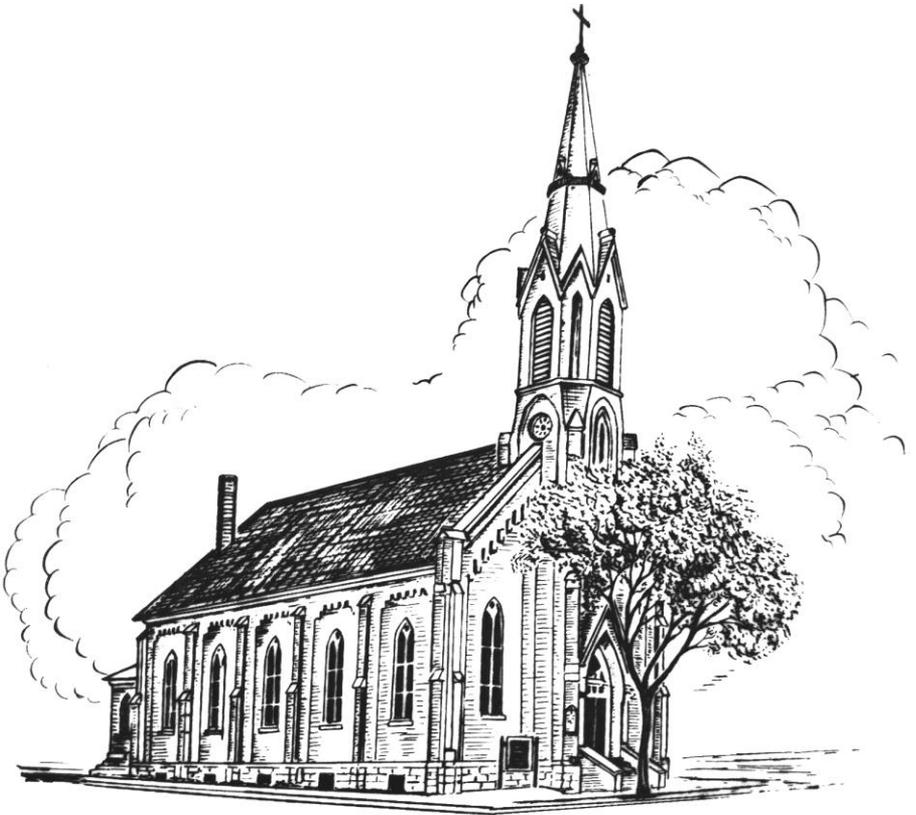


Twenty-third Sunday
after Pentecost



St. Paul Lutheran Church
Nov 7 & 8, 2020

November 07, 2020 - 5:30pm

November 08, 2020 - 9:00am

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP

Jesus has invited you here today.

Here, Jesus stills quaking hearts. Here, Jesus forgives the unspeakable. Here, Jesus comforts the lonely. Here, Jesus makes joy complete!

Here you will meet others Jesus has grabbed with His grace.

We invite you to sign a guest card in the pew rack, noting your attendance and place it in the offering plate as the offering is taken or you may sign the attendance book in the Fellowship Hall.

OUR MISSION

Gaining and nurturing disciples for Christ through the Word and Sacrament, and proclaiming to all people traditional Biblical truths as a congregation of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod.

HOLY COMMUNION

To Our Guests: We're glad you're here! Lutherans believe this sacrament is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine. Here he gives himself and all that he promises. Receiving the sacrament is also an expression of full unity in faith with those with whom you are communing. Based on this theological principle, if you are a member of a congregation that shares the confession of faith of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and have been instructed concerning the Lord's Supper, you are welcome to commune with us today. We continue to pray for the day when all divisions in the body of Christ will cease. Anyone who wishes may receive a pastoral blessing by kneeling at the altar rail with your arms folded across your chest. If you desire to commune at St. Paul and would like to learn more about the Lutheran Church, please speak with the pastor.

To Those Communing Today: God's Word instructs those who come to the Lord's Table to first examine themselves. You may use the "Christian Questions with Their Answers" found on p.329-330 in the hymnal to guide you in self-examination.

Special communion procedures have been developed to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Please follow the instructions of the pastor and ushers. Gluten free bread is available. Please ask the pastor or an usher before the service.

DIVINE SERVICE

Setting Two

PRELUDE

HYMN OF INVOCATION “Awake, Awake, for Night Is Flying” LSB 516

Words are printed for silent meditation. Please refrain from singing for the sake of your neighbor.

- 1 “Wake, awake, for night is flying,”
The watchmen on the heights are crying;
“Awake, Jerusalem, arise!”
Midnight bears the welcome voices
And at the thrilling cry rejoices:
“Oh, where are ye, ye virgins wise?
The Bridegroom comes, awake!
Your lamps with gladness take!
Alleluia!
With bridal care
Yourselves prepare
To meet the Bridegroom, who is near.”

- 2 Zion hears the watchmen singing,
And all her heart with joy is springing;
She wakes, she rises from her gloom.
For her Lord comes down all-glorious,
The strong in grace, in truth victorious;
Her star is ris’n, her light is come.
Now come, Thou Blessèd One,
Lord Jesus, God’s own Son,
Hail! Hosanna!
We enter all
The wedding hall
To eat the Supper at Thy call.

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P 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 \dagger Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

P Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

C How lovely is your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!

P Behold our shield, O God;
look on the face of your anointed!

C For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in
the tents of wickedness.

P For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor.
No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.

C O LORD of hosts,
blessèd is the one who trusts in you!

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

KYRIE

sung by cantor(s)

A *In peace let us pray to the Lord.*

R *Lord, have mercy*

A *For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.*

R *Lord, have mercy*

A *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.*

R *Lord, have mercy*

A *For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.*

R *Lord, have mercy*

A *Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord*

R *Amen.*

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Gloria in Excelsis”

sung by cantor(s)

A *Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.*

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Amos 5:18-24

18Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why would you have the day of the LORD? It is darkness, and not light, 19as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him, or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. 20Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? 21“I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. 22Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the peace offerings of your fattened animals, I will not look upon them. 23Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. 24But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

After the reading

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 70

P Make haste, O God, to deliver me!

O LORD, make haste to help me!

C Let them be put to shame and confusion who seek my life!

Let them be turned back and brought to dishonor who desire my hurt!

P Let them turn back because of their shame

who say, "Aha, Aha!"

C May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you!

May those who love your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"

P But I am poor and needy; hasten to me, O God!

You are my help and my deliverer; O LORD, do not delay!

EPISTLE READING

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

13But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. 14For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. 15For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. 18Therefore encourage one another with these words.

After the reading

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

VERSE OF THE DAY

C Alleluia. Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL READING

Matthew 25:1-13

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the twenty-fifth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

1“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. 2Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. 3For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, 4but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. 5As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. 6But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ 7Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. 8And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ 9But the wise answered, saying, ‘Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.’ 10And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. 11Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ 12But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ 13Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

After the reading

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY “Herald, Sound the Note of Judgment” **LSB 511**
sung by cantor(s)

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1 *Herald, sound the note of judgment,
Warning us of right and wrong,
Turning us from sin and sadness
Till once more we sing the song.*

ref *Sound the trumpet!
Tell the message:
Christ, the Savior king, is come!*

2 *Herald, sound the note of gladness;
Tell the news that Christ is here;
Make a pathway through the desert
For the one who brings God near. refrain*

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SERMON “Lions, Murder Hornets and Bears. Oh My!” **Amos 5:18-24**

HYMN

“Herald, Sound the Note of Judgment”

LSB 511

sung by cantor(s)

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3 *Herald, sound the note of pardon—
 Those repenting are forgiv'n;
 God receives His wayward children,
 And to them new life is giv'n. refrain*

*ref Sound the trumpet!
 Tell the message:
 Christ, the Savior king, is come!*

4 *Herald, sound the note of triumph;
 Christ has come to share our life,
 Bringing God's own love and power,
 Granting vict'ry in our strife. refrain*

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APOSTLES' CREED

C 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**OFFERING & ATTENDANCE CARDS**

- An offering plate will be placed near the door as you exit
- To give online, go to stpauldbq.com/give
- You can also mail in or drop off your envelope in the mail slot next to the office entrance of the building

OFFERTORY

C What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Merciful Father,

C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us--ourselves, our time, our income, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

sung by cantor(s)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You...one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI “The Peace of the Lord”

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

sung by cantor(s)

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

FOR MEDITATION DURING THE DISTRIBUTION

Luther's Small Catechism: The Sacrament Of The Altar

What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?

These words, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,” shows us that in the Sacrament, forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

Psalm 50:1-15

A Psalm of Asaph

The Mighty One, God the Lord,
speaks and summons the earth
From the rising of the sun to its setting.
Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,
God shines forth.
Our God comes; he does not keep silence;
before him is a devouring fire,
around him a mighty tempest.
He calls to the heavens above
and to the earth, that he may judge his people:
“Gather to me my faithful ones,
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!”
The heavens declare his righteousness,
for God himself is Judge! *Selah*
“Hear, O my people, and I will speak;
O Israel, I will testify against you.
I am God, your God.
Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you;
Your burnt offerings are continually before me.
I will not accept a bull from your house
or goats from our folds.
For every beast of the forest is mine,
the cattle on a thousand hills,
I know all the birds of the hills,
and all that moves in the field is mine.
“If I were hungry, I would not tell you,
for the world and its fullness are mine.
Do I eat the flesh of bulls
or drink the blood of goats?
Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving,
and perform your vows to the Most High,
and call upon me in the day of trouble
I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.”!

Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, You suffered in Your holy body and shed Your precious blood to redeem our fallen creatures. Grant us to come often to Your Supper, trusting in Your promise, and so to receive to our everlasting benefit the gifts You give in Your body and blood: the forgiveness of our sins, life with You, and eternal salvation; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

“Nunc Dimittis”

C Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled.

My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people:

A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P We give thanks to You ... one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P 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.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers”

LSB 515

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1 *Rejoice, rejoice, believers,
And let your lights appear;
The evening is advancing,
And darker night is near.
The Bridegroom is arising
And soon is drawing nigh.
Up, pray and watch and wrestle;
At midnight comes the cry.*

4 *Our hope and expectation,
O Jesus, now appear;
Arise, O Sun so longed for,
O'er this benighted sphere.
With hearts and hands uplifted,
We plead, O Lord, to see
The day of earth's redemption
That sets Your people free!*

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POSTLUDE



PREPARING YOURSELF FOR WORSHIP

In order to help prepare your selves for our worship services, we are listing below the scripture readings for the coming week.

November 14 & 15 - 24th Sunday after Pentecost

Zephaniah 1:7-16, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, Matthew 25: 14-30



FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE FOR

Jerry & Jan Anderson

in memory of their grandson Lucas Clark

- **FOOD PANTRY** - For the month of November, we are collecting the following items for the Food Pantry:

Stuffing Mix Evaporated Milk Pumpkin Bar Soap
Facial Tissue Ramen Noodles Dish Soap

- **FLOWER CHART:** The flower chart will is on the table in the fellowship hall. If you would like to have flowers on the altar please sign up. We have 1 open weekend in Nov. If you would like to have that weekend please sign up.

OCTOBER 31 & NOVEMBER 1 STATISTICS

In-Person Attendance:	52
Views* on Facebook:	24
Views on YouTube:	0
DVD's Distributed:	6
Overall Participation:	82

*The number of devices playing our service for one minute or longer. This does not account for groups who watched together on the same screen.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	Sat., Nov 7 @ 5:30pm	Sun., Nov 8 @ 9:00am
Head Usher:	Dennis Fry	Dave Kelley
Accompanist:	Laura Bee	Laura Bee
Cantors:		Jon & Ruth Barz

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

11-Pastor & Katy Crawford

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

9-Ethan Kelley 10-Jon Barz
10-Austin Litka 10-Nate Litka
10-Lydia Weland

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

9-Nate Litka
10-Austin Litka

PRAYER REQUESTS

Mindful of the Father's great mercy shown to us in Jesus, we pray on behalf of those who are in need.

For those undergoing cancer treatment:

Roger Riechmann (father of Teri Riechmann & Sheila Zasada)
Rae Ann Wegner (sister of Kim Weed)
Jayme Niemeier (nephew of Dave & Sue Krause)
Donna Sue LeTendre (niece of Delores Lindsay)
Christa Wubben (daughter of Jerry & Jan Anderson)
Raymond Kruser (brother-in-law of Dave & Sue Krause)
Zeke Pergande (son of Dan & Doris Pergande)
Martha (godmother of Will Wehrspann)
Sally Bennett (sister of Delores Lindsay's spm-in-law)
Tom Engler (brother of Nancy Clark)
Mike Howes, Dan Pergande

For our members who are homebound:

Laverne Ball (Ennoble Manor), Katheryn Moyer (Care Initiatives), Lorraine Tegeler (Luther Manor), Jean Henningsen (Sunnycrest Manor), Doris Pergande, Nancy Clark, Marlene Lenaburg (Luther Manor), Georgia Knuth (Luther Manor Apts.), Judy Pergande, Dusty Colby

For our Healthcare Workers, Teachers and Parafessionals:

Laura Ayers, Elizabeth Capacchione, Erica Frey, Brianna Fry, Sue Hagemann (daughter of John & Marlene Weber), Angela Kelley, A.J. Osterkamp, Lauren Rusch (granddaughter of Dan & Carol Rusch), Stephanie Schap, Lydia Wehrspann, Sheila Zasada, Deanna (daughter of Bill & Sandi Heller), Becky (daughter-in-law of Bill & Sandi Heller), Jon Barz (University of Dubuque), Laura Bee (UW Platteville), Laura Walker (UW Platteville), Lisa Wehrspann (Table Mound), Heather Wood (Bellevue Elementary)

Additional Prayer Requests

- Brenda Litka
- Lori Ollendick (daughter of Dick & Charlotte Tigges)
- Dennis Paar
- Ann Gartner (friend of Margaret Fox)
- John Kluesner (friend of Margaret Fox)
- Randy Streif (friend of Margaret Fox)
- Don Hanson (nephew of Damaris Eichman)
- Bill Heller
- Rev. Dr. Brian Saunders (Iowa East, District President)
- Tom Spear, Jr.
- Diane Buhr (friend of Margaret Fox)

**Note: The "additional" section of the prayer list will be cleared at the beginning of each month. If you would like a name to remain on the list into the next month, please contact the church office and we would be happy to continue praying for your intention.*

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Laura Bee, Accompanist

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

23rd Sun aft Pentecost Sat. Nov 7	5:30pm	Worship Service w/Holy Comm. “Noisy Jar Offering”
23rd Sun aft Pentecost Sun. Nov 8	9:00am	Worship Service w/ Holy Comm. “Noisy Jar Offering
Mon. Nov 9	10:15am	Bible Study/Sunday School
Tues. Nov 10	6:00pm	Mission Circle Meeting
Wed. Nov 11	5:30pm	Board of Education Meeting “Prayers from the Parsonage” with Pastor & Katy (Facebook)
	8:00am	TOPS
	4:30pm - 6pm	Confirmation - Zoom
Thur. Nov 12	12pm - 1:30pm	Brown Bag Bible Study
Fri. Nov 13		
24th Sun aft Pentecost Sat Nov 14	5:30pm	Worship Service with Holy Comm.
24th Sun aft Pentecost Sun. Nov 15	9:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Comm.
	10:15am	Bible Study/Sunday School

Prayers from the Parsonage will take place sometime between 5pm & 7pm depending on the kids feeding schedule that day. Thank you for your flexibility.