

The Time of the Church

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost



St. Paul Lutheran Church

Aug 17 & 18, 2024

Welcome to St. Paul

We are **broken** and **blessed** followers of Christ providing a **home** for all who wander the weary road.

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 meditation material in this bulletin to prepare yourself to receive the Sacrament.

The pastor will distribute the body of Christ followed by an usher with a tray of individual cups. The pastor will then follow with the Chalice.

Gluten free bread is available. Please ask the pastor or an usher before the service.

Divine Service

Setting Four (LSB page 203)

Prelude

"Le Banquet Céleste" (The Celestial Banquet)
by Oliver Messiaen

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them."

Confession and Absolution

Stand as you are able and face the baptismal font

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Sit

Service of the Word

Affirmation of Holy Matrimony (Sun) *Dennis & Barb Waugh*

Entrance Hymn "Seek Where You May to Find a Way" **LSB 557**



1 Seek where you may To find a way That
2 Seek whom you may To be your stay, None
3 Seek Him a - lone Who did a - tone, Who
4 My heart's de - light, My crown most bright, O



leads to your sal - va - tion. My heart is stilled,
can re - deem his broth - er. All help - ers failed;
did your souls de - liv - er. O seek Him first,
Christ, my joy for - ev - er. Not wealth nor pride



On Christ I build, He is the one foun - da - tion.
This man pre - vailed, The God - man and none oth - er,
All you who thirst For grace that fails you nev - er,
Nor for - tune's tide Our bonds of love shall sev - er.



His Word is sure, His works en - dure; He o - ver - throws
Our Ser - vant - King Of whom we sing. We're jus - ti - fied
In ev - 'ry need Seek Him in - deed; To ev - 'ry heart
You are my Lord; Your pre - cious Word Shall guide my way



All e - vil foes; Through Him I more than con - quer.
Be - cause He died, The guilt - y be - ing guilt - less.
He will im - part His bless - ings with - out mea - sure.
And help me stay For - ev - er in Your pres - ence.

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Kyrie

Lord, Have Mercy



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria In Excelsis

Glory to God in the Highest

C To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.

To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—

For You alone are holy, You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow His steps in the way that leads to life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 9:1-10

¹Wisdom has built her house; she has hewn her seven pillars. ²She has slaughtered her beasts; she has mixed her wine; she has also set her table. ³She has sent out her young women to call from the highest places in the town, ⁴"Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!" To him who lacks sense she says, ⁵"Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. ⁶Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight." ⁷Whoever corrects a scoffer gets himself abuse, and he who reproves a wicked man incurs injury. ⁸Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you; reprove a wise man, and he will love you. ⁹Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning. ¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

After the reading

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34:12-22

- A** What man is there who desires life and loves many days, that he may see good?
- C** **Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit.**
- A** Turn away from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.
- C** **The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous and his ears toward their cry.**
- A** The face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to cut off the memory of them from the earth.
- C** **When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles.**
- A** The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.
- C** **Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all.**
- A** He keeps all his bones; not one of them is broken.
- C** **Affliction will slay the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.**
- A** The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 5:6-21

⁶Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. ⁷Therefore do not associate with them; ⁸for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), ¹⁰and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. ¹³But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, ¹⁴for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." ¹⁵Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, ²⁰giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

After the reading

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Stand as you are able

Alleluia and Verse



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel Reading

John 6:51-69

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the sixth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.” ⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” ⁵³So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. ⁵⁵For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. ⁵⁷As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not as the fathers ate and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.” ⁵⁹Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum. ⁶⁰When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?” ⁶¹But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, “Do you take offense at this? ⁶²Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is of no avail. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴But there are some of you who do not believe.” (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) ⁶⁵And he said, “This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father.” ⁶⁶After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. ⁶⁷So Jesus said to the Twelve, “Do you want to go away as well?” ⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, ⁶⁹and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.”

After the reading

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

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.

Sit

Hymn of the Day "Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread" LSB 625



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, life - giv - ing bread, May I in grace
2 To pas - tures green, Lord, safe - ly guide, To rest - ful wa -
3 O bread of heav'n, my soul's de - light, For full and free
4 I do not mer - it fa - vor, Lord, My weight of sin



pos - sess You. Let me with ho - ly food be fed,
ters lead me; Your ta - ble well for me pro - vide,
re - mis - sion I come with prayer be - fore Your sight
would break me; In all my guilt - y heart's dis - cord,



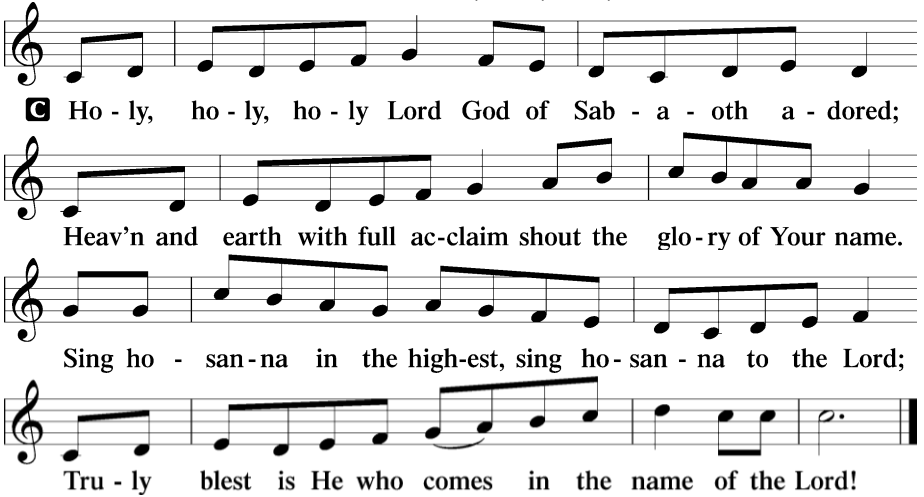
In hun - ger I ad - dress You. Pre - pare me well
Your wound - ed hand now feed me. Though wea - ry, sin -
In sor - row and con - tri - tion. Your righ - teous - ness,
O Lord, do not for - sake me. In my dis - tress



for You, O Lord, And, hum - bly by my prayer im - plored,
ful, sick, and weak, Ref - uge in You a - lone I seek,
Lord, cov - er me That I re - ceive You wor - thi - ly,
this com - forts me That You re - ceive me gra - cious - ly,

Sanctus

Holy Holy Holy



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You...Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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

P 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."

Pax Domini

The Peace of the Lord

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Invitation to Communion

P Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those who are called to His Supper. *John 1:29; Revelation 19:9*

C Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed. *Matthew 8:8*

Agnus Dei

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

Distribution Hymns

"I Am the Bread of Life" verses 1-4 soloist
refrain and verse 5 - Congregation

soloist: *I am the Bread of Life. You who come to me shall not hunger; and who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.*

refrain: *And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, and I will raise you up on the last day.*

soloist: *The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and if you eat of this bread, you shall live forever, you shall live forever.*

refrain: And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.

soloist: *Unless you eat of the flesh
of the Son of Man and
drink of his blood and of his
blood, you shall not have life within you.*

refrain: And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.

soloist: *I am the Resurrection,
I am the Life. If you believe
in me, even though you die
you shall live forever.*

refrain: And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.

congregation: Yes, Lord, I believe
that you are the Christ,
the Son of God,
Who has come
in-to the world.

refrain: And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.

Post-Communion Canticle

Nunc Dimittis

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is



to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

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

C Amen.

Benedicamus

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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.

If you have not had a chance to fill out an attendance card today, please do so and place it in the offering plate near the back of the center aisle. Thank you.

Postlude

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Preparing Yourself For Worship

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

August 24 - 25 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 29:11-19, Ephesians 5:22-33, Mark 7:1-13

Worship Assistants

	Sat. Aug 17 - 5:30pm	Sun. Aug 18 - 9:00am
Head Usher:	Dave Kelley	Greg Kittle
Organist:	Dr. David Pitt	Dr. David Pitt

- **Building Healthy Families:** Parents, grandparents and pew buddies -- Have you ever heard a young child sing? Are they on key, in tune, or even singing the right words? Maybe not, but boy, oh, boy are they exuberant! Encouraging little ones to sing throughout the worship service is a wonderful way to involve them and imprint God's Word and the teachings of our faith on their hearts. Focus on regularly occurring songs in the worship service and common hymns or songs with refrains. Consider selecting a song for the month (at church or home; or even better, both!) and take it a verse per week. What a joy it is for the whole church family to sing together, making a joyful noise to the Lord!
Lutheran Family Service www.LutheranFamilyService.org.
- **Grief Share Support Group:** This 13-week grief support group program focuses on important grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. The weekly videos feature nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories of people, and the video is followed by a small group discussion about what is viewed. Whether your bereavement experience is recent or not so recent, you will find encouragement, comfort, and the sure hope of the Gospel in grieving the death of a spouse, child, parent, sibling, other family member, or friend. Grief Share will be held **September 10, 2024 - December 3 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church from: 6pm to 8pm. Cost \$10 per participant. Child Care: No.** Any questions contact: **Ruth Barz 563-500-7893.** To register, go to: griefshare.org/findagroup and search for St. Paul Lutheran group.
- **Food Pantry** - For the month of August we are collecting the following items for the Food Pantry:

<i>Hamburger Helper</i>	<i>Bar Soap</i>	<i>Peanut Butter</i>	<i>Deodorant</i>
<i>Canned Meats</i>	<i>Crackers</i>	<i>Garden Produce</i>	<i>Facial Tissue</i>

Anniversaries This Week

17-Dennis & Barb Waugh 23-Dennis & Kristie Fry
23-Dale & Janet Miller

Baptismal Birthdays

19-Kelly Baumgartner 20-Trevor Budewitz 23-Kymerly Wilant

Birthdays This Week

17-Marion Crowe	18-Charlotte Kelley	18-William Kelley
20-Patty Thumser	22-Natasha Pergande	22-Lisa Wehrspann



Flowers on the Altar For

Dennis & Barb Waugh
in honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary

August 10 & 11 statistics

In-Person Attendance:	92
Views* on Facebook:	15
Overall Participation:	107

*The number of post clicks. This does not account for groups who watched together on the same screen.

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)
Jayme Niemeier (relation to Dave & Sue Krause)
Raymond Kruser (brother-in-law of Dave & Sue Krause)
Zeke Pergande (son of Dan & Doris Pergande)
Martha (godmother of Will Wehrspann)
Mark Goetschius (brother of A.J. Osterkamp)
Toni Jo Stelpflug (niece of Doris Pergande)
Tiffany Crowe (daughter of Jim & Marion Crowe)
Matthew Kittle (brother of Greg Kittle)
Rhonda Kittle (sister-in-law to Greg Kittle)
Brittni Strege (niece of Richard & Kim Weed)
Rocco DiMaggio (relative of Pastor Crawford)
Kenny Stelpflug (brother of Doris Pergande)
Anni Horn (mother of Nick Horn)
Dan Pergande, Debra Spear, Richard Weed

For our members who are homebound:

Laverne Ball (Ennoble Manor), Nancy Clark, Jean Henningsen (Sunnycrest Manor), Judy Pergande, Doris Pergande, Dusty Colby, Anne Prisk (Care Initiatives), Jan Anderson, Jayson Eichman (Care Initiatives)


Additional Prayer Requests

- Lori Ollendick (daughter of Charlotte Tigges)
- the Walker family
- Donetta Spohr
- Diane Schultz
- Trevor & Kayla Budewitz
- Damaris Eichman

**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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Schedule for the Week

13th Sun aft Pentecost Sat. Aug 17	5:30pm	Worship Service w/Holy Comm.
13th Sun aft Pentecost Sun Aug 18	9:00am	Worship Service w/Holy Comm.
	10:30am	Bible Study
Mon. Aug 19		
Tues. Aug 20	5:00pm	Board of Elders Meeting
Wed. Aug 21	8:00am	TOPS
Thur. Aug 22	12pm - 1:30pm	Brown Bag Bible Study
Fri. Aug 23		
14th Sun aft Pentecost Sat Aug 24	5:30pm	Worship Service w/Holy Comm.
14th Sun aft Pentecost Sun. Aug 25	9:00am	Worship Service w/Holy Comm.
	10:30am	Bible Study