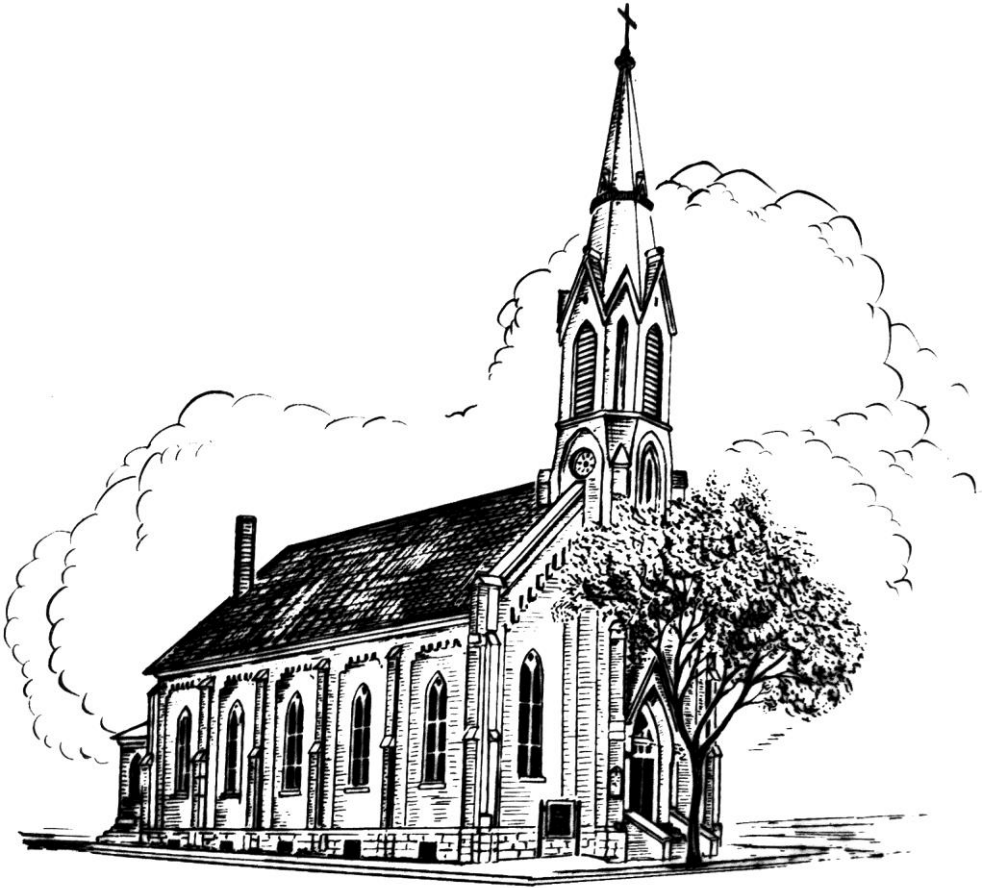


# The Time of the Church

Second Sunday after Pentecost



St. Paul Lutheran Church  
June 21 & 22, 2025

## **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

## Confession and Absolution

*Stand as you are able*

*“Repentance, therefore, is nothing else than a return and approach to baptism, to resume and practice what has earlier been begun but abandoned” (Large Catechism)*

*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.

## Service of the Word

### Entrance Hymn

“We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight” **LSB 720**

- 1 We walk by faith and not by sight,  
No gracious words we hear  
From Him who spoke as none e'er spoke,  
But we believe Him near.
- 2 We may not touch His hands and side,  
Nor follow where He trod;  
But in His promise we rejoice  
And cry “My Lord and God!”
- 3 Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;  
And may our faith abound  
To call on You when You are near  
And seek where You are found.
- 4 For You, O resurrected Lord,  
Are found in means divine:  
Beneath the water and the Word,  
Beneath the bread and wine.
- 5 Lord, when our life of faith is done,  
In realms of clearer light  
We may behold You as You are,  
With full and endless sight.

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*Stand as you are able*

### Kyrie

*Lord, Have Mercy*



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

# Gloria In Excelsis

*Glory to God in the Highest*



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

*Silence for individual prayer*

O God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding. Cast out all sins and evil desires from us, and pour into our hearts Your Holy Spirit to guide us into all blessedness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

**Isaiah 65:1-9**

<sup>1</sup>I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me; I was ready to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here am I, here am I," to a

nation that was not called by my name. <sup>2</sup>I spread out my hands all the day to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; <sup>3</sup>a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and making offerings on bricks; <sup>4</sup>who sit in tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat pig's flesh, and broth of tainted meat is in their vessels; <sup>5</sup>who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all the day. <sup>6</sup>Behold, it is written before me: "I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their bosom <sup>7</sup>both your iniquities and your fathers' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they made offerings on the mountains and insulted me on the hills, I will measure into their bosom payment for their former deeds." <sup>8</sup>Thus says the LORD: "As the new wine is found in the cluster, and they say, 'Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it,' so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. <sup>9</sup>I will bring forth offspring from Jacob, and from Judah possessors of my mountains; my chosen shall possess it, and my servants shall dwell there."

*After the reading*

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 3

**A** O LORD, how many are my foes!

Many are rising against me;

**C** **many are saying of my soul,  
there is no salvation for him in God.**

**A** But you, O LORD, are a shield about me,  
my glory, and the lifter of my head.

**C** **I cried aloud to the LORD,  
and he answered me from his holy hill.**

**A** I lay down and slept;  
I woke again, for the LORD sustained me.

**C** **I will not be afraid of many thousands of people  
who have set themselves against me all around.**

**A** Arise, O LORD! Save me, O my God! For you strike all my enemies on  
the cheek;

you break the teeth of the wicked.

**C** **Salvation belongs to the LORD;  
your blessing be on your people!**

## Epistle Reading

Galatians 3:23-4:7

<sup>23</sup>Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup>So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup>But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, <sup>26</sup>for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. <sup>27</sup>For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. <sup>28</sup>There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup>And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.....<sup>1</sup>I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, <sup>2</sup>but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. <sup>3</sup>In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. <sup>4</sup>But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup>And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

*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

Luke 8:26-39

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the eighth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>26</sup>Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup>When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me." <sup>29</sup>For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) <sup>30</sup>Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup>And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. <sup>32</sup>Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup>Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned. <sup>34</sup>When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup>Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. <sup>36</sup>And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. <sup>37</sup>Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup>The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup>"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

*After the reading*

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the

Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

*(All may bow:*

*and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man);* and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

*Sit*

**Hymn of the Day**      “Seek Where You May to Find a Way”      **LSB 557**

- 1    Seek where you may To find a way  
      That leads to your salvation. My heart is stilled,  
      On Christ I build, He is the one foundation.  
      His Word is sure, His works endure; He overthrows  
      All evil foes; Through Him I more than conquer.
- 2    Seek whom you may To be your stay,  
      None can redeem his brother. All helpers failed;  
      This man prevailed, The God-man and none other,  
      Our Servant-King Of whom we sing. We're justified  
      Because He died, The guilty being guiltless.
- 3    Seek Him alone Who did atone,  
      Who did your souls deliver. O seek Him first,  
      All you who thirst For grace that fails you never.  
      In ev'ry need Seek Him indeed; To ev'ry heart  
      He will impart His blessings without measure.

4 My heart's delight, My crown most bright,  
O Christ, my joy forever. Not wealth nor pride  
Nor fortune's tide Our bonds of love shall sever.  
You are my Lord; Your precious Word Shall guide my way  
And help me stay Forever in Your presence.

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## Sermon

“Hide and Seek”

Isaiah 65:1-9

*Stand as you are able*

## Prayer of the Church

### Greeting of Peace

### Offering

#### Offering Prayer

**P** Merciful Father,

**C** We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us-- our selves, 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

*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  $\text{✠}$  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  $\text{✠}$  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

*Lamb of God*

- C** 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
- 2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

*Sit*

## For Meditation During The Distribution

Small Catechism – The Ten Commandments

### The Sixth Commandment

You shall not commit adultery.

*What does this mean?*

We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other.

## Distribution Hymn “Just as I Am, without One Plea” **LSB 570**

- 1 Just as I am, without one plea  
But that Thy blood was shed for me  
And that Thou bidd’st me come to Thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 2 Just as I am and waiting not  
To rid my soul of one dark blot,  
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

- 3 Just as I am, though tossed about  
With many\_a conflict, many\_a doubt,  
Fightings and fears within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 4 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;  
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,  
Yea, all I need, in Thee to find,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
Because Thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown  
Has broken ev'ry barrier down;  
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789–1871 Tune: William B. Bradbury, 1816–68

### Post-Communion Canticle

*Nunc Dimittis*

- C** 1 O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace:  
A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.
- 2 All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.

### Post-Communion Collect

**P** We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, 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.

## A Time For Prayer

*Following the service today, the pastor and other prayer partners will be available to pray for you for any needs or concerns you may have. You are also welcome to stay in the sanctuary and pray individually.*

## Postlude

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## Flowers on the Altar For

The Fry Family

In support of Epilepsy Awareness

## 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.

**June 29 – 30 St. Peter & St. Paul, Apostles'**  
Acts 15:1-12, Galatians 2:1-10, Matthew 16:13-19

## Worship Assistants

	Sat. June 21 – 5:30pm	Sun. June 22 – 9:00am
<b>Head Usher:</b>	Jon Barz	Jon Lutz
<b>Organist:</b>	David Pitt	David Pitt

- Building Healthy Families: We're Growing with You!** If you haven't done so yet, it's not too late to make your spring, "Grow with Us, Go with Us" gift to support the growing, going work of Lutheran Family Service in your area! New partners are needed to build new LFS resources to serve more people in need than ever before. Be one of 10 new partners from your congregation to make a gift of at least \$10 before the end of June and you will grow the ministry of love, mercy, and care that we are called to accomplish together for our neighbors in need — and your pastor will receive a gift card for a nice evening out with his spouse or a friend! Make your gift today at [https://lutheranfamilyservice.networkforgood.com/!](https://lutheranfamilyservice.networkforgood.com/) Lutheran Family Service [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org).
- Salvation Army Food Pantry** - For the month of June we are collecting the following items for the Food Pantry:
 

<i>Juices of any size</i>	<i>Lotion</i>	<i>Liquid Hand Soap</i>	<i>Pancake Mix</i>
<i>Ramen Noodles</i>	<i>Bath Gel</i>	<i>Garden Produce</i>	<i>Syrup</i>

### Anniversaries This Week

21-Brian and Kalyssa Worden    24-Jon & Misty Lutz  
 26-Dave & Angie Kelley        26-Doug & Lisa Miller  
 27-Richard & Kim Weed

### Baptismal Birthdays

20-Rich Ratka    27-Linda Ratka

### Birthdays This Week

11-Kristine Patterson    20-Joseph Stangl  
 24-Asher Crawford        24-Elias Crawford  
 27-Connor Hill


### June 14 & 15 statistics

<b>In-Person Attendance:</b>	<b>70</b>
<b>Views* on Facebook:</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Overall Participation:</b>	<b>91</b>

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

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### Schedule for the Week

<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sun aft Pentecost</b> Sat. June 21	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>Divine Service</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sun aft Pentecost</b> Sun . June 22	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Divine Service</b>
	10:30am	Bible Study
Mon. June 23		
Tues. June 24		
Wed. June 25	8:00am	TOPS
Thur. June 26	12pm – 1:30pm	Brown Bag Bible Study
Fri. June 27		
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sun aft Pentecost</b> Sat June 28	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>Divine Service</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sun aft Pentecost</b> Sun. June 29	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Divine Service</b>
	10:30am	Bible Study

## 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)  
Mark Goetschius (brother of A.J. Osterkamp)  
Toni Jo Stelpflug (niece of Doris Pergande)  
Matthew Kittle (brother of Greg Kittle)  
Rhonda Kittle (sister-in-law to Greg Kittle)  
Brittni Strege (niece of Richard & Kim Weed)  
Kenny Stelpflug (brother of Doris Pergande)  
Dan Pergande, Debra Spear, Richard Weed, Jill Adams

### ***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 (Harmony)

### ***Additional Prayer Requests***

- Lori Ollendick (daughter of Charlotte Tigges)
- the Walker family
- Marlene Weber
- Donetta Spohr
- Steve Remington

*\*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.*