

Today is Lay Ministry Sunday when the Board of Lay Ministry will direct the worship service and we will have three members of the congregation speak about their lives in Christ.

There is a Cry Room available for use during our worship service. It is located just outside the sanctuary.

Children Leaving the Sanctuary: This is a matter of caring concern for your child, or the young child that you are responsible for, age 13 or younger. The Board of Lay Ministry asks that if your child needs to leave the sanctuary during the worship service, you as a parent or responsible adult will need to escort them to and from the sanctuary. Thank you

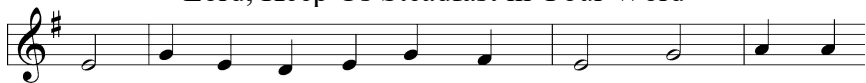
The Lord's Supper is a very special privilege God gives to His people. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because the Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive this sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder.

Order of Worship

The Opening Hymn

LSB 655

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And bring to naught all He has done.
we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
strife And lead us out of death to life.

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- L** In the name of the Father and of the τ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**
- L** 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.**
- L** 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.**
- L** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ

.C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

The Introit

L Delight yourself in the LORD,

C **and He will give you the desires of your heart.**

L Commit your way to the LORD;

C **trust in Him, and He will act.**

L He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,

C **and your justice as the noonday.**

L Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for Him;

C **fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way,**

L over the man who carries out evil devices!

All **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.**

L Delight yourself in the LORD,

C **and He will give you the desires of your heart.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

L The Lord be with you.



☐ And al - so with you.

L Let us pray. Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads;

through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Hymn

LSB 722

Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me



1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear,
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,



Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.
For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.
I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home.



With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
Then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend;



So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.
For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

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Reading

Jeremiah 29:11–13

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for wholeness and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon Me and come and pray to Me, and I will hear you. You will seek Me and find Me. When you seek Me with all your heart.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

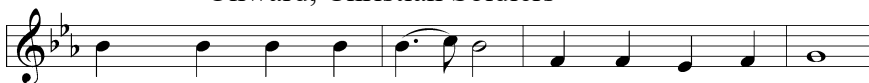
C Thanks be to God.

Testimony of Wayne Spicher

Hymn

LSB 662

Onward, Christian Soldiers



1 On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers, March - ing as to war,
2 Like a might - y ar - my Moves the Church of God;
3 Crowns and thrones may per - ish, King - doms rise and wane,
4 On - ward, then, ye faith - ful, Join our hap - py throng,



With the cross of Je - sus Go - ing on be - fore.
Broth - ers, we are tread - ing Where the saints have trod.
But the Church of Je - sus Con - stant will re - main.
Blend with ours your voic - es In the tri - umph song:



Christ, the roy - al mas - ter, Leads a - gainst the foe;
We are not di - vid - ed, All one bod - y we,
Gates of hell can nev - er 'Gainst that Church pre - vail;
Glo - ry, laud, and hon - or Un - to Christ, the king;



For - ward in - to bat - tle See His ban - ners go!
One in hope and doc - trine, One in char - i - ty.
We have Christ's own prom - ise, And that can - not fail.
This through count - less a - ges Men and an - gels sing.

Refrain



On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers, March - ing as to war,



With the cross of Je - sus Go - ing on be - fore.

Reading

John 10:27-28

My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of My hand.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Testimony of Kali Foster

Hymn

LSB 702

My Faith Looks Up to Thee



1 My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
2 May Thy rich grace im - part Strength to my faint - ing heart;
3 While life's dark maze I tread And griefs a - round me spread,
4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold, sul - len stream



Sav - ior di - vine. Now hear me while I pray; Take all my
My zeal in - spire! As Thou hast died for me, Oh, may my
Be Thou my guide; Bid dark - ness turn to day, Wipe sor - row's
Shall o'er me roll, Blest Sav - ior, then, in love, Fear and dis -



guilt a - way; O let me from this day Be whol - ly Thine!
love to Thee Pure, warm, and change-less be, A liv - ing fire!
tears a - way, Nor let me ev - er stray From Thee a - side.
trust re-move; O bear me safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul!

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Reading

Romans 8:28–36

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose. For those whom He foreknew He also predestined to be

conformed to the image of His Son, in order that He might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom He predestined He also called, and those whom He called He also justified, and those whom He justified He also glorified.

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, Who was raised—Who is at the right hand of God, Who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Testimony of Lewis Haug

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.**

Solo – Kali Foster “Like tomorrow never ends”

I didn't know the measure of His mercy
I didn't know what the future had in store
All I know is I felt so unworthy
And I never have been loved like this before

Chorus: He doesn't love me like there's no tomorrow
 This kind of love's so hard to comprehend
 Oh, He doesn't love me like there's no tomorrow
 He loves me like tomorrow never ends

Through the cross there's grace that's freely given
And no other love would ever take my place
In His arms my life is now worth living
He's forgiven and forgotten my yesterdays

Chorus

It's deep and unconditional
And still a mystery
How the One who holds forever in His hands
Would ever care so much for me

Chorus

Oh, He doesn't love me like there's no tomorrow
He loves me like tomorrow never ends
He just loves me like tomorrow never ends

Jeff Silvey – O-Tex Music (BMI)

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Prayer

L Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and
 for all people according to their needs.

L For the faithful proclamation of Christ's saving name, that God's people may be strengthened in the true faith and His kingdom extended, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the holy Christian Church throughout the world and for all who confess the name of Christ, that God would guard and defend us from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For this congregation, its mission and its people; for the ability to meet the needs that arise as we do the work God has given us to do; and for the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the educational institutions of our synod: for our preschools, our day schools and high schools, our colleges and universities, and for our seminaries, that those who teach and those who learn in them would be transformed by the wisdom of Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For those who have wandered from the faith, that the Holy Spirit would use us to call them home to the Father, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the government and all who have been set into positions of leadership, that they may use the authority entrusted to them honorably and for the good of the people, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For all who serve in worthy occupations, professions, arts, and sciences, that God would grant them skill and integrity in

the performance of their responsibilities and valued service through their vocations, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For those who suffer from hunger, homelessness, poverty, or unemployment, that God's great mercy and love would preserve and relieve them, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For all the faithful, that the Spirit would lead them to cheerful, generous giving from the bounty the Lord provides, to support the Church and to help those in need, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For those who are sick on our prayer page and upon our hearts, that God would grant healing to their bodies and strength to bear their infirmities with patience and grace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For those who mourn, that in their time of sorrow they would not lose hope but rely on God's promise that He will never leave them or forsake them, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For those who rejoice in the rich blessings of God, that they may always remember the Giver of every gift and give Him heartfelt thanks, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the

faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor, and worship, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

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.

Benediction

LSB 166

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 **T** give you peace.



C A - men.

The Closing Hymn

LSB 707

Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways



1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To keep His stat-utes still!
 2 Or - der my foot - steps by Thy Word And make my heart sin - cere;
 3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, A strict - er watch to keep;
 4 Make me to walk in Thy com-mands—'Tis a de - light - ful road—



Oh, that my God would grant me grace To know and do His will!
Let sin have no do - min-ion, Lord, But keep my con-science clear.
And should I e'er for - get Thy way, Re - store Thy wan - d'ring sheep.
Nor let my head or heart or hands Of - fend a - gainst my God.

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BUDGET INFO:

Operating budget fund balance as of August 27, 2020: \$95,800

This amount represents just over 7 weeks of normal day-to-day expenses of the Church and School ministries.

Voters' Assembly Minutes – Copies of the minutes from the August 24 Voters' Assembly meeting are available on the table in the narthex. If the supply has run out and you desire a copy for yourself, please contact Ken Eichinger. If you prefer an electronic copy, email Ken at keneichinger@gmail.com



After the service, PTL invites you to join them in the Bethany Room for a special “Sunday Sundaes” Bar. The Sundae Bar will be available for a free-will offering to PTL. Due to the Covid-19 virus, numerous fund raisers for PTL, such as the Fireman’s and Blueberry Festivals, have been cancelled. Here is an opportunity to help support an organization that makes student life here at St. Paul’s more fun!

CHOIR ANNOUNCEMENT Fall is upon us. School is starting in some form, and it's time to begin choir rehearsals again. Both bell choir and adult choir will resume on Sunday, September 13th. Bell choir at 5:00 in the balcony; adult choir at 6:00 in the

balcony. If you are interested in bell choir please contact Ellen Augustine (574-536-4648) so music can be marked for the appropriate number of ringers. Adult choir will rehearse and perform without masks and side by side, so please make sure you are comfortable with this arrangement. If you have questions or concerns please let me know. You may call/text the number above. Hope to see many of you on September 13th to praise the Lord in song.

USHERS: The Church Secretary needs to know how many people are attending worship services for LCMS reporting and bulletin copies. Please record attendance in the back of the Red Guest Register for Sunday and Wednesday worship. Thanks!

THURSDAY MORNING LADIES' BIBLE STUDY- there will be NO Bible Study starting in September and all studies have been postponed until further notice.

LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY will meet Wednesday evenings for an in-depth study of the book of Judges, September 16 through November 11 from 6:45 p.m.- 8:15 p.m. Registration forms are due and are located on a table in the Narthex. Join us for an evening of enlightenment and fellowship!

1st THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY will meet here at the church September 3rd at 6:00 pm.

Calendar of Events

THIS SUNDAYLay Ministry Sunday..... August 30, 2020

Sunday School and Bible Classes 8:30 am
 Worship Service with Communion..... 9:30 am
 Sunday Sundaes..... after service
 SCRIP salesafter service
 7th Grade Confirmation..... after service
 8th Grade Confirmation..... 1:00 pm

TUES:

PTL Meeting.....5:00 pm

WED:

Day School Chapel..... 8:05 am
 Worship Service..... 6:00 pm
 Youth Night..... 7:00 pm

THUR:

1st Thursday Bible Study..... 6:00 pm
FRI:
 Preschool Chapel..... 9:30 am
NEXT SUNDAY..... September 6, 2020
 Sunday School and Bible Classes 8:30 am
 Worship Service 9:30 am
 7th Grade Confirmation..... after service
 8th Grade Confirmation..... 12:00 pm
NEXT MONDAY: LABOR DAY..... NO SCHOOL OR PRESCHOOL

UPDATE: Reading Curriculum

St. Paul's School had planned an Auction Fundraiser this summer to fund the next step in updating the School's Reading Curriculum. The goal was to complete the entire remainder of the school's need of \$14,000. As we couldn't hold an auction this year due to State of Indiana Coronavirus restrictions, we are holding a "Non-Auction Fund Drive" to obtain the funding needed. **Over \$7000 has been collected with the help of the CARE ACT (\$3000) and congregational support; we will move forward with the purchase of 2nd and 3rd grade curriculum. \$7000 is still needed for the 4th and 5th grade curriculum.** Please place your donation in an envelope marked "Reading Program" and place it in the Offering Box or in the Church Secretary's box in the Narthex. Thank you for helping to update our school's curriculum.
 St. Paul's School Board

YOUTH NEWS

For Grade 4 through High School: Wednesday evenings in September = **GAME NIGHTS!** Beginning Wednesday, September 2nd, the Youth Board will host different themed game nights here at the soccer field/gym. We're not referring to your average games, but possibly games you have not heard of or played before. Come check this out, and bring a friend. We will go from 7:00-8:00 pm each evening, concluding with devotion. Parents / Guardians will need to sign waivers that can cover the entirety of the month's activities.

For High School Youth: Football season is upon us, and what goes better with football than Tailgating? We will host a Tailgate meal on Friday, September 11th beginning at 5:30 pm prior to the Bremen HS Home Football Game. Tailgate will be at 515 Poplar Drive and Youth Board will provide all of the food – we just need HS Youth to show up and bring a friend as we gear up in support of our local team, which

includes some of St. Paul's very own. **Please sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway so we can plan accordingly.** Youth (and/or parents) will be responsible for themselves if they choose to attend the football game.

For more information on either of these activities, please see our Youth bulletin board in the hallway. If there are any questions, please contact Andy Wildauer at (801) 707-3399.

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