



Jesus said:
What I tell you in the dark,
say in the light,
and what you hear whispered,
proclaim on the housetops.

Matthew 10:27

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At the beginning of Matthew 10, Jesus calls the twelve disciples and sends them out with specific instructions. The *Gospel* for today is a continuation of His instructions but shifts the focus to warning the disciples of their persecution for being faithful in their confession of Christ. May the Lord strengthen and equip you to do His work!

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. If you are not partaking of the Lord's Supper but would like to receive a blessing, please come up to the communion rail when sent by an elder, kneel, and cross your arms over your chest. The Pastor will then know that you desire a blessing.

OUR OFFERINGS TO THE LORD FROM HIS BLESSINGS TO US. Offerings remind us of the blessings God has given us and are an opportunity to thank Him for what He has done in our lives. Please place your offerings in our Offering Box located in front of the water fountains in the narthex of the church. You may also choose “e-tithing” by having a weekly deposit to St Paul’s from your bank account. If you have questions on e-tithing, please contact the Church Office.

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

In Matthew 19:14 Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven.” We welcome children and all the joy and little chatter that comes with them. If for any reason you want to take your little one out, there is a Nursery (Cry Room) available for use during our worship service. It is located just outside the sanctuary.

Opening Hymn 592 “Dearest Jesus, We Are Here”

**Holy Baptism of Elijah Edward Kulcsar, Abigail Marie Kulcsar,
and Megan Ann Kulcsar**

Adult Confirmation of Meghan Ann Kulcsar

✠ CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTIO ✠

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. *(Matthew 28:19b)*
- C Amen.**
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth. *(Psalm 124:8)*
- 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. *(Psalm 130:3-4)*
- 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. *(Luke 18:13)*
- C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.**

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

Introit

Psalm 56:3-4, 10-11; antiphon v. 13

P For You have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling,

C **that I may walk before God in the light of life.**

P When I am afraid,

C **I put my trust in You.**

P In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid.

C **What can flesh do to me?**

P In God, whose word I praise,

C **in the LORD, whose word I praise,**

P in God I trust; I shall not be afraid.

C **What can man do to me?**

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.

P For You have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling,

C **that I may walk before God in the light of life.**

Kyrie ~ *Lord, Have Mercy (Mark 10:47)*

LSB 204



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

Gloria in Excelsis ~ *Glory to God in the Highest*

LSB 204

(Luke 2:14; John 1:29)



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.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 205

P The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, because Your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of Your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in Your eternal love; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 20:12–13

¹²O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous,
 who sees the heart and the mind,
 let me see Your vengeance upon them,
 for to You have I committed my cause.

¹³Sing to the LORD;
 praise the LORD!

For He has delivered the life of the needy
 from the hand of evildoers.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Romans 6:12–20

¹²Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as

those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, ¹⁸and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse (John 20:31)

LSB 205



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

Matthew 10:5a, 21–33

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.

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

⁵These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, . . .

²¹Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, ²²and you will be hated by all for My name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ²³When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

²⁴A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

²⁶So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ²⁷What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. ²⁸And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear Him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³²So everyone who acknowledges Me before men, I also will acknowledge before My Father who is in heaven, ³³but whoever denies Me before men, I also will deny before My Father who is in heaven."

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 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.

Hymn 333 "Once He Came in Blessing"

Sermon Text

Matthew 10:5a, 21–33

Sermon "The Son of Man Comes"

1. The Son of Man *came* at _____ .
2. The Son of Man *came* to _____ .
3. The Son of Man *will come again* _____ .
4. The Son of Man *comes now* to _____ .

Hymn 345 "Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding"

Prayers

† SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT †

Preface

LSB 208

P The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

(Colossians 3:1)

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

(Psalm 136)

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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 ~ *Holy, Holy, Holy* (Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9) *LSB 208*



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!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer *(Matthew 6:9-13)*

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 Our Lord

(1 Corinthians 11:23-25)

Pax Domini ~ *The Peace of the Lord* *(John 20:19)*

LSB 209

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei ~ *Lamb of God* *(John 1:29)*

LSB 210



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.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Hymn 625 "Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread"

Hymn 627 "Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior"

Hymn 642 "O Living Bread from Heaven"

Hymn 622 "Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared"

Nunc Dimittis ~ *Song of Simeon* (Luke 2:29-32)

LSB 211



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 Let us pray.

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 ~ *Let Us Bless* (Psalm 103:1)

LSB 212

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction (*Numbers 6:24-26*)

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 336 “Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending”

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The flowers that adorn the altar are given in thanksgiving by Cleon and Wanda Felton in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary. All praise and glory be to Jesus for His many blessings.

Check It Out! Don't miss the church and school library cart in the narthex today! This week, we've selected a few great fiction titles. If you like a good series, you might like Katie Schuermann's series about a small midwestern town in a Lutheran church community. If you love Christian fiction, you'll love Karen Kingsbury collections. Other Christian favorites on the cart include works by Lori Wick and Janet Oke. We have lots more books in the library. Come check it out, so you can check it out!

There are still a few Hope-Full Living Devotionals for July-September in the tract rack. (There are also several large print **Portals of Prayer** that you are welcome to take, since the regular size print are gone.)

Calendar of Events

TODAY **June 25, 2023**

Sunday School & Bible Classes..... 8:30 am

Worship Service with Communion..... 9:30 am

MON:

TUES:

WED:

Men's Bible Study Breakfast 6:30 am

THURS:

FRI:

NEXT SUNDAY **July 2, 2023**

Sunday School & Bible Classes..... 8:30 am

Worship Service..... 9:30 am

Door Offering today for Lutheran Haitian Mission. In light of all the flooding and gang unrest, we will be taking up a door offering today, June 25th, to be sent to Lutheran Haitian Mission. 100% of donations will go directly to aid the Haitian people. **Please check out the Missions board in the Narthex for the latest update about Haiti** and prayerfully consider helping our brothers and sisters in need from the blessings you have been given. As always, your prayers for the Haitian ministry and for all of God's children is most important. May our Lord, Jesus, bless you in all things.

CHRISTIAN MEN - AWAKE!

If you're at least 18 years of age, wake up on Wednesday morning every other week and join in a Bible Study at the Bremen Hospital cafeteria conference room at 6:30 AM. Enter the cafeteria area entrance on the south side patio to the left of the main entrance portico (presently the covid testing drive-thru). The cafeteria has an excellent breakfast menu and we enjoy our study with discussion and fellowship until 7:30 A.M. Bible study is a means of strengthening our understanding of God's plan for us and strengthening our faith, which we all can use in the daily challenges we face. Bring your Bible and join us as we study, eat and fellowship! The dates we will meet in 2023 are as follows: 6/28, 7/12, 7/26, 8/9, 8/23, 9/6, 9/20, 10/4, 10/18, 11/1, 11/15, 11/29, 12/13, 12/27
If you have questions, please contact Dave Burcham or Tom Coxe.

1st Thursday Bible Study – Due to the first Thursday being the week of the 4th of July holiday, we **will be meeting on the second Thursday, July 13th** instead of the 6th. Please note this change. We are ready for Lesson 3 in our study of the Parables of Jesus: The Great Banquet.

The PTL would like to thank all those who volunteered in the ticket booths at the Firemen's Festival. Your help and support are greatly appreciated.

You are invited to a Congregational Breakfast on July 9th. This event is sponsored by the Board of Parish Fellowship, who will supply the tableware and drinks. The breakfast will begin at 8:00 am and run until 9:00 am in the Bethany Room. Everyone is asked to bring a breakfast item or dish to share. The Adult Bible Class will be in the same room from 8:30 am until 9:15 am so you can be fed on the Word of God and some great food!

Voters' Assembly Minutes – Copies of the minutes from the Monday, June 5 regular Voters' Assembly meeting are available on the table in the narthex. The minutes include information regarding the election of officers, directors, and board members for 2023-2025. 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.

Throughout July, LWML will have an Ingathering for Voice of Care, a Registered Service Organization (RSO) of LC-MS. Its ministry is to adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities. Items will be taken to the August District Treatshop. Requested: **CONSTRUCTION PAPER; CRAYONS (24 ct); COLORED PENCILS (12 ct); STENCILS; MARKERS (10 ct); WATER COLORS; STICKERS.** If blessed with an abundance, we will be sharing Colored Pencils and Markers with Day School (regular) and Preschool (washable). **School supplies sales are already starting! Even if you can only provide one item, it will add up.** Thank you in advance.

YOUTH NEWS

Summer Youth Nights: During the Summer, Youth Nights will continue on June 28, July 12, and July 19 from 7-8 pm. We will have various activities each night and end with a snack and devotion. Please join us and bring a friend!

Warren Dunes: On Sunday, July 16th following the church service, we will be taking the High School Youth to Warren Dunes for an afternoon in the sun and water. The Youth Board will provide lunch prior to departure and snacks for our time at the Dunes; Youth are responsible for bringing money for ice cream afterward. If planning to attend, Youth must sign up on the bulletin board so we can plan accordingly. A parental waiver will be required. If there are any questions, please contact Andy Wildauer..

Firemen's Festival: On behalf of our Youth Board and Youth, thank you to the congregation for the tremendous support you provided as we sponsored the drink table at the recent Bremen Firemen's Festival. After a rained out first night, we had four consistently busy evenings interacting with the community and providing drinks along the way. Funds collected will help offset costs of future Youth events, and because of your generous donations, we have plenty of drinks left over that we can use during other activities across our ministry here at St. Paul's. To God be the glory!

SCHOOL CORNER

School is out for the summer! Enjoy your vacations students, families, and teachers! We will see you when school resumes on August 14th. **School office hours in the summer will be Monday through Thursday, 9:00-12:00, through the month of June, and will resume the beginning of August.**

Watch for our first St. Paul's School TV ad on Channel 46! The ad will run all summer. Thank you to the donors who have helped fund this opportunity.

Please continue to support St. Paul's Lutheran Preschool and Elementary School by advertising to your family and friends! Our mission is to provide a Biblically based education, and now, with Choice Scholarships and many other scholarship options, we can make our school more affordable! **If you know anyone looking for a Christian-based education for Preschool through 8th Grade, please encourage them to contact us.** *YOU are our best advertisements! Online enrollment is available through the church website (school side).*

Please remember to give to the SGO!

We will continue to use SGO scholarships to assist with tuition, so **please continue to give, and remember you will receive a tax credit and deduction for your donations!**

You can find several (easy) ways to donate at www.lutheranSGO.org/Donate. Donations can be given through a check, IRA, stocks, Donor Advised Funds, PayPal, credit card, and **NOW electronic giving!** **Benefits to you are a 50% state tax credit for your donation and eligibility for a tax deduction.** These scholarships make a big difference for our families.

We also continue to take donations to St. Paul's tuition assistance fund. Checks for tuition assistance can be made out to the church.