

*Where can I go from Your Spirit?
Or where can I flee from Your presence?*

Psalm 139:7



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We welcome Pastor Gregory Fiechtner as our guest pastor today. May his words fill our hearts and minds with the blessings of our Heavenly Father who seeks us to become His children through the blood bought redemption of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We thank God that you are here today!

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 the narthex of the church.

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, located just outside the sanctuary.

In our sin we are alienated from God. We cannot know Him. Indeed, we are hostile to and flee from Him. Just as our first parents fled from God and yet were pursued by Him, so we have hope in Christ, Who pursues and calls us by His Word of the Gospel. Like Adam and Eve, we are given to trust in a Word of promise. This promise directs us to the hope we have in Christ Jesus and His saving grace.

The promise of God given in Baptism is a Word of God that you always have with you. "Through Baptism we are restored to a life of hope, or rather to a hope of life. This is the true life, which is lived before God. Before we come to it, we are in the midst of death... We who believe in Christ have the hope that on the Last Day we shall be revived for eternal life." (Martin Luther)

*~ Excerpt from Bible study by Pastor Paul M. Doellinger –
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Opening Hymn 668 "Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You"

✠ CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTION ✠

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. *(Matthew 28:19b)*

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

(Hebrews 10:22)

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth. *(Psalm 124:8)*

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin. *(Psalm 32:5)*

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. *(John 20:19-23)*

C Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

Introit

Psalm 28:7-9; antiphon: v. 6

P Blessed be the LORD!

C For He has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

P The LORD is my strength and my shield; in Him my heart trusts, and I am helped;

C my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to Him.

P The LORD is the strength of His people;

C He is the saving refuge of His anointed.

P Oh, save Your people and bless Your heritage!

C Be their shepherd and carry them forever.

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 Blessèd be the LORD!

C For He has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

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

LSB 186

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

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

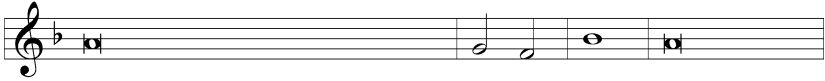
LSB 187

(Luke 2:14; John 1:29)

Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.



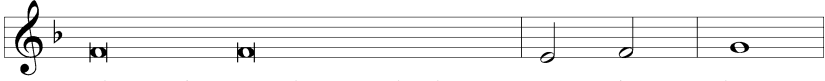
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)



G And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, Your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



G A - men.

Old Testament Lesson

Genesis 3:8-15

⁸They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰And he said, "I heard the sound of You in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." ¹¹He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I

commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate."

¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,
cursed are you above all livestock
and above all beasts of the field;
on your belly you shall go,
and dust you shall eat
all the days of your life.

¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and her Offspring;
He shall bruise your head,
and you shall bruise His heel."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Psalm 145:3, 5b, 6b

P Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,

C **and His greatness is unsearchable.**

P On Your wondrous works, I will meditate,

C **and I will declare Your greatness.**

Epistle Lesson

2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1

¹³Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴knowing that He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into His presence. ¹⁵For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

¹For we know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia

LSB 190



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel Lesson

Mark 3:20–35

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

²⁰Then Jesus went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹And when His family heard it, they went out to seize Him, for they were saying, "He is out of His mind."

²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "by the prince of demons He casts out the demons." ²³And He called them to Him and said to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house.

²⁸"Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— ³⁰for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

³¹And His mother and His brothers came, and standing outside they sent to Him and called Him. ³²And a crowd was sitting around Him, and they said to Him, "Your mother and Your brothers are outside, seeking You." ³³And He answered them, "Who are My mother and My brothers?" ³⁴And looking about at those who sat around Him, He said, "Here are My mother and My brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God, he is My brother and sister and mother."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

☩ 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 569 "In Adam We Have All Been One"

Sermon Text

Genesis 3:8-15

Sermon "Hiding and Seeking"

Hymn 588 "Jesus Loves Me"

Prayers

☩ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ☩

Preface

LSB 194

P The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)

C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts. *(Colossians 3:1)*

C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. *(Psalm 136)*

C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus ~ Holy, Holy, Holy *(Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)* *LSB 195*

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
 heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
 ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

LSB 179

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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 (John 20:19)

LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C A - men.

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

LSB 198



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Hymn 628 "Your Table I Approach"

Hymn 627 "Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior"

Hymn 545 "Word of God, Come Down on Earth"

Hymn 568 "If Your Beloved Son, O God"

Nunc Dimittis ~ *Song of Simeon* (Luke 2:29-32) LSB 199



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Thanksgiving (*Psalms 107:1*) LSB 200

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



G and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

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 A - men.

P The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)



C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus ~ Let Us Bless (Psalm 103:1)

LSB 202

P Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction (Numbers 6:24-26)

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn 692 "Praise to You and Adoration"

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Calendar of Events

TODAY	June 9th, 2024
Sunday School & Bible Classes.....	8:30 am
Worship Service with Communion.....	9:30 am
Pastor Wonnacott & Family on Vacation today	
MON:	
TUES:	
Firemen’s Festival Parade & Youth Drink Table	6:30-10:00 pm
WED:	
Men’s Bible Study Breakfast	6:30 am
Prepare Hospitality Meals	9:00 am
Youth Drink Table at the Fair	6:00-10:00 pm
THURS:	
2nd Thursday Bible Study.....	6:00 pm
Youth Drink Table at the Fair	6:00-10:00 pm
FRI:	
Youth Drink Table at the Fair	6:00-10:00 pm
SAT:	
Youth Drink Table at the Fair	6:00-10:00 pm
NEXT SUNDAY ~ Father’s Day	June 16th, 2024
Sunday School & Bible Classes.....	8:30 am
Worship Service.....	9:30 am

The Hospitality Crew will be cooking on June 12th at 9:00 am in the church kitchen. This month we are asking for donations of any type of individually wrapped cookies, brownies, cupcakes, etc. These can be brought to the church anytime before the 12th. Please come help make meals for shut-ins of our community. Many hands make light work. This is a great way to serve your neighbor!

2nd Thursday Bible Study will meet this Thursday at 6:00. Our next parables are “The Lost Sheep & The Lost Coin”

Our next food gathering for Grace Food Pantry begins today until June 23rd. There are cards on the table in the narthex with needed food items. As always, you may donate items without taking a card.

Indiana District LWML Ingathering: diapers & infant clothing (St Paul); grocery gift cards (St Timothy) – both in Indianapolis; duffel bags (Lutheran CFS)

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 2024 are as follows: 6/12, 6/26, 7/10, 7/24, 8/7, 8/21, 9/4, 9/18, 10/2, 10/16, 10/30, 11/13, 11/27, 12/11
If you have questions, please contact Dave Burcham or Tom Coxe.

Our VBS program Celebrate the Savior-Jesus Gives Us Joy will be held June 24th -28th from 9-11:30 am. All children age 3 through those who are just completing Grade 5 are encouraged to attend. Kids will explore five key events in the life of Jesus and discover how the love of Jesus fills us with joy. This is a community event sponsored by our congregation. Registration forms may be found on the table in the narthex. Children can also be registered online at vbsmate.com/StPaulsLutheranBremenIndiana. "Thank you to all who have volunteered to serve in our VBS program."

Our VBS Mission this year is Phil's Friends. The congregations is invited to help us support this ministry that creates care packages for cancer patients. They currently get requests for 300 packages per week so every donation, monetary or items, is greatly appreciated. Please see the back page for more information. Monetary donations may be put in the clear container next to the offering box in the narthex. Checks may be made payable to St. Paul's Sunday School with "Phil's Friends" on the memo line. Thank you for your generous spirit!

Next Sunday, June 16th, we will be recognizing our high school and college graduates. Letters were sent out to those graduates whose names have been given to the church office. If you know of a student who did not receive a letter, please tell them to join us. The church office relies on parents and students to keep us updated so I apologize if anyone was missed.

YOUTH NEWS

SUMMER YOUTH EVENTS: Set your calendar now to stay engaged throughout the summer.

June 11th-15th (Evenings): Soda/Water Table ([see more](#) below) at the Bremen Fireman's Festival

June 16th (8:30 am): Donuts with Dads Devotion for Father's Day

June 19th, June 26th, and July 10th (7 pm): Summer Youth Nights

More information for these events will be available on the GroupMe "St. Paul's Youth" chat as well as other church communications.

FIREMAN'S FESTIVAL DRINK TABLE (June 11th-15th 6-10

pm): Thank you to everyone who has donated soda (and water) thus far in support of our Youth hosting the table at the upcoming Fireman's Festival. If you have time, stop by the table under the pavilion down at Sunnyside Park as parents/youth volunteers will be busy engaging with the public as well. May God bless this wonderful opportunity to represent Him to the community around us.

Servants for Today's Worship June 9th, 2024

Pastor Gregory Fiechtner

Organist: Anita Eichinger

Ushers: Joe Hughes & Tyler Schmeltz

Acolyte: Avery Cannon

Elder: Terry Miller

Communion Assistant: Jon Rettinger

Video Streamer: Bruce Schmidt

Servants for Next Sunday's Worship June 16th, 2024

Rev. Neil Wonnacott (574-546-2332 or 574-301-9291)

Organist: Ellen Augustine

Ushers: Austin Nielsen & Mark Wildauer

Acolyte: Emiliano Mejia

Elder: Dave Burcham

Video Streamer: Ethan Tjernagel

SCHOOL CORNER

Thank you, congregation, for all you have done to support the Preschool and Day School this last school year, through your volunteering, financial giving, and especially spiritually! We appreciate YOU! Please continue to pray for our teachers and the preparation for the upcoming school year.

The Bremen Firemen Festival is June 11-15th, and PTL is looking for volunteers to run the ticket booths. Please let the school office know if you are available to volunteer. Shaun Monhaut is in charge of the booth this year and can be reached at 317-340-6827.

It is not too late to enroll in St. Paul's Preschool and Day School (Kindergarten through 8th Grade)! If you know of any families looking for a Christian educational experience, please recommend us. **Word-of-mouth is the best advertisement.** Our mission is to provide a solid education, with a Christian foundation and atmosphere for Preschool through 8th Grade. We also offer a comprehensive scholarship program. Online enrollment and inquiries are open on our website, stpaulsbremen.church/school. Interested families can also call the school, 574-546-2790, or email schools@stpaulsbremen.org. We are happy to answer questions and schedule tours.

Please continue giving to the Lutheran SGO! Our goal is to make a Christian education affordable, so please continue to give, and receive the tax credit and deduction for your donations! **Now, there is a link to donate to the LSGO on the church's website under the School drop-down menu.**

You can also 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. Please contact Jennifer Harman, in the school office, if you have questions.

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



phil's friends

cancer is strong. **hope is stronger.**

Requests for care packages have doubled in 2024. We now have requests for 300 care packages each week!

As diagnoses increase and awareness of the Phil's Friends mission grows, we anticipate a continued rise in demand.

Please help so no one is turned away!

Gather items or order from our **Amazon Wishlist**. Collect items on your own, with your neighborhood, church, or business organization and bring them to one of our Hope Centers or ship to our Crown Point location.

CARE PACKAGE NEEDS

BLANKETS

Rolled throw blankets, crocheted, or fleece tied.



PUZZLE BOOKS



MOUTH RINSE

Alcohol-free 4-8oz. or smaller



LOTIONS

Fragrance-free; 16oz. or smaller



HATS

Knitted, Crocheted, Baseball



JOURNALS

Soft TOOTHBRUSHES & Travel size TOOTHPASTE



TISSUES



LIP BALMS



FUZZY SOCKS



Womens only



** GIFT CARDS



PLAYING CARDS

MONETARY GIFTS



SCAN QR CODES



Please note: all items need to be new and unused because our friends with cancer have compromised immune systems. ** Gift Cards are used to purchase needed items. We do not put them in the care packages

DROP OFF LOCATIONS

CALL OR EMAIL FOR HOURS

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