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when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch,
and He shall reign as King and deal wisely,
and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.*

*⁶In His days Judah will be saved,
and Israel will dwell securely.
And this is the name by which He will be called:
‘THE LORD IS OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.’”*



Jeremiah 23:5-6

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We welcome Pastor Roger Rohde as our guest pastor today. May his words glorify our risen Savior and bless us with the knowledge that a heart of repentance has the sure and certain hope of salvation through the blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Welcome to the Lord's house.

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.

Jesus, our Shepherd, our righteous Branch, our King!

Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need your tender care.
In Your pleasant pastures feed us, for our use Your fold prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, You have bought us we are Yours.
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We are Yours; in love befriend us, be the guardian of our way;
Keep Your flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.
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Hymn 711 vs 1-2

Opening Hymn 563 "Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness"

✠ 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 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 147:7-11; antiphon: Psalm 145:16

P You open Your hand;

C **You satisfy the desire of every living thing.**

P Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;

C **make melody to our God on the lyre!**

P He covers the heavens with clouds; He prepares rain for the earth;

C **He makes grass grow on the hills.**

- P** He gives to the beasts their food,
C **and to the young ravens that cry.**
P His delight is not in the strength of the horse,
C **nor His pleasure in the legs of a man,**
P but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear Him,
C **in those who hope in His steadfast love.**

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** You open Your hand;
C **You satisfy the desire of every living thing.**

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

LSB 186

C 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

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(Luke 2:14; John 1:29)

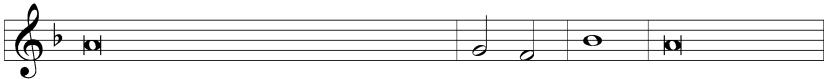
Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward
 men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
 we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
 O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.
 O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
 O Lord God,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



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.



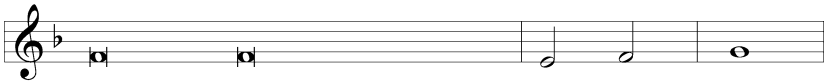
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.



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

Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹“Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of My pasture!” declares the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for My people:

“You have scattered My flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. ³Then I will gather the remnant of My flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD.

⁵“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and He shall reign as King and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which He will be called: ‘THE LORD IS OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.’”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Romans 11:33, 36

P Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

C **How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways!**

P For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

C **To Him be glory forever. Amen.**

Epistle Lesson

Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the Uncircumcision” by what is called the Circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— ¹²remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For He Himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in His flesh the dividing wall of hostility ¹⁵by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that He might create in Himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. ¹⁷And He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸For through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints

and members of the household of God, ²⁰built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone, ²¹in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²²In Him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

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 6:30-44

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



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

³⁰The apostles returned to Jesus and told Him all that they had done and taught. ³¹And He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. ³⁴When He went ashore He saw a great crowd, and He had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And He began to teach them many things. ³⁵And when it grew late, His disciples came to Him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. ³⁶Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." ³⁷But He answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to Him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" ³⁸And He said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." ³⁹Then He commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. ⁴¹And taking the five loaves and the two fish He looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And He divided the two fish

among them all. ⁴²And they all ate and were satisfied. ⁴³And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. ⁴⁴And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

G **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.

Hymn 852 "O God of Mercy, God of Might"

Sermon Text

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Sermon "The Lord Is Our Righteousness"

Hymn 580 "The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace"

Prayer of the Church

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)

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

G **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.**

Salutation

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 850 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

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SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK Diana Rogers

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Updated Directories are available on the table in the Narthex.

If you know of anyone with cancer who would like a care package from **Phil's Friends**, please take a contact card located by the offering box.

Phyllis Sahlhoff went to be with the Lord on Sunday, July 14, 2024 at the age of 98. **A Life Celebration visitation** will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Saturday, July 27, 2024 between 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm

Calendar of Events

TODAY July 21st, 2024

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

Worship Service..... 9:30 am

MON:

Parish Planning Council..... 7:00 pm

TUES:

Carpet Cleaning – Buildings Closed.....

Board of Lay Ministry Meeting – Gym Mezzanine..... 6:30 pm

WED:

Carpet Cleaning – Buildings Closed.....

Men’s Bible Study Breakfast 6:30 am

THURS:

FRI:

Euchre 7:00-9:00 pm

SAT:

NEXT SUNDAY July 28th, 2024

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

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

Library Lending CartAfter Service

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: 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 Coxey.

Monday, August 5, LWML at 7:00 pm.

Program: “Walking in Prayer.” Beginning in the Jerusalem Room, and moving about the facilities, members of LWML at each “station” will lead with Scripture as Church, school, community, nation and missions are lifted up in prayer. All are welcome. Light refreshments served afterward.

YOUTH NEWS

2025 NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING: As highlighted last week, our Youth and Adult Leaders have begun the journey in preparing to attend the LCMS National Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA next July. We ask that you keep those listed below in your prayers over this time:

Youth Attendees (by grade): Noah Wildauer (12th), Autumn Napper (11th), Jack Wildauer (11th), Izzy Wildauer (10th), Lexi Andrews (9th), Gavin Hundt (9th), Gabi Mejia (9th), Reuben Napper (9th), Colton Napper (8th), Brantley Thornton (8th), and Abby Wildauer (8th)

Adult Leaders: Tonya Hundt, Rebecca Mejia, Rick Napper, Eric Thornton, Heidi Wildauer

YOUTH OUTING and SERVICE EVENT OPPORTUNITIES: Due to various circumstances, we have had to reschedule recent planned events to the following dates:

YOUTH OUTING: We will once again attempt to go to Hackers (go-karts, mini-golf, batting cages, and more) in Niles, MI on Sunday, August 11th. This is for Youth in Grades 6-HS. We will meet at church at noon and plan to return late afternoon. Cost is \$10/attendee with the Youth Board offsetting additional costs.

SERVICE EVENT: Youth in Grades 6-HS are encouraged to join us as we head to Unity Gardens in South Bend on Saturday, August 17th. We will meet at church at 2 pm and return by approximately 5 pm. Prior to returning, we will stop for ice cream courtesy of the Youth Board.

Please sign up on the Youth bulletin board if planning to attend. Look for more information via our "St. Paul's Youth" GroupMe chat or contact a member of the Youth Board.

Feel free to join the Lutherhaven community today, July 21st for the Annual Chicken Dinner Sunday and celebrate Lutherhaven's 75 years of ministry! Worship begins at 11:00 am in the Pavillion followed by dinner and time to connect with friends or enjoy everything that Camp Lutherhaven has to offer! The dinner includes chicken, vegetables, potato salad, drinks, dinner roll, and dessert. Tickets may be purchased at the event and are \$15 for adults, \$10 for children (6-12), children 5 and under are free. Camp Lutherhaven is located at 1596 S. 150 W Albion, IN 46701

Special Concerns:

That we repent of our sins & live by faith in the Lord our righteousness.
For the family and friends of Phyllis Sahlhoff who was called to her eternal rest in Jesus.

For Pastor Rafael & Deaconess Jamielynn Flores and Pastor Micah Wildauer and their work in foreign missions.

That the Lord would bless our offerings that we give today.

For our country and her leaders.

For the people of Haiti - That the Lord would surround our brothers and sisters in Christ with His grace and protection. Pray they stay strong in the faith through their suffering at this time of violence and unrest.

We pray for all persecuted Christians throughout the world.

Former St. Paul's Member Retires from the Ministry

Pastor Leonard Wildauer retired from the ministry on June 30, 2024.

Pastor Leonard and Kateri are currently in the process of moving from

Christ Lutheran Church in Lampson, WI to their new home in Shawano,

WI. Their new address is 259 River Pine Dr. Shawano, WI 54166-5302

Servants for Today's Worship July 21st, 2024

Pastor Roger Rohde

Organist: Anita Eichinger

Ushers: Todd Haug and Bruce Augustine

Acolyte: Brantley Thornton

Elder: Mike Gumz

Video Streamer: Tyler & Dakota Schmeltz

Servants for Next Sunday's Worship July 28th, 2024

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

Organist: Ellen Augustine

Ushers: Mark Matejka & Dakota Schmeltz

Acolyte: Kellan Guse

Elder: Bill Rogers

Communion Assistant: Jon Rettinger

Video Streamer: Paul Wonnacott

SCHOOL CORNER

St. Paul's School is looking for substitute teachers and Extended Care assistants for the upcoming school year-both paid and volunteer positions! These are part-time positions, requiring a background check and an easy-to-obtain substitute teaching license. If you are interested, please contact Nathan Miller or Jennifer Harman.

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.