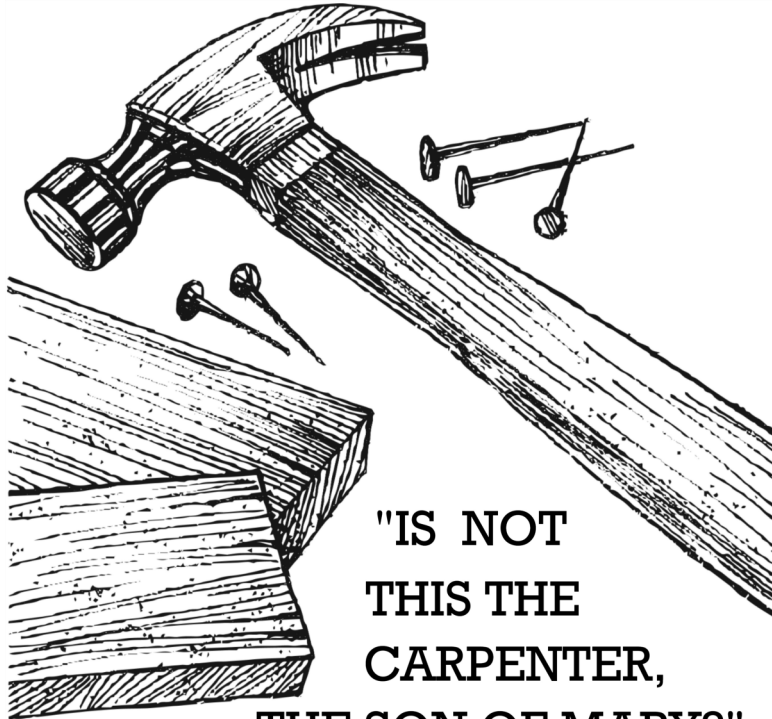


SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ JULY 7, 2024



**"IS NOT
THIS THE
CARPENTER,
THE SON OF MARY?"**

MARK 6:3

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If it is uncomfortable for you to stand where indicated, please feel free to remain seated. The congregation responds where it is bold print.



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

please stand in body or spirit

Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism,
as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn

"How Firm a Foundation"

#796

Greeting

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Hymn of Praise

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

#879 vs. 1 & 2

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.....**God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

please be seated

First Reading

Ezekiel 2:1 - 5

¹[A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.²And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. ³He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, “Thus says the Lord God.” ⁵Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 123

¹To you I lift up my eyes, to you enthroned in the heavens.

²As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to you, O LORD our God, until you show us your mercy.

³Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy, for we have had more than enough of contempt,

⁴too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, and of the derision of the proud.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 12:2 - 10

²I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. ³And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—⁴was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. ⁵On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, ⁷even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁹but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children’s Sermon

Pastor Sandy Schlesselman

please stand in body or spirit

Gospel Acclamation

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

#879 vs. 3

Gospel

Mark 6:1 - 13

The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 6th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

¹[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him.²On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. ⁴Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own

house.” ⁵And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

please be seated
Sermon

Pastor Sandy Schlesselman

please stand in body or spirit
Hymn of the Day

“We All Are One in Mission”

#576

Prayers of Intercession

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Sharing The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

please be seated
Offering

please stand in body or spirit
Offertory

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

#879 vs. 4 & 5

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.....Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Hear, O Lord, the prayer you taught us to pray.....**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.**

please be seated

HOLY COMMUNION

At the Altar

All who believe that Jesus is present in the Bread and the Wine
and has the power to forgive are welcome to commune.

Red wine or white grape juice is available.

Our first table for Holy Communion this morning will be for those who do not wish to climb the stairs. Please watch for direction from the ushers.

Communion Hymns

“Lord, You Give the Great Commission”

#579

“Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory”

#890

please stand in body or spirit

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.....Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

Amen.

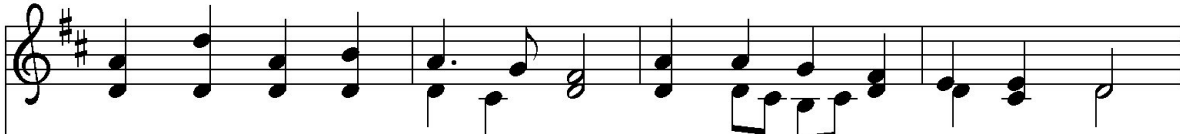
Blessing

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

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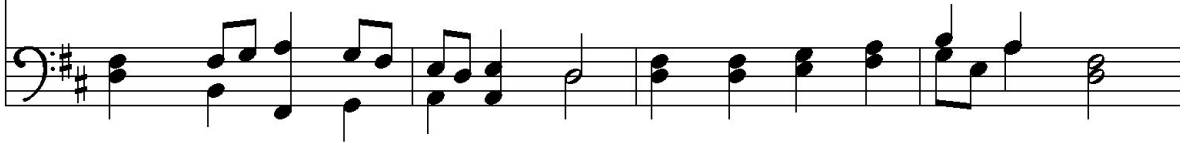
Let the Whole Creation Cry



- 1 Let the whole cre - a - tion cry, "Glo - ry to the Lord on high!"
- 2 Ser - vants striv - ing for the Lord, proph-ets burn - ing with the word,
- 3 Men and wom - en, young and old, raise the an - them loud and bold,



Heav'n and earth, a - wake and sing, "Praise to our al - might - y king!"
those to whom the arts be - long add their voic - es to the song,
and let chil - dren's hap - py hearts in this wor - ship take their parts;



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Praise God, an - gel hosts a - bove, ev - er bright and fair in love;
Pow'rs of knowl-edge and of law, to the glo - rious cir - cle draw;
from the north to south-ern pole let the might - y cho - rus roll:

sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God re - joice.
all who work and all who wait, sing, "The Lord is good and great!"
"Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly One; glo - ry be to God a - lone!"

Text: Stopford A. Brooke, 1832–1916, alt.

Music: SALZBURG, Jakob Hintze, 1622–1702; arr. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750, adapt.

Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

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"GOD IS WITH US ALWAYS"



Welcome: Welcome to worship in the name of God the creator of this beautiful summer day, Jesus our Savior, and the Holy Spirit our Counselor each and every day. Amen.

We invite everyone to enjoy coffee and fellowship before worship in the Gathering Space. Please join us!

In Our Prayers: "Unspoken prayer concerns", Marcy Cash, Jean Healan, Jon Beckman, Scott Cash, Judie VonHolten, Greg Ives, Dewey Jobe, Judy Smith, Renee Weller, Gordon Ives, and Kyle Luetjen.



Don Brooks, Berneda Brooks, Dustin Woods, Liz Smart, Josephine Heimsoth, Don Gibbs, Melvin Oelrichs (grandpa of Nicholas Dieckman), Art Heimsoth, Cliff Eckhoff, Averi Kroenke, Carmilla Swaim and husband (friends of Debbie Eckhoff), Jamie Simon, Dena Sikoutris, Joseph Fuelling (nephew of Paul Fuelling), Kiley Simon (friend of Jenna Nash), Karen Haase (sister-in-law of Gene Beckman), Jackie Ross (sister of Randy Healan), Ronnie Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marvin Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marlin Lackas (brother-in-law of Paul Fuelling), Bill Hampton, and Adam Gumbel (son of Jim & Kim Gumbel).



Nursing Home: Vern Dean Bohling: *Ambrose*. Marie Viebrock & Florence VonHolten: *GSCC*. Kathy Hallauer: *Loving Arms*.

Military: Please keep all those who have served our country past and present in your prayers, especially: ENS David M. Gardner (son of Pam Balke), Private Bradyn Hood (grandson of Connie Gerken), MSgt. Jason Ostberg (son-in law of Suzanne Lutjen) Lt. Col. Ron Poe, SSG Nick Smith and Cpt. Joseph Strathman.



With Sympathy: We also pray for those families who have lost loved ones; family and friends of Pastor Larry Daniels-Block.



Death of Larry Daniels-Block

It is with a heavy heart that we share with you the sad news of the death of one of our former pastors. Pastor Larry Daniels-Block passed quite unexpectedly on Saturday, June 29, in Boulder, CO at the home of his daughter. He was 77 years old (soon to be 78).

Pastors Larry and Linda served as our pastors from 1981 – 1986. With their enthusiasm for the Gospel and their leadership, they guided St. Paul's to a greater ministry of service.

Pastor Larry is survived by his wife, Linda of 52 years, their son Jared, and daughter Natana, and three grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held in St. Louis at a time to be announced later. Memorials designated for funeral expenses would be greatly appreciated by the family.

Sisters in Christ,
Janice Gerken & Pastor Sandy



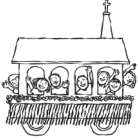
Prayers: If you would like your name added or removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office at 668-3537.

New Birth: Congratulations to Noah and Samantha Kelly on the arrival of their son, Wade Scott Kelly. He was born on Saturday, June 29. Wade Scott is the grandson of Paul Kelly and Sandy Schlesselman and the great-grandson of Arlene Schlesselman.



"Little Blessings" Preschool and Day Care: There are daycare positions available for anyone wishing to work with young children (infants and toddlers). The Day Care Committee is looking to fill the position of Day Care Director and 2 - 3 aides. For more information, please contact a member of the Day Care Committee: Jake and Sara Jackson, Josh Jackson, Rhonda Schlesselman, Sue Rusk, Lesa Warden, Meghan Smith, and Janice Gerken.

Teachers: The Sunday School is in need of a 4th-6th grade teacher. The lesson materials are planned out and easy to follow with student handouts and a teacher book. This is a fun age with great thoughts and ideas! Contact Anne Goosen if you are feeling called to help support our children's ministry or if you have any questions.



Float Work: Float work will be on a regular schedule of Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 5:30pm-7:00pm.



One Stitch at a Time: The Sewing Group will not meet on Monday, **July 8th**.



Meeting: Council will meet on Wednesday, **July 10th** at 7:00pm.

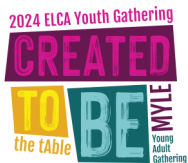
Health Care: The Benton County Health Department will be here on Thursday, **July 11th** from 8:00am until 10:00am to help you with your health care needs.



Ask the Pastor: You're invited to take part in the next "Ask the Pastor" night, an opportunity to have casual conversation around just about anything. Instead of a predetermined Bible Study, you bring the topic and the questions, and we'll do our best to answer them together. Join us on Thursday, **July 11th**, at 6:00 pm, meeting at Missouri Made Shop & Comfort Café (105 E Main St.) Food and drinks will be available for purchase.



Hurricane Relief Kits: The Luther League will be headed to New Orleans the week of **July 14th** for the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering! Please support them in this journey with your prayers for safe travels, fellowship, and fun. The in-kind offering at the Youth Gathering this year will be supplies to create hurricane relief kits.



Our region is collecting Liquid IV. If you would like to donate, we will be collecting boxes or packets of Liquid IV. Or you can make a financial contribution. You can leave these offerings in the back of the church. Thank you for the church's support in continuing to provide our youth the opportunity to attend this event!

Bible Camp: The annual Mid-MO Bible Camp will be held **Sunday, July 14 - Thursday, July 18**, at Camp Rising Sun in the Lake of the Ozarks State Park. It is for youth who have completed 4th - 9th grade this past school year. Registration cost is \$100, but St. Paul's will pay half of that for our youth and a friend. The registration deadline for a t-shirt has passed, but you can still register for camp. Please do so ASAP. Registration forms are available on the Usher's Stand.



Bible Camp is once again asking for donations of cookies or breakfast casserole. Please mark your offering card if you can contribute in that way.

Vacation Bible School: Mark your calendars for an out of this world Vacation Bible School here at St. Paul's, **July 29 - August 2**, 6:00-8:30 pm each night. Our theme is Stellar, where we will learn how to shine Jesus' light into the world. Mark your calendars now, mention it to a friend, and look for registration information to be announced soon!



~ * ~ **IN OUR COMMUNITY** ~ * ~

Kid's Meals: Once again this summer, the Salvation Army of Benton County is distributing summer kid's meals for families across our county. This program provides a weekly bag of groceries to help supplement meals while kids are home from school for the summer. Nearly 100 kids in Cole Camp alone benefitted from this last year with thousands of meals distributed across the county. Can you help support this program? We will have buckets in the back of the church if you would like to make a financial contribution. Or include it in your offering, designated for "Kid's Meals." Thank you!



CCACA Fish Fry: The Church Alliance will once again hold their Community Fish Fry on Saturday, **July 13th**, from 5:00-7:00 pm. It will again be held at the First Baptist Church of Cole Camp. As this is a community effort with all the area churches participating, **WE NEED YOUR HELP!!** Could you volunteer some time that day to help set up or serve? Could you provide a homemade dessert? Please let Pastor Stephen or Joyce Schlesselmann know if you are available to help. Thank you

Ice Cream Social: Please come join us for some food, fun, fellowship, and fireworks at Mt. Hulda Lutheran Church. Mt. Hulda will be hosting an ice cream social on Sunday, **July 14th** from 5:30 pm - dark. Food and fellowship will open at 5:30 pm, the menu will include hotdogs, chips, cake & ice cream, and drinks. Entertainment will begin at approximately 6:30 pm and will include singing, instrumentalists, a pie auction, and Bible trivia. At dusk, weather permitting, we will be having a fireworks display. Proceeds from this event will be used to help our fellow community members in need. We look forward to seeing everyone so please make plans to attend. It will be a great social gathering for neighbors and friends!



VBS **VBS 2024 Is Here!** The churches of the Cole Camp Regional Ministry invite you to join us for five fun-filled nights where we will travel back in time to learn about Jesus and His teachings. Our Vacation Bible School will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church, beginning on Sunday, **July 21st**, and ending on Thursday, **July 25th**. The fun will begin at 6:00 each evening and we will dismiss at 8:00 p.m. We welcome children entering Pre-Kindergarten to 4th Grades (Grades 5 and up will be helpers if they want to join!) Our "helping the community" project this year will be donations of toys to benefit "**Birthday Blessing**" which is a non-profit organization who partners with churches and small groups to share the message of the Gospel and celebrate the lives of low income children ages 5-12 through birthday parties. Questions? Please email Caitlyn Weaver at cjweaver287@gmail.com.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sunday, July 7:	10:00am	Worship Service Holy Communion at the Altar
Monday, July 8:	9:00am	Sewing
Tuesday, July 9:	5:30pm	Float Work
Wednesday, July 10:	5:30pm 7:00pm	Float Work Council
Thursday, July 11:	8:00am 5:30pm 6:00pm	BCHD Float Work Ask the Pastor
Saturday, July 13:	5:30pm	Casual Worship
Sunday, July 14:	10:00am	Worship Service Holy Communion by Stations



~ * ~ Coming Events ~ * ~

July 11	Ask the Pastor
July 13	CCACA Fish Fry
July 14-18	Mid-MO Bible Camp
July 16-20	ELCA Youth Gathering
July 29 - August 2	Vacation Bible School
August 3	Back-to-School Clothing Sale

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Ministers The Whole Congregation
Presiding Minister Pastor Sandy Schlesselman
Organist Lois Viebrock
Pianist Jeannette VonHolten
AV Technicians Russ Oelrichs & Todd Rusk
Altar Guild Melisa Balke & Joyce Schlesselmann
Ushers Melinda Strathman, Assistant Head Usher
Nicholas Dieckman, Mark Oelrichs, Randy Schlesselman & Steve Triplett.



Seventh Sunday after Pentecost ~ July 7, 2024

Assisting Minister Janice Gerken
Communion Assistants At the Altar
Reader Melissa Balke
Children's Sermon Pastor Sandy Schlesselman
Acolytes Kaylan Poe & Kelsey Viebrock
Flowers Amy Brown



Eighth Sunday after Pentecost ~ July 14, 2024

Assisting Minister Darin Oelrichs
Communion Assistants Glenalee Dillon & Sharel Wienberg
Reader Hudson Kullman & Jace Tinney
Children's Sermon Pastor Kim Knowle-Zeller
Acolytes Miranda Gerken & Mason Randall
Flowers Ruth Ann Kreisel

