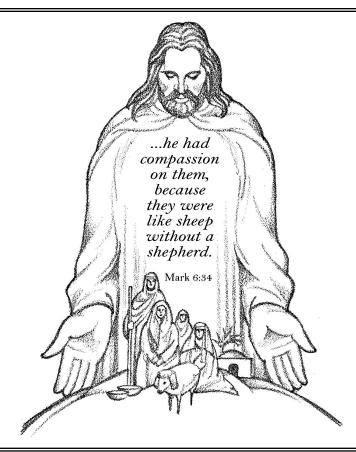
NINETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ JULY 21, 2024



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"Being Transformed By God's Grace To Love And Serve."

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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

"O Holy Spirit, Enter In"

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 "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" #883 vs. 1 & 2

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray......O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

please be seated

First Reading Jeremiah 23:1 -6

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. ⁵The days are surely coming, says 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. ⁵In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

²The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

³You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

⁴Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Second Reading

Ephesians 2:11 - 22

¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—12 remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens 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 is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸ for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon

Joyce Schlesselmann

please stand in body or spirit

Gospel Acclamation "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

Gospel Mark 6:30 - 34, 53 - 56

The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 6th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves 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 deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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

please be seated Sermon

Pastor Stephen Zeller

please stand in body or spirit

Hymn of the Day

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

#611

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 Offertory

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

#883 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

By Stations

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.

Communion Hymns

"Have No Fear, Little Flock"

#764

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

#789

please stand in body or spirit

Post-Communion Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**

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, \pm be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

"The Church's One Foundation

#654

Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

"GOD IS WITH US ALWAYS"



Welcome: Jesus urged his disciples, "Come away ... and rest a while" (Mark 6:31). Welcome to a time and place away from life's busyness. Rest — and worship.

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.



Steve White, 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, 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.





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

"Little Blessings" Preschool and Day Care: Good News!! We have filled two of the aide positions and awaiting a response from a potential director candidate. Two aide positions remain to be filled. Also, we would like have 2-3 individuals who might LITTLE B be interested in being placed on the substitute list. Please contact Rhonda or



Other good news!! We have 4 infants enrolled with 4 others on our waiting list. We also have 9 toddlers enrolled. There are 2-3 slots still available for toddlers. Again, please contact Rhonda or Janice for information or enrollment. All good news!! God is at work!!



Janice if interested.

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.



Undies Sunday: In addition to clothing available for purchase, families with young children will be given new undergarments at the Clothing Sale. In years past we asked for in-kind donations of these undergarment items. This year we are requesting financial contributions. We have found a source to purchase bulk clothing items, and plan to repackage them into smaller packs to provide for a more equitable distribution of undergarments to local families. Those contributions can be made at any time, but our Undies Sunday will be today & July 28. (We will still accept packages of underwear if you have already purchased those items.)

One Stitch at a Time: The Sewing Group will meet on Monday, July **22nd** at 9:00am in the church basement.





Planning: Worship & Music will meet on Tuesday, **July 23rd** at 2:30pm.

Newspaper: The Sunbeam committee will meet on Wednesday, **July 24th** at 3:00pm.





Health Care: The Benton County Health Department will be here on Thursday, **July 25th** from 8:00am until 10:00am to help you with your health care needs.

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 and mention it to a friend! VBS is for Pre-K (potty-trained) thru 6th grade. Adults and older youth are encouraged to volunteer. There is a registration link for participants and volunteers on the church's Facebook page.



Cole Camp Fair: The fair stand schedule is up on the bulletin board. Please stop by and secure your spot!

~ * ~ IN OUR COMMUNITY ~ * ~

ICE CREAM SOCIAL: Celebrate the ending of summer with us! The Youth Group of Holy Cross, along with the Fathers & Husbands Group, will be hosting an Ice Cream Social on Sunday, **August 4th** from 6-8pm on the church lawn. A light supper of hot dogs, juicy burger, chips, watermelon, desserts & ice cream will be served. During the supper, a free-will donation will be collected for youth group activities and servant events. Beginning around 7pm there will be a pie/dessert auction with limited offerings so come prepared to bid. A portion of the proceeds from the auction will be given to the Lutheran School Association's High School for the 2024-2025 school year. More detailed information about the event can be found on Holy Cross's Facebook page. Please make plans to attend this fun filled evening of food and fellowship. We look forward to seeing everyone!

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sunday, July 21: 10:00am Worship Service

Holy Communion by Stations

Undies Sunday

Monday, July 22: 9:00am Sewing

Tuesday, July 23: 2:30pm Worship & Music

5:30pm Float Work
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Wednesday, July 24: 3:00pm Sunbeam 5:30pm Float Work

Thursday, July 25: 8:00am BCHD

5:30pm Float Work

Saturday, July 27: 5:30pm Casual Worship Sunday, July 28: 10:00am Worship Service

Holy Communion by Stations

Undies Sunday



~ * ~ Coming Events ~ * ~	
July 28 Undies Sunday	
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 Stephen Zeller
Organist	······Lois Viebrock
Pianist ·····	Jeannette VonHolten
AV Technicians	······Russ Oelrichs & Todd Rusk
Altar Guild	····Melisa Balke & Joyce Schlesselmann
Ushers ······ Me	linda Strathman, Assistant Head Usher
Nicholas Dieckman, Mark Oelrich	ns, Randy Schlesselman & Steve Triplett.



Nineth Sunday after Pentecost ~ July 21, 2024

Assisting Minister	Tom Oelrichs
Communion Assistants ·····	Luther League
Reader	······Dennis Moellmann
Children's Sermon ·····	Joyce Schlesselmann
Acolytes	Logan Jackson & Khloe Viebrock
Flowers ·····	·····Carolyn Eickhoff



Tenth Sunday after Pentecost ~ July 28, 2024

Assisting Minister	Janice Gerken
Communion Assistants North	ma Schlesselman & Hannah Schweitzer
Reader	·····Tiffinay Nash
Children's Sermon	Paul Fuelling
Acolytes	Ben Goosen & Kaelyn Keith
Flowers ·····	······Melisa Balke