

**TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ JULY 28, 2024**

# JESUS FEEDS



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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

“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”

#461

## 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

“Praise and Thanksgiving”

#689 vs. 1 & 2

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.....**Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*please be seated*

First Reading

2 Kings 4:42 - 44

<sup>42</sup>A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, “Give it to the people and let them eat.” <sup>43</sup>But his servant said, “How can I set this before a hundred people?” So he repeated, “Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, ‘They shall eat and have some left.’ ” <sup>44</sup>He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 145:10-18

<sup>10</sup>All your works shall praise you, O LORD, and your faithful ones shall bless you.

<sup>11</sup>**They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power,**

<sup>12</sup>that all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

<sup>13</sup>**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages. You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.**

<sup>14</sup>The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

<sup>15</sup>**The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season.**

<sup>16</sup>You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

<sup>17</sup>**You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.**

<sup>18</sup>You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call upon you faithfully.

Second Reading

Ephesians 3:14 - 21

<sup>14</sup>For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup>from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. <sup>16</sup>I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, <sup>17</sup>and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. <sup>18</sup>I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup>and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. <sup>20</sup>Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Children's Sermon

Paul Fuelling

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Gospel Acclamation

"Praise & Thanksgiving"

#689 vs. 3

Gospel

John 6:1 - 21

The Holy Gospel according to John the 6th chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord**

<sup>1</sup>Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup>A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. <sup>3</sup>Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. <sup>4</sup>Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. <sup>5</sup>When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" <sup>6</sup>He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. <sup>7</sup>Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." <sup>8</sup>One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, <sup>9</sup>"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" <sup>10</sup>Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now

there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. <sup>11</sup>Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup>When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." <sup>13</sup>So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. <sup>14</sup>When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." <sup>15</sup>When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. <sup>16</sup>When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, <sup>17</sup>got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. <sup>18</sup>The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. <sup>19</sup>When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. <sup>20</sup>But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." <sup>21</sup>Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

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

"Break Now the Bread of Life"

#515

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

“Praise and Thanksgiving”

#689 vs. 4

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

“Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”

#767

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

#471

*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, † be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn            “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”            #843

### Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

# "GOD IS WITH US ALWAYS"



**Welcome:** On one day Jesus fed a crowd with a few loaves and fish, then calmed both a storm and his disciples (John 6:1-21). He is also with you always — whatever your needs and cares. Welcome to 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.



Jamie Simon, Joe Campbell, Don Brooks, Vernitta Brooks, Dustin Woods, Liz Smart, Don Gibbs, Art Heimsoth, Cliff Eckhoff, Averi Kroenke, Carmilla Swaim and husband (friends of Debbie Eckhoff), Joseph Fuelling (nephew of Paul Fuelling), 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), 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.



**Prayers:** 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 be interested in being placed on the substitute list. Please contact Rhonda or Janice if interested.



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!!



**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**. (We will still accept packages of underwear if you have already purchased those items.)

**One Stitch at a Time:** The Sewing Group will not meet on Monday, **July 29th**.





**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.

**Volunteering:** This year we will be sorting and arranging *Clothing Sale* clothing all week, Monday through Friday, **July 29 - August 2**, in preparation for the Clothing Sale on August 3. Volunteers are welcome to stop by any day, starting at 9:00am each day, to offer some time sorting. We will also need volunteers the day of the sale to help shoppers and straighten up the clothing tables.



**Health Care:** The Benton County Health Department will be here on Thursday, **August 1st** from 8:00am until 10:00am to help you with your health care needs.

**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 7:00pm 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. 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**

<b>Sunday, July 28:</b>	10:00am	Worship Service Holy Communion by Stations Undies Sunday
<b>Monday, July 29:</b>	NO 9:00am 6:00pm	Sewing Set-up for Clothing Sale VBS
<b>Tuesday, July 30:</b>	9:00am 5:30pm 6:00pm	Set-up for Clothing Sale Float Work VBS
<b>Wednesday, July 31:</b>	9:00am 5:30pm 6:00pm	Set-up for Clothing Sale Float Work VBS
<b>Thursday, August 1:</b>	8:00am 9:00am 5:30pm 6:00pm	BCHD Set-up for Clothing Sale Float Work VBS
<b>Friday, August 2:</b>	9:00am 6:00pm	Set-up for Clothing Sale VBS
<b>Saturday, August 3:</b>	9:00am 5:30pm	Clothing Sale Casual Worship
<b>Sunday, August 4:</b>	10:00am	Worship Service Holy Communion by Stations VBS Program



**~ \* ~ 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



## Tenth Sunday after Pentecost ~ July 28, 2024

**Assisting Minister** ..... Janice Gerken  
**Communion Assistants** ..... Norma Schlesselman & Hannah Schweitzer  
**Reader** ..... Tiffinay Nash  
**Children's Sermon** ..... Paul Fuelling  
**Acolytes** ..... Ben Goosen & Kaelyn Keith  
**Flowers** ..... Melisa Balke  
**Ushers** ..... Melinda Strathman, Assistant Head Usher  
Nicholas Dieckman, Mark Oelrichs, Randy Schlesselman & Steve Triplett.



## Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost ~ August 4, 2024

**Assisting Minister** ..... Melisa Balke  
**Communion Assistants** ..... Virgil & Diane Holsten  
**Reader** ..... Brian Randall  
**Children's Sermon** ..... Pastor Stephen Zeller  
**Acolytes** ..... Fred Goosen & Jace Tinney  
**Flowers** ..... Ellen Harms  
**Ushers** ..... Justin Tinney, Head Usher  
..... Victoria Fox, John Oelrichs, Braden Poe & Ryan Schlesselman