

1 PETER 2:5-9

YOU YOURSELVES LIKE
LIVING STONES ARE
BEING BUILT UP AS
A SPIRITUAL HOUSE

Welcome

to Living Stone! Jesus Christ is the living stone through whom we receive forgiveness, life, and salvation. We are glad you are here, as we gather for worship centered in Word and Sacrament.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- Mary Beth Carson, sister of Steve Glaeser, diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.
- Thanksgiving for the 10th wedding anniversary of Nick and Sarah Fiehler (Nov. 4).
- Laura Susic upcoming surgery (Nov. 12).
- Ken Lombardo upcoming surgery (Nov. 12).

Celebration of Baptisms in the Sanctuary This Weekend!
Noah Wilson
Theron Lowes

PASTORAL STAFF
Rev. Thomas S. Schlund • Senior Pastor
Rev. Tanner S. Wade • Associate Pastor
Rev. Paul T. Prange • Visitation Pastor

MUSIC STAFF
Matthew Gerhardt • Kantor
Joel Stoppenhagen • Asst. Kantor
Whitney Wade • Living Stone Music Dir.

SCHOOL STAFF
Dawn Walker • School Principal
Jessica Bangert • ECC Director
Andrea Bluhm • PDO Director

FAMILY MINISTRY
Sharon Shearman • Director

CORE VALUES

Faithful in Christ • Jesus is the center of our biblical foundation, Gospel message, and the Lutheran Confessions

Confident in Christ • Jesus generously provides all that we need for daily and eternal life

Joyful in Christ • Jesus is our source of joy that transcends our daily circumstances

Connected in Christ • Jesus' love moves us to serve the community and one another

Vision Statement • To be devoted followers of Jesus Christ, passionate about sharing the Gospel in word and deed

Mission Statement • Strengthen the saved; save the lost

WORSHIP
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, and 10:45 a.m. • Sunday 10:45 a.m. Living Stone

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SAINT PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



"Be Ready for the King"

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026

ORDER OF SERVICE

Greeting
Opening Song • *"Blessed Be Your Name"*
Invocation & Prayer of the Day
First Reading
Responsive Psalm
Epistle Reading
Holy Gospel
Song of the Day • *"Cornerstone"*
Sermon • *"Be Ready for the King"*
Apostles' Creed
Children's Message
Offering & Offertory Song • *"Holy Forever"*
Prayer of the Church
Confession of Sins and Absolution
The Lord's Prayer
Words of Our Lord & "Peace"
Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)
Distribution Songs *" Living Hope" &*
"10,000 Reasons(Bless the Lord)"
Dismissal
Benediction
Closing Song • *"Great Are You Lord"*
Announcements & Ministry Minute

Preaching: *Pastor Schlund* • **Liturgist:** *Pastor Wade*
Seminarian: *Cody Goetsch*
Audio: Kiera Presti **ProPresenter:** *Kevin Rudzinski*
Video:
Instrumentalists • *Acoustic guitar: Mike Peper;*
Bass: Dave Schaller; Electric guitar: Valerie Winkler
Piano: Mark Yaeger
Vocals • *Amy Maender, Dave Schaller, Leslie Rudzinski,*
Mark DeLory, Valerie Winkler

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Amos 5:18–24

Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why would you have the day of the LORD?

It is darkness, and not light, as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him, or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? "I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer Me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the peace offerings of your fattened animals, I will not look upon them.

Take away from Me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream."

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 70

P Make haste, O God, to deliver me!
C O Lord, make haste to help me!
P Let them be put to shame and confusion who seek my life!
C Let them be turned back and brought to dishonor who desire my hurt!
P Let them turn back because of their shame
C who say, "Aha, Aha!"
P May all who seek You rejoice and be glad in You!
C May those who love Your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"
P But I am poor and needy; hasten to me, O God!
C You are my help and my deliverer; O Lord, do not delay!
C 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.

EPISTLE READING

1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 25:1–13

[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."