

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.

BAPTISM

Madeline Brenda Hartman
Ethan William Hartman
Emma JoAnn Hartman
Children of Jason and Stefanie Hartman

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- Thanksgiving for the birth of Jordan Terence Spisak, son of Kevin and Rebecca Spisak, grandson of John and Karen Krause, and great grandson of Rev. Paul and Carol Prange (Nov. 8).
- Thanksgiving for the 30th wedding anniversary of Louis and Francine Vandeloecht (Nov. 16).



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



"Safe Isn't the Point"

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2026

ORDER OF SERVICE

Greeting
Opening Song • *"Goodness Of God"*
Invocation & Prayer of the Day
Old Testament Reading
Responsive Psalm
Epistle Reading
Holy Gospel
Song of the Day • *"I Will Follow"*
Sermon • *"Safe Isn't the Point"*
Song of Response • *"Great Are You Lord"*
Baptism
Offering & Offertory Song • *"Evidence"*
Confession of Sins and Absolution
Prayer of the Church
The Lord's Prayer
Benediction
Closing Song • *"You Never Let Go"*
Announcements & Ministry Minute

Preaching: *Pastor Wade* • **Liturgist:** *Pastor Schlund*
Seminarian: *Rob Laird*
Audio: Eli Hackman **ProPresenter:** *Reid Pelt*
Video:
Instrumentalists • *Acoustic guitar: Whitney Wade; Percussion: Steve Brosch; Piano: Bobby Schroeder*
Vocals • *Alyson Edwards, Ellie Pelt; Mark DeLory; Whitney Wade*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Zephaniah 1:7–16

Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is near; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice and consecrated His guests. And on the day of the LORD'S sacrifice— "I will punish the officials and the king's sons and all who array themselves in foreign attire. On that day I will punish everyone who leaps over the threshold, and those who fill their master's house with violence and fraud. "On that day," declares the LORD, "a cry will be heard from the Fish Gate, a wail from the Second Quarter, a loud crash from the hills. Wail, O inhabitants of the Mortar! For all the traders are no more; all who weigh out silver are cut off. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the men who are complacent, those who say in their hearts, 'The LORD will not do good, nor will He do ill.' Their goods shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them." The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter; the mighty man cries aloud there. A day of wrath is that day, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 90:1-12

P Lord, You have been our dwelling place
C in all generations.
P Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had formed the earth and the world,
C from everlasting to everlasting You are God.
P You return man to dust
C and say, "Return, O children of man!"
P For a thousand years in Your sight are but as yesterday when it is past,
C or as a watch in the night.
P You sweep them away as with a flood;
C they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning:
P in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;
C in the evening it fades and withers.
P For we are brought to an end by Your anger;
C by Your wrath we are dismayed.
P You have set our iniquities before You,
C our secret sins in the light of Your presence.
P For all our days pass away under Your wrath;
C we bring our years to an end like a sigh.
P The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty;
C yet their span is but toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away.
P Who considers the power of Your anger,
C and Your wrath according to the fear of You?
P So teach us to number our days
C that we may get a heart of wisdom.
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 5:1–11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night.

But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with Him. Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 25:14–30

[Jesus said:] "For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much.

Enter into the joy of your master.' He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed and gather where I scattered no seed? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"