



St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Worship: 9:00 am

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Reach Out and Share the Love of Christ through Word & Service

Summer Polka Service Fourth Sunday after Pentecost June 20th, 2021

*All hymns are
printed on
song sheet
enclosed*

PRE-SERVICE HYMNS “Let the Son Shine In”
“Gathered Together (Julida Polka)”

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Psalm 100*)

P: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

C: Worship the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs.

P: Know that the Lord is God. It is He Who made us, and we are His, we are His people, the sheep of His pasture.

C: Enter into his gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His Name.

P: For the Lord is good and His love endures forever;

C: His faithfulness continues through all generations.

P: We begin in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen! Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

OPENING HYMN: “Welcome, the Service is Starting”

CONFESSION

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

P: Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for you and for his sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope and love; and that we may obtain what you have promised, make us love what you have commanded; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS.....Job 38:1-11, 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

LESSON HYMN “Beautiful My Savior Be”

GOSPEL LESSON.....Mark 4:35-41

SERMON HYMN “I Love to Tell the Story”

SERMON “Doesn’t He Care” (Mark 4:35-41)

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church I acknowledge one Baptism for the

remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: Lord in your mercy

C: Hear our prayer

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BENEDICTION HYMN

ADMONITION TO COMMUNICANTS

P: I exhort you in Christ that you give attention to the Testament of Christ in true faith, and above all take to heart the words with which Christ presents his body and blood to us for forgiveness; that you take note of and give thanks for the boundless love that he showed us when he saved us from the wrath of God, sin, death, and hell by his blood; and that you then externally receive the bread and wine, that is, his body and blood, as a guarantee and pledge. Let us then in his name, according to his command, and with his own words administer and receive the Testament.

CONSECRATION OF ELEMENTS

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: “We Offer Bread and Wine”
“Under the Skies of Blue”

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Today we administer the Sacrament of the Altar. We believe, teach, and confess that this sacrament is “the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us Christians to eat and drink.” (*Luther's Small Catechism*)

Christ has given us this sacrament for our forgiveness and as an expression of our unity with one another. However, Scripture also says that those who receive this sacrament unworthily are guilty of sinning against the body and the blood of our Lord (1 Cor. 11:27-29). Therefore, we ask that those who have not communed with us before to speak with our pastor or an Elder.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. PARADE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - The Stewardship Committee is looking for ACT members to volunteer to walk with our float and hand out candy in the Prairie Days Parade July 17th. Please contact Tina Heiraas @ 320-237-2336 or tinaheiraas@hotmail.com if you are interested.

2. RECEPTION – Please join us for a Farewell Reception in honor of DCE Katie Litzau and her many years of service here at St. Paul. Reception will be held following the second service on Sunday, June 27th outside in the Church Courtyard. In case of inclement weather, reception will be held in the church basement.

3. BIBLE STUDY- Bible study will continue to be held on the parables of Jesus. Please join us on Wednesday evenings June 23 and 30, July 14, 21, and 28 at 7:00 p.m.

4. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for VBS & Camp Omega July: 19-23 from 9am-Noon: 1. Adults to teach story lessons, crafts, games, and prepare and serve snacks for VBS (3, 4, 5 year olds). All lessons and materials provided. Teach only on the days that work with your schedule. Call/text Board of Education Member April Lee at 612-248-0304 or email: alakelee@gmail.com
2. Youth to help with VBS and Camp Omega. Youth workday to prepare crafts, rooms, and decorate for VBS will be on Wednesday, July 14 from 10am-Noon. A pizza lunch will be served! Call/text April Lee at 612-248-0304

YOUTH

5. VBS/CAMP OMEGA will be held July 19th-23rd from 9:00am-NOON (Mon-Fri). VBS will be for children ages 3-5 (who are potty trained) and Camp Omega Day Camp will be for children going into grades 1-5. Registration forms are on the church website or available at church. Watch for more information, and contact the church office if you have any questions!

6. VOLUNTEER NEEDED- The Board of Ed. is looking for an adult volunteer to co-lead VBS. This would consist of helping plan and organize activities and snacks. Contact April Lee for more information 612-248-0304.

LWML

7. LWML NATIONAL CONVENTION- The LWML National Convention is June 24-27. Running The Race - Looking To Jesus. It will be live-streamed. Go to www.lwml.org. Click on Go to Live-streamed. You can choose which sessions you want to watch.

MISC

8. BLOOD DRIVE- Lester Prairie High School and Community Blood Drive will be held at City Hall on Wednesday, June 23 from 1:00-7:00 pm. Please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: LesterHS to schedule an appointment. For any questions, please contact Audrey at 320-420-6631. See poster on Bulletin Board for more information.

Calendar of Events

Sun. June 20th	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP W/ COMMUNION (INDOORS) OUTDOOR POLKA SERVICE W/ COMMUNION
Mon. June 21 st	Noon	Deadline for Lamplighter
Wed. June 23 rd	Noon 7:00 p.m.	Deadline for Bulletin Bible Study
Sun. June 27th	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	WORSHIP WORSHIP Farewell Reception for DCE Katie Litzau

MEMORY VERSE:

Psalm 27:1 “The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?”

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Pre-Service: Let the Son Shine In

Joyful hope, love of God, and smiling faces,
Is the heritage we have as sons of God
Christ has risen to new life,
Put an end to death and strife,
Now we celebrate as one and sons of God.

Chorus:

So let the Son shine in,
Share Christ with your neighbor,
And happiness will never leave your heart.
So let the Son shine in,
Shake hands with your neighbor,
And happiness will never leave your heart.

On the job, in your home, or at a party
People wishing all their friends the peace of Christ
Happy feeling in the air,
Forget your troubles and your cares,
And join all those who share the peace of Christ.
Repeat Chorus:

Pre-Service: Gathered Together (Julida Polka)

Gathered together, loving each other
Singing and praying, Lord God our Father
Bless us and guide us; teach us, unite us.
These things we ask Lord, please God forgive us.

Chorus:

Holy God, Holy God, Father, Spirit, Son
Holy God, Holy God, three persons all in one.
Prayers and sacrifice, Your blood, it was the price.
Holy God, Holy God, You're the one for us.

Accept our gifts Lord and our salutations.
In your name offered from this congregation.
We all are brothers praying for others
For our salvation to Your heavenly home.
Repeat Chorus

Opening Song: Welcome, the Service Is Starting

Welcome, the service is starting
Join in, sing wonderful songs. Praise God with
Brothers and sisters united
For Jesus, our King and our Lord

Chorus:

Jesus, please give us Your blessing
As we join voices in harmony
We ask for Your Spirit to guide us
Together, united we pray.

You said You'll always be with us
If two or more gather in Your Name
Give us the wisdom to follow
The courage to stay on the path Chorus

Create a clean heart in me, Lord
Renew my spirit with Your great power
Blessed are they that hear Your Word
And keep it until end of time Chorus

Lesson Hymn: Beautiful My Savior Be

Beautiful my Savior be
King of all creation He
Son of God and son of man
Truly I will love my Lord
Truly I will serve my Lord
You give my life light and joy

Fair are the warm rays of sun
Fair the evening moonlight glow
Bright the many stars on high
Jesus Christ is pure as snow
Jesus shines much brighter than
All of heaven's angels do

Fair the meadows lush and green
Fair the woodlands tall and lean
Robed in flowers that bloom in spring
On the solid Rock I stand
Christ, my guiding light in hand
Makes me smile and my heart sings

Beautiful my Savior be
Died for all on Calvary
Son of God and son of man
Honor be to Your sweet Name
Praise and adoration raise
Be forever Thine, my Lord

Sermon: I Love to Tell the Story

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story, because I know it's true;
It satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

Refrain

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story; how pleasant to repeat.
What seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
The message of salvation from God's own holy Word.
Refrain

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long.
Refrain

Benediction (Edelweiss)

May the Lord, mighty Lord,
Bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace,
Courage in every endeavor.
Lift your eyes, see His face
And His grace forever.
May the Lord, mighty Lord,
Bless and keep you forever.

Communion: We Offer Bread and Wine

We offer bread and wine, To show our love for You.
We share this sacred meal because You want us to.

Chorus:

Lord, accept us as we are,
For we come from near and far
To worship thru Your Son. Children of a sinful race,
Who do seem so out of place, But worshiping as one.

Our work and joy and pain, we also offer You.
Accept our humble gifts because we want You to.
Repeat Chorus:

We realize we're poor, but we offer what we can.
Accept our change of heart, Accept our open hand.
Repeat Chorus:

Now as we celebrate, this sacrament of love,
You give yourself to man, a gift from up above.
Repeat Chorus:

Communion: Under the Skies of Blue

(Smile Sweetheart Smile)
Under the skies of blue, Kneeling in prayer to You,
We sinners on earth profess Your love and holiness

Chorus:

Glorious Lord, Shower Your love
And Your grace on us.
Say but the word, our souls to heal and bless
Please, people, come.
Worship sincerely and pray with love;
Thanking the Lord and all the saints above.

O, Jesus, I confess of my unworthiness
Regretting the sinful past be with us to the last.
Repeat Chorus:
This bread and wine we take, oh sacrament divine;
Cleansing the soul from sin and keep us forever Thine.
Repeat Chorus:

Chuck Thiel and His Jolly Ramblers have released "It's a Family Tradition" featuring Generations 2-3-4 of the Thiel family in August 2020. The Jolly Ramblers have also recorded five Gospel CD's. "Beautiful, My Savior Be," "I Am the Vine," "The Message of Salvation," "The Love of Christ Proclaim," "Share Christ with Your Neighbor," and all other Jolly Ramblers' recordings, are available for purchase after today's mass/service.

Jolly Ramblers' appearance dates and times are subject to change without notice. Check our website jollyramblers.com for our schedule, tours, history, recordings, videos, contact information and more.