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EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP

“SERVICE OF THE WORD”

ONLINE WORSHIP VIA YOUTUBE



6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 12, 2020

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

*The congregation is invited to reply in places where the **bold** print appears.*

PRELUDE: Hymn #768

– Dave Lingensjo

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose steadfast love is everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

Amen.

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Reconciling God,

we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts.

We fail to believe that you provide enough for all.

We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.

We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us.

We sin in thought, word, and deed.

By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy
we have peace with God through † Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained
grace upon grace.

Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope.

For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG: Hymn #842

Oh, Worship the King



1 Oh, wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove.
2 The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,
3 Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?
4 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,
5 O mea - sure - less might, in - ef - fa - ble love,



Oh, grate - ful - ly sing God's pow - er and love;
Al - might - y, your pow'r has found - ed of old;
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
while an - gels de - light to hymn you a - bove,



our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,
your mer - cies, how ten - der, how firm to the end,
the hum - bler cre - a - tion, though fee - ble their lays,



pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor, and gird - ed with praise.
and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.
our mak - er, de - fend - er, re - deem - er, and friend.
with true ad - o - ra - tion shall sing to your praise.

Text: Robert Grant, 1779–1838, alt.
Music: HANOVER, William Croft, 1678–1727

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:10-13

A reading from Isaiah.

¹⁰For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,

¹¹so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

¹²For you shall go out in joy,
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

¹³Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial,
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

A time of silence follows the reading.

PSALM: Psalm 65: 9-13

Refrain:

Your paths o - ver - flow with plen - ty, O God, your
paths o - ver - flow with plen - ty.

Psalm 65:11

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⁹You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; the river of God is | full of water.

You prepare the grain, for so you provide | for the earth.

¹⁰**You drench the furrows and smooth | out the ridges;
with heavy rain you soften the ground and | bless its increase.**

¹¹You crown the year | with your goodness,
and your paths over- | flow with plenty.

¹²**May the fields of the wilderness be | rich for grazing,
and the hills be | clothed with joy.**

¹³May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak them- | selves with grain;

let them shout for | joy and sing. **R**

A time of silence follows the psalm.

SECOND READING: Romans 8:1-11

A reading from Romans.

¹There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ²For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. ³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴so that the just requirement of the law might be

fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, ⁸and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

A time of silence follows the reading.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia. The word is very | near to you;* it is in your mouth and | in your heart.

Alleluia. (Deut. 30:14)

GOSPEL: Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

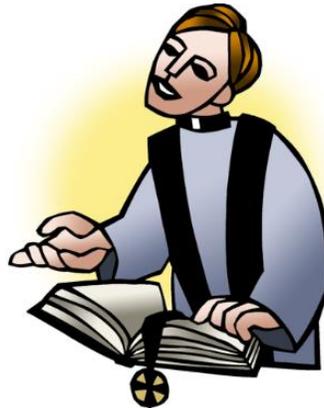
¹That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ²Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³And he told them many things in parables, saying: “Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹Let anyone with ears listen!”

¹⁸“Hear then the parable of the sower. ¹⁹When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. ²²As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON – *Rev. Chad R. Adamik*

A time of silence follows the sermon.



SONG OF THE DAY: Hymn #733

Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1 Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest, sun, moon, and
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear



shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -
stars in their cours - es a - bove join with all na - ture in
pres - ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to - day and bright



pas - sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.
man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Refrain



Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by



morn - ing new mer - cies I see; all I have need - ed thy



hand hath pro - vid - ed; great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me.

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866–1960

Music: FAITHFULNESS, William M. Runyan, 1870–1957

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world...*(Brief silence)*

Gracious God, your word has been sown in many ways and places. We pray for missionaries and newly planted congregations around the world. Inspire us by their witness to the faith we share. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Creating God, the mountains and hills burst into song and the trees and fields clap their hands in praise. We pray for the birds and animals who make their home in the trees, and for lands stripped bare by deforestation. Empower us to sustainably use what you have given. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Reigning God, we pray for our nation's leaders. Increase their desire for justice and equality. We pray for our enemies. Bridge the chasms that divide us and guide authorities to a deep and lasting peace. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Abiding God, care for all who are in need (*especially those we now name...*). For those who are doubting, renew faith. For those who are worrying, provide release. For those who are struggling, ease burdens. For those in fear, give hope. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Renewing God, revive your church in this place. Nourish and nurture the seeds you have planted, that we might grow as disciples. Replace what has been depleted. Sustain our ministries and deepen relationships with the wider community. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Eternal God, we give thanks for all who have died. Comfort us in the sure and certain hope of the resurrection. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And with you, too.

CANTICLE OF THANKSGIVING:

Salvation belongs to our God
and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.
Great and wonderful are your deeds,
O God of the universe;
just and true are your ways,
O Ruler of all the nations.
Who can fail to honor you, Lord,
and sing the glory of your name?
Salvation belongs to our God
and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.
For you alone are the Holy One,
and blessed is the one
whose name is the Word of God.
All praise and thanks to you, holy God!
Salvation belongs to our God
and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.



THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

Let us pray.

Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,
we give you thanks and praise.

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,
we give you thanks and praise.

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,
we give you thanks and praise.

Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us....

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.

SENDING

God sends us forth in the service of others.

BLESSING

The God of steadfastness and encouragement
grant you to live in harmony with one another,
in accordance with Christ Jesus.

Amen.

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The God of all grace ☩ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING

People of God, we have been given a mission:

“St. Paul’s Lutheran Family lifts high the cross to proclaim the good news of God’s love to all people.”

People of God, we have been given a vision:

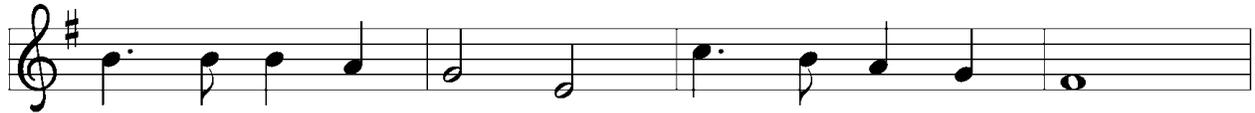
“The vision of St. Paul’s Lutheran Family is to seek God’s path for our lives and the life of the church and to compassionately lead, serve, and share Jesus Christ with the community and world.”

People of God, we have much work to do:

“For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God”
(Hebrews 3:4)

SENDING SONG: Hymn #537

On Our Way Rejoicing



1 On our way re - joic - ing glad - ly let us go.
2 Un - to God the Fa - ther joy - ful songs we sing;



Christ our Lord has con - quered; van - quished is the foe.
un - to God the Sav - ior thank - ful hearts we bring;



Christ with - out, our safe - ty; Christ with - in, our joy;
un - to God the Spir - it bow we and a - dore,



who, if we be faith - ful, can our hope de - stroy?
on our way re - joic - ing now and ev - er - more.

Refrain



On our way re - joic - ing; as we for - ward move,



hear - ken to our prais - es, O blest God of love!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt.
Music: HERMAS, Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879

DISMISSAL

Go in peace! Share the good news!

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE: Hymn #789

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us



1 Sav - ior like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten - der care.
2 We are yours; in love be - friend us, be the guard-ian of our way;
3 You have prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;
4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor, ear - ly let us do your will;



In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us, for our use your fold pre-pare.
keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.
you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.



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Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.

Text: attr. Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779–1847
Music: BRADBURY, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

ANNOUNCEMENTS



ST. PAUL'S VITAL STATS

ATTENDANCE

06/20/2020: Drive-in 22
06/21/2020: Drive-in 26
06/27/2020: Drive-in 23
06/28/2020: Drive-in 31
07/04/20 & 07/05/20: 15 Saturday, 26 Sunday

OFFERINGS

06/20/2020: \$323.14
06/21/2020: \$3,397.00
06/27/2020 & 06/28/2020: \$1,614.04
07/04/20 & 07/05/20: \$5,214.75

Offering amounts include budgetary receipts.

CONTRIBUTIONS

To meet our 2019-2020 budget, we need average unrestricted donations of **\$4,719 per week.**

The **Simply Giving Program** is promoted by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and administered by Vanco Payment Solutions.

If you are interested in using this service, or have any questions, please call Holly McPhail at **775 443-6639**. You may also pick up Thrivent forms at the church office.

**Thank you for your continuing support of our ministry at
St. Paul's Lutheran Family!**

Lord Hear Our Prayer!



You are in Our Prayers

SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Brandon Luterick, Heather Joyner (Johnson), Peter Elverum, Sarah McGee, Olivia Lesperance, and John Duffy (nephew of Sharon and Tom Gesick), Matthew Russell (nephew of Judy McPhail), and Justin Snowden.

FIREFIGHTERS/PEACE OFFICERS

Andy Steyn, Brian Hillenbrand, Tina Sherman, Mark Dickens, John Gould, and Jason Wildblood.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Wayne Opperman, *recovery from hip replacement surgery*, **Nikki Rohrs**, *recovery from knee replacement surgery*, **James Wilson**, **Hannelore Hanke**, **Frank Bartlett**, **Renee Woslum**, **Glenn Laursen**, **Edward Yoho**, **Madelene Yoho**, **DeWayne Evans**, **Lynn Gross**, **Evelyn Luterick**, **Sarah Jevne**, **Doug Thunder**, **Pat Thunder**, *recovery from hip surgery*, **Delores Sherman**, **Peggy Truttman**, **Norman Brewer** (Mary DeFelice's brother), **Katherine**, *cancer* (Susie Anderson's sister), **Holly and Trevis** (Requested by Deon Ferguson, a friend of St. Paul's), and **Hank Doll**, *triple by-pass surgery* (son-in-law of Ruth Fitzgerald), **Ryan Lynch**, *diagnosed with lymphoma* (Godson of Peg and John Bradtke), and a **special prayer for all the victims of COVID-19**.

CONTINUING PRAYERS FOR

Frank and Shirley Bartlett, **Bev Gutzman**, and **Sandy Danforth**, **Carol Kalleres**, *continued health issues*, **Bev Steinert** *continued eye-health issues*; **James Wilson** *continued health issues*; **Dwight and Susan Holmquist** and family *healing*; **Mary Ann Adamik** *healing*; **Ellen Harrell** *medical issues*; **Betty Razor** *healing*; **Debbie Revelle** *healing from severe heart and lung disease*; **Maxine Bowton**, **Harold Nolte**, **Karen (Hone) Nolte**, and **Diana Johns**.



Thank you to Andrea and Jim Rud for drawing our attention to the Celebration Cups. These are the pre-packaged wafer and wine cups used for communion. They then donated 250 of the cups that are now used for the drive-in services held on Saturday night and Sunday morning at St. Paul's Lutheran Family.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN FAMILY CALENDER

THIS WEEKEND

7/11 & 7/12 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship via YouTube Video

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCujH57tQGEsCKJhKyE8q2Lg>

7/15 Midweek Prayer Service 12:00 pm via YouTube

NEXT SUNDAY

7/19 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Worship via YouTube Video

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCujH57tQGEsCKJhKyE8q2Lg>

SATURDAY

7/11
Drive-in Worship
7:00 pm in St. Paul's parking lot
Greeter - Louise Griffith
Counters - Greg Griffith and Renee Woslum



SUNDAY

7/12
Drive-in Worship
9:00 am in St. Paul's parking lot
Greeter – Betty Thoreson
Counters - David Harrell and Mary DeFelice



Visitors please note: When inside St. Paul's, masks will be required. Thank you!