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BRIEF ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION ***ONLINE SERVICE***



23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 7 AND 8, 2020

4:00 P.M. + 8:00 A.M. + 10:30 A.M.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
in whose image we are made,
who claims us and calls us beloved.

Amen.

Holy One,

we confess that we are not awake for you.

We are not faithful in using your gifts.

We forget the least of our siblings.

We do not see your beautiful image in one another.

We are infected by sin

that divides your beloved community.

Open our hearts to your coming,

open our eyes to see you in our neighbor,

open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.

Beloved, we are God's children,
and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us.

Through ✝ Jesus you are forgiven,

by Jesus you are welcome,

in Jesus you are called to rejoice!

Let us live in the promises prepared for us
from the foundation of the world.

Amen.



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

O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with
the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to
the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

READING: Amos 5:18-24

¹⁸Alas for you who desire the day of the LORD!

Why do you want the day of the LORD?

It is darkness, not light;

¹⁹as if someone fled from a lion,

and was met by a bear;

or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall,

and was bitten by a snake.

²⁰Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light,

and gloom with no brightness in it?

²¹I hate, I despise your festivals,

and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

²²Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain
offerings,

I will not accept them;

and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals

I will not look upon.

²³Take away from me the noise of your songs;

I will not listen to the melody of your harps.

²⁴But let justice roll down like waters,

and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Word of God, word of life.

[Thanks be to God.]

(A time of silence follows the reading.)

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-13

The holy gospel according to Matthew.
[Glory to you, O Lord.]

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ²Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; ⁴but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. ⁶But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ ⁷Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ ⁹But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’ ¹⁰And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. ¹¹Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ ¹²But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’ ¹³Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

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



SERMON – Rev. Chad Adamik
(A time of silence follows the Sermon.)

We respond to the hearing of God’s Word with the Creed below.)

CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Longing for Christ's reign to come among us, we pray for the outpouring of God's power on the church, the world, and all in need.

Holy God, rouse us to deep praise as we gather for worship. Enliven our worship with sincere and heartfelt song. Sustain the work of all church musicians and artists who lead us in praise and prayer (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Holy Creator, surprise and delight us with the beauty of the world you have made. Bless the work of landscapers, architects, and artists whose work invites us into harmonious living with your creation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Holy Judge, let justice roll down like waters over this world. Reign over the courtrooms of every land, in the hearts of those who guard the law and those who stand accused of crimes. Be present in cases where we long for both justice and mercy to prevail (*especially*).

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Holy Companion, console those who feel lonely or abandoned. Share the hours of those who live and eat alone. Comfort those who have few friends or who struggle with their identity and place in this world. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Holy Protector, be with all observing Veterans Day. Guard the lives of active duty and retired military personnel. Comfort all who mourn those who have died in the line of duty. Heal the wounds, both physical and mental, experienced by service members. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Holy and Immortal One, we pray in thanksgiving for the lives of all who have died. Remind us of the frailty and shortness of our own lives and inspire us to use them for the building up of your kingdom. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Receive our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior, until that day when you gather all creation around your throne where you will reign forever and ever.

Amen

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.



**Please share a sign of peace, maintaining physical distance
(Pastor will demonstrate)*

OFFERING & TITHES ARE BROUGHT FORWARD



OFFERING PRAYER

God of all goodness,
generations have turned to you,
gathered around your table,
and shared your abundant blessings.
Number us among them
that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance,
and give thanks for your rich blessings,
we may feast upon your very self
and care for all that you have made,
through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

Amen.

(The table is set for Holy Communion.)

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.



DISMISSAL

Go in peace! Share the good news!

Thanks be to God!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. PAUL'S VITAL STATS



ATTENDANCE

10/10/2020 & 10/11/2020: 34

10/17/2020 & 10/18/2020: 44

10/24/2020 & 10/25/2020: 44

10/31/2020 & 11/01/2020: 33

OFFERINGS

10/10/2020 & 10/11/2020 - \$3,122.00

10/17/2020 & 10/18/2020 - \$5,315.00

10/24/2020 & 10/25/2020 - \$1,100.00

10/31/2020 & 11/01/2020 - \$9,796.00

Our offerings are often falling short of our weekly goals.

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!**

SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES



Raelynn Norman (niece of Judy McPhail)
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, Michael Gould, and Jason Wildblood.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING Edward Yoho, recovering from surgery; Ray Dalke, kidney and heart failure (nephew of Gayle Kennett); Doug Thunder, knee replacement surgery; Bill Sandell, hospitalized for surgery; Wayne Opperman, recovery from hip replacement surgery; James Wilson, Hannelore Hanke, Frank Bartlett, Renee Woslum, Glenn Laursen, Edward Yoho, Madelene Yoho, Fern Yoho, Maxine McGregor (Madelene's sister), DeWayne Evans, Lynn Gross, Evelyn Luterick, Sarah Jevne, 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); Ryan Lynch, diagnosed with lymphoma (Godson of Peg and John Bradtke); Richard Bradshaw, cancer (Ruth Fitzgerald's cousin); and a special prayer for all the victims of COVID-19.

Please pray this pandemic will end soon!

CONTINUING PRAYERS FOR Frank and Shirley Bartlett, Bev Gutzman, and Sandy Danforth, Carol Kalleres, continued health issues; Bev Steinert, ongoing vision issues; James Wilson, continued health issues; 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.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN FAMILY CALENDER

THIS SATURDAY

**11/07 Celebrating the Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost
(Online Service)**

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

In-sanctuary

4:00 PM

Greeter – Louise Griffith

Reader – Judy McPhail

Usher – Greg Griffith

THIS SUNDAY

11/08 Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost (Online Service)

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

In-sanctuary

8:00 AM

Greeter – Jeanne Russell

Reader – Carol Arneson

Usher – Vera Logie

In-sanctuary

10:30 AM

Greeters – Nikki Rohrs and Heidi Jones

Reader – Ruth Fitzgerald

Counters – Carol Arneson and Nikki Rohrs

NEXT SATURDAY

11/14 Celebrating the Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

(Online Service)

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

In-sanctuary

4:00 PM

Greeter – Judy McPhail

Reader – Steve Ranson

Usher – Greg Griffith

NEXT SUNDAY

11/15 Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

(Online Service)

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

In-sanctuary

8:00 AM

Greeter – Sandy Miller

Reader – Vera Logie

Usher – Nathan Miller

In-sanctuary

10:30 AM

Greeters – Linda Thronson and Heidi Jones

Reader – Heidi Jones

Counters – Judy McPhail and Dave Harrell

Usher – TBA

Altar Flowers Given By:

Brita and Rodger Steyn in honor of their grandson Hayden's birthday on November 8th.





Lay servants are needed for all worship services. Please contact the following people to sign-up:

Altar Guild: Jeanne Russell, 775 882-5397

detaillady2002@att.net

Greeters: Andrea Rud, 701 430-1071 askinnd@yahoo.com

Counters: Mary DeFelice, 775 882-0916

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Readers: Judy McPhail, 775 841-7620 jmc1966@live.com

Ushers: Dave Harrell, 775 315-4661

davidharrell93@yahoo.com

Many hands make light work! Thank you in advance for your help!



N.O.T.S.

St. Paul's will host the warming shelter every day from November 15th to November 30th.

Training sessions for volunteers will be held at the First United Methodist Church on Sunday, 11/8 at 6:00 PM or Monday, 11/9 at 6:00 PM.

Please contact Pastor Chad or Molly McGregor at 775 350-9511 if you can help.



There will be an ONLINE Community Thanksgiving worship service on Tuesday, November 17th at 7:00 PM via Zoom. Link information will be posted soon.

Please join us and tell your family and friends!