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



24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 14 AND 15, 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

Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

READING: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

⁷Be silent before the Lord GOD!

For the day of the LORD is at hand;
the LORD has prepared a sacrifice,
he has consecrated his guests.

¹²At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
and I will punish the people
who rest complacently on their dregs,
those who say in their hearts,
“The LORD will not do good,
nor will he do harm.”

¹³Their wealth 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.

¹⁴The great day of the LORD is near,
near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter,
the warrior cries aloud there.

¹⁵That day will be a day of wrath,
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,
¹⁶a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.

¹⁷I will bring such distress upon people
that they shall walk like the blind;
because they have sinned against the LORD,
their blood shall be poured out like dust,
and their flesh like dung.

¹⁸Neither their silver nor their gold
will be able to save them
on the day of the LORD's wrath;
in the fire of his passion
the whole earth shall be consumed;
for a full, a terrible end
he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Word of God, word of life.

[Thanks be to God.]

(A time of silence follows the reading.)

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30

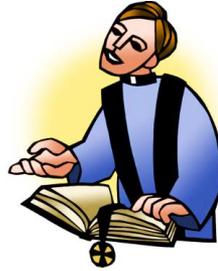
The holy gospel according to Matthew.

[Glory to you, O Lord.]

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁴“For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.’ ²¹His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ ²²And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.’ ²³His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ ²⁴Then the one who had received the one talent also

came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ ²⁶But his master replied, ‘You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ³⁰As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ”

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.

Lord of the church, ignite your people with the passion of your love. By the fire of your Holy Spirit, unify us across ministries, congregations, and denominations, and refine us to participate in your activity throughout the world. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord of creation, we stand in awe at the works of your hands and praise you for the beauty of nature (*local places of natural beauty may be named*). Bless the earth for your glory and restore its integrity where exploitation has caused ruin. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord of the nations, sound forth your justice in the ears of all leaders. Increase concern for those who are most vulnerable, especially as international leaders forge trade agreements and cooperate to end human rights abuses. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord of all in need, search out all who cry to you in distress. Scatter the heavy clouds of depression, chronic illness, unemployment, and loneliness with your radiant light. Send us as encouragement and signs of your healing. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord of the stranger, stir up holy restlessness in us to extend love to those at the margins. Release our desire for control and open us to learn from the perspectives of others. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord of the living and the dead, we give you thanks for all the saints at rest from their labors (*especially*). Rouse us to live by their example, that saints yet to come may also know your love. 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.

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.

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

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

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

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

11/07/2020 & 11/08/2020: 34

OFFERINGS

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

11/07/2020 & 11/08/2020 - \$2,900.00

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; Betty Clamp, 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

**11/14 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

THIS 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

NEXT SATURDAY

**11/21 Celebrating Christ the King - Twenty-fifth Sunday
after Pentecost**

(Online Service)

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

In-sanctuary

4:00 PM

Greeter – Judy McPhail

Reader – Nikki Jones

Usher – Greg Griffith

NEXT SUNDAY

**11/22 Christ the King - the Twenty-fifth Sunday after
Pentecost (Online Service)**

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

In-sanctuary

8:00 AM

Greeter – Sandy Miller

Reader – Kim Neiman

Usher – Nathan Miller

In-sanctuary

10:30 AM

Greeters – Linda Thronson and Holly McPhail

Reader – Judy Mc Phail

Counters – Carol Arneson and Renee Woslum

Altar Flowers Given By:



The McPhails

Flowers in honor of Judy's birthday on the 3rd, Heather Silver's birthday on the 11th, Bryan Chowanski's birthday on the 19th, Kennedy Randle's birthday on the 22nd, and Nicholas Cotsonis' birthday on the 27th.



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

Altar Guild: Jeanne Russell, 775 882-5397

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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.

Nights off the Street

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

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.

Meeting ID 225 675 3662

Password: Interfaith

<https://tinyurl.com/interfaith2020>

Please join us and tell your family and friends

*Please wish Pastor Chad
a very Happy Birthday
this Sunday, November 15th!*

