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**Office Hours**

Mon.-Thurs. 8:30-1:30pm  
Friday Closed

**Adult Bible Study**

Sunday 9:15am;  
Thursday 2pm  
Sept. –May

**Sunday School**

9-10:15am Sept.—May

**St. James Worship Service**

Sunday 10:30 am  
Wednesday 6 pm

**St. Paul's Worship Service**

Sunday 8:00 am  
Bible Study 9:00 am

**Organists**

Mrs. Sharon Lutz  
Mrs. Tracey Draper

***Congregations of the Lutheran Church  
Missouri Synod  
August 25, 2019  
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost***

**Our Mission**

**"Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Reaching In with the Lord!"**



*St. James Lutheran Church*



*St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
N15296 19<sup>th</sup> Ave. Nekoosa, WI 54457  
(New Miner)*

*The Members of St. James and St. Paul's*  
welcome you to the family of our Lord Jesus Christ!

**Rev. Roger A. Erdman**

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**Sunday Worship services at St. James are broadcast live by Mauston radio WRJC AM 1270 and 92.9FM**

**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 25, 2019**

**Hymns— 915-510620 (sts 1-4)-526-667**



**Pre-Service Prayers (see inside front cover of LSB)**

**As We Gather**

*The Cross of Christ Is the Way into the Kingdom of God*

With the cross of Christ, the time has come “*to gather all nations and tongues*” (Is. 66:18). The sign of the cross is set forth in the preaching of the Gospel, the declaration of the Lord’s glory “*among the nations*” (Is. 66:19). Many “*will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God*” (Luke 13:29), but only by the narrow way of the cross. Those who refuse to follow Christ crucified will ultimately find only “*weeping and gnashing of teeth*” (Luke 13:28), whereas Christ’s disciples, called from all the nations, will eat and drink with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of God. They will come into “*the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem*” (Heb. 12:22).

**Ringling of the Bells**

**Hymn of Invocation: LSB #915 “Today Your Mercy Calls Us”**

**Order of Worship: Divine Service Setting Four—Page 203**

**Confession and Absolution—Pg. 203**

**Service of the Word—Pg. 204**

**Introit**

Psalm 117; antiphon: Psalm 96:6a; 115:18

Splendor and majesty are before him;

**we will bless the Lord from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the Lord!**

Praise the Lord, all nations!

**Extol him, all peoples!**

For great is his steadfast love toward us,

**and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord!**

Splendor and majesty are before him;

**we will bless the Lord from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the Lord!**

♪ **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

**The Kyrie – Pg. 204**

**Gloria in Excelsis—Page 204**

**Salutation– Pg. 205**

**Collect of the Day: O Lord, You have called us to enter Your kingdom through the narrow door. Guide us by Your Word and Spirit, and lead us now and always into the feast of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ♪Amen.**

**Old Testament Reading**

**Isaiah 66:18-23**

<sup>18</sup>“For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory, <sup>19</sup>and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands afar off, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And they shall declare my glory among the nations. <sup>20</sup>And they shall bring all your brothers from all the nations as an offering to the LORD, on horses and in chariots and in litters and on mules and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says the LORD, just as the Israelites bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the LORD. <sup>21</sup>And some of them also I will take for priests and for Levites, says the LORD.

<sup>22</sup>“For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make shall remain before me, says the LORD, so shall your offspring and your name remain.

<sup>23</sup>From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the LORD.”

**Epistle Reading**

**Hebrews 12:4-24**

<sup>4</sup>In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. <sup>5</sup>And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons?

“My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him.

<sup>6</sup>For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.”

<sup>7</sup>It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? <sup>8</sup>If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. <sup>9</sup>Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? <sup>10</sup>For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. <sup>11</sup>For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

<sup>12</sup>Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, <sup>13</sup>and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. <sup>14</sup>Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. <sup>15</sup>See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; <sup>16</sup>that no one is sexually immoral or un-

holy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. <sup>17</sup>For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, though he sought it with tears.

<sup>18</sup>For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest <sup>19</sup>and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. <sup>20</sup>For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." <sup>21</sup>Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." <sup>22</sup>But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup>and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup>and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

## **Alleluia and Verse -Pg. 205**

### **Holy Gospel Reading**

### **Luke 13:22-30**

<sup>22</sup>[Jesus] went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying toward Jerusalem. <sup>23</sup>And someone said to him, "Lord, will those who are saved be few?" And he said to them, <sup>24</sup>"Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. <sup>25</sup>When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, open to us,' then he will answer you, 'I do not know where you come from.' <sup>26</sup>Then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.' <sup>27</sup>But he will say, 'I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!' <sup>28</sup>In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out. <sup>29</sup>And people will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. <sup>30</sup>And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

## **Hymn of the Day: LSB #510 "A Multitude Comes from the East and the West"**

**Sermon: "Jesus Is the Door"**

**Text: Luke 13:22-30**

**Nicene Creed**

**Rite of Confirmation Profession of Faith-LSB pg. 272ff**

*Sheila Balsiger Rite of Confirmation & Joseph Awe Profession of Faith*

**Our Prayers (LSB pg. 215f)**

**Offering: Please sign the record of fellowship pad found in each pew so we know who is worshipping with us today.**

*(As the offering is brought forward, congregation stands, singing sts. 1 & 2 of LSB #781)*

## **The Divine Service of the Sacrament-Pg. 208**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table all who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set

aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is professed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, must first speak with the pastor or the elder. For those who are in need of non-alcoholic wine, that is provided in the middle of the tray. Also, if you are in need of a gluten-free wafer please speak to an elder or the pastor before the service.

**Distribution Hymns:**

**LSB #620 (sts. 1-4) "Jesus Comes Today with Healing"**

**LSB #526 "You Are the Way through You Alone"**

**Post-Communion Canticle-Pg. 211 "Nunc Dimittis"**

**Benediction- Pg. 212**

**Hymn of Departure: LSB #667 "Saints, See the Cloud of Witnesses"**

**Those Serving in our Worship Today:**  
**Preacher, Lector and Celebrant-Rev. Roger Erdman**  
**Organist-Mrs. Tracey Draper**  
**Organist-Mrs. Sharon Lutz**

**Elder for the Month of August Ken Hornburg**  
**Trustee for the Month of August Elmer Hornburg**  
**St. James Altar Care for the Month of August Sandy Harry (In need of a volunteer)**  
**St. Paul's Altar Care for the Month of August Donna K & Lori K**

**Flowers:**

**Radio Sponsors:**

**Special Needs for August**

**Popsicles (sugar free too) 2-1 Shampoo & conditioner)**  
**Necedah Food Pantry- Any non-perishable food item**

**Want to prepare for next week's worship?**

**Proverbs 25:2-10; Hebrews 13:1-17; Luke 14:1-14**

**Daily Readings for this week: (Week 35)**

25<sup>th</sup> Come to the Lord's House  
26<sup>th</sup> 1Ch 18:1-20:8  
27<sup>th</sup>: 1Ch 21:1-30  
28<sup>th</sup>: 1Ch 22:1-19  
29<sup>th</sup> 1Ch 23:1-27:34  
30<sup>th</sup> 1Ch 28:1-21  
31<sup>th</sup> 1Ch 29:1-30

**Prayers for those in our family of faith and those close to us...**

**St. James Members**

***Those who are Homebound or in a Care facility***

Gertrude Kirtz, Lois Lazeration

***Those with special concerns....***

Charlene Sitas

Tyler Burke

Carol Braund

Lindy and Joyce Hanson

Alvina (nee Pollock) O' Connor

Daryl Fabian

Bonnie Augustynowicz

Veronica Brockwell

Renee Schultz

**St. Paul's Members**

***Those who are Homebound or in a Care facility***

Vernie Prust, Eleanor Van Meter

***Those with special concerns...***

Denna Winters, Mary Lou Trutt, Lowell Pals,

Gregg Winters (Son of Sharon Winters)

Mary Shear (Sister-in-law of Donna Klein)

Glen Skibba

Lori J

Leann Winters (wife of Dale Winters)

Karen Smedbron (Daughter of Delores Smedbron)

Todd Wallender (Patsy Wallender's son)

Amber Pfloughoeft (Granddaughter of Milt and Cindy Smith)

Catherine Hafkey (Sister of Cindy Smith)

Judy Ahlers (Sister of Deb Ennis)

Pastor John Siedschlag and Virginia

David Hanson (nephew of Dave & Mary Lou Arnold)

Dave and Judy Berna (son-in-law and daughter of Gert Kirtz)

Russell Dillin (Friend of Chisick family)

Ray Haupt (Friend of Maribeth Stivers)

Marie Anderson (Friend of Maribeth Stivers)

Brian Kronsedt (Grandson of the late L.T. Stivers)

Rhett Chance (Grandson of Greg & Kristy Ebert, Son of Quinn Ebert Chance)

Marylin Fuss (Megan's friend)

Dan Crivello (Friend of Bonnie Augustynowicz)

Karen Roy (Friend of Bonnie Augustynowicz)

Keira Koslowski (Friend of Christina Fischer)

Becky Smith (Friend of Christina Fischer)

Kerry Couley (Mother to Nolan, Declan, Annie Oens)

Montey Stratton (Cousin of Christina Fischer)

Ed Kindschi (Sandy Harry's Nephew-in-Law)

**Those who are persecuted for Christ's Sake.**

**Pastor Ryan and Emily McDermott & their family as they serve as missionaries to the deaf in West and Central Africa.**

***Remember in Prayer: If you have a prayer request for yourself or a loved one, or are hospitalized either by an emergency or by planned care, please inform Pastor Erdman as soon as possible by calling his cell 920-312-2079, via his email pastor@stjamesnecedah.com or call the church office at 565-7252 and the information will be given to Pastor Erdman. Anyone who needs to reach Pastor Erdman, whether it is an emergency or non-emergency situation, please contact him by calling the church office at 565-7252 or his cell 920-312-2079.***

## *Our Gifts to God for August 18*

### St. James

Budget Amt. Needed/wk.	\$ 1,538.46
<u>Total Gifts to God</u>	<u>\$ 808.00</u>
Total Weekly Budget (under)	\$ (730.46)

Attendance: 33

### St. Paul's

Plate	\$ 0.00
<u>Envelopes</u>	<u>\$ 351.00</u>
Total	\$ 351.00

Attendance: 9

**CHRISTIANS WHOSE HEARTS ARE  
FILLED WITH CHRIST'S LOVE  
WILL BE THANKFUL.**

“And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him” (Colossians 3:17).

### *Week of August 25-31*

#### St. Paul's

Worship Service: 8:00 am w/c

#### St. James

Worship Service: 10:30 w/c

Tuesday-Trustee's Mtg., Elders Mtg. at 6pm Church Council-7pm  
Wednesday: Quilting 12 noon

### *Sunday, September 1, 2019*

#### St. Paul's

Worship Service: 8:00 am n/c

#### St. James

Worship Service: 10:30 am w/c

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Thank You VBS-**Children for the donations to South Wisconsin District Dominican Republic Mission Project The amount was \$196.00.

**The youth will be attending** a Contemporary Christian Music Concert by Micah Tyler at Adams High School on Sept 12th. This is being sponsored by Thrivent. Please sign up so we can get the tickets. Members of the youth club get in for \$6.00 and are welcome to bring a friend. Others are welcome also and the price is \$12.00 for a pre -sales ticket. Please sign the easel board if you want a ticket. Any questions -please see Christina Fischer.

**St. James will be holding a salad luncheon** on Friday Sept. 20. Please check the easel in the fellowship hall if you are able to help. If there are questions please see Sharon or Penny.

**St. Paul's Ladies Aid-**The next meeting for St. Paul's Ladies Aid will be **Monday, September 9, at 6pm** in the church. Meetings are held once a month on the 2nd Monday.

**Flower/Radio Sign Up-** Please keep an eye on the radio and flower sign-up sheets on the bulletin board for open dates.

**Scrip Cards**—Scrip cards make excellent gifts for *any* occasion or just for your own shopping needs! Cards are available for many stores, restaurants and gas stations! Please see Dan or Cynthia Peterson in the Fellowship Hall after service for details and purchase.

**Bulletin Prayer List-**From time to time we have to look at the length of the bulletin prayer list. If you or your loved one is in a state of recovery to be removed, kindly let Cathy know in the church office.

**LLL Breakfast Bible Study-**Saturday September 14, 2019 @ 8am All are Welcome.

**Thank you to all who attended our first Family Night!** -Sixteen people came to see the movie "Wonder" and enjoyed popcorn and snacks. Watch for information on the next Family Night coming in September!

**Sunday School-** will be starting on Sunday September 8 at 9am.

**Our Women's Bible Study-** group will be meeting on Monday, September 9 at 6PM. Please join us--and bring a friend!

**Life Thoughts:** . A complicated pregnancy certainly qualifies as the day of trouble (Psalm 50:15). So does an incurable illness or chronic pain. Abortion and assisted suicide summon death to solve the difficulties. But He who possesses cattle on a thousand hills (Psalm 50:10) gives Jesus for redemption. He urges us not to settle for incomplete remedies, however immediate. Appeal instead all the way to the top: "Call upon me and I will deliver you."