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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 9, 2020
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost***

Our Mission

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



St. James Lutheran Church



*St. Paul's Lutheran Church
N15296 19th 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, Pastor

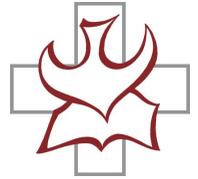
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Sunday Worship services at St. James are broadcast live by Mauston radio WRJC AM 1270 and 92.9FM

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Hymns: 587-717-618-571-752



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

As We Gather

Christ the Crucified Comes to Save Us by the Word of Faith

The Lord who *“laid the foundation of the earth”* (Job 38:4) is the Author and Giver of life who governs all things by His Word. His wisdom and power are beyond our understanding, except as He reveals Himself in the incarnate Word, Christ Jesus. He has *“entered into the springs of the sea”* and *“walked in the recesses of the deep”* (Job 38:16), and He draws near to us in mercy. We have been *“a long way from the land, beaten by the waves”* and tossed about by hostile winds (Matt. 14:24). In our mortality and sinful unbelief, we do not always recognize the Lord Jesus. But as we cry out in fear, He speaks tenderly to us, *“Do not be afraid,”* and He reaches out His hand to save us (Matt. 14:27, 31). *“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved”* (Rom. 10:13), and now we call upon Him in faith, because we have heard *“through the word of Christ”* (Rom. 10:17). *“The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart”* (Rom. 10:8).

Ring of the Bells

(SJ) Blessing of *Children’s Hymnals* and *Lectionaries*: See Insert

Hymn of Invocation: LSB #587 “I Know My Faith Is Founded”

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Psalmody

Psalm 18:1-6

¹I love you,

O LORD, my strength.

²The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,

my God, my Rock, in whom I take refuge, my Shield, and the Horn of my salvation, my Stronghold.

³I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,

and I am saved from my enemies.

⁴The cords of death encompassed me;

the torrents of destruction assailed me;

⁵the cords of Sheol entangled me;

the snares of death confronted me.

⁶In my distress I called upon the LORD; to my God I cried for help.

From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry to him reached his ears.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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Collect of the Day:

P: Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♪Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Job 38:4-18

⁴[The LORD said to Job:] “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
Tell me, if you have understanding.

⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

⁶On what were its bases sunk,
or who laid its cornerstone,

⁷when the morning stars sang together
and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors
when it burst out from the womb,

⁹when I made clouds its garment
and thick darkness its swaddling band,

¹⁰and prescribed limits for it
and set bars and doors,

¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
and here shall your proud waves be stayed’?

¹²“Have you commanded the morning since your days began,
and caused the dawn to know its place,

¹³that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth,
and the wicked be shaken out of it?

¹⁴It is changed like clay under the seal,
and its features stand out like a garment.

¹⁵From the wicked their light is withheld,
and their uplifted arm is broken.

¹⁶“Have you entered into the springs of the sea,
or walked in the recesses of the deep?

¹⁷Have the gates of death been revealed to you,
or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?

¹⁸Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth?
Declare, if you know all this.”

Epistle Reading

Romans 10:5-17

⁵Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

¹⁴But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

²²Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, “It is a ghost!” and they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.” ²⁸And Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” ²⁹He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.” ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” ³²And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

Hymn of the Day: LSB #717 “Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

Sermon: “What Can You Do with a Little Faith”

Text: Matthew 14:22-33

Nicene Creed

Prayer of the Church: General Prayer 2 (See Insert)

Offering (*Temporarily the offering is collected at the back of the sanctuary at both congregations. Please sign the record of fellowship pad found in each pew so we know who is worshipping with us today.*)

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 #618 "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"

LSB #571 "God Loved the World So That He Gave"

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

Benediction- Pg. 212

Hymn to Depart: LSB #752 "Be Still, My Soul"

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Those Serving in our Worship Today:

Preacher, Lector and Celebrant—Rev. Roger Erdman

Organist—(SP) Mrs. Tracey Draper

Organist—(SJ) Mrs. Sharon Lutz

Elder for the Month of August—Ken Hornburg

Trustee for the Month of August—Don Ennis

St. James Altar Care for the Month of August—Tammy E, Sue K, Sandy K, Debby E, Sandy H

St. Paul's Altar Care for the Month of August—Donna K & Lori K

Radio Sponsor—Karin & Gerry Ganther

Special Needs for August

At this time the VA is not accepting donations

Necedah Food Pantry- Any non-perishable food item

Want to prepare for next week's worship?

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8; Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32;

Daily Readings for this week: Week 32 (84)*

9 th Come to the Lord's House	13 th Ac 17:1-18:23
10 th Ac 13:1-14:28	14 th Ac 18:24-21:16
11 th Ac 15:1-35	15 th Ac 21:17-23:35
12 th Ac 15:36-16:40	

***The number in parenthesis represents the week of the Readings as found in The Lutheran Study Bible under the Two-Year Reading Plan.**

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

Lindy and Joyce Hanson

Alvina (nee Pollock) O' Connor

Daryl Fabian

Linda Randall

Milton Smith

St. Paul's Members

Those who are Homebound or in a Care facility

Eleanor Van Meter

Those with special concerns...

Denna Winters

Mary Lou Trutt

Gregg Winters (Son of Sharon Winters)

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

Troy Winters

Glen Skibba

Leann Winters (wife of Dale Winters)

Karen Smedbron (Daughter of Delores Smedbron)

Todd Wallender (Patsy Wallender's son)

Ginny Link

Delores Smedborn

Amber Pfloughoeft (Granddaughter of Milt and Cindy Smith)

Judy Ahlers (Sister of Deb Ennis)

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

Marylin Fuss (Megan's friend)

Karen Roy (Friend of Bonnie Augustynowicz)

Montey Stratton (Cousin of Christina Fischer)

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

Nikki Ravenscroft (Friend of Christina Fischer)

Darold Hamburg (Friend of Amanda Hatfield)

Christine Dietz (ex-wife of Peter Taraban)

Ginny Link

Ken Finke (Brother of Deb Ennis)

Donna Wick (sister of Bill Gatzke)

Delaney Kraemer (Friend of the Fischer Family)

Daniel O' Connor (husband of Alvina (nee Pollock) O' Connor).

Brad Bever (TJ Oens Coach)

Robert Gurrath(Friend of Cathy Crabtree and Eugene Crabtree)

Jeff Bourassa (Friend of Cathy Crabtree)

Sommer Bloomer (Daughter of Christina Fischer)

Ida Pfaff (sister of MaryAnn Peterson)

Those who grieve. . . The family of Margie Lawson (Vivian Kueker's sister)

Those who are persecuted for Christ's Sake.

Pastor Ryan and Emily McDermott & their family .

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 2

St. James

Budget Amt. Needed/wk.	\$ 1,538.46
<u>Total Gifts to God</u>	<u>\$ 2,019.00</u>
Total Weekly Budget (Over)	\$ (480.54)

Attendance: 8-2 (25)

St. Paul's

Plate	\$ 0.00
<u>Envelopes</u>	<u>\$ 410.00</u>
Total	\$ 410.00

Attendance: 9

OUR BLESSINGS FROM GOD **SHOULD LEAD US TO ACTION** **FOR GOD.**

“Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful” (1 Corinthians 4:2).



Week of August 9-15, 2020

St. Paul's

Worship Service: 8:00 am w/c

St. James

Worship Service: 10:30 w/c

Wednesday (SJ): Worship Service @ 6pm with w/c

Sunday, August 16, 2020

St. Paul's

Worship Service: 8:00 am n/c

St. James

Worship Service: 10:30 am w/c

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COVID-19 REMINDER: Since the COVID-19 cases have spiked now that we are in the summer months, it is important that we follow the precautionary means available to us. These measures for the most part were agreed upon at the May 20 the St. James and St. Paul's Joint Council Meeting. Presently, we are asking that you: 1) follow a every other pew seating arrangement with the recommended social distancing of six feet within the pews, apart from unrelated families; 2) **A FACE COVERING IS REQUIRED** (required by Governor Tony Evers executive orders: #1 and #82) – disposable masks are available at both St. James and St. Paul's; 3) at St. James disposable gloves are available in the fellowship hall for those desire to wear them; 4) hand sanitizer is available at both St. James and St. Paul's; 5) disinfectant disposable wipes are available at St. James to wipe down the Lutheran Service Book and/or the area where you are seated; 6) it is highly recommended that no hand shaking take place until further notice; 7) we will be practicing social distancing at the Communion Altar; 8) before and after the worship services kindly keep your visiting to a minimum inside, weather permitting visit outdoors. If you do not feel comfortable worshipping on Sundays, there are two Wednesday evening (6:00) worship services in August (12 and 26) with Holy Communion. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Thank you. Pastor Erdman

BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY: The next Breakfast Bible Study will take place on Saturday, August 15 from 8:00 to 10:00. At this time the breakfast will not be a full cooked meal. Rather, it will be much simpler with a few bakery items brought in. The Bible Study focus will again be in the Book of Revelation. COVID-19 restrictions will apply with those supplies available.

Facebook Worship Service Streaming: As COVID-19 continues to inhibit some people from attending worship services, Facebook streaming of St. James's Sunday, 10:30 a.m., worship services will continue until further notice. As we continue with Facebook streaming, we thank Fred Fischer III for making this possible. Thank you.

ST. JAMES 2020 SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE: Following is the summer worship schedule. All these services are at 6:00 p.m. and will offer Holy Communion. It is our prayer that those who do not have the opportunity to worship on a given Sunday, will find an opportunity to worship at one of the Wednesday services. The dates of these services are as follows: August 12 and 26.

Life Thoughts: – The Lord of Life intimately and meticulously attends to His creation (Job 38:4-18). He even gently but relentlessly looks after the inanimate objects. But did His devotion to mountains and oceans drive Him to order our world from within and not just from outside (Matthew 14:32)? No. He has put on the universe He put together so that He may love and save and have humankind. And He has not spared the smallest detail. So why would we exclude any, whatever their size, skills, or circumstances?