

**'THE GUIDE +++**  
**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH-STRASBURG ILLINOIS**

**June 13, 2021**

**Third Sunday after Pentecost**

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**THIS WEEK WITH THE LORD**

SUN.	8:30 AM	Communion Service
	9:30 AM	Sunday School, Alpha,W.L.S.,College Plus, High School
	10:15 AM	Communion Service
TUE.	9:30 AM	Morning Bible Study
WED.	8:30 AM	<b>Guide/Bulletin</b> deadline
	8:30 AM	Chair Yoga
SUN.	8:30 AM	Worship Service
	9:30 AM	Sunday School, Alpha,W.L.S., College Plus, High School
	10:15 AM	Worship Service

**June 6 8:30: 69 10:15: 70 Total 139 - Year Ago: 0 Sunday School: 48**

**Welcome** Welcome to worship, as we pray: Speak your word to us, Lord, as we are able to hear it. (from Mark 4:33) *If you are a visitor, we invite you to worship with us again and to please sign our guestbook.*

**VBS** There are sign up sheets in the narthex for cookies, milk, bottled water and cups for Vacation Bible School. Please contact Karen Pfeiffer at 217-343-6814 or e-mail her at [dkpfeiffer@consolidated.net](mailto:dkpfeiffer@consolidated.net) if you have any questions.

**Baby Bottle** Just a friendly reminder to get your Baby Bottle donations in by June 20<sup>th</sup>.

**VBS** Ongoing fears are a part of our lives. Fear of failure, or disappointing others, concerns for our children and grandchildren, death and dying are just a few of our fears. Living unafraid is not living without fear, it is living without being controlled and consumed by fear. To learn how to do this in your own life, plan to come to the Adult Bible Study being held during VBS hours, 9:00 to 11:30 June 21-25. To register contact Karen Kull at 217-25-3141, Dee Dee Batson at 217-821-4929, Virginia Vogel at 217-254-6614 or make a note on your child's registration form.

**Congratulations** to Dwight & Melvina Lading who will celebrate 69 years of marriage on June 14. The flowers on the alter were given by their children.

**Vacation Bible School** There will be a meeting of the VBS teachers and leaders on Wednesday, June 16 at 9:30 a.m. in the social hall. Student helpers will not need to attend this meeting.

**Congratulations** to Colton & Alecia Booher on the birth of their son Liam Elliott, born on May 16<sup>th</sup>.

## FOR THE LORD'S WORK

<u>CURRENT OFFERINGS</u>	<u>\$ TO MEET YEARLY BUDGET</u>	<u>\$ RECEIVED</u>	<u>\$ DIFFERENCE</u>
June 6	\$ 3,436.00	\$2,196.00	\$ -1,240.00
year-to-date	\$ 81,224.00	\$ 85,569.08	\$ 4,345.08
<b><u>SYNOD OFFERINGS</u></b>			
June 6	\$ 423.00	\$ 255.00	\$ -168.00
year-to-date	\$ 9,729.00	\$12,172.00	\$ 2,443.00
<b><u>TRINITY GOAL-\$10,000</u></b>		Total to Date	\$4,770.00
Building \$825 Trinity \$80 Cemetery \$10 Seminary Student \$10 VBS \$34			
Institute for Deaf \$33 Food Bank \$33			

**June 6 \$3,476.00**

6/21	9-11:30 AM VBS
6/22	9-11:30 AM VBS
	9:30 AM Morning Bible Study
6/23	8:30 AM Chair Yoga
	9-11:30 AM VBS
6/24	8:30 AM Blanket Making
	9-11:30 AM VBS
6/25	9-11:30 AM VBS
6/26	Wirth Baby Shower

**VBS** St Paul's Vacation Bible School "Rainforest Explorers-Jesus Leads the Way" is June 21-25 from 9-11:30 a.m. VBS classes are for all children age 3 to students who just finished the 6<sup>th</sup> grade. **If you want to attend, but haven't registered yet, please contact Karen Kull 217-549-3141 or Dee Dee Batson 217-821-4929 as soon as possible.** An adult VBS class will be led by Virginia Vogel. They will be discussing "Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times." Mission projects for VBS will be the Food Pantry at the Shelbyville First United Methodist Church which provides food for residents of Shelby County and Christ Lutheran Church of the Deaf in Jacksonville, IL., a ministry of the Central Illinois District.

**VBS Mission Projects:** In 2021, the mission projects for Vacation Bible School will be the following:

1) Food Pantry at the Shelbyville First United Methodist Church. The Food Pantry serves residents of Shelby County. VBS children may bring canned or non-perishable goods when they attend. Members of St. Paul's may also participate by placing donations in the Food Pantry tubs which are located in the Narthex and the school hallway.

2) Christ Lutheran Church of the Deaf in Jacksonville, IL. Rev. Tom Phillips reaches out to the students at Illinois School for the Deaf through a weekly "Good News Club". There is an after-school program and a midweek class that includes music, lesson, activity and snacks. Donations for this ministry will go towards a "wish list" of needs. Our goal will be to purchase as many of the items as we can:

1. Lifetime 6" seminar folding table (18")                      4@ \$100= \$400
2. ESV Bibles w/concordance, maps, index, etc.            20@\$10= \$200
3. Lutheran Service Book Pew edition                        10@\$26= \$260

Children attending VBS may bring donations for this ministry. Members of St. Paul's may also assist with designated offerings to Central Illinois District Deaf Ministry - VBS.



### **ANNIVERSARIES**

- 14- Dwight & Melvina Lading;  
Noel & Kathy Manhart
- 15- Wes & Rosemarie\* Manhart
- 19- Gary & Marlene Wirth

### **BIRTHDAYS**

- 14- Jaden Petri; Will Tabbert;  
Henry\* Vonderheide
- 15- Emmalee Storm
- 16- Daryn Merriman
- 17- Brittany Clifton
- 18- Joshua Glasscock; Mason Helmuth;  
Jennifer Stodden; Catherine Stremming
- 19- Neva Hagan

### **HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK**

Steve & Jill Layton, Larry & Patsy Lenz, Tim & Delreen Lenz, Jennifer (Rosine) Logan, Claire & Cody Logue, Glen Spannagel, Wilma Spannagel, Bob & Jennifer Sporleder, Gary Sporleder, Ron Sporleder, Rosemary Sporleder

### **HEALING**

Brett Kull	Jackie Stodden
Diane Paraiso	Melba Storm
Anna Schlechte	Ken Hagan
Mary Rincker	Carolyn Stremming
Joe Oakley	Michelle Knop
Glenn Spannagel	Dennis Wirth
Cathy Stremming	

### **LIMITED MOBILITY**

Noma Rose Huddleston - Lakeland NH  
Imogene Lading – Villas of Holly Brook  
Bill Orr  
Mildred Rincker – Heartland, Neoga  
Larry Storm – Heartland, Neoga  
Doris Stremming – Brookstone Suites  
Brett Kull- Shelbyville

### **FRIENDS & FAMILY (non-members)**

Christie Dust (Howard & Kay Dust daughter in-law)  
Janet Bloemer(ovarian cancer, G/M Wirth neighbor)  
Laikyn Bauer (Digeorge syndrome)  
Gloria Fortkamp  
Lavonne Kramer (cancer-Kevin's mother)  
Erica Stollard (cancer)  
Matt Durbin  
Melissa Wirth  
Family of Crewe Jones  
Rhiannon (Wallace) Klier (surgery)  
Colin Kinkelaar (car accident)  
Diana Vonderheide (Joe & Linda Oakley' daughter)  
Madonna Nichols (liver cancer)  
Ivan Crutcher (cancer, Karen Rentfro's uncle)  
Karl Zalman (cancer)  
Bryan Mowry (Laurie Wirth's brother, health)  
Caralea (Moffett) Smith (cancer, undergoing treatments)  
Dave Polk (cancer, Virginia Vogel)  
Dennis Noffke (Stage IV bone cancer)  
Austin Miller, (leukemia, Dennis & Nitelle Lading's gson.)

**The Third Sunday after Pentecost, June 13, 2021**  
**PRESERVICE MUSIC – RINGING OF THE BELLS – WELCOME**

**COMMUNION** We practice close communion. We welcome communicant members of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod to the Lord's Table. If you are not a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, please speak with the Pastor or an Elder before attending the sacrament.

**Opening Hymn      Blessed Jesus, at Your Word**

*LSB 904*

- 1    Blessèd Jesus, at Your Word  
      We are gathered all to hear You.  
      Let our hearts and souls be stirred  
      Now to seek and love and fear You,  
      By Your teachings, sweet and holy,  
      Drawn from earth to love You solely.
  
- 2    All our knowledge, sense, and sight  
      Lie in deepest darkness shrouded  
      Till Your Spirit breaks our night  
      With the beams of truth unclouded.  
      You alone to God can win us;  
      You must work all good within us.
  
- 3    Gracious Savior, good and kind,  
      Light of Light, from God proceeding,  
      Open now our heart and mind;  
      Help us by Your Spirit's pleading.  
      Hear the cry Your Church now raises;  
      Hear and bless our prayers and praises.
  
- D 4    Father, Son, and Spirit, Lord,  
      Praise to You and adoration!  
      Grant that we may trust Your Word,  
      Confident of our salvation,  
      While we here below must wander,  
      Till we sing Your praises yonder.

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*Please Stand*

P    In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C    **Amen.**

## **Confession and Absolution.**

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

C ***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.***

*Please be Seated*

### **Old Testament Reading**

*Ezekiel 17:22–24*

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### **Epistle**

*2 Corinthians 5:1–10*

The Epistle is read

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please Stand*

### **Holy Gospel**

*Mark 4:26–34*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourth chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

The Gospel is read

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

## Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.**

*Please be Seated*

## Sermon Hymn

## Jerusalem, My Happy Home

LSB 673

- 1 Jerusalem, my happy home,  
When shall I come to thee?  
When shall my sorrows have an end?  
Thy joys when shall I see?
- 2 O happy harbor of the saints,  
O sweet and pleasant soil!  
In thee no sorrow may be found,  
No grief, no care, no toil.
- 3 Thy gardens and thy gallant walks  
Continually are green;  
There grow such sweet and pleasant flow'rs  
As nowhere else are seen.
- 4 There trees forevermore bear fruit  
And evermore do spring;  
There evermore the angels dwell  
And evermore do sing.

5 Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there  
    Around my Savior stand;  
And soon my friends in Christ below  
    Will join the glorious band.

6 O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare  
    For that bright home of love  
That I may see Thee and adore  
    With all Thy saints above.

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**Sermon** "Something Better To Come" 2 Cor. 5:1-10

*Please Stand*

**Offertory**

***Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.***

**Prayer of the Church**

**Lord's Prayer**

*LSB 196*

**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.**

**Service of the Sacrament**

**The Words of Our Lord**

*LSB 197*

**Pax Domini**

*LSB 197*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

*Please be Seated*

## Distribution

### Distribution Hymn

#### Hymn Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared

LSB 622

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, You have prepared  
This feast for our salvation;  
It is Your body and Your blood,  
And at Your invitation  
As weary souls, with sin oppressed,  
We come to You for needed rest,  
For comfort, and for pardon.
- 2 Although You did to heav'n ascend,  
Where angel hosts are dwelling,  
And in Your presence they behold  
Your glory, all excelling,  
And though Your people shall not see  
Your glory and Your majesty  
Till dawns the judgment morning,
- 3 Yet, Savior, You are not confined  
To any habitation;  
But You are present even now  
Here with Your congregation.  
Firm as a rock this truth shall stand,  
Unmoved by any daring hand  
Or subtle craft and cunning.
- 4 We eat this bread and drink this cup,  
Your precious Word believing  
That Your true body and Your blood  
Our lips are here receiving.  
This Word remains forever true;  
All things are possible with You,  
For You are Lord Almighty.



- 5    Though reason cannot understand,  
      Yet faith this truth embraces:  
Your body, Lord, is even now  
      At once in many places.  
I leave to You how this can be;  
Your Word alone suffices me;  
      I trust its truth unfailing.
- 6    Lord, I believe what You have said;  
      Help me when doubts assail me.  
Remember that I am but dust,  
      And let my faith not fail me.  
Your supper in this vale of tears  
Refreshes me and stills my fears  
      And is my priceless treasure.
- 7    Grant that we worthily receive  
      Your supper, Lord, our Savior,  
And, truly grieving for our sins,  
      May prove by our behavior  
That we are thankful for Your grace  
And day by day may run our race,  
      In holiness increasing.
- 8    For Your consoling supper, Lord,  
      Be praised throughout all ages!  
Preserve it, for in ev'ry place  
      The world against it rages.  
Grant that this sacrament may be  
A blessed comfort unto me  
      When living and when dying.

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*Please Stand*

**Prayer**

P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P The Lord be with you.  
C ***And with thy spirit.***

A Bless we the Lord.  
C ***Thanks be to God.***

### **Benediction**

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and T give you peace.  
C ***Amen, amen, amen.***

### **Closing Hymn Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow**

LSB 805

D 1 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

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