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**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH-STRASBURG ILLINOIS**

**June 16 2024**

**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

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Accompanist	Sheryl Vonderheide	Prayer Chain	217-821-3038
Greeter	Jim & Phyliss Weiss		

**THIS WEEK WITH THE LORD**

SUN.	8:30 AM	Worship Service-Father's Day
	9:30 AM	SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S., College+
MON.	9-11:30AM	VBS
TUE.	9-11:30AM	VBS
WED.	8:00 AM	<b>Guide/Bulletin</b>
	9-11:30AM	VBS
THURS.	9-11:30 AM	VBS
FRI.	9-11:30 AM	VBS
SUN.	8:30 AM	Communion Service
	9:30 AM	SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S., College+
	12:30 PM	Church Picnic @ Ballard Nature Center
	5:30 PM	Worship Service @ Grace

**June 9 8:30: 116 Year Ago: 82 Sunday School: 40**

**Welcome** Happy Father's Day to all who share a caring relationship with a dad or dad-figure — even as we gather to worship the most loving Father of all, our God of infinite goodness. *If you are a visitor, we invite you to worship with us again and to please sign our guestbook.*

**Vacation Bible School** Registration for St. Paul's/Grace Vacation Bible School is now open. VBS will be held June 17-21, from 9:00-11:30 a.m. The theme is "Celebrate the Savior-Jesus Give Us Joy". VBS is for ages preschool to students entering 7th grade this fall. There will also be an adult VBS class taught by Pastor Whybrew. Flyers and registration forms can be found in the Narthex, on St. Paul's FB page, and in the school. Please take a flyer and invite your neighbors and friends to attend. If you have questions, please contact the VBS committee of Susie Allen, Suan Hanfland, Karen Kull, Dee Dee Batson and Cindy Roley, or call St. Paul's church office at 217.644.2661.

**Church Picnic** St. Paul's Lutheran Church Picnic will be held on Sunday, June 23<sup>RD</sup> at Ballard Nature Center, Altamont, IL. The meal is at 12:30 pm and will be catered by Kirby Foods. The meal is free will donation. Please bring your BEST dessert to be shared. Activities include trails to walk, take in the visitor's center, fishing pond for kids, games for kids and adults or just bring a lawn chair and enjoy the day. If you would like to attend, please sign-up in the narthex by Sunday June, 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 9	\$ 3,750.00	\$3,043.00	\$-707.00
year-to-date	\$ 76,250.00	\$81,065.00	\$ 4,815.00
<b><u>Synod-Offerings</u></b>			
June 9	\$ 481.00	\$ 405.00	\$ -76.00
year-to-date	\$ 11,063.00	\$11,859.00	\$796.00
<b>TRINITY GOAL-\$10,000</b>		Total to Date	\$3,865.00
Building \$730 Seminary Student \$20 Trinity \$20 Lutheran Care Center \$100			
LYF \$25 Cradle Roll \$100			

**June 5 \$ 785.00**  
**June 9 \$3,658.00**

- 06/25 9:00 AM Morning Bible Study
- 06/26 8:30 AM Chair Yoga
- 2:30 PM Social Hall Communion
- 06/27 8:30 AM Blanket Making

**Baby Bottle Project** Thank you for participating in the Baby Bottle project this year! Today will be the last day for collecting baby bottles. Please place your bottle in the provided basket. If you need to make other arrangements, please contact Kay Dust. Thank you!

**2024 VBS Mission Project- The family of Walker Warden.** Walker Warden is the 3 year old son of Jacob and Abby (Rincker) Warden of Strasburg. Walker was diagnosed in December 2023 with Juvenile myelomonocytic leukemia (JMML), a rare cancer of the blood that affects young children. In January 2024, Walker began trips to Cardinal Glennon Hospital in St. Louis where he receives daily treatments of chemo for seven days/once a month. The chemo treatments are not to cure the disease but to minimize the symptoms of JMML. The treatments require monthly week-long stays at an Airbnb in St. Louis. Abby and Jacob also have 4 other children from 8<sup>th</sup> grade to baby Meredith who was born in March. During VBS June 17-21, there will be a daily offering for the Walker Warden family. Your support and generosity would be appreciated.

**Thank you** I wanted to let my church family know that I had my left knee replacement surgery on June 4 at SBLH in Mattoon. The surgery went well and I came home June 5<sup>th</sup>. Keep me in your prayers during my recovery. Thank you for your cards, support and prayers. God's blessings to all! Debra and Mark Richards



### **ANNIVERSARIES**

17-Cole\* & Megan Hartke  
20-Pastor & Doreen Whybrew  
22- James\* & Claire Hortenstein

### **BIRTHDAYS**

16-Dayrn Merriman  
17-Brittany Clifton  
18-Joshua Glasscock;  
Cathern Stremming;  
Jennifer Stodden;  
Mason Helmuth  
19-Neva Hagan  
20-Lori Pieper  
21-Susan Beals; Weston Booher

### **HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK**

Bill & Linda Orr, Lela Ostermeier, Tom Patrick, Stephanie & Jared Petri, Dan & Karen Pfeiffer, Jacob Pfeiffer, James & Claire Hortenstein, Mark & Deb Richards, Chris Rincker, Deb Rincker, Doug & Marla Rincker

### **Recorded Services**

**Website:** [stpaul-strasburg.com](http://stpaul-strasburg.com)

**YouTube:** St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
Strasburg Illinois

**Facebook:** St. Paul's Lutheran Church

### **PRAYER**

Dianna Gibson	Anna Schlechte
Nick Hanfland	Kendall Fulk
Frances York	Wayne Wirth
Robert Pfeiffer	Ronda Schlechte
Margaret Swank	Nick Oller
Beulah Ulmer	Debra Richards

### **LIMITED MOBILITY**

Mary Rincker-Villas of Hollybrook  
Rose Schlechte- StoneBridge  
Robert Stremming  
Imogene Lading – Villas of Holly Brook  
Bill Orr  
Rosemary Sporleder-Brookstone  
Mattoon  
Mildred Rincker – Heartland, Neoga  
Doris Stremming – Lutheran Care  
Center  
Margaret Swank – Willowbrook  
Effingham

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

Zona Doty ( Health)  
Walker Warden (cancer)  
Christie Dust ( Howard & Kay's  
daughter) (Primary Progressive  
Multiple Sclerosis)  
Laikyn Bauer (Digeorge syndrome)  
Matt Durbin  
Ivan Crutcher (cancer, Karen Rentfro's  
uncle)

### **Adopted Seminary Students 2022-23**

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## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Setting One

### Hymn of Invocation

Take My Life and Let It Be

LSB 783

- 1 Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;  
Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2 Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love;  
Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee.
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing Always, only for my King;  
Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee.
- 4 Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold;  
Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.
- 5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine;  
Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store;  
Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee.

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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

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

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

## Introit

Psalm 92:12–15; antiphon: v. 1

## Kyrie

LSB 152

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

## This Is the Feast

LSB 155

C ***This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.***

*Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

*Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

*For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

### **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; 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**

Ezekiel 17:22–24

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### **Epistle**

2 Corinthians 5:1–10

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### **Alleluia and Verse**

LSB 156

C **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel

Mark 4:26–34

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

## The Gospel is Read

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Children's Message

### Hymn of the Day

O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth

**Tune LSB 810**

- 1 O God, O Lord of heav'n and earth, Thy living finger never wrote  
That life should be an aimless mote, A deathward drift from futile birth.  
Thy Word meant life triumphant hurled In splendor through Thy broken world.  
Since light awoke and life began, Thou hast desired Thy life for man.
- 2 Our fatal will to equal Thee, Our rebel will wrought death and night.  
We seized and used in prideful spite Thy wondrous gift of liberty.  
We housed us in this house of doom, Where death had royal scope and room,  
Until Thy servant, Prince of Peace, Breached all its walls for our release.
- 3 Thou camest to our hall of death, O Christ, to breathe our poisoned air,  
To drink for us the dark despair That strangled our reluctant breath.  
How beautiful the feet that trod The road that leads us back to God!  
How beautiful the feet that ran To bring the great good news to man!
- D 4 O Spirit, who didst once restore Thy Church that it might be again  
The bringer of good news to men, Breathe on Thy cloven Church once more,  
That in these gray and latter days There may be those whose life is praise,  
Each life a high doxology To Father, Son, and unto Thee.

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**Sermon** 2 Corinthians 5:1-10 "Prepared By God"

## Apostles' Creed

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **Prayer of the Church**

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P In thanksgiving to the Most High, who has planted His Holy Word among us; and for the Church's healthy growth, that we may weather the storm-winds of this world steadfast in Christ, ever bearing the fruits of love and singing praises to His name, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the preaching and teaching of God's Holy Word, that by His Spirit it may sprout and grow when and where it pleases God, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this and every congregation, that God's kingdom may be extended and we may have thankful hearts to marvel at His work, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For our homes and families, that the Lord would make the efforts of parents to teach their children fruitful, preserving them in the saving faith of Christ according to His promises, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those in every need, [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_,] let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**



P For all God's servants who groan under the burdens of this earthly tent and long to be clothed with His eternal life, which will swallow up all mortal sorrow and that He would give them good courage to walk by faith and not sight, to mourn the dead in the hope of the resurrection, and to make it their aim to please Him while here in the body, until at last we are all at home with Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Heavenly Father, from whom all fatherhood is named, we give You thanks for earthly fathers. Give them confidence in their station and zeal for their task to care for their families faithfully. Make them examples to their children of godly life and love of Your Word. Bless their work of bringing up children in the fear and instruction of the Lord, and give them the comfort of Your absolution over all their shortcomings. Gather us together with all our fathers to Your eternal household; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

### **Offertory**

LSB 159

C ***What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?***

***I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.***

***I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.***

***I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,  
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.***

### **Lord's Prayer**

C **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.**

### **Benediction**

LSB 166

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C **Amen.**

## Recessional Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LSB 790

- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!  
Let all who hear Now to His temple draw near,  
Joining in glad adoration!
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning  
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.  
Have you not seen All that is needful has been  
Sent by His gracious ordaining?
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you,  
Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.  
What need or grief Ever has failed of relief?  
Wings of His mercy did shade you.
- 4 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;  
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.  
Ponder anew What the Almighty can do  
As with His love He befriends you.
- 5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!  
Let the Amen Sound from His people again;  
Gladly forever adore Him!

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Next Week's Readings – Job 38:1-11, 2 Corinthians 6:1-13, Mark 4:35-41

This Week's Memory Verse – 2 Corinthians 5:5 "He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee."

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