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ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH-STRASBURG ILLINOIS

June 29, 2025

Third Sunday after Pentecost

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Greeter	Gary & Karen Kull		

THIS WEEK WITH THE LORD

SUN.	8:30 AM Worship Service
	9:30 AM SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S. College+
	10:30 AM Worship Service @ Grace
	5:30 PM Worship Service @ Grace
TUE.	9:00 AM Morning Bible Study
WED.	8:30 AM Chair Yoga
THURS.	1:30 PM Ladies Aid
FRI.	Happy 4th of July!!
SUN.	8:30 AM Worship Service
	9:30 AM SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S. College+
	10:30 Worship Service @ Grace
	5:30 PM Worship Service @ Grace
	6:30 PM Bible Trivia

June 22 8:30: 129 Year Ago: 149 Sunday School: 41

Welcome Family of God, siblings of Christ: Welcome to this time of worship and prayer, listening and singing, confession and forgiveness, giving and receiving. We are glad you're here! *If you are a visitor, we invite you to worship with us again and to please sign our guestbook.*

LYF Eight LYF members are heading to the Higher Things conference in Seward, NE July 8-11 on the Concordia University campus. These conferences are held on college or university campuses around the country, giving attendees a taste and feel for what going off to school will be like.

This year's conference theme is ***All Things New***. He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" (Revelation 21:5) Jesus promises that just as He is risen, we will rise. The last great enemy has been destroyed. Everlasting life belongs to all who believe... one day.

Attending members: Madison Beitz, Brinlie Durbin, Kennedy Kull, Colby McCormick, Oliver Wascher, Zaida Wascher, Rachel Weaver, & Tabitha Weaver. They are chaperoned by Sarah Luce and Pastor Weaver. Thank you to Grace, St. Paul's and Trinity for your continued support that helps make this trip possible!

FOR THE LORD'S WORK

CURRENT OFFERINGS	\$ TO MEET YEARLY BUDGET	\$ RECEIVED	\$ DIFFERENCE
June 22	\$ 3,971.00	\$ 4,275.00	\$ 304.00
year-to-date	\$ 95,275.00	\$ 95,739.60	\$ 464.60
<u>Synod-Offerings</u>			
June 22	\$ 481.00	\$ 270.00	\$ -211.00
year-to-date	\$ 12,025.00	\$13,925.00	\$ 1,900.00
TRINITY GOAL-\$10,000			Total to Date \$4,235.00
Building \$685 Trinity \$50 Sem. Student \$345 LYF \$25			

June 20 \$3,285.00
June 22 \$2,365.00

7/7 6:30 PM Council Meeting
 7/8 9:00 AM Morning Bible Study
 7/9 8:30 AM Chair Yoga
 7/10 8:30 AM Blanket Making

Upcoming Meetings The next Council meeting will be held on Monday, July 7th at 6:30pm and the Voter's meeting will be on Sunday July 27th immediately after church.

Vacation Bible School We just had a great week of Vacation Bible School. There were 88 children enrolled, and 8 or 9 adult's in Pastor's class. Every day we had around 40 adult teacher/ leaders and teen helpers. Thanks to everyone who helped make our week so wonderful – those who came to work and help, those who brought kids and grandkids, those who donated cookies and other items, and those who prayed for us. Especially thanks to the great children who learned these five important lessons: Jesus calls us, Jesus leads us, Jesus teaches us, Jesus saves us, and Jesus sends us. A special thank you goes to our VBS Director, Diane Jack, for all her time and effort in making VBS a truly blessed experience!

Mites Sunday Sunday, July 6TH is Mites Sunday.

Pastor Vacation Pastor Whybrew will be on vacation July 5th-July 12th. If you have an emergency or hospitalization please contact one of the elders.



ANNIVERSARIES

3-Josh & Jenna Layton
4-Doug & Marla Rincker
5-Howard* & Kay Dust
6-Travis* & Gina Vonderheide

BIRTHDAYS

29-Sheryl Duncan; Luke Gilbert
1-Amy Lawrence

HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK

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

PRAYER

Dianna Gibson	Anna Schlechte
Nick Hanfland	Kendall Fulk
Frances York	Wayne Wirth
Robert Pfeiffer	Ronda Schlechte
Margaret Swank	Nick Oller
Beulah Ulmer	Clay Tabbert
Karla Tabbert	Mark Richards
Cathern Stremming	Ramona Radloff
Charlene Telgmann	

LIMITED MOBILITY

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

FRIENDS & FAMILY (non-members)

Ken Daily (Karen Pfeiffer's father)
stroke
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 2025- 26

4th Year Student
Joshua Gerken (Wife Rachel, son
Callan)
5418 Brighton Dr.
Fort Wayne, IN 46825

2025-26 Vicar assignment to St.
Paul Lutheran Church, Eldora,
Iowa
Hunter Kinnison (Wife Naomi)
1105 Washington St.
Eldora, IA 50627

3rd Sunday after Pentecost – Setting Four

Faith and Truth and Life Bestowing

LSB 584

- 1 Faith and truth and life bestowing, Open now the Scriptures, Lord,
Seed to life eternal sowing, Scattered on the wind abroad.
Let not hearts, Your Word receiving, Like a barren field be found,
Choked with thorns and unbelieving, Shallow earth or stony ground.
- 2 May the Spirit's pow'r unceasing Bring to life the hidden grain,
Daily in our hearts increasing, Bearing fruit that shall remain.
So in Scripture, song, and story, Savior, may Your voice be heard.
Till our eyes behold Your glory Give us ears to hear Your Word.

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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 Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 85:8–10, 13; antiphon: v. 7

Kyrie

LSB 204

C ***Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.***

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204

C ***1 To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.***

***2 To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—***

***3 For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.***

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.
Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things, graft into our hearts the love of Your name and nourish us with all goodness that we may love and serve our neighbor; 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

1 Kings 19:9b–21

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Galatians 5:1, 13–25

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse

C ***Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.***

Holy Gospel

Luke 9:51–62

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the ninth 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.**

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 T everlasting.
Amen.**

Children's Message

"Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake

LSB 688

- 1 "Come, follow Me," the Savior spake,
"All in My way abiding;
Deny yourselves, the world forsake,
Obey My call and guiding.
O bear the cross, whate'er betide,
Take My example for your guide.
- 2 "I am the light, I light the way,
A godly life displaying;
I bid you walk as in the day;
I keep your feet from straying.
I am the way, and well I show
How you must sojourn here below.
- 3 "My heart abounds in lowliness,
My soul with love is glowing;
And gracious words My lips express,
With meekness overflowing.
My heart, My mind, My strength, My all,
To God I yield, on Him I call.
- 4 "I teach you how to shun and flee
What harms your soul's salvation,
Your heart from ev'ry guile to free,
From sin and its temptation.
I am the refuge of the soul
And lead you to your heav'nly goal."

- 5 Then let us follow Christ, our Lord,
And take the cross appointed
And, firmly clinging to His Word,
In suff'ring be undaunted.
For those who bear the battle's strain
The crown of heav'nly life obtain.

Text: tr. Charles W. Schaeffer, 1813–96; (sts. 1–3, 5): Johann Scheffler, 1624–77; (st. 4): Geistliche Lieder und Lobgesänge, 1695
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Sermon Galatians 5:1, 13–25 “Live By the Spirit”

Prayer of the Church

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For boldness in prayer, that the Church would have the zeal of Jesus Christ who set His face to go to Jerusalem and would not be deterred from the way of the cross, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all pastors and church workers, that their labor of proclaiming God's steadfast love, announcing freedom from the yoke of slavery to sin, and pointing all toward the cross of Christ may never be in vain, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control, that these fruits of the Spirit may spring forth in all Christians as He releases them from bondage to the works of the flesh, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the nations and those who lead them, especially our president; the Congress of the United States; our governor; the legislature; and all who make, administer and judge our laws, that the Lord's voice may be heard by all as we are led to every virtue in character and holiness of life, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

- P For [_____and] all who have requested prayer, that God would be to them a refuge in times of trial, granting healing, strength and comfort, let us pray to the Lord:
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P For safety and strength in all our travels and most especially for the journey of this mortal life, that we may one day rest in the Lord's fullness and presence, let us pray to the Lord:
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P O Lord, keep us in repentance and faith, that we may not depart from Christ, the way, the truth and the life. Bring to repentance all enemies of Your Church and those who do not yet know You, that by faith they may with us confess Jesus Christ as Lord and amend their lives by the power of Your gracious Spirit. Give us courage for the path set before us, that we may not faint or grow weary but endure to the day of Christ's coming and receive the blessed "Well done!" of Your favor; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

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.**

Benedicamus

LSB 212

- P Let us bless the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction

- 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.**

Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast

LSB 577

- 1 Almighty God, Your Word is cast Like seed into the ground;
Now let the dew of heav'n descend And righteous fruits abound.
- 2 Let not the sly satanic foe This holy seed remove,
But give it root in ev'ry heart To bring forth fruits of love.
- 3 Let not the world's deceitful cares The rising plant destroy,
But let it yield a hundredfold The fruits of peace and joy.
- 4 So when the precious seed is sown, Life-giving grace bestow
That all whose souls the truth receive Its saving pow'r may know.

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Next Week's Readings – Isaiah 66:10-14, Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18, Luke 10:1-20

This Week's Memory Verse – Galatians 5:25 "If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit."

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