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

**July 2, 2023**

**Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

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**THIS WEEK WITH THE LORD**

SUN.	8:30 AM	Worship Service
	9:30 AM	SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S. College
TUE.	9:00 AM	Bible Study
		HAPPY 4 <sup>TH</sup> of JULY!
WED.	8:00 AM	<b>Guide/Bulletin</b>
	8:30 AM	Chair Yoga
THURS.	1:30 PM	Ladies Aid
SUN.	8:30 AM	Communion Service
	9:30 AM	SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S., College+

**June 25 8:30:116 Year Ago: 103 Sunday School: 33**

**Welcome** As our nation prepares to celebrate its independence, we praise God for the freedom to gather for worship. Welcome to all. If you are *a visitor*, we invite you to worship with us again and to please sign our guestbook.

**VBS Mission Project** The 2023 Mission Project for St. Paul's/Grace VBS was Hayden Rensner. Hayden is from Effingham, Ill., where she grew up at Faith Lutheran Church in Shumway, and where her father had served as pastor. After attending college, she began serving the Lord in full-time missionary work through the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. Hayden has been teaching English as a Second Language to 6-9<sup>th</sup> grade students as well as adults in the Czech Republic, and through that role, she is able to share the good news of salvation with them. She has been in the United States since Easter, visiting family as well as training as she prepares to return to the Czech Republic to serve another two years. Several of the VBS children knew of Hayden and had heard her speak before. Hayden prepared a 3-minute video which the children watched on Monday. We were also able to video chat with her for a few minutes on Wednesday. The children enjoyed being able to ask her questions about life in the Czech Republic. Offerings were collected each day and each day the offerings increased. Daily offerings and the offering collected during the closing program totaled \$1270. We are thankful for the generosity of all who donated, and we pray the Lord uses this gift to bless Hayden and those she serves.

**Sympathy** Please keep the family of Lisa Kennel, sister of Janice Moomaw in your prayers. Lisa passed away Friday June 23, 2023

**Council Meeting** The next council meeting will be held on July 11, at 6:30PM.

## FOR THE LORD'S WORK

<u>CURRENT OFFERINGS</u>	<u>\$ TO MEET YEARLY BUDGET</u>	<u>\$ RECEIVED</u>	<u>\$ DIFFERENCE</u>
June 25	\$ 3,578.00	\$1,498.00	\$ -2,080.00
year-to-date	\$ 89,450.00	\$95,362.02	\$ 5,912.02
<b><u>Synod-Offerings</u></b>			
June 25	\$ 481.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -381.00
year-to-date	\$ 12,025.00	\$15,819.50	\$ 3,794.50
<b>TRINITY GOAL-\$10,000</b>		Total to Date	\$4,745.00
Building \$445 Sem. Student \$120 Trinity \$20 Cemetery \$305 Bell Tower \$20 Hayden Rensner \$40			
	<b>June 25</b>	<b>\$2,548.00</b>	

7/11 9:00 AM Morning Bible Study  
 6:30 PM Council Meeting  
 7/12 8:30 AM Chair Yoga  
 2:30 PM Social Hall Communion  
 7/13 8:30 AM Blanket Making

**Summer Congregational Bible Study** Join us today for summer Sunday School as we continue with a congregational study of God's Living Water: Covered in Jesus' Grace. God's Living Water series is taught in the youth and preschool Sunday School classes as well as in the adult/high school Bible class. Pastor's sermons also follow the story theme each week. God's Living Water is a resource that explores the place of water in God's sweeping plan of salvation. Each week is a complete lesson, so please plan to attend when you can. Today's lesson will be "Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet." John 13:1-20. The lesson for July 9 will be "Thousands Believe in Jesus" Acts 2:1-41.

**Congratulations** to Rusty & Brittany Clifton on the birth of their daughter, Kimber Anne Clifton. Kimber was born June 26, 2023. She weighed 7lbs & 2 oz and was 19 in. long. Grandparents are Chris & Sue Bowers and Gretchen Clifton. Great-grandparents are Pat Chasteen and Joyce Ulmer.

**Congratulations** to Alex Allen and Amanda Tucker who were united in marriage on June 10, 2023 in Pocahontas, Ill. Alex is the son of Rick and Susie Allen. God's blessings on their union.

**Congratulations** to Megan Cress and Cole Hartke who were united in marriage on June 17, 2023 in Dieterich, Ill. God's blessings on their union.

**Christmas Shoe Boxes** Articles we are collecting the month of July for the Christmas Shoe Box Project are toothbrushes. If you wish to donate, just put them in the marked box in the narthex. Thanks for caring.

**Mites** Today the Ladies Aid will be collecting for Mites.

**Welcome** This morning we welcome Pastor Fortkamp, who will be filling in for Pastor Whybrew during his vacation.



### **ANNIVERSARIES**

3-Josh & Jenna Layton  
4-Doug & Marla Rincker  
5-Howard\* & Kay Dust  
6-Travis\* & Gina Vonderheide  
7-Dan & Karen Pfeiffer

### **BIRTHDAYS**

6-Brad\* Storm  
7-Chris Rincker;  
Sandra Bugenhagen  
Laurie Wirth  
8-Tanner Bowers; Isaac Kramer;  
Tanya Walker; Tobias Weber

### **HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK**

Jim & Phyliss Weiss, Lauren & Luke  
Wetherell, Lynn & Denise (Aaron) White,  
Jeanne Wildman, Brad & Brea Wirth,

### **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**

Diane Paraiso	Melba Storm
Anna Schlechte	Nick Hanfland
Frances York	Kendall Fulk
Mary Rincker	Robert Pfeiffer
Wayne Wirth	Marlene Wirth
Dianna Gibson	
Margaret Swank	

### **LIMITED MOBILITY**

Rose Schlechte- StoneBridge  
Robert Stremming  
Noma Huddleston - Lakeland  
Healthcare Center  
Imogene Lading – Villas of Holly Brook  
Bill Orr  
Rosemary Sporleder-Brookstone  
Mattoon  
Mildred Rincker – Heartland, Neoga  
Doris Stremming – Lutheran Care  
Center  
Melba Storm- Heartland Senior Living  
Margaret Swank – Willowbrook  
Effingham

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

Christie Dust ( Howard & Kay's  
daughter) (Primary Progressive  
Multiple Sclerosis)  
Pastor Gary Fortkamp  
Nancy Slifer  
Gayle Klitzing(panc cancer Gary &  
Roger Kull Cousin)  
Randy Doty  
Pat Williams (Health issues )  
Laikyn Bauer (Digeorge syndrome)  
Matt Durbin  
Ivan Crutcher (cancer, Karen Rentfro's  
uncle)

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

**Joshua Gerken**  
**5418 Brighton Dr.**  
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**Micah Brown**  
**2023-24 Vicar assignment Brookfield**  
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## Hymn of Invocation

Come, Thou Almighty King

LSB 905

- 1 Come, Thou almighty King, Help us Thy name to sing;  
Help us to praise;  
Father all-glorious, O'er all victorious,  
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.
- 2 Come, Thou incarnate Word, Gird on Thy mighty sword;  
Our prayer attend.  
Come and Thy people bless, And give Thy Word success,  
And let Thy righteousness On us descend.
- 3 Come, holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear  
In this glad hour!  
Thou, who almighty art, Now rule in ev'ry heart,  
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.
- D 4 To Thee, great One in Three, Eternal praises be  
Hence evermore!  
Thy sov'reign majesty May we in glory see,  
And to eternity Love and adore.

Text: English, before 1760, alt. Text: Public domain

*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 Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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

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.**

### **Introit**

Psalm 56:3–4, 10–11; antiphon: v. 13

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.***

### **Kyrie**

LSB 186

C ***Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.***

### **Gloria in Excelsis**

LSB 187

C ***Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.***

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C ***And with thy spirit.***

P Let us pray.

O God, because Your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of Your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in Your eternal love; 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

Jeremiah 20:7–13

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

Romans 6:12–23

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Alleluia

LSB 190

C **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 10:5a, 21–33

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth 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

C **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. Amen.**

### **Hymn of the Day**

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

LSB 427

1 In the cross of Christ I glory, Tow'ring o'er the wrecks of time.  
All the light of sacred story Gathers round its head sublime.

2 When the woes of life o'ertake me, Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,  
Never shall the cross forsake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.

3 When the sun of bliss is beaming Light and love upon my way,  
From the cross the radiance streaming Adds more luster to the day.

4 Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure By the cross are sanctified;  
Peace is there that knows no measure, Joys that through all time abide.

Text: John Bowring, 1792–1872 Text: Public domain

### **Sermon Jesus at the Well John 4:1-30**

### **Offertory**

LSB 192

***C 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

### Preface

LSB 194

P The Lord be with you.

C ***And with thy spirit.***

P Lift up your hearts.

C ***We lift them up unto the Lord.***

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C ***It is meet and right so to do.***

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

LSB 195

C ***Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;***

***heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.***

***Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.***

### Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

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.**

### The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

### Pax Domini

LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C ***Amen.***



## **Agnus Dei**

LSB 198

- C** *O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.*  
*O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.*  
*O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.*

## **Distribution**

### **Baptized into Your Name Most Holy**

LSB 590

- 1 Baptized into Your name most holy, O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
I claim a place, though weak and lowly, Among Your saints, Your chosen host.  
Buried with Christ and dead to sin, Your Spirit now shall live within.
- 2 My loving Father, here You take me To be henceforth Your child and heir.  
My faithful Savior, here You make me The fruit of all Your sorrows share.  
O Holy Spirit, comfort me When threat'ning clouds around I see.
- 3 My faithful God, You fail me never; Your promise surely will endure.  
O cast me not away forever If words and deeds become impure.  
Have mercy when I come defiled; Forgive, lift up, restore Your child.
- 4 All that I am and love most dearly—Receive it all, O Lord, from me.  
Let me confess my faith sincerely; Help me Your faithful child to be!  
Let nothing that I am or own Serve any will but Yours alone.

Text: Johann Jacob Rambach, 1693–1735, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Text: Public domain

### **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 unailing.

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.

Text: Samuel Kinner, 1603–68; tr. Emanuel Cronenwett, 1841–1931, alt.  
Text: Public domain

## **Built on the Rock**

LSB 645

1 Built on the Rock the Church shall stand  
Even when steeples are falling.  
Crumbled have spires in ev'ry land;  
Bells still are chiming and calling,  
Calling the young and old to rest,  
But above all the souls distressed,  
Longing for rest everlasting.

- 2 Surely in temples made with hands  
 God, the Most High, is not dwelling;  
 High above earth His temple stands, All earthly temples excelling.  
 Yet He who dwells in heav'n above Chooses to live with us in love,  
 Making our bodies His temple.
- 3 We are God's house of living stones,  
 Built for His own habitation.  
 He through baptismal grace us owns  
 Heirs of His wondrous salvation.  
 Were we but two His name to tell,  
 Yet He would deign with us to dwell  
 With all His grace and His favor.
- 4 Here stands the font before our eyes,  
 Telling how God has received us.  
 The altar recalls Christ's sacrifice  
 And what His Supper here gives us.  
 Here sound the Scriptures that proclaim  
 Christ yesterday, today, the same,  
 And evermore, our Redeemer.
- 5 Grant, then, O God, Your will be done,  
 That, when the church bells are ringing,  
 Many in saving faith may come  
 Where Christ His message is bringing:  
 "I know My own; My own know Me.  
 You, not the world, My face shall see.  
 My peace I leave with you. Amen."

Text: Nikolai Fredrik Severin Grundtvig, 1783–1872, abr.; tr. Carl Döving, 1867–1937, alt. Text: Public domain

## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

- C *Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. 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.***

## Thanksgiving

LSB 200

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C ***and His mercy endureth forever.***

P Let us pray.

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.***

## Benedicamus

LSB 202

P 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.***

## Recessional Hymn

We Are Called to Stand Together

LSB 828

- 1 We are called to stand together With the saints of ages past,  
With the patriarchs and prophets In the faith they once held fast;  
Promises and hopes they treasured Now we find fulfilled at last!
- 2 Those whom Jesus called apostles Journeyed with Him side by side,  
Heard His teaching, felt His power, Saw the way He lived and died;  
Then the news of resurrection They delivered far and wide.

- 3 Through the intervening ages Round the world the Gospel spread:  
Faithful heralds took the message, Guided where the Spirit led;  
So the body grew in stature, Serving Christ, the living head.
- 4 Now in many tongues and cultures Songs of celebration ring;  
Millions who confess our Savior Honor Him as Lord and King  
And, for courage, grace and guidance Ev'ry day their prayers they bring.
- 5 To each coming generation Tell the truth, persuade, explain,  
Till the time when time is ended, Till the Savior comes again—  
Till the saints are all united Under Christ's eternal reign!

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