

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

**August 13, 2023**

**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

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Greeter	Diane Jack		

**THIS WEEK WITH THE LORD**

SUN.	8:30 AM	Communion Service
	9:30 AM	SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S. College
TUE.	9:00 AM	Bible Study
WED.	8:00 AM	<b>Guide/Bulletin</b>
	8:30 AM	Chair Yoga
SUN.	8:30 AM	Worship Service
	9:30 AM	SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S., College+

**Aug 6 8:30:144 Year Ago: 143 Sunday School: 37**

**Welcome** Through Isaiah, God calls, "Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters" (Isaiah 55:1, ESV). We come today to the Living Water made known in Jesus Christ. Welcome. If you are *a visitor*, we invite you to worship with us again and to please sign our guestbook.

**Confirmation** Blessings to Emily Funneman and Elizabeth Funneman who were confirmed in the faith of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod on Sunday August 6, 2023. We welcome them as communicant members of St. Paul's.

**Thank you** A big Thank You to the Cradle Roll for the gift cards. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. Brittany, Rusty, Callie & Kimber Clifton

**Sunday School** The new freshman and all high school students are invited to join the high school Sunday School class in Room 4 beginning Sunday, August 6. The three adult Sunday classes will start meeting separately again on August 6. The class with Heath McCormick will meet at the north end of the social hall, Patsy Lenz will meet in the social hall and Gary Kull will meet in the bell tower area. We invite you to join one of these classes. Children moving to new classrooms will do so on August 13. Children going into 1<sup>st</sup> grade this fall will move to Rm 2 with Lisa Shelton who will teach grades 1-3. Children going into 4<sup>th</sup> grade will move to Rm 3 with Dee Dee Batson who will teach grades 4-8. Pre-K will still meet in Rm 1 with Autumn McCormick.

**Thank you** We want to thank your church congregation for supporting the Family Life Center by participating in our Baby Bottle Campaign. Because of your generosity, we raised over \$108,000 for our three centers. Your congregation's contribution for the Baby Bottle Campaign totaled \$854.13.

## FOR THE LORD'S WORK

CURRENT OFFERINGS	\$ TO MEET YEARLY BUDGET	\$ RECEIVED	\$ DIFFERENCE
Aug 6	\$ 3,578.00	\$4,855.00	\$ 1,277.00
year-to-date	\$ 110,918.00	\$116,089.02	\$ 5,171.02
<b><u>Synod-Offerings</u></b>			
Aug 6	\$ 481.00	\$ 425.00	\$ -56.00
year-to-date	\$ 14,911.00	\$18,619.50	\$ 3,708.50
<b>TRINITY GOAL-\$10,000</b>		Total to Date	\$5,460.00
Building \$125 Sem.Student \$25 Cemetery \$30 Bell Tower \$200 Choir \$2000			
LYF \$225 Organ Maint. \$120 Trinity \$120			

**Aug 5 \$785.00 (ACH)**  
**Aug 6 \$7,340.00**

8/21 7:00 PM Nominating committee  
 8/22 9:00 AM Morning Bible Study  
 8/23 8:30 AM Chair Yoga  
       2:30 PM Social Hall Communion  
       **6-6:30PM WDS registration**  
       **6:30-7:30 PM WDS**  
 8/24 8:30 AM Blanket making

**Christmas Shoe Boxes** Articles we are collecting the month of August are crayons or any school supply items. Thank you for sharing!

**Addresses needed for college students** If you have a child who will be going away to college, please send their mailing address, e-mail address, and phone number to the church secretary. You can also drop it off in the church office or e-mail it to [stpaulcms@consolidated.net](mailto:stpaulcms@consolidated.net).

**WLS** The WLS (Willing Lutheran Servants) Bible class will be studying the Book of Luke. Join us in the social hall after the church service.

**Weekday School News** Weekday School is a Christian Education program for students in grades 1-8. It meets on Wednesday evenings at St. Paul's. Curriculum includes learning the Lord's Prayer, Books of the Bible, The Ten Commandments, Bible passages, The Apostles Creed, and stories from the Bible. The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will meet with Pastor Whybrew to prepare for confirmation. St. Paul's Weekday School for 2023-24 will begin Wednesday, August 23. Registration for children in grades 1-8 will be from 6-6:30 p.m. and Weekday School classes will meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact the church at 217.644.2661.



### **ANNIVERSARIES**

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

13-Mildred Rincker  
14-John Radloff; Zach Weber  
17-Jay Vogel; Kevin Kramer;  
Tanner Clark  
18-Dee Dee Batson

#### **HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK**

Everest Clark, Jack & Pam Clark, Rusty & Brittany Clifton, Darrell & Doris Cress, John & Lisa Cress, Tina Daniels, Pat Wallace, Rick Wallace, Rachel & Jesse Wallin, Kelsey & Zach White, Steve & Sharon Weber, Tom Weber, Tobias Weber

#### **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	Margaret Swank
Dianna Gibson	

### **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)**

Howard Dust (hip replacement)  
Christie Dust ( Howard & Kay's  
daughter) (Primary Progressive  
Multiple Sclerosis)  
Nancy Slifer  
Gayle Klitzing(panc cancer Gary &  
Roger Kull Cousin)  
Laikyn Bauer (Digeorge syndrome)  
Matt Durbin  
Ivan Crutcher (cancer, Karen Rentfro's  
uncle)

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

**Joshua Gerken**  
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## 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost – Setting Four

### Hymn of Invocation

### What God Ordains Is Always Good

LSB 760

- 1 What God ordains is always good: His will is just and holy.  
As He directs my life for me, I follow meek and lowly.  
My God indeed In ev'ry need Knows well how He will shield me;  
To Him, then, I will yield me.
- 2 What God ordains is always good: He never will deceive me;  
He leads me in His righteous way, And never will He leave me.  
I take content What He has sent; His hand that sends me sadness  
Will turn my tears to gladness.
- 3 What God ordains is always good: His loving thought attends me;  
No poison can be in the cup That my physician sends me.  
My God is true; Each morning new I trust His grace unending,  
My life to Him commending.
- 4 What God ordains is always good: He is my friend and Father;  
He suffers naught to do me harm Though many storms may gather.  
Now I may know Both joy and woe; Someday I shall see clearly  
That He has loved me dearly.
- 5 What God ordains is always good: Though I the cup am drinking  
Which savors now of bitterness, I take it without shrinking.  
For after grief God gives relief, My heart with comfort filling  
And all my sorrow stilling.
- 6 What God ordains is always good: This truth remains unshaken.  
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine, I shall not be forsaken.  
I fear no harm, For with His arm He shall embrace and shield me;  
So to my God I yield me.

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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 34:4–8; antiphon: v. 1

**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.

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

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### **Epistle**

Romans 10:5–17

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

Matthew 14:22–33

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth 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.**

## 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

Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

LSB 680

1 Thine the amen Thine the praise Alleluias angels raise  
Thine the everlasting head Thine the breaking of the bread  
Thine the glory Thine the story Thine the harvest then the cup  
Thine the vineyard then the cup is lifted up lifted up.

- 2 Thine the life eternally Thine the promise let there be  
 Thine the vision Thine the tree All the earth on bended knee  
 Gone the nailing gone the railing Gone the pleading gone the cry  
 Gone the sighing gone the dying what was loss lifted high.
- 3 Thine the truly Thine the yes Thine the table we the guest  
 Thine the mercy all from Thee Thine the glory yet to be  
 Then the ringing and the singing Then the end of all the war  
 Thine the living Thine the loving evermore evermore.
- 4 Thine the kingdom Thine the prize Thine the wonder full surprise  
 Thine the banquet then the praise Then the justice of Thy ways  
 Thine the glory Thine the story Then the welcome to the least  
 Then the wonder all increasing at Thy feast at Thy feast.
- 5 Thine the glory in the night No more dying only light  
 Thine the river Thine the tree Then the Lamb eternally  
 Then the holy holy holy Celebration jubilee  
 Thine the splendor Thine the brightness only Thee only Thee.

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**Sermon** Romans 10:5-17 "Hearing the Word of Christ"

## Prayer of the Church

### Preface

LSB 208

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus



Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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 208

- C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

- P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.
- In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.
- We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.
- Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## **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.**

## **The Words of Our Lord**

## **Pax Domini**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

## **Agnus Dei**

LSB 210

C **1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## **Distribution**

### **Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me**

LSB 722

1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Upon life's way;  
Direct, protect, and feed me From day to day.  
Without Your grace and favor I go astray;  
So take my hand, O Savior, And lead the way.

2 Lord, when the tempest rages, I need not fear,  
For You, the Rock of Ages, Are always near.  
Close by Your side abiding, I fear no foe,  
For when Your hand is guiding, In peace I go.

3 Lord, when the shadows lengthen And night has come,  
I know that You will strengthen My steps toward home.  
Then nothing can impede me, O blessed Friend;  
So take my hand and lead me Unto the end.

Text: Julie von Hausmann, 1825–1901; tr. Lutheran Book of Worship, 1978, alt.

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### **Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower**

LSB 694

1 Thee will I love, my strength, my tower; Thee will I love, my hope, my joy.  
Thee will I love with all my power, With ardor time shall ne'er destroy.  
Thee will I love, O Light divine, So long as life is mine.

- 2 Thee will I love, my life, my Savior, Who art my best and truest friend.  
Thee will I love and praise forever, For never shall Thy kindness end.  
Thee will I love with all my heart— Thou my Redeemer art!
- 3 I thank Thee, Jesus, Sun from heaven, Whose radiance hath brought light to me;  
I thank Thee, who hast richly given All that could make me glad and free;  
I thank Thee that my soul is healed By what Thy lips revealed.
- 4 O keep me watchful, then, and humble; Permit me nevermore to stray.  
Uphold me when my feet would stumble, And keep me on the narrow way.  
Fill all my nature with Thy light, O Radiance strong and bright!
- 5 Thee will I love, my crown of gladness; Thee will I love, my God and Lord,  
Amid the darkest depths of sadness, And not for hope of high reward,  
For Thine own sake, O Light divine, So long as life is mine.

Text: Johann Scheffler, 1624–77; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Text: Public domain

### **The Will of God Is Always Best**

LSB 758

- 1 The will of God is always best And shall be done forever;  
And they who trust in Him are blest; He will forsake them never.  
    He helps indeed In time of need; He chastens with forbearing.  
    They who depend On God, their friend, Shall not be left despairing.
- 2 God is my comfort and my trust, My hope and life abiding;  
And to His counsel, wise and just, I yield, in Him confiding.  
    The very hairs, His Word declares, Upon my head He numbers.  
    By night and day God is my stay; He never sleeps nor slumbers.
- 3 Lord, this I ask, O hear my plea, Deny me not this favor:  
When Satan sorely troubles me, Then do not let me waver.  
    O guard me well, My fear dispel, Fulfill Your faithful saying:  
    All who believe By grace receive An answer to their praying.

- 4 When life's brief course on earth is run And I this world am leaving,  
Grant me to say, "Your will be done," Your faithful Word believing.  
My dearest Friend, I now commend My soul into Your keeping;  
From sin and hell, And death as well, By You the vict'ry reaping.

Text: Albrecht von Preussen, 1490-1568; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt. Text: Public domain

## **Nunc Dimittis**

LSB 211

- C **1 O Lord, now let Your servant  
Depart in heav'nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory  
Of Your redeeming grace:  
A light to lead the Gentiles  
Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people,  
Your chosen Israel.**

- 2 All glory to the Father,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit,  
Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning,  
Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding  
Through all eternity.**

## **Post-Communion Collect**

- A 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.**

## **Benedicamus**

LSB 212

- A 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.**

## **Recessional Hymn**

Earth and All Stars

LSB 817

- 1 Earth and all stars! Loud rushing planets!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Oh, victory! Loud shouting army!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain
  
- ref He has done marvelous things.  
I too will praise Him with a new song!
  
- 2 Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blowing snowstorm!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Flowers and trees! Loud rustling dry leaves!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain
  
- 3 Trumpet and pipes! Loud clashing cymbals!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud humming cellos!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain
  
- 4 Engines and steel! Loud pounding hammers!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Limestone and beams! Loud building workers!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain
  
- 5 Classrooms and labs! Loud boiling test tubes!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Athlete and band! Loud cheering people!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain

6 Knowledge and truth! Loud sounding wisdom!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Daughter and son! Loud praying members!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain

7 Children of God, Dying and rising,  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Heaven and earth, Hosts everlasting,  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain

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Readings for Next Weeks – Isaiah 56:1, 6-8, Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32,  
Matthew 15:21-28

This Week's Memory Verse – Romans 10:13 "For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

### **Acknowledgments**

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