



Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 22, 2021

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
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Lector: Terri Powlas

Welcome and Announcements

You are invited to stand.

Hymn: “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

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Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

The Apostolic Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

The Kyrie



A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



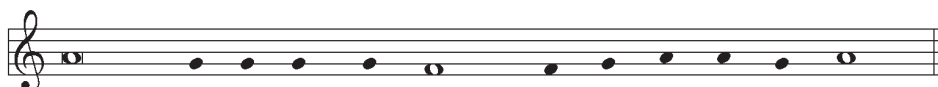
A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



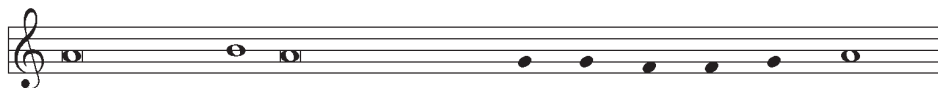
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men



Ⓐ Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



Ⓑ Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther:



We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



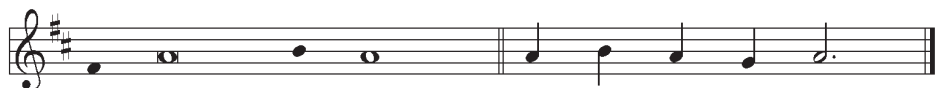
For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men



Ⓐ The Lord be with you.

Ⓑ And al-so with you.

Let us pray. Care for your Church, O Lord, with perpetual mercy. Since we totter and are sure to fall without your grace, remove what will harm us and arrange what will make us whole. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Please be seated.

First Lesson: Isaiah 29:11-19

¹¹The vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot, for it is sealed." ¹²And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot read." ¹³And the Lord said: "Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men, ¹⁴therefore, behold, I will again do wonderful things with this people, with wonder upon wonder; and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hidden." ¹⁵Ah, you who hide deep from the Lord your counsel, whose deeds are in the dark, and who say, "Who sees us? Who knows us?" ¹⁶You turn things upside down! Shall the potter be regarded as the clay, that the thing made should say of its maker, "He did not make me"; or the thing formed say of him who formed it, "He has no understanding"? ¹⁷Is it not yet a very little while until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest? ¹⁸In that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book, and out of their gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind shall see. ¹⁹The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the Lord, and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel.

Psalm 14

¹The fool has said in his heart, "There | is no God."

All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does | any good.

²**The Lord looks down from heaven up- | on us all,**

to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks | after God.

³Everyone has proved faithless; all alike | have turned bad;
there is none who does good; | no, not one.

⁴**Have they no knowledge, all those e- | vildoers
who eat up my people like bread and do not
call up- | on the Lord?**

⁵See how they trem- | ble with fear,
because God is in the company of | the righteous.

⁶**Their aim is to confound the plans of the | afflicted,
but the Lord is | their refuge.**

⁷Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out | of Zion!
when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will
rejoice and Isra- | el be glad.

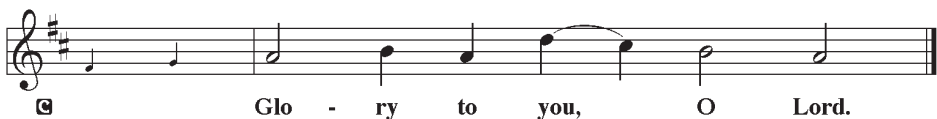
Second Lesson: Ephesians 5:22-33

²²Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. ²⁴Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands. ²⁵Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, ²⁶that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. ²⁸In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰because we are members of his body. ³¹“Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” ³²This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. ³³However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Please stand for the Gospel.



The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

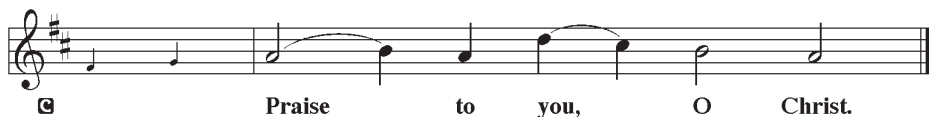


Gospel: Mark 7:1-13

¹When the Pharisees gathered to {Jesus}, with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem, ²they saw that some of his disciples ate with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. ³(For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands properly, holding to the tradition of the elders, ⁴and when they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions that they observe, such as the washing of cups and pots and copper vessels and dining couches.) ⁵And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” ⁶And he said to them, “Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, “This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; ⁷in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’ ⁸You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men.” ⁹And he said to them, “You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! ¹⁰For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’ ¹¹But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother, “Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban”’ (that is, given to God) — ¹²then you no longer

permit him to do anything for his father or mother, ¹³thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do.”

The Gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated.

Children's Chat

Lauren Whisnant

Sermon: “No Quarter”

Spencer Newsome

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn of the Day: “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

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The Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again 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**

Please be seated.

Offering

Offertory: “When in Our Music God is Glorified” Thewes/Stanford

Special Music: “More Love to Thee”

Duet by John and Laura Brock

Please stand as you are able.



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -
it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the
joy of your sal-va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us — ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayers of the Church

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people, according to their needs.

Following each of 4 prayers:

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray,

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**

Hymn: "O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts"

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The Benediction

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 give you peace.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Postlude: "Fanfare for a New Day"

J. Kerr

Special thanks to

Stan McConnell

Spencer Newsome

Lauren Whisnant

for serving today in Pastor Ryman's absence.

We are calling all our members to schedule a visit with Pastor Ryman. If he has not visited you yet, please give us a call and let us know a good time for him to do so.

Announcements ~ August 22, 2021

All-Youth Games and Cookout

The all-youth cookout is today at the picnic shelter. This event is for all youth and their families. Meet at the shelter at 5:00pm. We will start the evening with games and have hotdogs at 6:00pm. We are asking all families to please bring one dessert to share.

Sunday School Classes

Sunday School begins at 9:30am. Classes are as follows:

Pre-K - Teachers needed

K-5 - Teacher, Crystal Canup (assistants needed)

6-12 - Teachers, Kenneth Whisnant, Joshua Canup,
and Heather Canup

Adult Class - Teacher, George Barringer

Adult Class - Teacher, Louise Eller (ladies' parlor)

Adult Class - Teachers rotate (choir room)

Adult Confirmation Class - Pastor Ryman (fellowship hall)

Midweek Bible Study & Prayer Thursdays

Join Susan and Pastor Mark on Thursdays at 10:00am for morning prayer and at 6:00pm for evening prayer. We meet in the fellowship hall and have a discussion of that day's readings from the Daily Lectionary. You may jump in at any time. Bible study and prayer will continue throughout the year. Classes will resume when Pastor and Susan return from their trip.

Stewardship

General Fund Offering (8/8).....	\$7,400
Other Offering (8/8).....	\$1,424
Worship Attendance (8/8).....	175
General Fund Offering (8/15).....	\$6,816
Other Offering (8/15)	\$1,216
Worship Attendance (8/15).....	153
General Fund YTD Receipts as of 8/15	\$246,011
General Fund YTD Budget as of 8/15	\$250,639

Events at a Glance

August 29 – Ice Cream Social, **5:30pm**

September 11 – All-Youth clean picnic shelter, **10:00am**

September 12 – Homecoming Sunday

The annual Ice Cream social is next Sunday at 5:30pm. Bring your favorite ice cream to share.

Lutheran Women

Hama Lingle Circle sends cards to homebound for September.

New, unwrapped Christmas gifts for children will be collected during September to take to Binns-Counts at a later date. More information will be in the September Newsletter.

Womens' Sunday is October 3rd.

Carolinas Lutheran Womens' Convocation is October 2nd at Faith Lutheran Church. Registration forms are in the Ellen Bumgarner mail slot, and are due by September 18th. Cost is \$8.00.

Lutheran Men

St. Paul's Men's annual fish fry is **Saturday, September 18th**. Tickets will be available on the lawn after service on August 29th, September 5th, 12th, and from the church office. Please purchase your tickets no later than September 12th so that we know how many to prepare for. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children under 12 years, and free for those under 3 years. Drive-thru/carry out (no drinks provided) will be available. Proceeds from the fish fry will go to Binns-Counts Community Center.

There is no meeting in September due to the fish fry. **The regular monthly meetings will move to the fourth Monday of each month beginning October 28th.** We look forward to having all men join us on this new night!

Kitchen Use

A reminder to any group using the church kitchen —If your group uses the refrigerator, please be sure to take all of your items with you when you leave. Do not leave items in the kitchen refrigerator. Space is available in the *shelter* refrigerator if longer than one day storage time is needed. Thank you.

Members of St. Paul's for Special Prayers:

Grady Earnhardt - Health concerns
Sonya Eller - Health Concerns
Terry Eller - Health concerns
Bishop Goodman - Aplastic anemia
Helen Gordon - Recovering, knee replacement
Peyton Holland - Blood disorder
Emerson Holder - Health concerns
Alan Lyerly - Recovering, pacemaker
Mike Morris - Health concerns
Teresa Peeler - Health concerns
Dottie Stancil - Health concerns
Jane Wilhelm - Health concerns

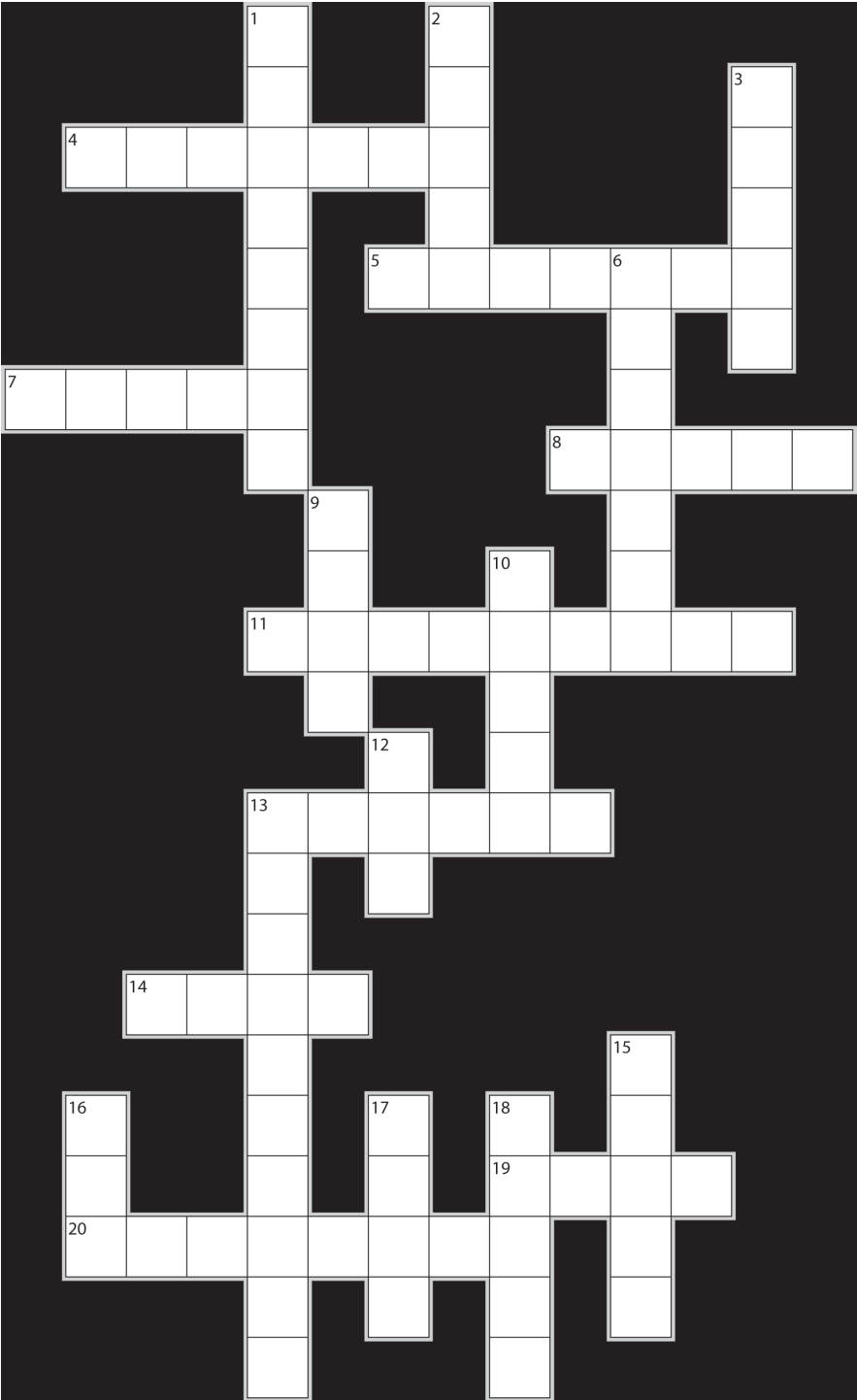
Homebound and Long-Term Care:

Autumn Care: Martha Hopkins, Walter Smith
Citadel: Mary Sherrill
Elmcroft: Helen Howe
Trinity Oaks: Barbara Whisnant
Home: Judy Bernhardt, Iverson and Gayle Brendle, John and Louise Cornelison, Barbara Deese, Ruby Heilig, Chuck and Linda Hess, Shirley Hoosier, Susan Lyerly, Carrie Reavis, Dottie Stancil, Jane Troutman, Barbara Upright, Polly Webb

Friends of St. Paul's:

Riley Burton - Former St. Paul's organist, health concerns
Catie Critchfield - Great-granddaughter of Ed and Betty Niedens, health concerns
Seth Eagle and his sister Abigail Eagle - friends of the Orbison family, Covid19 and other health concerns
Linda Jaramillo - Mother of Julie Jaramillo, health concerns
Elizabeth Tancordo - Niece of Bill and Linda Behrendt, health concerns
Leslie Ryman - Sister of Pastor Ryman, cancer
Mark Watson - Son of Larry and Leilani Watson, health concerns

Please let us know if any corrections to this list of concerns are needed.
In an effort to keep the list current, we will try to update/remove prayer requests on a monthly basis, with the exception of known, prolonged issues.



Two Year Daily Lectionary

Pentecost 13

Sunday – 2 Samuel 13:1–22; Romans 15:1–13; John 3:22–36

Monday – 2 Samuel 13:23–39; Acts 20:17–38; Mark 9:42–50

Tuesday – 2 Samuel 14:1–20; Acts 21:1–14; Mark 10:1–16

Wednesday – 2 Samuel 14:21–33; Acts 21:15–26; Mark 10:17–31

Thursday – 2 Samuel 15:1–18; Acts 21:27–36; Mark 10:32–45

Friday – 2 Samuel 15:19–37; Acts 21:37–22:16; Mark 10:46–52

Saturday – 2 Samuel 16:1–23; Acts 22:17–29; Mark 11:1–11

ACROSS

4. What was being shouted during the triumphal entry (Mark 11:1–11)
5. If you would be great, you must be a... (Mark 10:32–45)
7. He violated his sister. (2 Samuel 13:1–22)
8. Fled Jerusalem for fear of his son. (2 Samuel 15:1–18)
11. Without malice, this friend of Paul got him in trouble in Asia. (Acts 21:27–36)
13. Absalom cursed David, as did this Benjamite. (2 Samuel 16:1–23)
14. Though Absalom didn't have much good sense, he had a lot of this. (2 Samuel 14:21–33)
19. Paul was a birthright citizen of... (Acts 22:17–29)
20. John the Baptist said that Jesus must increase while he himself must... (John 3:22–36)

DOWN

1. Jesus' custom at a gathering (Mark 10:1–16)
2. Just as necessary as salt is... (Mark 9:42–50)
3. Bartimaeus was healed through this. (Mark 10:46–52)
6. Took the law into his own hands... (2 Samuel 13:23–39)
9. David did not trust his counselor, but did trust? (2 Samuel 15:19–37)
10. How much of God's counsel did Paul declare? (Acts 20:17–38)
12. What was Paul willing to do in Jerusalem? (Acts 21:1–14)
13. What encouragement gives us hope? (Romans 15:1–13)
15. Who did Paul visit in Jerusalem? (Acts 21:15–26)
16. Who alone is good? (Mark 10:17–31)
17. Had a woman trick David into reconciliation with Absalom. (2 Samuel 14:1–20)
18. Paul got the tribune's attention by speaking in this language. (Acts 21:37–22:16)



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