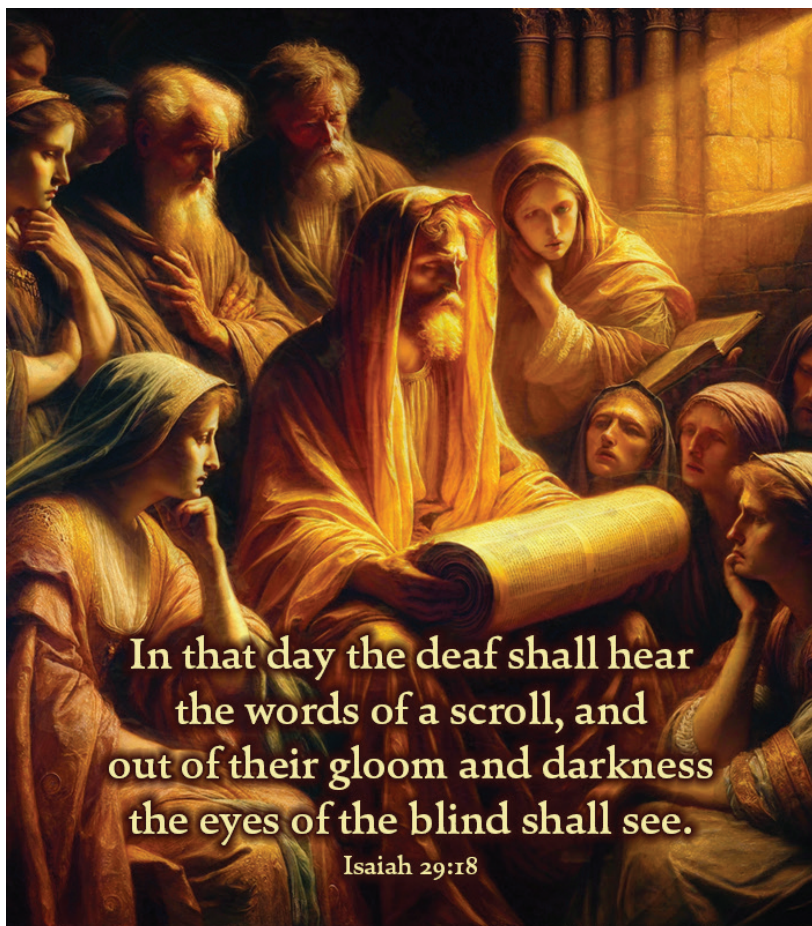




Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 25, 2024 • 10:30AM

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: “Our Father, Who Art in Heaven”

J. S. Bach

The Ten Commandments *Please stand.*

The Lord is God, our God, and has brought us out of bondage to sin and death, commanding us to observe our conduct before him and our neighbor.

¹You shall have no other gods before me.

**²You shall not take the name
of the Lord your God in vain;
for the Lord will not hold guiltless
those who take his name in vain.**

**³Remember the Sabbath day
to keep it holy.**

**⁴Honor your father
and your mother,
that your days may be long
in the land which the Lord
your God is giving you.**

⁵You shall not kill.

⁶You shall not commit adultery.

⁷You shall not steal.

**⁸You shall not bear false witness
against your neighbor.**

**⁹You shall not covet
your neighbor’s house.**

**¹⁰You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife,
his workers, his livestock,
or anything that is your neighbor’s.**

Confession and Absolution

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Hymn: “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”

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Greeting and Kyrie Eleison

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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.



Three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff is for the Kyrie Eleison, the second for Christ, and the third for the Lord. Each staff begins with a whole rest followed by a double bar line, then the melody begins. The lyrics are written below each staff.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

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Four staves of musical notation in G major. The first staff is for the Leader, and the subsequent three are for the Congregation. The lyrics are written below each staff.

Leader:

Glory be to God on high!

Congregation:

And on earth peace, good will toward all. We praise you, we bless you,

we worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory,

O Lord God, heaven - ly King, God the Father Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God,

Son of the Father: You take away the sin of the world, have mercy
on us. You take away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.
You sit at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy on us.
For you are holy; you on - ly are the Lord; You only, O Christ, with the
Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

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Leader: The Lord be with you. *Congregation:* And with your spirit

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.

A - men.

Please be seated.

First Lesson: Isaiah 29:11-19

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 | evildoers
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

Offering: Scan the QR code to the right to be
taken directly to the giving page on your phone or tablet.
Ushers will also pass the offering plates along each row.



Anthem: “Here I Am, Lord”

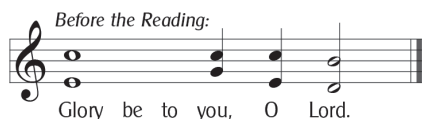
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Gospel Acclamation *Please stand for the Gospel.*

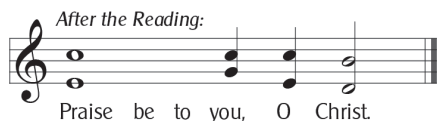
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The Holy Gospel is written in the sixth chapter of John.



Gospel: Mark 7:1-13



Confession of Faith

Let us profess our faith in God using the words of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven;

by the power of the Holy Spirit

**he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;**

he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped
and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection from the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

Children's Chat

Sermon: "Turned Upside Down"

Rev. Scott Licht

Hymn: "Open Our Eyes Lord, We Want to See Jesus"

Open our eyes, Lord
We want to see Jesus
To reach out and touch him
And say that we love him
Open our ears, Lord
And help us to listen
Open our eyes, Lord
We want to see Jesus

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Prayers of the Church

Following each prayer:

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

Preface and Sanctus

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Leader *Congregation*



The Lord be with you. And with your spir - it.

Leader

Lift up your hearts.

Congregation

We lift them to the Lord.

Leader

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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, everlasting God—through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, our Lord and Savior, who ascending above the heavens and sitting at your right hand, poured out the Holy Spirit as he had promised upon the chosen disciples, causing the whole earth to rejoice.

Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you, and saying:



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na
 in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est

The Lord's Prayer

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

Our Father, who art in heaven,

¹hallowed be thy name,

²thy kingdom come,

³thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

⁴Give us this day our daily bread;

⁵and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

⁶and lead us not into temptation,

⁷but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus, on the night in which he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples saying: Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you; do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying: Take, and drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Exhortation

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Agnus Dei

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O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin
of the world, have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world,
grant us peace. A - - - - - men.

Distribution of Communion

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If you need a gluten-free wafer or juice, please hold up your index finger in front of you as the server approaches you at the rail.

May the body and precious blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in true faith to everlasting life.

Thanksgiving

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season. You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing. Just as you have nourished our bodies, you have met our spiritual needs, forgiving the iniquity of your people, and covering all our sin. Your salvation is near to those who fear you, and you have blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing. We offer thanks that on this Lord's Day, you have again blessed us with the assurance of forgiveness through the blessed body and blood of that same Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Nunc Dimittis

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Lord, now let your servant de- | part in | peace,
ac- | cording to | your | word.
For my eyes have | seen your sal- | vation,
which you have prepared before the | face of | all | people:
A light to | lighten the | Gentiles
and the | glory of your | people | Israel.
Glory | be to the | Father,
and to the | Son, and to the | Holy | Spirit,
As it | was in the be- | ginning,
is now, and ever shall be, | world without | end. | A- | men

Benedicamus

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Leader: *Congregation:*

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

Leader: *Congregation:*

Bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Postlude: “Recessional on ‘Lasst uns erfreuen’” Douglas Wagner
*We remain seated, worshiping silently during the postlude,
standing at the end of the postlude to face the processional cross,
now at the rear of the sanctuary.*

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift his countenance upon you, and give you peace.



Rally Sunday Ice Cream Social

The congregational **Ice Cream Social** will be today at **5:30pm**, in the Picnic Shelter. Make your favorite ice cream and join us. If you don't have an ice cream maker/freezer, join us anyway. Bring your favorite store-bought treat to share, and bring a friend.

Friday, September 6th

All Youth, please join us for some fun, fellowship and cleaning on Friday, September 6th, at 6:30pm. We are going to do some light cleaning of the pews and tidy up the cards/pencils for Homecoming. Please check our SLPC Youth Facebook page and you can respond to that event if you are able to come. Thanks!

Sunday, August 25–Rally Sunday

- Breakfast in the fellowship hall, 8:30am
- Special music by our children, 9:15
Those moving up to a new class will be presented with Bibles.
- Sunday School, 9:30am
- Guest preacher, Rev. Scott Licht, 10:30am
Rev. Licht is CFO/COO with Lutherans for Life.
- Men's Choir practice, 4pm
- Handbell practice, 4:45pm
- Ice Cream Social in the picnic shelter, 5:30pm
- Vespers, 6pm

Monday, August 26

- Lutheran Men's meeting, 6:30pm
- Finance Committee meeting, 7pm

Tuesday, August 27

- Bible Study classes at 10am and 6pm

Wednesday, August 28

- Classical Conversations, 8:30am
- Adult Choir practice, 6:30pm

Sunday, September 1

- Breakfast in the fellowship hall, 8:30am
- Grace Ridenhour circle, in the parlor after worship
- Autumn Care worship, 2pm
- Youth and Family committee, 2pm
- Men's Choir, 4pm
- Vespers, 6pm

Sunday, September 8, Homecoming Sunday

Brian Lord, our new Associate Pastor, will join us and be our preacher for Homecoming. We will have a covered-dish luncheon after worship in the picnic shelter. There will also be seating in the fellowship hall if you prefer to eat inside. Please reach out to former members of St. Paul's and to members who haven't been here for a while to join us.

King’s Kids

We are excited to announce our upcoming King’s Kids music program for K-5th grades. This will be a time for kids to learn about God and the Christian faith through music. Twice a year, King’s Kids will gather before Sunday School for 7–9 weeks to learn new songs, play instruments, and prepare to share what they have learned during morning worship. The fall season will be from September 15 to October 27, 2024. We look forward to a wonderful time together!



Recent Prayer Needs

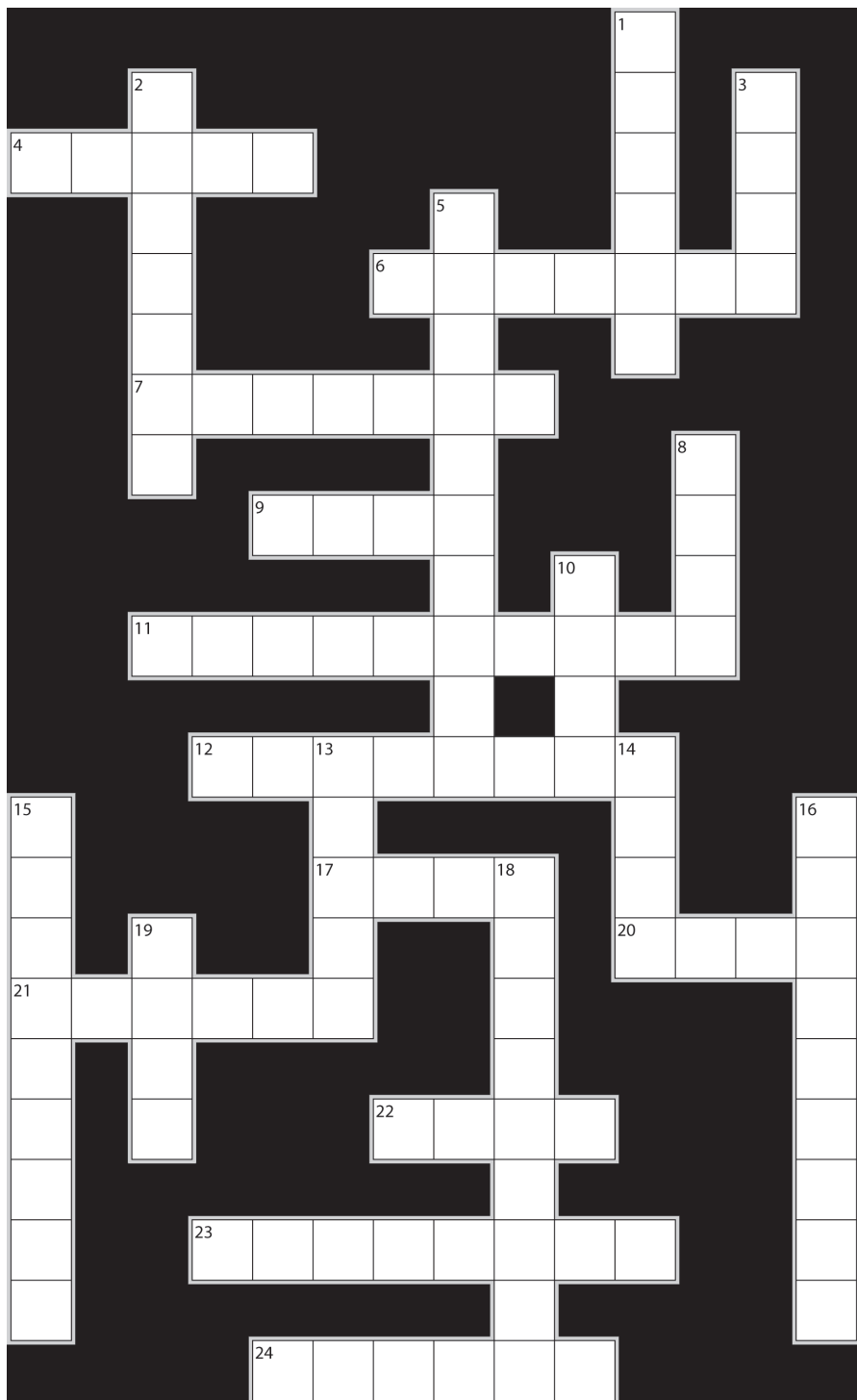
- Melissa Bernhardt – recovering from surgery
- Kelly Gainey – health concerns
- Doris Hilliard – health concerns
- Shirley Hoosier – health concerns (home)
- Brynne Lippard, sister of Kara Burnett – Novant/Rowan hospital, health concerns
- Dianna McComas – health concerns
- Wayne Monroe, son of Betty Monroe – health concerns
- Griffin Morneau, 13-year-old family friend of Amy Barringer – major health issues
- Herman Ritchie – Liberty Commons for rehab
- Dottie Stancil – health concerns
- Barbara Upright – recovering at home

The most recent requests are listed here. Please see the monthly Epistle for a complete list of prayer needs.



General Fund Offering (8/18)	\$15,866
Other Offering (8/18)	\$4,844
Sunday School Attendance (8/18)	91
Worship Attendance (8/18)	200

This quarter, the children’s change collections will go to Lutherans for Life.
Last Sunday: \$182.50 Total so far this quarter: \$1,167



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Find the answers in today's four Scripture lessons.

The English Standard Version is used to build this puzzle.

ACROSS

4. The words of a scroll will make them see.
6. This is profound in the Second Lesson.
7. In a bit, it will be turned into a fruitful field.
9. The Lord is his refuge.
11. The Pharisees and scribes observe many of these.
12. The scribes and Pharisees saw that some of the disciples washed with these hands.
17. With their tradition, the Pharisees and the scribes made the word of God this.
20. He says there is no God.
21. In the prophet's day, these were far from God.
22. He looks down from heaven to see if any seek God.
23. Love your wives like Christ loves the church.
24. Who the church submits to

DOWN

1. Shall he be regarded as clay?
2. A husband should love his wife as...
3. We are all members of Christ's...
5. What Jesus called the Pharisees and the scribes
8. In Isaiah's day, the people honored God with these.
10. Those who do good
13. Submit to your husbands.
14. Who shall hear in the First Lesson?
15. God is with their generation.
16. Oh, that this would come for Israel out of Zion.
18. Hypocrites teach that the commandments of men are these.
19. According to Isaiah, hypocrites worship God in...

The Highway of Holiness

Find the 29 bold words from Isaiah 35:1–4, 8.

Y T N S L T S S E N I L O H R
D H O V E R A S T R A Y D I E
E A M N M E D E H C R A P C J
V N L J R S N Y D N V W I O O
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The **wilderness** and the **parched** land shall be **glad**, and the **desert** shall **rejoice** and **blossom** as the **crocus**. It shall blossom abundantly, and **rejoice** with joy and singing. The **glory** of **Lebanon** shall be given to it, the **majesty** of **Carmel** and **Sharon**. They shall see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God. **Strengthen** the **weak hands**, and make the **feeble knees firm**. Say to those with a **fearful** heart, “Be **strong**, **fear not**. Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and **save** you...” And a **highway** shall be there and it shall be called The **Way of Holiness**. The unclean shall not pass over it, but it shall be for those who **walk** in the way, though they be fools. They shall not go **astray**.



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Next weeks lessons: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9; Psalm 119:129-136; Ephesians 6:10-20; Mark 7:14-23

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