



Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 12, 2026

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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This Week's Memory Verse

For all who are led
by the Spirit of God
are sons of God.

Romans 8:14



Memory Verse Aid

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Paul Manz

Please stand.

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

Amen

Confession of Sin

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Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sin to God our Father, imploring him, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Who made heaven and earth.

I said I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Reflection and self-examination

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

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.**

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to you, that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Most merciful God, you have given your only Son to die for us. Have mercy on us, and for his sake grant us remission of all our sins. By your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of you and of your will, and true obedience to your word, so that by your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Absolution

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us, and has given his only Son to die for us, and for his sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe in his name, he gives power to become children of God, and bestows on them his Holy Spirit. All who believe and are baptized shall be saved. Grant this, O Lord, unto us all. **Amen**

Hymn: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

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Greeting

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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.

Kyrie Eleison

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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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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.

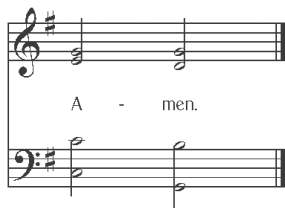
Salutation and Prayer of the Day

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

Richly inspire us, O Lord, to consider and accomplish what you see is good. For we know that we cannot live without you, but that with you, we shall prevail. And so, we pray through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, forever one God.



A - men.

Please be seated.

First Lesson: Isaiah 55:10–13

¹⁰“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, ¹¹so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it. ¹²For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field

shall clap their hands. ¹³Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall make a name for the LORD, an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off." *The word of the Lord*

Psalter: Psalm 65:1–14

(ESV is numbered 1–13)

¹You are to be praised, O | God, in Zion;
to you shall vows be performed | in Jerusalem.

²**To you that hear prayer shall | all flesh come,
because of | their transgressions.**

³Our sins are strong- | er than we are,
but you will | blot them out.

⁴**Happy are they whom you choose and draw
to your | courts to dwell there!
they will be satisfied by the beauty of your
house, by the holiness | of your temple.**

⁵Awesome things will you show us in your
righteousness, O God of | our salvation,
O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of
the seas that are | far away.

⁶**You make fast the mountains | by your power;
they are girded a- | bout with might.**

⁷You still the roaring | of the seas,
the roaring of their waves, and the clamor | of the peoples.

⁸**Those who dwell at the ends of the earth
will tremble at your | marvelous signs;
you make the dawn and the dusk to | sing for joy.**

⁹You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it | very plenteous;
the river of God is | full of water.

¹⁰**You pre- | pare the grain,
for so you provide | for the earth.**

¹¹You drench the furrows and smooth | out the ridges;
with heavy rain you soften the ground and | bless its increase.

¹²**You crown the year | with your goodness,
and your paths over- | flow with plenty.**

¹³May the fields of the wilderness be | rich for grazing,
and the hills be | clothed with joy.

¹⁴**May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
and the valleys cloak them- | selves with grain;
let them shout for | joy and sing.**

Second Lesson: Romans 8:12–17

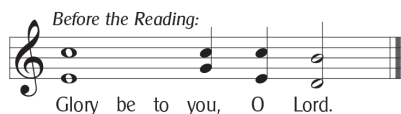
¹²So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs — heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation *Please stand for the Gospel.*



The Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.



Gospel: Matthew 13:1–9, 18–23

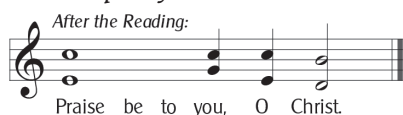
¹That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ²And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³And he told them many things in parables, saying: “A sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. ⁵Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, ⁶but when the sun rose

they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹He who has ears, let him hear.”

¹⁸[Jesus said to the disciples,] “Hear then the parable of the sower: ¹⁹When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path.

²⁰As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away. ²²As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. ²³As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

The Gospel of our Lord



Confession of Faith

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Let us profess our faith with 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 of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen

Please be seated.

Children's Chat

Sermon: "The Word that Works"

Hymn: "Dearest Jesus, Draw Thou Near Me"

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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

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: “In Every Land Begin the Song”

Adult Choir

Exhortation

Preface

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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:

Sanctus

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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 musical score is written on four staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests. The lyrics are written below the notes. The second staff continues the melody and lyrics. The third staff continues the melody and lyrics. The fourth staff concludes the piece with a double bar line.

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 Christ, 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 in 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.

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 altar rail. A pastor will bring communion to the pews for those who are unable to come to the rail. Please raise your hand so he doesn't miss you.

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

Thanksgiving

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We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this your salutary gift, and we ask you in your mercy to strengthen us through the same, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another—through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen**

Nunc Dimittis

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Lord, now let your servant depart | 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 with- | out | 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: "Strong Deliverer"

Phil Lehenbauer

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.

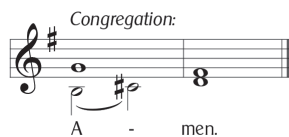
Benediction

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.

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



*The altar flowers are given for the glory of God
and in honor of Sybil Athey's 90th birthday
on July 11, 2026 by her family.*

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, July 12

- Sunday School, 9:30am
- Worship, 10:30am
- New member class #1, Noon in the chapel
- Christian Education Committee, 2pm
- Lutheran Women's quarterly meeting, 5pm
- Vespers at the parsonage, 6pm

Monday–Friday

- Morning Prayer, 8:30am in the counting room
Look for "Daily Word" on our website.

Monday, July 13

- Finance Committee, 6:30pm

Tuesday, July 14

- Bible Study 10am and 6pm
- Bonnie Bost Circle out to eat, 6pm

Wednesday, July 15

- Trinity Oaks Rehab devotions, 10:45am
- Adult Choir practice, 6:30pm

Thursday, July 16

- Rowan Smart Start, 10am–Noon
- Friendship Club, 10:30am

Sunday, July 19

- Sunday School, 9:30am
- Worship, 10:30am
- New member class #2, Noon in the chapel
- Autumn Care worship service, 2pm
- No Vespers tonight

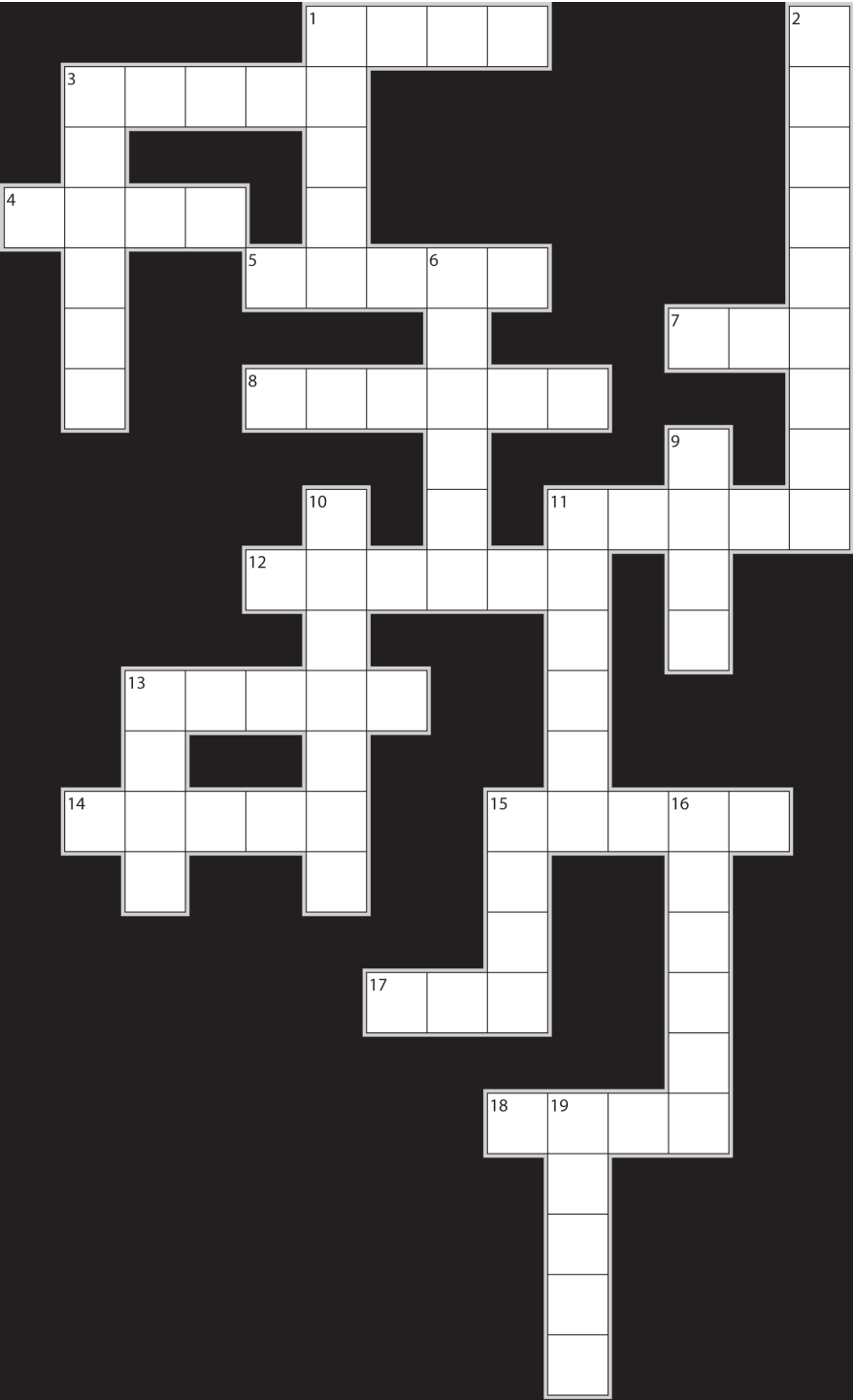
Friendship Club

St. Paul's Friendship Club will meet, **July 16th at 10:30am**, in the parking lot of the church to car pool to China Grove Family House Restaurant for lunch. Please let Helen know if you plan to attend. Hope to see you there for good food and fellowship.
Helen Gordon (704-636-5002)

St. Paul's Men Train Trip July 27th

St. Paul's Men heard a program last year detailing discovery of "The Hitching Post Southerner" miniature train that ran in the early 1950's at the Hitching Post Drive-in Theater, located where Faithful Friends animal shelter is today. The drive-in's owner purchased the train for what would be in today's dollars \$173,000, to draw families to the drive-in movies. The train made its debut on Sunday, August 27th, 1950, but after only a few years was stored away in a shed for over 40 years. Learning of the train in the 1990's, William & Judy Deal eventually succeeded in purchasing the train and embarked on what would become a 20-year restoration. They currently have it running at their home in Lexington and have invited our men to come see and ride the results of their incredible dedication and labor of love.

Those going should **meet at the church at 6:00pm** on **Monday July 27th**. We'll have dinner at **Speedy's Barbecue in Lexington at 6:30pm**, then travel to the Deal's home for what promises to be a unique experience. Men of all ages are invited and encouraged to join us.



Seventh Sunday of Pentecost, Year A

Find the answers in today's lectionary readings from

Isaiah 55:10-13; Psalm 65:1-13; Romans 8:12-17; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23.

The English Standard Version is used to build this puzzle.

Solve online: <https://tinyurl.com/pentecost7A-crossword>

ACROSS

1. You have received the Spirit of adoption so that you may cry what?
3. The seed that fell on good soil bore what?
4. The seed that fell on rocky soil did not develop this.
5. You shall be led forth in...
7. At the beginning of the gospel reading, Jesus went to sit by it.
8. He bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God.
11. They will clap their hands.
12. Instead of the brier shall come up...
13. If we are God's children, then we are his what?
14. God stills their roaring.
15. Where the crowd stood in the gospel reading
17. You shall go out in...
18. God is the hope of the farthest what?

DOWN

1. God does this for our transgressions.
2. By strength God established them.
3. The meadows clothe themselves with them.
6. We are fellow heirs with him.
9. You did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into this.
10. Instead of the thorn shall come up...
11. We shall be satisfied with its goodness.
13. He who has ears, let him do what?
15. If by the Spirit, you put to death its deeds, you will live.
16. They gathered around Jesus in the gospel lesson.
19. God's word will not return to him this way.

Recent Prayer Needs

Please notify the church office when a prayer request should be updated or removed from this list.

- Perry Bernhardt – upcoming surgery
- Larry Clark – upcoming surgery
- Windy Heilig – recovering from injury
- Autumn Hill – recovering from injury
- Judi Honbarger – recovering from surgery
- Sally Kruchkow – health concerns
(Tiffany Holland's grandmother)
- Bob McCanless – health concerns
- Kay Moody – upcoming surgery
- Kensley Phipps – recovering from surgery
(granddaughter of Gail & George Reese)
- Will Poplin – health concerns *(Ann Poplin's son)*
- Melinda Redding – recovering at home
- Dick Smith – health concerns
- Kelly Smith – health concerns *(friend of Karen Charles)*
- Robin Wastler – recovering from surgery
(daughter of George & Gail Reese)
- Jayne Weinhofer – recovering from shoulder replacement
(Dani Cottingham's mother)
- Kathy Wilhelm – health concerns
- Kenny Willis – health concerns *(brother of Gina Wilhelm)*

For a longer list of prayer needs, please consult The Monthly Epistle. This page in the bulletin is to make you aware of the most recent prayer needs. Typically, after one month on this list the name and request will have migrated to The Monthly Epistle.

**Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,
give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.**

1 Thessalonians 5:16–18

Youth & Family Cannon Ballers Night

Join us to watch the Cannon Ballers on **August 14th at 7pm**. If you want to purchase food prior to the game, we will be meeting at the Food Bank at 5:30pm. If not, you can meet us at the gates at 6:30pm to get your tickets from us. We will be purchasing the tickets ahead of time, so we need to know asap how many tickets we will need.

The cut-off date is July 26th. You may use the QR Code to fill out the form or go to this website:

<https://forms.gle/NdF5wFFxwFMskHsA6>



Youth & Family Clean Up for Homecoming

Mark your calendars for our annual youth event—“pew/shelter clean-up”—on Friday, **September 11th, at 6pm**. Bring your cleaning spirit along with vacuums, brooms, and cleaning cloths! We will be providing pizza and dessert. We look forward to seeing you there!

Organ Food Pantry

St. Paul's continues to support Organ Lutheran Church's food pantry. If you would like to help, bring non-perishable food items as you are able. There are bins available at the entrances to leave your donations. We have volunteers who take these to Organ Lutheran Church each Monday.

Video Techs Needed

We are looking for two tech savvy people to operate the video live stream on a rotating basis, approximately one Sunday per month. If you would like to learn the process to deliver our services to members who can't attend in person, and others around the world, please contact the church office, or Matt Holland. Training will be provided. We will miss Seth and Peyton, and we are very thankful for their service to St. Paul's.

Previous Sunday's Stats

General Fund offering 7/5	\$7,860
Other offering 7/5	\$1,787
Worship attendance 7/5	166
Sunday School attendance reported 7/5	58

Children's Change Collection

Last week's total: \$129.50
Children's change collections this quarter
will support St. Paul Lutheran Seminary.

Total collected during the second quarter of 2026
for Marion Medical Mission: \$2,229.00.

In the last two+ years, the children have collected
\$27,733.62 for missions.

Total collected during the first quarter of 2026 to
benefit the Small Catechism Project: \$2,213.00

The total collected for
Lutheran Military Veterans and Families
during the fourth quarter of 2025 was \$2,396.

The total collected for Friends of Madagascar Mission
during the third quarter of 2025 was \$2,248.50.

The total collected for The Table Ministry
during the second quarter of 2025 was \$2,022.

The total collected for Lutherans for Life
during the first quarter of 2025 was \$1,951.00.

More information about
St. Paul's Missions may be found at
StPaulsLutheran.Church/Missionaries

Reminders: Information for **weekly bulletins** should be turned in to the church office by Wednesday morning before Noon. Information for **monthly newsletters** needs to be submitted during the 3rd week of each month or earlier. You may email, call, or bring information. Also, please be sure your name and your family member's names are written in the **friendship register each Sunday**.

Capital Building Fund

As of May 31st, we have received \$2,395,199.72, which is **\$504,800.28 shy** of reaching of our \$2.9 million goal.

General Fund

For the month of May, our expenses were greater than our income by over \$18,000. As a church family, please consider what it takes to care for **OUR** church and the expenses associated with it.

Percentage Giving

Use this chart to help you decide what percentage of your annual income to give in offerings per week:

Annual Income	Weekly Giving (in Dollars)					
	12%	10%	8%	6%	4%	2%
\$5,200	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	4.00	2.00
\$6,500	15.00	12.50	10.00	7.50	5.00	2.50
\$7,800	18.00	15.00	12.00	9.00	6.00	3.00
\$9,100	21.00	17.50	14.00	10.50	7.00	3.50
\$10,400	24.00	20.00	16.00	12.00	8.00	4.00
\$11,700	27.00	22.50	18.00	13.50	9.00	4.50
\$13,000	30.00	25.00	20.00	15.00	10.00	5.00
\$14,300	33.00	27.50	22.00	16.50	11.00	5.50
\$15,600	36.00	30.00	24.00	18.00	12.00	6.00
\$18,200	42.00	35.00	28.00	21.00	14.00	7.00
\$20,800	48.00	40.00	32.00	24.00	16.00	8.00
\$23,400	54.00	45.00	36.00	27.00	18.00	9.00
\$26,000	60.00	50.00	40.00	30.00	20.00	10.00
\$28,600	66.00	55.00	44.00	33.00	22.00	11.00
\$31,200	72.00	60.00	48.00	36.00	24.00	12.00
\$36,400	84.00	70.00	56.00	42.00	28.00	14.00
\$41,600	96.00	80.00	64.00	48.00	32.00	16.00
\$46,800	108.00	90.00	72.00	54.00	36.00	18.00
\$52,000	120.00	100.00	80.00	60.00	40.00	20.00
\$65,000	150.00	125.00	100.00	75.00	50.00	25.00
\$78,000	180.00	150.00	120.00	90.00	60.00	30.00
\$91,000	210.00	175.00	140.00	105.00	70.00	35.00
\$104,000	240.00	200.00	160.00	120.00	80.00	40.00
\$117,000	270.00	225.00	180.00	135.00	90.00	45.00
\$130,000	300.00	250.00	200.00	150.00	100.00	50.00
\$150,000	346.00	288.00	231.00	173.00	115.00	58.00



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A family of faith sharing the gospel and love of Christ

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