



St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod
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August 9, 2026
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word. 1 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Happening this Week...

Sunday, August 9th, Worship Service 9 a.m.
Becky out of the office through August 10th
Tuesday, August 11th, Prayer Shawl 12:30 p.m.

For all spiritual needs please call an elder.

Aaron Kirchhoff 816-799-6144
Cory Brown 816-510-9975
Dan Martin 816-529-2283

Birthdays: 11-Ryan Berry. **Wedding Anniversaries:** 15-Douglas & Denice Mackey

If anyone has been missed let the office know.

In our prayers: Lois Gravitt; Haley (Reifsteck) Sparks and baby Sparks; Jerry Martin; Dan Martin; Horst Jeske

Missionary: Rev. Eric Stinnett and family--missionary work in Ethiopia

Those in Uniform: Sgt. Keighnan Forcum; Sgt. 1st Class Bradley Herrin, Staff Sgt. John Bodenhamer, Major Austin Gouldsmith, Grady Whiteman, Major Andrew Rossow

Those who have cancer.

Our Shut-ins: Linda Loges; Norman Morton, Lillian & Larry Weinreich

Please call the church office with prayer requests at 816-373-5290. Please leave a message if the phone is not answered.



The flowers on the Altar today are from Barbara Gumm in memory of her parents

Final service will be August 16th, 2026. 9 a.m. service, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. meal, 1 p.m. closing service.

If you know where you want to transfer your membership let the office know. You can email Becky at secretary172stpl@comcast.net or call the church office at 816-373-5290 and leave a message. The transfers will be completed after the final voters meeting November 15th which will take place at Ascension Lutheran Church.

The Word: Wisdom for Living — I Am Blessed



Mustard Seed DAILY DEVOTIONS

I Am Blessed

In the Word

Whoever gives thought to the word will discover good, and blessed is he who trusts in the Lord (Proverbs 16:20).

Of the Word

There are days when we may just want to stay in bed and pull the covers over our heads to keep the world out. Perhaps the job, finances, or ill health — a loved one's or our own — has become overwhelming. For now, that concern has become too much for us to handle.

We trust in God's Word and know He will help us when fear and discouragement come our way. But that trust may become a little shaky when we want the problem solved in our time, not God's. We want it fixed now! Ah, but Proverbs 16:20 says, ***blessed is he who trusts.***

God's blessings come from His Word as the gift of faith. We receive them in different ways — through a friend, by receiving a promotion, or in any of the countless other gifts He showers upon us. With patient trust we wait for God to act, and we pray for wisdom to recognize His blessings.

"I will put my trust in him" (Hebrews 2:13a).

A Point to Ponder: In what beautiful way has God already blessed me today?

Walking with my Lord

Gracious Lord, by Your Spirit help me to live my life in faith and with trust, knowing You hear my prayers and will answer them in Your time. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

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You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you. Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord God is an everlasting rock.

Isaiah 26:3