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WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH!

If you are seeking a faith community, exploring faith, desire to be a part of our ministries, or have questions; please feel free to speak with the pastor.

Our Purpose:

We are called through Christ to praise God and love generously.

Guiding Principles:

As instruments of God's love, when you see us at our best you will see us:

- Generously** stewarding God's gifts of resources, time, and talents
- Serving** as God's hands & feet in ministries & missions of outreach to all
- Providing** for the care of God's people, both physically and spiritually
- Growing in Faith** through worship, study, and discernment
- Praising** God through music, word, and service
- Welcoming** all people into fellowship with God

Important Worship Notes

All liturgies are printed within this bulletin.

Welcome to worship! Please be aware that this service is being livestreamed and recorded. As a result, your image or likeness may appear in the live broadcast or in recordings that are available online.

Children's activity bags and children's bulletins are located on the podium in the hallway on the pulpit side of the sanctuary. Children's activity bags are also located on the coat rack behind the door of the choir loft side of the sanctuary.

P: Pastor

C: Congregation

L: Lay Reader

A: Assisting Minister

If you are communing, please be sure to fill out a communion record card, for our church records, and place it in the offering plate. Thank you.

+ 14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST +
August 30, 2026

INTRODUCTION

The prophet Jeremiah speaks of the incurable wound of his suffering yet finds in God's words the delight of his heart. When Peter doesn't grasp Jesus' words about suffering, Jesus tells the disciples they will find their lives in losing them. Such sacrificial love is described by Paul when he urges us to associate with the lowly and not repay evil with evil. In worship we gather as a community that we might offer ourselves for the sake of our suffering world.

THE GATHERING

WELCOME

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever.

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Compassionate God,

C **we confess to you all our sins.**

Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.

In your mercy, call us back to you.

Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.

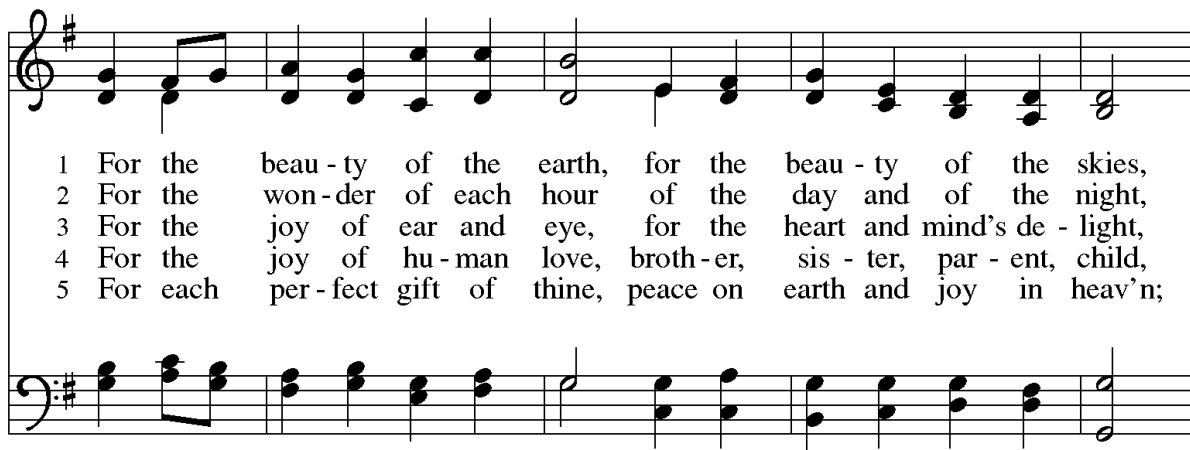
Restore us to dwell in your peace.

In Christ's name we pray,

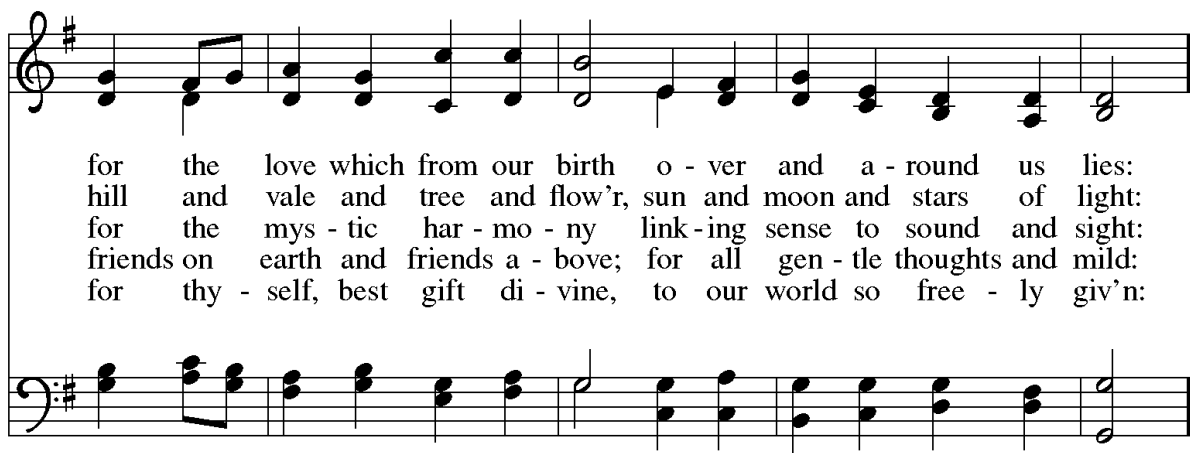
Amen.

P Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

C **Amen.**



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
 hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
 for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:

Refrain



Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

*GREETING

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

C And also with you.

*HYMN OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.

2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.

3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:

Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;

Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.

on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.

Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.

Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.

For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Dierks Wiles

L O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

THE WORD

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 15:15-21

Jeremiah's delight in the word of the Lord is contradicted by the heaviness of God's hand upon him and God's seeming unfaithfulness. God's tough love to Jeremiah says that if he repents, he will be allowed to continue in his strenuous ministry. Jeremiah is strengthened by the simple words, "I am with you."

L The First Reading according to Jeremiah, the 15th chapter.

¹⁵ O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. ¹⁶ Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. ¹⁷ I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸ Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail.

¹⁹ Therefore thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. ²⁰ And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. ²¹ I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Psalm 26:1-8

read responsively

A ¹ Give judgment for me, O LORD, for I have lived with integrity;
 I have trusted in the LORD and have not faltered.

C ² **Test me, O LORD, and try me;
 examine my heart and my mind.**

A ³ For your steadfast love is before my eyes;
 I have walked faithfully with you.

C ⁴ **I have not sat with the worthless,
 nor do I consort with the deceitful.**

A ⁵ I have hated the company of evildoers;
 I will not sit down with the wicked.

C ⁶ **I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD,
 that I may go in procession round your altar,**

A ⁷ singing aloud a song of thanksgiving
 and recounting all your wonderful deeds.

C ⁸ **LORD, I love the house in which you dwell
 and the place where your glory abides.**

A Holy wisdom, holy word.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Romans 12:9-21

Paul presents benchmarks for faithful relationships with Christians and non-Christians. Love is the unflagging standard of our behavior. When we encounter evil, we do not resort to its tactics but seek to overcome it with good. While Christians cannot control the actions and attitudes of others, we seek to live at peace with all people.

L The Second Reading according to Romans, the 12th chapter.

⁹ Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰ love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers.

¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰ Instead, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

***GOSPEL**

Matthew 16:21-28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²¹ From that time on, [after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah,] Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. ²² And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” ²³ But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me, for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

²⁴ Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶ For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

²⁷ “For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸ Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Pastor Jason Northridge

SERMON

Pastor Jason Northridge



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

***APOSTLES' CREED**

A Let us affirm our faith through the words of the Apostles' Creed.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

A With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

A For the church in every land, that its mission and ministry is anchored in the love of Christ. When threats or challenges arise, teach us to take up our cross and follow you in faith. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A For the well-being of your creation, that all that lives and grows on the earth may thrive. Bring relief to areas ravaged by droughts, floods, fires, storms, and other disasters. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

- A For the nations and all in authority, that they seek to live in peace with one another. Bless the work of international and diplomatic organizations and all who work to bring peace to a world scarred by violence. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**
- A For all those in need, that they be satisfied. Ensure all your children have safe access to food, water, shelter, and medical care. Bring healing to all who bear wounds in body, mind, and spirit, including those we name aloud or silently in our hearts... *(A brief silence.)* Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**
- A For the congregation gathered here to serve you, that they remain strong in faith and united in purpose. Guide our committees, study groups, and other meetings toward honesty and humility, always seeking genuine love. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**
- A For the faithful departed, that their witness continues to strengthen and guide the church. Renew our hope in your promises in this life and the life to come. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**
- A Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
C **Amen.**

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say,
"Peace be with you," or similar words.
The assembly is seated.*

THE MEAL

OFFERTORY SONG

by Reeves/Stanfill/Maher/Nockels/Carson
"Lord, I Need You"
The Johnsons

"Lord I Need You" words and music Jesse Reeves, Kristian Stanfill, Matt Maher, Christy Nockels and Daniel Carson
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CCLI License # 779220 There are several ways of making your offerings to God during this time. One is to place your offering in our offering plates as they are passed. You can give electronically at <https://stpaulsyorkst.org/give> or scan this QR Code and when the plate passes by, you may simply meditate on the gifts that you are currently making online or monthly. We do have cards that you can put in the plate indicating that you give electronically. A supply of those cards is available at each entrance to the sanctuary. If you are not able to give monetarily during this time, know that your prayers and praise are a pleasing offering to God. If you can give a little more during this time, please consider doing so as a way of supporting your fellow disciples who are not able to give.



*OFFERING RESPONSE "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" ELW 884

A musical score for the offering response. It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff joined by a brace. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are written below the staves.

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be-low;

praise him a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

A Let us pray,
Loving God,

C we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.

***DIALOGUE**

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

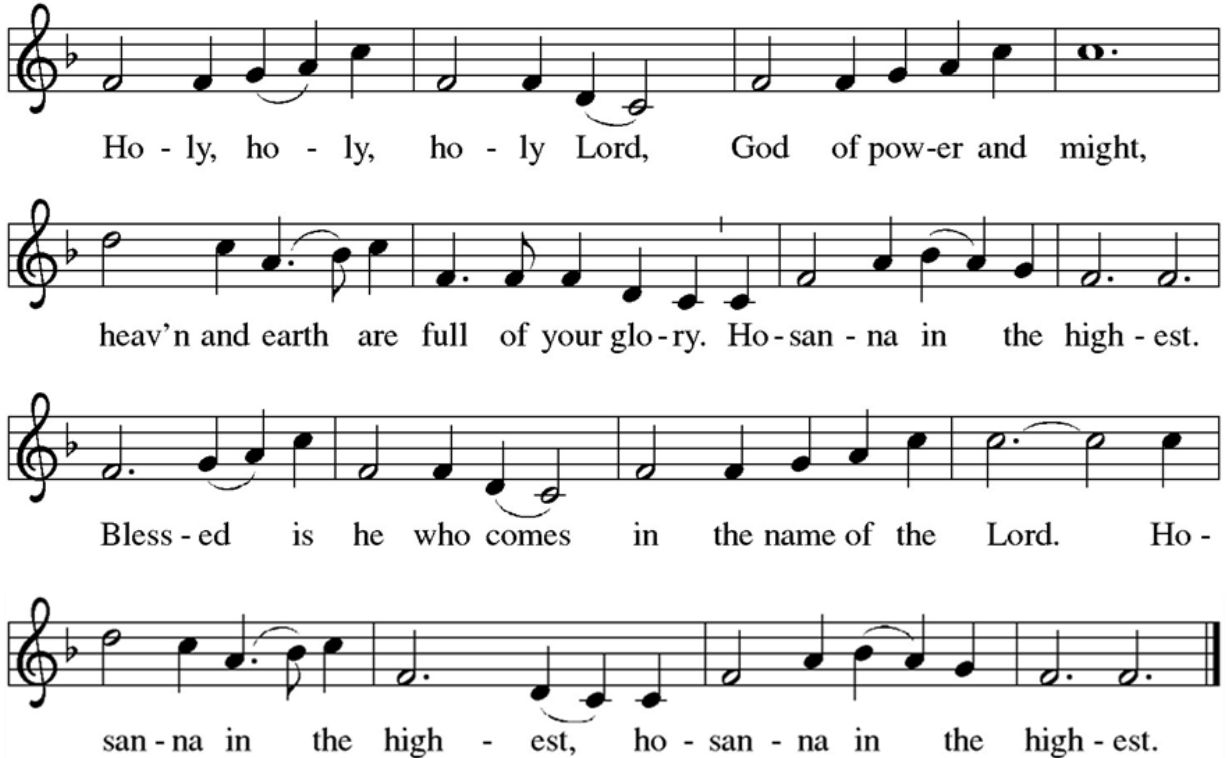
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***PREFACE**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, for you have had mercy on us and given your only-begotten Son that we, who believe in him, should not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for the redemption you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit into our hearts to establish in us a living faith and prepare us joyfully to receive our Redeemer who comes to us in his body and blood.

In the night in which he was handed over, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*LORD'S PRAYER

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

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.**

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

All are welcome to commune.

If you wish to receive communion from your seat, let an usher know.

If you are in need of gluten free wafers, please ask at the bread station.

Grape juice is available in the prefilled cups next to the empty ones.

*AGNUS DEI



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

"The Lamb"

Chords: C^{sus} C C/B Am Am/G Dm/F

1. The Lamb, — the Lamb, — O Fa - ther, where's the
(2. The) Lamb, — the Lamb, — one per - fect fi - nal
(3. The) Lamb, — the Lamb, — as way - ward sheep their
(4. He) sighs, — He dies, — He takes my sin and
(5. He) rose, — He rose, — my heart with thanks now

4 G² C^{sus} C C/B Am Am/G Dm/F

sac - ri - fice? Faith sees, — be - lieves — God will pro - vide the
of - fer - ing. The Lamb, — the Lamb, — let earth join heav'n His
shep - herd kill. So still, — His will — on our be - half the
wretch - ed - ness. He lives, — for - gives, — He gives me His own
o - ver - flows. His song — pro - long — till ev - 'ry heart to

8 G² Am Em F

Lamb of price! — Wor - thy is the Lamb whose death makes me His
praise to sing. —
law to fill. —
right - eous - ness. —
Him be - long. —

12 C^{2sus} C C/B Dm/A Am Dm G

own! The Lamb — is reign - ing on His — throne! 2. The throne!
3. The
4. He
5. He

1, 2, 3, 4. C 5. C

COMMUNION HYMN

"Bind us Together"

♩ = 108

CHORUS

F F+ Dm⁷/F F⁷ Gm⁷ C⁷ B $\flat$ /D C/E

Bind us to - geth - er, Lord; Bind us to - geth - er with cords that can - not be

7 F Gm/F F B $\flat$ /C F F+ Dm/F

bro - ken. Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to -

12 F⁷ Gm⁷ C⁷ B $\flat$ /D C/E F Gm/F F Fine

- geth - er, Lord; Bind us to - geth - er with love.

VERSE

17 F² F Gm⁷ C⁷ F Dm⁷ Gm⁹ C⁷ B $\flat$ /D C/E

1. There is on - ly one God, there is on - ly one
2. Made for the glo - ry of God, pur - chased by His pre - cious
3. You are the fam - 'ly of God, you are the pro - mise di -

23 F B $\flat$ /C F² F Gm⁷ C⁷ F

King. There is on - ly one bod - y;
Son. Born with the right to be clean,
-vine. You are God's cho - sen de - sire.

28 Dm⁷ Gm⁹ C⁷ B $\flat$ /D C/E F B $\flat$ /C D.C. al Fine

That is why we can sing:
for Je - sus the vic - t'ry has won.
You are the glor - ious new wine.

***POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen.**

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A Let us pray.

Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

C **Amen.**

***BLESSING**

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**



1 Let streams of liv - ing jus - tice flow down up - on the earth;
 2 For heal - ing of the na - tions, for peace that will not end,
 3 Your ci - ty's built to mu - sic; we are the stones you seek;



give free-dom's light to cap - tives, let all the poor have worth.
 for love that makes us lov - ers, God grant us grace to mend.
 your har - mo - ny is lan - guage; we are the words you speak.



The hun - gry's hands are plead - ing, the work - ers claim their rights,
 Weave our var - ied gifts to - geth - er; knit our lives as they are spun;
 Our faith we find in ser - vice, our hope in oth - ers' dreams,



the mourn - ers long for laugh - ter, the blind - ed seek for sight.
 on your loom of time en - roll us till our thread of life is run.
 our love in hand of neigh - bor; our home-land bright-ly gleams.



Make lib - er - ty a bea - con, strike down the i - ron pow'r;
 O great weav - er of our fab - ric, bind church and world in one;
 In - scribe our hearts with jus - tice; your way—the path un - tried;



a - bol - ish an - cient ven - geance: pro - claim your peo - ple's hour.
 dye our tex - ture with your ra - diance, light our col - ors with your sun.
 your truth—the heart of strang - er; your life—the Cru - ci - fied.

***DISMISSAL**

A Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!
C **We are called through Christ to praise God and love generously.**
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

***Please stand as you are comfortable**

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	<u>August 30</u>	<u>September 6</u>
Saturday Night Worship	P. Jason Northridge (8/29)	P. Jason Northridge (9/5)
Assisting Minister	Donna Lehman	Bill Sowers
Acolyte	Matthew Kaltreider	Matthew Kaltreider
Lay Reader	Lucille Farrington	Marlane Fissel
Communion Distributors	Frank Hueske	Janet Haack
	Suzanne Butler	Sherry Cracium-Bolin
Ushers	Dave Maus	Donna Lehman
	Boden Maus	Cindy Schmidt
Altar Committee	Ginny Murray	Becki Davis
	Donna Lehman	Norma Lucabaugh
		Janet Haack (Linens)

BOTH VASES OF ALTAR FLOWERS is sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of Rosalind Adams birthday on September 1.

ST. PAUL'S HAS BEEN BLESSED with an incredible opportunity to welcome a new rostered minister for Christian Education and Youth Ministry. As we begin planning for this new position, **Pastor Jason invites you to join him TODAY for a conversation about it following worship in the fellowship hall.** Come share your ideas, hopes, and questions as we discuss how this new minister can help our congregation support children, youth, and families in their faith. Everyone is welcome! Whether you have young children, grandchildren, or simply care about the future of St. Paul's, we would love to hear your thoughts.

THE CHURCH DIRECTORY COMMITTEE will meet on Tuesday, September 1 at 10:00 AM in the upstairs Conference Room. **We still need some volunteers to help on the days that the photos are being taken. If you can help, please join us at our meeting. Thank you!**

PENTECOST PRAYERS: The candle and pinwheel displays in the front of the sanctuary represent where members of our congregation see LIGHT in our world and PRAYERS that we lift to heaven, asking the Spirit to intercede for us. Thanks be to God!

MID-WEEK DEVOTIONS CONTINUE ON WEDNESDAYS. All are welcome to join us at 12:15 pm in the church lounge.

AUGUST SPECIAL DESIGNATED GIVING is for New Hope Ministries.

OUR CHRISTIAN ED. COMMITTEE is putting together teams of leaders for Faith Formation. We are looking for several people to facilitate the Adult Daily Disciples class as well as our preK-gr. 2 and gr 3-6 classes. All curriculum is already selected for you, and you would serve on a rotating basis (not needed every week). PA Clearances are needed to be able to work with children (and we can help you get them if you don't have them!). Please contact Deb Sowers (Chairperson) or the Church Office for more information.

SEPTEMBER SPECIAL DESIGNATED GIVING - What began in 2012 as a congregational mission project initiated by a young man at St. Matthew Lutheran Church. has blossomed into a biennial community-wide service event. Residents of the great Hanover area from local businesses, service organizations, churches and neighborhoods join together to help feed school-age children with a food packaging event coordinated through "Rise Against Hunger". This is an event we held several times here at St. Paul's (although through "Harvest Pack")! The meals packed at St Matthew's have helped to feed children in Haiti, Columbia, Malawi, Liberia, Burundi, Zambia, and most recently Ukraine and Poland.

THE LIVE NATIVITY NEEDS ANIMALS! The Evangelism Committee is searching for sheep, a donkey, and perhaps a calf for the Live Nativity on December 13. If you know someone who would have any of these animals available, please contact Lucille Farrington, Carmen, or Pastor Jason. Thank you! (Note: We are not looking for alpacas or llamas.)

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE: Please contact Carmen Buckley in the church office or at assistant@stpaulsyorkst.org

Radio-Sept. 6, 13, 20 & 27 (\$60 per date or any portion you desire per date)

Altar Flowers - Sept. 13, 20 & 27 (2 vases at \$20 each)

Communion Bread and Wine-Sept. 13, 20 & 27 (\$12 each date)

Worship Bulletins-Sept. 13, 20 & 27 (\$20 each date)

Eternal Flame-Sept. 6, 13, 20 & 27 (\$10 each date)

DO YOU FEEL LIKE A WEARY TRAVELER? Are you overburdened by the weight of carrying too many overpacked bags as you travel through life? Join us for a six-week Tuesday Evening Book Study facilitated by Gay Dickson beginning October 6 at 7 PM. We will read and discuss ***Traveling Light-Releasing the Burdens You Were Never Intended to Bear*** by Max Lucado. The verses of Psalm 23 will help us to identify the burdens we carry and remind us to release them to God. Please sign up on the sheet by the pastor's office or contact Carmen no later than September 20 so we may order your book.

SUN., AUG. 30	8:30 am	Radio Broadcast – 95.3 FM & 1280 AM
	9:30 am	Worship Service – 14 th Sunday after Pentecost
	Immediately following meeting	Coffee Hour – Fellowship Hall
		Conversation with Pastor Jason – Fellowship Hall
WED., SEPT. 2	12:15 pm	Midweek Devotions – Lounge
	12:45 pm	St. Paul's Book Club – Conf. Room, 2 nd floor
THUR., SEPT. 3	7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 102 – Youth Room and Gym
FRI., SEPT. 4	2:30 pm	Grocery Ministry prep - gym
SAT., SEPT. 5	9:00 am	Grocery Ministry Distribution – St. Paul's Council
	5:00 pm	Saturday Evening Service – Pastor Jason Northridge
	6:45 pm	Narcotics Anonymous – Fellowship Hall
SUN., SEPT. 6	8:30 am	Radio Broadcast – 95.3 FM & 1280 AM
	9:30 am	Worship Service – 15 th Sunday after Pentecost
	Immediately following meeting	Coffee Hour – Lounge