

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
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10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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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.

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.

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INTRODUCTION

The word of God is a refining fire. Jesus is the great divide in human history. He invites our undivided attention and devotion. Today in worship we are surrounded by a great “cloud of witnesses.” In the word and in holy communion we are invited yet again to look to Jesus, “the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.”

THE GATHERING

WELCOME

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

C **Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

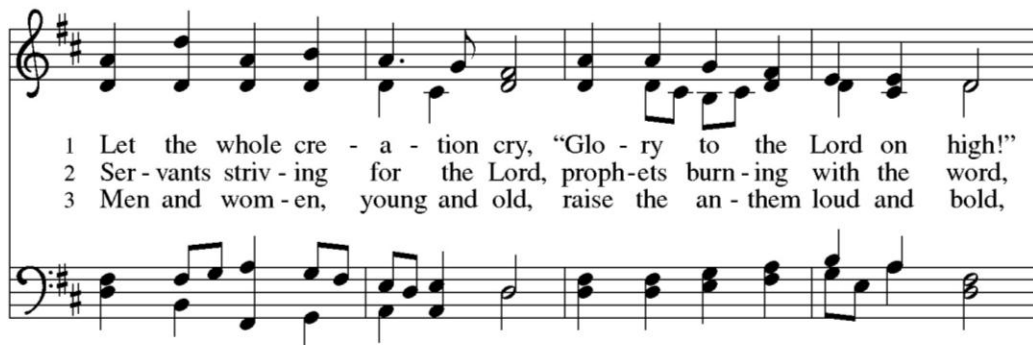
you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life.

Amen.

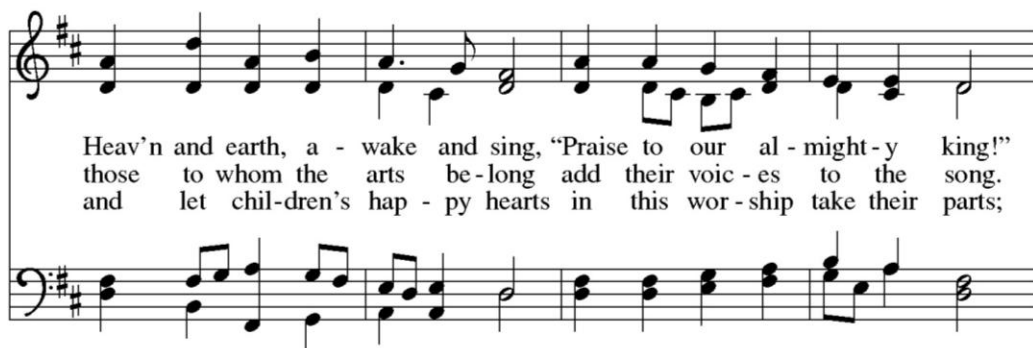
You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God’s children through faith. In the cross of ✠ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven.

Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

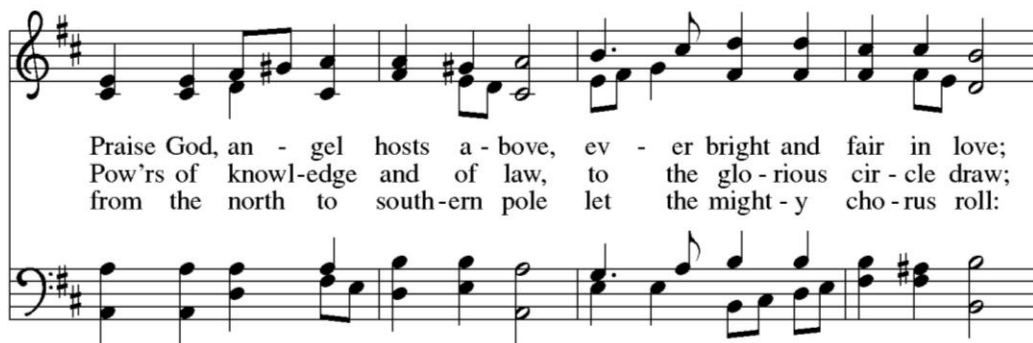
C **Amen.**



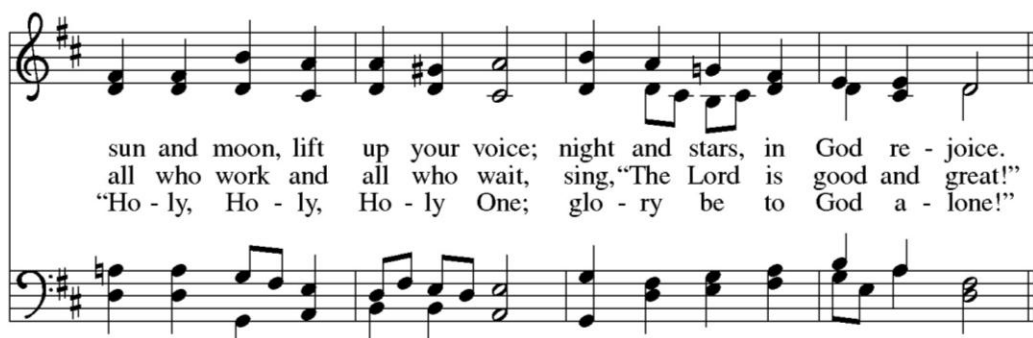
1 Let the whole cre - a - tion cry, "Glo - ry to the Lord on high!"
 2 Ser - vants striv - ing for the Lord, proph - ets burn - ing with the word,
 3 Men and wom - en, young and old, raise the an - them loud and bold,



Heav'n and earth, a - wake and sing, "Praise to our al - might - y king!"
 those to whom the arts be - long add their voic - es to the song,
 and let chil - dren's hap - py hearts in this wor - ship take their parts;



Praise God, an - gel hosts a - bove, ev - er bright and fair in love;
 Pow'rs of knowl - edge and of law, to the glo - rious cir - cle draw;
 from the north to south - ern pole let the might - y cho - rus roll:



sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God re - joice.
 all who work and all who wait, sing, "The Lord is good and great!"
 "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly One; glo - ry be to God a - lone!"

*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

P Let us pray.

O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of

bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

THE WORD

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 23:23-29

Because Jeremiah preaches the unpopular message of God's judgment, he suffers rejection. Today's reading distinguishes between the true prophet, like Jeremiah, who speaks God's word, and the false prophet who misleads the people through dreams. One is like wheat; the other like worthless straw.

L The First Reading according to Jeremiah 23:23-29

²³ Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? ²⁴ Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. ²⁵ I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed! I have dreamed!" ²⁶ How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? ²⁷ They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. ²⁸ Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. ²⁹ Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalm 82

read responsively

A ¹ God stands to charge the divine council assembled, giving judgment in the midst of the gods:

C ² **"How long will you judge unjustly, and show favor to the wicked?"**

³ Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and needy;

⁴ **rescue the weak and the poor; deliver them from the power of the wicked.**

⁵ They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

⁶ **Now I say to you, 'You are gods, and all of you children of the Most High;**

⁷ nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince.'"

⁸ **Arise, O God, and rule the earth, for you shall take all nations for your own.**

Holy wisdom, holy word.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

The author of Hebrews presents us with rich stories of faith. In a long list of biblical heroes, we find examples of trust in God that enabled them to face the trials of life faithfully. In addition to this “cloud of witnesses,” we have Jesus, the perfect model of faithful endurance.

L The Second Reading according to Hebrews 11:29-12:2

²⁹ By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹ By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. ³² And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵ Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶ Others suffered mocking and flogging and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were stoned to death; they were sawn in two; they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented ³⁸ of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains and in caves and holes in the ground. ³⁹ Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰ since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect. ^{12:1} Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

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

Luke 12:49-56

Jesus delivers harsh words about the purifying and potentially divisive effects of obedience to God's call. The way of the cross often leads followers to encounter hostility and rejection, even from those they love.

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke 12:49-56

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

[Jesus said:] 49 "I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! 50 I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! 51 Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! 52 From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; 53 they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

54 He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain,' and so it happens. 55 And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. 56 You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

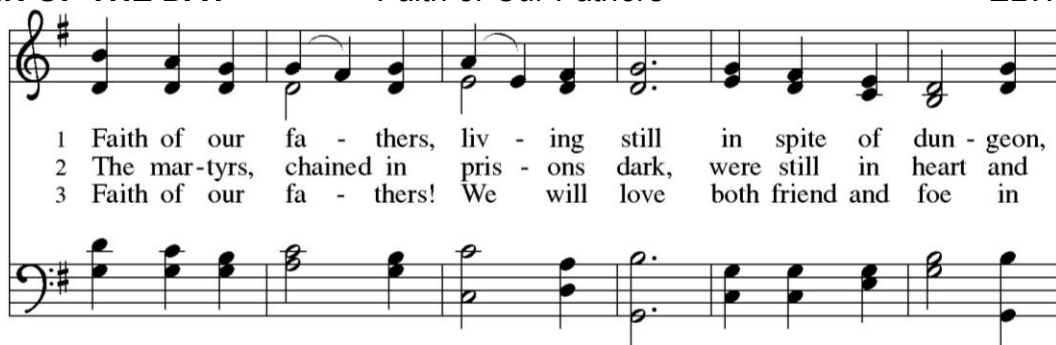
CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Dan Yeiser

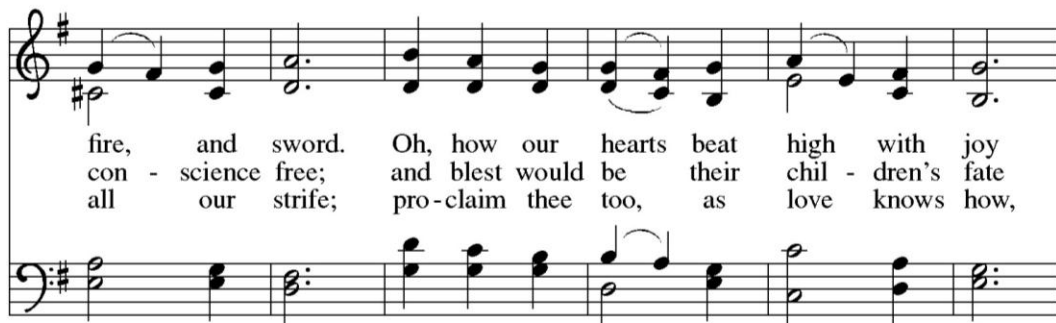
Following the Children's Sermon, Children and Children's Church leaders are dismissed to Children's Church and will return for the Sharing of the Peace.

SERMON

Pastor Dan Yeiser

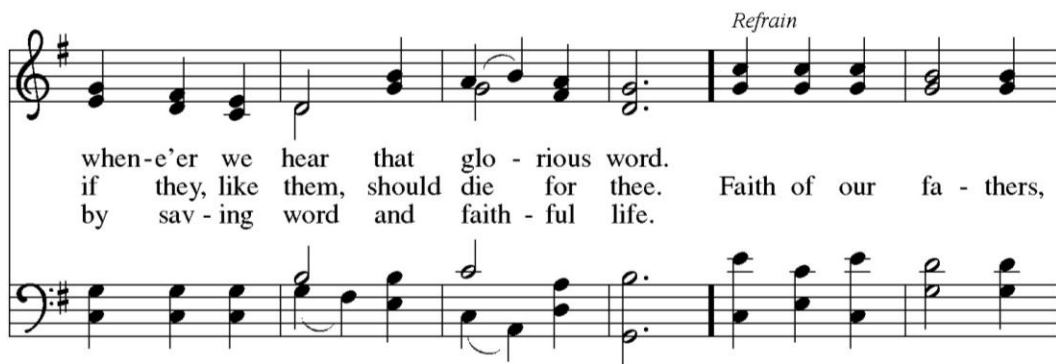


1 Faith of our fa - thers, liv - ing still in spite of dun - geon,
 2 The mar - tyrs, chained in pris - ons dark, were still in heart and
 3 Faith of our fa - thers! We will love both friend and foe in



fire, and sword. Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy
 con - science free; and blest would be their chil - dren's fate
 all our strife; pro - claim thee too, as love knows how,

Refrain



when - e'er we hear that glo - rious word.
 if they, like them, should die for thee. Faith of our fa - thers,
 by sav - ing word and faith - ful life.



ho - ly faith, we will be true to you till death.

***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 Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near.

A brief silence.

Raise up faithful leaders for your church around the world. Inspire global missionaries with a spirit of accompaniment, as they walk alongside our partners in the gospel in solidarity, interdependence, and mutuality. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

Safeguard rivers and lakes from pollution. Sustain the work of conservationists, policy makers, and advocacy groups seeking to protect fresh water sources. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Bridge divisions across partisan lines. Strengthen cooperative efforts among lawmakers who enact policies that protect our neighbors who are most vulnerable. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Embrace all who suffer in isolation: for those who are incarcerated or detained, those who are fleeing from unsafe environments, and those who are sick or

homebound. Reassure them of your care in all times and places. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Thank you, God, for the amazing teachers who have given their lives to serve our children. As they prepare for the new school year, fill them with strength to lead, grace to guide and hope to thrive in their classrooms. Bless them beyond measure for their willingness to pour into the next generation through education. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

With thanksgiving, we remember the cloud of witnesses who surround us. By the example of their faith, enable us to run with perseverance the race set before us, until that day when we join their unending praise. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion.

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

OFFERING




OFFERTORY SONG

"Lead On, O King Eternal!"


ELW 805



1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;
 2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
 3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,



hence-forth in fields of con - quest your tents will be our home.
 and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
 for glad-ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er your face ap - pears.



Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong;
 for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir-ring drums,
 Your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light;



and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
 but deeds of love and mer - cy the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.
 the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

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> 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.

***OFFERING RESPONSE** *“We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise”* Kirk Dearman

♩ = 108 D Em11 D/F# D7 G D/F# Em7 A7

We bring the sac - ri - fice of praise in - to the house of the Lord;

5 D Em11 F#m7 Bm7 Em7 Gmaj7/A A7 D C/D D7

We bring the sac - ri - fice of praise in - to the house of the Lord. And we

9 G F#m7 Bm7 Em7 G/A A7 D Em7 D/F# D7 G Em7

of - fer up to You the sac - ri - fic - es of thanks - giv - ing; And we of - fer up to

1/4 F#m7 Bm7 Em7 G/A A7 D

The musical score is written for a piano accompaniment in G major, 4/4 time. The melody is in the right hand, and the bass line is in the left hand. The lyrics are: 'You the sac - ri - fic - es of joy.' The chords are: F#m7, Bm7, Em7, G/A, A7, D. The score ends with a double bar line.

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*OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray,
 Merciful Father,
**C in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful.
 Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that
 we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

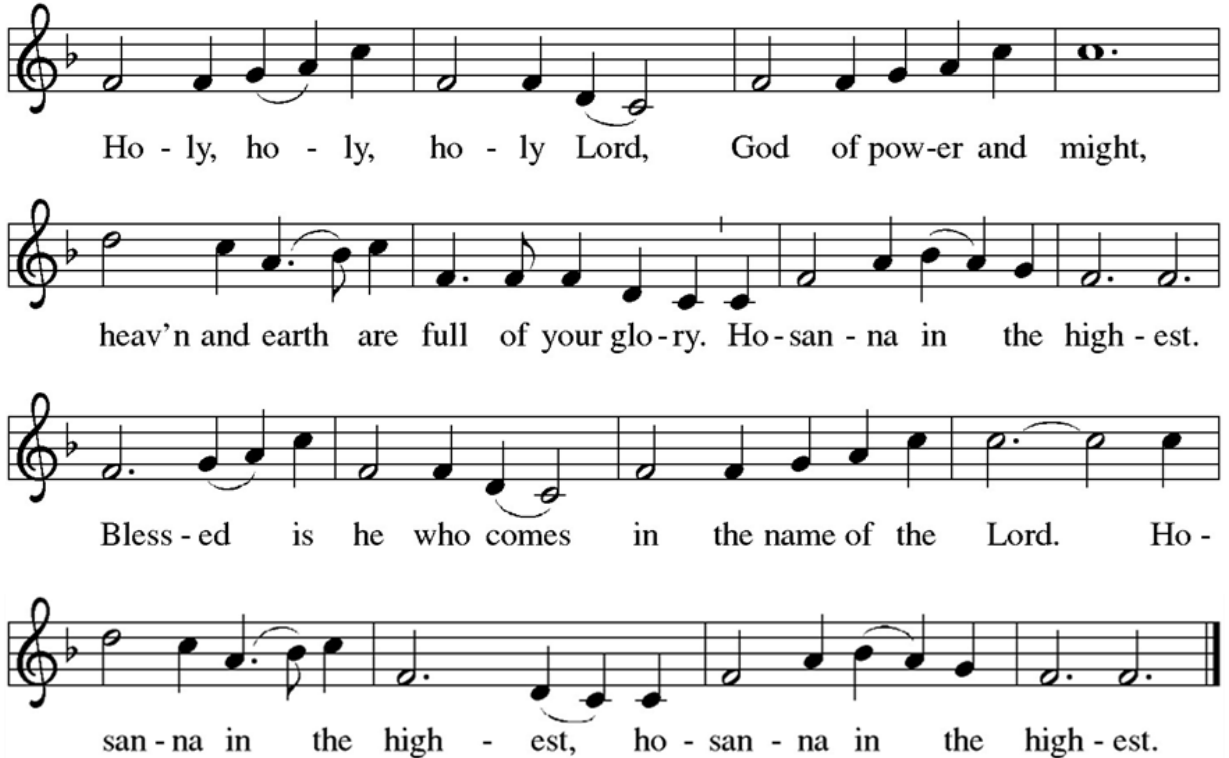
*DIALOGUE

- 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 Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, 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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, 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 Come to the banquet, for all in now ready.

All are welcome to commune.

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

Gluten free wafers and grape juice are also available.

***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

"Glorify Thy Name"

Paris

♩=80

VERSE

B♭ Eb/B♭ B♭ F F²sus F B♭² B♭



1. Fa - ther, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,
2. Je - sus, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,
3. Spir - it, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,

5

Eb B♭/F Cm⁷/G F^{sus} F Eb²/G F/A B♭ B♭/D



glo - ri - fy Thy name in all the earth. ——— — Glo - ri - fy Thy

10

Eb D⁷ C/E D⁷/F# Gm Gm/F



name, glo - ri - fy Thy name,

13

Eb F⁷ Eb/G F⁷ Eb/F F⁷ B♭^{sus} B♭



glo - ri - fy Thy name in all the earth. ———

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COMMUNION HYMN

"You Are My Hiding Place – sing 2X's"

Ledner

♩=76

CHORUS

Am D^{sus} Dm G C^{sus} C G/B



You are my hid - ing place, You al - ways fill my heart with

5

F/A F Am/E Dm² Dm



songs of ——— de - liv - er - ance; When -

7 ^Esus Am/E A^{2sus}/E E ^E2sus E Am Fine

-ev - er I am a - fraid, I will trust in You.

10 **BRIDGE** Dm⁷ G C C/E

I will trust in You. Let the weak say,

13 F Am/E Dm ^Esus E D.C. al Fine

"I am strong in the strength of the Lord!"

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*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.

Parenting God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.

C Amen.

*BLESSING


P The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior † Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit bless you and give you peace.

C Amen.

*SENDING HYMN

"How Firm a Foundation"

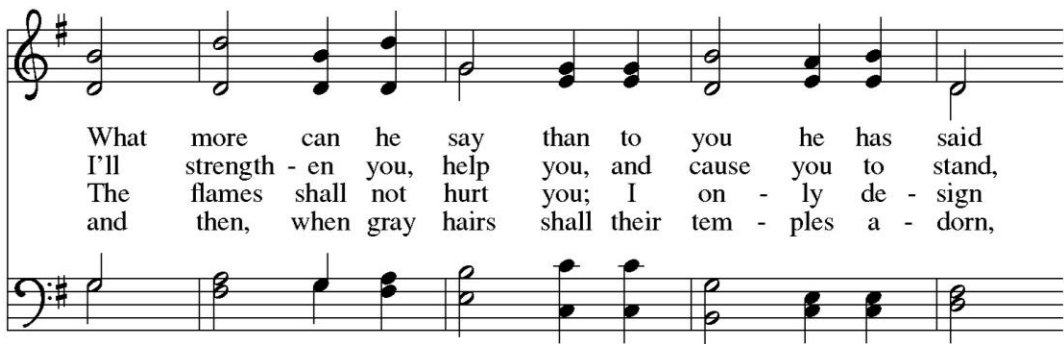
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1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dis - mayed,
 3 "When through fi - 'ry tri - als your path - way shall lie,
 4 "Through - out all their life - time my peo - ple shall prove



is laid for your faith in Christ Je - sus, the Word!
 for I am your God and will still give you aid;
 my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply.
 my sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;



What more can he say than to you he has said
 I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
 The flames shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
 and then, when gray hairs shall their tem - ples a - dorn,



who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand."
 your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine."
 like lambs they shall still in my bo - som be borne."

*DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

C **We are called through Christ to praise God and love generously. Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

* Stand if you are able

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	<u>August 17</u>	<u>August 24</u>
Saturday night Worship	Pastor Dan Yeiser (8/16)	Frank Hueske (8/23)
Assisting Minister:	Bill Sowers	Deb Sowers
Acolyte:	Matthew Kaltreider	Jocelyn Fissel
Lay Reader:	Dan Fuhrman	Lucille Farrington
Communion Distributors	Glenn Alwine	Lucille Farrington
	Dan Fuhrman	Janet Haack
Ushers:	Bob Colehouse	Bob Colehouse
	Dan Fuhrman	Dan Fuhrman
Altar:	Linda Knapp	Linda Knapp
	Sally Lovelace	Sally Lovelace

THE RADIO BROADCAST and **THE COMMUNION BREAD AND WINE** is sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of Mabel Barrick's birthday on August 23rd by Elaine Forry.

THE ETERNAL FLAME is sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of Helen Evans by Leroy, Linda, Jen and Beth.

JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR down the hall in the church lounge immediately following the 9:30 Worship Service. If no one volunteers to bring snacks we will only serve coffee. There is a sign-up sheet in the lounge for folks to volunteer. Coffee makers would start the coffee around 9 a.m. (coffee training available on request). Both coffee and snack volunteers would help with set up and clean up. If you have questions, see Russ Kaltreider. Thank you for your help!

HOMEBOUND VISITATION PROGRAM - I know that in the past some of you served as visitors to St. Paul's homebound members. I believe that COVID took a toll on this program. I informed the Executive Committee last week that I would like to resurrect this fine program. We currently have about eighteen homebound members that I know would appreciate visits from their fellow disciples/members at St. Paul's. The current listing is on the bulletin board across from my office. Whether you are one of the recent visitors or would like to take part in this visitation ministry, please express your interest to Pastor Dan and/or Carmen in the office. Participants will visit one to three homebound members monthly and distribute communion to them. This program does not replace my pastoral visits but does supplement them. There will be a training session for all who would like to serve as visitors.

Pastor Dan Yeiser

PASTOR DAN CONTINUES TO OFFER MID-WEEK DEVOTIONS ON WEDNESDAY from 12:15 – 12:35 pm. This brief service consists of prayer, scripture reading and silent meditation. All are welcome to join us at 12:15 pm in the church lounge.

SCHOOL KIT COLLECTION – We have received everything we need to fill 108 backpacks this year. **We will be packing the School Kits on September 7, 2025 at God's Work Our Hands Event after church.** Hope to see you all there to help with this packing. Thank you for your constant support.

WE HAVE CHANGED INTERNET PROVIDERS so please use the following:

Carmen Buckley – Administrative Assistant

Use assistant@stpaulsyorkst.org

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Steven Ruppright – Director of Music

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Lori Rebling – Director of Handbells

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THANK YOU!

THE ST. PAUL'S BOOK CLUB will meet again on **Wed., Aug. 27, 2025** at 12:45 in the Conference Room to discuss The Nightingale by Kristen Hannah. Joan Witman will be our discussion leader. Any reader is invited to attend out meetings for good discussion and fellowship. Hope to see you there.

AUGUST'S DESIGNATED GIVING is for New Hope Ministries is a Christian social service agency that shows the love and hope of Christ by serving our neighbors in times of need with emergency crisis assistance, food pantries, rent/mortgage assistance, help with medical needs, heat/utility assistance, transportation assistance, counseling, referral services, youth programs, holiday food baskets and gifts. In addition to basic needs, NHM offers ongoing support and guidance to help people become self-sufficient and stable over the long term through financial literacy, nutrition education, GED, employment preparation, and job training programs. NHM received an overall score of 97.24 out of 100 from Charity Navigator, the most utilized evaluator of the financial stability and best practices of charities in the U.S.

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

Radio—Aug. 24, 31, Sept. 7, 14, 21 & 28 (\$60 per date or any portion you desire per date)

Altar Flowers-Aug. 24, Sept. 14, 21 & 28 (2 vases at \$20 each)

Communion Bread and Wine-Aug. 24, 31, Sept. 21 & 28 (\$12 each date)

Worship Bulletins-Aug. 24, 31, Sept. 14, 21 & 28 (\$20 each date)

Eternal Flame-Aug. 24, 31, Sept. 14, 21 & 28 (\$10 each date)

WHAT DOES THE OFFICE OF THE AGING OFFER TO HELP SENIORS? On **Saturday, September 20th (change of date from last week)**, a representative from York County's Office for the Aging will be at St. Paul's talking about the programs they have for seniors in York County. It will be held in the Fellowship Hall from 9am to 10:30am. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided. This is a perfect time to learn more about programs that are available and to ask any questions you may have about them. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board across from the Pastor's office to help us with seating and handouts.

ANNUAL USED BOOK SALE - Our annual book sale will be held on Friday, October 10th and Saturday, October 11th. **We will begin collecting books September 1st and can be placed on the stage in the Fellowship hall.** Books, DVD's, and Puzzles are accepted. This is our annual fundraiser and funds are used in support of our Youth. Our thanks to everyone for their past support and look forward to another successful year.

HANOVER AGAINST HUNGER - Mark your calendars! We are looking for 20 volunteers to participate in the Hanover Against Hunger food packaging event on Nov. 1 (afternoon shift). Look for more details and how to register in the September Evangel and in fall worship bulletins.

HANOVER TEXAS ROADHOUSE IS HELPING HANOVER AGAINST HUNGER

Have a great meal and help to feed others. Tell your server at Texas Road House in Hanover that you are there in support of Hanover Against Hunger. When you do, 10% of all designated Hanover Texas Roadhouse food / beverage (including alcohol) purchases, 10% of carry-out, and 10% of gift card purchases made in conjunction with your visit on:

- August 17 or 18
- September 7, 8, 21, or 22
- October 5, 6, 19 or 20

GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS SUNDAY will be held on Sunday, September 7. There will be a special worship service, followed by volunteer activities, ministry fair, and fellowship meal. Please sign up for the meal on the sheet located by the pastor's office OR call/email Carmen to let us know you plan to attend! We want to be sure to have enough for everyone!

SISTERS IN FAITH - Our annual retreat will be at Mar-Lu-Ridge on October 10-12.

SUN., AUG. 17	8:30 am	Radio Broadcast – 95.3 FM & 1280 AM
	9:30 am	Worship Service – 10 th Sunday after Pentecost
Immediately following Worship		Coffee Hour – Lounge
WED., AUG. 20	12:15 pm	Midweek Devotions – Lounge
	7:00 pm	Council Meeting – Conference Room
THUR., AUG. 21	7:00 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 102 – Youth Room & Gym
FRI., AUG. 22	3:00 pm	Grocery Ministry prep – Gym
SAT., AUG. 23	9:00 am	Grocery Ministry – volunteers needed
	5:00 pm	Saturday Evening Worship Service – lounge
	6:15 pm	Narcotics Anonymous – Fellowship Hall
SUN., AUG. 24	8:30 am	Radio Broadcast – 95.3 FM & 1280 AM
	9:30 am	Worship Service – 11 th Sunday after Pentecost
Immediately following Worship		Coffee Hour – Lounge

Save the Date



God's work. Our hands.

September 7, 2025

Special Worship

Service Projects & Ministry Fair

Faith Formation Kick-off

Fellowship Meal

