#### ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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Welcome! We are glad you are worshiping today!

**Fellowship:** Refreshments available in the Gathering Hall Sundays 9am-10:45am. **Holy Communion**: Celebrated in all Worship Services on the first, third & fifth weekends each month. **Parents With Children:** Children's

bulletins & Busy Bags are available. There is a quiet room in the back of church. **We Care Cards:** Everyone attending is asked to complete a card found in the pew rack and collected during worship. **Volunteers** (Acolytes, Live-stream & PowerPoint help): Sign-up at tinyurl.com/SPLsignups.

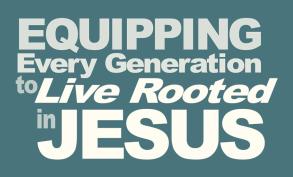
> Traditional Worship \*Saturday 5pm Sunday 8am | Sunday 11am Monday 6:30pm

Contemporary Worship \*Sunday 9:30am

\*Live-streamed at: splgrafton.org/church/livestream & <u>vimeo.com/event/3215174</u>

#### Servant Leaders:

Pastor: Luke Anderson Pastor: Jacob Schultz Pastor of Care Ministry: Timothy Maschke Pastor Emeritus: Larry Prahl Pastor Emeritus: John Suelflow Pastor Emeritus: Kenton Wendorf Principal: Michael Yurk Director of Music: Valerie Bremer DCE: Tracy Krueger





### SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER June 1, 2025



AS WE GATHER...How close must we be to achieve unity? For us sinners, separation of even a little bit compromises unity. What we need is a single source to unite us. It is our singular Savior who is the only source of true unity. The readings help us move closer toward recognizing that unity. To fill Judas's spot, instead of taking a vote, the disciples asked God to decide. The overwhelming glories of heaven and Jesus' return can be reason enough to act as unified servants. But perhaps the strongest impetus to serve in unity is listening to Christ pray for us in His High Priestly Prayer in the Gospel. In short, we need to set aside other matters and pray in Jesus' name. Only then can we dwell together in unity.

#### **COMMUNION STATEMENT**

As you prepare to receive the Lord's Body and Blood, please review these questions:

1. Am I sorry for my sins and do I repent of them?

2. Do I believe in Jesus as my Savior and that His body and blood are truly present together with the bread and the wine?

3. Do I want to live as a forgiven Christian, in love to God & neighbor, with the help of the Holy Spirit?

4. Am I a member of an LCMS congregation or a congregation in fellowship with the LCMS? *If you are not in agreement with these questions,* 

please refrain from communing or speak with a pastor before communing.

#### TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICES – Saturday 5pm; Sunday 8am, 11am; Monday 6:30pm

#### PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

#### LIGHTING OF CANDLES and RINGING OF THE BELLS

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** (Offerings may be placed in collection box near the exits. We Care Cards will be collected during the sermon hymn)

**OPENING HYMN** "In Adam We Have All Been One"

LSB 569, St. 1-4

#### INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit. **People: Amen.** 

BAPTISMS (5pm) Weston Robert Perkins-Dragich, Willow Rose Perkins-Dragich

#### **CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION**

Pastor: We are one at first because we all sinned. Let us confess our sin and sinfulness to God, our heavenly Father.

People: We confess, Lord our God, that we have sinned in our thoughts, our rashly spoken words, and in acting for our own benefit, and not out of love. We cannot help ourselves, for we have fallen from being Your good creation. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us for Jesus' sake.

Pastor: In His great love our Father sent His only-begotten Son to pay for all sin and to rise victorious. We are one because of that gracious act! As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

#### People: Amen.

KYRIE "Lord, Have Mercy"	LSB 186
HYMN OF PRAISE "In Adam We Have All Been One"	LSB 569, St. 5-6

#### SALUTATION and PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. Lord Jesus, only-begotten Son of the Father, grant us faith to see beyond earthly divisions to the unity that exists between You and everyone who trusts in You for eternal salvation, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 1:12–26 Matthias is chosen to fill Judas's place. (Holy Bible p. 1156)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE READING** Revelation 22:1–6, 12-20 John sees a vision of heaven's perfection and glory. (Holy Bible p. 1327-1328)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### ALLELUIA VERSE

HOLY GOSPEL John 17:20–26 Jesus prays for us, that they may all be one. (Holy Bible p. 1150) Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter. People: (sung) Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord. People: (sung) Praise be to Thee, O Christ. **SERMON HYMN** "When You Woke That Thursday Morning" LSB 445, St. 1, 4-5

**SERMON** "Defying Disunity," by Pastor Anderson, based on John 17:20-26.

**NICENE CREED** (8am, 11am and 6:30pm only) (see screens or back cover of LSB)

#### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** (see screens)

#### SACRAMENT

**PREFACE** 2 Timothy 4:22,

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to You, holy Father, almighty and everlasting Lord, for You gave Your Son to take on Himself all sins and to raise Him victorious on Easter. Rejoicing to claim our place at His eternal feast, we unite our voices, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS "Holy, Holy, Holy"

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION** (see screens or LSB 179)

#### **PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST** 1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

**LORD'S PRAYER** (see screens or back cover of LSB)

#### PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always. People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI "Lamb of God"

**PREPARATION** (see screens or top of page 2)

**DISTRIBUTION** Common cup and individual cup are offered on both the lectern and pulpit sides. Please assist the pastor or server when receiving the chalice for common cup. Non-alcoholic wine (pink) is served in individual cups in the center of the tray. "Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray" LSB 623 "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" LSB 641

#### DISMISSAL

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LSB 190

LSB 192-193

LSB 195

LSB 198

#### **POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, heavenly Father, that You have again reminded us of Your Son's singular sacrifice for all sinners. We pray that, so united, we may seek out ways to serve You and the people around us, empowered by Your great love; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

#### BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Go in peace as you serve the Lord in unity. **People: Thanks be to God!** 

CLOSING HYMN "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" Creative Worship for the Lutheran Parish, Series C, Quarter 2. Copyright © 2024 Concordia Publishing House. All rights reserved. Used by permission. LSB 643

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE-9:30AM

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC** "Jesus Only Jesus"

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** (Offerings may be placed in collection box near the exits. We Care Cards will be collected during the opening song.)

INVOCATION

OPENING SONG "Oh How Good It Is"

**CONFESSION and WORD OF FORGIVENESS** 

SONG OF PRAISE "Run To The Father"

CHILDRENS MESSAGE by Tracy Krueger, DCE

WORD OF GOD Acts 1:12–26 (Holy Bible p. 1156)

#### **NICENE CREED**

**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT** Words of Institution / Lord's Prayer / Preparation / Distribution / "Death Was Arrested;" "Thank You Jesus For The Blood" / Dismissal

#### PRAYERS

WORD OF GOD John 17:20-26 (Holy Bible p.1150)

**SERMON** "Defying Disunity," by Pastor Anderson, based on John 17:20-26.

BLESSING

CLOSING SONG "Jesus Saves"

Location: Providence Place

## BIBLE STUDIES, SERVANT MINISTY MEETINGS AND MORE!



SUNDAY MORNING RELIGIOUS ED HOUR 9:30am–Family Life Center

June 1: Jesus as Healer Rev. Dr. Randall Ferguson

June 8: Jesus as Revolutionary Rev. Dr. Randall Ferguson

June 15: Revisiting The Nicene Creed on its 1700th Anniversary Rev. Dr. Timothy Maschke

June 22: Leadership Lessons from Moses, pt. 1 Dr. Jim Pingel

June 29: Leadership Lessons from Moses, pt. 2 Dr. Jim Pingel **Topic:** The CHOSEN **Led by:** Karen Leonard **Day/Time:** Mondays at 5:30pm (Ends on June 2)

COME AND SEE



#### MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH Sunday, June 1, 4-6pm

All <u>5-8</u> graders are invited to our final Middle School Youth group of the school year. We are going to be having a Nerf war and BBQ. Don't forget to bring your Nerf guns! Sign up here to join the fun and sign up to bring items for the BBQ: <u>tinyurl.com/</u> <u>MSYJune25</u>.

Questions? Contact Tracy Krueger at tracy.krueger@splgrafton.org

# Rooted Women Summer Service Events

<u>Tuesday, June 24</u> 6-8pm at Soles for Jesus

Watch for more details in the gazette/bulletin

<u>Wednesday, July 16</u> at 6:30pm Help the Diaper Bank at Ozaukee Nonprofit Center

Women

ROOTED WOMEN SUMMER SERVICE EVENT Soles for Jesus: Tuesday June 24 from 6-8pm

This is a great organization that provides footwear for those in need in African countries. We'll briefly learn about where the shoes go, then sort them for shipment to Africa. Please bring new or gently used shoes to donate if you wish. (Think practical-snow boots; heels etc. aren't able to be used). We will be carpooling to this Brown Deer location from church, leaving at 5:15pm.

#### **CHURCH GARDENING**

A garden plot is available on the grounds of St. Paul Church for an interested gardener who is willing to serve the church by caring for this area. You would be joining a group of about eight others, each with her/his own plot with which to be creative. If interested, contact Joan Suelflow at 262-377-3785 or email jjsilflo@icloud.com.

#### IT'S TIME TO UPDATE ST. PAUL GUIDEBOOK

It is time for us to update our database. Has your family had any changes in phone number, address change or adult children moving out on their own? Are adult children still under your membership record? We would like to hear about those changes so that we can clean up our records. We would like to have the most accurate information about you our members!

Please contact the Church Office by Monday, June 16 Call Martha at 262-377-4659, Ext. 332 or email martha.witt@splgrafton.org



#### SAVE THE DATE: Weekend of July 26-27-28, 2025

Join us as we kick off the 175th anniversary of St. Paul Lutheran Church and School. The

celebration will take place after all worship services that weekend and will include a variety of events including a brat fry, a root beer float social, historic displays, and a timeline of St. Paul's rich history, all in the Family Life Center. We will also have a guest preacher that weekend, former St. Paul Pastor, Pastor Chris Navurskis.

#### Celebrating 175 Years: Ever Faithful. Ever His.

For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations. Psalm 100:5



#### **BOARD OF EVANGELISM**

The Board of Evangelism is looking for volunteers to help restart our **Helping Hands** program! This program includes

getting together at SPL to cook meals as a group. These meals will be used for members who have need related to surgery, illness etc.

If interested please contact Lori Marien @ 414-303-3901 or <u>blmarien@gmail.com</u>

# CALLING ALL MOMS!

St. Paul is reintroducing MomCo (formally known as MOPS) this fall. If you are interested in joining MomCo as a mom, volunteer or both, please

fill out the contact form.

Sign up: https://tinyurl.com/splmomco

# Family Park Dates!

Join for devotion, craft, fellowship and play for the whole family!

Where: Centennial Park in Grafton Dates: June 24th, July 29th & August 12th Time: 9:30 am

All children must be accompanied by an adult the whole time. Sign up:

#### tinyurl.com/SPLPARKDATES

Questions? Contact: Tracy Krueger (tracy.krueger@splgrafton.org) or Kelsey Metzger (parish.education@splgrafton.org)



Congratulations to all members of St. Paul who will be graduating in 2025! Below is a list of known graduates for 2025 submitted by family or friends:

<u>Hígh School Graduates</u>	<u>College Graduates</u>
<u>Cedarburg High School</u> Winker, Rachael <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	DePaul University–Chicago, Illinois Kudra, Sam Music Composition and Sound Recording Technology Summa Cum Laude
<u>Grafton High School</u> Clemens, Matthew T. <i>High Honors</i>	<u>Hope College–Holland, Michigan</u> Schulz, Emma Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education
Gartman, Jaedyn National Honor Society	<u>Herzing University–Brookfield, WIsconsin</u> Buske, Emily Bachelor of Science in Nursing
Lawrence, Charles W. Honor Roll	University of Wisconsin LaCrosse–LaCrosse, Wisconsin
Mentzel, Livia Special Honors	Buske, Sarah E. Bachelor of Science–Early Childhood Education
Rathke, Jayden	Highest Honors
Schaefer, Bryan R.	<u>University of Wisconsin Madison–Madison, Wisconsin</u> Kell, Logan
Schulz, Andrew	Bachelor of Business Administration: Finance, Investment, and
Werner, Amelia <i>High Honors</i>	Banking Wiertzema, Megan
<u>Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School</u> Swiertz, Simeon	Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, Minor in Criminal Justice <u>University of Nebraska–Lincoln, Nebraska</u>
	Aleknavicius, Kate Bachelors of Science in Business Administration <i>High Distinction</i>
_Class of_	<u>Advanced Degrees</u> University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Nebraska
2025	Aleknavicius, Jacob Masters in Public Accounting High Distinction
CONGRATULATIONS •GRADUATES•	<u>University of Wisconsin Madison–Madison, Wisconsin</u> Willman, Joseph Masters in Cartography-Geographic Information Systems
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SCHOOL NEWS FROM MR. YURK

1. The 173rd school year is officially in the books. Congratulations to our 25 students that are moving on to high school next year. Our graduates, at this point, are planning on attending Living Word Lutheran, Grafton High School, Kettle Moraine Lutheran, and Divine Savior Holy Angels.

2. As the school year closes, we are saying farewell and Godspeed to Mrs. Deanne Boyce after 19 years of teaching ministry here at St. Paul. Mr. and Mrs. Boyce are moving to Texas this summer to be closer to their children. Well done, good and faithful servant.

3. Please join us next weekend as we decommission the South Wing. These classrooms have proclaimed God's love and forgiveness since the early 1950's. Take a final walk through the classrooms and hallways after services next weekend. An official ceremony will take place following the 11:00 am service on June 8. Final interior work prior to demolition will occur the week of June 9 with demolition scheduled for June 16.

Music: Ms. Valerie Bremer Leader: Rev. Jacob Schultz Altar Guild: Sue Hauschel & Carolyn Wohlers Sermon: Rev. Luke Anderson

SERVICE	ELDERS / COMMUNION SERVERS	HEAD USHERS
Sat., 5pm	M. Young / J. Wegner / M. Yurk / R. Schultz / N. Gierach	Brian Hadler
Sun., 8am	G. Kern / R. Wellman / L. Kiener / M. Hauser	Bob Utecht
Sun., 9:30am	S. Natale / M. Benson / B. Eggold	Dave Schmidt
Sun., 11am	M. Papcke / B. Buske / C. Haas / B. Marien	Matt Stec
Mon., 6:30pm	G. Metzger	
	PRAVER RECHESTS	

#### PRATER REQUESTS

Strength and Healing: Jeremy Albers Sr.; Jean Dorman (niece of Norma Prahl); Lisa Giuliani (niece of Jan Moegenburg); Nancy Groth; Steve Groppe (son of Eva Groppe & father of Meghan Willman); Jean Hammes (friend of Tom Lubner family); Beverly Kelling; Mari LaGrange (daughter of Dan & Sue Hueppchen): Kris Lindsay; Larry Luckjohn; Melissa Luckjohn (daughter-in-law of Larry Luckjohn); Jeffrey Mierow (son of Steve & Kathy Mierow); Sharon Reisner (aunt of Wendy Zettinig); Diane (friend of Larry Luckjohn)

Long-Term Illness / Treatment: Drew Bartell (son of Mona Bartell); Jesse Liebe (nephew of Mona Bartell); Samuel Becker (grandson of Lucille Becker); Dave Boehm (friend of Tim & Jenny Clemens); Delaine Bussard (friend of Debra Kelley); Christine Capstran (daughter of Lyle & Terry Sperber); Sharon Caulfield in Hospice (mother/mother-in-law of Alison & Steve Eckert); Stacy Fairbert (niece of Jody Reiter); Tom Fitzgerald (friend of Tom Lubner); Dan Haupt (son of Frank & Bernice Haupt); Daniel Kekic (nephew of Paulette Rammel); Laurie McGraw (friend of Brian & Shari Buske): Nancy Mertz: Dennis Muehling (friend of John & Patty Richmond): Sarah Reiss, Kay Ryder (sister of Kevin Zirtlaff); Pat Stifter; Mark Wainwright (friend of Tom Lubner family); *Rev. Kurt Ziemann* (son of Gordy & Mary Ann Ziemann)

Anniversaries: Mark & Candace Pape 45th wedding anniversary; Glenn & Tami Viesselmann 40th wedding anniversary.

Baptisms: Weston Robert Perkins-Dragich, Willow Rose Perkins-Dragich

Birthday: Bruno Lorenz 91st birthday.

Blessings to our 2025 Graduates

**Deaths:** Albie Buntrock; Margaret Nehmer

#### **FLOWERS & GIFTS**

Flowers next to the pulpit are given to the glory of God in celebration of Mark & Candace Pape's 45th wedding anniversary.

Flowers next to the lectern are given to the glory of God in celebration of Glenn & Tami Viesselmann's 40th wedding anniversary.

A Gift has been given to the glory of God to the Every Generation Faithful Together Ministry Expansion Fund in Thanksgiving for *Dennis & Sandy Schoessow's* 50th wedding anniversary.

#### WAYS TO GIVE AT ST. PAUL

- Visit splgrafton.org/church and Look for the Give Now! Button **IN-PERSON**: Offerings may be placed in a collection box near the exits.
- MAIL/DROP-OFF: 701 Washington Street, Grafton, WI 53024. Office hours are Monday-Friday, 8am to 4pm.
- VENMO: Search for: @SPL-Grafton. Please note for: Offering; Last 4 Digits: 0360 .
- VANCOONLINE ELECTRONIC GIVING: Visit splgrafton.org/church/giving (then click Online Giving). •
- VANCO MOBILE APP: Vanco Mobile is a mobile giving app that enables you to make one-time or recurring gifts from your smartphone. .
- Visit the Apple App Store or Google Play and search for "Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement" to download the app.
- TEXT-TO-GIVE: Text the dollar amount you wish to contribute to 855.927.0750 (example: 25 for \$25). You will be sent a registration link. After registering, you will receive a text verification and an emailed receipt. For future giving, text the amount you wish to give, and text "repeat" to make it a recurring donation.
- TEXT-TO-GIVE DIRECTLY TO THE EVERY GENERATION FAITHFUL TOGETHER MINISTRY EXPANSION FUND: Text the dollar amount you wish to contribute followed by the letters EGFT, to 855.927.0750. For example, text "25 EGFT" to contribute \$25. You will be sent a registration link. After registering, you will receive a text verification and an emailed receipt. For future giving, text the amount you wish to give, and text "repeat" to make it a recurring donation. Every contribution sent to this number will go directly to the Every Generation Faithful Together fund.

Thank you for supporting St. Paul. If you have questions, contact St. Paul Finance Office at 262- 377-4659.



A faith-filled adventure learning to trust Jesus in a wild world. Space is limited – don't wait!



When: June 16–20, 2025; 9am to 12pm Who Can Attend: Children who have completed 3PK through 5th grade Cost: \$20 per child (covers t-shirt, music, snacks, and more) SIGN UP HERE: tinyurl.com/splvbs2025

> VBS DONATIONS NEEDED Please return by the week of Sunday, June 1

VBS VOLUNTEER MEETINGS If you signed up to help with VBS you need to attend one of the following meetings: Thursday, June 12 at 7pm; Sunday, June 15 at 11am

#### **VBS Setup and Decorating**

We are looking for help with setting rooms up and decorating for VBS. We will meet Sunday, June 15 at 11:30am in the Family Life Center.

Thank you for helping make VBS a success! Questions? Contact Tracy Krueger at <u>tracy.krueger@splgrafton.org</u> or 262-377-4659 x105.

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