

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN
CHURCH AND SCHOOL**

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Welcome!

We are glad you are worshipping today!

Fellowship: Refreshments available in the Gathering Hall Sundays 9am-10:45am.

Holy Communion: Celebrated during 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, 11am
Monday 6:30pm

Contemporary Worship

*Sunday 9:30am

*Live-streamed at:

splgraffton.org/church/livestream &
vimeo.com/event/3215174

Servant Leaders:

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

**EQUIPPING
Every Generation
to Live Rooted
in JESUS**



SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
June 22, 2025



AS WE GATHER...It has been said, "History is written by the victors." We can look back on our national and overall world history and the many battles waged, wars fought, conflicts had, and understand the truth of that assessment. In the written, Spirit-inspired Word of God, we have a record and affirmation of the greatest victories and the only Victor the world would ever need. As Jesus shows His power over demons in healing a possessed man, a battle is won. But a greater victory over Satan and destroying all we ever need fear would be fought and won as He laid His life down on the cross, fulfilled in the promised resurrection victory to follow. Scripture is our history but also our present and our future as it was written and continues to be proclaimed as we gather together and as we live each day with the assurance of Christ victorious over death, the grave, and all things.

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

LIGHTING OF CANDLES and RINGING OF THE BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS / RECOGNITION OF TRACY KRUEGER, DCE *(Offerings may be placed in collection boxes near the exits. We Care Cards collected during sermon hymn.)*

OPENING HYMN “Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

LSB 528, St. 1-5

INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 3, adapted; Luke 8:39*

Pastor: Arise, O LORD!

People: Save me, O my God!

Pastor: O LORD, how many are my foes! Many are rising against me;

People: many are saying of my soul, there is no salvation for him in God.

Pastor: Arise, O LORD!

People: Save me, O my God!

Pastor: But You, O LORD, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head.

People: I cried aloud to the LORD, and He answered me from His holy hill.

Pastor: Arise, O LORD!

People: Save me, O my God!

Pastor: I lay down and slept; I woke again, for the LORD sustained me.

People: I will not be afraid of many thousands of people who have set themselves against me all around.

Pastor: Salvation belongs to the LORD; Your blessing be on Your people! Arise, O LORD!

People: Save me, O my God!

Pastor: Return to your home,

People: and declare how much God has done for you.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION *Isaiah 46:12–13*

Pastor: Seeking our Lord, His wisdom, and His grace, we confess:

People: Almighty and all-merciful God, in wisdom You have created all things, and in grace, You seek the lost and erring. Yet, through our selfish choices and sinful nature, we ignore You and refuse Your grace. We prefer our own way, resisting the Holy Spirit and His work of bringing forth the fruits of faithfulness. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, console and correct us, that we might forsake our wicked ways and unrighteous thoughts and turn to You, the God who has compassion and abundant pardon.

Pastor: The Lord is gracious, for He declares, “Listen to Me, you stubborn of heart, you who are far from righteousness: I bring near My righteousness; it is not far off, and My salvation will not delay.” The Lord has brought His righteousness in giving His Son, Jesus Christ, to die for you. Through Him, and Him alone, you have forgiveness, life, and salvation. In the stead and by the command of Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

HYMN OF PRAISE “Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

LSB 528, St. 6-7

SALUTATION and PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, You are the victor over all we face in this world. You are the destroyer of all things eternally harmful. Free us from the power of sin, death, and Satan, and all that binds us. Enable and equip us to serve You and our neighbors with joy and gladness, for You reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah 65:1–9 Judgment and salvation. (Holy Bible p. 792)*

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING *Galatians 3:23–4:7 Children and heirs of salvation. (Holy Bible p. 1237)*

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA VERSE *Luke 8:39a*

Pastor: Alleluia. Return to your home,
People: and declare how much God has done for you. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 8:26–39 Jesus heals a man with demons. (Holy Bible p. 1100)*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.
People: (sung) Glory to You, O Lord.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **People: (sung) Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON HYMN “Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure” LSB 533

SERMON “Why Don’t You Leave Me Alone?” by Pastor Anderson, based on Luke 8:26-39.

APOSTLES’ CREED *(see screens or back of LSB)*

OFFERTORY HYMN “Praise and Thanksgiving” LSB 789

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *(see screens)*

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

CLOSING SENTENCES *Psalm 3:7; Luke 8:39*

Pastor: Arise, O LORD!
People: Save me, O my God!
Pastor: Return to your home,
People: and declare how much God has done for you.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

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.

CLOSING HYMN “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness” LSB 849

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CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE–9:30am	
PRE-SERVICE	CHILDREN’S MESSAGE by Tracy Krueger, DCE
WELCOME / RECOGNITION OF TRACY KRUEGER, DCE (Offerings may be placed in collection box near the exits. We Care Cards collected during opening song.)	VBS SONG “My God Is Powerful”
INVOCATION	WORD OF GOD <i>Isaiah 65:1–9 (Holy Bible p. 792)</i>
OPENING SONGS “God So Loved,” “Who You Say I Am”	PRAYERS / LORD’S PRAYER
BAPTISMS <i>Rose Arlene Palese, Ruby Jay Palese</i>	WORD OF GOD <i>Luke 8:26–39 (Holy Bible p. 1100)</i>
CONFESSION and WORD OF FORGIVENESS	SERMON “Why Don’t You Leave Me Alone?” by Pastor Anderson, based on Luke 8:26-39.
SONG OF PRAISE “Goodness of God”	BLESSING
	CLOSING SONG “Me On Your Mind”

June 22, 2025
OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE—11am

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RECOGNITION OF TRACY KRUEGER, DCE (*Offerings may be placed in collection boxes on the sidewalk.*)

INVOCATION

OPENING HYMN “Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

LSB 528 St 1-2, 5-6

1 Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace!

5 Look unto Him, ye nations; own
Your God, ye fallen race.
Look and be saved through faith alone,
Be justified by grace.

2 My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad,
The honors of Thy name.

6 See all your sins on Jesus laid;
The Lamb of God was slain.
His soul was once an off'ring made
For ev'ry soul of man.

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CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SERVICE OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE by Tracy Krueger, DCE

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah 65:1–9 Judgment and salvation. (Holy Bible p. 792)*

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 8:26–39 Jesus heals a man with demons. (Holy Bible p. 1100)*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.

People: (spoken) Glory to You, O Lord.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: (spoken) Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SONG “Goodness of God”

1 I love You Lord, oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up, until I lay my head
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

*Chorus: And all my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God*

2 I love Your voice, You have led me through the fire
And in darkest nights You are close like no other
I've known You as a father, I've known You as a friend
And I have lived in the goodness of God

Bridge *'Cause Your goodness is running after,
it's running after me 'Cause Your goodness is running
after, it's running after me With my life laid down, I'm
surrendered now I give You everything
'Cause Your goodness is running after, it's running after
me*

Chorus (2x)

Tag *Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God*

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SERMON “Why Don’t You Leave Me Alone?” by Pastor Anderson, based on Luke 8:26-39.

PRAYERS & LORD’S PRAYER (*The pastor will end each petition with “Let us pray to the Lord” and the congregation will respond, “Lord, have mercy.”*)

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.

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN “Praise the One who Breaks the Darkness”

LSB 849

1 Praise the One who breaks the darkness
With a liberating light;
Praise the One who frees the pris’ners,
Turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the Gospel,
Healing ev’ry dread disease,
Calming storms, and feeding thousands
With the very Bread of peace.

2 Praise the One who blessed the children
With a strong, yet gentle, word;
Praise the One who drove out demons
With the piercing, two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water
To the desert’s burning sand;
From this Well comes living water,
Quenching thirst in ev’ry land.

3 Let us praise the Word Incarnate,
Christ, who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose victorious
That we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness,
Seeing what our God has done;
Let us praise the true Redeemer,
Praise the One who makes us one.

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

Join us as we kick off the 175th anniversary year 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 such as a brat fry, a root beer float social, historic displays, and a timeline of St. Paul’s rich history will be unveiled, all in the Family Life Center. We will also welcome 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 blmarien@gmail.com

MOST MINISTRIES NEEDS YOUR HELP

For the past 36 years MOST Ministries has been helping LCMS church members experience international mission work.

MOST Ministries

- Sends short term mission teams to share the Gospel in word and deed.
 - Specializes in eyeglass ministry.
 - Has scheduled 25 mission teams for 2025.
- Please pray that MOST will be able to fill all its mission teams for 2025 and that these teams would effectively share the Gospel in word and deed with people in need.

For more information about MOST Ministries
visit mostministries.org



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

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

June 29: Leadership Lessons from Moses, Pt. 2
Dr. Jim Pingel

CHURCH GARDENING

A flower 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 jsilflo@icloud.com. Or Marty Hauser at 262-377-4659 Ext. 375 or servantministries@splgraffton.org

ST. PAUL MEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Please come out and support our team and enjoy some fellowship. The schedule is posted on the bulletin boards in back of church or at tinyurl.com/splsoftball

**8TH GRADE BRAT FRY THIS SUNDAY
JUNE 22; 9am to 12:30pm**



We will also have brats & hotdogs on **Sundays, July 13, August 3 & 17 from 9-12:30pm**. All proceeds will go towards their 2026 Washington D.C. trip.

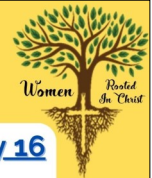
CALLING ALL MOMS!

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>

**Rooted Women
Summer Service Events**



Tuesday, June 24
6-8pm
at Soles for Jesus

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

Watch for more
details in the
gazette/bulletin

**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.

Signup here: tinyurl.com/RootedWServe

WOMENS GUILD

The day after the Women's Guild Spring Luncheon on June 4th, Pastor Suelflow presented a brief summary to the Guild of the role played by the various Grafton clergy prior to Family Sharing being fully established, and then a representative of Family Sharing shared an excellent review of the expanded services offered to the community. The Guild served close to 300 guests at its spring luncheon, for a profit of approximately \$4700, with proceeds to be designated.

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@splgraffton.org) or Kelsey Metzger
(parish.education@splgraffton.org)

Music: Ms. Valerie Bremer / Mrs. Heide Young
Leader: Rev. Jacob Schultz

Altar Guild: Sue Hauschel & Carolyn Wohlers
Sermon: Rev. Luke Anderson

SERVICE	ELDERS	HEAD USHERS
Sat., 5pm	Matthew Stec	Joanne Wolf
Sun., 8am	Rick Wellman	Bob Utech
Sun., 9:30am	Matthew Stec	Todd Willman
Sun., 11am	Brian Buske	Mark Papcke
Mon., 6:30pm	Jim Wegner	

PRAYER REQUESTS

Strength and Healing: *Elfrieda Albers; Sandy Chow (friend of Lenore Wolf); Jean Dorman (niece of Norma Prah); Lisa Giuliani (niece of Jan Moegenburg); Dorothy Grady (friend of Lenore Wolf); Nancy Groth; Steve Groppe (son of Eva Groppe & father of Meghan Willman); Jean Hammes (friend of Tom Lubner family); Mari LaGrange (daughter of Dan & Sue Hueppchen); Kris Lindsay; Larry Luckjohn; Melissa Luckjohn (daughter-in-law of Larry Luckjohn); Diane Lunde (friend of Maribeth Witkowski); Jeffery Mierow (son of Steve & Kathy Mierow); Sharon Reisner (aunt of Wendy Zetting)*

Long Term Illness / Treatment: *Jeremy Albers Sr.; Drew Bartell (son of Mona Bartell); Samuel Becker (grandson of Lucille Becker); Dave Boehm (friend of Tim & Jenny Clemens); Delaine Bussard (sister 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); Jesse Liebe (nephew of Mona Bartell); Laurie McGraw (friend of Brian & Shari Buske); Nancy Mertz; Patti Mueller (friend of Liz Dehmel); Dennis Muehling (friend of John & Patty Richmond); Cindy Ovokaitys (niece of Chris Fricke); Sarah Reiss, Kay Ryder (sister of Kevin Zirlaff); Pat Stifter; Mark Wainwright (friend of Tom Lubner family)*

Death: *Gail Burchardt*

Hospice: *Robert Klingbeil; Sharon Reisner*

CHURCH RECORDS

Baptism: *Weston Robert Perkins-Dragich*, born October 22, 2024 son of Jacob Perkins and Jade Dragich was baptized during the service on Saturday, May 31, 2025.

Baptism: *Willow Rose Perkins-Dragich*, born May 13, 2023 daughter of Jacob Perkins and Jade Dragich was baptized during the service on Saturday, May 31, 2025.

Baptism: *Rose Arlene Palese*, born June 7, 2021 daughter of John and Ashley (Faber) Palese will be baptized during the 9:30am service on Sunday, June 22, 2025.

Baptism: *Ruby Jay Palese*, born March 18, 2025 daughter of John and Ashley (Faber) Palese will be baptized during the 9:30am service on Sunday, June 22, 2025.

WAYS TO GIVE AT ST. PAUL

Visit splgraffton.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 3pm.
- **VENMO:** Search for: @SPL-Grafton. Please note for: Offering; Last 4 Digits: 0360
- **VANCOONLINE ELECTRONIC GIVING:** Visit splgraffton.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.



WE ARE RECOGNIZING TRACY KRUEGER AS OUR DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION THIS WEEKEND

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod historically has designated one month of the year for showing appreciation to our church workers, who serve us in a multitude of ways as they preach, teach and care for God's people in body and soul. We continue our year of church worker appreciation observances by thanking God for directors of Christian education (DCEs), one of the seven commissioned (auxiliary) offices that support the work of the Holy Ministry.

We will have a table in the Gathering Hall for you to write a note of thanks for Tracy or drop a card in the box. —Board of Elders

THANK YOU VBS VOLUNTEERS!

Thank you to everyone who helped with VBS this year. Thanks to your generosity, we reached **198 children** with the Good News of Jesus. From donations and prayers to working one day or all week, we couldn't do it without your help. *Thank you!*

