#### 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 operators): 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





# SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 20, 2025



**AS WE GATHER**...Having guests come to dinner is always a "big deal," yet we often forget we have an unseen Guest. When we plan a meal, God brings us more than we can imagine. It was that way for Abraham and Sarah in the Old Testament reading and Jesus gets Mary's attention in the Gospel. It was still taking some time for the new believers of Colossae to fathom that God had done so much for them in Christ. And when their friends found the treasure of the Gospel, they, too, must have rejoiced that God had such gracious plans for them, plans that are always better than they imagined.

# **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 and 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** "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

LSB 807

# INVOCATION

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

# **OPENING SENTENCES**

Pastor: And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds,

People: Christ has now reconciled in His body of flesh by His death,

Pastor: in order to present you holy and blameless

People: and above reproach before Him.

Pastor: Wait for the LORD; be strong,

People: and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

# **CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION**

Pastor: God is gracious and full of compassion. Let us go to Him with contrite hearts. Heavenly Father,

People: like Sarah, we laugh when it seems like You are doing the impossible. Forgive us for failing to see Your almighty power at work for us.

- Pastor: O Holy Spirit,
- People: sometimes, like those who have not heard the Good News, we have thought Your promises are dependent on our good works. Forgive us.

Pastor: Lord Jesus,

- People: although all the Father's promises came true through Your efforts, too often we depend on our own thoughts, words, and deeds to merit Your grace and mercy. Forgive us for not accepting Your last laugh in the resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- Pastor: Sarah gave birth in her old age, Scripture records for everyone how God's many promises were kept, and in Christ's resurrection is the power to work inside and through you. As a called and Ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE "In Thee Is Gladness"

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** 

LSB 818

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. O Lord, grant us the Spirit to hear Your Word

People: and know the one thing needful that by Your Word and Spirit we may live according to Your will Pastor: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### People: Amen.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Genesis 18:1–14 Sarah laughs when she hears that she shall have a son. (Holy Bible p. 16)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**GRADUAL HYMN** "Rejoice My Heart, Be Glad and Sing"

**EPISTLE READING** Colossians 1:21–29 The mystery—that the Gentiles are included in God's promises—is cause for rejoicing among the Colossian Christians. (Holy Bible p. 1252)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

### **ALLELUIA VERSE**

Pastor: Alleluia. As you received Christ Jesus the Lord, People: so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him. Alleluia.

**HOLY GOSPEL** Luke 10:38–42 Martha learns that her sister Mary has chosen to listen to Jesus; she has chosen well. (Holy Bible p. 1105) Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter. People: (sung) Glory to You, O Lord.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**SERMON HYMN** "Oh, Blest the House"

**SERMON** "Who Is Coming to Dinner?" by Pastor Maschke, based on Genesis 18 and Luke 10.

**NICENE CREED** (see screens)

**OFFERTORY HYMN** "Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy"

**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 give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your alorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

**SANCTUS** "Glory Be to God the Father"

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

People: Thanks be to God.

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LSB 862

LSB 774

LSB 737, St. 1-2,6-7

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

LSB 506, St. 1

#### **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 "Glory Be to God the Father"

**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. "Jesus Comes Today with Healing" LSB 620 "Soul. Adorn Yourself with Gladness" LSB 636

#### DISMISSAL

#### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Pastor: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### People: Amen.

**POST-COMMUNION HYMN** "Glory Be to God the Father"

#### 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.

**CLOSING HYMN** "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

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#### **PRE-SERVICE MUSIC NICENE CREED** (see screens) **ANNOUNCEMENTS** (Offerings may be placed in SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT collection box near the exits. We Care Cards will be Words of Institution / Lord's Prayer / Preparation / collected during the opening song.) Dismissal INVOCATION PRAYERS **OPENING SONG** "My Lighthouse" **CONFESSION and WORD OF FORGIVENESS SERMON** "Who Is Coming to Dinner?" by Pastor SONG OF PRAISE "Psalm 34 Taste and See" Maschke, based on Genesis 18 and Luke 10. CHILDREN'S MESSAGE BLESSING

**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE – 9:30AM** 

WORD OF GOD Luke 10:38-42 (Holy Bible p.1105)

Distribution / "Come Jesus Come;" "Lamb of God" /

**WORD OF GOD** Genesis 18:1–14 (Holy Bible p. 16)

CLOSING SONG "Yes & Amen"

LSB 643

LSB 506, St. 3 & 4

LSB 506, St. 2

#### July 20, 2025 OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE—11AM

### **PRE-SERVICE MUSIC**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS (Offerings may be placed in collection boxes on the sidewalk.)

### INVOCATION

#### **OPENING SONG** "Yes and Amen"

1 Father of kindness, You have poured out grace You brought me out of darkness, You have filled me with peace Giver of mercy, You're my help in time of need Lord, I can't help but sing

**Chorus** Faithful, You are Faithful, forever You will be Faithful, You are All your promises are yes and Amen All Your promises are yes and Amen 2 Beautiful Savior, You have brought me near You pulled me from the ashes, You have broken every curse Blessed redeemer, You have set this captive free Lord, I can't help but sing **Chorus** 

*End* All your promises are yes and Amen All your promises are yes and Amen

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# **CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Genesis 18:1–14 Sarah laughs when she hears that she shall have a son. (Holy Bible p. 16)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**HOLY GOSPEL** Luke 10:38–42 Martha learns that her sister Mary has chosen to listen to Jesus; she has chosen well. (Holy Bible p. 1105) Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter. **People:** (spoken) **Glory to You, O Lord.** 

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

#### **NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**SONG** "Thy Word" *Refrain:* Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet And a light unto my path. Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet And a light unto my path.

1 When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, Still You're there right beside me. And nothing will I fear as long as You are near. Please be near me to the end. *Refrain* 

2 I will not forget Your love for me, and yet My heart forever is wandering. Jesus, be my guide and hold me to Your side; And I will love You to the end. *Refrain Text:* © 1984 Meadowgreen Music Company, admin. EMI. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110005609

**SERMON** "Who Is Coming to Dinner?" by Pastor Maschke, based on Genesis 18 and Luke 10.

**PRAYERS** (*The pastor will end each prayer with "Lord, in Your mercy," and the congregation will respond, "hear our prayer."*)

# PREPARATION / WORDS OF INSTITUTION / LORD'S PRAYER / DISTRIBUTION / "Come, Jesus Come" / DISMISSAL

# BLESSING

**CLOSING HYMN** "Lamb of God" 1 Your only Son, no sin to hide, But You have sent Him from Your side To walk upon this guilty sod, And to become the Lamb of God.

**Refrain:** O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God! O wash me in His precious blood, My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God. LSB 550

2 Your Gift of love they crucified, They laughed and scorned Him as He died: The humble King they named a fraud, And sacrificed the Lamb of God. *Refrain* 

3 I was so lost, I should have died, But You have brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and rod, And to be called a lamb of God. *Refrain* 

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# UPCOMING BIBLE STUDIES AND EVENTS

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

July 20: Powerful Biblical Lessons from "The Chosen" Rev. Dr. Randall Ferguson

July 27: No Class-175th Anniversary

# SUMMER BIBLE STUDY: First Peter

When: Thursday's through August 14\* Time: 6:30–7:30pm. Where: Providence Place Led by: Pastor Larry Prahl \*NOTE: NO Class on Thursday, July 31

# CAN YOU HELP?

Searching for a volunteer to help scan historical documents from the St. Paul Archives. It's easy! Just time consuming. We'll show you how to use our scanner. If you can help, contact Jean Steinke at 262-377-4659 ext. 339.

# Join us!

This fall, St. Paul will be starting our new Congregation Wide Bible Study! If you are interested in leading a small group or have questions, contact:



Tracy Krueger: tracy.krueger@splgrafton.org Kelsey Metzger: parish.education@splgrafton.org 
 Music:
 Mrs. Michelle Soensksen / Ms. Valerie Bremer
 Altar Guild:
 Kathy Lubner & Sharon Hawkins

 Leader:
 Rev. Larry Prahl
 Sermon:
 Rev. Timothy Maschke

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# PRAYER REQUESTS

**Strength and Healing**: *Elfrieda Albers; Ron Anschuetz; Sandy Chow* (friend of Lenore Wolf); *Jean Dorman* (niece of Norma Prahl); *Lisa Giuliani* (niece of Jan Moegenburg); *Dorothy Grady* (friend of Lenore Wolf); *Nancy Groth; April Krueger (cousin of Darlene Sukowski); Mari LaGrange* (daughter of Dan & Sue Hueppchen); *Kris Lindsay; Larry Luckjohn; Melissa Luckjohn; Diane Lunde* (friend of Maribeth Witkowski); *Michael Meyers; Jeffery Mierow* (son of Steve & Kathy Mierow); *Shawna Peterson* (sister of Derek Kratz); *Priscilla Skoug; Robert Tuszkiewicz* 

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); Stacy Fairbert (niece of Jody Reiter); 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); Kristi Otto (daughter of Susan Otto) Cindy Ovokaitys (niece of Chris Fricke); Sarah Reiss, Kay Ryder (sister of Kevin Zirtzlaff); Pat Stifter; Mark Wainwright (friend of Tom Lubner family)

Anniversary: Dan & Laura Bert 10th Wedding Anniversary.

#### Death: Mark Papcke

## **GIFTS & MEMORIALS**

**A Gift** has been given to the glory of God to the Every Generation Faithful Together Ministry Expansion Fund in celebration of *Richard and JoAnn Janke's* 58th wedding anniversary.

**A Gift** has been given to the glory of God to the Every Generation Faithful Together Ministry Expansion Fund in honor of *Musa Stielow's* 90th birthday by Frank & Bernice Haupt.

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#### 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 3pm.
- 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.

## NEXT WEEKEND: July 26-28, 2025 175th Anniversary of St. Paul Lutheran Church and School



Brat fry (freewill offering) Root beer float social Historic displays Timeline of St. Paul's rich history

In Family Life Center after all worship services

Guest preacher: Pastor Chris Navurskis

Celebrating 175 Years: Ever Faithful. Ever His.

Anniversary Weekend Celebrations - Name Tags, please! Please help our guests feel welcome by wearing a name tag this coming weekend. Name tags will be available at all entrances as St. Paul celebrates 175 years of God's blessings.

# SAVE THE DATES OCTOBER 28-NOVEMBER 1, 2025

We are kicking off our 175th Anniversary with a brand-new St. Paul Lutheran Pictorial Directory!

- Free photo session
- Free printed directory
- Free 8x10 family portrait
- Easy online & app access
- Connect with your church family

Session Sign-up details: Visit: ucdir.com Click on Photography Session Sign-Up Church Code: WI392 Password: photos (all lowercase)

# AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS - WE NEED YOU!



As part of St. Paul LERT and disaster response planning, we are looking to identify licensed amateur radio operators within our congregation. If you hold a ham radio license, please contact <u>lert@splgrafton.org</u>. Your skills could play a vital role in keeping our church connected during emergencies.



# BENEDICTION LUTHERAN SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Let's help the children of Benediction Lutheran have a successful school year by providing backpacks filled with brand-new school supplies! Our mission this year is to **help 200 children**! We are seeking donations of:

- Backpacks
- Crayons
- Markers (washable)
- Dry Erase Markers (low odor)
- Scissors
- No. 2 Pencils
- Pencil Pouches
- Pocket Folders
- Erasers (large pink)
- Spiral Notebooks (college/wide ruled)
- Rulers (12" with inches/cm)
- Loose Leaf Paper Packs (college/wide ruled)
- Highlighters (various colors)
- Pens (blue, black, red)
- 3-Ring Binders (various sizes)

Through Sunday, August 10, drop items off in the bins in the Welcome Center. Thank you for your support and generosity!



NOON TO 3PM

KIDS GAMES - LUNCH - BINGO BOUNCE HOUSE - MINISTRY FAIR - MUSIC!

**CAROL AND THE KEYNOTES** 

12:30-2:30