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

*Sunday 9:30am

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

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

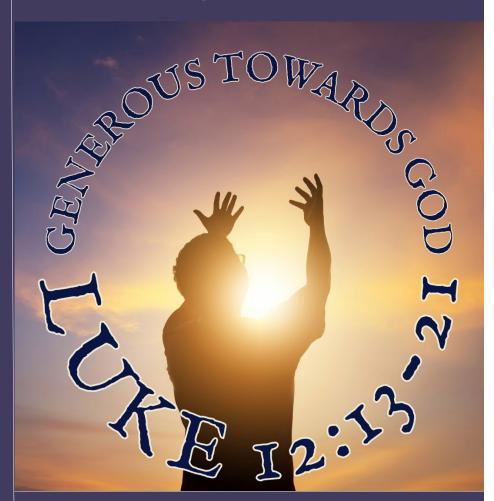
DCE: Tracy Krueger

EQUIPPING Every Generation to Live Rooted in JESUS



EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 3, 2025



AS WE GATHER...Golfers enjoy getting a mulligan—a free shot or do-over. As we look back on our lives, we sometimes see times that we wish we could go back to and have a mulligan. We would like to be able to go back and make a different decision or fix a mistake we made. We cannot turn back time. God gives us something better. He gives us a new life—a fresh start that we get to celebrate every day as we remember our Baptism and the riches God gives us.

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 "God Himself Is Present"

LSB 907

INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES Psalm 24:1–2; 127:2; 147:9; Matthew 6:26; James 1:17; Exodus 20:3;

Colossians 3:5-6

Pastor: The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, for He has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

People: He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry.

Pastor: Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?

People: It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil; for He gives to His beloved sleep.

Pastor: Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.

People: The First Commandment reminds us, "You shall have no other gods before Me."

Pastor: Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.

People: On account of these the wrath of God is coming.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Almighty God,

People: You are the giver of everything we have. Yet, we are guilty of coveting the possessions, experiences, and social standing of others. We sin by valuing these things above You. For Jesus' sake, forgive our sins. Renew us in Your knowledge and conform us to Your image by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Pastor: "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you by His poverty might become rich" (2 Corinthians 8:9). We receive the riches of God's forgiveness because of Jesus. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and

of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

LSB 809

SALUTATION

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Lord Jesus, You have set us free and made us a new creation, renewed in knowledge

after the image of our creator. Empower us to live this new life in our families, with our friends, and to eat, drink, and find enjoyment in all the riches You graciously give us; for You reign with the Father

and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12–14; 2:18–26 Enjoying your work is a gift from God. (Holy Bible p. 703-705)

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

EPISTLE READING Colossians 3:1–11 Live as the people you are in Christ. (Holy Bible p. 1253)

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

ALLELUIA VERSE Colossians 3:23-24a

Pastor: Alleluia.

People: Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord

you will receive the inheritance as your reward.

Pastor: Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 12:13–21 Trust in the Giver of all that is good. (Holy Bible p. 1108)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth 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 "Take My Life and Let It Be"

LSB 784

SERMON "Living a New Life," by Pastor Schultz based on Luke 12:13–21.

NICENE CREED (see screens)

OFFERTORY HYMN "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

LSB 781

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, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely give to us and to all creation. Above all, we give thanks for showing Your love to us when You sent Your one and only Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid our sin on Him, putting to death all that is earthly in us. As He died, we have died and our life is hidden in Him. As He is risen, we, too, shall rise and see Him when He appears again in glory. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life.

Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your

glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS "Holy, Holy, Holy"

LSB 208

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"

LSB 210

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.

"Amazing Grace" LSB 744
"The Gifts Christ Freely Gives" LSB 602

DISMISSAL

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us the gifts of life, forgiveness, and

salvation through Your one and only Son. Set our hearts on things above, not on the things of this earth, so that when Your Son appears again, we will also appear with Him in glory; 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 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 and Thanksgiving"

LSB 789

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CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE – 9:30AM

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

NICENE CREED (see screens)

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

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT
Words of Institution / Lord's Prayer / Preparation /
Distribution / "Broken Vessels;" "Take My Life" /
Dismissal

INVOCATION

PRAYERS

OPENING SONG "Run To The Father"

WORD OF GOD Luke 12:13–21 (Holy Bible p. 1108)

CONFESSION and WORD OF FORGIVENESS

SERMON "Living a New Life," by Pastor Schultz

SONG OF PRAISE "Sweetly Broken"

based on Luke 12:13-21.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE by Tracy Krueger, DCE

BLESSING

WORD OF GOD Colossians 3:1–11

CLOSING SONG "Everyday"

(Holy Bible p.1253)

August 3, 2025 OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE—11AM

LSB 809, St. 1,3

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

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

INVOCATION

OPENING HYMN "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

1 Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.

Thou changest not: Thy compassions, they fail not;

As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain: Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see:

All I have needed Thy hand hath provided; Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain*

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SERVICE OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE by Tracy Krueger, DCE

EPISTLE READING Colossians 3:1–11 Live as the people you are in Christ. (Holy Bible p. 1253)

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

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 12:13–21 Trust in the Giver of all that is good. (Holy Bible p.1108)

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

LSB 784

SERMON HYMN "Take My Life and Let It Be"

1 Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee; Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2 Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love; Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee, Swift and beautiful for Thee.

3 Take my voice and let me sing Always, only for my King; Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee, Filled with messages from Thee. 4 Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold; Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose, Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne, It shall be Thy royal throne.

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store; Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee, Ever, only, all for Thee.

SERMON "Living a New Life," by Pastor Schultz based on Luke 12:13–21.

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 / "Broken Vessels" / DISMISSAL

BLESSING

CLOSING SONG "Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)"

1 Amazing grace how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me I once was lost, but now I'm found Was blind, but now I see

2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed Chorus: My chains are gone, I've been set free My God, my Savior has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy rains Unending love, Amazing grace

3 The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures *Chorus*

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UPCOMING BIBLE STUDIES

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

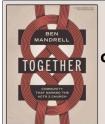
August 3-24: Your Favorite Bible Verses

Rev. Dr. Randall Ferguson

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY: First Peter

When: Thursdays through August 14

Time: 6:30–7:30pm.
Where: Providence Place
Led by: Pastor Larry Prahl



Congregation-wide Bible Study!

CONGREGATION WIDE BIBLE STUDY THIS FALL

This fall, St. Paul will begin a Congregation-wide Bible Study! If you are interested in leading a small group or have questions, contact: tracy.krueger@splgrafton.org or parish.education@splgrafton.org.

Music: Ms. Valerie Bremer Altar Guild: Joyce Kroemer & Maribeth Witkowski

Leader: Rev. Timothy Maschke **Sermon:** Rev. Jacob Schultz

SERVICE	ELDERS / COMMUNION SERVERS	HEAD USHERS
Sat., 5pm	J. Wegner / E. Kuerschner / C. Meunier / R. Klotka / J. Schroeder	Brian Hadler
Sun., 8am	G. Krueger / G. Kern / L. Kiener / M. Hauser	Rick Meyer
Sun., 9:30am	S. Natale / W. Cheeseman / M. Benson	Dave Schmidt
Sun., 11am	G. Metzger / M. Stec	Matt Stec
Mon., 6:30pm	B. Dorn	

PRAYER REQUESTS

Strength and Healing: Elfrieda Albers; Ron Anschuetz; Nancy Baehmannn; Sandy Chow (friend of Lenore Wolf); Tim D'Agastino; 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); 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; Ryan Voss (son of Kevin & Kaye Voss)

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: Bob and Mary Lou Mercer—62nd wedding anniversary

Birthday: Sharon Maschke

Surgery: Dan Haupt (son of Frank & Bernice Haupt)

GIFTS & MEMORIALS

A Gift has been given to the glory of God to the Every Generation Faithful Together Ministry Expansion Fund in celebration of *Sharon Maschke's* birthday.

A Memorial has been given to the glory of God to the Every Generation Faithful Together Ministry Expansion Fund in memory of *Robert L. Klingbeil*.

A Memorial has been given to the glory of God to the Every Generation Faithful Together Ministry Expansion Fund in memory of *David Krueger*.

CHURCH RECORDS

Baptism: *Anna Rose Ashenden,* born July 15, 2025 daughter of Nicholas and Kristy (nee Schmidt) Ashenden will be baptized at St. Paul after the 11am service on Sunday, August 3, 2025.

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.
- VANCO ONLINE 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.

THANKS FOR CELEBRATING WITH US!



Thank you to everyone who joined us last weekend for our Kickoff to our 175th Anniversary. It was wonderful to see longtime members, new faces, and visitors come together to celebrate. We hope you enjoyed the memories, the history, and the chance to reconnect or connect for the first time.

The timeline display will stay up through July 2026 and will continue to grow as we add more memories. We also encourage you to stop by the Archives Room to explore historical items from our church and school's past. Have photos or stories to share? We'd love to include them! Email 175@splgrafton.org or stop by the Church Office. We'd be happy to scan your photos so you can keep the originals.

Questions? Call us at 262-377-4659













ST. PAUL 175TH ORNAMENTS NOW AVAILABLE

Celebrate our 175th Anniversary with a beautiful keepsake ornament! Custom designed by Andy Schumann, this ornament makes a meaningful gift and is a lasting reminder of this special milestone of our church and school. They will be for sale in the Gathering Hall on Sundays after the 8am and 9:30am services or during the week by contacting the Church Office (Monday-Thursday, 8am to 3pm). The cost is \$20 each (note 175th Ornament in memo).

Thank you to the following who have already played a special role in helping us with our kickoff celebration: Pastor Chris Navurskis and Family; Hunsie Kaul; Al and Marilyn Goeman; Lyle and Terry Sperber; Gabriel Metzger: for designing the 175th anniversary logo; Andy Schumann: for creating the 175th commemorative ornament; Pastor Kenton Wendorf: for writing the lyrics to Step by Step; Valerie Bremer: for composing the music for Step by Step; LWML Members; Diane Schumann, St. Paul 8th graders and families; and the many volunteers helping with name tags, hospitality, greeting, and ornament sales. Thank you for helping us kick things off!

-The 175th Anniversary Committee

AUGUST QUARTERLY VOTERS MEETING

Thursday, August 28 at 6:30pm **Church Sanctuary**

The April Voter's Meeting minutes and the August agenda will be posted on the church website at spigrafton.org/church and on the bulletin boards in the back of church.