

St. Paul Lutheran Church

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Sunday, August 9, 2026

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Service Setting One LSB page 151 and on screens

Hymns: 829, 826, 631, 717, 817, 837

Old Testament Reading: Job 38:4-18, Epistle Reading: Romans 10:5-17

Gospel Reading: Matthew 14:22-33

Welcome to St. Paul, a people walking together in the life of Jesus. We're glad you're here! Today, Jesus meets us in Word and Sacrament. His gifts are for you and for your children! If you are caring for little ones, don't worry about noises and squirming; we rejoice in Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these." (Luke 18:16)

This morning we joyfully receive Holy Communion, in which our Lord Jesus Christ gives us a great blessing: His true body and blood in, with, and under ordinary bread and wine. If you are a member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod who has been instructed and has confessed this reality, we invite you to participate in the Holy Supper. Other guests interested in joining our confession and life are asked to meet with Pastor Newton in the weeks before communing for the first time. We encourage you still to come to the altar and cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing.

Altar Flowers — Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Linda and Steve Hunt in honor of their 60th wedding anniversary on July 8.

Baptism — This morning we celebrate the baptism of Josie Janet Hopp at the 10:45am service. Josie was born June 9 to Jenna and Justin Hopp. Her sponsors are Kate Baumler and JD Hopp.

Children are invited to join in the baptismal procession. Gather in the narthex before the service starts. Children will process in with the family, sit in the first pew during the baptism and then return to their seats following the baptism.

A colorful poster for "Swimmy Summer Sundays" at Cascade Falls Aquatic Center. The poster features a blue background with a sun, water splashes, and a yellow and orange life preserver. Text includes "STUDENTS 6TH-12TH GRADE", "1:00-4:00 PM", and a list of dates: MAY 31, JUNE 14, JULY 12, AUG 9 (circled in red), and AUG 30. It also mentions "YOUR BASE CAMP" and "WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU!".

Swimmy SUMMER SUNDAYS

STUDENTS 6TH-12TH GRADE

1:00-4:00 PM | CASCADE FALLS AQUATIC CENTER

Join us for relaxed Sunday afternoons at the pool! Swim, hang out, and enjoy time together in a safe, supervised environment.

Parents are welcome to drop off students knowing that the Nelsons (along with lifeguards) will be present as a consistent adult presence.

A great opportunity for students to build friendships while parents get a little time to themselves.

for anything you need while you enjoy your afternoon

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU!

SWIM. HANG OUT. MAKE MEMORIES.

Wedding Invitation — Congregation members are invited to attend the marriage ceremony of Rebecca Packard and Jarrod Thomas on **Saturday, August 22** at 10:30am with a brunch reception following in the FLC (please RSVP). — *Thomas Family*

Thank You — Thank you to Jon and Candy Jero for their generosity with the Celebrate America with the High Society Big Band Swing Dance event on July 18. Free will offerings were collected at the door to benefit the St. Paul youth. The generosity of attendees allowed the Jeros to donate \$450 to our St. Paul youth! We are truly blessed for the support of the youth and youth programming! Thank you! — *St. Paul Youth Board*

Thank You — Our sincerest thanks to everyone who helped make the Commemoration of Ordination last Sunday a memorable and joyful celebration. Privileged to serve the saints at St. Paul, the Lord blessed us with an outpouring of love that gladdens our hearts. God's blessings upon you all. — *Pastor and Viviane Kottlowski*

While you're going — *Make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age* (Matthew 28:19-20). If you would like to follow Jesus with us here at St. Paul, the Catechumenate is for you! It's how we welcome brothers and sisters into our fellowship as members, whether lifelong Lutherans or brand-new Christians. Catechumenate are perfect for inviting a friend along to discover what we're all about. Since we never stop learning, it's also a great opportunity for existing members to continue to grow in Christ while enjoying delicious lunches for free! Come make some new friends, eat some good food, and learn with us the joy of life on earth with Jesus! We'll meet beginning **Saturday, August 29** at 5:00pm with a fireside fellowship campfire at church. If you'd like to participate or bring a friend along, just get in touch with Pastor Newton or Josh Remington. Mark your calendars for September 13 and September 20 with classes at Noon and lunch provided.

Free Piano — The Forde family has a Kimball piano they need to find a home for. It originally came from St. Paul. If you are interested please contact Alyssa Forde.



Donate
SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Lysol Cleaning Wipes
- Expo Markers (black skinny)
- Crayola Colored Pencils
- Crayola Markers
- Pencils (#2)
- Post-it Notes
- Cardstock Paper

Place donations in the basket by the LWML table.



School supplies benefit Capitol View Elementary School in Des Moines. Last day to drop off is August 12.

Wedding Shower — Women and men of the congregation are invited to a wedding shower honoring Rebecca Packard and Jarrod Thomas on **Monday, August 17**. We hope you'll join us as we shower them with gifts before they enter the world as a married couple on August 22. Then they head to Fort Wayne for Jarrod's final year of seminary. No RSVP is needed, just drop in anytime between 6:00pm and 8:00pm.
— *Hostesses Betty Berlau, Malisa Davies, Karen Gerths, Donita Link, Kathy Olson, Vicki Sickels, and Sue Stoll*

Serving at St. Paul

August Altar Committee
Sue Crawford, Donna Stoelk, Betty Berlau

Altar Flowers
August 9 — Linda & Steve Hunt
August 16 — Behrens Wedding

Elder
August 9 — Eric Bradley
August 16 — Ken Kise

Offering Counters August 9 & 16
Kevin Kisker, David Reddel

Ushers August 9
8:00am — Eddie Bell, Rochelle Sandvick
10:45am — Kathy Olson, Cal Uhlig

Ushers August 16
8:00am — Eddie Bell, Dewayne McGohan
10:45am — Eric Bradley, Cal Uhlig

Attendance Sunday, August 2
8:00am — 176 10:45am — 120

Registration Now Open — Registration is open for Sunday school, midweek and youth group programs for the 2026-2027 education year. These Christ-centered programs are designed to support your family in the life-long task of growing in faith, grounded in God's Word and the Lutheran Confessions. Registration helps the Board of Christian Education, the Board of Youth and Laura Nelson prepare well for a faithful and fruitful year ahead. We look forward to walking with your family in Christ this school year!



To register, use the QR code or go to the church website.

This Week at St. Paul

<u>Today</u>	8:00am Worship Service Fellowship Hour 10:45am Worship Service 1-4pm Youth Swimming
<u>Monday</u>	9:00am Staff Meeting
<u>Tuesday</u>	6:30pm Elders Meeting
<u>Wednesday</u>	5:00-7:00pm Youth Open Gym 7:00pm Summer Liturgy
<u>Thursday</u>	7:00pm Men's Bible Study and Fellowship
<u>Friday</u>	Church offices closed 7:00-10:00pm Senior Youth Welcome Night
<u>Saturday</u>	7:00-10:00pm Junior Youth Welcome Night

St. Paul Prayer List

Marie Van Beek, cancer, friend of the Glenns
David Glenn, Alzheimer's, Tim Glenn's father
Nicole, Aaron and Sarah, grandchildren of Ken and Betty McConnell
Joel Ausan, health issues
Kathy and Cindy, Char Shaw's sisters, lung cancer
Bill, brother-in-law of Char Shaw, cancer
Chad Keeling, cancer, Joyce Keeling's son
Abby, leukemia, friend of Marley Anderson
Gabrielle, Tori Hilchen's friend, breast cancer
Jimmy, cirrhosis, friend of Paula W. and Jeremy S.
Kyler Hess, cancer, friend of the Wielenga family
Ken Wehmas, in hospice care
Jim Harvey
Mark Mueller
Alyssa, lung cancer, cousin of the Grevs
Donny Houseman, mental health issues
Conrad Miller, leg amputation, Tony's brother
Linda Glenn, recovering from heart procedures
Jeff, Trevor Loesch's father, recovering from a stroke
Jarrett Adams, brain tumor, relative of the Hilchens
Layne, friend of Haase family, spinal injury
Renee, friend of Newtons, diagnosed with cancer
John Hopkins, Viviane Kottlowski's brother-in-law
Cordell Wabeke, former member, cancer diagnosis
Cecilianna, Newton's niece, heart surgery
Greta, niece of the Grevs, cochlear implant surgery and recovery
Jeff Heflebower, Chad's father, skin cancer
Connie Hilchen, relative of Hilchens, heart issues
Susanne Troxel, Behrens' niece, kidney failure
Jaydee Hoffmann, recovery from hip surgery

For those in active military

Chris Madsen, Tim Fairchild

For those preparing for the Holy Ministry

Ezekiel Grabau, Jarrod Thomas

For our shut-in members

Cookie Brown, Phil Eshelman, Vel Hans, Denny
Lensch, Pat Livingston, Terry Moehnke, Mark
Mueller, Doris Olson, Kathryn Witt

For those who mourn

The family of Lowell Morgan, who passed
away on July 29.