

St. Paul Lutheran Church

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Sunday, May 24, 2026

The Day of Pentecost

Divine Service Setting One LSB page 151 and on screens

Hymns: 913, 502, 620, 646, 503, 825

Old Testament Reading: Numbers 11:24-30, Second Reading: Acts 2:1-21, Gospel: John 7:37-39

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 Ashley and Joel Ott in honor of their 25th wedding anniversary on May 26.

Congratulations High School Seniors — There is a table in the Family Life Center for our graduating high school seniors. You can place any gifts and cards into the labeled gift bags. Graduates are welcome to take home their gift bags after May 31. Seniors are Eddie Bell, Rylyn Boeding, McKenna Byers, Mia Crawford, Cael Fahrman, Magnus Pottratz, Collin Reddel, Emily Stave, Harrison Teggatz, Sienna Townsend, and Alexandria Wendzel.



Worship Slide & Audio Volunteers Needed — We are looking for people to join the tech team to help run worship slides and audio on Sunday mornings. It's more than just pushing buttons—it's helping our congregation engage with hymns, scripture and more! Be part of the team that helps make our services run smoothly. No experience needed, we will train you! Contact Jill Juhl or Kathy in the church office if you'd like to be a part of this ministry team.

We Thank God for Kathy Olson! — We thank God for Kathy Olson! This year (June 1) marks her tenth anniversary of serving the Lord among His people St. Paul. We'll celebrate with a lunch for the whole congregation next **Sunday, May 31 at 12:30pm** in the FLC. Join with us to rejoice in Jesus' work through Kathy! — *Board of Stewardship*

Voters Meeting — Please plan to attend the voters meeting on Monday, June 1 at 6:30pm.

Save the Date — The Stewardship Board is hosting a camping weekend September 18-20 at Prairie Flower campgrounds. There will be a potluck Saturday night. Stewardship will provide burgers and hot dogs. Save the weekend for camping and fellowship. More details coming soon!

Gifts — There is a collection of gifts for various church members on the LWML table outside the church office. Please check to see if you have one waiting to be picked up!

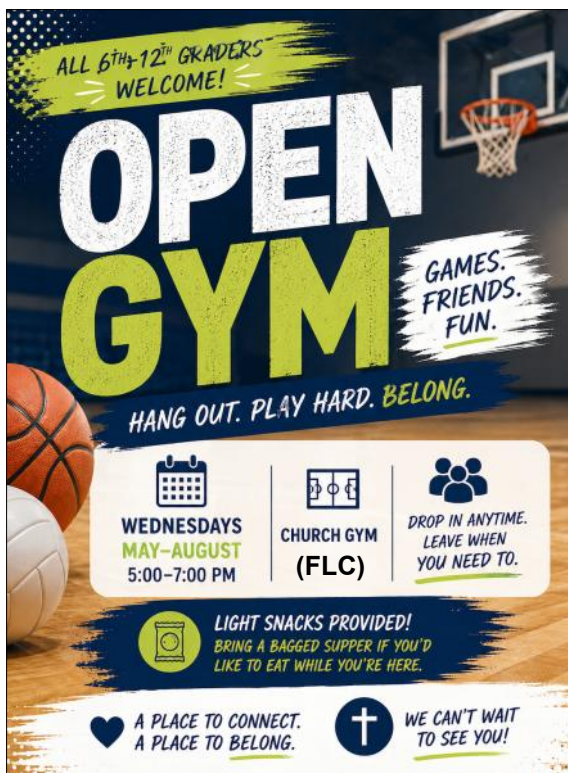
VBS Kick Off and Picnic — Everyone is invited to a barbecue picnic on **Sunday, June 7** from 4-6pm. At 5:30pm there will be a short VBS Day One parent-student program, which you're welcome to stick around for. — *Board of Education*

Nominations — The Call Committee is requesting nominations from communicant members of St. Paul to fill the open position of Associate Pastor. The committee is asking that any nominations be submitted by June 14. Please submit your nominations (forms are in the office) to Kathy in the church office. She will then give them to the committee who will forward them to the district president for information and evaluation. — *Call Committee*

Resignation — Because of work commitments and time demands, Dave Reddel has resigned his President Elect position, effective May 18. We thank Dave for his support and dedication to the St. Paul ministry. — *Church Council*

Jr Youth
STARTING SUMMER AT LEDGES STATE PARK
June 16, 2025 | 8:30am-3:00 PM
Meet at St Paul (8:30)
Drive, Hike, Explore, Eat (9:00-2:00)
Pick up back at St Paul (3:00)
We will carpool to and from Ledges
RSVP on/before June 7
Ms. Laura Laura@StPaulAnkeny.org

Swimming SUMMER SUNDAYS
STUDENTS 6TH-12TH GRADE
1:00-4:00 PM | CASCADE FALLS AQUATIC CENTER
MAY 31
• JUNE 14
• JULY 12
• AUG 9
• AUG 30
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.
SWIM. HANG OUT. MAKE MEMORIES.
YOUR BASE CAMP for anything you need while you enjoy your afternoon!
WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU!



Summer Liturgy Service — The 7:00pm Wednesday service has changed! The service now offers communion and is known as Summer Liturgy. During the summer months there is no Wednesday midweek, Bible studies, or meal served. The regular Wednesday schedule resumes in September.

The Thursday chapel service and Bible studies are also on summer break.



VBS Hospitality Room Donations

Needed — This summer at Tropical Trek VBS, our children will hear the wonderful news that *Jesus comes to seek and save the lost* (Luke 19:10). As kids learn that Jesus lovingly seeks, finds, and cares for His people, we also have the opportunity to care for the many volunteers who make VBS possible each day.

Vacation Bible School takes place Monday, June 8 through Thursday, June 11 from 9:00am-12:00pm. One way St. Paul supports our volunteers is through a hospitality room stocked with snacks and refreshments. Volunteers stop in before VBS begins and during quick breaks throughout the morning to refresh and recharge.

The Board of Christian Education invites the congregation to help support our VBS team by donating items such as:

- Brownies
- Banana bread
- Cookies
- Fresh fruit
- Veggie trays
- Crackers & dip
- Candy
- Granola bars
- Red vines
- Bottled water
- Soda pop (cans)
- Life Savers mints



Happening This Week at St. Paul

Today 8:00am Worship Service
Fellowship Hour
10:45am Worship Service
2:00pm Mill Pond Service

Monday Church offices closed

Wednesday 5:00-7:00pm Youth Open Gym
7:00pm Summer Liturgy

May Altar Committee

Dorothy Marvin, Jane Thompson

Altar Flowers

May 24 — Ashley & Joel Ott
May 31 — Carolyn & Gary Vesely

Elder

May 24 — Shawn Thomas
May 31 — Nathan Wendzel

Offering Counters

May 24 — Tim Krehbiel, David Reddel
May 31 — Kevin Kisker, Doyle Witt

Ushers May 24

8:00am — Tim Davies, Eric Forde
10:45am — Matt Hayden, Rod Silvey

Ushers May 31

8:00am — Jon Gerths, Don Halbur
10:45am — Jason, Jaydon, Jordan, Jalen Buls

Attendance Sunday, May 17

10:00am — 194 10:45am — 151

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
Zayden Cornick, car accident, friend of Behrens
Abby, leukemia, friend of Marley Anderson
Gabrielle, Tori Hilchen's friend, breast cancer surgery
Jimmy, cirrhosis, friend of Paula W. and Jeremy S.
Kyler Hess, cancer, friend of the Wielenga family
Jim Harvey, recovering from a stroke
Ken Wehmas, in hospice care
Alyssa, lung cancer, cousin of the Grevs
Betty McConnell, radiation treatments
Donny Houseman, mental health issues
Conrad Miller, leg amputation, Tony's brother
Madonna Hauge, recovering from a fall
Linda Glenn, recovering from heart procedures
Jeff, Trevor Loeschen's father, recovery from stroke
David Stephens, Traci Haselhuhn's brother
Amwell Johnson, friend of Schraders, broken arm
Jarrett Adams, brain tumor, relative of the Hilchens
Layne, friend of Haase family, spinal injury
Willers, coworker of Becky H., healthy pregnancy
Renee, friend of Newtons, diagnosed with cancer

For teachers, students and staff as they finish up
the school year!

For those deployed & active military

Chris Madsen, Drake Johnson, TJ Krehbiel, Joshua
Krehbiel, William Krehbiel, Jayden Krehbiel, Tim
Fairchild

For those preparing for the Holy Ministry

Ezekiel Grabau, Jarrod Thomas