

### Worship Notes for Visitors & Members

**Welcome to worship** - Welcome to all, and especially to our visitors, we are glad you are here today, and hope that you will worship with us again soon and often. Please fill out an attendance card and place it in the offering plate. These will aid our record-keeping. Thank you. Large print bulletins are available from an usher in the narthex. *"It is good to worship the Lord together, and to come into his presence with thanksgiving." Psalm 95*

**Welcome children** - Jesus said "Let the children come to me." Children are welcome and encouraged to worship here at St. Paul. We rejoice that they are among us; however, if you need it, our nursery is available at all services and you can hear the service on audio. An usher will guide you.

**St. Paul welcomes all to the Communion Table.** Christ is the Host and the Meal. Come, taste, and see that the Lord is good. Grape juice is available for those who prefer it rather than wine. Children and those choosing not to receive Holy Communion are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

There are **restrooms** located in the basement of this building and on the ground floor of the hallway leading to our fellowship hall and on each floor of the educational building.

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### PARTICIPANTS

<u>MINISTERS</u>		The People of God
<u>ORGANIST</u>		Marvis McNeil
<u>CHOIR DIRECTOR</u>		Marty Cantleberry
<u>ASSISTING MINISTER</u>	5:30 p.m.	Iris Arthur
	9:00 a.m.	Cathy Kieliszewski
<u>LECTOR</u>	5:30 p.m.	Iris Arthur
	9:00 a.m.	Cathy Kieliszewski
<u>FELLOWSHIP VOLUNTEERS</u>	5:30 p.m.	Joan Smolinski
	9:00 a.m.	Joanne Huggler, Rita Chase
<u>HEAD USHER</u>		Roy Wekwert
<u>USHERS &amp; GREETERS</u>	5:30 p.m.	Tim and Barb Smith
	9:00 a.m.	Paul Kieliszewski, Cathy Kieliszewski
		Roy Wekwert, Ryan Panknin
<u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH LEADERS</u>		Joanne Huggler, Rita Chase, Jean Johnson
<u>LITTLES' WORSHIP CENTER LEADERS</u>		Jesse and Jessica O'Neil
<u>ALTAR CARE</u>		Sue Moggie, Karen Wekwert, Shirley Kowalski, Jessica O'Neil

*We thank all participants for enriching our worship service.*

## St. Paul Lutheran Church Worship Service

celebrates and shares God's love and compassion

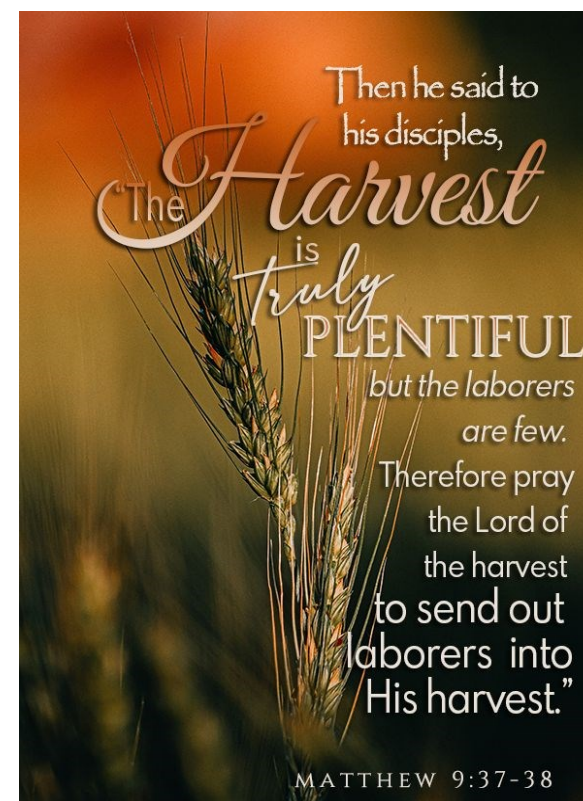
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*A Stephen Ministry Congregation*

Monthly Ministry Highlight:  
*Men's Dynamic Ministry*



**June 13, 2026 - 5:30 p.m.**

**June 14, 2026 - 9:00 a.m.**



**St. Paul Lutheran Church celebrates and shares God’s love and compassion.**

**WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:** Dorothy Carr – health issues Lee Szczesniak–medical issues  
David McNeil–health issues Chad Hamill – health issues Patricia Nelson - grief  
Yvonne McQuarrie - health issues Sally Wong - medical issues Shelly Hoffmeyer – recovery  
Chuck Piontkowski – medical issues Nancy St. Onge – health issues Tina Yeager – health issues  
Travis Schmidt – health issue John Wegmeyer– health issues Patricia P. - health issues  
Dixie Crevier – health issues Lisa Dzieszinski - health issue Dena Stevens – health issues  
Kevin Reiser – health issues Joel Foster – health issues Billie Jo Foster – health issues  
Bruce Miller – unspecified need Phyllis Robb-unspecified need Malary Smith – unspecified  
Margaret Lucian – health issues Lee Werth—health issues Adam Schmidt- health issues  
Ann Martin – medical issues

*(Prayer is the best medicine and we are prepared to pray indefinitely for folks. Would you help the church office keep our list current? Unless we know otherwise, our normal practice is to remove names after a month. Thanks.)*

**We remember our prayer partners** in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod: Peace Lutheran Church, Sparta, Rev. Bridget Whately.

**We pray for the Dynamic Ministries here at St. Paul Lutheran Church.** This week we specifically pray for the Prayer Shawl Ministry.

<u>WORSHIP ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>END OF APRIL</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
Saturday 06/06 5:30 a.m. 28	Income 24,273.97	104,903.09
Sunday 06/07 9:00 a.m. 95	Transferred/G & M 10,000.00	
10:30 a.m. 28	<u>Expenses</u> 27,918.08	<u>130,423.82</u>
Total 151	Difference 6,355.89	(25,520.73)

**THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL** (foot of the cross) are given as a *Happy Heavenly Birthday* to Marion Seguin, love Barb, Kathy, and family.

**ADDITIONAL FLOWERS** are given in celebration of Geraldine Rhoads on her 99<sup>th</sup> Birthday from Bonnie and Gerry Gougeon.

**This weekend is our “T-Shirt/Bring a Friend” Weekend.** Thank you to everyone proudly wearing a favorite St. Paul Ev. Lutheran T-shirt to worship, and welcome to all our guests!

**We are looking** for a team to help with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade float this year. Please contact the church office if you would like to be part of this ministry vision/outreach.

**The Adventure Club will be having some summer fun as they head out to Arzo Amusement Park on Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, at 1:00.** *You must register online or call the church office (989-356-1658).* There are some height and weight restrictions. The Adventure Club welcomes everyone from 1–105 years old.

**Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray. God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

**FIRST READING: Exodus 19:2-8a**

<sup>1</sup>They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. <sup>3</sup>Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, ‘Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: <sup>4</sup>You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. <sup>5</sup>Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, <sup>6</sup>but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.’

<sup>7</sup>So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. <sup>8</sup>The people all answered as one: ‘Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do.’

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 100 (Read Responsively)**

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

**Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.**

Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.**

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures for ever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

**SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-8 (Sunday 9:00 a.m. service)**

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup>But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*(Please Stand)*

**Gospel Acclamation**

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -  
 - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
 Hal - le - lu - jah.  
 lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL READING: Matthew 9:35—10:8**

<sup>35</sup> Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. <sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; <sup>38</sup> therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.’

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray: Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. **Amen.**

**MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BENEDICTION**

SENDING HYMN

“I Love to Tell the Story”

(Red) #661

**DISMISSAL**

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

**Thanks be to God.**

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world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

**POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**

“Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise”

Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -  
one what God has done. Let all who seek the  
Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.  
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God,  
and lead us forth in joy with shouts  
of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

<sup>10:1</sup> Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. <sup>2</sup> These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; <sup>3</sup> Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup> Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

<sup>5</sup> These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: ‘Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, <sup>6</sup> but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup> As you go, proclaim the good news, “The kingdom of heaven has come near.” <sup>8</sup> Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

The Gospel of Our Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Children’s Message**

“Jesus Loves Me”  
Jesus loves me this I know  
For the Bible tells me so  
Little ones to Him belong  
They are weak but He is strong  
Yes Jesus loves me. Yes Jesus loves me  
Yes Jesus loves me the Bible tells me so

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*(Please be seated)*

SERMON

Danielle McDonald & Scott Parkham (5:30 p.m.)  
“No Small Print” Rev. Eugene Bacon (9:00 a.m.)

*(Please stand)*

HYMN OF THE DAY “Lord, You Give the Great Commission” (Red) #579

**Confession of Faith: The Apostles’ Creed**

**People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy \*catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.  
\*Universal**

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

God of grace,  
hear our prayer.

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Risen Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

## OFFERING PRAYER

Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. **Amen.**

*(Please stand)*

*(Sung at the 9:00 a.m. service.)*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise . . . *(concluding)* we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dore you! My  
San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi

heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.  
cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to, e - res Se - ñor.

## EUCHARISTIC BLESSING

### LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray as Jesus taught us:

**People: 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.**

*(Please be seated)*

### HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Christ is both the host and the meal. Come, taste and see that the Lord is good. Those not receiving Communion are invited forward for a blessing. There is grape juice in the middle circle for those who prefer it. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

"Lamb of God"

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the