

### 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.

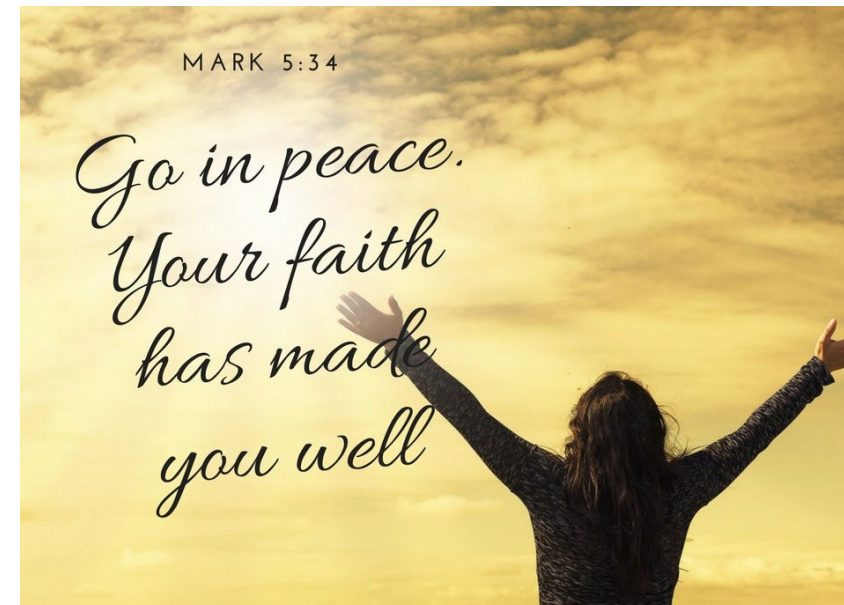
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### PARTICIPANTS

<u>MINISTERS</u>		The People of God
<u>PASTOR</u>		Rev. John Shipman
<u>VICAR</u>		Troy Spencer
<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.	Alayna Krey
<u>LECTOR</u>	5:30 p.m.	Carol Kindt
	9:00 a.m.	Cathy Kieliszewski
<u>USHERS &amp; GREETERS</u>	5:30 p.m.	Saibree Helzer
	9:00 am.	Paul Kieliszewski, Barb Szczesniak
		Richard Miller
<u>ACOLYTE</u>	9:00 a.m.	Saibree Helzer
<u>ALTAR CARE</u>		Sue Moggie, Jessica O'Neil, Karen Wekwert

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

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**Worship Service**  
celebrates and shares God's love and compassion  
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**June 26, 2021 - 5:30 p.m.**  
**June 27, 2021 - 9:00 a.m.**

**GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD**  
**The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**June 26, 2021 - 5:30 p.m.**  
**June 27, 2021 - 9:00 a.m.**

*Congregational responses are printed in bold; Additional items for the 9:00 a.m. service only are printed in blue.)*

**Welcome! Celebrations of birthdays, Anniversaries and a time to welcome our guests. The offering will be received at the back and front of the church building. We ask that you fill out the communion card and place it in the offering plate in the front or back of the church before you depart the church.**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*(Please Stand)*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Alleluia!**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God’s abundance, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our provider,  
**help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN**                      “All Are Welcome”                      (Red) #641

**GREETING**

Pastor: The free gift of grace in Jesus Christ, the reconciling love of God, and the life and peace of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

**The Forget-Me-Nots will next be meeting on Tuesday, July 6 at 11:30 at our church picnic grounds.** Please bring a picnic lunch, a drink and a lawn chair. We look forward to being together and enjoying God’s beautiful creation. Remember to wear your Forget-Me-Knot t-shirt! In case of rain, we will gather in the multi-purpose room at church. Hope to see you on July 6th.

**There is a mobile version of the directory that arrived last winter.** To set this up please download the app from the App Store or Google Play Store. The app is called “Universal church Directory.” Then on July 6 an email will be sent to each family with your family’s “unique identifier.” The app will prompt you to type in your family’s unique identifier. The unique identifier can be shared across multiple devices (phones and tablets) for your whole family. Vicar Troy will be available in the multi-purpose room on July 7 from 12:00to help set up your smartphone(s) and tablet(s).

**Our June Service Activity is the Baby Pantry.** Items needed: diapers, baby wipes and formula. Please leave items on the altar. *Thanks.*

**Our Stephen Minister trainees will have their second training session on “Supervision: A Key to Quality Christian Care” this week.** They’ll learn more about the kind of discussion that takes place in supervision while preserving confidentiality—and then they’ll have a chance to try out their skills in a practice supervision session. Please pray for them as they develop these essential abilities for their ongoing ministry.

**The Scholarship Committee is very grateful to those that have brought in their bottles returns, we ask that you keep them coming!** The bottles returns can be place in the janitorial closet next to the elevator on the Mirre street side. There is a sign on the door for less confusion. We are also looking for 4 to 5 people to help with returning the bottles and cans, if you would like to help please contact Val Urban 356-4613 or the church office. Thank you.

<b>WEEK AT A GLANCE: JUNE 27—JULY 4, 2021</b>	
<b>SUN.</b>	Worship/HC – 9:00; Jr/Sr. High Sunday school–10:30; Contemporary Service & Children’s Church - 10:30 a.m.; Fireside Chat at Shipmans— 5:00 p.m.
<b>MON.</b>	Line Dancers – 4:00 p.m.; Book Study “Finding God in the Garden” – 4:00 p.m.
<b>TUES.</b>	Boy Scouts – 6:30 p.m.
<b>WED.</b>	Stephen Ministry Training – 1:00 p.m.; Soul Sisters Get-Together at Nancy Smithem’s home – 5:30 p.m.
<b>THURS.</b>	Men’s Fellowship at JJ’s—7:00 a.m.; Quilt Group – 5:00 p.m.
<b>FRI.</b>	Line Dancers – 11:00 a.m.
<b>SAT.</b>	Worship Service/HC – 5:30 p.m.
<b>SUN.</b>	Worship/HC – 9:00; Jr/Sr. High Sunday school –10:30; Contemporary Service & Children’s Church– 10:30 a.m.

## St. Paul Lutheran Church celebrates and shares God's love and compassion.

**WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:** Fritz Stafford, Clyde Shipman, Dorothy Carr, Peter Brown, Rev. Daniel Deutsch, Melissa Smith, Norm Dutcher, Amy Nolan, Sutton Badder, Ted Sommerfeld, Randy Byard, Ann Hardesty, Beverly Page, Billi Jo Foster, Doris Peterson, Lyla Wyman, Marian Dove, Dolores Sumerix, Amy Waite, Charlie Busuttill, Eleanor Schellie, Geri Hanson, Megan Schleben, Audrey Reck, Tim Grossman, Deb Lange, Bernice Menck, Annette Jones, and Karen Wallace. *We also remember our homebound members.* They are: Gerry Ludwig, Harriet Burke, Virginia Kraft, Virginia Beaulieu, Deb Lange, and Phyllis Robb.

**We remember our prayer partners** in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod:

\*Trinity Lutheran Church, Frankfort, Rev. Richard Stieve

**This week we join in prayer** with the other LARCC parishes (Grace Lutheran, Trinity Episcopal, First Congregational UCC, All Saints Parish) for the Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers at All Saints Parish.

**THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL** are given in honor of Jean Johnson, on her birthday, from Jesse, Jessica, Nathan and Miya.

**Fireside chats at the Shipmans.** Pastor John and Nena are inviting you to come to their house (1921 Long Rapids Road) for a fireside chat in June on the 27th from 5:00-7:00. We will sit by the firepit by the river (or in the house or gazebo) and talk about life, hope, grace and the love of God (no agenda). This is a gift from Nena and I so nothing is required to be part of this experience. Come for 15 minutes or for 2 hours.

**Mark your calendars.** The 150th Anniversary Celebration will be on July 18th!

**A Tree of Life image is on display within the Youth Ministry Room.** If you were confirmed at St. Paul and would like to have your name placed on this tree of life, please call Miss Nena or Miss Jackie for instructions how to make this happen.

**Attention Soul Sisters!** Nancy Smithem will graciously host our next event at her house (121 N. Sheridan Street) on Wednesday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, around 5:30! Nancy has a nice, warm pool so you may swim if you like. This is a social gathering with no agenda, but would like everyone (if you can) to bring your favorite hors d'oeuvres AND the recipe to share with others. Lemonade and iced tea will be provided by Nancy. It would be nice to have a count of how many will be attending, so please RSVP at 989.464.6472.

**The cookbooks are in!** You can purchase cookbooks during business hours in Nena's office or before and after church services for the next few weeks in the narthex. Any questions, call Lori at 356-4753.

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger; that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## FIRST READING: Lamentations 3:22-33

<sup>22</sup> The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; <sup>23</sup> they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. <sup>24</sup> “The Lord is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.” <sup>25</sup> The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. <sup>26</sup> It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. <sup>27</sup> It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, <sup>28</sup> to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, <sup>29</sup> to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), <sup>30</sup> to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults. <sup>31</sup> For the Lord will not reject forever. <sup>32</sup> Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; <sup>33</sup> for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM: Psalm 30 (Read Responsively)

I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

**O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.**

O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.[]

**Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.**

For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

**As for me, I said in my prosperity, “I shall never be moved.”**

By your favor, O Lord, you had established me as a strong mountain; you hid your face; I was dismayed.

**To you, O Lord, I cried, and to the Lord I made supplication:**

“What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?

**Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!”**

You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,

**so that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.**

## SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

<sup>7</sup> Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

<sup>8</sup> I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. <sup>9</sup> For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. <sup>10</sup> And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something— <sup>11</sup> now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. <sup>12</sup> For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. <sup>13</sup> I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance <sup>between</sup> <sup>14</sup> your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. <sup>15</sup> As it is written, “The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.”

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 - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

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.

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

**Amen.**

**MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BENEDICTION**

SENDING HYMN

“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

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**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

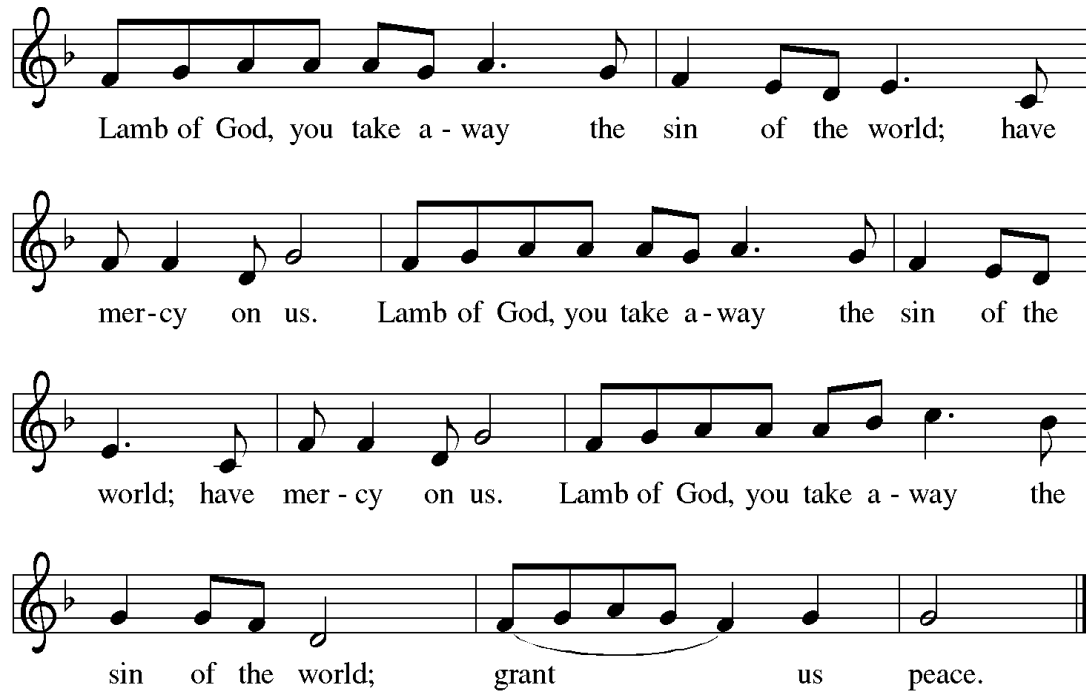
**Thanks be to God.**

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## 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 for those who prefer it.

“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  
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”

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

## GOSPEL: Mark 5:21-43

<sup>21</sup> When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. <sup>22</sup> Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet <sup>23</sup> and begged him repeatedly, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.” <sup>24</sup> So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. <sup>25</sup> Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. <sup>26</sup> She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. <sup>27</sup> She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, <sup>28</sup> for she said, “If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.” <sup>29</sup> Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. <sup>30</sup> Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my clothes?” <sup>31</sup> And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, ‘Who touched me?’” <sup>32</sup> He looked all around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup> But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup> He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

<sup>35</sup> While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?” <sup>36</sup> But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” <sup>37</sup> He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. <sup>38</sup> When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. <sup>39</sup> When he had entered, he said to them, “Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.” <sup>40</sup> And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. <sup>41</sup> He took her by the hand and said to her, “Talitha cum,” which means, “Little girl, get up!” <sup>42</sup> And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. <sup>43</sup> He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

The Gospel of Our Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ**

*(Please be seated)*

SERMON

“Healing Touch”

Pastor John Shipman

*(Please stand)*

**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** Lord, in your mercy,  
hear our prayer.

**SHARING OF THE PEACE**

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

**OFFERING IS BEING RECEIVED IN THE BACK & THE FRONT OF THE CHURCH BUILDING**

**OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

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

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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 - dores 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.

**EUCCHARISTIC 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.