

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.

PARTICIPANTS

MINISTERS

PASTOR

VICAR

ORGANIST

CHOIR DIRECTOR

ASSISTING MINISTER

5:30 p.m.

9:00 a.m.

LECTOR

5:30 p.m.

9:00 a.m.

USHERS & GREETERS

5:30 p.m.

9:00 am.

ACOLYTE

9:00 a.m.

ALTAR CARE

Sue Moggie, Jessica O'Neil, Karen Wekwert

The People of God

Rev. John Shipman

Troy Spencer

Marvis McNeil

Marty Cantleberry

Iris Arthur

Esther Kindt

Annie Olsen

Danielle McDonald

Patti Byce

Amy Sharp, Ryan Panknin

Dennis & Lori Dziesinski

Evan Peterson

We thank all participants for enriching our worship service.

St. Paul Lutheran Church

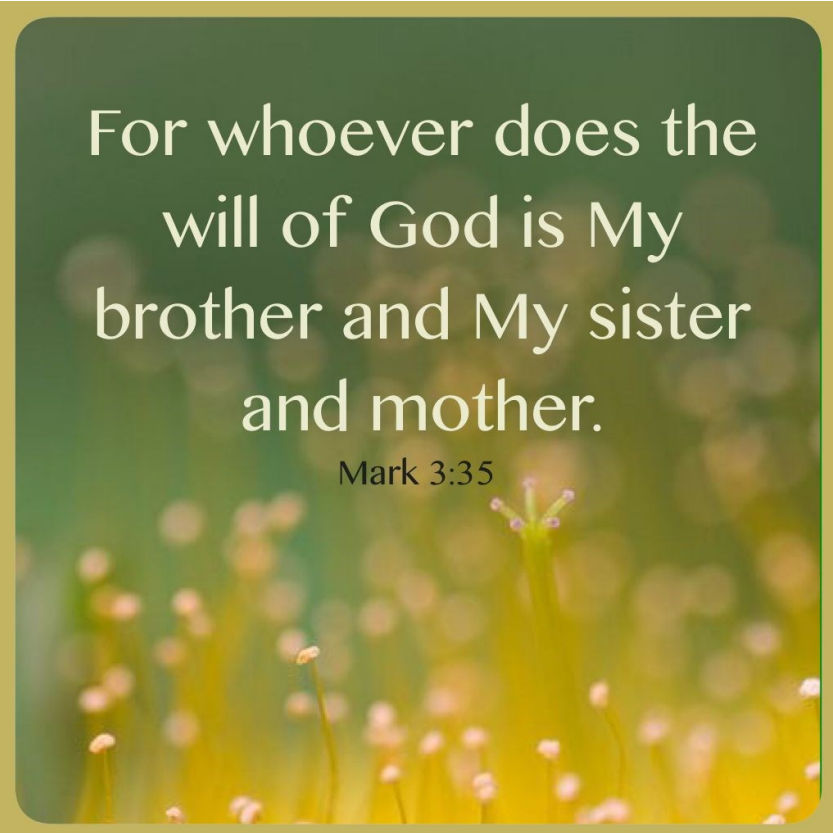
Worship Service

celebrates and shares God's love and compassion

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For whoever does the
will of God is My
brother and My sister
and mother.

Mark 3:35

June 5, 2021 - 5:30 p.m.

June 6, 2021 - 9:00 a.m.

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD
The Second Sunday after Pentecost
June 5, 2021 - 5:30 p.m.
June 6, 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 for 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. And you may Kneel

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 “Lead Me, Guide Me” (Red) #768

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.

We welcome into the kingdom of God through the sacrament of Holy Baptism (Sat. 5:30) EVELYN MAY HEIN, daughter of Sawyer and Mary Hein. Her sponsors are Andrew and Stacy Hein. May our Lord surround her with His grace as she grows to know Him as Lord and Savior.

On Sunday June 20th we will host a Block Party at St. Paul from 1:00—4:00 p.m. We will block off Mirre Street by the church and celebrate with live music, fun, and friendship! Hot dogs, beverages, popcorn, and cotton candy will be provided. Bring your lawn chairs, weather permitting. **We are also asking** everyone who will be in worship that weekend on Saturday or Sunday to wear the St Paul 150 Anniversary T-Shirt.

Continue to keep our Stephen Minister trainees in your prayers as they reach the midpoint of their initial training. This week, they learned about “Confidentiality,” a crucial part of Stephen Ministry. Everything a care receiver tells a Stephen Minister, and even the identity of the care receiver, remains strictly confidential, which helps build a safe environment of trust and acceptance that God can use to bring hope and healing.

There will be a Fourth of July Parade in Alpena. **If anyone is interested in doing a float** commemorating our 150th Anniversary please get ahold of Iris Arthur or Pastor John.

Worship on the Beach. We will celebrate on the last Saturday of each month (June 26, July 31, August 28 and September 25) at 7:00 P.M. You are invited to bring a friend, a beverage of choice, a lawn chair, snacks and a joyful spirit. Saturday Night services will continue at 5:30. We will carpool from the church and travel to the beach property at 6:30. The service and time of fellowship will last from 7-9. If there is rain, we will reschedule.

The Soul Sisters will be going kayaking again on June 9th and 23rd at 6:30 p.m., weather permitting. Check Facebook or emails for location. Come join us and bring a friend!

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

We are asking for Servant Leaders to help with the Eucharistic Ministry at St. Paul. The words of Jesus are reflected in this request, “Do this in remembrance of me.” This vital ministry connects people with a sacramental vision as they deliver communion once a month to members who are unable to attend worship. If you are interested, please contact the office to set up at time to discuss with Pastor.

WEEK AT A GLANCE: JUNE 6—13, 2021	
<u>SUN.</u>	Worship/HC – 9:00; Jr/Sr. High Sunday school –10:30; Contemporary Service & Children’s Church– 10:30
<u>MON.</u>	Line Dancers – 4:00 p.m.; Book Study “Finding God in the Garden” – 4:00 p.m.; Garage Sale Set-Up
<u>TUES.</u>	Gratitude Lunches – 9:30 a.m.; Stewardship – 5:00 p.m.; Boy Scouts – 6:30 p.m.; Garage Sale Set-Up
<u>WED.</u>	Hosea Bible Study – 1:00 p.m.; Stephen Ministry Training – 1:00 p.m.; Confirmation – 6:00 p.m.; Soul Sisters Kayaking Adventure – 6:30 p.m.
<u>THURS.</u>	Men’s Fellowship at JJ’s—7:00 a.m.; Garage Sale – 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Outreach – 5:00 p.m.
<u>FRI.</u>	Garage Sale – 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Line Dancers – 11:00 a.m.
<u>SAT.</u>	Stephen Ministry Training – 9:00 a.m.; Worship Service/HC – 5:30 p.m.
<u>SUN.</u>	Worship/HC – 9:00; Jr/Sr. High Sunday school–10:30; Contemporary Service & CC– 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, Jesse Gordy, Doris Peterson, Lyla Wyman, Marian Dove, 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. **ARMED SERVICES:** Michael Emington, Dominick Christou, Sawyer Hein, Rachael Mayes, Brandon Sloan, Lauren Hoeksema, Alexander Gould, Andrew Hein, Mandy Killingbeck, Jacqueline Crimmins, Ashley (Dingman) Grant, Charles Tudor, Abigail Miller, and Justin A. Smith.

We remember our prayer partners in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod:
*Grace Lutheran Church, East Tawas, Rev. Max Miller

This week we join in prayer with the other LARCC parishes (Grace Lutheran, Trinity Episcopal, First Congregational UCC, All Saints Parish) for Ruth Circle at Grace Lutheran Church.

CONDOLENCES TO: the family and friends of Thelma Connolly who joined our Lord in eternity May 31, 2021. Her funeral Service was held at St. Paul Lutheran Church on June 5, 2021.

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL are given in memory of Chuck Geisbuhler from Marie and Rudy Kowalski.

Worship has begun again in our building. The wearing of masks is optional. If you want a mask and don't have one, we will provide it at the door. Be open to directions for your safety and the safety of others. Services will be different due to social distancing so please have an open mind/heart and rejoice that we are worshipping again.

Pastor John and Vicar Troy have planned some adult education opportunities. Our final Bible study and book study will run June 2 – 28. The class length will be 1 hour. Pastor John's class (Bible Study on Hosea) will meet on Wednesdays at 1:00 PM and Vicar Troy's class (Book Study – "Finding God in the Garden" by Balfour Brickner) will meet on Mondays at 4:00 PM. Please call the office (356-1658) so we know how to plan/books to order. Sign up for one or both of these opportunities to grow in faith.

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

Fireside chats at the Shipmans. Pastor John and Nena are inviting you to come to their house for a fire-side 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). Come for 15 minutes or for 2 hours.

St. Paul Lutheran Church will have a Garage Sale on June 10 & 11 This will be a "no clothes, no stuffed furniture, no mattresses, no computers or TVs" garage sale. Please set aside your items for this upcoming sale. Thanks so much! You may start dropping your items off in room 103 beginning in May. If you have any questions please contact Andrea at 354-3651.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. All powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated

FIRST READING: Genesis 3:8-15

⁸ They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰ He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." ¹¹ He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹² The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." ¹³ Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." ¹⁴ The Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵ I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 130 (Read Responsively)

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

¹³ But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴ because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵ Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶ So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸ because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

^{5:1} For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *(Please Stand)*

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

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

Glory to You, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35

²⁰ and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹ When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out

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

PLEASE STAND

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

“I’m So Glad Jesus Lifted Me”

(Red) #860

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

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.

of his mind.”²² And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.”²³ And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan?²⁴ If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.²⁵ And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand.²⁶ And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come.²⁷ But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

²⁸ “Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹ but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”—³⁰ for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

³¹ Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³² A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.”³³ And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?”³⁴ And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵ Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

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

Please be seated

SERMON

“Out Of Your Mind”

Pastor John Shipman

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

(Red) #504

Baptism of Evelyn May Hein

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.**

HOLY COMMUNION

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"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