

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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The People of God

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We thank all participants for enriching our worship service.

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

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June 8, 2019

5:30 p.m.

Come and celebrate the baptisms of Theodore Charles Hein and Cameron Rae McDonald next Sunday.

The Church's Garage Sale is still set up this weekend, so if you would like to look through it before or after the church service and purchase something, please do so.

The LARCC Covenant Renewal Service will be held on Wednesday, June 12, at Grace Lutheran Church. A Soup Supper will be held at 6:00 p.m. and the Worship Service at 7:00.

The Peace Pole Pilgrimage will take place on June 23rd. It will start at St. Anne Catholic Church at 2:00 p.m. We will travel to 9 locations and celebrate Peace in our community. We will gather together around the Peace Pole at St. Paul Lutheran Church at 4:20 p.m.

Worship on the Beach with us on Saturday, June 29, from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. We will carpool from the church after the Saturday Night service around 6:30 p.m. Bring a friend, a beverage of choice, a lawn chair, snacks and a joyful spirit.

The Celebrating & Sharing Dinner Group will have a meeting on Thursday, June 27th, at 5:30 at St. Paul Lutheran, in the lounge. Anyone interested in joining our group and helping out with this great event, please come. If you have questions you can call Kathy Burton at 464-8943 or Donna Kensa at 464-5385. Everyone is welcome. Mark your calendars. The dinner will be held on Sunday, October 13th.

The Alpena Community Ecumenical Vacation Bible School is hosting "Peace Works: Empowering the next Generation of Peacemakers" VBS Day Camp on July 8 –12 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church. Registration forms are available in the Narthex. *Adult volunteers and Junior Counselors* (13yrs.+) are needed to assist small groups of ACE-VBS Day Campers in this year's Alpena Ecumenical Vacation Bible School. You may sign up for the week or for days when you are available. It is fun to make new friends and help to share the Good News to youth in our area!!!

<i>WEEK AT A GLANCE: JUNE 9–16, 2019</i>	
<u>SUN.</u>	Worship Service/HC – 9:00 a.m. – First Communion; Garage Sale (on honor system)
<u>MON.</u>	Girl Scouts – 6:00 p.m.
<u>TUES.</u>	T.O.P.S. – 4:30 p.m.; Stewardship – 5:30 p.m.; Boy Scouts – 6:30 p.m.
<u>WED.</u>	Outreach Committee – 5:00 p.m.; LARCC Covenant Renewal Service at Grace Lutheran – Soup Supper – 6:00 p.m., Service – 7:00 p.m.
<u>THURS.</u>	Men's Fellowship at JJs - 7:00 a.m.
<u>SAT.</u>	Newsletter Deadline; Worship Service/HC – 5:30 p.m.
<u>SUN.</u>	Worship/HC–9:00 a.m. – Father's Day

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WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS: Laurie Stafford, Carol Rude, Greg Dzieszinski, Skeeter Urban, Carol Eubanks, Judy Beyer, Linda Connon, Ilse Kuhl, John David Maleport, Harry Henry, Larry Ewing, Barb Williams, Ben Fraley, Sally Muszynski, Heather & Vito Reo, Susie Snyder, Violet McLaren, Cathy Knechtel, Norma Smith, Milt "Bodo" Hanson, Gerry Ludwig, Deb Lange, Dennis Johnson, Jennifer Jones, Cindy Nensewitz, Sally Kosloski, Bernice Menck, Annette Jones, and Karen Wallace.

We remember our prayer partners in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod:
* Calvary Lutheran Church, Elk Rapids, Rev. Zachary Nelson

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

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL (foot of the cross) are given in memory of Marion P. Seguin, on her birthday—June 13th, with love from her family.

CONDOLENCES TO: the family and friends of Doris M. Piper of Alpena who passed away Friday, May 31, 2019 at MidMichigan Medical Center, Alpena. Her funeral service was held Wednesday, June 5, at Bannan Funeral Home.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE			APRIL	YTD
Saturday (06/01) 5:30 p.m.	53	Income	27,691.62	77,332.67
Sunday (06/02) 9:00 a.m.	<u>74</u>	Expenses	<u>19,396.99</u>	<u>65,723.32</u>
Total	127	Difference	8,294.63	11,609.35

Today is First Communion Sunday...Please celebrate with these young people this wondrous step in faith.

Fellowship with Pastor John following the services in his office – Please stay after services for a time of fellowship. Talk with Pastor John about your life and the life of the church.

Men - We are meeting on Thursday mornings at 7:00 at JJs. Please come and join us for this time of community and fellowship.

Our June Service Activity is Hygiene Product and School Supplies for the Alpena Public School Clothing Closet. *Items Needed:* shampoo, body wash, disposable razors, tooth brush and tooth paste, wire notebooks, three-ring binders, pencils, pens, crayons, glue sticks, and back packs. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact MaryAnne Kucharek at 354-3757.

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

The Day of Pentecost

June 8, 2019—5:30 p.m.

(Congregational responses are printed in bold)

Welcome

CALL TO WORSHIP “Holy Spirit, Thou Art Welcome”

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation..

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

We give you thanks, O God, O Living One, for you have created all, and you water the earth abundantly. Oceans and aquifers praise you. Rivers and streams bless you.

Here local bodies of water may be named.

All life is sustained by you, our Source.

We praise you for Christ, the firstborn from the dead, who frees us from sin and raises us up to new life. Here at this font we touch the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing through the city of God. Here, death is washed away forever. Here, we are grafted into the tree of life, with leaves for the healing of the world.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on this assembly, into this community, and throughout all creation. Cleanse us from our fears and drown our divisions. Grant that all may drink of your mercy and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Hymn of Praise

“Rise Up, O Saints of God!”

(Red) #669

GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

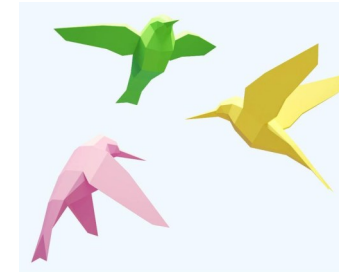
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." ¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'



Peace Works: Empowering the Next Generation of Peacemakers

The 2019's ACE (Alpena Community Ecumenical) VBS will be July 8-12. It will again be held Monday -Friday from 9-2 PM at the First United Methodist Church. This is a free event for children ages 5-12. Lunch and snacks will be provided. St. Paul Lutheran will provide lunch/snacks on one of the days. If you are called to assist with this ministry you may purchase any of the following items listed below or you may provide a monetary donation to help with this meal. Call Leslie Kirchoff 989-255-9541 or Carol Kindt 356-9642 for more information. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex.

Gordon Foods:

Macaroni and cheese : 6 (5 lb. frozen boxes)

Hot dogs: 1 box (80 hot dogs) + 3 small Ball Park packages (8 per package)

Buns: 8 packages (8 per package)

Ketchup: 2 (32 oz. bottles)

Mustard: 2 (30 oz. bottles)

Relish: 1-2 smaller bottles

Cookies: 10 -12 dozen

Lemonade: 2 14 oz. Country Time Lemonade mix packages (makes 2 gal. per package)

ACE VBS

Peace Works: Empowering the Next Generation of Peacemakers

We are in need of adult and youth volunteers. There are many opportunities for adults to participate in this ministry.

- Assist groups of children as they move to each station.
- Help prepare and serve the lunch and snack.
- Supervise the quiet room.
- Assist with registration on the first day.

Junior counselor volunteers are also needed and must be at least 13 years old. They would be assisting with groups of children throughout the day. Call Leslie Kirchoff 989-255-9541 or Carol Kindt 356-9642 for more information. A sign-up sheet will be in the Narthex.

BLESSING

The blessing of the living God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, surround and sustain you, keep you from harm, and fill you with courage. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ” (Red) #674

DISMISSAL

You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great.

There go the ships, and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.

These all look to you to give them their food in due season;

when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in his works—who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the Lord.

Praise the Lord!

Special Music

“Spirit Song”

“Gospel Acclamation”

O - pen our eyes, Lord; we want to see

Je - sus, to reach out and touch

him, and say that we love him.

O - pen our ears, Lord, and help us to
 lis - ten. O - pen our eyes,
 Lord, we want to see Je - sus.

The Holy Gospel according to St. John.
Glory to You, O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 14:8-17

⁸ Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. ¹⁵ “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

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

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

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

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: Living God, you have greeted us in our brokenness and nourished us with the body of Christ, broken for us. Risen to new life with you, send us now to bear your healing love into the wounded world, in the name of our risen Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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. Communion will be by individual glasses. Wine, grape juice, bread and wafers are available. Those not receiving Communion are invited forward for a blessing.

Invitation to Communion

Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, gives everyone a place at the welcome table. Alleluia! Come to the feast.

“Lamb of God”

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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, grant us peace.

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SERMON

“Blow Spirit Blow”

Pastor John Shipman

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

(Red) #671

Confession of Faith: The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH: Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Risen Christ be with you always.

People: And also with you.

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING MUSIC

“Lord, Take the Hand of this Child”

OFFERTORY

“Give Thanks”

Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, give thanks to the Ho-ly One,
 give thanks be-cause he's giv-en Je-sus Christ, his Son.
 Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, give thanks to the Ho-ly One,
 give thanks be-cause he's giv-en Je-sus Christ, his Son.
 And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
 rich," be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. And
 now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
 rich," be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

OFFERING PRAYER

Risen One, as you broke bread with the disciples on the shore, meet us now in this meal. Nourish us to follow you, using our gifts to feed the hungry and tend the weary, and all for your love's sake. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also 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.

EUCCHARISTIC PREFACE

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

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 PRAYER

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.