

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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We thank all participants for enriching our worship service.

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

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November 2, 2019

5:30 p.m.

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

**All Saints Sunday
November 2, 2019—5:30 p.m.**

(Congregational responses are printed in bold)

Welcome

CALL TO WORSHIP “Give Thanks for Life”

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, healer of our every ill, source of unending mercy. **Amen.**

Embraced in enduring grace and good hope, let us turn again to God, confessing the truth about ourselves.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
we come before you, beloved but broken. We have not always treated others as we would want them to treat us. We have not always called out injustice and abuse. We have not always been kind to ourselves. We have not always taken care of the world we share with other living creatures. Remind us of who we are, beloved children bathed in your love. Renew us by your Spirit to live as your holy people, bringing healing to the brokenness around us.

At every moment you are held in existence by the love of God, renewed by the Spirit within and among you, and made alive again in Christ. Receive this assurance in Jesus’ name: you are + forgiven and freed to live for the healing of the world. **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise “For All the Saints” (Red) 422, vs. 1-3

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God from which nothing can separate us, and the life-giving Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

New Members Class will be on the 7th of November at 5:30. We rejoice in the people who want to join our congregation and take a greater role in leading this congregation forward into God’s future. If you are unable to attend at this time, please let Pastor John know.

“The Old Broads Society” (Women 70 and older) are having a “Game Day” on November 13th at 1:00 at St Paul in the multi-purpose room. Bring a game to play and snacks to share.

The Boy Scout Troop 92 invites you to join us for a Soup & Pie Dinner on Friday, November 8 from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Adults are \$8.00 and Children (8 and under) - \$5.00. Come enjoy a selection of delicious homemade soups and desserts!

About St. Paul’s Eucharistic Ministry: We have trained Eucharistic Ministers who will take communion kits to shut-ins on a regular basis. Questions? Contact Bernie at 595-6835.

The Soul Sisters will meet on November 21 at 5:30 p.m. in the multipurpose room, and will be making Christmas centerpieces. It is suggested that you bring an apron or wear something that you don’t mind getting dirty. The cost is \$20-\$25 for all supplies. Contact Pastor John if you cannot afford the price. Please invite your friends and contact the church office to let us know you are coming.

We are in **NEED of volunteers** to set out a snack such as cookies or donuts, coffee, water, etc. for **Fellowship** after the Saturday evening service and between the Sunday morning service. Keep what you serve *simple...it’s about fellowship!* There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Once you sign-up, someone will contact you to confirm the dates you have chosen and answer any questions you may have. Fellowship is an important way in which we establish relationships and strengthen our faith.

The “leftovers” from the Christmas bazaar are in the multi-purpose room until the end of the month. Please check out the items that would make great Christmas gifts and check out the jams still looking for a good home. Everything will be there until the end of the month and the remaining will be stored away for next year. If you would like to pick up the items that you brought, please do so by the end of the month. Questions? Call Lori at 356-4753.

WEEK AT A GLANCE: NOVEMBER 3—10 2019	
SUN.	Worship/HC—9:00 - Confirmation; Fellowship – 10:00 a.m.; Contemporary Worship Service & Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.
MON.	Girl Scouts – 6:00 p.m.
TUES.	T.O.P.S. – 4:30 p.m.; Prayer Shawl – 6:00 p.m.; Boy/Cub Scouts – 6:30 p.m.
WED.	Choir Rehearsal – 5:30 p.m.; Worship Committee – 5:00 p.m.; Property Committee – 7:00
THURS.	Men’s Fellowship at JJ’s – 7:00 a.m.; Lois Circle (JJs) – 11:30 a.m.; Quilt Group – 5:00 p.m.; New Members Class – 5:30 p.m.
FRI.	Boy Scout’s Soup & Pie Supper – 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.
SAT.	Fellowship 4:30; Worship Service/HC – 5:30 p.m.
SUN.	Worship/HC—9:00; Fellowship – 10:00 a.m.; Contemporary Worship Service & SS – 10:30

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WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS: Trapp Truman, Audrey Reck, Elbert & Audrey Heath, Ed Arthur, Barb Agius, Leroy Dove, Barb Skaluba, Randy Donakowski, Tom Splitt, Tim Grossman, Melinda Nordstrand, Suzanne Schmidt, David Usher, Ilse Kuhl, John David Maleport, Norma Smith, Gerry Ludwig, Deb Lange, Dennis Johnson, Jennifer Jones, Cindy Nensewitz, Sally Kosloski, Bernice Menck, Annette Jones, and Karen Wallace. **ARMED SERVICES:** Sawyer Hein, Rachael Mayes, Spencer Newhouse, Brandon Sloan, Lauren Hoeksema, Alexander Gould, Christopher Howard, Andrew Hein, Mandy Killingbeck, Michael Yeager, 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:

* St. James Lutheran Church, Jackson, Rev. Martha Porter-Reid

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

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

			SEPT	YTD
Saturday (10/26) 5:30 p.m.	61	Income	27,777.19	189,577.23
Sunday (10/27) 9:00 a.m.	58	Expenses	<u>22,171.86</u>	<u>185,603.77</u>
Sunday 10:30 a.m.	<u>20</u>	Difference	5,605.33	3,973.46
Total	139			

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL (foot of the cross) are given in memory of Marion Seguin from Kathy, Barb and family.

ADDITIONAL FLOWERS are given in honor of my former Sunday school students on their Confirmation from Esther Kindt.

Our November Service Activity is the Children's Closet at Sanborn School. Items needed: *Boys* – sweatpants or elastic waist pants (no jeans) boy sizes 5-14, men's small (a few pair socks, and water-proof gloves; *Girls* – sweatpants or leggings (no jeans) sizes 6-16, women's small and medium (a few pair) socks, and waterproof gloves. Please leave items in the baskets provided in the Narthex, at the top of the stairs by the side entrance and in the Fellowship hall in the basement.

The Blessing of Hunters service will be on the 13th of November at 5:30 at St. Paul Lutheran Church. All hunters are asked to wear Blaze orange and to leave their weapons at home. The service of blessing is a reminder of God's hope found in the hunt. The hope of camaraderie, sportsmanship, the blessing of food and servant leadership and that the world is filled with dangers. Come and know God's blessing during this special time in God's creation.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, 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: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: ²I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

¹⁵As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me,^[a] and the visions of my head terrified me. ¹⁶I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: ¹⁷“As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. ¹⁸But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 149

Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the faithful.

Let Israel be glad in its Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.

Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.

For the Lord takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with victory.

Let the faithful exult in glory; let them sing for joy on their couches.

Let the high praises of God be in their throats and two-edged swords in their hands,

to execute vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples,

to bind their kings with fetters and their nobles with chains of iron,

to execute on them the judgment decreed. This is glory for all his faithful ones.

Praise the Lord!

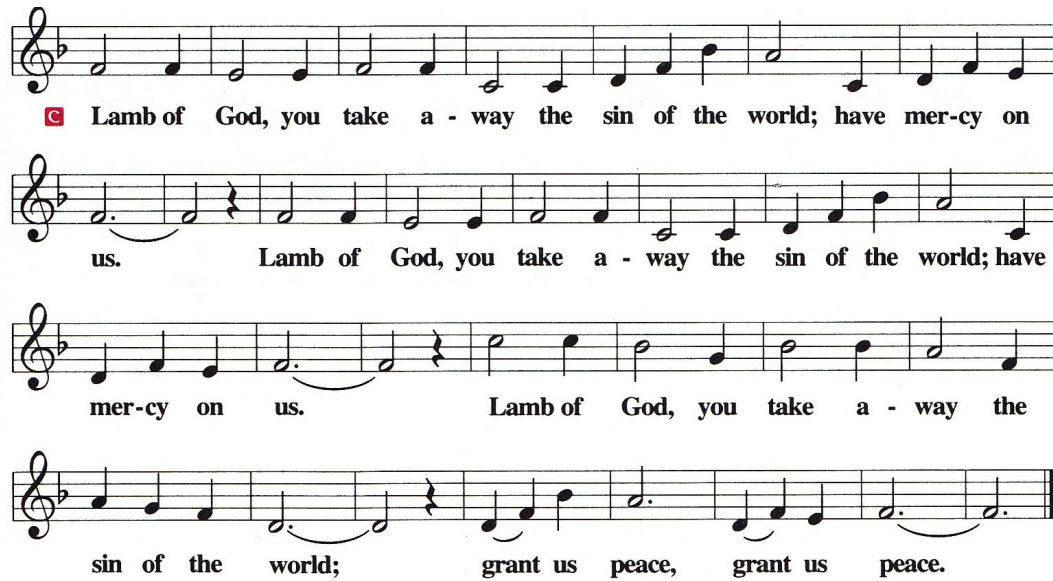
“Gospel Acclamation”

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

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.

“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, grant us peace.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

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



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.

The Gospel of Our Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ

Children's Message

“I Love to Tell the Story”

I love to tell the story
'Twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old old story
Of Jesus and His love

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SERMON

“Confirm Your Faith”

Pastor John Shipman

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Blessed Assurance”

(Red) #638

Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH: Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING MUSIC

“When the Saints Go Marching In”

OFFERTORY

“Give Thanks”

F C/E Dm Am
 Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,

Bb F/A Eb C7
 give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.

F C/E Dm Am
 Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,

Bb F/A Eb C7
 give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.

Am Dm7 Gm C7
 And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am

Fm7 Dm7 Eb C7
 rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And

Am Dm7 Gm C7
 now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am

Fm7 Dm7 Eb C7 Last time
Bb/C F
 rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. God our creator, you give us all we are, all we have, all we bring, and all we need. Draw us together around your table with all your saints on earth and in your eternal home. Let us eat and drink your promise of new life, that we might be your promise to the world, spoken in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

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.

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

C C/G Asus Am F G F/C C

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

F G C Am F G7 C

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.

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.**