

**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**

<u>MINISTERS</u>		The People of God
<u>PASTOR</u>		Rev. John Shipman
<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.	Barb Szczesniak
<u>LECTOR</u>	5:30 p.m.	Gail Atkins
	9:00 a.m.	Barb Szczesniak
<u>FELLOWSHIP VOLUNTEERS</u>	5:30 p.m.	Janice Boboltz
	9:00 a.m.	Joanne Huggler
<u>USHERS &amp; GREETERS</u>	5:30 p.m.	Bruce Anschuetz
	9:00 am.	Cathy Kieliszewski, Roy Wekwert Ryan Panknin, Don Kowalski
<u>ACOLYTE</u>	5:30 p.m.	
	9:00 a.m.	Evan Peterson
<u>ALTAR CARE</u>		Sue Moggie, Jessica O'Neil, Karen Wekwert, Shirley Kowalski

*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 29, 2024 - 5:30 p.m.  
June 30, 2024 - 9:00 a.m.**

**GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD**  
**The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**June 29, 2024 - 5:30 p.m.**  
**June 30, 2024 - 9:00 a.m.**

*Congregational responses are printed in bold.*

**Welcome! Celebrations of birthdays, anniversaries and a time to welcome our guests. We ask that you fill out the communion card and place it in the offering plate.**

**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. **Amen.**

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**                      “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”                      (Red) #733

**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 are excited to have an entry in the HPC Credit Union, “Happy Birthday America” 4th of July Parade!** Please join us to walk, ride on the float, or watch from somewhere along the parade route! The parade begins at the fairgrounds at 11:00 a.m. on July 4th, and ends on Fletcher Street, at the large Thunder Bay Marine Sanctuary parking lot. THANK YOU to the volunteers, those who helped with the construction, and for all the candy and water donations! We will see you on the parade route! Any questions, please call Patti Byce at 989-335-0336. Please come help us assemble the float on Tuesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:30 p.m.

**Worship on the Beach.** We will celebrate 4 times this summer at our beach property. The final Saturday of each month (June 29, July 27, August 31 and September 28) 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 7:00-9:00. If there is rain, we will reschedule.

**Pastor John and Nena are inviting you to come to their house for a fireside chat on June 30th** 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 me, so nothing is required to be part of this experience. Come for 15 minutes or for 2 hours.

**The Forget-Me-Nots** will gather at the church picnic grounds at noon on Tuesday, July 9th. Please bring your lunch and a beverage. We hope to see you there!

**The Scholarship Committee is grateful to those that have brought in their bottle returns,** we ask that you keep them coming! The bottle returns can be placed in the janitorial closet next to the elevator on the Mirre Street side, there is a sign on the door to prevent confusion.

**Reminder:** Next Sunday is Popcorn/Movie Day for Children’s Church! Adults can sneak some too.

**If you would like to make further donations to the Cancer Center,** for patients undergoing treatment we are needing packaged nuts, crackers with peanut butter or cheese, rice crispy treats, candy bars, Jolly Rancher hard candies, oatmeal packets, pudding snacks. Please drop them off at Miss Nena’s office.

<b>WEEK AT A GLANCE: JUNE 30—JULY 7, 2024</b>	
<u>SUN.</u>	Worship/HC – 9:00 a.m.; Fellowship – 10:00 a.m.; Contemporary Service and Children’s Church - 10:30 a.m.; Fireside Chats – 5:00 p.m.
<u>MON.</u>	Line Dancing – 2:00 p.m.; E.T.A. – 5:00 p.m.
<u>TUES.</u>	Float Assembly – 1:30 p.m.; Cub Scouts–5:30 p.m.; Education Committee – 5:30 p.m.; Prayer Shawl – 6:15 p.m.; Boy Scouts– 6:30 p.m.; Narcotics Anonymous – 8:30 p.m.
<u>WED.</u>	Breakfast Belles <i>Women’s Breakfast</i> (at JJ’s)–7:30; Property Committee – 5:30 p.m.
<u>THURS.</u>	July 4 <sup>th</sup> - Church Office Closed; Parade starts at 11:00 a.m.
<u>FRI.</u>	Line Dancing – 11:00 a.m.
<u>SAT.</u>	Fellowship – 4:30 p.m.; Worship/HC – 5:30 p.m.
<u>SUN.</u>	Worship/HC – 9:00 a.m.; Fellowship – 10:00 a.m.; Contemporary Service and Children’s Church - 10:30 a.m.

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

**WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:**

Tammy Stoutenburg-unspecified need  
 Bodo Hanson–health issues  
 Scott Brooks – health issues  
 Jack Walters – unspecified need  
 Marian Dove–unspecified need  
 Karen Wallace – unspecified need  
 David Reeves – health issues  
 Dale Zielaskowski - health issues

Pam Laity – health issues  
 Annette Wade – medical issues  
 Laura Kieliszewski – health  
 John Wegmeyer – health issues  
 Karen Tovey – health issues  
 Phyllis Robb-unspecified need  
 Dixie Creiver – health issues  
 Dena Stevens – health issues  
 Chad Hamill – health issues

Colton Henning -medical issues  
 Art Hoffmeyer- heart issues  
 Joel Foster – health concerns  
 Eugene Brooks–health issues  
 Judy Hand - Pneumonia  
 Richard Wood – fractured ankle  
 Jim Smith – health issues  
 Margaret Lucian – health issues  
 Chris Kowalski – health need

*We also remember our homebound members.* They are: Harriett Kelm, Dixie Weiler, Geraldine Wyman, Harriet Burke, Virginia Kraft, Phyllis Robb, and Norm Dutcher.

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

**We remember our prayer partners** in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod: Ascension Lutheran Church, Saginaw, Rev. Julie Bailey

**We pray for the Dynamic Ministries here at St. Paul Lutheran Church.** This week we specifically pray for the Random Acts of Caring and Kindness Ministry (RACKM).

**THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL** (foot of the cross) are given in memory of Chuck Geisbuhler from Marie and Rudy Kowalski.

**Condolences to:** the family and friends of Yvonne Copping who joined our Lord in eternity June 20, 2024. Her funeral service was held June 24, 2024 at Bannan Funeral Home.

**WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

Saturday (06/22)	5:30 p.m.	48
Sunday (06/23)	9:00 a.m.	50
	10:30 a.m.	<u>52</u>
Total		150

**END OF APRIL**

Income	25,334.44
Expenses	20,929.81
Difference	4,404.63

**YEAR TO DATE**

106,408.73
120,047.30
(13,638.57)

**VBS - Calling all Saints** at Saint Paul save the dates for this summer’s Splash Into God’s Word Party at the Starlite Beach Pavilion on Tuesday – Thursday, July 30 thru August 1st from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Plan now to come join us. We will have a work day on Wednesday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m.

**SALT (Sisters Abiding in Light and Truth)** meet the 3rd Sunday of each month. Our next outing will be on July 21<sup>st</sup>. We will meet at the church picnic grounds for volleyball and a picnic, and August 18th for Putt-Putt Golf. This is for younger women who are 18 - 45. Be in prayer for this younger women’s group.

**The Soul Sisters are kayaking every Thursday**, except the first of the month, through September, weather permitting, at 6:00 p.m. Come join us. Please contact Sue (989-354-8673) if you have any questions.

**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.**

*(Please be seated)*

**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 for ever. <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 favour 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 favour, 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 for ever.**



**SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 (Sunday 9:00 a.m. service)**

<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 between <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, hal - le, hal - le -  
Hal - le - lu - jah.  
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**

“I’m So Glad Jesus Lifted Me”

(Red) #860

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

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.

*(Pleased 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 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 READING: Mark 5:21-43**

<sup>21</sup> When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. <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 round 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.**

**Children's Message/Noisy Offering**

“This Little Light of Mine”  
 This little light of mine  
 I'm gonna let it shine  
 This little light of mine  
 I'm gonna let it shine

This little light of mine  
I'm gonna let it shine  
Let it shine let it shine let it shine

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*(Please be seated)*

SERMON

“Get Up”

Pastor John Shipman

*(Please stand)*

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”

(Red) #712

**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**

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 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.**

*(Please stand)*

*(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**

C C/G Asus Am F G F/C C  
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  
F G C Am F G<sup>7</sup> 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.

**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;**