

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.

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celebrates and shares God's love and compassion

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HENCE SHE
HAS SHOWN GREAT LOVE

L U K E 7 : 4 7

July 6, 2019

5:30 p.m.

Our Outreach group sponsored event of "**Cleaning the Highway**" is **Sunday, July 14**. We clean a 3 mile stretch of M 32 by Bean Creek Road. We will meet in the church parking lot at 1 pm to car pool out there. Bring gloves and your own water bottle. Any questions contact Mary Jo Beck at (734) 476-7043, or any Outreach member.

Mark your calendars! Everyone is invited to the Summer Fellowship Picnic at the church lake lot in Ossineke on **Wednesday, July 17th**. Transportation will be available and leaving St. Paul parking lot at 5:30 p.m. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for transportation. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. and music will be provided. If it is raining, the picnic will take place at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

New Membership Classes: Pastor John will hold New Membership classes on July 23 at 5:00 p.m. Please talk with Pastor John if you plan on attending or if you are interested in becoming a member at St. Paul Lutheran. If you are not able to meet at this time, Pastor John will meet with you individually.

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

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.

Our July Service Activity is Hygiene Products and School Supplies for the Alpena Public School Clothing Closet. *Items Needed:* shampoo, body wash, disposable razors, tooth brush and paste, wire notebooks, three-ring binders, pencils, pens, crayons, glue sticks, & back packs.

<i>WEEK AT A GLANCE: JULY 7 – 14, 2019</i>	
<u>SUN.</u>	Worship Service/HC – 9:00 a.m.
<u>MON.</u>	A.C.E./V.B.S. at First United Methodist Church – 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.; Girl Scouts – 6:00 p.m.
<u>TUES.</u>	A.C.E./V.B.S. at First United Methodist Church – 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.; T.O.P.S. – 4:30 p.m.; Stewardship – 5:30 p.m.; Boy Scouts – 6:30 p.m.
<u>WED.</u>	A.C.E./V.B.S. at First United Methodist Church – 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.; Music Committee – 1:00 p.m.
<u>THURS.</u>	Men's Fellowship at JJ's – 7:00 a.m.; A.C.E./V.B.S. at First United Methodist Church – 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.; Quilt Group – 5:00 p.m.
<u>FRI.</u>	A.C.E./V.B.S. at First United Methodist Church – 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
<u>SAT.</u>	Girl Scout Event – 10:00 a.m.; Worship Service/HC – 5:30 p.m.
<u>SUN.</u>	Worship/HC–9:00 a.m. ; M-32 Highway Clean-Up – Meet at the church at 1:00 p.m.

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

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS: Doris Soltysiak, Amy Waite, Tim Grossman, Eleanor Schellie, Raychelle Goike, Megan Schleben, Tina Lamarre, Laurie Stafford, Carol Rude, Greg Dzieszinski, Skeeter Urban, Carol Eubanks, Ilse Kuhl, John David Maleport, Larry Ewing, Barb Williams, Norma Smith, Milt "Bodo" Hanson, 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 Houseman, Alexander Gould, Christopher Howard, Andrew Hein, Mandy Killingbeck, Michael Yeager, Jacqueline Cramming, Ashley (Dingmans) Grant, Charles Tudor, Abigail Miller, and Justin A. Smith.

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

* Peace Lutheran Church, Gaylord, Rev. Gary Grieger

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

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL (foot of the cross) are given in memory of Jerry Sloan on the occasion of his Birthday, from his brothers – Ken and George Sloan, Bay City, Michigan.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE			MAY	YTD
Saturday (06/29) 5:30 p.m.	40	Income	21,461.41	99,629.08
Saturday (6/29) 7:00 p.m. – <i>Beach</i>	45	Expenses	<u>24,763.93</u>	<u>134,109.64</u>
Sunday (06/30) 9:00 a.m.	<u>95</u>	Difference	(3,302.52)	(34,480.56)
Total	180			

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** (13 yrs. +) 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!!!

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.

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

July 6, 2019—5:30 p.m.

(Congregational responses are printed in bold)

Welcome

CALL TO WORSHIP "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another, and against the earth entrusted to our care. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has give 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.**

Hymn of Praise

"In Christ Called to Baptize"

(Red) #575

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.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 66:10-14

¹⁰ Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her— ¹¹ that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. ¹² For thus says the Lord: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. ¹³ As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. ¹⁴ You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the Lord is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 66:1-9

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.

All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name."

Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. There we rejoiced in him,

who rules by his might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the nations— let the rebellious not exalt themselves.

Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard,

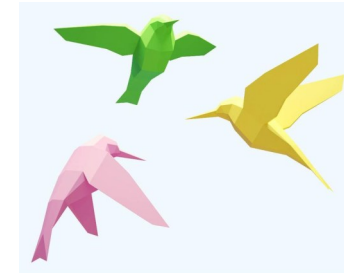
who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip.

Special Music

"Lord I Lift Your Name on High"

"Gospel Acclamation"

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah



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.

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

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

GOSPEL: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ ⁶And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ ¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹‘Even

the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’

¹⁶“Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”

¹⁷The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” ¹⁸He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

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

Children’s Message

“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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SERMON “Jesus is Near” Pastor John Shipman

HYMN OF THE DAY “Here I Am, Lord” (Red) #574

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.



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray: O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the holy Trinity, + one God, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN “Lift High the Cross” (Red) #660

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is sending you.
Thanks be to God.

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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 world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

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.

**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: let us pray.
Have mercy O God.

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 “He’s Got the Whole World In His Hands”

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!

Am Dm' Gm C⁷
 FM⁷ Dm⁷ Eb C⁷
 Am Dm⁷ Gm C⁷
 FM⁷ Dm⁷ Eb C⁷ Last time
Bb/C F

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, for the greening earth given for all, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; through Christ our Lord. **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 RITE

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 - does 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.

C C/G Asus Am F G F/C C
 F G C Am F G⁷ C

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.