

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.

<u>PARTICIPANTS</u>		
<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.	Carol Kindt
	9:00 a.m.	Danielle McDonald
<u>LECTOR</u>	5:30 p.m.	Myra Gapske
	9:00 a.m.	Danielle McDonald
<u>FELLOWSHIP VOLUNTEERS</u>	5:30 p.m.	Barb Crittenden, Geri Hanson
	9:00 a.m.	Joanne Huggler, Pat Brodziak
<u>USHERS & GREETERS</u>	5:30 p.m.	Patti Byce
	9:00 am.	Cathy Kieliszewski, Ryan Panknin
		Nancy St. Onge, Kathy Burton
<u>ACOLYTE</u>	9:00 a.m.	Cayden Smith
<u>ALTAR CARE</u>		Marty Cantleberry, Pat Cornelius, Carol Kindt

We thank all participants for enriching our worship service.

St. Paul Lutheran Church Worship Service

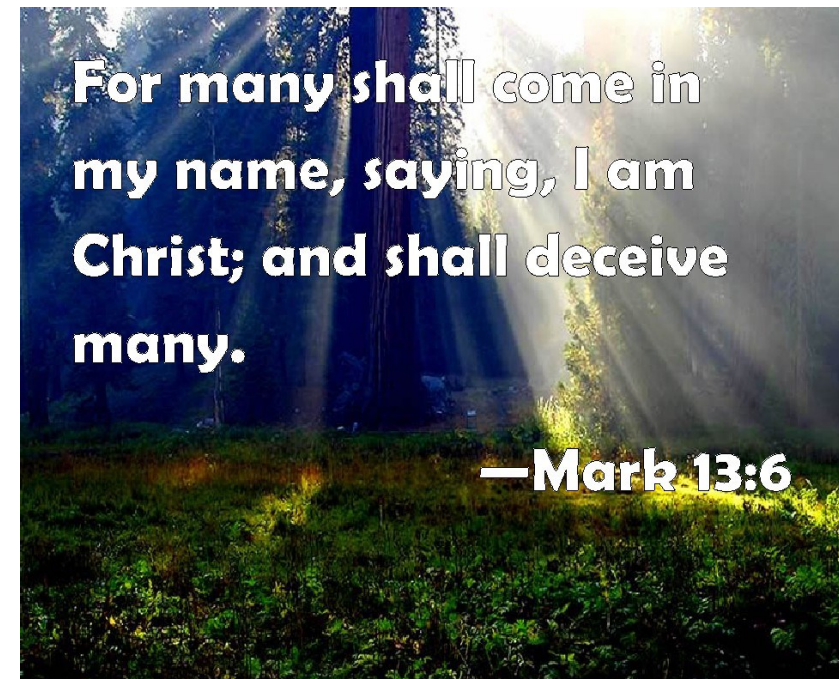
celebrates and shares God's love and compassion

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A Stephen Ministry Congregation



November 13, 2021 - 5:30 p.m.

November 14, 2021 - 9:00 a.m.

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD
The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
November 13, 2021 - 5:30 p.m.
November 14, 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)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Have mercy on us, O God.

We confess that we have sinned against you and against our neighbor. We have built walls instead of tables and have turned away the stranger. We have sought glory for ourselves and have treasured that which does not satisfy. Help us to love as you love, to welcome those you send, and to treasure mercy and justice. Turn us from our ways to your ways, and free us to serve those in need. 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

“Built on a Rock”

(Red) #652

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.

Pastor John and Miss Nena planned for adult education opportunities in 2021-2022; Bible studies and book studies to inspire your faith walk throughout the coming school year. Each class will last for six weeks (or less) and the class length will be 1 hour. Pastor John’s Class will meet on Wednesdays at 1:00 PM and Miss Nena’s class will meet on Thursdays at 6:30 PM. **The Advent Educational Opportunities run November 29 – December 23.** Pastor John will hold a Book Study on “Letters from Prison” by Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Miss Nena will lead a Bible Study on Proverbs 31 – She Smiles Without Fear. Please call the office so we know how to plan/books to order.

The Forget-Me-Nots will next gather on Sunday, December 12 for the matinee performance of Civic Theatre’s presentation of Church Ladies Away in the Basement. Please contact Ann Hardesty (989-471-5304), before November 15, if you would like to join us. Ticket prices are \$15. You may pay me ahead of time or the afternoon we attend the play. **The Forget Me Nots also wanted to do something for our community at Thanksgiving. So, we are requesting pies for the Friendship Room.** They are in need of 20 pies for their Thanksgiving Dinner. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church for anyone who wants to donate. Please let us know by Friday, November 19th. If you have any questions call Janice Boboltz at 356-4834.

Recovery Yoga classes continue to meet on Thursdays at 2:30 and 5:30 p.m. These classes are gentle yoga designed for everyone. If you would like more information text or email Bev at (989) 657-6778.

WEEK AT A GLANCE: NOVEMBER 14–21, 2021	
<u>SUN.</u>	Worship/HC – 9:00; Fellowship—10:00 a.m.; Jr/Sr. High Sunday school – 10:30; Contemporary Service & Children’s Church– 10:30 a.m.
<u>MON.</u>	Newsletter Deadline; Stephen Ministry–1:00 p.m.; Line Dancing—2:00 p.m.; Girl Scouts - 6:00 p.m.
<u>TUES.</u>	Dinner on a Doorknob – 9:00 a.m.; Boy Scouts – 6:30 p.m.
<u>THURS.</u>	Men’s Fellowship at JJ’s—7:00 a.m.; Yoga – 2:30 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.; Girl Scouts – 6:00 p.m.
<u>FRI.</u>	Line Dancers – 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; Fellowship—10:00 a.m.; Jr/Sr. High SS–10:30; Worship & Children’s Church– 10:30 a.m.; Adventure Club – 5:30 p.m.

Pastor John is planning to assemble another Advent Devotional from the people of St. Paul. The devotional theme for this year is “Prepare and Enrich our faith journey at St. Paul.” A devotional provides daily inspiration through this season of the year. Please write several paragraphs about a man or woman who inspired your faith and include a scriptural reference. Pastor John needs this information by **November 15th**.

We are looking for people/groups to do Advent Lunches on December 1, 8, 15 & 22. If you are interested in providing lunch for one of those dates, please call the church office at 356-1658. Thanks.

Bring your spirit of adventure and hope to our next Adventure Club, which will meet on Sunday, November 21st at 5:30 p.m. The theme will be “Thanksgiving Campaign.” Join us for fun, adventure, and food within this intergenerational educational experience.

On Tuesday, November 30th at 6:00 p.m. the Soul Sisters will be wrapping Christmas presents. St. Paul is sponsoring six children through the Christmas Wish List program. The items have already been purchased and we will meet in the classrooms across from the church office to wrap them. We will also be having a cookie walk. If you would like to participate, please bring 2 dozen cookies. Come join us for a festive evening. If you have any questions call Shirley at 989-464-6472.

St. Paul Ev. Lutheran is taking part of the Bolenz Jewelry Holiday Parade on Friday, November 26th. This year's parade theme is *Happy Birthday Jesus!* We will have work bees to prepare float decor on Tuesday, Nov. 16 beginning at 11, Saturday Nov. 20 beginning at 1, and Sunday Nov. 21 during Adventure Club (5:30). Final assembly will take place the day of the parade, Friday Nov 26, beginning at 12 (noon). We will also be highlighting the many groups that make up our community and are asking each group to please make a colorful sign with your group name to hang on the float, about 3 foot by 4 foot. Show your group creativity!!! Feel free to come to any of these days for any amount of time to help prepare! If you cannot attend a work bee but want to help, we are taking the following donations: Cash, candy, glow sticks, large and medium boxes for wrapping, large boxes to make group signs, packaging tape, pool noodles, 1 helium tank, bow ribbon (2 inches or bigger), zip ties - various sizes, LOTS of wrapping paper - any theme/colors, Christmas lights (they will be returned to you, just leave your name and phone number). Please place your donations in the Banner room on the second floor, by **Sunday Nov. 14**. If you have any questions, contact Danielle at 616-322-7958.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

FIRST READING: Daniel 12:1-3

¹“At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time; but at that time your people shall be delivered, every one whose name shall be found written in the book. ²And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 16 (Read Responsively)

Preserve me, O God, for in thee I take refuge.

I say to the Lord, “Thou art my Lord; I have no good apart from thee.”

As for the saints in the land, they are the noble, in whom is all my delight.

Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their libations of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips.

The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; thou holdest my lot.

The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage.

I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also dwells secure.

For thou dost not give me up to Sheol, or let thy godly one see the Pit.

Thou dost show me the path of life; in thy presence there is fulness of joy, in thy right hand are pleasures for evermore.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25

¹¹ And every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹² But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³ then to wait until his enemies should be made a stool for his feet. ¹⁴ For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

¹⁹ Therefore, brethren, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way which he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us

draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful; ²⁴ and let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(Please Stand)

Gospel Acclamation

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

Glory to You, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Mark 13:1-8

And as he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!” ² And Jesus said to him, “Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another, that will not be thrown down.”

DISMISSAL

Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS: Karen Morton, Kelci Ghiata, Skyler Kilcrease, Jim Miller, Erin Sharp, Randy Donakowski, John Tinker, Gladys Kelsey, Nathan LeTourneau, Maryanna Miller, Bodo Hanson, Pete Creguer, Roy Sommerfeld, Howard & Gloria Lumsden, Dorothy Carr, Melissa Smith, Sutton Badder, Marian Dove, Dolores Sumerix, Amy Waite, Charlie Busuttill, Eleanor Schellie, Megan Schleben, Audrey Reck, Tim Grossman, Deb Lange, Bernice Menck, Annette Jones, and Karen Wallace.

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 Administration Ministries at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE			END OF SEPT.	YEAR TO DATE
Saturday (11/06)	5:30 p.m.	58	Income 22,917.37	226,101.28
Sunday (11/07)	9:00 a.m.	85	Expenses <u>20,464.18</u>	<u>223,157.44</u>
	10:30 a.m.	<u>11</u>	Difference 2,453.19	2,943.84
	Total	154		

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL are given to the glory of God.

The “leftovers” from the Christmas bazaar are in the dining 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.

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.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray: Blessed Jesus, at this table, you have been for us both host and meal. Now send us forth to extend our tables and to share your gifts until that day when all feast together at your heavenly banquet. **Amen.**

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

“Give to Our God Immortal Praise!”

(Red) #848

³ And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴“Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign when these things are all to be accomplished?” ⁵ And Jesus began to say to them, “Take heed that no one leads you astray. ⁶ Many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. ⁷ And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is not yet. ⁸ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places, there will be famines; this is but the beginning of the birth-pangs.

The Gospel of Our Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ

(Please be seated)

SERMON

“Beware”

Pastor John Shipman

(Please stand)

HYMN OF THE DAY

“My Lord, What a Morning”

(Red) #438

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

God, 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. Holy God, the earth is yours and everything in it, yet you have chosen to dwell among your creatures. Come among us now in these gifts of bread and wine, and strengthen us to be your body for the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 - 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.

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.**

(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.**