

## Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church (LCMS)

321 N 10th, Beatrice, NE 68310

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, **October 19, 2025**

Hymns are found in the Lutheran Service Book in the pews. We use Divine Service, Setting 1 on page 151 in the front section of that hymnal.

(♪ denotes responses that are to be sung. P= Pastor; C= **Congregation**)

### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

#### **Opening Hymn 819: "Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good"**

##### **Invocation**

Pastor: In the name of the † Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the † Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**Introit:** (Psalm 74:18-19, 21, 20a, 22a; antiphon: v. 2a)

P: Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old,  
which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your heritage!

**C: Remember this, O Lord, how the enemy scoffs,**

**and a foolish people reviles your name.**

P: Do not deliver the soul of your dove to the wild beasts;  
do not forget the life of your poor forever.

**C: Let not the downtrodden turn back in shame;  
let the poor and needy praise your name.**

P: Have regard for the covenant;  
arise, O God, defend your case.

**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.**

P: Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old,  
which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your heritage!

**Kyrie** (LSB pg 152)

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**Gloria in Excelsis** ♪ (LSB pg 154)

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

♪ **C: Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:**

**We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:**

**You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.**

**For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,**

**You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,**

**in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. O Lord, almighty and everlasting God, You have commanded us to pray and have promised to hear us. Mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may direct and govern our hearts in all things that we may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen**

**Holy Baptism of Jace Pettit:** Please turn to page 268 in the front of the hymnal.

## **Old Testament Reading: Genesis 32:22-30** (pg 621 in the pew Bible)

The same night (Jacob) arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream and everything else that he had. And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Epistle: 2 Timothy 3: 14-4:5** (pg 946 in the pew Bible)

As for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it <sup>15</sup>and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings which are able to make you

wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup>All scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.

**4** I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: <sup>2</sup>preach the word, be ready in season and out of season, reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. <sup>3</sup>For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, <sup>4</sup>and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. <sup>5</sup>As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Alleluia and Verse** ♪ (LSB pg 156)

**♪ C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## **Holy Gospel: Luke 18:1-8** (pg 885 in the pew Bible)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

Jesus told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying "Give me justice against my adversary." For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, "Though I neither fear God nor respect man, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming." And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says. And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Glory to You, O Christ.**

### Children's Message

**Hymn 797: "Praise the Almighty, My Soul, Adore Him"**

**Sermon: "Never Give Up"**

**Pastor Mark Rosenau**

### Apostles Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From then He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### Prayers of the Church

Congregational response after each petition: **"Hear our prayer."**

At the conclusion: **"Amen".**

### Offering

**Offertory** ♪ (LSB pg 159)

**♪C: What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?**

**I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and will call on the name of the Lord.**

**I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,  
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

**Preface & Proper Preface** (LSB pg 160)

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.... Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus:** ♪ (LSB pg 161)

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.**

**Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** (LSB pg 161)

At the conclusion: **C: Amen**

**The Words of Our Lord** (LSB pg 162)

**Proclamation of Christ** (LSB pg 162)

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes,

**C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

### The Lord's Prayer

***ALL: 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.***

### Pax Domini (LSB page 163)

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

**C: Amen.**

### Agnus Dei (LSB page 163)

**♫ C: Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; Have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

### Distribution

**Distribution Hymn 739: "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"**

**Distribution Hymn 563: "Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness"**

**Distribution Hymn 643: "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"**

### Thank the Lord ♫ (LSB page 164)

**♫ C: Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ry one what He has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.  
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy  
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

### Post-Communion Collect

P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our

Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**♫C: Amen.**

### Departing Hymn 924: "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

***\*\*Please greet each other as you exit.***

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**Please remember with prayers, cards, texts, or calls, our sisters and brothers-in-Christ who are hospitalized or at home:** Mary Scheve, Angie Fossler, Mike Holthus, Cheri McConnell, Cindy Weise (all with cancer); Pat Nave (COPD); Duane Delozier (post hospital stay); Marge Itzen (fell); and Olivia Hatzenbuehler and William Kelley (military).

**\*\*Please contact the church by Thursday morning if you have a prayer request or when you no longer wish to be on the prayer list.**

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**Welcome!** We're glad you're here and hope to see you again soon! Please sign the guest book at the entrance of the church. If you do not have a church home, are interested in the teachings of the Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, or interested in becoming a member of St. Paul's, please speak with the Pastor, Elder, or Usher on duty or the church office.

**COMMUNION GUIDANCE:** For visitors who wish to commune, please speak to the pastor or an elder prior to communing. Our summary of faith is available on our webpage and in print in the pews to help you determine if you share in our confession of faith. LCMS members and those from congregations in fellowship with LCMS are always welcome to participate in communion.

**PASTOR KARL HOLLIBAUGH,** our Interim Pastor, is at church on Wednesday afternoons and evenings for confirmation class. If you'd like to see him please call him at 225-361-5121 to schedule an appointment

**GOD'S BLESSINGS ON JACE DEAN PETTIT** and his parents Brad and Rebecca Pettit on Jace's Baptism today. We welcome you into our family and may God continue to bless you always. **Jace's family invites you to celebrate** this joyous occasion with them at a cookie and coffee reception in the fellowship hall following the service. **Please join them before the voters meeting which will begin at 10:45.**

**Please plan to stay after worship today for the regular QUARTERLY VOTER'S MEETING.** An update on the church finances and staffing will be provided and there will be election of 2026 officers and committee members. A proposed 2026 budget will not be available for review and approval at today's meeting.

**A VOTER'S MEETING is scheduled for November 23** following the worship service at about 10:15 to adopt the 2026 budget.

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**Serving Today:** Pastor: Pastor Mark Rosenau  
Elder: Greg Penner Reader: Bob Frerking  
Organist: Vivian Zimmerman Greeter: Lois Podendorf  
Acolytes: Sloan and Sawyer Penner  
Ushers: Ron Buss, Wayne Schulz; Duane Delozier

**Sponsoring today's Radio Broadcast:**

In memory of Raymond & Doretta Wiegand's Anniversary

**Children's Bulletin:** Jared & Hannah Himmelberg in honor of Everett's Baptismal Anniversary on October 7.

**(Broadcast** Sponsorships (\$100), bulletins (\$25) & children's bulletins are available. Call the church office to schedule.)

Last Sunday's attendance: 145

**Birthdays this week:** *(if yours is missing, let us know!)*

19: Kris Johnson, Tayler Ruskamp, Judy Weakland

20: Sam Reedy

21: Kay Buss, Julie Fehn

22: Mitch Amundson, Harlan Hintz, Kirk Spilker

23: Kathy Koenig, Andrew Landon

24: Tamsin Brand, Irene Daubendiek, Leo Thomas

25: Dave Morris, David Weise

**Anniversaries this week:** *(if yours is missing, let us know!)*

20: Mike & Deneta Hahn

24: Berri & Rhonda Easley

**Happening this week:**

Sunday, Oct 19 8:00 am KWBE Broadcast from last Sunday  
9:00 am Divine Service with Baptism  
10:15 am Voter's Meeting  
No youth & adult Sunday School  
Monday, Oct 20 6:00 pm Board of Education  
Wednesday, Oct 22 8:30 am School Chapel  
6:30 pm Confirmation Class  
Sunday, Oct 26 8:00 am KWBE Broadcast from last Sunday  
9:00 am Divine Service  
10:15 am Youth & Adult Sunday School

**THANK YOU to Pastor Mark Rosenau** for being with us this morning. Pastor Rosenau is from Calgary Lutheran, Lincoln.



**St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School are participating in a food drive challenge**

grant to support the Beatrice Community Food Pantry. If we collect 500 food items by November 15 the food pantry will receive a \$500

grant. There are boxes in the church narthex and school library for anyone who wishes to donate and help us meet our goal of 500 items and help support food insecurity in our community.

**Especially needed:**

**Pizza** crusts and sauce,

**Taco supplies** (refried beans, taco shells and seasonings),

**Soups:** chicken noodle soup, variety chunky soup,

**Manwich**

**Helper boxes:** Hamburger Helper, Chicken Helper, Tuna Helper, pancake mix and syrup,

**Condiments:** ketchup, mustard, mayo

**Crackers:** saltines, graham crackers, snack crackers.

**Pop-Tarts**

These are items the pantry usually has to buy so if they are donated, it saves the pantry's cash donations for other items.

**ALL SAINTS DAY:** If you would like a loved one's name that passed away in 2025 added to our **All Saints Day** list, please contact the church office. All Saints Day is November 2.

**THE CALL COMMITTEE will give a progress report at today's voter's meeting. Be sure to stay after church for that.** Call Committee Members: Rod Aden, David Doering, Carissa Hoops, Carla Loemker, Brad Long, Diane Lux, Martin D. Seckel, Penny Shaffer, Kelly Mees, and Marilus Snyder.

**OCTOBER CHAPEL OFFERINGS at school on Wednesday morning are for "Stuff the Cruiser Christmas Toy Event"** sponsored by the Beatrice Police Department. Contributions of cash and toys will be collected during chapel (Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m.) or put a designated offering for school chapel in the church offering plate. Our total so far is \$23.33

**We collect Russ's Market receipts again!** Receipts from September 1 through March 30, 2026 can be put in the box in the narthex behind the greeters, along with **Best Choice and Our Family UPC Codes**. Russ's cash register receipts current total is \$52,019.53! Thank you for supporting our school through this project.

#### ***Upcoming SCHOOL EVENTS***

*Oct. 17 - 20 -No School -Teacher In-services*

*Oct 23 - Pre-School Firefighter Visit*

*Oct. 24 - PreK Firefighter Visit*

*Oct. 24 - 2 Grade Swim*

*Oct. 29 -Second Grade Class Chapel*

*Oct. 31 - Reformation/Fall Festival*

*Nov. 5 - PTL Meeting*

*Nov 9 – Science Fair/Open House / Soup Supper*

#### ***SCHOOL PRAYER FAMILIES THIS WEEK:***

Tyler & Lindsay Clabaugh,  
James Clark, Jess Timmerman,  
Brandy Coffin and Zach Coffin

#### **SCIENCE FAIR AND BOOK FAIR**

Our school Science Fair and Book Fair is scheduled for Sunday, November 9. You're invited to view the student's science fair exhibits and ask questions of them! The Book Fair will also be set up in the commons area. Do some early Christmas Shopping there while supporting our school!

**THANK YOU to all who contributed to the projects done recently to enhance our church through your donations of labor and money! Projects completed:** painting the sanctuary, replacing flooring and carpet, repair of flat roof, refinishing the front doors. It all looks wonderful! **Left to do:** replace the outside pole and step lights, add LED lighting behind the pictures in the sanctuary, replace chapel ceiling tile, and other things that may have surfaced.

**MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP** meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month at school from 5-7 pm for a meal, Bible Study, and some fun activities! Watch the bulletin for additional special activities or contact leaders Joanna Gellerman-Long (425-591-5318) or Jessica Leseberg (402-230-0988). \*\*We sell discounted **Car Wash Tokens** for Super Wash: 5 for \$20! They are available in the church office or from school.

#### **COMMUNITY EVENTS:**

The Homestead Early Risers Kiwanis Club Pancake Feed to benefit children's programs of Beatrice is **Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:30 am - 1:00 pm at the Veteran's Club, 701 Dorsey St, Beatrice. Adults \$10.00, children (to age 12) \$5.00 at the door. 3 & under free.**

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- **Reserving the church or school** for a function? Please see Wayne Oestreich. (402-440-5054).
  - **Large print hymnals** are in the back pew and near the elevator.
  - **Busy Bags** for kids are in the narthex under the bulletin board.
  - **Church office hours** vary at this time. Please leave a message at 402-228-1540 or email [stpaulbeatrice@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulbeatrice@gmail.com).
  - **For immediate or pastoral assistance**, contact Church Chair Rod Aden at 402- 239-5305 or Head Elder Dave Doering at 402-806-1015.
  - **October newsletter and calendar** are available as you leave church.

## October is Church Worker Recognition Month!

During this time of transition, while we are without a full-time pastor at St. Paul's, the role of our Elders becomes even more important. You can contact your Elder with any questions, comments, or when you or someone you know is sick, hospitalized, or in any other way in need of a visit from the pastor or an elder.

In case you don't know who your Elder is, check this list and keep it for future reference. These Elder assignments are current through the end of the year. (Beginning January 1, 2026, new assignments will be made.)

**Jared Himmelberg, 402-416-3004.....Adam to Carpenter**  
**Greg Penner, 402-806-3576.....Carel to Fisher**  
**Kevin Ankersen, 402-239-5870.....Ford to Holle**  
**Chuck Baker, 714-232-2794.....Holthus to Kuhlmann**  
**David Doering, 402-223-5123.....Kumm to Mentgen**  
**Andrew Landon, 402-520-1326.....Meyer to Porter**  
**David Oltmans, 402-223-8713.....Prall to Schouboe**  
**Matt Helmke, 402-239-4879.....Schroeder to Thomas**  
**Steve Sandman, 402-239-7060..... Thomas to Zimmerman**

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