

WORSHIP NOTES

If you are a guest today, please sign our guest book! Welcome here! We're very glad you came!

Children in Worship: We welcome and encourage children to share in worship. Even very young children see faith in action as we pray and sing and commune together. Children's lessons are available at both entrances, or by checking with any of the ushers.

Communion: If you are unable to reach the serving pastor during communion - they can come to you. Please let an usher know and they will make sure you receive communion.

Need A Helping Hand? If you or someone you know needs assistance getting in or out of the church, please let us know. We're happy to arrange help - Your church family is here for you! Contact the office at office@stpaulsteinbach.org or (204)-326-3758.

Hearing Assistance: Devices are available at the sound booth.

Large Print Bulletins are available. Please ask an usher for one for yourself or a loved one!

Cell Phones and Pagers: Should be turned to silent.

Washrooms: located in the narthex and Education Wing, upstairs and down.

Elevator: located next to the church office.

Masks are optional at all services.

Drop Box: The drop box at the side entrance nearest to the office remains available for envelopes or small items.

Office Hours: 9am to 4pm, Monday to Friday

JOIN OUR EMAIL LIST!

We're launching a church email blast for important announcements and reminders.

✓ Want to be included? Email your address to office@stpaulsteinbach.org.

✗ Don't want to be on the list? Email "Unsubscribe" to

OFFERING REMINDERS

Please remember to clearly mark your envelopes with your **name and address** if you are not using personalized offering envelopes.

For **online contributions**, be sure to include your envelope number as identification- without it, we're unable to track who the donation is from. If you don't yet have an envelope number, please contact our treasurer at:

darlene@stpaulsteinbach.org,

and she will be happy to provide you with one. Thank you for your continued generosity!

NEW DIRECTORIES

Please submit an updated digital photo of your family to the office! There is going to be a new edition of the Pictorial Directory in time for September! Kids have grown older, kids have been added, parents have grown grayer and time has passed for all. If you feel your old picture still looks like you, great - it won't change! Get this info to the office

DID YOU KNOW?

THAT PASTOR TIM CO-HOSTS A PODCAST?

Of course you didn't. Because he's just joined the team of "Worth Doing Badly," a podcast on the weekly Scripture readings hosted by Rev'd Dr. David Weber at Lutheran Radio. Pastor Tim's first episode is Pentecost 6, coming up in two weeks. But whether he's there or not, it's a good way to get primed for Sunday's Sermon. Check it out! [Lutheran Radio UK - all about Christ and to all God's children.](#)

FALL BIBLE STUDY

Fall Bible Study resumes on Wednesday, Sept. 10 at 7pm here at the church and will run for 10 weeks. This Fall's theme is "Ask Him Anything!" Send your questions - Bible, theology, church history, liturgy, & worship, Lutheranism (really anything but math) - to Tanisha at office@stpaulsteinbach.org. Tanisha and Pastor Tim will tabulate all questions received. Watch for your top 10 questions in the August 31st bulletin.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all who have participated in today's service.

ATTENDANCE: July 27, 2025

Traditional - 98

Offering: \$3,512.50



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Sunday, August 3, 2025 Welcome to our Family Worship Service On this VIII Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 3rd
10:00 Am - Family Worship Service

Tuesday, August 5th
1:00 Pm - Music & Worship Meeting

Sunday, August 10th
10:00 AM - Traditional Worship Service



HOLY COMMUNION

God feeds and renews us with the presence of Jesus Christ. In Christ's body and blood given to us, God forgives us and nourishes us for mission. In response to the Lord's invitation I come - confessing my sin, trusting that the Lord is truly present, believing that to receive Him is to receive forgiveness - to partake of the Lord's Supper. People of all ages and faith communities are welcome.

Holy Communion is served in a continuous format unless announced otherwise. Participants are asked to fill out a registration card, available in the pews or at both entrances, and place them in the baskets at the entrances, or in the offering plates.

Ushers will direct you toward the aisle to come forward to the serving stations. If you desire to commune, extend your hand to the server who will place a wafer in your hand. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, simply say "gluten-free" to the server. Wine is served from the chalice or individual cups; white grape juice is served from individual cups.

Come and hold in your hand and taste on your lips the love we cannot comprehend.

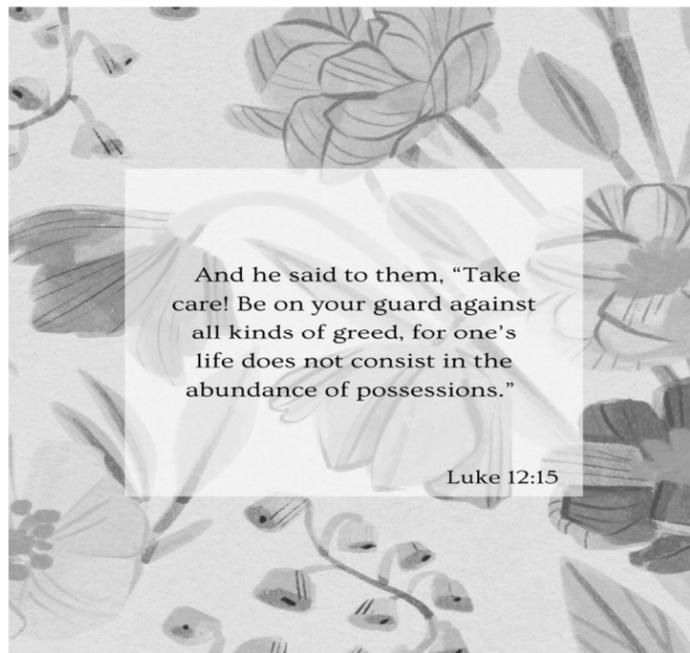
OUR MISSION

God's purpose for
St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church is:
Accepting all people through God's grace,
sharing our faith in Christ,
and making disciples.

KEEP IT REAL! BRING IT HOME!

And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions."

Luke 12:15





THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 3, 2025

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering Song: *"In Christ Alone"*

Gathering: Psalm 49:1-12

L: Hear this, all you peoples;
give ear, all you who dwell in the world,

**C: you of high degree and low,
rich and poor together.**

L: My mouth shall speak wisdom,
and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

**C: I will incline my ear to a proverb
and set forth my riddle upon the harp.**

L: Why should I be afraid in evil days,
when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,

**C: the wickedness of those who put their trust in their
own prowess,
and boast of their great riches?**

L: One can never redeem another,
or give to God the ransom for another's life;

**C: for the ransom of a life is so great
that there would never be enough to pay it,**

L: in order to live forever and ever
and never see the grave.

**C: For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stu-
pid they perish
and leave their wealth to those who come after them.**

L: Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling
places from generation to generation,
though they had named lands after themselves.

**C: Even though honored, they cannot live forever;
they are like he beasts that perish.**

Confession and Forgiveness

L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy
Spirit.

C: Amen.

L: Merciful God,

**C. you free us to love others, but we neglect our neigh-
bors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit
of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant
life you offer. You surround us with patience, kind-
ness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing
what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up
on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path
of life. Amen.**

L: You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children
through faith. In the cross of Christ, and through the power
of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with
Christ, you are a new creation.

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

L: Benevolent God,

**C: you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our
lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject
what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is pre-
cious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior
and Lord. Amen.**

Children's Lesson

Song: *"Everlasting God"*

GOD'S WORD: Shelley Mehling

FIRST READING: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-23

²Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is
vanity. ¹²I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. ¹³I
applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that
is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has
given to humans to be busy with. ¹⁴I saw all the deeds that are
done under the sun, and see, all is vanity and a chasing after
wind. ^{2:18}I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun,
seeing that I must leave it to my successor, ¹⁹and who knows
whether he will be wise or foolish? Yet he will be master of all
for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also
is vanity. ²⁰So I turned and gave my heart up to despair con-
cerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹because
sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge
and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not
toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What do mortals
get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the
sun? ²³For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a
vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is
vanity.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-11

¹So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that
are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²
Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things
that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden
with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed,
then you also will be revealed with him in glory. ⁵Put to death,
therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impuri-
ty, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶On ac-
count of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are
disobedient. ⁷These are the ways you also once followed,
when you were living that life. ⁸But now you must get rid of all
such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive lan-
guage from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that
you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have
clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed
in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹In that
renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and
uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but
Christ is all and in all!

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 12:13-21

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, tell my
brother to divide the family inheritance with me." ¹⁴But he said
to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over
you?" ¹⁵And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard
against all kinds of greed, for one's life does not consist in the
abundance of possessions." ¹⁶Then he told them a parable:
"The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he
thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to
store my crops?' ¹⁸Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down
my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my
grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you
have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be
merry.' ²⁰But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your
life is being demanded of you. And the things you have pre-
pared, whose will they be?' ²¹So it is with those who store up
treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

Song: *"No Longer Slaves"*

Apostles Creed

Prayers of the People

Sharing of the Peace

Offering Song: *Instrumental*

Offering Prayer

L: Let us pray together,

**C: Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is
good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at
your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor,
that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus
Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

The Table

L: The Lord be with you!

C: And also with you!

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

L: With joy we praise you, gracious Father, for you have cre-
ated heaven and earth, made us in your image, and kept
covenant with us—even when we fell into sin. We give you
thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by his life, death,
and resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels
and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.

Song: *"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord"*

L: On the night he was betrayed the Lord Jesus took bread,
and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This
is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of
me." In the same way, he took the cup after supper and
said, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this in
remembrance of me." For whenever we eat this bread and
drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
Therefore we proclaim our faith:

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

L: Lord, our God, send your Holy Spirit so that this bread and
cup may be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus
Christ. May we and all your saints be united with Christ
and remain faithful in hope and love. Gather your whole
church, O Lord, into the glory of your kingdom.

The Lord's Prayer - P. 134

Invitation to Communion

L: The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

Communion Songs:

"Eat This Bread"

"Come As You Are"

"There Is A Redeemer"

Blessing

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

Post-Communion Prayer

L: Almighty Father, you gathered us to your table and we
drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your spirit
to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your
love in Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

The Benediction

L: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior
Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit
bless you and give you peace.

C: Amen

Sending Song: *"Way Maker"*

Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

C: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER REMINDERS

In your prayers this week, please remember:
Mario & Kayla Dupont, Dalia Dyck, Adelaide Freund, Chris
Funk, Tina Heckert, Linda James, Herta Kihn, Glorian
Mehling, Ruby Myran, Gordon & Iris Pylpyjuk, Helmuth
Renz, Deanna Sawatzky, Ray Schalla, Pastor Trudy
Thorinsen and the Congregation of Grace-St. John's
Carman, Khrista Vogt, Mary Wiebe, and Bishop Geoff
Woodcroft.

HOLY COMMUNION

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today. Registration cards are available in the pews and at
both entrances. Participants are asked to fill out a card
and place it in the basket provided or in the offering plate.
All are welcome at God's table.

CELEBRATING 61 YEARS

The bulletin this Sunday has been sponsored by Brad &
Barb Mehling, Grandchildren, and Great Grandchildren in
honor of the sixty first wedding anniversary of **Norm &
Glorian Mehling** on August 1st. We thank them for their
generosity, and offer our very best wishes
and congratulations to Norm & Glorian!
*"And now these three remain. Faith, Hope, and Love. But
the greatest of these is love."* Thank you mom and dad for
being an example of these three important values!

HOLIDAYS

Parish Assistant Steve will be on a holiday break from
August 4–24, returning to the office on **August 25**. Tim
and Tanisha will be joyfully holding down the fort.

LET THERE BE LIGHT! (AND VOLUNTEERS!)

In the near future, we will need a few helping hands to as-
sist with changing lightbulbs throughout the church. If you're
willing and able to lend a hand, **please call Don at (204)-
355-7357** to be added to the volunteer list. Thank you in
advance for your time and support—it's always appreciated!

YOUTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

It has been another great year for the Junior and Senior
Youth. We provide a setting where youth learn, grow in their
faith, are encouraged, and have fun. As our numbers have
increased, and so we can continue to flourish, additional
adult volunteers are required. Please contact Parish Assis-
tant Steve for more information.