

## 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](mailto: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

## HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion is offered in the **Continuous Format** 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.

## YOU'RE INVITED TO DAILY PRAYER SERVICES

Starting Monday September 8th, join us in the chapel for short, meaningful services of **Morning Prayer at 8:30 AM**, and **Evening Prayer at 4:00 PM**, led by Pastor Tim. Whether you're beginning your day or winding it down, these quiet moments of reflection and prayer are a beautiful way to draw closer to God and find peace in his presence. All are welcome!

## 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](mailto:office@stpaulsteinbach.org). Tanisha and Pastor Tim will tabulate all questions received. Watch for your top 10 questions in the August 31st bulletin.

## TRAINING DAY - LET'S SERVE TOGETHER!

Join us on **Saturday, September 13**, from **10:00 AM to 2:00 PM** for a time of learning, preparation, and fellowship as we get ready to serve in the year ahead. **Lunch will be provided.** We're looking for volunteers in the areas of **Scripture reading, ushering, technology, communion helpers, altar guild, and elders.** Sign-up sheets are available just outside **Tanisha's office**. If you're interested but not currently involved in one of these ministries, you're still very welcome to sign-up— we'd love to have you join us! Please note: **Altar Guild and elders** don't need to sign up, but are encouraged to attend. Let's grow in faith and service together.

## COMING THIS FALL!

Starting September 2025, we'll be launching a Sunday School class for youth in Grades 9-12 (and those just a tad beyond). Stay tuned—more details to come!

## SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Sunday School is starting up again in **September**, and we'd love to grow our volunteer team! If you have a heart for kids and a little time to spare, this is a great way to serve. **Contact Cory Funk at 204-392-8293** to sign up!

## MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Memorial Donations have been given in memory of **Herta Kihn**, who passed on August 8th, 2025 by **Albert Auch, Rick & Gladys Derksen, and Alan Dowling & Family.**

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A Memorial Donation has been given in memory of **Deanna Sawatzky**, who passed on July 31st, 2025 by **John & Doris Thiessen.**

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A Memorial Donation has been given in memory of **Grace Holme** who passed on June 28th, 2025 by **Phyllis Wryha.**

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A Memorial Donation has been given in loving memory of **Grace Holme** who passed away June 28th, 2025 and **Deanna Sawatzky** who passed away July 31st, 2025 by Duane & Marilyn Engel. *"Treasured in our hearts forever."*

## FALL KICK-OFF - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH

Join us as we welcome a brand new season together! Our **Fall Kick-Off** begins with the **10:00 AM service**, featuring the **Blessing of the Backpacks** and **teacher installation.** After worship, stick around for **Sunday School Registration**, lunch and some good old-fashioned fun and games for all ages! If your last name begins with **A-L**, **please bring salad**; **M-Z**, **bring a dessert.** It's going to be a joyful Sunday - you won't want to miss it!

## FALL KICK OFF PT. 2

The Fall Kick Off BBQ will be held **September 7th.** Since we have no storage for barbecues, for several years Council members have brought their personal barbecue grills. **We would really appreciate help** from the congregation. **If you could bring a barbecue and help with grilling**, would you please contact the **office**, or **Sylvia at 204-326-3893.** Thank you!

## 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 ASAP.

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## Sunday, August 24th 2025 Welcome to our Traditional Worship Service On this Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

**Sunday, August 24th**  
10:00Am - Traditional Worship service

**Sunday, August 31st**  
10:00 AM - Traditional Worship Service

**ATTENDANCE: August 17th, 2025**  
Family - 141

**OFFERING: \$3,978.50**

## THANK YOU

Thank you to all who have participated in today's 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!**



**THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER  
PENTECOST  
AUGUST 24TH 2025**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Confession & Forgiveness**

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

**C: Amen.**

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

L: Gracious God,

**C: you have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C: Amen**

**Gathering Hymn: "Holy God We Praise Your Name" #414**

L: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

**Kyrie** - p. 203

**Canticle of Praise** - p. 204

**Prayer of the Day**

L: Let us pray together:

L: O God, mighty and immortal,

**C: you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**GOD'S WORD:** Irene Sawatzky

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:9b-14**

<sup>9b</sup>If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, <sup>10</sup>if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. <sup>11</sup>The Lord will guide you continually and satisfy your needs in parched places and make your bones strong, and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail. <sup>12</sup>Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. <sup>13</sup>If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the Sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests or pursuing your

own affairs; <sup>14</sup>then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Responsive Reading: Psalm 103:1-8**

L: Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

**C: Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and forget not all God's benefits-**

L: who forgives all your sins  
and heals all your diseases;

**C: who redeems your life from the grave  
and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;**

L: who satisfies your desires with good things  
so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

**C: O Lord, you provide vindication  
and justice for all who are oppressed.**

L: You made known your ways to Moses  
and your works to the children of Israel.

**C: Lord, you are full of compassion and mercy,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

**SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-29**

<sup>18</sup>You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, <sup>19</sup>and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. <sup>20</sup>(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." <sup>21</sup>Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") <sup>22</sup>But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup>and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup>and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. <sup>25</sup>See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking, for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! <sup>26</sup>At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." <sup>27</sup>This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. <sup>28</sup>Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe, <sup>29</sup>for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia" - p. 205**

**Alleluia! Lord and Savior,  
open now your saving word.  
Let it burn like fire within us;  
speak until our hearts are stirred.  
Alleluia! Lord, we sing,  
for the good news that you bring.**

**HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17**

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

<sup>10</sup>Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. <sup>11</sup>And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit

She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup>When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." <sup>13</sup>When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup>But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? <sup>16</sup>And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" <sup>17</sup>When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**MESSAGE**

**Hymn of the Day: "Will You Come And Follow Me" #798**

**Apostle's Creed**

**Prayers of the People**

**Sharing of the Peace**

**Offering**

**Doxology** - #884

**Offertory 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: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**(Sung) Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Words of Institution** - p. 130

L: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his

disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

L. Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

**The Lord's Prayer** - p. 208

**Invitation To Communion**

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

**Communion Hymns:**

*"O Lamb Of God, You Bear The Sin" Pg. #208*

*"O Savior, Precious Savior" #820*

*"When Peace Like A River" #785*

*"Because He Lives"*

*"Jesus Paid It All"*

**Blessing**

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

**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 Hymn: "Jesus Calls Us Oer The Tumult" #696**

**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, Ed Harder, Tina Heckert, Linda James, Glorian Mehling, Ruby Myran, Gordon & Iris Pylpyjuk, Helmuth Renz, George Sawatzky, Ray Schalla, Acie Sobering, Pastor Trudy Thorinsen and the Congregation of Grace-St. John's Carman, Khrista Vogt, Mary Wiebe, and Bishop Geoff Woodcroft.