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.

Accessibility & Safety: As snow melts and creates ice, please drop off those with mobility needs at the side canopy doors and ask an usher for wheelchair assistance if needed.

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

VOLUNTEERS AND FENCING MATERIALS NEEDED

We are planning to install chain-link fencing around our outdoor air-conditioning equipment to help protect it from theft. We are looking for volunteers with fencing, construction, or related experience who would be willing to lend a hand with installation. We are also looking for chain-link fencing materials, posts, gates, and related hardware. If you can help with the installation or have materials available, please contact Chris Teetaert or speak with the Church Office. Your support is greatly appreciated!

SCOUTS FUNDRAISER

The Scouts are running a fundraiser right now by selling gift certificates for Country Meat & Sausage. Prizes are: **first $400; second $300; third $200; and fourth $100**. The draw will take place **Wednesday, November 25th**. Tickets are $5 each, and Gerry will have tickets available on Sundays. Please help support this amazing group of kids!

SENIOR SUPPER

Join us for an evening of fellowship, conversation, and a shared meal at Senior Supper, held on the last Monday of each month at 6:00 PM in the downstairs hall. Our next gathering is on November 30th. Please RSVP to the Church Office by November 27th.

SOUND BOOTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to help serve in the sound booth! **Ages 8 and older are welcome to volunteer.** No experience is necessary-training will be provided! If you are interested in learning more or would like to volunteer, please speak with the church office.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our Sunday School is still in need for more teachers/volunteers, any commitment is valued, whether weekly, bi-weekly, monthly, or even as an emergency substitute. Please sign up on the board near the Education Wing or contact Irene at (431) 366-4093, or Elli at (204) 381-1644.

THANK YOU

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

ATTENDANCE: November 1st
Traditional Service - 197
No Sunday School

OFFERING: $ 6,118.00

Online Donations For The Month Of October: $15,877.00

God Pause

Devotion

One year when this text from the Gospel of Matthew came up in the lectionary, I dressed up as the 10th bridesmaid for my sermon. I bought a size 6 shocking pink, satin prom dress at Goodwill. I cut the front from the back and pinned it to my shirt and pants. I came into the chancel saying, "Always a bridesmaid, never a bride" in my best New York accent! I turned sideways showing the 8" gap and stated, "I don't think I was their first choice!" I then confessed I had missed the bridegroom's arrival! I had one job as the 10th bridesmaid and that was to keep my lamp lit! However, I was so worried about how I looked that I failed to reflect on the most important thing! How do we miss the bridegroom Jesus as the most important thing in our lives?

Prayer

Gracious and loving God. We often get so distracted in our lives that we fail to pray and praise you. We get too busy for worship when it is usually exactly what we need. Be with your children throughout their seasons of life with never enough time. Surround me and others this day in what we need to keep our lamps burning. Amen.

Rev. Dr. Meredith Bedker Musaus, '86
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Sunday, November 8th, 2026
Welcome to our Traditional Worship Service on this Twenty-Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, November 8th
9:30 AM - Traditional Service
11:00 AM - Family Service
Sunday School

Monday, November 9th
9:30 - SEELS
6:30 - Junior and Senior Youth

Tuesday, November 10th
7:00 PM - Council Meeting

Wednesday, November 11th (Remembrance Day)
7:00 AM - Remembrance Day Ceremonies - SouthEast Event Centre
8:30 AM - Morning Prayer
9:30 AM - SEELS
6:30 PM - Young Adults
7:00 PM - Scouts
7:00 PM - Pioneer Girls
7:00 PM - Bible Study

Sunday, November 15th
9:30 AM - Traditional Service
11:00 AM - Family 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** today. 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.

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— not the result of works, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9

Twenty-Fourth Sunday of Pentecost
November 8th, 2026

Welcome & Announcements

Temple Talk

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: 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: *"Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"* **#244**

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

C: Amen.

Kyrie – 203 Hymnbook

Gloria – 204 Hymnbook

Prayer of the Day

L: O God of justice and love,

C: You illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God's Word: Seppo Haapamaki

First Reading: Amos 5:18-24

18 Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord! Why do you
want the day of the Lord? It is darkness, not light, 19 as if
someone fled from a lion and was met by a bear or went
into the house and rested a hand against the wall and was
bitten by a snake. 20 Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not
light, and gloom with no brightness in it? 21 I hate, I despise
your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn
assemblies. 22 Even though you offer me your burnt offerings
and grain offerings, I will not accept them, and the offerings
of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. 23
Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen
to the melody of your harps. 24 But let justice roll down like
water and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 70

L: Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; O Lord, make haste to help me.

C: Let those who seek my life be put to shame and confounded; let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be disgraced.

L: Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back because of their shame.

C: Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; let those who love your salvation say forever, "Great is the Lord!"

L: But as for me, I am poor and needy; come to me quickly, O God. You are my helper and my deliverer; O Lord, do not tarry.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

13 We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and
sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not
grieve as others do who have no hope. 14 For since we
believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through
Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. 15 For
this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we
who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will
by no means precede those who have died. 16 For the Lord
himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call
and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from
heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we
who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds
together with them to meet the Lord in the air, and so we
will be with the Lord forever. 18 Therefore encourage one
another with these words.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: Hymnbook – p. 205

Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] 1 "Then the kingdom of
heaven will be like this. Ten young women took their
lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. 2 Five of them
were foolish, and five were wise. 3 When the foolish took
their lamps, they took no oil with them, 4 but the wise took
flasks of oil with their lamps. 5 As the bridegroom was
delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. 6 But at
midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the
bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' 7 Then all those
young women got up and trimmed their lamps. 8 The
foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our
lamps are going out.' 9 But the wise replied, 'No! there will
not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the
dealers and buy some for yourselves.' 10 And while they
went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were
ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and the
door was shut. 11 Later the other young women came
also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' 12 But he replied,
'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' 13 Keep awake,
therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

L: The gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

Hymn of the Day: *"Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding"* **#246 (sung to tune 696)**

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Doxology - #884

Offertory Prayer

L: Let us pray together,

C: Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving – p. 129

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give our 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. Who, in the multitude of your saints, has surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us, and together with them may receive the crown of glory never faces. 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:

C: (sung) **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, 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, an gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in 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.

C: Amen.

Invitation to Communion

L: In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in. Come, receive what Christ has prepared.

Communion Songs:

"For The Bread Which You Have Broken" **#494**
"When Peace Like A River" **#785**
"Just A Closer Walk With Thee" **#697**
"Higher Ground"
"Beautiful Savior" **#838**

Blessing

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

Post-Communion Prayer

L: Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The Benediction

L: The holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always.

C: Amen.

Sending Song: *"Soon And Very Soon"* **#439**

Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Encourage one another.

C: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER REMINDERS

In your prayers this week, please remember: Mario & Kayla Dupont, Dalia Dyck, Alvin Fender, Chris Funk, Ed Harder, Tina Heckert, The family of Marcia Henzel, Phyllis Hood, Linda James, Pastor Debra Johnston, Gail Karman, Val & Nathan Kehler, Ruth Ketler, Emily Klassen, Paul Kletke, Amanda Lanteigne, Vera Lohr, Ed & Ellie Lowen, Pastor Al Maier, Rick Martins, Gordon & Iris Pylypjuk, Helmuth Renz, Phyllis Sawatzky, Tony Sawatzky, Peter Sawatzky, Ray Schalla, Shauna Sobering, Khrista Vogt, Mary Wiebe, Kathy Wintoniw (Abby & Julia), and Bishop Geoff Woodcroft.

IN LOVING MEMORY

A Memorial Donation has been made by Judy Nobles in loving memory of **Marcia Henzel,** who passed away on October 30, 2026. *"Marcia will live on in the hearts of her family, her friends, and those whose lives she touched. She will be missed."*

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who made our All Saints' Day service and Soup and Pie fellowship so meaningful. We are blessed by our volunteers who enrich our common life!

ADVENT

Begins Sunday, November 29. Join us as we prepare for a Royal Appointment.

MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP SERVICES

Midweek Advent Worship Services, "The Angels of Advent" will take place **December 2, 9, and 16 at 7:00pm**. Join us as we reflect on God's Word to Zechariah, Joseph and Mary.

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS CHOIR

If you love to sing, please come and join the choir. We will be singing each Sunday in Advent and on Christmas Eve. Practice is every Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. starting on November 4th.

THE MITTEN TREE

The "Mitten Tree" is up again and waiting to be wrapped in your warmth of decorations. Greatly needed are mitts, toques, gloves, scarves, socks, sweaters and jackets. Personal hygiene items are also very welcome. These donations will once again support the Steinbach Community Outreach and Winnipeg Urban Missions Project. Donations may be dropped off at the Church office or placed at the Mitten Tree display. Any questions, please check with the office or contact Marilyn Engel at 204-326-6504.