#### **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.

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: 10am to 2pm, Monday to Friday



## **Borning Cry #732**

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.

I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well; in a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on; you were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.

If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun.

In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.

When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes, I'll be there as I have always been, with just one more surprise.

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.

Text and music © 1985 - John C. Ylvisaker

Sabbath Keeping is life-giving. God calls to us, in every moment, for every moment, with love, strength and peace. John Ylvisaker's "Borning Cry" carries the echo of the very same reminder for God's people in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit. "Remember I am with you. Remember I have always been with you. Remember I will always be with you." John Ylvisaker's verses recount important pieces of our personal story in much the same way God's command to Sabbath Keeping touches the faith community's history. "Do not forget who you are," is God's promise and command. "Do not forget whose you are; you are mine. Always. Forever." Sabbath Keeping unfolds our lives in Christ. God rejoices to be there for it all. We cry when we are born. We cry (in a different way) in the new birth of Baptism. God lives in each tear drop. Sabbath Keeping folds Christ into our lives, and the Spirit always breathes with and in us. God rejoices with each breath and always has "just one more surprise."

Remind us Lord of Song and Love, of the wonder of your love in each moment of our lives in you. May each Sabbath, daily and weekly, be alive with your promise. Keep us, our Creator, Saviour, and Guide. The truth of your abiding presence is indeed a wondrous surprise! Amen.

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# Sunday, June 9th, 2024 Welcome to our Family Worship Service On this III Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, June 9th 10am - Service Annual Church Picnic

Tuesday, June 11th 7pm - Council Meeting

Sunday, June 16th 9:30 - Service 10am - Worship in the City

Sunday, June 23rd 10am - Service Farewell for Pastor Annemarie & Bishop Smith

Sunday, June 30th 10am - Service

Sunday, July 7th 10am - Service

Tuesday, July 9th 7pm - Council Meeting



#### HOLY COMMUNION

od 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 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST June 9th, 2024

#### **Welcome & Announcements**

Gathering Song: "Light the Fire Again"

Gathering: Psalm 130

L: Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;

- C: O LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.
- L: If you were to keep watch over sins, O LORD, who could stand?
- C: Yet with you is forgiveness, in order that you may be feared.
- L: I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits; in your word is my hope.
- C: My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning, more than those who keep watch for the morning.
- L: O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love; with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.
- C: For the LORD shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

- L: Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from sin and turn to the Lord, confessing our sins in repentance and faith.
- C: Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.
- L: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with heartfelt repentance and true faith turn to him: have mercy on *you*, pardon and deliver *you* from all *your* sins, confirm and strengthen *you* in all goodness, and bring *you* to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.

#### Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray. All-powerful God,

C: in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

**The Sunday School Singers** 

GOD'S WORD Sylvia Nilsson-Barkman

#### FIRST READING: Genesis 3:8-15

<sup>8</sup>[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I

ate." <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." <sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. <sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

- L: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

#### SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1

with scripture - "I believed, and so I spoke" - we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. <sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. <sup>5:1</sup>For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

- L: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

#### **HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35**

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus went home;] 20 and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man: then indeed the house can be plundered. <sup>28</sup>"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin" - 30 for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." 31 Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and7 they said to him. "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." <sup>33</sup>And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

- L: The Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

#### MESSAGE

Song: "Everlasting"

**Apostles Creed** 

**Prayers of the People** 

**Sharing of the Peace** 

#### Offering

#### Offertory Prayer

- L: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty.
- C: Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

#### The Table

- L: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- L: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift then 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 raise...
- C: (sung) Holy, Holy, Holy Lord...

#### **Words of Institution**

L: Holy Father, with your Holy Spirit and Word, bless and sanctify your gifts of bread and wine that they may be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

#### The Lord's Prayer

#### **Invitation to Communion**

L: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

#### **Communion Songs**

"Be Thou My Vision"
"All Who Are Thirsty"
"Come as You Are"
"I Love You Lord"
"Create in Me A Clean Heart"

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

- L: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.
- C: Amen.

#### Benediction

- L: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be upon you now and forever.
- C: Amen.

Sending Song: "Barocha"

#### Dismissal

- L: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
- C: Thanks be to God.

#### PRAYER REMINDERS

In your prayers this week, please remember:
Cari Doerksen, Adelaide Freund, Lorna Freund, Chris Funk, Janet Harder, Tina Heckert, Herta Kihn, Marlene Klassen, Ruby Myran, Ray Schalla, Eric Nadeau & Amber Sobering, Arabella Teetaert & Jaxon

Schirrmeister, Helmuth Renz, and Khrista Vogt.

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#### FAREWELL

Please plan on joining us after service on June 23rd for coffee and goodies as we say farewell and thank you to Pastor Annemarie for serving as our interim pastor and Bishop Smith for providing home visitations. Both have provided wonderful services to us all and we need to offer our gratitude!

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Volunteers able to weed at St. John's Cemetery are needed! Any help, big or small, will help. Please let the office know if you are able to help. If no one steps up, everything will be converted to grass again.

#### **LADIES TUBING**



Attention ladies!! Summer is upon us and it is time to prepare for the next grand tubing adventure! Keep an eye out for the sign up sheet and reserve Thursday, July 4th on your calendar. All who have participated in this in the past have had a fantastic

time, so come join the fun!

#### **SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE**

Our summer schedule starts June 23rd with one service at 10am. Service styles will alternate as musicians are available.

#### **FALL PLANNING**

Would you or your children like to be more involved in our corporate worship? Our 11:00 Family Service is looking for people to help lead us in praise and thanksgiving when our services resume in September. We're looking for musicians and singers, altar servers, Scripture readers, and intercessors (to lead the prayers of the people). Are you interested? Do you know someone who may be? Are you over 8 years old (6 with parental participation)? Training is provided! Please contact the office or speak to Pastor Tim.

#### **FALL KICKOFF!**

Yes, we are already planning for the next school year!!! Our Fall Kickoff event with the Blessing of the Backpacks will be on Sunday, September 8th with service starting at 10am! Mark it on your calendars and plan on attending! Our regular "winter" schedule will resume the following week on September 15th with 2 ser-

vices, confirmation class and Sunday School.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTRUCTORS

Love kids? Want to get involved somehow? Please consider being one of our intrepid Sunday School Instructors this fall! The goal is to have enough people in place that you get the opportunity to worship at the 9:30 service several times a month. If you want to take on a class full time, there is the 11am service to worship at as well! You don't need a teaching degree, just a heart for kids and the Gospel!

#### **VISITATION**

If you are homebound or in the hospital or know of someone who is and would like to receive visits from our Visitation Team or receive communion at home, please call Jen in the office and she'll make sure you are on the list!

#### **OFFICE INFORMATION**

Please have all announcements in to the office by Thursdays at 10am if you want them in the bulletin for the upcoming Sunday. Bulletins are being printed at 11am on Thursdays so don't miss the boat! If you have events or meetings to go on the monthly calendar, get them to the office the Wednesday before the last Sunday of the month.

#### THANK YOU DEPARTMENT

Thank you to all who have assisted with the service today.

ATTENDANCE: June 2, 2024 Traditional - 146 Contemporary - 51 Sunday School - 32 students, 6 teachers

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