

## 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.

**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!

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

**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 printed by 11am on Thursdays. 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.

**Office Hours:** 10am to 2pm, Monday to Friday



### Holy Spirit, Truth Divine #398

Holy Spirit, truth divine, dawn upon this soul of mine;  
breath of God and inward light, wake my spirit, clear my sight.

Holy Spirit, love divine, glow within this heart of mine;  
kindle ev'ry high desire; purge me with your holy fire.

Holy Spirit, pow'r divine, fortify this will of mine;  
by your will I strongly live, bravely bear and nobly strive.

Holy Spirit, peace divine, still this restless heart of mine;  
speak to calm this tossing sea, stayed in your tranquility.

Holy Spirit, right divine, king within my conscience reign;  
be my guide, and I shall be firmly bound, forever free.

Text: Samuel Longfellow; Music: Orland Gibbons; Public Domain

### Devotion

This hymn describes the many gifts of the Holy Spirit and invites us to turn to the Spirit for guidance in many of life's difficult situations. The author knows that many of the things that Jesus does for us, the Holy Spirit does for us as well, and that much of what we do through the Holy Spirit does not make sense in this world. The final line, for example, speaks of having the Spirit as guide as being bound and at the same time free. The Holy Spirit blows where it will. The Spirit moves in and through us beyond our expectations to lighten our load in so many ways, if only we will let it be so. The Holy Spirit gives us what we most need—clears our sight, gives us truth, calms our fears, and so much more! The Holy Spirit helps us to think more like God!

### Prayer

O Holy Spirit, guide us and help us to see the world as you would have us see it. Make what is important to you important to us. Amen.

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## Sunday, June 30th, 2024 Welcome to our Traditional Worship Service On this VI Sunday of Easter

Sunday, June 30th  
10am - Service

Thursday, July 4th  
9am - Ladies Tubing Adventure

Sunday, July 7th  
10am - Service

Tuesday, July 9th  
7pm - Council Meeting

Sunday, July 14th  
10am - 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.

ATTENDANCE: June 23, 2024  
Service: 112

OFFERING: \$2105



### 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 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## JUNE 30TH, 2024

### Welcome & Announcements

#### Confession and 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: Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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 neighbours as ourselves. 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.**

L: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

#### Gathering Song

*"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" #834*

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: Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people.

C: **Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

GOD'S WORD *Dayna Freund*

#### FIRST READING: Lamentations 3:22-33

<sup>22</sup>The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; <sup>23</sup>they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. <sup>24</sup>"The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." <sup>25</sup>The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. <sup>26</sup>It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. <sup>27</sup>It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, <sup>28</sup>to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, <sup>29</sup>to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), <sup>30</sup>to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults. <sup>31</sup>For the Lord will not reject forever. <sup>32</sup>Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; <sup>33</sup>for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

#### RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 30

L: I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

C: **O LORD my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.**

L: You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

C: **Sing praise to the LORD, all you faithful; give thanks in holy remembrance.**

L: God's wrath is short; God's favour lasts a lifetime. Weeping spends the night, but joy comes in the morning.

C: **While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed.**

L: You, LORD, with your favour, made me as strong as the mountains." Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.

C: **I cried to you, O LORD; I pleaded with my Lord, saying,**

L: "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?"

C: **Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; O LORD, be my helper."**

L: You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.

C: **Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever.**

#### SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

<sup>7</sup>Now as you excel in everything - in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you - so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. <sup>8</sup>I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. <sup>9</sup>For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. <sup>10</sup>And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something - <sup>11</sup>now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. <sup>12</sup>For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has - not according to what one does not have. <sup>13</sup>I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between <sup>14</sup>your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. <sup>15</sup>As it is written, "The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia" - p. 205

**Alleluia! Lord and Saviour,  
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: Mark 5:21-43

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

<sup>21</sup>When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. <sup>22</sup>Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet <sup>23</sup>and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." <sup>24</sup>So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. <sup>25</sup>Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. <sup>26</sup>She had

endured much under many physicians and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. <sup>27</sup>She had heard about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, <sup>28</sup>for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." <sup>29</sup>Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. <sup>30</sup>Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" <sup>31</sup>And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" <sup>32</sup>He looked all around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup>But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup>He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace and be healed of your disease." <sup>35</sup>While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" <sup>36</sup>But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." <sup>37</sup>He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. <sup>38</sup>When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. <sup>39</sup>When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." <sup>40</sup>And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. <sup>41</sup>He took her by the hand and said to her, "*Talitha cum,*" which means, "Little girl, get up!" <sup>42</sup>And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. <sup>43</sup>He strictly ordered them that no one should know this and told them to give her something to eat.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

#### MESSAGE

#### Hymn of the Day

*"We Come to You for Healing" #617*

#### Apostles Creed

#### Prayers of the People

#### Sharing of the Peace

Doxology - #884

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER:

L: Let us pray together:

C: **Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. 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 Great Thanksgiving - p. 206-207

The Lord's Prayer - p. 208

#### Invitation to Communion

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

#### Communion Hymns

*"Nothing But the Blood"*

*"There is a Redeemer"*

*"Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil" 2x*

*"To The River"*

*"Jesus Paid it All"*

#### 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.**

#### The Blessing

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

C: **Amen.**

#### Sending Hymn

*"Christ is Made the Sure Foundation" #645*

#### 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 Teeaert & Jaxon Schirrmeister, Helmuth Renz, and Khrista Vogt.

#### MEMORIAL DONATIONS

We have received memorial donations from Ray & Flora Schalla in loving memory of Ray's uncle **Peter Harder** (June 12, 2021), aunt **Ann Vogt** (June 15, 2006) and uncle **John Vogt** (November 6, 2004).

We have also received a memorial donation in honour of **Gord Topnik** (July 1, 2017) from his loving wife Ruth and family. *"Gone are the days we used to share, but in our hearts you are always there."*

#### LADIES TUBING

Attention ladies!! Today is the last day to get your name down for Thursday's tubing event! Sign up is by the office. We will leave the church around 9am and return between 5 & 6pm. Bring a picnic lunch, swimsuit, towel, lawn chair etc. All who have participated in this in the past have had a fantastic time, so come join the fun! Cost is approximately \$25 plus help out with parking fees.



#### 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 services, 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!