



**ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY**  
 Wednesdays this Fall, beginning on September 11 and running until November 27, Pastor Tim will take any who are interested through Luther's Small Catechism. Are you new to St. Paul's? Are you interested in preparing for baptism for your child(ren) or for yourself? Would you like to affirm or reaffirm your baptismal vows? Would you like to learn more about Christian faith in general or the Lutheran branch of its family tree in particular? Watch for a sign up sheet outside the office and let us know if you can join us! Feel free to invite a friend, too.



# ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF STEINBACH INC.

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## Sunday, July 14th, 2024 Welcome to our Traditional Worship Service On this VIII Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 14th  
 10am - Service

Sunday, July 21st  
 10am - Service

Sunday, July 28th  
 10am - Service

Sunday, August 4th  
 10am - Service

Sunday, August 11th  
 10am - Service

Tuesday, August 13th  
 7pm - Council Meeting

Sunday, August 18th  
 10am - Service with Baptism

**ATTENDANCE: July 7, 2024**  
 Service - 139

**OFFERING: \$5415**



### 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!**

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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



# THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 14TH, 2024

## Welcome & Announcements

### Thanksgiving for Baptism

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 Saviour 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

*"Lead on O King Eternal" #805*

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 - #155

Canticle of Praise - #162

### Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray together:

C: **O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

GOD'S WORD *Ralph Krentz*

### FIRST READING: Amos 7:7-15

<sup>7</sup>This is what [the Lord GOD] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; <sup>9</sup>the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." <sup>10</sup>Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. <sup>11</sup>For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the

sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" <sup>12</sup>And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; <sup>13</sup>but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." <sup>14</sup>Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, <sup>15</sup>and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 85:8-13

L: I will listen to what the LORD God is saying; for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

C: **Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you, that your glory may dwell in our land.**

L: Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

C: **Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

L: The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.

C: **Righteousness shall go before the LORD and shall prepare for God a pathway.**

### SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:3-14

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. <sup>5</sup>He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace <sup>8</sup>that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. <sup>11</sup>In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup>so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup>this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Acclamation: #168 (sung)

C: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

L: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may know the hope to which God has called us.

C: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

### HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 6:14-29

C: **Glorify to you, O Lord**

<sup>14</sup>King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason, these powers are at work in him." <sup>15</sup>But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." <sup>16</sup>But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded,

has been raised." <sup>17</sup>For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. <sup>18</sup>For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." <sup>19</sup>And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to kill him. But she could not, <sup>20</sup>for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. <sup>21</sup>But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. <sup>22</sup>When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." <sup>23</sup>And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." <sup>24</sup>She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." <sup>25</sup>Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." <sup>26</sup>The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. <sup>27</sup>Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, <sup>28</sup>brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. <sup>29</sup>When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

L: The gospel of the Lord.

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

### Gospel Acclamation: #168 (sung)

C: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

### MESSAGE

### Hymn of the Day

*"Let Justice Flow" #717*

### Apostles Creed

### Prayers of the People

### Sharing of the Peace

### Offering

### Doxology - #884

### Offertory Prayer:

L: Let us pray together:

C: **Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving - p. 129

Words of Institution - p. 130

The Lord's Prayer - p. 134

### Invitation to Communion

L: The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

### Communion Hymns

*"Now We Join in Celebration" #462*

*"I Am The Bread of Life" #485*

*"When Peace Like a River" #785*

*"The Old Rugged Cross"*

### Post-Communion Prayer

L: Let us pray, God of abundance, with this bread of life and

cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

### The Blessing

L: Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

### Sending Hymn


*"Come Follow Me My Savior Spake" #799*

### Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Share the good news!

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, Helmuth Renz, and Khrista Vogt.

### ALTAR FLOWERS AND BULLETIN

The flowers on the altar and today's bulletin have been donated by Angeline Mensch and family in loving memory of **Arthur Mensch** (July 15, 2018), beloved husband, brother, father and grandfather. We miss you Papa! *"Beautiful thoughts of one so dear, treasured forever with love sincere."*

### MEMORIAL DONATION

We have received a memorial donation in loving memory of Marie Malkoske and her brother Don Steiner from Phyllis Hood. *"Sincere and kind in heart and mind, what a beautiful memory they left behind."*

### 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!

### THANK YOU!

To all who have participated in today's service!