



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 21st, 2024 Welcome to our Family Worship Service On this IX Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 21st
 10am - Service

Sunday, July 28th
 10am - Service
 Family Fun Day

Sunday, August 4th
 10am - Service

Sunday, August 11th
 10am - Service

Tuesday, August 13th
 7pm - Council Meeting

Sunday, August 18th
 10am - Service with Baptism

Sunday, August 25th
 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.

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 NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 21ST, 2024

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering Song: "All Are Welcome"

Gathering: Psalm 23

L: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

C: The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

L: You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

C: Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

L: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

C: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Come, Holy Spirit of God,

C: and search our hearts with the light of Christ.

L: Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

C: Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Silence for Reflection

L: Come, let us return to the Lord and say:

C: Lord our God, in our sin we have avoided your call. Our love for you is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. Have mercy on us; deliver us from judgement; bind up our wounds and revive us; in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

L: May almighty God, who sent his Son into the world to save sinners, bring you his pardon and peace, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray together,

C: O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

Children's Lesson

Song: "Be the Centre"

GOD'S WORD Jessica Hussein

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself

will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. ⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" - a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands - ¹²remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. ⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

Song: "O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer"

Apostles Creed

Prayers of the People

Sharing of the Peace

Prayer of Blessing

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 Thanksgiving

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: With joy we praise you, gracious Father, for you have created heaven and earth, made us in your image, and kept covenant with us - even when we fell into sin. We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by his life, death, and resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.

Song: "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord"

L: On the night in which he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, he took the cup after supper and said, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this in remembrance of me." For whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Therefore we proclaim our faith:

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

L: Lord, our God, send your Holy Spirit so that this bread and cup may be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. May we and all your saints be united with Christ and remain faithful in hope and love. Gather your whole church, O Lord, into the glory of your kingdom.

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Songs

"This Is Our God"

"Oceans"

"Lord I Need You"

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, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Song: "The Joy of the Lord"

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, Helmuth Renz, and Khrista Vogt.

BULLETIN SPONSOR

Today's bulletin has been sponsored by Irene Schmidtke, Lisa & Dennis Friesen and Keith & Kara Janzen and families in loving memory of husband, father and grandfather **Alan Schmidtke** (July 24, 1983). *Gone are the days we used to share, but in our hearts you are always there.*"

MEMORIAL DONATION

We have received a memorial donation in loving memory of **Susie Schalla** (July 17, 2010) from her children Susan Nickel and Ray & Flora Schalla. *"In our hearts your memory lingers, always tender, fond and true."*

WORSHIP TRAINING DAY

If you or your children would like to contribute to our worship at the 11:00 service, please save Saturday, September 14 for a half-day training retreat. We'll begin at 10:30 with opening worship and a talk from Pastor Tim on why Lutheran worship looks the way it does. We'll break at noon for lunch (provided). From 12:30-1:45, we'll gather in groups for specific training. You can sign up for tech support, ushering, music, reading scripture (lectors), praying (intercessors), and altar service (to help with communion). Children 8 years of age and older are welcome; 6-7, with an accompanying adult. Sign up sheets are posted outside the Office

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!



**ATTENDANCE: July 14, 2024
Service - 109**

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