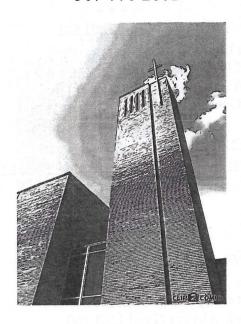
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September 17, 2023

+Order of Service+ September 17, 2023 16th Sunday after Pentecost Divine Service Setting One LSB 151

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Opening Hymn: Come Down O Love Divine LSB 501

Confession and Absolution LSB 151

Introit, Kyrie, and Hymn of Praise LSB 152 ff.

Collect of the Day LSB 156

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 50:15-21

Epistle: Romans 14:1-12

Holy Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

Hymn of the Day: If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee LSB 750

Sermon Creed

Prayers of the Church

Offertory

Communion Liturgy LSB 160

Distribution Hymns:

I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table LSB 618 What God Ordains is Always Good LSB 760 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence LSB 621

Nunc Dimittis LSB 164 Concluding Liturgy LSB 166

Closing Hymn: Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us LSB 851

September 10, 2023 Of Our Time: 166 Communion: 97 Giving: \$ 3,470.00 Introit Ps. 2:6-7; Ps. 117; antiphon: Ps. 115:18 Introit Ps. 143:1-2; antiphon Ps. 143:9
Deliver me from my enemies, | O LORD!

I have fled to you for | refuge.

Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for | mercy! In your faithfulness answer me, in your | righteousness! Enter not into judgment with your | servant,

Enter not into judgment with your | servant, for no one living is righteous be- | fore you.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Deliver me from my enemies, | O LORD! I have fled to you for | refuge.

IN YOUR DAILY PRAYERS REMEMBER

+ Matthew Sieg, song of Lee and Beth Sieg who is battling cancer, Audrey Becker, Shauna Gunnink, Duane Danner, Lois Camelin,

Gladys Belgard, DeLaine Krenz, Dick Eckmann, Alania Jans, Pastor Fretham, Terry Bentele, Brandi Stohs, Cliff Dobie, Gloria Drevlow, Marsha Miller, Carol Ritz, Ron Schultz, Larye Anderson, Shari Voit +Our Shut-Ins: Jo Rusert, RoseMary Kasten, Janis Olson,

-Ins: Jo Rusert, RoseMary Kasten, Janis Olso June Mausling, Mary Breitbarth.

+ Our Servicemen: Mike Hintz, Lance Halverson, Josh Rusert, Duane Cox, Andrew Reed, Cade Hotzler.

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 50:15-21

When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." (16) So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died: (17) 'Say to Joseph, "Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you." And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. (18) His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." (19) But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? (20) As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. (21) So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

Epistle Romans 14:1-12

As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. (2) One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. (3) Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. (4) Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand. (5) One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. (6) The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. (7) For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. (8) For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. (9) For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. (10) Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; (11) for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God." (12) So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

Gospel Matthew 18:21-35

Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" (22) Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times. (23) "Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. (24) When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. (25) And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment

to be made. (26) So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' (27) And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. (28) But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' (29) So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' (30) He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. (31) When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. (32) Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. (33) And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' (34) And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. (35) So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

Sunday School 2023-2024

Preschool & Kindergarten

Room 1

Teacher - Norah Chase

Ben Chase

Bruce Curtis

Isabella Brammeier

Henry Stohs

Samuel Schwichtenberg

Cecelia Geistfeld

Grades 1 - 3

Room 3

Teacher - Mary Freeman

Owen Stohs

Henry Wedel

Aurora Curtis

Aleigha Freeman

Audrey Wedel

Marta Chase

Katie Schofield

Liam Stohs

Henry Slabbert

Grades 4-6

Room 4

Teacher - McKenzie Weihe

Liam Freeman

Annie Chase

Alexis Brammeier

Ryan Schofield

Peyton Stohs

Esmé Slabbert

Olivia Slabbert

Grades 7& 8

Room 6

Teacher - Randy Miller

Aaron Chase

Maggie Chase

Shelby Kitzerow

Owen Wedel

Olivia Wedel

Jack Schofield

FALL MISSION Gathering by Lutheran Women in Mission

When: Sunday, October 1, 2023

1:00 PM – Registration (\$5.00)

1:30 PM - Program followed by Dessert, Coffee and Fellowship

Where: St. James Lutheran Church, Northrop, MN

Speaker: Stan Tordsen - Short Term Missionary for LCMS

Program - "English Conversation Partners"

<u>WHEN THE</u> waters rise and enemies attack, the high ground is the place of safety and security. But who will take us there? September 24 Message: "High Ground" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler speaks on WCCO (830): 6.05 AM and KSUM (1370): 11:00 AM.

TODAY ST. PAUL'S will have a potluck for new members. These are the new members: Dan, Jen, Olivia, Owen, Audrey, Henry Wedel Jared, Shannon, Samuel, Everett Schwichtenberg Justin, Alexis, Isabella, Hudson Brammeier Alfred, Sarah, Aurora, Bruce, Violet Curtis Hannes, Allison, Olivia, Esme, Henry Slabbert Hailey Krenz Jim Miedtke

<u>Needed</u> - The 5th & 6th grade classroom will be collecting clean, plastic caps of all shapes, sizes and colors. Some examples are milk caps, orange juice caps, old glue stick caps, pop bottles, or old dried out marker caps. Please make sure that they are clean and dried and please - no metal caps or lids.

Lutheran Schools Book Club: Everyone is invited to join in a quarterly book club in which we will read a book each quarter (12 weeks) of the calendar year. Each book will be hosted by a Lutheran School. The first book will be "Gods and Kings" by Lynn Austin and hosted by Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School. It will be "assigned" from September – November. Future books will be announced. We will host discussions at the mid-way point in mid October and a final discussion in late November: specific dates to be determined. Please RSVP your interest in participation and/or any questions you may have to: paulsteinhaus@martinlutherhs.com.

EVEFRYONE IS invited to attend "Marriage Date Night" at the Fairmont Opera House on Saturday, October 14 at 6:00 p.m. The event is presented by Extreme Faith Productions and sponsored by Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School, Northrop. The evening will be a night of laughter, music, and enrichment designed for couples. For more information and to purchase tickets go to www.martinlutherhs.com-marriage-date-night. (See More information on the bulletin board.)

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

	THE THEFT SETTEMENT				
Sun.	Sept.	17	9:00	Divine Service & Holy Communion	
	-		10:15	Adult Bible Study	
				Sunday School begins	
			11:30	New Member Potluck	
Tues.	Sept.	19	10:00	Women's Bible Study	
Wed.	Sept.	20	10:00	Chapel	
			3:00	Bulletin Announcements Due	
				Office Closed	
Sun.	Sept.	24	9:00	Divine Service & Holy Communion	
	•		10:15	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	

Organist:	09/17 Juleen 09/24 Juleen 10/02 Sylvia/Olivia				
Ushers:					
9/17	Lonnie Smith, Elliot Belgard, Randy Miller, Glenn Kubly				
9/24	Larry Hintz, Jeff Hoppe, Lowell Boesch, Ken Urban				
10/02	Scott Halverson, Randy Miller, John Matasovsky, Skip Henton, Wade Krenz,				
	Gerald Urban, Ken Urban				

Our Visitors

We welcome you to the Divine Service. May the Lord Jesus bless you through His Word preached, spoken, sung and given in the Sacraments. We believe that the Bible is the Word of God and therefore it is without error. We believe that Jesus Christ is true God, together with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Further, we believe that Jesus Christ atoned for all the world's sins and that we are saved alone by God's undeserved love. Scripture teaches that God declared the whole world to be righteous in Christ's crucifixion and resurrection. For Christ's sake He justifies those who believe in Jesus and trust in God's forgiveness in the blood of The Crucified One.

Holy Communion

Scripture declares that in the Sacrament of the Altar each communicant receives the body and blood of Christ to eat and to drink with the mouth of their bodies. Communicants who believe this receive forgiveness of sins, those who don't eat and drink judgement unto themselves. Communion also is a confession of oneness of the Faith we are baptized into, is preached in our pulpit, and summarized in the Small Catechism. Sadly, since these clear doctrines of The Holy Bible are not accepted by all Christian denominations, we continue the historic Christian practice of Closed Communion. We request that anyone who is not a communicant member of the LC-MS please

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