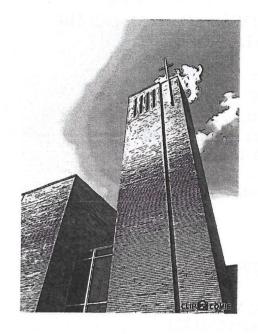
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September 24, 2023

+Order of Service+
September 24, 2023
17th Sunday after Pentecost
Divine Service Setting Three
LSB 184

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Opening Hymn: Baptismal Waters Cover Me LSB 616

Confession and Absolution LSB 184

Introit and Kyrie LSB 186 Gloria In Excelsis LSB 187 Collect of the Day LSB 189

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 55:6-9 Epistle Reading Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30

Holy Gospel Matthew 20:1-16

Creed

Hymn of the Day: Come unto Me, Ye Weary LSB 684

Sermon
Offertory
Prayers of

Prayers of the Church

Communion Liturgy LSB 194

Distribution Hymns

Jesus Comes Today with Healing LSB 620 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus LSB 821

Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior LSB 619

Nunc Dimittis and Concluding Liturgy LSB 199

Closing Hymn: Almighty Father Bless the Word LSB 923

<u>September 17, 2023</u>

Of Our Time: 89 Communion: 67 Giving: \$ 3,758.00 Introit Ps. 116:12–13, 15–16; antiphon: Ps. 116:17

I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanks- | giving*

and call on the name | of the LORD.

What shall I render | to the LORD*

for all his bene- | fits to me?

I will lift up the cup of sal- | vation*

and call on the name | of the LORD,

Precious in the sight | of the LORD*

is the death | of his saints.

O LORD, I am your | servant;*

I am your servant, the son of your maidservant. You have | loosed my bonds.

I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanks- | giving*

and call on the name | of the LORD.

IN YOUR DAILY PRAYERS REMEMBER

+ Matthew Sieg, 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, June Mausling, Mary Breitbarth.
 + Our Servicemen: Mike Hintz, Lance Halverson, Josh Rusert, Duane Cox, Andrew Reed, Cade Hotzler.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 55:6-9

"Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; (7) let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. (8) For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. (9) For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Epistle

Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30

I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, (13) so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. (14) And most of the brothers, having become

confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear. (19) for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, (20) as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. (21) For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. (22) If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. (23) I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. (24) But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. (25) Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, (26) so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again. (27) Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, (28) and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. (29) For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, (30) engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Gospel Matthew 20:1-16

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. (2) After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. (3) And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, (4) and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' (5) So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. (6) And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' (7) They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' (8) And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' (9) And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. (10) Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. (11) And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, (12) saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' (13) But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? (14) Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. (15) Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' (16) So the last will be first, and the first last."

WHEN LIFE becomes a bewildering maze, Jesus is our way through and our way out. October 1 Message: "The Way Through the Maze" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dean Nadasdy speaks on WCCO (830): 6.05 AM and KSUM (1370): 11:00 AM.

<u>THE GYM</u> is finished, and the bill has been paid. Thank you to everyone who donated to the floor. The girls played Volleyball on it last week.

<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.

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"

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.)

<u>MLHS SENIORS</u> will be selling Watkins products until Monday, October 23. Delivery date is November 8. Contact the school for a catalog. Either contact the school at 507-436-5249 or one of the Seniors to order items.

<u>THE MARTIN</u> Luther Jr/Sr High School Association Delegate Meeting will be held on Sunday, October 15th at 1:00 in the Music Room. All Delegates, Pastors and interested parties are welcome to attend.

THE FALL Rummage and Bake Sale will be held at Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School Thursday-Saturday, October 19-21. Donations of fall and winter clothing in good condition and household items will be accepted beginning Saturday, October 14th until noon on October 18. We welcome garden produce, plants and baked goods also. Volunteer helpers are invited to assist with set up, work the sale, and take down. Thank you!

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

Sun.	Sept.	24	9:00	Divine Service & Holy Communion
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Tues.	Sept.	26	10:00	Women's Bible Study
Wed.	Sept.	27	10:00	Chapel
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Sun.	Oct.	1		Divine Service & Holy Communion
			10:15	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study

Organist:	09/24 Juleen 10/02 Sylvia/Olivia 10/08 Heidi				
Ushers:					
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				
10/08	Kerry Krenz, Sawyer Krenz, Cade Ekstrom, Alex Weihe, Cade Hotzler				

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 speak with our Pastor or an elder before the service and join our congregation in singing hymns during the distribution. Membership classes are offered.