

+Order of Service+
October 1, 2023
18th Sunday after Pentecost
Setting 4
LSB 203

Opening Hymn: **Christ is Made the Sure Foundation** LSB 909

Confession and Absolution LSB 204

Kyrie and Gloria in Excelsis LSB 204

Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

Epistle: Philippians 2:14, 14-18

Holy Gospel: Matthew 21:23-37

Creed

Hymn of the Day **Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word** LSB 655

Sermon

Offering

Prayers of the Church

Communion Liturgy LSB 208

Distribution Hymns:

Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared LSB 622

The Law of God is Good and Wise LSB 579

The Infant Priest Was Holy Born LSB 624

Nunc Dimittis LSB 211

Concluding Liturgy LSB 212

Closing Hymn: **The Advent of Our King** LSB 331

September 24, 2023

Of Our Time: 111

Communion: 78

Giving: \$ 5,542.00

Introit –Ps. 147:1–5; *antiphon: Ps. 147:6*

The LORD lifts up the | humble;*
he casts the wicked | to the ground.

Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises | to
our God;*

for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is | fitting.

The LORD builds up Je- | rusalem;*
he gathers the outcasts of | Israel.

He heals the broken- | hearted*
and binds | up their wounds.

He determines the number | of the stars;*
he gives to all of | them their names.

Great is our Lord, and abun- | dant in power;*
his understanding is beyond | measure.

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.

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he casts the wicked | to the ground.

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**Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32**

The word of the LORD came to me: (2) "What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, 'The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge'?"

(3) As I live, declares the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. (4) Behold, all souls are mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die. (32) "Yet you say, 'The way of the Lord is not just.' Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? (26) When a righteous person turns away from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it; for the injustice that he has done he shall die. (27) Again, when a wicked person turns away from the wickedness he has committed and does what is just and right, he shall save his life. (28) Because he considered and turned away from all the transgressions that he had committed, he shall surely live; he shall not die. (29) Yet the house of Israel says, 'The way of the Lord is not just.' O house of Israel, are my ways not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? (30) "Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, declares the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin. (31) Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? (32) For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord GOD; so turn, and live."

Epistle**Philippians 2:1-4, 14-18**

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy,

(2) complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. (3) Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. (4) Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. (14) Do all things without grumbling or disputing, (15) that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the

midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, (16) holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. (17) Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. (18) Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

Gospel

Matthew 21:23-37

And when he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" (24) Jesus answered them, "I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. (25) The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?" And they discussed it among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' (26) But if we say, 'From man,' we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet." (27) So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things. (28) "What do you think? A man had two sons. And he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' (29) And he answered, 'I will not,' but afterward he changed his mind and went. (30) And he went to the other son and said the same. And he answered, 'I go, sir,' but did not go. (31) Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. (32) For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him. (33) "Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. (34) When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get

his fruit. (35) And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. (36) Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. (37) Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.'

Softener Salt Sale

By St. Paul's Crusaders Youth Group

Saturday, October 28, 2023

from 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Location to be determined

Pick-up or delivery available on Saturday morning

Delivery only within 5 mile radius of Truman

\$ 8.50/bag picked up or \$ 9.00/bag delivered

To order:

Sign up of the Narthex desk or

call St. Paul's Lutheran Church office 507-776-2801

“THE LORD is my Shepherd..." That's how the 23rd Psalm begins. It goes on to describe the ways in which our Good Shepherd leads, comforts, and protects the sheep of His flock. Every line gives us a reason to be thankful. October 8 Message: "Whatever and Wherever, Thank You, Lord!" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Pastor Keith Haberstock speaks on WCCO (830): 6.05 AM and KSUM (1370): 11:00 AM.

Needed - 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: **Today**

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.)

MLHS SENIORS 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.

THE MARTIN 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!

CHECK THE bulletin board for more information about the Gala Event Fundraiser sponsored by St. Paul, Fairmont, on Friday, November 3, 2023, at Fairmont Event Center/Green Mill.

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

Sun.	Oct.	1	LWML Sunday
		9:00	Divine Service & Holy Communion
		10:15	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
Tues.	Oct.	3	10:00 Women's Bible Study
Wed.	Oct.	4	10:00 Chapel
		3:00	Bulletin Announcements Due
Thurs.	Oct.	5	1:30 Ladies Aid Hostess: Elaine Armstrong
Sun.	Oct.	8	9:00 Divine Service & Holy Communion
		10:15	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study

Church Council is Tuesday, October 17 @ 7:00 PM

Quarterly Voters meeting is Sunday, October 22 after the service

Organist: 10/01 Sylvia/Olivia 10/08 Heidi 10/15 Juleen

Ushers:

10/01 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

10/15 Lonnie Smith, Elliot Belgard, Randy Miller, Glenn Kubly

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

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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.**



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