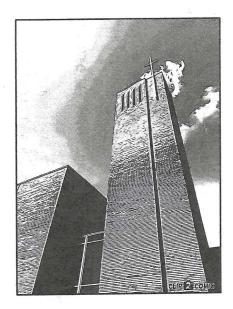
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May 11, 2025

+Order of Service+ May 11, 2025 4th Sunday of Easter Divine Service Setting Three

LSB 184

Processional Hymn Now All The Vault of Heaven Resounds LSB 465

Confession and Absolution LSB 184

Introit, Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis LSB 186 ff.

Collect of the Day LSB 189

First Reading: Acts 20:17-35

Epistle Revelation 7:9-17

Holy Gospel John 10:22-30

Creed

Hymn of the Day: The King of Love My Shepherd Is LSB 709

Sermon

Offertory

Prayers of the Church

Communion Liturgy LSB 194

Distribution Hymns

Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord LSB 352
The Lord's My Shepherd, I Shall Not Want LSB 710
Lord Jesus Christ, Live-Giving Bread LSB 625

Concluding Liturgy LSB 199

Announcements

Closing Hymn: I Am Jesus' Little Lamb LSB 740

SERVING US TODAY IN GOD'S HOUSE

Musicians: Heidi Koeritz

Ushers: Kerry Krenz, Sawyer Krenz, Cade Ekstrom, Alex Weihe, Cade Hotzler

Elder of the Month: Ken Urban



Introit Ps. 78:70-72; 79:13; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b

I am the good | shepherd.*

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life | for the sheep.

He chose David his servant and took him from the | sheepfolds;*

from following the nursing ewes he brought him to shepherd Jacob his people, Israel
his in-| heritance.

With upright heart he shep- | herded them* and guided them with his | skillful hand.

But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you for- | ever;* from generation to generation we will re- | count your praise.

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First Reading Acts 20:17-35

Now from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. (18) And when they came to him, he said to them: "You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, (19) serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; (20) how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, (21) testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. (22) And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, (23) except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. (24) But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. (25) And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. (26) Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all, (27) for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. (28) Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. (29) I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; (30) and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. (31) Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. (32) And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. (33) I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. (34) You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. (35) In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Epistle Revelations 7:9-17

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, (10) and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" (11) And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God. (12) saying. "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." (13) Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes. and from where have they come?" (14) I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. (15) "Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. (16) They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. (17) For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Gospel John 10:22-30

At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, (23) and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. (24) So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." (25) Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, (26) but you do not believe because you are not among my sheep. (27) My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. (28) I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. (29) My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. (30) I and the Father are one."

 10^{R} D's 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 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.

Online giving is an easy and reliable method to contribute to St. Paul's Lutheran. You can make a one-time donation or schedule recurring contributions. This option is available through the church's website; spltruman.com or by simply scanning the following QR code.





May 11, 2025

Worship: Sundays @ 9am - Chapel: Wednesdays @ 10am
Midweek Services during Advent & Lent: Wednesdays @ 10am & 6pm

BIBLE CLASSES

Sunday Morning Bible Class & Sunday School:

10:15-11:15 a.m.

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study: 10-11 a.m. Wednesday After-School Confirmation: 4:30-5:30 p.m.

OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE

Attendance Last Sunday: 178

Communion: 96

Offerings Given Last Sunday: \$ 3,810.07

School Roof Fund: \$40,328.27 (Total cost: \$95,000.00)

PTL will be adding \$ 13,033.50

IN OUR PRAYERS

†Travis Meyer, Dennis Burmeister, Jim Sackett, Carl Vogt, Dan Espeland, Erika Lotheringen, Alice Raddatz, Tom Koeritz, Marsha Miller, Marilyn Vogt, Candace Doerfler, Mike Barfknecht, Cliff & Charlotte Dobie, Audrey Becker, Dick & Pat Eckmann, Pastor Fretham, Terry Bentele, Brandi Stohs, and Larye Anderson

† Our Shut-Ins: RoseMary Kasten and June Mausling

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

CHURCH NEWS

*Silent Auction Date Change – Mark Your Calendars! Sunday, September 7, 2025.

*IT'S LUTHERAN WITNESS sign up time again. The cost for the year is \$ 24.97. Please let the office know if you would like to order a subscription by Sunday, June 1st. Payment is due when you order.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUNDAY

Happy Mother's Day

Divine Service & Holy Communion......9:00 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study.......10:15 a.m. MONDAY (Pastor's Day Off)

Trustees......7:00 p.m.

<u>Tuesday</u>

Grades 5-8 for Mankato softball

WEDNESDAY

Chapel......10:00 a.m.

THURSDAY

Quilting......10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Third and Fourth Grades go to the Groto

FRIDAY

Office closed

SATURDAY

Band & Choir Concert @ MLHS......7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY

Worship Service & Holy Communion.....9:00 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study......10:15 a.m.

LUTHERAN HOUR

May 18 (John 15:9)

"Truth That Takes Us In"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: <u>Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler</u> Jesus is the Truth Who will take you in to live like He lives, planted in God His Father's love.

(John 15:9)

MLHS NEWS

*Mother's Day Brunch at MLHS **TODAY** from 10 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Menu – assorted Egg Bakes, Eleanor's Fruit salad, Donuts by Kiehl's Bakery, and Beverages. Cost is a Free Will Donation. Proceeds will support the 2026 Educational Trip to England and Scotland.

*Just a Normal Concert at MLHS featuring young musicians in Elementary Band and High School Band & Choir on Saturday, May 17th at 7:00 p.m. Admission is Free will Donation

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

*Bridal shower for Emily Orman bride to be of Brady Oberdieck Saturday, May 17th, at 9:30 am at St John's Lutheran Church Antrim (82758 420th St. Truman, MN 56088). The couple Is registered at Amazon.com under Emily Orman.

*Bridal shower for Kristin Noller bride to be of Mason Koeritz on Saturday, May 24th from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at St James Lutheran Church, Northrop. They are registered at Amazon.

Faith, Hope, Love

And now abide Faith, Hope, and Love, these three; but the greatest of these is Love.

SPL School's Mission Statement

To work together with families and area congregations to provide a quality education in a Christian environment, leading students to lives of service.

Our Goals: Nurture faith, Celebrate learning,
Pursue excellence.

IMPORTANT SPL DATES

May 13 — Mankato Softball

May 18 — Sing at St. Paul's

May 20 — Graduation at Northrop

May 21 — Amazing Race

PRAISE Banquet

May 22 — School Picnic

May 23 — Last Day of School

THIS WEEK'S LUNCH MENU

<u>Monday</u>: Chicken nuggets, Mashed potatoes, Green beans, Warm apple slices

<u>Tuesday</u>: Fish sticks, Potato smiles, Peas, Tropical fruit <u>Wednesday</u>: Hamburger/bun, Cheese slice, French fries,

Baked beans, Strawberry cup

<u>Thursday:</u> Pizza, Lettuce salad, Carrots, Rosy applesauce <u>Friday:</u> BBQ pulled pork/bun, Tri taters, Cream corn, Mandarin oranges

School Reminders:

A happy and blessed Mother's Day to all of the Moms!

*Praise Banquet: Gr. 5 - 8: St. Paul's church basement: Wednesday, May 21 at 6:30. Potluck Supper: Please bring a main dish and either a salad or a dessert to share with everyone. Tableware, serving spoons, and beverage will be provided. Awards will be given to the students in Gr. 5 - 8. The whole family is welcome!

*Ten days and counting. Pick some of our end-of-the-year events and attend them . If you know of anyone looking for a great little Lutheran school, invite them along and spread the word about us. If you have not yet turned in your "Green Paper", please do so. It makes planning for next year so much easier.

*Please remember that we are singing and ringing here at St. Paul's on Sunday, May 18. It will be a tremendous day to St. Paul's Lutheran Church for St. Paul's Lutheran School.

*If you work at a business or own a business with an outer lobby and area able to put brochures out, please ask Mr. Miller for some to put out in your lobby. Word of Mouth advertising is the best!

*First Day of School for the 2025-2026 school year is Tuesday, August 26th. As always, we will begin with Chapel. Mr. Miller is already counting down the days.

*Last PTL Meeting of the year is Monday, May 19 at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Room at church.

*Silent Auction Date Change – Mark Your Calendars! Due to multiple silent auctions taking place in spring, PTL has decided to move our school's Silent Auction to Sunday, September 7, 2025. Funds raised from this event will go toward general school repairs. Please contact Ashley Freeman at (507) 399-9249 or Kaitlin Wiederhoeft at (507) 995-6022 if you're interested in helping with or donating to this event.

Annual Last Day of School Softball Game - Mark Your Calendars!

Back by popular demand, we're excited to bring back our Annual Softball Game on the last day of school—right after 1/2-day dismissal! All parents, guardians, teachers, and students are welcome to attend!

PTL will generously be providing sack lunches for all students, and once everyone has eaten, the fun will begin on the field!

Friendly Reminder: All students must have designated supervision during the event. If a parent or guardian is unable to attend, please make arrangements in advance for someone to be responsible for your child(ren). We appreciate your help in keeping everyone safe while we celebrate the end of the school year!

FROM THE CLASSROOM

<u>Preschool</u>: This week we continue to work on writing their name, learning body parts, positional words, and logic tables. Kid quote of the week "I have been trying to my dad to say the right words."

Kindergarten: Ok...We are attempting to learn the 10th commandment, what a doozy! Our new little friends arrived for a visit. We have been busy with lots of practice for the school musical & also for the kindergarteners little play; they are doing a great job with their lines & I thank you for that, but I'm going to be frank with you all... it's like herding cats! We will see how God works through these little shavers!:) Track & Field is Friday. Next week should be a "normal" week.

1st & 2nd: What a fabulous class! No Memory Work! Spelling: Check your child's Homework Folder for the list. Spelling: Gr. 1: No Spelling Test! Gr. 2: start, chirp, door, corn, they, than, which, each, into, birthday, dragonfly, flagpole, pancake, shack. Track and Field Day: Fairmont High School Track: Friday, May 9th: Information has been sent home. Most of our Flat Me's have arrived! We went to Wyoming, Wisconsin, Louisiana, Norway, Arizona, Tennessee, Florida, Colorado, Texas, and Nebraska! Stop by and see the display in the hallway! See you at the Musical tonight! A note was sent home with all the details!

<u>3rd & 4th</u>: I can hardly believe that the year is coming to an end. Track and Field is this Friday! Please wear sunscreen, dress in layers, and bring a water bottle. Mrs. Geistfeld sent home a letter on Tuesday about the musical so you know what your child should wear, and when to be here. Looking ahead to next week, we will be on our Field Trip to the Grotto and the park. Thank you in advance to Mrs. Arndt and Mrs. Freeman for driving! it is appreciated.

5th & 6th: What a crazy but fun time of the year! There is a lot of exciting things happening at school. We had a great time with Step Up Day on Monday and having the soon to be 5th graders come visit. We are SUPER excited for the musical which happens tonight. Tomorrow we head to Fairmont for Track & Field Day. Looking at next week it should be a fairly calm week with the softball tournament in Mankato happening on Tuesday for grades 5-8. Next week the students will be presenting their book reports. I am so excited to hear all of them! Have a blessed weekend with your family! Happy Mother's Day to all the moms!!

7th & 8th: Wow! We are in the final countdown! It has been a fantastic year. Ask your student who they wrote on for their Person Piece. Ask them what they learned. Mankato Softball is on Tuesday. Dress appropriately for the warm weather. We are still working on our review tests in Algebra. We have ten more days and much to do. Keep working hard. The time will go quickly by. See you all at the Musical tonight.