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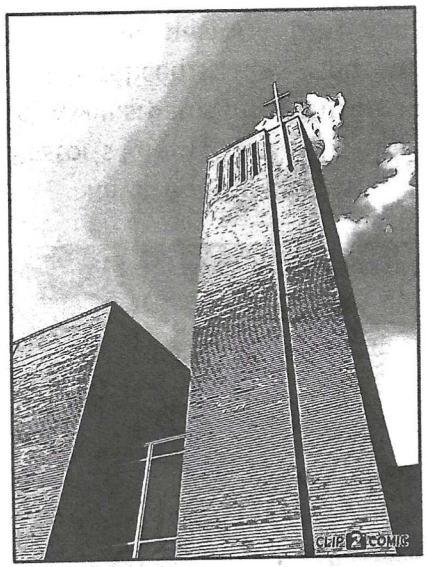

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August 10, 2025

+Order of Service+
August 10, 2025
9th Sunday after Pentecost
Divine Service Setting Three
LSB 184
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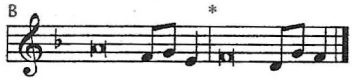
Opening Hymn **Father Most Holy** LSB 504
Confession and Absolution LSB 184
Introit, Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis LSB 186 ff.
Collect of the Day LSB 189
Old Testament Reading: Genesis 15:1-6
Epistle Reading: Hebrews 11:1-16
Holy Gospel Luke 12:22-34
Creed
Hymn of the Day: **Wake, Awake for Night is Flying** LSB 516
Sermon
Offertory
Prayers of the Church
Communion Liturgy LSB 194
Distribution Hymns
My Hope is Built on Nothing Less LSB 575
Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior LSB 619
Jesus Comes Today with Healing LSB 620

Concluding Liturgy LSB 199
Closing Hymn: **Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer** LSB 918

SERVING US TODAY IN GOD'S HOUSE

Musicians: Hedi Koeritz
Ushers: Kerry Krenz, Sawyer Krenz, Cade Ekstrom, Alex Weihe, Cade Hotzler

Elder of the Month: Wade Krenz

Introit *Ps. 147:8–11; antiphon: Ps. 147:7*

Sing to the LORD with thanks- | giving;*
make melody to our God | on the lyre!

He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain | for the earth;*
he makes grass grow | on the hills.

He gives to the | beasts their food,*
and to the young ravens | that cry.

His delight is not in the strength | of the horse,*
nor his pleasure in the legs | of a man,

but the LORD takes pleasure in those who | fear him,*
in those who hope in his | steadfast love.

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Old Testament Reading **Genesis 15:1-6**

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." (2) But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" (3) And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." (4) And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." (5) And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." (6) And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

Epistle — Hebrews 11:1-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. (2) For by it the people of old received their commendation. (3) By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible. (4) By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. (5) By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. (6) And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. (7) By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith. (8) By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. (9) By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. (10) For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. (11) By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. (12) Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore. (13) These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. (14) For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. (15) If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. (16) But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

Gospel — Luke 12:22-34

And he said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. (23) For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. (24) Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! (25) And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? (26) If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? (27) Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. (28) But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! (29) And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. (30) For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. (31) Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you. (32) "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. (33) Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. (34) For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

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.

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.

St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church
August 10, 2025

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.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUNDAY
Worship with Holy Communion.....9:00 a.m.
Adult Bible Study.....10:15 a.m.

MONDAY (Pastor's Day Off)
Trustees.....7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY
Women's Bible Study.....10:00 a.m.
Board of Education.....7:00 p.m.
Elders.....7:30 a.m.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY
Office Closed

SATURDAY

SUNDAY
Worship with Holy Communion.....9:00 a.m.
Pastor's Farewell with coffee and cookies

OFFERINGS AND ATTENDANCE
Attendance Last Sunday: 112 Communion: 94
Offerings Given Last Sunday: $ 4,821.00
School Roof Fund: $ 42,308.27 (Total cost: $95,000.00)
PTL will be adding $ 13,033.50
Borrowed from the Bank $ 27,500.00

IN OUR PRAYERS
†Jeffery Lupke, Sherry Breitbarth, Jan Firchau Dan Espeland, Erika Lotheringen, Tom Koeritz, Marsha Miller
† Our Shut-Ins: RoseMary Kasten, June Mausling, Kathy Meinert, Jan Firchau, Carl Vogt, Alice Radatz, Marilyn Vogt, Cliff & Charlotte Dobie, Audrey Becker, Dick & Pat Eckmann, Larye Anderson
† Our Servicemen: Cade Hotzler

CHURCH NEWS

As we say farewell to Pastor Chase and his family, there will be a Card Shower together with coffee and cookies following Pastor's last service on Sunday, August 17th.

Transition Plan for a Pastoral Change – The first step is to secure a vacancy pastor to provide pastoral services until such time as a new resident pastor is in place. Our congregation will be contracting with Pastor John Bennett from St. John's Willow Creek to fill the vacancy position. This will require a change in our Sunday morning service time. **BEGINNING SUNDAY, AUGUST 24TH AND GOING FORWARD, CHURCH WILL BE AT 10:15 AM!** More information will be forthcoming concerning the additional duties Pastor Bennett will be providing. The actual call process to find a new pastor won't begin until after the District and our Circuit Visitor takes us through a Congregational Self-Study, Congregational Checklist, and Congregational Profile. In the meantime, many prayers are requested as we seek a new shepherd.

LUTHERAN HOUR

August 17 - (Exodus 4:10-12)
"The Stuttering Man of Destiny"
Guest Speaker: Dr. Oswald Hoffmann
Archives August--Dr. Oswald Hoffmann recounts the story of Moses.
(Exodus 4:10-12)

There will be a Come and Go Bridal Shower for Kylee Bentz on **TODAY** from 1:00-3:00 PM at the Truman Community Building, Truman, MN.

MLHS NEWS

Final registration for the 25-26 school year at Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School, Northrop is on **Tuesday,** August 19th. MLHS welcomes all students in grades 7-12. Families are invited to visit MLHS and choose a Christ-centered education for their child. Classes begin on Tuesday, August 26.

Get your tickets for the "Laugh While It's Legal" Comedy Tour by nationally known Christian comedian, **Brad Stine** at Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School on Saturday, **September 27th at 7:00 p.m.** The clean comedy by "God's comic" Brad Stine is sure to entertain. Tickets are available online by advance sale only @ www.martinlutherhs.com. They are $30 General Admission and $60 VIP with Meet & Greet with Brad and reserved front row seats. Come at 5:30 p.m. for Supper in the Parking Lot. $5 Pork Chops donated and grilled by LB Pork, $5 Mac 'n Cheese in Bowl donated by Sunshine Foods, Madelia, O' Scoops Ice Cream (prices vary), and Coke products from Atlantic Bottling Company. This event is co-sponsored by Nick Cress, Gemini Studios and MLHS. Proceeds will benefit the ministry operations.

SCHOOL NEWS

Happy Martin County Fair Week!
Have you signed up to work a shift at the Fair?
Have you told someone about our wonderful school?
If you are the age to play volleyball, have you told the coaches you are playing?
First volleyball match is September 9 at Immanuel, Mankato and the first home match is September 22 against Courtland.
School Registration is August 19 from 5-7 p.m.
Silent Auction is Sunday, September 7.
First Day is August 26.
Enjoy the rest of your summer.
Mr. Miller