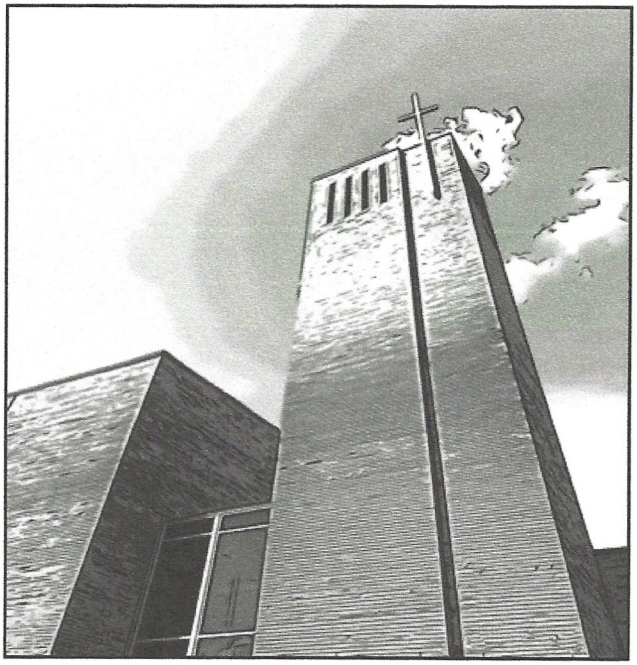
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† Order of Service †
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14th Sunday After Holy Trinity
Divine Service Setting Three
LSB 184

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SERVING US TODAY IN GOD'S HOUSE

Musicians: Olivia Wedel
Ushers: Randy Miller, John Matasovsky, Skip Henton, Wade Krenz, Ken Urban, Dan Wedel

Elder of the Month: John Matasovsky

INTROIT PSALM 84:1,2,4,9-11

P O God, behold our shield,
C **and look upon the face of Your anointed.**
P For a day in Your courts
C **is better than a thousand.**
P How lovely is Your tabernacle, O LORD of hosts!
C **for I am poor and needy.**
P Blessed are those who dwell in Your house;
C **They will still be praising You**
P I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
C **than dwell in the tents of wickedness.**
P The LORD will give grace and glory;
C **no good thing will He withhold.**
P O God, behold our shield,
C **and look upon the face of Your anointed.**
P For a day in Your courts
C **is better than a thousand.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING – PROVERBS 4:10-23

[10]Hear, my son, and accept my words, that the years of your life may be many. [11]I have taught you the way of wisdom; I have led you in the paths of uprightness. [12]When you walk, your step will not be hampered, and if you run, you will not stumble. [13]Keep hold of instruction; do not let go; guard her, for she is your life. [14]Do not enter the path of the wicked, and do not walk in the way of the evil. [15]Avoid it; do not go on it; turn away from it and pass on. [16]For they cannot sleep unless they have done wrong; they are robbed of sleep unless they have made someone stumble. [17]For they eat the bread of wickedness and drink the wine of violence. [18]But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, which shines brighter and brighter until full day. [19]The way of the wicked is like deep darkness; they do not know over what they stumble. [20]My son, be attentive to my words; incline your ear to my sayings. [21]Let them not escape from your sight; keep them within your heart. [22]For they are life to those who find them, and healing to all their flesh. [23]Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life.

GRADUAL PSALM 92:1-2

P It is good to give thanks To the LORD,
C **and to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;**
P to declare Your lovingkindness in the morning,
C **and Your faithfulness every night.**

EPISTLE READING – GALATIANS 5:16-24

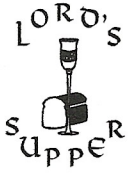
16But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. 17For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. 18But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. 19Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, 20idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, 21envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. 22But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. 24And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

VERSE PSALM 65:1

P Alleluia.
C Alleluia.
P Praise is awaiting You, O God, in Zion;
C and to You the vow shall be performed. Alleluia.

GOSPEL READING – LUKE 17:11-19

11On the way to Jerusalem He was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. 12And as He entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance 13and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." 14When He saw them He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. 15Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; 16and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. 17Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? 18Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" 19And He said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."



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 LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

September 6, 2026

Worship: Sundays @ 8:00 am – Chapel: Wednesdays @ 8:30 am

BIBLE CLASSES

Sunday Morning Bible Class & Sunday School: TBA
Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study: 10-11 a.m.

OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE

Attendance Last Sunday: 77
Communion: 57
Offerings Given Last Sunday: $ 3379.00
School Roof Fund: $74,315.50 (Total cost: $95,000.00)
Borrowed from the bank: $ 24,500.00
Organ Fund: $5160.73

IN OUR PRAYERS

†Marvel Meyer, Dawn Peters, mother of Shannon Schwichtenberg, Braelynn, daughter of Steven and Chloe Schrunk, Ted Geistfeld, Dan Espeland, Marsha Miller, Jim Sackett, Jason Meinert, Sherry Breitbarth

†Our Shut-Ins: RoseMary Kasten, June Mausling, Kathie Meinert, Jan Firchau, Alice Raddatz, Marilyn Vogt, Cliff & Charlotte Dobie, Audrey Becker, Dick Eckmann, Larye Anderson

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUNDAY
Divine Service & Holy Communion.....8:00 a.m.
MONDAY
Office Closed Labor Day
No Schoo1
TUESDAY
Women's Bible Study.....10:00 a.m.
Board of Education.....7:00 p.m.
Elders.....7:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Chapel.....8:30 a.m.
THURSDAY
FRIDAY
Soccer at Courtland.....3:30 p.m.
SATURDAY
SUNDAY
Divine Service & Holy Communion.....9:30 a.m.
His Kids Sing and Ring
Silent Auction.....10:30 a.m.

CHURCH NEWS

*Mark your calendars **2nd Annual Holy Hotdish Organ Fundraiser** on Sunday, October 4th, 2026 (More details coming in September)

Fall Mission Gathering
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Sunday, October 4th at 1:30 p.m.

Please join us for our **Fall Mission Gathering**!
Our guest speaker will be **MLHS Principal Mr. Stuckwisch**, sharing a message based on the theme:
"Let the Children Hear" *Psalm 78:6*
We will also be collecting **Gifts from the Heart** to support the needs of our students and ministry. Suggested donations include: Kleenex, Feminine hygiene products, Travel-size personal care items, Ibuprofen, Tylenol, Midol, Band-Aids, Poster-making supplies
Come hear, learn, and share in the joy of supporting the children God has placed in our care!
Everyone is welcome!

LUTHERAN HOUR

September 13, 2026 Matthew 6:12
"Forgiveness Is a Non-Negotiable"
Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
In God's family, forgiveness is non-negotiable. It's not up for debate because forgiveness is what makes us who we are.

MLHS NEWS

* Looking ahead- The Fall Rummage and Bake Sale will be held at Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School in Northrop on October 15-16-17.

Faith, Fire & Fellowship Dinner

Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School is excited to announce our **Faith, Fire & Fellowship Dinner** on **Saturday, November 21st**!This special friend-raising event will celebrate and affirm the blessings and impact of the MLHS ministry. Guests will enjoy an evening of fellowship, inspiration, and gratitude as we highlight the value of Christian education and the work God is accomplishing through Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School. We are currently seeking **corporate sponsors** to help offset event expenses. We are grateful to **Profinium**, which has already committed as a **$1,000 sponsor**. We are also looking for volunteers willing to **smoke specialty meats** and assist with meal preparation. If you enjoy cooking, serving, or helping behind the scenes, we would love to have you involved. All MLHS families, alumni, supporters, and friends are warmly invited to attend. **There is no cost to attend**, but **RSVPs are required by November 1st** to help us plan for the meal. **Join us for an evening of faith, fire, fellowship, and thanksgiving as we celebrate the ministry of Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School!**

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

Blue Earth Zone Mini Retreat
Saturday, September 12, at 11:30 a.m.
Zion Lutheran Church of Fraser Township, Fairmont, will host a salad and dessert luncheon.
The guest speakers will be Curtis and Cheri Frank, founders of Healing Hearts Housing in Sherburn.
Attendees are invited to bring "Gifts from the Heart"—all types of household products and women's personal care items.
A mites offering will also be collected.

St. Paul's Lutheran School Auction – September 13

We are excited for our upcoming school auction on Sunday, **September 13, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**
If your family or business is donating an item to the auction, please have all donated items turned in to the school **by Friday, September 11** so we have time to get everything organized and ready for the auction.
Thank you so much to everyone who has donated and helped make this event possible! We appreciate your support of St. Paul's Lutheran School.

LIVE BY THE SPIRIT

Be kind and compassionate to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving each other, just as in Christ, God forgives you Ephesians 4:32

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.

School's Phone #: 507-776-2802

IMPORTANT SPL DATES

Good Morning All! We are off to a great start!

Sunday, September 6 —
8:00 a.m. Worship wire your family
Monday, September 7 —
Happy Labor Day. NO SCHOOL
Tuesday, September 8 —
Preschool at 8:10 a.m.
B Volleyball at Immanuel, Mankato
Wednesday, September 9 —
Preschool at 8:10 a.m.
Chapel with Mr. Miller
Thursday, September 10 —
Preschool at 8:10 a.m.
Band
Volleyball vs. Cornerstone at 4:30, 5:30
Friday, September 11 —
SOCCER AT COURTLAND at 3:30 p.m.
Have a great rest-of-your-week!

THIS WEEK'S LUNCH MENU

Monday: No School
Tuesday: Chicken Patty/Bun, Smiley Fries, Baked Beans, Peaches, Milk
Wednesday: Spaghetti, Meatballs, Breadstick, Green Beans, Mandarin Oranges, Milk
Thursday: Sub on Bun w/fixins, Sunchips, Carrots/Celery, Grapes, Milk
Friday: Pizza, Corn, Applesauce, Rice Krispy Bar, Milk

SCHOOL REMINDERS

***St. Paul's Lutheran School Silent Auction**

Join us for the St. Paul's Lutheran School Silent Auction on Sunday**, September 13**, from **10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** Everyone is welcome! Come enjoy the event, bid on a variety of great auction items, eat lunch and support our school. If you would like to donate an item for the silent auction, please drop it off at the church office. Donations of all kinds are greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact **Kaitlin Wiederhoeft** at **507-995-6022**

*Please let Mrs. Geistfeld know what PTL committee you are interested in. Thank you

FROM THE CLASSROOM

Preschool: We had a wonderful first week. Minimal crying and I was even told by a couple of the kids that they didn't want to go home and that they wanted to stay (at school). We went over some of the things we will be doing each week but not everything since it is a lot of information given to them all at once. Kid quote of the week ... kids were told clean up in 5 minutes. Child said " we have to clean up or we will be in trouble. (kid name from daycare) is always in trouble with her mom cuz she doesn't like to clean up her toys."

Kindergarten: Welcome back everyone :) We are up, running & *working* towards a routine. Our learning this week includes rhyming with the word family -at, practicing writing 1, 2, 3, counting pennies, painting & decorating our birthday crowns, singing "The Better Alphabet" song, writing letter Aa & the color red. In Jesus Time we talked about how Jesus loves little children just as much as big people, we had 2 new puppet friends come to visit & we also started talking about creation. Whew... we are busy, busy, busy! See you back in school on Tuesday.

1st & 2nd: What an awesome class: Gr. 1: Adalynn, Peyton, Vivian, Hailey, Merek, Naomi, Samuel, Henry, Laramie. Gr. 2: Bruce, Cecelia, Sylvia, Case! Spelling and Memory: Please check your child's Homework Folder for the lists. Spelling: Gr. 1: am, at, cat, hat, has, and, mat, pan. Gr. 2: send, dress, well, help, fell, went, spell, next, tell, end, melon, eggshell, elephant, celery. Thank you to the Green Family for the use of their air conditioner! It feels great in our room! We sing here at St. Paul's on Sunday, September 13. More details to come. Happy Birthday Case!

3rd & 4th: What a great first week of school! I pray that your kiddos have had a good start to the year. Next week we are starting our Memory. This paper went home in your child's yellow take home folder on Thursday. One copy is for you to keep at home/car, and one stays with the folder for them to use to study from. I will be sending out an email with your child's passwords to things. I also have a classroom page to check up on each week. Spelling words and Memory are usually on that page if your child forgets their folder at school. 30 minutes of IXL will start this next week. 30 minutes is for the week. It starts on Monday and ends on Sunday at 7:00 pm. That is when I check for grades. If you have any questions, please let me know. Remember there is no school on Friday, Sept. 4th, and Monday, Sept. 7th

5th & 6th: It's been a great 1st week of school. I have been blessed with five fantastic students this year.....and one goose. 5th grade: Aurora Curtis, Tyler Arndt, Katie Schofield and in 6th grade: Liam Stohs and Walker Wiederhoeft and Tuffy the Goose. Are you curious about the goose? Ask a 5th or 6th grader, or Mrs. Geistfeld when you see them. We are beginning our first novel in reading next week *Earthquake Terror*. In N.W. History we begin studying "The First Americans and the Land They Found". Looking ahead we will be at Courtland for soccer on Friday, Sept. 11th. We will be participating in the Lakefield Soccer tournament on Friday, Sept. 18th and on the morning of Tuesday, September 22nd we will be at the Environmental Awareness Day at Heritage Acres in Fairmont. Watch for permission slips to come home for these events. Remember there is no school this Friday, Sept. 4 and Monday, Sept. 7. Enjoy your long break!!

7th & 8th: Happy First Week of School!! A huge thank you to Ben, Levi, Payton, and Madison who make up this years 8th Grade class. We had a great first week and looking for more excitement starting on Tuesday. Ask your child about their perfect hot dog and about the poem they read in class. We are working in class on their September Book Report. There are already grades on Gradelink. Check them out. Getting ready for our soccer match against Courtland on Friday and the Lakefield Soccer Tournament the following Friday. Remember that if you have questions on topics related to the classroom, ASK!
Courtland Soccer is this Friday at 3:30 p.m. Drivers are needed. Also, be sure to let us know if you are coming back to school or not. Thanks in advance.

Is all your school paperwork turned in?

PTL Meeting is September 21 at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Room at Church.

Thursday, September 10, starting at 4:30 p.m. is our first home volleyball match of the year against Cornerstone. Come cheer out team on!