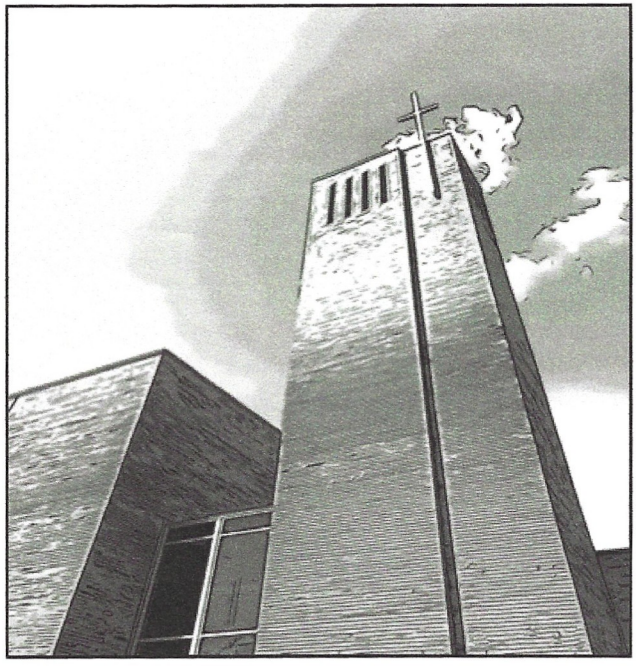
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**† Order of Service †**
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**The 17th Sunday After Trinity**
Divine Service 1
LSB 151

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**SERVING US TODAY IN GOD'S HOUSE**

**Musicians**: Juleen Breitbarth
**Ushers:** Larry Hintz, Jeff Hoppe, Jed Hoppe, Ken Urban

**Elder of the Month:** John Matasovsky

**INTROIT** PSALM 119:1-2,5-6,124,137

P Righteous are You, O LORD,
**C and right are Your rules.**
P Deal with Your servant according to Your steadfast love,
**C and teach me Your statutes.**
P Blessed are those whose way is blameless,
**C who walk in the law of the LORD!**
P Blessed are those who keep His testimonies,
**C who seek Him with their whole heart!**
P Oh that my ways may be steadfast
**C in keeping Your statutes!**
P Then I shall not be put to shame,
**C having my eyes fixed on all Your commandments.**
P Righteous are You, O LORD,
**C and upright are Your judgments.**
P Deal with Your servant according to Your mercy,
**C and teach me Your statutes.**
**All Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;**
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING – PROVERBS 25:6-14**

6 Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great, 7 for it
is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What
your eyes have seen 8 do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end, when
your neighbor puts you to shame? 9 Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do
not reveal another's secret, 10 lest he who hears you bring shame upon you, and your ill
repute have no end. 11 A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver. 12 Like
a gold ring or an ornament of gold is a wise reprover to a listening ear. 13 Like the cold of
snow in the time of harvest is a faithful messenger to those who send him; he refreshes the
soul of his masters. 14 Like clouds and wind without rain is a man who boasts of a gift he
does not give.

**GRADUAL** PSALM 33:6,12

P Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD,
**C the people whom He has chosen as His heritage!**
P By the word of the LORD the heavens were made,
**C and by the breath of His mouth all their host.**

**EPISTLE READING – EPHESIANS 4:1-6**

[1]I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, [2]with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, [3]eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. [4]There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— [5]one Lord, one faith, one baptism, [6]one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

**VERSE** PSALM 116:1

P Alleluia.
**C Alleluia.**
P I love the LORD, because He has heard My voice
**C and my pleas for mercy. Alleluia.**

**GOSPEL READING – LUKE 14:1-11**

[1]One Sabbath, when He went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching Him carefully. [2]And behold, there was a man before Him who had dropsy. [3]And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" [4]But they remained silent. Then He took him and healed him and sent him away. [5]And He said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" [6]And they could not reply to these things. [7]Now He told a parable to those who were invited, when He noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, [8]"When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, [9]and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. [10]But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. [11]For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."




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 27, 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: 65
Communion: 63
Offerings Given Last Sunday: $ 3259.00
School Roof Fund: $74,540.00 (Total cost: $95,000.00)
Borrowed from the bank: $ 24,500.00
Organ Fund: $5285.73

### 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**
**TUESDAY**
Women's Bible Study.....10:00 a.m.
**WEDNESDAY**
Chapel.....8:30 a.m.
**THURSDAY**
**FRIDAY**
**SATURDAY**
**SUNDAY**
**LWML Sunday**
Divine Service & Holy Communion.....8:00 a.m.
Holy Hotdish Fundraiser.....11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Fall Mission Gathering.....1:30 p.m.
*Pastor Bennett's office hours are available by appointment.

### CHURCH NEWS

***Would you like to sponsor a child at our school?** Sometimes life can throw a curveball that makes it difficult for families to keep up with the cost of tuition at our school, and you can make a difference! If you would be interested in sponsoring one of our school children, please speak with Pastor or a member of the School Board.

* **HOLY HOT DISH ORGAN FUNDRAISER** on Sunday, October 4th from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm serving in our Church Basement. Menu will be assorted hot dishes or casseroles. Bread, beverages and cookies provided. Take-outs will also be available. Free will donation. Please let Dawn Halverson know if you can provide a hot dish or casserole. Everything is very much appreciated (including cash)!

***Mark your Calendars!** Sunday afternoon November 8th has been selected as the day we officially install Rev. John Bennett as

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!**

***Happy 80th Birthday, Sylvia Burmeister! Card Shower Celebration**
Sylvia Burmeister is turning 80 years old on October 1st 2026 and her family would love to surprise her with a birthday card shower. We invite you to send birthday cards, God's Blessings, well wishes, and happy memories to help make her day extra special. Please mail your cards and birthday greetings to:
Sylvia Burmeister
620 Summit Drive
Apt. 306
Fairmont, MN 56031
Your thoughtful messages and cards will help make Sylvia's 80th birthday a celebration she will always remember.
Thank you for helping us make her birthday special!
God's Blessings to you all.
The Family of Sylvia Burmeister

### LUTHERAN HOUR

October 4, 2026 John 10:10-11
**"Embrace Life"**
Guest Speaker: Rev. Germán Novelli Oliveros
Jesus offers His abundant life to people plagued by pain and problems.

### 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.

*You can help save a life and help NHS students earn scholarships. The MLHS National Honor Society students are hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, October 19 from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. Help us reach 100 donors so the students qualify for scholarships. Call 1-800-RED-CROSS and enter MLHSMN to schedule an appointment.

***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! **There is a RSVP Sign up sheet in church Narthex**

# 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

Hello all!

Sunday, September 27 —
Worship at 8 a.m.

Monday, September 28 —
Prayer at the Flagpole at 8:30 a.m.
Library open
Bells
LAKEFIELD SOCCER
A and B Volleyball vs. Janesville HERE at 4:30, 5:30

Tuesday, September 29 —
Preschool at 8:10 a.m.
A Volleyball at GHEC-T at 4 p.m.

Wednesday, September 30 —
Preschool at 8:10 a.m.
Chapel with Mr. Miller at 8:30 a.m.

Thursday, October 1 —
Preschool at 8:10 a.m.
Band
A Volleyball at Genesis Classical Academy at 4 p.m.

Friday, October 2 —
Noon— Marathon for Non-Public Schools at Vianney

Have a great week!

## THIS WEEK'S LUNCH MENU

**Monday**: Italian Pasta Bake, Peas, Pineapple, Bread, Milk
**Tuesday:** French Toast Sticks , Sausage, TriTaters, Oranges, Muffins, Milk
**Wednesday:** BBQ Riblet on Bun, Cheesy Hashbrowns, Corn, Pears, Milk
**Thursday:** Soft Tacos, Tater Tots, Corn, Fruit, Milk
**Friday**: Cheesy Chicken on Bun, Chips, Green Beans, Fruit, Milk

## SCHOOL REMINDERS

***A big THANK YOU to all the families who signed up to work on a PTL committee for this year!! The PTL Handbook with the list of committees will be sent home soon with your child(ren).***

Please make sure that during home sporting events that your children stay with you. They do not need to be running around on the school/church property. That is when trouble happens, property gets damaged, and sports equipment stays outside and lost. When your family comes to cheer on our teams, make it a family event and have fun as a family.

**Kindergarten** In Jesus Time we finished Noah's Ark & moved on to the Tower of Babel. We are also working on the 1st commandment. Our new rhyming word family -in (pin, win), our new letter to practice writing is Gg & our new color is green. We added sight words to our learning: we, like, one & two. We are practicing writing numbers 6 & 7. We are starting a unit of learning on Fire Safety. Reading packs will come home every day, please send them back to school every morning. Also, we have library every Monday morning.

**1st & 2nd**: What a fantastic class! Spelling and Memory: Please check your child's Homework Folder for the lists. Spelling: Gr. 1: it, bit, sit, is, his, in, tip, wig. Gr. 2: jug, mud, just, hunt, club, drum, jump, dust, rub, cup, puddle, sunny, until, stump. Thinking ahead: Marathon: St. John's Vianney, Fairmont: Friday, October 2: More details very soon! Fall Party: Friday, October 9th: Trip to Sea Life at the Mall of America and Como Park, St. Paul, MN! More details later! I would truly appreciate it if I could get some parents to carpool and join us!

**3rd & 4th:** Thank you to Michelle Flohrs for subbing for me on Friday. This week we start learning how to study for quizzes and tests. Please use the materials I have sent home to help your child study! If you have any questions, please let me know! We will have our first store soon. If anyone would like to donate items for the class store, it would be appreciated! Looking ahead to October 2nd, we will be at St. John Vianney in the afternoon for the Marathon.

**5th & 6th** It's been another busy week in our classroom. We had a great time at the Environmental Awareness Day on Tuesday. Next Friday we will participate in the Marathon for Non-Public Schools at SJV in Fairmont. On Friday, October 9th we have our fall party trip to the Twin Cities. Keep working hard on IXL (30 minutes a week) and reading and taking AR tests so we can have our first AR Raffle for the year.

**7th & 8th:** Thank you to Sarah Chambers for subbing for me while I got my eyes done. They continue the healing process with drops. Thank you for being an awesome class for her. Book Reports start on Tuesday. The students signed up for their day. Ask them when it is happening. We are trying it again.....Lakefield Soccer happens on Monday. By now you should know what to do. Sorry there were no Progress Reports this week. No ink for the printer. The students saw their grades and how they are doing. Next one is Monday, September 28. Be filling out your assignment book daily. This helps you remember your responsibilities.

The Marathon for Non-Public Schools happens on Friday. Paperwork should be going home tomorrow (Friday). All money collected stays with our school and will continue to help pay for air conditioning and other unbudgeted items. Any questions, please ask!

Fall Party is October 9th. We are going to the Aquarium at Mall of America and Como Zoo. Students will need to bring a lunch that day. We will also be leaving before 8:10 and