

St. Paul Lutheran Church & Preschool

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Welcome & Announcements

Opening Hymn — *Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying*

“Wake, awake, for night is flying,”
The watchmen on the heights are crying;
“Awake, Jerusalem, arise!”
Midnight hears the welcome voices
And at the thrilling cry rejoices:
“Oh, where are ye, ye virgins wise?
The Bridegroom comes, awake!
Your lamps with gladness take!
Alleluia!
With bridal care, Yourselves prepare
To meet the Bridegroom, who is near.”

Zion hears the watchmen singing,
And all her heart with joy is springing;
She wakes, she rises from her gloom.
For her Lord comes down all-glorious,
The strong in grace, in truth victorious;
Her star is ris’n, her light is come.
Now come, Thou Blessèd One,
Lord Jesus, God’s own Son,
Hail! Hosanna!
We enter all, The wedding hall
To eat the Supper at Thy call.

Now let all the heav’ns adore Thee,
Let saints and angels sing before Thee
With harp and cymbals’ clearest tone.
Of one pearl each shining portal,
Where, joining with the choir immortal,
We gather round Thy radiant throne.
No eye has seen the light,
No ear has heard the might
Of Thy glory;
Therefore will we. Eternally
Sing hymns of praise and joy to Thee!

Invocation, Confession & Absolution

P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Since for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

P Merciful Father, as we come to the end of another Church Year, we confess that we have not lived out our lives in view of Your return.

C We have often looked to other people and places to rule and guide our lives, rather than Your Word. We have continued to practice habits that lead us away from instead of to You. Forgive us for these and all other sins that are on our hearts and minds at this time, that by Your grace, we live out the rest of our days following Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

P Absolution spoken by the Pastor.

C Amen.

Epistle Reading: 2 Timothy 3:10-17

You, however, have followed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, my persecutions and sufferings that happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra—which persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evil people and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Luke 6:12-19

In these days he went out to the mountain to pray, and all night he continued in prayer to God. And when day came, he called his disciples and chose from them twelve, whom he named apostles: Simon, whom he named Peter, and Andrew his brother, and James and John, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon who was called the Zealot, and Judas the son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became

a traitor. And he came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father
before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made,**

**being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.**

He suffered and was buried.

**And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.**

**And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

**the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.**

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon — God's Word on...Discipleship – Habits

Prayers

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray... Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will
be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us
our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and
the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Words of Institution and Lord's Supper

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn — *The Name of Jesus* by Aaron Shust

At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee will bow
And every tongue confess Him the King of Glory now
It's the Father's pleasure that we should call Him Lord
Who from the beginning was the mighty Word
We sing glory to the Lord on high
Glory to the Son who came to earth to die
Glory to the Spirit who lifts the name on high
The name of Jesus, the name of Jesus

At His voice creation sprang at once to sight
All the angel faces and all the host of light
Thrones and dominations, stars upon their way
All the heavenly orders, in their great array

They sang glory to the Lord on high
Glory to the Son who came to earth to die
Glory to the Spirit who lifts the name on high:
The name of Jesus, the name of Jesus

In Your hearts enthrone Him; there let Him subdue
All that is not holy, all that is not true
And crown Him as your captain, in temptation's hour
And let His will enthrall you, in its light and pow'r

We sing glory to the Lord on high
Glory to the Son who came to earth to die
Glory to the Spirit who lifts the name on high:
The name of Jesus, the name of Jesus
At the name of Jesus, the name of Jesus

Happening This Week at St. Paul

<u>Today</u>	8:00am, 9:00am, 10:00am, 11:00am Worship Services 4:00pm Voters Meeting 7:00pm Zoom Bible Study
<u>Monday</u>	6:30pm GriefShare via Zoom
<u>Wednesday</u>	9:00am Thanksgiving Chapel Service with Communion
<u>Thursday</u>	Church Offices Closed
<u>Friday</u>	Church Offices Closed
<u>Saturday</u>	9:00am Church Decorating 4:00pm Mask Required Service 5:30pm Journey Worship Service

Attendance 11/14-11/15

4:00pm —18, 5:30pm—40, 8:00am—21, 9:00am —65, 10:00am—48, 11:00am—40

Altar Flowers

November 29 — Randy & Denise Benda

Elders

November 22 — Tim Davies

November 29 — Dave Thompson

December 6 — Gary Hauge

Offering Counters

November 22 — Jon Gerths, Troy Marshall

November 29 — Jon Gerths, Tim

December 6 & 13 — Bill Kruse, Dewayne McGohan

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Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Don and Sandi Nemitz in honor of their 51st wedding anniversary on November 26.

Poinsettias — Order a poinsettia for \$10 to decorate the church during the Christmas season. Order forms are on the LWML table and due December 1.

Thanksgiving Chapel Service will be on Wednesday, November 25 at 9am with Holy Communion.

Offices Closed — Church building and offices are closed Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27.

Decorate — Join other St. Paul members in decorating the church for Advent and Christmas on Saturday, November 28 at 9am.

Church Mailboxes — Please remember to check your church mailboxes each week!

Land Committee Report — Copies of the Land Committee Report are available on the kiosks in the Narthex and near the main entrance.

Voters Packets — Information packets for the upcoming voters meeting are located in the Narthex and near the main entrance.

Share the Warmth — Today is the last day to donate items for Moulton Elementary. **Starting December 1** the manger will collect non-perishable food items and monetary donations for the blessing box, the St. Paul pantry and DMARC. New this year — we are collecting good quality hand-operated can openers.

Advent Worship Services — Midweek Advent services begin Wednesday, December 2, with services at 6:15pm and 7:00pm. Social distancing will be observed in the Sanctuary. Face coverings are recommended but not required. Services will be on the screens and only 30-40 minutes long. There is no sign up at this time to attend Advent services.

New address, email or phone number? Call or email the church office with changes so we can keep our information accurate.