

St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



September 6, 2020

Divine Service—Setting 4

Opening Hymn

820 My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker



1 My soul, now praise your Mak - er! Let all with - in me
2 He of - fers all His trea - sure Of jus - tice, truth, and
3 For as a ten - der fa - ther Has pit - y on His
4 His grace re - mains for - ev - er, And chil - dren's chil - dren



bless His name Who makes you full par - tak - er Of
righ - teous - ness, His love be - yond all mea - sure, His
chil - dren here, God in His arms will gath - er All
yet shall prove That God for - sakes them nev - er Who



mer - cies more than you dare claim. For - get Him not whose
yearn - ing pit - y o'er dis - tress; Nor treats us as we
who are His in child - like fear. He knows how frail our
in true fear shall seek His love. In heav'n is fixed His



mee - ness Still bears with all your sin, Who heals your ev - 'ry
mer - it But sets His an - ger by. The poor and con - trite
pow - ers, Who but from dust are made. We flour - ish like the
dwell - ing, His rule is o - ver all; O hosts with might ex -



weak - ness, Re - news your life with - in; Whose grace and
spir - it Finds His com - pas - sion nigh; And high as
flow - ers, And e - ven so we fade; The wind but
cel - ling, With praise be - fore Him fall. Praise Him for -



care are end - less And saved you through the past; Wh
 heav'n a - bove us, As dawn from close of day, So
 through them pass - es, And all their bloom is o'er. We
 ev - er reign - ing, All you who hear His Word— Our

leaves no suf - f'rer friend - less But rights the wronged at last.
 far, since He has loved us, He puts our sins a - way.
 with - er like the grass - es; Our place knows us no more.
 life and all sus - tain - ing. My soul, O praise the Lord!

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Confession and Absolution

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

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

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P

If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could

stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As an ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Introit *Ps. 92:1–4; antiphon: Ps. 92:5*

P: How great are your works, O LORD!

C: Your thoughts are very deep!

P: It is good to give thanks to the LORD,

C: to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

P: to declare your steadfast love in the morning,

C: and your faithfulness by night,

P: to the music of the lute and the harp,

C: to the melody of the lyre.

P: For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;

C: at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

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.

P: How great are your works, O LORD!

C: Your thoughts are very deep!

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, from whom all good proceeds, grant to us, Your humble servants, Your holy inspiration, that we may set our minds on the things that are right and, by Your merciful guiding, accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

Old Testament Reading *Ezekiel 33:7–9*

⁷"So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person

shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual *Ps. 34:9, 19, alt.*

P: Fear the LORD, you his saints,

C: for those who fear him lack nothing!

P: Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

C: but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

Epistle *Romans 13:1–10*

¹Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. ²Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. ³For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, ⁴for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. ⁵Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. ⁶For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. ⁷Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel *Matthew 18:1–20*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" ²And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them ³and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

⁵"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, ⁶but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.

⁷"Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! ⁸And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. ⁹And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire.

¹⁰"See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. ¹²What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? ¹³And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

¹⁵"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. ¹⁶But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the

evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

**C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,**

and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.

Hymn of the Day

707 Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways



- 1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To keep His stat-utes still!
 2 Or - der my foot-steps by Thy Word And make my heart sin-cere;
 3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, A strict-er watch to keep;
 4 Make me to walk in Thy com-mands—'Tis a de-light-ful road—



Oh, that my God would grant me grace To know and do His will!
 Let sin have no do - min-ion, Lord, But keep my con-science clear.
 And should I e'er for - get Thy way, Re-store Thy wan-d'ring sheep.
 Nor let my head or heart or hands Of - fend a-against my God.

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Sermon: *"Integrity: Truly Welcoming; Diligently Securing;
 Urgently Caring"*

Sermon Text: Matthew 18:1-20

Rev. Samuel Bobby

Prayer of the Church

Offertory Hymn

578 Thy Strong Word *sts. 1-3*



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy
2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as
3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; Bright with



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed
night and deep as death, Broke the light of
Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.
Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.
press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to

Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

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Stand

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

- 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.

Benedicamus and Benediction

- A** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.
- 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

797 Praise the Almighty



1 Praise the Al - might - y, my soul, a - dore Him!
2 Trust not in rul - ers; they are but mor - tal;
3 Bless - ed, oh, bless - ed are they for - ev - er
4 Pen - i - tent sin - ners, for mer - cy cry - ing,



Yes, I will laud Him un - til death; With songs and
Earth - born they are and soon de - cay. Vain are their
Whose help is from the Lord Most High, Whom from sal -
Par - don and peace from Him ob - tain; Ev - er the



an - thems I come be - fore Him As long as
coun - sels at life's last por - tal, When the dark
va - tion can noth - ing sev - er, And who in
wants of the poor sup - ply - ing, Their faith - ful



He al - lows me breath. From Him my life and
grave en - gulfs its prey. Since mor - tals can no
hope to Christ draw nigh. To all who trust in
God He will re - main. He helps His chil - dren



all things came; Bless, O my soul, His ho - ly name.
help af - ford, Place all your trust in Christ, our Lord.
Him, our Lord Will aid and coun - sel now af - ford.
in dis - tress, The wid - ows and the fa - ther - less.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

(Stand)

- 5 Praise, all you people, the name so holy
Of Him who does such wondrous things!
All that has being, to praise Him solely,
With happy heart its amen sings.
Children of God, with angel host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
Alleluia, alleluia!

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**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ST. PAUL'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS)
Aberdeen, South Dakota
(605) 225-1847
September 6, 2020**

The purpose of St. Paul's Congregation is to assist its members to share and to grow in their faith in Jesus Christ by faithful proclamation of the Gospel and the administration of the Sacraments in accordance with the confessional standards of the Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod.

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Sunday School begins on September 13, 2020 at 9:15am.

On the first Sunday of each month, the Coin Banks are collected. The money donated is given to The Journey to help those in need in our community.

The annual Church Picnic has been CANCELED this year.

Howard and Arlowine Dahme celebrated their 73rd wedding anniversary on September 1st.

Church office will be closed on Sept. 7th for the Labor Day holiday.

Nomination Form for Call List form available in the narthex. If you know a pastor who St. Paul's should consider calling for our associate pastor position, please fill out the Nomination form and return it to the office by Sunday, September 6th. Thank you.

The self-studies forms should be back to the office by today.

Please pray for Brandi Wagemann, Roger Blum, Pastor Dell, Michael Severson, Joyce Kenitzer, Joyce Dahme, Delores Sandmeier, Ada McCorkle, Brenda Blair, Miles Eisenbeisz, Monica Podoll, Leona McCalip, Steven Swanhorst, Barbara Dahme, Howard Dahme, Dan Lingor, Ralph Stevens, Jason Herrick, Pastor Anderson and Gladys Felix.

Please pray for Jeff Severson and Devin Severson who are serving in the military.

MAIN STREET LIVING – Sept.13, 2020 10:00 AM- This is the Life -

“Old Smiley”—10:30 AM - Rev. Steve Weispfennig presents the sermon “I Forgive You.” The sermon is based on Matthew 18:21-35. The program is interpreted and closed captioned for the hearing impaired. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR – Sept. 13 – “Fireplace Spirituality”

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Our relationship with God is not something to “set and forget” like a thermostat. The Lutheran Hour can be heard on KAWZ 88.1 at 9:00 am or Bismarck radio station KFYZ at 7:30 am on Sundays.

“On earth, there will be no shortage of burdens to bear as we care for those in need. But one day, these burdens will be lifted from our shoulders in Heaven, where the Lord will see us through the lens of Christ’s perfect sacrifice and will say, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant!... Enter into the joy of your master’ (Matthew 25:21). Rest is His unfailing love.” Marie MacPherson, author - A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life.

LWML 2020 Christian Workshop will be held on Friday, Sept. 18th at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church in Huron. Registration begins at 9:30am.

LWML: We are collecting **mite box donations**. Mites for mission projects are lower than expected. Please consider bringing your mites and place them in the boxes located at both narthexes. Boxes will be available for several weeks.

Organists: Sunday – Sue Ellingson **Monday** – Tierra Cassens
Wednesday – Judah Bobby

Offering: August 30, 2020 - \$5,460.30 Coffee - \$51.00

Attendance: August 30, 2020

8:00 am – 72 10:45 am – 102 Monday Night – 27
Wednesday Night – 7

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL’S: (Sept. 6-Sept .13)

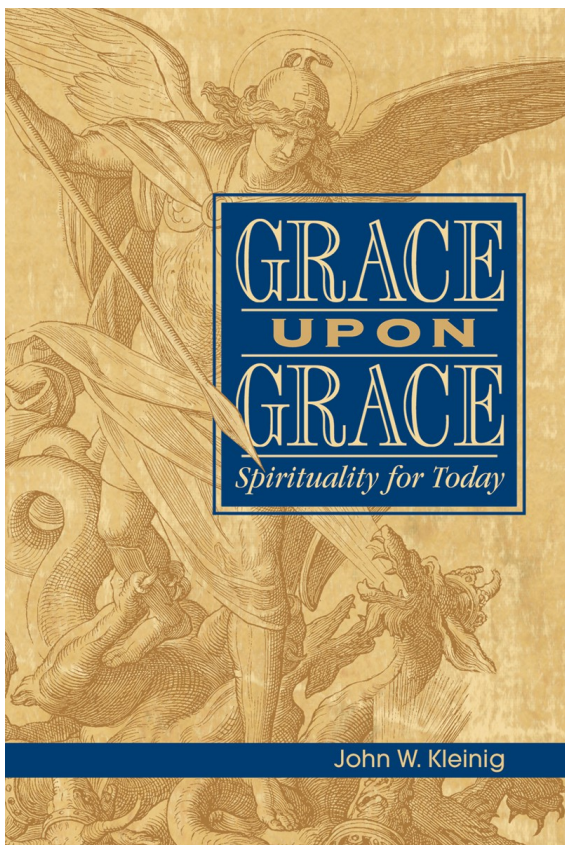
Sun 8:00 am Worship Service
9:15 am Bible Study, Coffee/Donuts
10:45 am Worship Service.
5-7:00 pm Circuit Youth Meeting at Our Savior

Mon 6:15 pm Worship Service
7:00 pm Elder Meeting

Wed 6:00 am Men's Bible Study
6:00 pm **Worship Service – (Mask Required)**
7:00 pm Circuit Confirmation

Thur 9:00 am Quilting

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9:15 am Sunday School, Bible Study, Coffee/Donuts
10:45 am Worship Service
3-5:30 pm Circuit Convocation



Circuit Convocation

Sunday, September 13th

3:00-5:30 pm

Rev. Dean Schroeder

St. Paul's Lutheran Church Gym

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Part of the purpose of a Circuit Convocation is to cultivate “theological discourse both within and beyond the circuit” (LCMS 2019 Handbook). With this in mind, we will be having Rev. Dean Schroeder, pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, Tyndall and Martinus Lutheran Church, Utica, presenting on John Kleinig's *Grace upon Grace*. Please join us for this time of fellowship and study as we reflect on the true meaning of spirituality in light of God's gifts in Christ.

From the back cover: “The longing for spiritual fulfillment, inevitably paired with spiritual frustration, is common among Christians. [...] Do we pray enough, in the correct way, and for the right things? How do we become truly spiritual? And the answers from numerous self-help spirituality books only lead to confusion and the fear of missing key steps on the road to becoming spiritual. In response, John W. Kleinig clarifies that there is no process for becoming spiritual. Instead, God graciously gives to us every spiritual gift that we need, beginning with the very gift of faith in Christ our Savior. Because God has joined us to Christ, He continually come to give us life.”