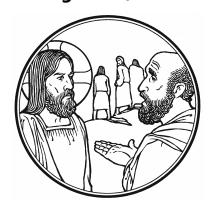
St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

Aberdeen, SD 57401 605-225-1847

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost August 15, 2021



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.

Rev. Samuel Bobby, Senior Pastor [Cell: 415-5578]

Rev. Jacob Smith, Assistant Pastor (586-556-6077)

pastorjacobs@stpaulsaberdeen.org

Alison Andreasen, Lighthouse Preschool Director (725-1855) alisona@stpaulsaberdeen.org

Cindy Jung, Admin. Assistant – <u>cindyj@stpaulsaberdeen.org</u>
Michael Leapley, DCE Intern – <u>michaell@stpaulsaberdeen.org</u>
<u>www.stpaulsaberdeen.org</u>

A parent/student confirmation meeting for all 8th and 9th grade students is scheduled for Wed., August 25th at 6:30pm

Please pray for Brandi Wagemann, Roger Blum, Pastor Dell, Joyce Kenitzer, Delores Sandmeier, Ada McCorkle, Miles Eisenbeisz, Barbara Dahme, Dan Lingor, Jason Herrick, Gladys Felix, Muriel Schamber, Kimberlee Kaiser, Harry Preston, Fern Preston, Ann Thompson, Jerry Streckfuss, Elli Bode, Sheyenne Seely, Charles Frohling, Eileen Kukrall, and Courtney Frohling. Josh Hahler - Army.

Free Will Donation for the Preschool: Please consider donating to the Lighthouse Preschool on August 22nd, 23rd, and 25th at regular church services.

The Lord has blessed the Lighthouse Preschool in many ways. He has placed children and families in our midst who want a Christian education for their young children. He has given us a faithful, talented teacher, director, and aides that He uses to teach these children, and He continues His work through the Holy Spirit of growing the seeds of faith planted even after the children's' time in our program. Thanks be to God for His faithfulness up until this point. We have faith that He will continue to bless this ministry until the work He has set aside for us to do is completed. Thank you for being a part of it!

Jesus Door 2 Door (formerly referred to as Ongoing Ambassadors for Christ) is a retreat for youth in 6th-12th grade. This retreat offers a great opportunity for your children to go out into the world and share their faith. It will be held in Rugby, ND from August 20-22 (Friday-Sunday). Leaving on Friday, Aug. 20 at 6:30pm and returning on Sunday, Aug. 22 in the afternoon. Contact Michael Leapley, our DCE Intern.

A Five Loaves planning meeting is scheduled for Wed., August 18, 2021 at 5:15pm. Help is needed by women and men. Members are encouraged to pick a month to help with the meals.

A memorial was given to St. Paul's in memory of Terry Mages by Randy, Amanda and Laura Mages.

The Lighthouse Preschool needs a driver for the church van! Please let Cindy or Alison know if you are interested in driving the church van Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday afternoons from 3:15-4:00pm. Our transportation service has drawn many people to our preschool and the success of the program is dependent on having drivers. This time slot for transportation is an exciting new attempt to help cater to our families' needs. 605-725-1855.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR – August 22, 2021 "Ephesians 5" Speaker: Dr. Dale A. Meyer. The Lutheran Hour can be heard on KAWZ 88.1 at 9:00 am or Bismarck radio station KFYR at 7:30 am on Sundays.

MAIN STREET LIVING – August 23, 2021 10:00 AM – This the Life – "But Not for Lunch" 10:30 AM - Rev. Joshua Jones brings the message "Matters of the Heart" based on Mark 7:1-13. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

Lutherans for Life will have a booth at the Brown County Fair. St. Paul's is scheduled to host the booth on Saturday, August 21st. The signup sheet is in the Fellowship Hall on the bulletin board. If you have questions, please contact Dee Roth.

Organists: Sunday – Cyrece Kono Monday: Tierra Cassens

Wednesday: Cindy Jung

Offering: August 8, 2021 - \$7,018.62 Coffee - \$65.00

Sunday Attendance – August 8, 2021:

8:00am - 69 Communed - 56 10:45am - 90 Communed - 55 Monday - 33 Communed - 29 Wednesday - 0

Bible Study Attendance:

Sunday – 43 Tuesday - 19 Wednesday - 7

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S: (August 15– August 22)

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Bible Study, Coffee & Donuts

10:45 am Worship Service

Mon 6:15 pm Worship Service

7:00 pm Church Council Meeting

Tue 7:00 pm Calling For Life Bible Study (last session)

Wed 6:00 am Men's Morning Bible Study

12:15 pm Worship (mask only)

5:15 pm Five Loaves Planning Meeting

5-7:00 pm Youth Group meeting

6:30 pm Grief Share

Thurs 7:00 pm Rural Gospel Initiative meeting

Sat 4-8:00 pm Retreat for Structure and Governance

(Church Council, Elders, & Staff)

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Bible Study, Donuts and Coffee

10:45 am Worship Service

P: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.

C: His praise endures forever!

P: Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart.

C: in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

P: Great are the works of the LORD,

C: studied by all who delight in them.

P: Full of splendor and majesty is his work,

C: and his righteousness endures forever.

P: He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;

C: the LORD is gracious and merciful.

P: He provides food for those who fear him;

C: he remembers his covenant forever.

P: He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.

C: Holy and awesome is his name!

P: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.

C: His praise endures forever!

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow His steps in the way that leads to life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading Proverbs 9:1–10

¹Wisdom has built her house;

she has hewn her seven pillars.

²She has slaughtered her beasts; she has mixed her wine;

she has also set her table.

³She has sent out her young women to call from the highest places in the town,

⁴"Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!" To him who lacks sense she says,

5"Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed.

⁶Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

⁷Whoever corrects a scoffer gets himself abuse, and he who reproves a wicked man incurs injury.

⁸Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you; reprove a wise man, and he will love you.

⁹Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser:

teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning.

¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm 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 Ephesians 5:6–21

⁶Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. ⁷Therefore do not associate with them; ⁸for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), ¹⁰and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. ¹³But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, ¹⁴for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

"Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

¹⁵Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, ²⁰giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel John 6:51-69

- P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.
- C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

⁵¹[Jesus said:] "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" ⁵³So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. ⁵⁵For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. ⁵⁷As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not as the fathers ate and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." ⁵⁹Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum.

⁶⁰When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" ⁶¹But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this? ⁶²Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is of no avail. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) ⁶⁵And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father."

⁶⁶After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. ⁶⁷So Jesus said to the Twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?" ⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, ⁶⁹and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.