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Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 5, 2021



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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, Eileen Kukrall, Donna Wester, Maurice Jundt, Nathan Bettmann, Janet Smith, and Courtney Frohling. Brantson Meier – military service.

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

THANK YOU! The Lighthouse Preschool thanks you for your snack donations and financial support this summer. We are excited to start a new year and go into the year even more confidently knowing how much the church is supporting our work!

Celebrating *Matins*: Rally Day is Sunday, September 12. At this time, we will begin Sunday School for kids in preschool to grade 12. We will also be celebrating *Matins*. *Matins* is an order of worship that's a bit shorter than our other services with lots of singing. Also, there is no communion for *Matins* (you can find it on page 219 in your hymnal). We will continue to use *Matins* on the first Sunday of every month and will also use the extra time during the service to acknowledge all baptismal birthdays for the month along with all anniversaries, so please contact the church office if you do not think we have that information. We will also have our stewardship reading and children's sermon during this service. *Matins* is a beautiful order of service and wonderful way to start the month!

A new Wednesday Bible Study will begin on September 15th at 10:00 am. 1 Samuel is a wonderful book where we get to see God forgive Israel time and time again. We get to read about some political intrigue in the rise and fall of Saul. Also, we get some amazing stories, such as David and Goliath. It is a wonderful book that sets up so many future stories in the Bible and we get a glimpse of what the greater King will be like. This Bible study will be led by Pastor Smith.

Happy 95th Birthday to Sally Kushman. She will celebrate her birthday on September 8th. You may send birthday cards to her at

1902 Prospect Ave B5, Aberdeen.

Youth Group – Messianic Movies: This new youth group study starts Sept. 12th from 5-7 PM. Join us as we analyze the messianic themes found in "The Matrix." We will continue to learn how pop culture reflects the story of the Bible. By doing this, we can better appreciate the truth found in God's Word. All stories, even secular ones, imitate the Bible because Jesus is Lord over all!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Silent Auction and Walk. Thanks to those who donated items and to the church staff for helping to coordinate and set up for the event. We especially thank Pastor Bobby for his prayer and the reading of the names at the NSU Cancer Tree. We had a very successful event due to your support!
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The Devotional Challenge Book: Join us for the next Tuesday night adult Bible study! The study starts on September 14th at 7 PM and will be led by our DCE Intern, Michael Leapley! We will be taking on the challenges found in "The Devotional Challenge Book" by Rev. Bryan Wolfmueller--a pastor in the LCMS. Most people realize that if you want to get better at something, it takes practice. Musicians get better by practicing with their band, athletes get better by practicing with their teammates, and if you want to get better at being healthy and fit you go to a workout class at the gym! So we'll be doing the same thing in this Bible study as we practice getting better in our devotional lives with our brothers and sisters in Christ!

MAIN STREET LIVING – Sept. 12, 2021 10:00 AM – This the Life – “Tina” 10:30 AM – Rev. John Fries brings the message “*Tongues of Fire Will Burn You!*” based on James 3:1-12. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

Preschool grocery receipts: Kessler’s and Ken’s have changed dates as to collection of grocery receipts. We will accept receipts with a start date of August 15, 2021.

Church office will be closed on Monday, September 6th for the Labor Day holiday.

A Prayer Service will be held on Sunday, September 12th at 12:30pm. Prayers will include students and teachers.

Organists: Sunday – Cyrece Kono **Monday:** Tierra Cassens

Offering: August 29, 2021 - \$5,866.85 Coffee - \$75.00
Missons - \$30.00

Sunday Attendance – August 29, 2021:

8:00am – 84 Communed – 73 10:45am – 122 Communed - 78

Monday – 26 Communed – 25 Wednesday – 1 Communed – 1

Bible Study Attendance: Sunday – 55

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL’S: (Sept. 5- Sept. 12)

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Bible Study, Coffee & Donuts

10:45 am Worship Service

5-7pm Circuit Youth at Our Savior

Mon 6:15 pm Worship Service

7:00 pm Elder Meeting

Wed 6:00 am Men’s Morning Bible Study

12:15 pm Worship

6:30 pm Sunday School Planning Meeting

6:30 pm Circuit Confirmation

Thurs 9:00 am Quilting

11:30 am LWML Meeting and Lunch

Sat 9:30 am Jesus Door 2 Door

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Bible Study, Donuts and Coffee

9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship Service

12:30 pm Prayer Service

1:00 pm Elder Bible Study

5:00 pm Youth Group

Introit Psalm 28:1–2, 6–7; antiphon: v. 8

P: The LORD is the strength of his people;

C: he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

P: To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,

C: lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.

P: Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help,

C: when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.

P: Blessèd be the LORD!

C: For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

P: The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;

C: my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

**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.**

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C: he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 35:4–7a

⁴Say to those who have an anxious heart,
“Be strong; fear not!
Behold, your God
will come with vengeance,
with the recompense of God.
He will come and save you.”
⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
⁶then shall the lame man leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.
For waters break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;
⁷the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water.”

- A** 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

James 2:1–10, 14–18

¹My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. ²For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, ³and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, “You sit here in a good place,” while you say to the poor man, “You stand over there,” or, “Sit down at my feet,” ⁴have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? ⁷Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called?

⁸If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. ⁹But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. . . .

¹⁴What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? ¹⁷So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

¹⁸But someone will say, “You have faith and I have works.” Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Holy Gospel Mark 7:24–37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

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

²⁴From there [Jesus] arose and went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered a house and did not want anyone to know, yet he could not be hidden. ²⁵But immediately a woman whose little daughter was possessed by an unclean spirit heard of him and came and fell down at his feet. ²⁶Now the woman was a Gentile, a Syrophoenician by birth. And she begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷And he said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." ²⁸But she answered him, "Yes, Lord; yet even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." ²⁹And he said to her, "For this statement you may go your way; the demon has left your daughter." ³⁰And she went home and found the child lying in bed and the demon gone.

³¹Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." ³⁵And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**