

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

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## Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 26, 2021



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**Please pray** for Brandi Wagemann, Roger Blum, Pastor Dell, Joyce Kenitzer, Delores Sandmeier, Ada McCorkle, Miles Eisenbeisz, Barbara Dahme, Jason Herrick, Gladys Felix, Muriel Schamber,

Kimberlee Kaiser, Harry Preston, Fern Preston, Ann Thompson, Jerry Streckfuss, Elli Bode, Sheyenne Seely, Eileen Kukrall, Donna Wester, Nathan Bettmann, Janet Smith, and Courtney Frohling. Brantson Meier – military service.

**First to the Table for Communion:** St. Lawrence, when asked by the Roman prefect to hand over the treasures of the church, brought the poor, the blind, and the suffering. By so doing, Lawrence was echoing Jesus's teaching about greatness from Luke 22:26, "Rather, let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves." In order to reflect this teaching, those invited to the first table of the Lord's Supper will be those who have any type of physical challenge or those who would like social distancing at the rail. Next, the pastors will commune those in the pews who cannot come to the rail. Then the ushers will invite up the rest of the congregation.

**Our condolences to the family of Carol Nelson**, whose Christian funeral was held at St. Paul's on Friday, September 24, 2021.

**LWML breakfast on Sunday**, October 3, 2021 beginning at 9:15am. Menu will include egg bake, fruit, sweet breads/muffins.

**Men's Retreat -- Called by Christ to Be a Man** Saturday, Oct. 30th from 9:00 AM to Noon at Our Savior Lutheran Church. Join us as we learn what it means to fulfill the purpose and design that God has called us to as men! This is a circuit-wide event for men of all ages, so bring a friend! Attendees will be invited to Pizza Ranch for lunch following the retreat. This event will be led by Michael Leapley, DCE Intern, in order to fulfill his internship requirements.

**Little Ones' Book Club** – Our youngest children (Baptism through age 3) have a Bible-based book waiting for them in the south narthex. Please take it home, read, and enjoy! It's yours to keep!

**A new Wednesday Bible Study** began 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.

**Deadline commitment for the National Youth Gathering is October 24, 2021.**

**The Devotional Challenge Book:** The Tuesday night adult Bible study! The study started on September 14th at 7 PM and is led by our DCE Intern, Michael Leapley! We will be taking on the challenges found in "The Devotional Challenge Book" by Rev. Bryan Wolfmuller--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!

**The bookstore/gift shop** is open between services on Sunday mornings. Check out the new cards for all occasions and new items.

**MAIN STREET LIVING – Oct. 3, 2021** 10:00 AM – This the Life – *“Live Option”* 10:30 AM – SMP Vicar Dennis Mercer brings the message *“What’s Your Passion?”* based on Matthew 22:34-46. For more information go to the web site: [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com).

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR – Oct. 3, 2021** *“Approval Cannot Equal Love”* Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Ziegler. 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.

**Vocal Choir and Bell Choir** will begin practices on Wednesdays, at the following times: Vocal Choir at 6:45pm and Bell Choir at 7:30pm. Anyone interest in participating in special music for the Church is welcomed!

**Organists: Sunday** – Judah Bobby **Monday:** Tierra Cassens

**Offering: September 19, 2021** - \$12,207.50 Coffee - \$91.00  
Sunday School - \$15.00 Missions - \$30.00

**Sunday Attendance – September 19, 2021:** 8:00am – 102  
Communed - 83 10:45am – 99 Communed - 79 Monday – 26  
Communed - 24

**Bible Study Attendance:**

Sunday – 67 Tuesday - 21 Wednesday: Men’s 6am – 9 10:00  
am - 11 Women’s 5:00 - ?

**THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL’S: (Sept. 26 – October 3)**

**Sun 8:00 am Worship Service**

9:30 am Bible Study, Coffee & Donuts

9:30 am Sunday School

**10:45 am Worship Service**

5-7:00 pm Youth Group Meeting

**Mon 6:15 pm Worship Service**

7:00 pm Council Structure and Governance

**Tue 7:00 pm Devotional Challenges Bible Study**

**Wed 6:00 am Men’s Morning Bible Study**

10:00 am 1 Samuel Bible Study

5:15 pm Women’s Bible Study

6:30 pm Confirmation

6:45 pm Vocal Choir

7:30 pm Bell Choir

**Thurs 9:00 am Quilting**

**Sun 8:00 am Worship Service**

9:15 am LWML Breakfast

9:30 am Bible Study

9:30 am Sunday School

**10:45 am Worship Service**

**Introit** Psalm 135:1–3, 13–14; antiphon: v. 13

- P: Your name, O LORD, endures forever,  
**C: your renown, O LORD, throughout all ages.**
- P: Praise the LORD! Praise the name of the LORD,  
**C: give praise, O servants of the LORD,**  
 P: who stand in the house of the LORD,  
**C: in the courts of the house of our God!**
- P: Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good;  
**C: sing to his name, for it is pleasant!**
- P: Your name, O LORD, endures forever,  
**C: your renown, O LORD, throughout all ages.**
- P: For the LORD will vindicate his people  
**C: and have compassion on his servants.**
- 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: Your name, O LORD, endures forever,  
**C: your renown, O LORD, throughout all ages.**

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** Let us pray.

Everlasting Father, source of every blessing, mercifully direct and govern us by Your Holy Spirit that we may complete the works You have prepared for us to do; 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** Genesis 2:7, 15–25

<sup>7</sup>then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature.

<sup>15</sup>The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. <sup>16</sup>And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the

day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

<sup>18</sup>Then the LORD God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him.” <sup>19</sup>So out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup>The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. <sup>21</sup>So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. <sup>22</sup>And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. <sup>23</sup>Then the man said,

“This at last is bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
she shall be called Woman,  
because she was taken out of Man.”

<sup>24</sup>Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. <sup>25</sup>And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.      **C** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual**      Psalm 91:11; 103:1

P: He will command his angels concerning you

**C: to guard you in all your ways.**

P: Bless the LORD, O my soul,

**C: and all that is within me, bless his holy name!**

**Epistle**      James 5:1–20

<sup>1</sup>Come now, you rich, weep and howl for the miseries that are coming upon you. <sup>2</sup>Your riches have rotted and your garments are moth-eaten. <sup>3</sup>Your gold and silver have corroded, and their corrosion will be evidence against you and will eat your flesh like fire. You have laid up treasure in the last days. <sup>4</sup>Behold, the wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, are crying out against you, and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. <sup>5</sup>You have lived on the earth in luxury and in self-

indulgence. You have fattened your hearts in a day of slaughter. <sup>6</sup>You have condemned; you have murdered the righteous person. He does not resist you.

<sup>7</sup>Be patient, therefore, brothers, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and the late rains. <sup>8</sup>You also, be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand. <sup>9</sup>Do not grumble against one another, brothers, so that you may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing at the door. <sup>10</sup>As an example of suffering and patience, brothers, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. <sup>11</sup>Behold, we consider those blessed who remained steadfast. You have heard of the steadfastness of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful.

<sup>12</sup>But above all, my brothers, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your “yes” be yes and your “no” be no, so that you may not fall under condemnation.

<sup>13</sup>Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. <sup>14</sup>Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup>And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup>Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. <sup>17</sup>Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. <sup>18</sup>Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

<sup>19</sup>My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, <sup>20</sup>let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Holy Gospel    Luke 16:19–31

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.

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

<sup>19</sup>[Jesus said:] “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup>And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup>who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. <sup>22</sup>The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, <sup>23</sup>and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. <sup>24</sup>And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ <sup>25</sup>But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. <sup>26</sup>And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ <sup>27</sup>And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— <sup>28</sup>for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ <sup>29</sup>But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ <sup>30</sup>And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ <sup>31</sup>He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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