

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

Aberdeen, SD 57401

605-225-1847

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 21, 2023

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

pastorjacobs@stpaulsaberdeen.org

Rev. Ray Anderson – (605-380-3710)

Jenelle Siebert

Lighthouse Preschool Director **(725-1855)**

directorlhps@stpaulsaberdeen.org

Cindy Jung, Church Admin – cindyj@stpaulsaberdeen.org

Michael Leapley, DCE – michaell@stpaulsaberdeen.org

www.stpaulsaberdeen.org

Please pray for Roger Blum, Joyce Kenitzer, Miles Eisenbeisz, Barbara Dahme, Gladys Felix, Harry and Fern Preston, Sheyenne Seely, Janet Smith, Andrew & Cindy Ruenzel, Courtney Frohling, Dawn Dohn, Lorelei Hartung, Baelyn Schwab, Pam Dutenhoffer, Karen Johnson, Chet Lane, Dora Lane, Sally Kushman, David Mammenga, Ella Jaaska, Dan Lingor, Viril Layton, Edward Les Young, Diane Hickenbotham, and David Swanhorst.

Please inform the Pastors or the church office when you or a loved one is hospitalized.

A Graduation reception will be held on today at 9:30am for those graduating from High School or College.

Call Meeting – June 4th at 1:00 pm – A call meeting will be held on Sunday, June 4th to call a Senior Pastor. Please plan on attending this meeting.

Missionary Presentation. Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, on Sunday, May 28 and Wednesday, May 31, I have the privilege of preaching here at St. Paul's. On Sunday, I will also be doing a mission presentation in between services during Bible study explaining why and how I will be serving with my family in Riga, Latvia. I will be doing the same presentation on Wednesday in the fellowship hall after the Wednesday service. Please consider coming and hearing how God is working in this region of the world. Thank you. Pastor Sam Bobby.

Camp Minneboji - Any youth that are planning on attending Camp Minneboji in June needs to contact the church office to have their name added to the bus list.

Jesus Door-2-Door Trip on May 25-27. Join us for a trip to Sioux Falls where we will canvass on behalf of two churches! This is a great opportunity to grow and be strengthened in your faith as we practice giving a sure testimony of the gospel (2 Tim. 1:8). Registration forms are available in the South Narthex. Please return forms and the \$50 registration fee to Michael Leapley as soon as possible.

Prayer Shawls – In the South Narthex are prayer shawls. They are free to anyone that you feel is in need of a prayer shawl.

Main Street Living in Aberdeen - Main Street Living will be holding its taping session for area pastors on June 3 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm at St. Paul's in Aberdeen. You are invited to stop by and meet some of the faithful volunteers who make our televised service possible and witness the taping of some of the summer episodes. *Additionally:* If you would be interested in helping on June 2 either running the teleprompter or directing please contact Mr. Chad Zinnel at the district office (605) 361-1514. He would gladly answer questions and let you know what it takes. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to assist and/or witness one way that we are together bringing the message of Christ to our communities and region!

Concordia, Cresbard, will celebrate their 75th Anniversary on Sunday, June 11th. You are invited to attend the 10:30 AM worship service with a meal to follow at the Cresbard Community Center. RSVP (meal) is requested by June 1st to Denise Melius, 605-887-7130 or dmelius@nvc.net. A program will be presented at 2:00pm for everyone who would like to attend. The theme for this milestone celebration is "Built on the Rock the Church Shall Stand" based on Ps 118:22.

MAIN STREET LIVING – May 28, 2023 KDLT (NBC) This the Life – **10:00 AM** – *"The Main Event"* **10:30 AM – Worship** – Rev. Dr. Dwayne Lueck presents a Pentecost Sunday message. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR – May 28, 2023 *"A Timely Invitation"* Speaker: Rev. Dr. Hector Hoppe. 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.

The Lighthouse Preschool is now accepting registrations for the 2023-24 school year. Please call 725-1855 for more information or pick up an application in the South Narthex.

Offering: May 14, 2023 - \$12,795.72 Sunday School - \$6.00 Coffee - \$93.00 Missions - \$100.00

Amount to meet Budget: \$13,615.00 per week

Organist: Sunday – Cyrece Kono **Wednesday:** Judah Bobby

Sunday Attendance: May 14, 2023:

8:00am – 84 Communed - 77 **10:45am** – 110 Communed - 84 Wed.
- 33 Communed - 30

Bible Study: Sunday – 60 Wed: 10am – 10 7pm – 5

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S: (May 21 – May 28)

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Bible Study/Coffee & Donuts

9:30 am Sunday School - Last Day

9:30 am Graduation Reception

10:45 am Worship Service

2:00 pm Gathering God's Flock

6:30 pm Call Committee Meeting

Wed 10:00 am Bible Study

6:15 pm Worship Service

7:00 pm Romans Bible Study

Thur 9:00 am Quilting

6:30 pm Call Committee Meeting

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Missionary Presentation/Coffee & Donuts

10:45 am Worship Service

Introit *Psalm 100; antiphon: Psalm 101:1*

P: I will sing of steadfast love and justice;

C: to you, O LORD, I will make music.

P: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

C: Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

P: Know that the LORD, he is God!

C: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the

sheep of his pasture.

P: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

C: Give thanks to him; bless his name!

P: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

C: and his faithfulness to all generations.

P: I will sing of steadfast love and justice;

C: to you, O LORD, I will make music.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Reading *Acts 1:12–26*

¹²Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶“Brothers, the Scripture had to

be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.”

¹⁸(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰“For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

“‘May his camp become desolate,
and let there be no one to dwell in it’;

and

“‘Let another take his office.’

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.” ²³And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual *adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

P: Christ has risen from the dead.

C: [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.

P: He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

C: he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle *1 Peter 4:12–19; 5:6–11*

¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you.

¹³But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. ¹⁵But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. ¹⁶Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. ¹⁷For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God?

¹⁸And

“If the righteous is scarcely saved,
what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?”

¹⁹Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good. . . .

⁶Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, ⁷casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. ⁸Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. ¹⁰And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel *John 17:1–11*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, ²since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give

eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. ⁵And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

⁶“I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them.

¹¹And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Catechetical Review - The Third Petition

P: Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

C: ***Your will be done on earth as in heaven.***

P: *What does this mean?*

C: **The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.**

P: *How is God's will done?*

C: **God's will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.**