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

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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 8, 2024



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Please inform the Pastor or the church office when you or a loved one is hospitalized. If you would like to add your name or remove a name to the above prayer list, please contact the church office.

Rally Sunday – September 8th – Sunday School begins at 9:30am. We will also have a potluck after the late service with games. Everyone is invited to attend.

Welcome new members Noel Hoines, Kelli Kohrs, and Trixie Thomas by Affirmation of Faith.

Jesus Door-2-Door – October 12 (9am-4pm). This event will be here in Aberdeen, SD. Come be strengthened in your faith by spreading the gospel and giving a confession of what you believe. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. All you need to bring is yourself!

Lutheran Witness – September's Lutheran Witness are available in both Narthex's.

Kids for Christ- Jr Youth group - Will be the first and FOURTH (for September only) Friday of the month throughout the school year. Our next meeting will be September 6th 5:30pm-7:30pm. Registration sheets are out in the narthex. All kindergarten through 5th grade kids are welcome. Dinner is provided each meeting. Please see Laura Drevlow for any questions or volunteer opportunities.

Fifth Sunday Services – Any month that has 5 Sundays, the last Sunday will be a joint service at 10:00 am. Sunday School and Bible class will be at 9:00am. This is a good time for both services to join together and worship.

Organist: Sunday – Sue Ellingson Wed – Cindy Jung

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

Choir meeting – A choir informational meeting will be held on Thurs., Sept 12th at 6:30pm.

MAIN STREET LIVING - Sept. 15, 2024 FOX This the Life - 10:00 AM - "Conspiracy of Silence" 10:30 AM - Worship - Rev. Jacob Smith presents the sermon.. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

Enjoy Reading – Join our Book Club. Our next meeting is Sept. 17th at 6:30 pm at 712 N Lincoln St. Our current book we are reading is *The Last Thing He Told Me* by Laura Dave. Everyone welcome. Contact Betty Ochsner for questions, 228-0529.

We would like to thank everyone in the congregation for their continued support of the Lighthouse Preschool! A new school year has begun, and these children are blessed to be receiving a Christian education. We have a couple of reminders for those of you who responded to the Preschool survey earlier this year. If you volunteered to help at the Preschool, please contact Jenelle to let her know your availability. If you pledged donations to the Preschool, it would be greatly appreciated if you would make your donations before the end of December.

Thank you, Preschool Teacher/Director and School Board Members

THE LUTHERAN HOUR – Sept. 15, 2024 "Bent Necks and a Better Brother" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. 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.

Sunday Attendance: Sept. 1 – 8:00 am – 84 10:45 am - 104

Wed - 19 Bible Study: Sun: 48 Wed: - 11

Offering: Sept. 1 - \$8,218.00 Coffee - \$80.00 Shepherd Fund - \$41.65 Missions - \$185.00

Amount to meet budget: \$12,569.00 per week

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S: (Sept. 8 – Sept. 15)

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Donuts and Coffee

9:30 am Bible Study

9:30 am Sunday School Rally Day

10:45 am Worship Service

Noon Potluck and games

5-7:00 pm Youth Group meeting

Mon 6:30 pm Altar Guild Meeting

Wed 10:00 am Bible Study

6:15 pmWorship

7:00 pm Confirmation

Thur 9:00 am LWML Meeting

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Donuts and Coffee

9:30 am Sunday School

9:30 am Bible Study

10:45 am Worship Service

1:00 pm Gathering God's Flock

Psalm Psalm 146; antiphon: v. 2

P: 1Praise the LORD!

C: Praise the LORD, O my soul!

P: 2I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

C: I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

P: 3Put not your trust in princes,

C: in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.

P: 4When his breath departs he returns to the earth;

C: on that very day his plans perish.

P: 5Blessèd is he whose help is the God of Jacob,

C: whose hope is in the LORD his God,

P: 6who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them,

C: who keeps faith forever;

P: 7who executes justice for the oppressed,

C: who gives food to the hungry.

P: The LORD sets the prisoners free;

C: 8the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.

P: The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

C: the LORD loves the righteous.

P: 9The LORD watches over the sojourners;

C: he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

P: 10The LORD will reign forever,

C: your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!

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.

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.

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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? ¬Are 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.

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Holy Gospel Mark 7:24–37

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

C Glory be to Thee, 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 be to Thee, O Christ.