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

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Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 7, 2025



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PRAYER LIST: Please pray for Roger Blum, Andrew Ruenzel, Dawn Dohn, Dora Lane, Barb Wacholz, Kathy Licht, Shane Sass, Cheryl Zinter, Karen Johnson, Baelyn Schwab, Marcie Jutting, Lou Thomas, Betty Streckfuss, Connie Dewan, Roger Huff, Mary Layton, and Patricia Fors.

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.

Bryson Thomas Krueger, son of Jeff and Alicia Krueger will be baptized today at the 10:45am service. Bryson's sponsor is Jeremy Schmitz.

Anyone interested in **teaching Sunday School** this year, please contact Pastor Drevlow, Pastor Smith, or the Church Office.

There will be a **Choir Organizational Meeting** at 6:30pm and **Bell Choir Organizational Meeting** at 7:30pm on September 11th.

Youth Group Meeting (grades 7-12) for parents & students here at the church on Sept. 14th from 5:00pm to 7:00pm with a meal provided.

Women's Thursday Bible Study:

- When/Where: Every Thursday from 7-8pm in St. Paul's Fellowship Hall
- Book: Ladylike: Living Biblically by Rebekah Curtis and Rose Adle (purchase on Amazon or CPH)
- Contact Information: Melinda Johnson (605-949-2483) or Emily Anderson (605-999-7709)
- Didn't read the chapter? No problem! We'd love to have you join us!

Congregation Game Night & Snacks on Friday, Oct. 24th at 6:00pm.

The **Annual Fall Festival** (meatball dinner) will be held on Sept. 28th from 4:30pm-6:30pm.

On the first Sunday of the month, the Shepherd Fund is collected. The money is donated to the Journey to help those in need in our community.

Women's Bible Study will resume on Wednesday, September 10th at 5:15 pm. The group will be studying the book, God's Assurance for Times of Change by Christopher Kennedy. The book is available through CPH or Amazon. A Zoom option is available for those who would like to participate remotely. Please contact Cheryl Wold for more information. Thanks!

A **Blood Drive** is being held at Our Savior's Lutheran Church on Sept. 9th from 4-7pm. You may book a time to donate on www.vitalant.org. If you have any questions, please contact Craig Green at 605-380-3586.

The **September Newsletter** is now available online on St. Paul's website. There are also a few copies available here at the church if you are unable to print the newsletter from home.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church is having a **Carnival** fundraiser on Sunday, Sept. 21st from 12:30-2:30pm. There will be concessions and games. All are welcome to attend.

Monthly Preschool Pizza with the Pastors Luncheon will be September 25th at 11:30.

We are looking for anyone who might be able to assist our services by playing **piano or organ** this fall. If you have any inclination to help or play please let Rev. Drevlow or Rev. Smith know.

September issue of the Lutheran Witness is now available on the tables in the Narthexes.

A new **Bible Study will start** on Saturday, Sept 27th at 6:00am.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR – September 14, 2025 *"It's All on God; It's All on Us"* Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Ziegler. 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 – September 14, 2025 KDLT (NBC) & KEVN (FOX) Channels 5.1 / 46.1 – 8:00 AM – “Tragedy Near a Small Town” 8:30 AM – Worship – Rev. Bret Bierman presents a message titled “What About Billy?” The sermon is based on Luke 15:1-10. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

Sunday Attendance: August 31, 2025

10:00am - 152 Communed - 115

Wed 6:15pm - 16

Bible Study: Sun – 31 Wed – 9

Organist – Sunday/Wednesday: Sue Ellingson/Tina Board

Offering: August 31, 2025 - \$7793.58 Coffee - \$57.00

Amount to meet budget: \$12,824.00 per week

WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S: (September 7 – September 14)

Sun	8:00 am	Worship Service
	9:30 am	Donuts and Coffee
	10:45 am	Worship Service
	12:00 pm	Potluck
Tues	6:00pm	Men's Club Bible Study
Wed	10:00 am	Bible Study
	5:15 pm	Women's Bible Study
	6:15 pm	Worship
	7:00 pm	Confirmation
Thur	9:00 am	LWML Meeting
	6:30 pm	Choir Meeting
	7:00 pm	Women's Bible Study
	7:30 pm	Bell Choir Meeting
Sun	8:00 am	Worship Service
	9:30 am	Donuts and Coffee
	10:45 am	Worship Service
	12:30 pm	Prayer Service
	5:00 pm	Youth Group Meeting (parents & students)



September Baptismal Birthdays

Leah Anderson	Geraldine McIntire
Esther Drevlow	Lowell McIntire
Ron Droog	Tara Merz-Hack
Cheryl Finley	Cheryl Robinson
Ron Frohling	Weston Sauerwein
Connie Green	Cynthia Stadel
Collin Hjermstad	Muriel Stoecker
Mykah Hjermstad	David Swanhorst
Brian Johnson	Gail Swanston
Luke Johnson	Hunter Wilkie
Brooklyn Lout	



September Wedding Anniversaries

Lane & Alex Bauer	Daniel & Sheri Larson
Terry & Sue Ellingson	William & Debra Menzel
Ron & Nancy Frohling	Jon & Patti Mesmer
Brady & Lexy Haar	Jason & Mackenzie Oberfoell
Lloyd & Kim Hodgins	Kelly & Amy Schmitz
Kenny & Norma Kilber	Jerry & Betty Streckfuss

Psalms *Psalm 1; antiphon: v. 6*

- P: ¹Blessèd is the man
who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
**C: nor stands in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;**
- P: ²but his delight is in the law of the LORD,
C: and on his law he meditates day and night.
- P: ³He is like a tree
planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither.
C: In all that he does, he prospers.
- P: ⁴The wicked are not so,
C: but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
- P: ⁵Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
C: nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
- P: ⁶for the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
C: but the way of the wicked will perish.

Reading *Deuteronomy 30:15–20*

¹⁵“See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.”

[L] O Lord, have mercy on us. **[C]** Thanks be to God.

Reading *Philemon 1–21*

¹Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To Philemon our beloved fellow worker ²and Apphia our sister and
Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus
Christ.

⁴I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers,
⁵because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord
Jesus and all the saints, ⁶and I pray that the sharing of your faith may
become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us
for the sake of Christ. ⁷For I have derived much joy and comfort from
your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed
through you.

⁸Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you
to do what is required, ⁹yet for love's sake I prefer to appeal to you—I,
Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus— ¹⁰I appeal to
you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment.
¹¹(Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and
to me.) ¹²I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. ¹³I would
have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on
your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, ¹⁴but I preferred to do
nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by
compulsion but of your own free will. ¹⁵For this perhaps is why he was
parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no
longer as a slave but more than a slave, as a beloved brother—especially
to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would
receive me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge
that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay
it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, I
want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ.

²¹Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will
do even more than I say.

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Reading*Luke 14:25-35*

²⁵Now great crowds accompanied [Jesus], and he turned and said to them, ²⁶"If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, ³⁰saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. ³³So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

³⁴"Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? ³⁵It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

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