

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

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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 28, 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, Baelyn Schwab, Marcie Jutting, Lou Thomas, Betty Streckfuss, Connie Dewan, Roger Huff, Patricia Fors, David Gulland, Cindy & Tom Pichotta, and the family of Karen Johnson.

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.

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

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.

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

There is a **Church Council Meeting** on Tuesday, September 30th at 7:00pm.

Meet & Greet: Find out more about programs **Lutheran Family Service (LFS)** offers that can help you and your family on Sunday, October 5, from 2:00 to 4:00pm, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. We'll also do a Q&A to get to know LFS's brand-new Aberdeen area mental health counselor, Dreena Wertz, who is currently accepting clients with no wait. As a Registered Service Organization (RSO) of the LCMS, LFS specializes in offering Christian counseling to clients who desire it, but you don't have to be Lutheran or Christian to receive services. Coffee and dessert will be provided. Join us in welcoming Dreena to her Aberdeen office!

A new **Bible Study** is taking place on **Saturday mornings at 6:00am**.

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.

The next meeting of **St Paul's Men's Club** will meet at St. Paul's Tuesday, October 14th at 6pm. We will be having pulled pork fried rice. We will be beginning with Chapter 4 in the Book Man Up; by Jeffery Hemmer. All manly men of all ages are encouraged to attend.

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

The **Aberdeen Circuit Reformation service** is on Friday, October 31st at 7:00pm in Groton.

Women's Bible Study is on Wednesday evenings at 5:15pm. The group is 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!

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!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR – October 5, 2025 *“Every Age Has a Stage”*
Speaker: Rev. Dr. Daniel Paavola. 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.

MAIN STREET LIVING – October 5, 2025 KDLT (NBC) & KEVN (FOX) Channels 5.1 / 46.1 – 10:00 AM – “One Hour to Live” 10:30 AM – Worship – Rev. Ray Greenseth. presents a message titled *“Faith for Living”* The sermon is based on Luke 17:1-10. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

Sunday Attendance: September 21, 2025

8:00am – 109 Communed - 86

10:45am – 104 Communed - 75

Wed 6:15pm – 23 Communed - 19

Bible Study: Sun – 50 Wed 10:00 – 10 Wed 5:15 - 6

Organist – Sunday/Wednesday: Sue Ellingson/Tina Board

Offering: September 21, 2025 - \$12,905.50 Coffee - \$97.75

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

WEEK AT ST. PAUL’S: (September 28 – October 5)

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Donuts and Coffee

10:45 am Worship Service

4:30 pm Annual Fall Festival (Meatball Dinner)

Tues 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting

Wed 10:00 am Bible Study

5:15 pm Women’s Bible Study

6:15 pmWorship

7:00 pm Confirmation

Thurs 9:00 am Quilting

6:00 pm Preschool Board Meeting

6:30 pm Choir

7:00 pm Women’s Bible Study

7:30 pm Bell Choir

Fri 5:30 pm Youth for Christ

Sat 6:00 am Bible Study

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Donuts and Coffee

10:45 am Worship Service

2:00 pm Lutheran Family Service Meet & Greet

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;

⁸the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.

**C: The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
the LORD loves the righteous.**

P: ⁹The LORD watches over the sojourners;

he upholds the widow and the fatherless,

C: 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 God, You are the strength of all who trust in You, and without Your aid we can do no good thing. Grant us the help of Your grace that we may please You in both will and deed; 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 *Amos 6:1–7*

¹“Woe to those who are at ease in Zion,
and to those who feel secure on the mountain of
Samaria,

the notable men of the first of the nations,
to whom the house of Israel comes!

²Pass over to Calneh, and see,
and from there go to Hamath the great;
then go down to Gath of the Philistines.

Are you better than these kingdoms?

Or is their territory greater than your territory,

³O you who put far away the day of disaster
and bring near the seat of violence?

⁴“Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory
and stretch themselves out on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock

and calves from the midst of the stall,

⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp
and like David invent for themselves instruments of
music,

⁶who drink wine in bowls

and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

7Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile,
and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.”

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 *1 Timothy 3:1–13*

¹The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. ²Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, ³not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. ⁴He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, ⁵for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God’s church? ⁶He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. ⁷Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil.

⁸Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. ⁹They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. ¹⁰And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. ¹¹Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things. ¹²Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. ¹³For those who serve well

as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel *Luke 16:19–31*

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁹[Jesus said:] “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, ²³and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. ²⁴And 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.’ ²⁵But 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. ²⁶And 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.’ ²⁷And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— ²⁸for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ ³⁰And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ ³¹He 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.