GO THEREFORE AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL

nations...

MATTHEW 28:19, NRSV



YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!

May this hour be a journey of the heart, a renewal of spirit, a pause in our lives as we worship the Lord our God together. If you are a guest this morning, we extend a special welcome to you and invite you to sign our guest book located in the gathering space outside of the sanctuary, also known as the narthex. Following our worship service, we invite you to share in a time of fellowship over coffee, juice, and snacks in the Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in learning more about our congregation and becoming a member, please visit with any member of the congregation or Pastor Janis Sloka. Thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us at St. Paul Lutheran Church!

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME HERE!

We feel strongly that the faith formation of youth—just as any adult's—develops through experience; because of this, we welcome youth of all ages to participate fully in worship and invite them to serve in a number of roles, such as: ushers, greeters, readers, and musicians. While we expect that children will behave as children—giggles, wiggles, and all—we also understand that sometimes they (and their parents or guardians) need a break; on those occasions, you are welcome to utilize the nursery (unstaffed) located on the north end of the narthex. Additionally, there is a playroom for children and a couch room for older youth on the west end of the Fellowship Hall. You can also find children's bulletins and crayons on the table as you enter the main church building doors.

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP

As Lutherans, worship is connected with and central to everything we do—uniting us in celebration, engaging us in thoughtful dialogue, and helping us grow in faith. At the heart of our worship life is the presence of God through the word proclaimed and the sacraments—Holy Baptism and Holy Communion; this is because worship is—first and foremost—fundamentally about what God is doing in the world and in our lives, and then our response to God's action. In the context of worship, we find our response in the liturgy, which is a way of living God's story. The liturgical texts that form the prayers we pray, the texts we say, and the songs we sing find their roots in the Bible; for more information see the back of the hymnal, ELW pp. 1154-1159. Furthermore, these liturgical texts invite each and every one of us—not just the pastor or choir or any other worship leader—to use our voices to praise God. Through worship we are shaped to be participants in God's life in this world.

PLEASE ASK AN USHER/GREETER FOR...

• Assistance with wheelchair seating • Assisted listening devices • Large print bulletins • Directions to restrooms •

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH Holy Trinity June 4, 2023 Holy Communion ~ Holy Baptism

+Indicates to rise as you are able. Congregational responses are printed in **bold**.

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Though the word "trinity" is not found in the scriptures, today's second reading includes the apostolic greeting that begins the liturgy: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. In the gospel Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. More than a doctrine, the Trinity expresses the heart of our faith: we have experienced the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ and with us always through the Holy Spirit. We celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word and sacrament, as we profess the creed, and as we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith.

WELCOME

+ **SONG** "Come, Thou Almighty King" *ELW* #408

+ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

+ GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also, with you.**

+ KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen

+PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

You may be seated.

PSALM: Psalm 8

¹O LORD, our Sovereign,

Please read responsively by whole verses.

how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.

2Out of the mouths of babes and infants
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,
to silence the enemy and the avenger.

3When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars that you have established;

⁴what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

⁵Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.

⁶You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet,

⁷all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,

⁸the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

⁹O LORD, our Sovereign,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Paul closes a challenging letter to the Corinthians with an appeal to Christian fellowship grounded in the triune harmony of Christ's grace, God's love, and the Spirit's partnership.

[Paul writes:] ¹¹Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹²Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

¹³The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Spirit of the Living God



+GOSPEL: Matthew 28:16-20

Children's Bible page #496

After his resurrection, Jesus summons his remaining disciples and commissions them to baptize and teach all nations in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Word of God. Word of life. Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

SONG "We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus" ELW #451

HOLY BAPTISM

ELW page 227

Pastor: God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. The power of sin is put to death in this holy flood, and we are raised with Jesus Christ to new life. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and sent out in mission for the life of the world.

Parents, Sponsors and Family, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have this child baptized into Christ?

Parents, Sponsors and Family: We do.

As you bring this child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to have her live among God's faithful people,

bring her to the word of God and the holy supper, teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in her hands the holy scriptures, and nurture her in faith and prayer, so that Hadley Lynn may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help her grow in the Christian faith and life?

Parents, Sponsors and Family: We do.

Pastor: People of God, do you promise to support Hadley Lynn and pray for her in her new life in Christ? **People: We do.**

As parents, sponsors, family and members of this congregation, the family of God, I ask you to reject sin, profess your faith in Christ, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? **We do.**Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? **We do.**Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? **We do.**

Pastor: With the whole church, let us confess our faith. Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God the father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastor: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood, you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery in Egypt into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you. Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Hadley Lynn, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your sons and daughters new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Hadley Lynn with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **People: Amen.**

Pastor: Hadley Lynn, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever in this baptism!

Pastor: Let your light shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven!

Pastor: Let us welcome this child into God's family by singing one verse of "Jesus Loves Me", twice.

All: Jesus loves me this I know For the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong. They are weak but he is strong. Yes! Jesus loves me. Yes! Jesus loves me. Yes! Jesus loves me. The Bible tells me so. (twice)

+PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION – God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

+PEACE

The sharing of the peace is one of the oldest traditions in the Christian church. Far more than a sociable handshake, it is a ministry we do for each other that proclaims the promise of God's peace given to us and reconciles us to God and one another.

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also, with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

Every good and perfect gift is from God. In grateful response to all of God's gifts, we offer our time, talents, and treasures. These offerings support the ministry of the church-bearing witness to the love of Christ in our community, country, and world. Your financial offerings may be placed in the plates by the sanctuary doors. You are also invited to visit www.stpaulgarrisonnd.com/giving to set up a one-time gift or regular, electronic giving. Thank you for being a part of what God is doing at St. Paul Lutheran!

SPECIAL MUSIC By Organist

+OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful Father.

we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

+GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also, with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

+WORDS OF INSTITUTION - SUNG WITH "BROKEN FOR ME"

Blessed are you, O God,

for you have brought forth bread from the earth. Blessed are you, O God, for you have created the fruit of the vine. In the beginning you watered the earth that man and woman might have food and drink. You gave your servant Sarah bread to strengthen her family on their journey, and wine to make them glad. You called Moses and his people out of bondage and refreshed them with food in the wilderness. And here at your table you offer us bread and wine for the journey to nourish us as daughters and sons. Blessed is our brother Jesus, Who walks with us the road of our world's suffering, And who is known to us in the breaking of the bread.

CONGREGATION SINGS

Refrain: Broken for me, broken for you; The body of Jesus broken for you.

On the night of His arrest and betrayal, Jesus took bread and having blessed it, he broke the bread and gave it to His disciples, saying "This is my body, given for you."

CONGREGATION SINGS

Refrain: Broken for me, broken for you; The body of Jesus broken for you. Verse: This is my body given for you; Eat it, rememb'ring I died for you.

In the same way He took wine, and having given thanks for it, He gave the cup to His disciples, saying, "This cup is the new covenant with God, sealed with my blood, Shed for you and for all, for the forgiveness of sins."

CONGREGATION SINGS

Refrain: Broken for me, broken for you; The body of Jesus broken for you.

Verse: This is my blood I shed for you; For your forgiveness, making you new.

Take this and share it. I shall drink wine with you next in the kingdom of God.

CONGREGATION SINGS

Refrain: Broken for me, broken for you; The body of Jesus broken for you.

Come to my table and with me dine; Eat of my bread and drink of my wine.

Broken for me, broken for you; The body of Jesus broken for you.

+LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

+Invitation to Communion

All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

Prayer after Communion

We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

+OUR MISSION

Our mission statement reminds us of our collective calling as St. Paul Lutheran Church in light of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

What is the mission we share together?

Our mission is to GATHER as God's people; to GROW in faith, love, and service; and to GO into the community and world as disciples of Jesus.

+BLESSING

The God of all, who raised \pm Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation. **Amen.**

+SENDING SONG

"Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" ELW #413

+DISMISSAL

Go in peace, to love and serve the Risen One. Thanks be to God.

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EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today

- ➤ We welcome into our family through Holy Baptism, Hadley Lynn Pederson. Child of Jenny Collings and Craig Pederson. Sister of Courtney and Thomas.
- ➤ **Fellowship**: everyone is invited to fellowship after worship. The summer fellowship is hosted by youth families in the summer months. Thank you, youth families, for the goodies.
- > June Calendar: is on the table in the church entry.
- ➤ **Pastor Janis:** has been ordained 30 years. His Ordination Anniversary is June 12th. Happy 30th Anniversary Pastor Janis!!! God's blessings to you!

Outreach

- ➤ Compassion Children: have been sponsored by St. Paul and St. Paul youth for 19 years. We started with Byron; we sponsored Mishi for many years until she grew out of the system; now we have Donia and Sompet. We have a bulletin board in the fellowship hall where we have info. on our children and missionaries.
- ➤ Mother the Camp: We will collect Mother the Camp items until June 11th. Some Items needed: Laundry detergent & gluten free items.
- Equal Exchange: a variety of coffee and chocolate are for sale, at cost, on a cart in the fellowship hall. This supports the small coffee farmers.

Volunteer Opportunities

- Readers: are needed for June. A sign-up sheet and a copy of the readings is on a table in the gathering space outside of the sanctuary.
- ➤ **Acolytes:** We need Acolytes for June.

Upcoming

- **Kitchen Cleaning:** Help! *Everyone* is invited to help with cleaning the church kitchen on Wednesday, June 7th at 9 a.m.
- > Circle: will meet after the kitchen is cleaned, and we will order pizza for our lunch.
- ➤ Rummage Sale: Set up is June 11th after fellowship. Collection is June 11th afternoon through June 15th at 8 p.m. The Sale is June 16th from 4-7 p.m. and June 17th from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. The youth will also be selling lunch with the sale.
- ➤ **June Picnic:** June 21st Congregational Potluck Picnic. The meat will be furnished, please bring a side dish.

General

- ➤ Office Hours: Summer hours are 10a.m.-1p.m. Tuesdays-Wednesdays-Thursdays in June, July and August.
- ➤ Update our Living Wall: People are encouraged to send updated pictures to the church to put up on the Living Wall. Bring a picture to the office or email your picture to the church, stpaul@restel.com. Faye Seidler will then put them on the wall.
- ➤ Live Facebook: each week at St. Paul's. The 4 Ministers are also on FB and Instagram each week.
- ➤ Get your St. Paul Gear! Spread our mission with custom shirts! Check them out in the Fellowship Hall.

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Thank you for being a part of what God is doing at St. Paul!

In Our Prayers...

Darren Kolden, Jim Hummel, Matt Steinmetz, Kristi Devitt, Hayden Ogilivie, Clarence Behles, Glen Blanchard, Stuart Bennett, Mona Reinisch, Travis Kolden, Heidi Smith, Lorinda Johnson, Doug Steinmetz, Jeff Wretling, Alton Krebsbach. The Betz Family at the death of Corey, The Rustad family at the death of Edythe. The Huston Family at the death of Darrin. The Metz family at the death of Terry. The Gackle family at the death of Mike. The Fure family at their final good byes for Bill.

Birthday Wishes This Week To:

Layne Reynolds	June 05
Randy Seidler	June 07
Shaelynn Iglehart	June 08
Shirley Anderson	June 10





Today, Sunday, June 4th

9:45 a.m. Worship/Communion/Baptism

Tues. 10:45 a.m. Fellowship

Tues. 10:00 a.m. – 1 p.m. Office Hours

10:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study

5-7 p.m. Hooked on Garrison - Auditorium

Wed. 9:00 a.m. Clean Church Kitchen

Women's Circle will meet after kitchen cleaning.

10:00 -1 p.m. Office Hours Thurs. 10:00 -1 p.m. Office Hours

10:00 a.m. Community Bible Study at The Meadows

Fri. Wedding Rehearsal Sat. Rime/Bakken Wedding

Next, Sunday, June 11th

9:45 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m. Fellowship

12:00 noon Set up for Rummage Sale

PERMANENT PROJECTOR AND RETRACTABLE SCREEN IN THE SANCTUARY

The Church Council after many years of discussion made the decision to put in the sanctuary a permanent projector and *retractable projection screen*. They believe it will enhance our worship experience and be helpful for children and youth ministries. After receiving a bid, they would like to move forward with your support. However, they will not install them until the monies are raised. So, we need your help! The cost is \$20,000 for the equipment, installation, and the work of an electrician.

We have raised \$7,590 so far. Can you help us meet our goal?

Please prayerfully consider helping make this possible! Please see a council member if you have questions.



Retractable not permanent



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Church Council President | Keith Thelen

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Custodian | Pam Kolden

Sunday School Coordinator | Lisa Maki

Missionaries | Anne & Willie Langdji; Katie Narum Miyamoto

Sweet Sounds Coordinator | Loree Jeffers

Choir Director Lisa Haugen

Organist | Kim Gehring

Reader | Loree Jeffers

Ushers | Boyd & Shirley Anderson

Greeters | Randy & Carrie Essler

Acolytes | Thomas & Courtney Collings

Door Attendant

Communion Assistants | Lori Smith & Sharon Petrik

Communion Set-up and Clean-up | Becky Schmitcke

Fellowship Hosts | Ferguson's & Rasmusson's

Technology | Pastor Janis

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