

20th Sunday after Pentecost—October 18, 2020

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



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Worship Service LIVE—9:25 a.m.

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We, the people of St. Paul's, are a community for spiritual health, centered in Christ.

We challenge ourselves to share and live Christ's love
within the congregation, within the community and to the larger world.

VIRTUALLY SERVING TODAY

Minister	Pastor Phil Beck
Lector	Marie Purswell

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS

President—Trisha Valcarcel Vice-President—Sheila Kahler Treasurer—Amy Mildenstein Secretary—Patty Rimel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

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*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen
- P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.
- P: Faithful God,
- C: have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

 Amen.
- P: God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world.

 Amen.

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P: The Peace of Christ be with you
- C: And also with you.

GATHERING HYMN......ELW 526

1 God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.

4 Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt, keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out. Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive; we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

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

C: And also with you.

KYRIE (ELW, p. 147)

Cantor: In peace let us pray to the Lord

C: Lord, have mercy

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

C: Lord, have mercy

Cantor: 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.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Amen.

Cantor: This is the feast of victory for our God, Alleluia.

C: (spoken) Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation. Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia, Alleluia.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P: Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 45:1-7
L: The Word of the Lord
C: Thanks be to God

^{*}HYMN OF PRAISE (ELW, p. 149)

sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Sing to the Lord, bless the name of the Lord;
proclaim God's salvation from day to day.

Declare God's glory among the nations
and God's wonders among all peoples.

For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised,
more to be feared than all gods.

As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols;
but you, O Lord, have made the heavens.

Majesty and magnificence are in your presence;

power and splendor are in your sanctuary.

Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples,
ascribe to the Lord honor and power.

⁸Ascribe to the Lord the honor due the holy name; bring offerings and enter the courts of the Lord.

⁹Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; tremble before the Lord, all the earth.

Tell it out among the nations: "The Lord is king!

The one who made the world so firm that it cannot be moved will judge the peoples with equity."

¹¹Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is in it; let the field be joyful and all that is therein.

²Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy at your coming, O Lord,

for you come to judge the earth.

13 You will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with your truth.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

L: The Word of the Lord C: Thanks be to God

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

C: (spoken, p. 151) Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 22nd Chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

*THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMONPastor Phil Beck

HYMN OF THE DAYL	ift Every Voice and Sing	ELW 841
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1 Lift ev'ry voice and sing till earth and heaven ring, 3 ring with the harmonies of liberty. Let our rejoicing rise high as the list'ning skies, let it resound loud as the rolling sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us; sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us; facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us march on till victory is won.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might led us into the light, keep us forever in the path, we pray.

Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee; lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee; shadowed beneath thy hand may we forever stand, true to our God, true to our native land.

Text: James W. Johnson, 1871-1938

PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBERS

New Member	<u>Sponsor</u>
Susan J. Beck	Betsy Galliher
Michael & Michelle Harrod	Tom Kelley
Theresa Harrod	Tom Kelley
Doug & Susan Hayes	Tori Valcarcel
April Pratt	Patty Rimel
Elizabeth Walker & Robert Hoff	Deb Loso

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these people, one with us in the body of Christ, whom we welcome as new members into the life and ministry of this congregation.

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's Only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. 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.

In baptism, we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God. We are called to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

Siblings in Christ, do you intend to continue in the covenant of your baptism among God's people in this place?

Those being welcomed respond.

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support and pray for these new members in their life in Christ? We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Those being welcomed face the assembly. A representative of the congregation addresses the assembly.

Let us welcome these siblings in Christ to this community of faith.

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: ... Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

THE OFFERING

*OFFETORY HYMN



Text: Eddie Espinosa, b. 1953 Musie: CHANGE MY HEART, Eddie Espinosa Text and musie © 1982 Mercy/Vineyeard Publishing, admin. Music Services

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*OFFERTORY PRAYER:

- P: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Merciful Father,
- C: 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.

 Amen.
- *THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (ELW, p.152)
- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*THE PREFACE:

P: "It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn."

C: (ELW, p.153) Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION:

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

P: Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; We ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints. To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

C: Amen.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER:

- P: Gathered into One with the Holy Spirit, we now pray as Jesus taught us...
- C: 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.
- C: (ELW, p.154) Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

HOLY COMMUNION: Communion will be received as we exit the sanctuary during the Postlude—

All are welcome

*P: May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

*POST COMMUNION CANTICLE: (ELW, p.204)

C: Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell everyone what God has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name. Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia.

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

P: O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION:

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

*SENDING HYMN......ELW 825

- 1 You servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad his wonderful name; the name, all-victorious, of Jesus extol; his kingdom is glorious and rules over all!
- 4 Then let us adore and give him his right, all glory and pow'r and wisdom and might, all honor and blessing, with angels above, and thanks never ceasing, and infinite love!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



Ellen Hatgi, *Member* **The Lawrence Family**, *Family of Kate Stottlemyer* **Katrina Pank**, *Member*

Tommy Sorge, Nephew of Marie Purswell
Marion Forrest, Friend of Diane Port
Rick Fischler, Friend of Diane Port
Ned Kadoura, Friend of Kate Stottlemyer
The Stuck Family, Friends of Amy Mildenstein
Milton & Dolores Denn, Members
Heather & Lexi Anderson, Family of Merle & Kelly Anderson
Karen White, Friend of Tammy Snurr
Audrey McDougall, Member
Erica Hoff, Daughter of Betty Walker
Sharyl Mildenstein, Family of Russ & Amy Mildenstein
Robb Port, Member

Joe Collins, Cousin of Joann Valainis
Dr. Heather DeVincentis, Friend of Sue and Lin Snyder
The Wynne Family, Friends of Sue Snyder
The Lutz Family, Members
The Foster Family, Friends of Diane Port
Cindy Hart, Aunt of Kelly Myer
Libbianna LeDuff, Family of Hope Donati

Dee Dee Kopp, Member **Tara,** Family Friend of Maryann Conley **Joann Clem,** friend of Susan Snyder



+Admiral Lisa Franchetti, U.S. Navy, niece to Linwood Snider
+Zachary Williams, U.S. Airforce, grandson of Jim & Dottie Titmas
+U.S. Navy Corpsman Matthew Kasik, grandson of Sam Purswell
+Dan Beck, 1st Lt., U.S. Army, son of Pastor Phil & Susan Beck
+Nick Parker, U.S. Marines, grandson of Peggy and Ed Chaney

+Carlin Rabie, U.S. Navy, Son-in-law of Marcia & Raj Gupta

Do you have need for prayer?

Do you know someone else who has need for prayer?

If so, please know that we have a prayer team at

St. Paul's that is ready to help.

Simply contact the Church Office.

All requests are confidential.

Please remember all the names on our prayer list, and especially those that are **bold. They have a specific current need for Christian love and support.

*****IMPORTANT REMINDER****

Please remember, it is imperative that you completely fill out the PINK sign in sheets located on the bulletin board in the Church and on the table inside the door in the Parish Hall if you are entering either building at a time other than a scheduled meeting or service. *Please* remember to check in with the Office *before* entering the Church building or the Parish Hall.

The Council has been discerning our current Mission Statement and are in the process of revising. We are looking for volunteers to assist in this endeavor.

Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested.

OFFERINGS

We are so blessed and grateful for your continued offerings during these unprecedented times.

It is only with your support we can maintain the everyday
activities of the church and our work in the community.

Please consider mailing your offering to the church or if you have access to the website, there is an online giving option as well.

https://www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org/give/

Please Note: We are not currently making a deposit each week due to the limited number of checks being sent into the office on a weekly basis.

Typically we have been making a deposit mid-month and prior to the end of the month.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:

Current Fund Weekly Need: \$3,715.00

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need:\$360.00

Actual/Electronic Income

Oct. 11, 2020: Renovation Fund: \$ 235.00

Weekly Contribution: \$ 948.25

ATTENDANCE:

October 11, 2020

Virtual: 32 Outside: 25

This Week at St Paul's

Sunday, October 18th

Welcome Back to Indoor Worship 8:30am Worship (Livestream) 9:25am

Wednesday, October 21st

FEC 8am-4pm

Thursday, October 22nd

Gathered at the Table 12:00 noon

Sunday November 1st

Worship 9:25am 9:25am 9:25am

All Saints Day

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Would you like to schedule a date to sponsor Altar flowers? Our goal is to re-open for in person worship October 18, 2020. Please contact Patty Rimel through the Parish Office if you would like to arrange a date to offer flowers.

St. Paul's is a part of the AmazonSmile program, where a portion of your Amazon purchase is donated back to the church. There is no cost for you, but the benefits are great for St. Paul's. But did you know that if you shop from your phone on the Amazon App you need to change the setting for AmazonSmile? Go to the settings in your app menu and choose AmazonSmile to turn on giving to St Paul's. Thanks so much for considering support our ministry in this way!





All Saints Sunday resonates with the conviction that in Christ every saint is a sinner and every sinner a saint. Lutherans especially remember on this feast that it is God's grace that makes us saints. We find lasting rest only in the mercy of God.



At St. Paul's we follow a tradition of honoring all the saints who have passed away since last All Saints Day. We will light a candle and ring the bell for each person named.

Please call the Parish Office or email @ Officeadministrator@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org to name the person you would like to remember in this way throughout the month of October. Please give the name, relationship to you and date of death. We will need these names by 10/23/2020.

Please address any questions to the Worship and Arts Committee.

Betsy Galliher

Worship and Arts Committee Chair

*****IMPORTANT****

For those without Facebook please tune into our YouTube channel for live streams of last week's service. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nTLB1h8nHrw

Please look for future notices regarding live streaming and YouTube videos at St. Paul's Official YouTube channel:

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GVCS Food Bank

Donations for Glade Valley Food Bank are always accepted!

Items of need are soup, cereal, canned fruit, crackers, shampoo/conditioner and toilet paper.

Please bring them to the donation bin on the side of Town Hall







Welcome Back to indoor Worship!!!

Please remember to follow directions of the ushers and make sure you have brought your Risk Waiver with you signed or that the office already has it on file.

Today is also New Member Sunday, please welcome:

*Susan Beck, Doug and Susan Hayes, Mike and Michelle Harrod, April Pratt, Betty Walker and Robert Hoff.

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