



Tenth Sunday After Pentecost—August 6, 2023

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

Worship Service LIVE—9:00 a.m.

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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6I9JEpgsBUXlow1I7-Q>



Through Christ, we joyfully feed the body, mind, and spirit of all.

SERVING TODAY

Minister.....Pastor Phil Beck
Lector.....Bill Cartwright
Organist.....Jeff Gentry
Ushers.....Kate Stottlemeyer and Kay Wachter
Acolyte.....Camden Plog

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS

President—Trish Valcarcel
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**Please stand as you are able.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE/CANDLES LIT

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***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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: Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we are captive 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.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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.

***The Peace**

P: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

***GATHERING HYMN..... All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly.....ELW 461**

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| 1 All who hunger gather gladly;
holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wand'ring.
Here in truth we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness,
all around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good. | 3 All who hunger, sing together,
Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing.
Here in peace we have been fed.
Blest are those who from this table
live their days in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good. |
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| 2 All who hunger, never strangers;
seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming.
Here in joy we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered
in communion's love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good. | |

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***GREETING (ELW, p. 147)**

- 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) (Sung)**

- L: In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C: **Lord, have mercy.**

- L: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: **Lord, have mercy.**

- L: 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.**

- L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: **Lord, have mercy.**

- L: Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord.
- C: **Amen.**

****Canticle of Praise (Sung)***

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

C: **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: Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

TEMPLE TALK

Stephen Ministry with Ed Chaney

Anthem.....J Walked Today Where Jesus Walked (Geoffrey O'Hara).....Soloist, Steve King

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:1-5

L: *The Word of the Lord.*

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 145

⁸The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

⁹LORD, you are good to all,
and your compassion is over all your works.

¹⁴The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up those who are bowed down.

¹⁵The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD,
and you give them their food in due season.

¹⁶You open wide your hand
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

¹⁷You are righteous in all your ways
and loving in all your works.

¹⁸You are near to all who call upon you,
to all who call upon you faithfully.

¹⁹You fulfill the desire of those who fear you;
you hear their cry and save them.

²⁰You watch over all those who love you,
but all the wicked you shall destroy.

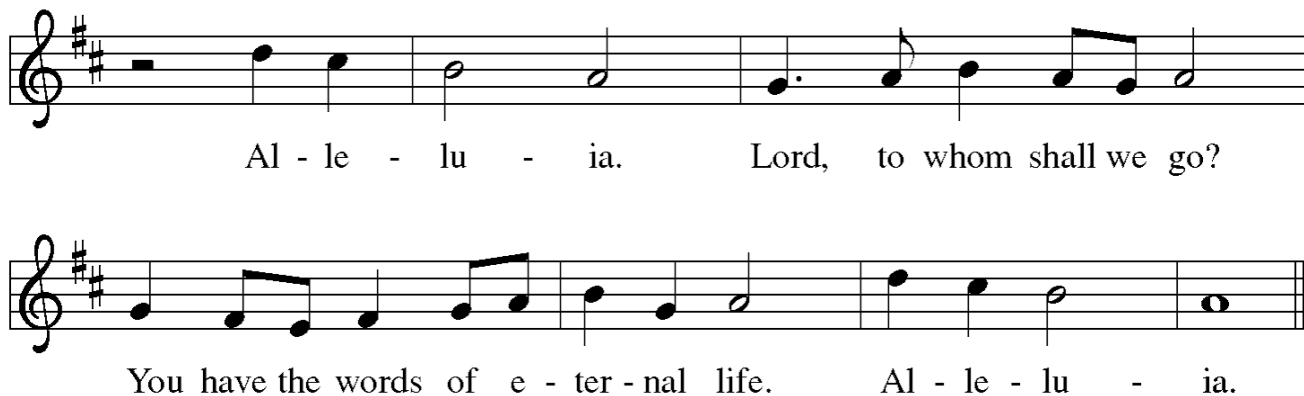
²¹My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD;
let all flesh bless God's holy name forever and ever.

SECOND READING: Romans 9:1-5

L: *The Word of the Lord.*

C: **Thanks be to God.**

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW, p. 151)**



The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, **14:13-21**

C: Glory to you, O Lord. (Sung)

***THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD**

C: Praise to you, O Christ. (Sung)

SERMONPastor Phil Beck

Silence for Reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY..... Break Now the Bread of Life.....ELW 515**

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| 1 Break now the bread of life,
dear Lord, to me,
as once you broke the loaves beside the sea.
Beyond the sacred page
I seek you, Lord;
my spirit waits for you,
O living Word. | 3 You are the bread of life,
dear Lord, to me,
your holy word the truth that rescues me.
Give me to eat and live
with you above;
teach me to love your truth,
for you are love. |
| 2 Bless your own word of truth,
dear Lord, to me,
as when you blessed the bread by Galilee.
Then shall all bondage cease,
all fetters fall;
and I shall find my peace,
my All-in-All! | |

Text: Mary A. Lathbury, 1841-1913, alt.

****THE NICENE CREED***

***We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.***

***We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.***

***We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.***

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

P: ... God, in your mercy, C: **Hear our prayer.**

OFFERING Please place your gift in the offering plate, mail to the church office or consider online giving.

***OFFERTORY HYMN** *Let the Vineyards be Fruitful, ELW 184*

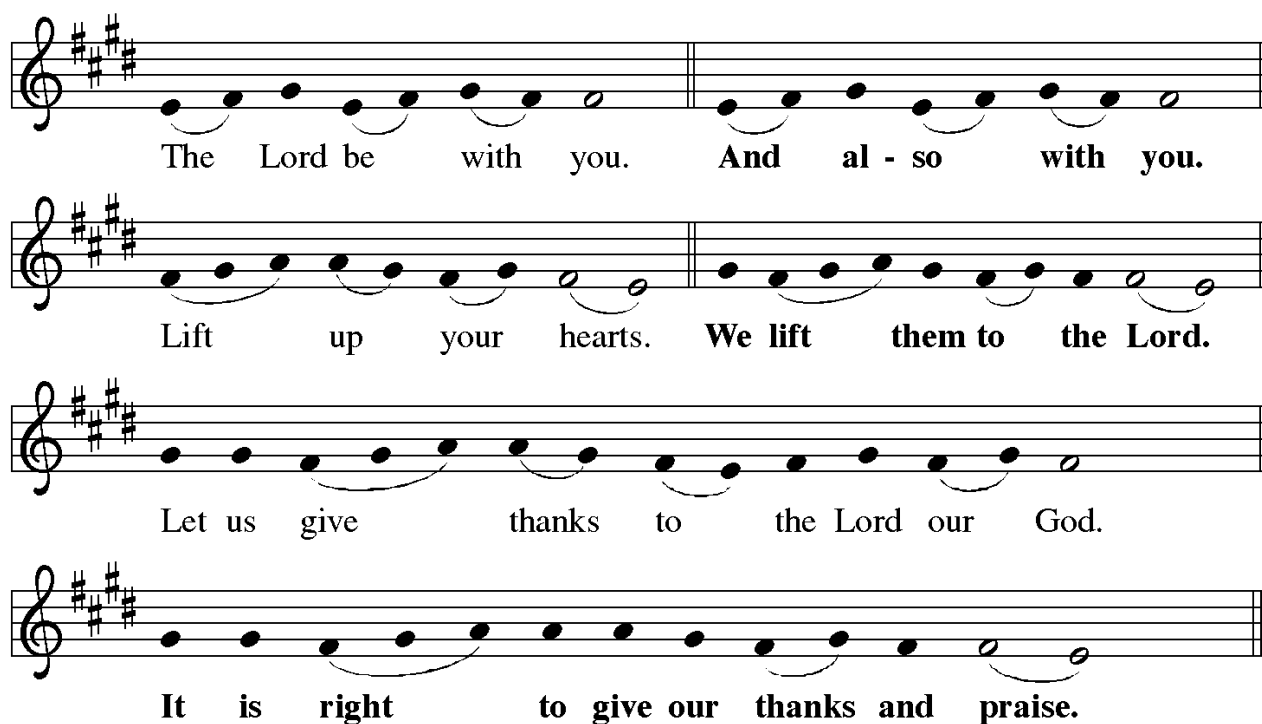
Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and dreams of all;
unite them with the prayers we offer.
Grace our table with your presence,
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

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***OFFERTORY PRAYER:**

P: Living God,
C: **you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (ELW, p.152)**



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

***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. 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.194) 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:

P: All are welcome at Christ's Table, come as you are. The feast is prepared, the table is set, come and eat.

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

C: Amen.

***POST COMMUNION CANTICLE: (ELW, 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. Alleluia.

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER:**

P: We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

***BENEDICTION:**

P: The God of peace, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

C: Amen.

***SENDING HYMN.....*Savior, Again to Your Dear Name*.....ELW 534**

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| 1 Savior, again to your dear name we raise
with one accord our parting hymn of praise;
once more we bless you ere our worship cease,
then, lowly bending, wait your word of peace. | 3 Grant us your peace, Lord, through the coming
night;
for us transform its darkness into light.
Keep us from harm and danger till the dawn;
your evening presence promise to your own. |
| 2 Grant us your peace upon our homeward way;
with you began, with you shall end the day;
guard all the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
that in this house have called upon your name. | 4 Grant us your peace throughout our earthly life,
our balm in sorrow, and our stay in strife;
then, when your voice shall bid our conflict cease,
call us, O Lord, to your eternal peace. |

Text: John Ellerton, 1826-1893, alt.

***DISMISSAL**

GO IN PEACE, LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR,
THANKS BE TO GOD.

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Announcement regarding livestreaming of the worship services:

St. Paul's intends to continue offering online worship services to share the Gospel through Facebook and Youtube. With the inclusion of in-person attendance during the service, we need to inform you that your presence may be captured in the recording and broadcast through St. Paul's social media platforms. Your comfort and privacy are of utmost importance, if you prefer not to have your image broadcast please contact the office by phone or email or inform the usher as you arrive. The office will keep a list of those wishing NOT to appear in the recording and convey that information to the Media and Technology Ministry.



PRAYER LIST

Joe Collins, *Cousin of Joann Valainis*
Mark Holloway, *Husband of Kate Stottlemeyer*
Bob Schmidt, *Brother of Dottie Titmas*
Gary Wachter, *Member*
Michael Wachter, *Son of Gary and Kay Wachter*
The Wynne Family, *Friends of Lin Snider and Sue Snyder*
Lin Snider, *Member*
Sue Snyder, *Member*
The Valcarcel Family, *Members*
Kim Currier, *Daughter of Sam Purswell*
Family of Tommy Sorge, *Nephew of the Purswells and Cousin to the Valcarcels*
Barb Callow, *friend of Marie Purswell*
Jonathan Eshelman, *Nephew of Kay Wachter*
Susan and Paul Holloway, *Family of Kate Stottlemeyer*
Charlie Knapp, *Friend of Pastor Phil*
Robert Hoff, *Member, son of Betty Walker*
Lillian Foucart, *Member*
For the Family of Ginny Rousculp, *Former choir Director and Member*
Jeanne Rutz, *friend of Pastor Phil*
Hank Holiday, *Friend and neighbor of Kate Stottlemeyer*
Deanna Meyer, *Personal friend of Joann Valainis*
Artie Fauble, *member*
Marc Johnson, *Brother of Deb Horton*
Marie Purswell, *Member*
Chris Muesing, *Family of Jacki Waas*
Parker Bazarewski, *member of Ed Chaney's extended family*
Riley, *Friend of Robb and Dianne Port*
Kathy, *Friend of Robb and Dianne Port*
John Baker, *Member.*
Marion Lawrence, *Cousin of Kate Stottlemeyer*
Laura Wertz, *Daughter of Betsy Galliher*
Nancy McIntyre, *Friend of St. Paul's*

How our Prayer List Works:

You may call into the Parish Office (301-845-4600) or email the Office Administrator (officeadministrator@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org). When a prayer list request is added, the request will stay on the list for three consecutive weeks. First week it will be noted in **Super Bold**, the second week it will be noted in **Bold**, and then the third week it will be noted in regular text. Then the request will be removed from the prayer list unless you specifically ask for your request to remain on the prayer list until otherwise noted by you. The power of prayer is amazing!

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." **Matthew 18:20**

PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES

+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, Captain., U.S. Army, son of
Pastor Phil & Susan Beck
+Carlin Rabie, U.S. Navy, Son-in-law
of Marcia & Raj Gupta
+Eric Fong Sam, U.S. Army, friend of
Mary Ann Ferguson
+Leo Tanja, U.S. Airforce, nephew of
Mary Ann Ferguson's sister in
law

*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.***

Comments from the Cloud of Witnesses

*Eternal Goodness, I shall contemplate myself in you.
By this light I shall come to know that you, eternal Trinity,
are table and food and waiter for us.
You, eternal Father, are the table that offers us as food,
the Lamb, your only-begotten Son.
He is the most exquisite of foods for us,
both in his teaching, which nourishes us in your will,
and in the sacrament that we receive in Holy Communion,
which feeds and strengthens us while we are pilgrim travelers in this life.
And the Holy Spirit is indeed a waiter for us,
who serves us this teaching by enlightening our mind's eye with it
and inspiring us to follow it,
and who serves us charity for our neighbors
and the salvation of the whole world for the Father's honor.
—Catherine of Siena*

[Catherine of Siena, The Prayers of Catherine of Siena, ed. Suzanne Noffke OP (NY: Paulist, 1983), 101-102.]



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/>

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:

Current Fund Weekly Need: \$3,825.00

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need: \$360.00

Electronic/Mail-ins Income

July 30, 2023:

Weekly Contributions:	\$ 350.80
Property Loan Fund:	\$ 20.00
Total:	\$ 370.80

In Worship Offerings

Weekly Contributions:	\$ 760.00
Property Loan Fund:	\$ 200.00
Total:	\$ 960.00

ATTENDANCE:

July 30, 2023

In person: 55

Virtual: 16

This Week at St Paul's

Sunday, August 6th

Worship (Livestream) **9:00am**

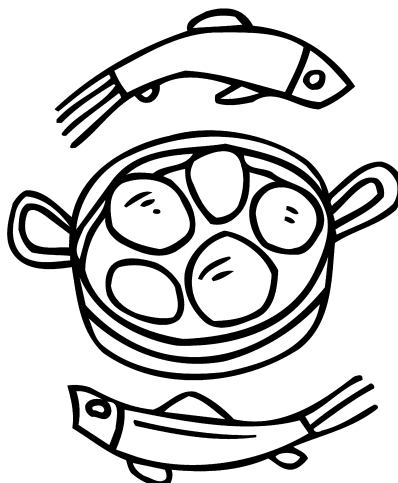
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Ministry Sunday **10:00am**

Sunday, August 13th

Worship (Livestream) **9:00am**

11th Sunday after Pentecost



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*****IMPORTANT*****

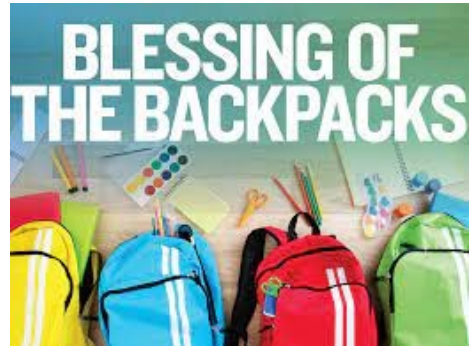
For those without Facebook please tune into our YouTube channel for live streams of last week's service.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ra9oaBlkZDU>

Please look for future notices regarding live streaming and YouTube videos at

St. Paul's Official YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6l9JEpgsBUXlow1l7_-Q

*The altar flowers are given to the
glory of God and in celebration of
Camden's and Grace's Birthday!
Given by the Plog Family.*



**Sunday, August 20th is
Blessing of the Backpacks!**

Kids of all ages returning to school this fall
are invited to attend the Sunday service on
August 20th for a special blessing.



St. Paul's Annual Church Picnic in in the Park is
Sunday, August 27th @ 11:30am.

**9:00am in-person worship will be at church &
Worship in the Park will begin at 11:00am.**

Our tradition of a time for fun, good food and
fellowship continues at Walkersville Community
Park (at the end of Kenneth Drive) Pavilion #2.

We hope to see you there!

Fried Chicken, chips, bottled water and table-
ware will be provided. Please sign-up with a side
dish or dessert, you would like to share.

**Be sure to RSVP to the office by
Wednesday, August 23, 2023**



Friday, August 25, 2023

It's almost time for the summer blood
drive and the need for donors is
critical. If you are able to donate
please consider signing up for your
appointment with the link below, call
the Parish Office and/or share this post
to spread the word. Thank You!!

[https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?
zipSponsor=St%20Pauls%20Lutheran%20Walkersville](https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=St%20Pauls%20Lutheran%20Walkersville)

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**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

August Call for Stephen Ministers

Stephen Ministry provides one-on-one compassionate listening presence to those experiencing difficult life situations. To do this Stephen Ministers trust God to provide the healing connection. Has someone said to you "Thanks for listening" or "You are a good listener?" Please consider exploring the opportunity to serve as a Stephen Minister for St Paul's. Contact the church office to receive more information.

Save the Dates!



**August 16, 2023
1:00-3:00pm, Parish Hall
Come join us!**

We will welcome Savannah Roderick from Frederick Health speaking with us about Stroke Prevention, and Nanette Tummers, speaking about Functional Fitness and Health!



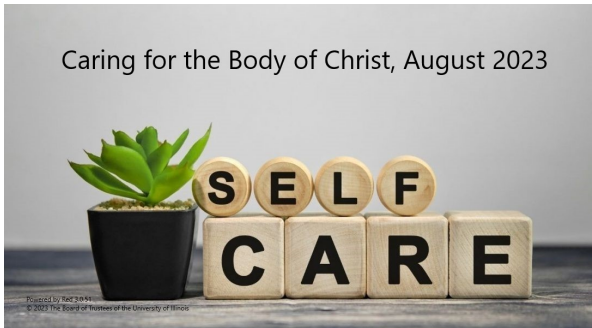
***Sunday, September 10, 2023
Stay tuned for more details!***



September 24, 2023

"Come the end of summer, we need "a renewal of energy" when it comes to spiritual matters. It's hard to renew your energy on your own. But it's much easier in a group. That's why we set aside one special day at the end of the summer to "rally" - to "draw together for a common purpose" seeking the Holy Spirit's power to "renew our energy" for worship, for digging into God's Word, for praying, for serving, and for witnessing." - Pastor David Eibel
More details coming soon!

Caring for the Body of Christ, August 2023



Caring for the Body of Christ, August 2023

Practicing daily self-care helps us become our best selves, and allows us to live the life God has given us in celebration and joy!

Please see the bulletin board, weekly email or August Epistle for more "Ways to make self-care a reality".

Deb Horton

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The Holy Spirit works in mysterious ways. On June 18, 2023 the Congregations of Bethel Lutheran and St. Paul's Lutheran unanimously ratified the Covenant re-establishing shared ministry between the two congregations.

Beginning, July 9, 2023 worship at Bethel will begin at 11:15 am and worship will begin at 9:00 am at St. Paul's.
 Congratulations for this renewed partnership.



Parsonage Repairs

A basic estimate at this time:

Stove	\$1,000
Dishwasher	\$ 800
Refrigerator	\$1,000
A/C units	\$1,000
Locks	\$ 800

The Congregation has approved up to \$7,000.00 for parsonage repairs. It is not anticipated that all of these funds will be used. Council will provide updates as they come. Please forward questions or concerns to any council member.

Donations for
Glade Valley Food Bank
 are always accepted!

Updated Items of need are:

Soup, hamburger helper, boxed potatoes, canned pasta, peanut butter, canned green beans and corn, baked beans, bar soap and kids juice boxes.

Please bring them to the donation bin on the side of Town Hall, or you can put them in the basket by the side door and we will get them to the food bank for you.



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