



Tenth Sunday after Pentecost—July 28, 2024

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

Worship Service LIVE—9:00 a.m.

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

SERVING TODAY

Minister.....Pastor Phil Beck
Lector.....Phil Smith
Organist.....Jeff Gentry
Ushers.....Sam and Marie Purswell
Acolyte.....Camden Plog & Annabelle Bush

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS

President—Patty Rimel
Vice-President—Sheila Kahler
Treasurer—Bill Cartwright
Secretary—Kate Stottlemeyer

****Please stand as you are able.***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Today is the first of five Sundays with gospel readings from John 6, the first four of which focus on Jesus as bread of life. Today Jesus feeds thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. What we have, what we bring to Jesus' table, seems like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference: it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and least to transform this world into the world God desires, a world where all the hungry are satisfied."

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GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

***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.

C: **Amen.**

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM (ELW p. 97)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

C: **Amen.**

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

P: To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

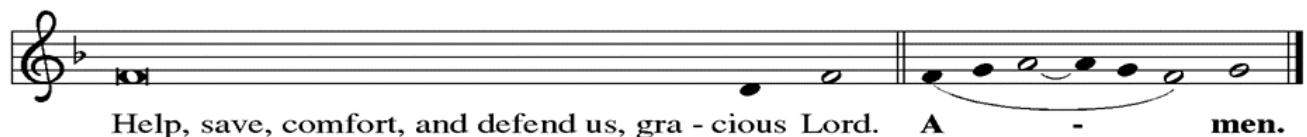
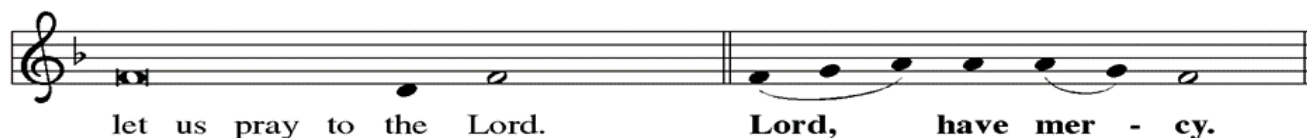
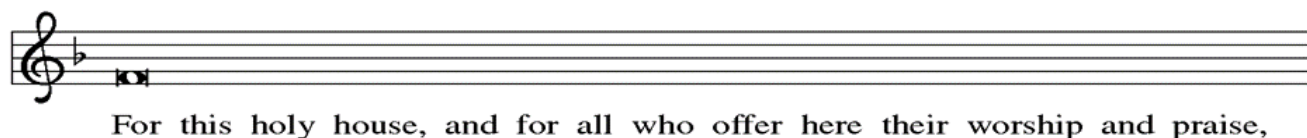
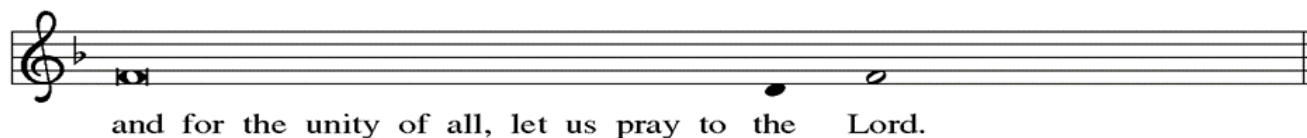
C: **Amen.**

***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. 138) (Sung)**



***PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

P: Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Anthem.....(Soloist, James Earles)

FIRST READING: 2 Kings 4:42-44

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 145

<p>¹⁰ All your works shall praise you, O LORD, and your faithful ones shall bless you.</p> <p>¹¹ They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power,</p> <p>¹² that all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.</p> <p>¹³ Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your do- minion endures throughout all ages. You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.</p>	<p>¹⁴ The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.</p> <p>¹⁵ The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season.</p> <p>¹⁶ You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.</p> <p>¹⁷ You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.</p> <p>¹⁸ You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call upon you faithfully.</p>
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SECOND READING: Ephesians 3:14-21

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW, p. 142)**

GOSPEL: John, 6:1-21

The Holy Gospel according to John, the sixth chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of our Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon.....Pastor Phil Beck

Silence for Reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY.....Let Us Talents and Tongues EmployELW 674**
Verses 1, 2, 3

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P: We affirm our faith in the words of 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 ever lasting. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

P: ... God of grace, C: Hear our prayer.

***The Peace**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

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

***OFFERTORY HYMN Create in Me a Clean Heart (ELW Pg. 186)**

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

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OFFERTORY PRAYER (ELW P. 144)

P: Let us pray.

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

MEAL

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 over came 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:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW Pg. 144)

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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 for the 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 for the 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.
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

***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.**

HOLY COMMUNION:

P: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

COMMUNION HYMN (ELW P.146)

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

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (ELW P. 146)

P: Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BENEDICTION

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

**SENDING HYMN.....Praise and Thanksgiving.....ELW 689*
Verses 1,2,4,5 Text: William Kethe, d. c. 1594

***DISMISSAL**

GO IN PEACE, SHARE THE GOOD NEWS
THANKS BE TO GOD.

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.
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PRAYER LIST

Joe Collins, *Cousin of Joann Valainis*
Mark Holloway, *Husband of Kate Stottlemeyer*
Hank Holiday, *Friend and neighbor of Kate Stottlemeyer*
Marion Lawrence, *Cousin of Kate Stottlemeyer*
The Jones Family, *Close family friends of Joann Valainis*
Gil Eiker, *Husband of Rebecca Eiker*
Doug Ashbrook, *Family Friend of Pastor Phil*
Roger Stottlemeyer, *Uncle of Kate Stottlemeyer*
Family of Sharon Kahler, *mother of Sheila and Rodney Kahler, members*
Lin Snider, *Member*
Sue Snyder, *Member*
Shannon Smith, *Friend of the Mildenstein Family*
Bob Schmidt, *brother of Dottie Titmas*
Marea Palmer, *Niece of Marcia Gupta*
Parker Bazarewski, *extended family of Ed Chaney*
Joseph Matthew Moschella, *dear friends of the Plowman Family*
Lillian Foucart, *Member*
Jan and Sam Urick, *Cousins of Candy Foucart*
Eileen Trihoulis, *Sister of Merle Anderson*
Gary Wachter, *Member*
The Family of Ursula Wandel, *Sister of Regina Baker*
Doug Burkholder, *Friend of Betsy Galliher*
Heather Anderson, *Member*
Bert Fiske, *Friend of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider*
Dottie Titmas, *Member*
Florence Schell, *Member*
Kira Wynne, *Friend of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider*
Vaughn Zimmerman, *Member*
The family of Ronald Chesnik, *Member*
Merle Anderson, *Member*
Patti Pinciotti, *Cousin of the Foucart Family*
Bonnie Kay Cartwright, *Daughter of Bill and Barbara Cartwright*

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

Taking the loaves and fishes, the Lord looked up to heaven, then blessed and broke them, giving thanks to the Father that, after the law and the prophets, he is himself become the evangelical bread. The bread is given to the apostles, because it is through them that the gifts of the divine grace are to be given. The wonder of this deed surpasses human understanding. And while often things are done which the mind can grasp but words cannot explain, in these things even the acuteness of the mind to perceive is at a loss, astonished at the very thought of the complexity of the unseen action. The substance of the loaves progressively increases, whether at the place that served for tables, or in the hand of those taking it, or in the mouth of those who ate it, I know not. The power of him who makes and surpasses all nature exceeds our understanding of what he does. —Hilary

[Hilary, in Sunday Sermons of the Great Fathers, II, 120-121.]



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: \$3,145.00

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need: \$360.00

Electronic/Mail-ins Income

July 7, 2024:

Weekly Contributions:	\$1,157.90
Property Loan Fund:	\$ 355.00
Total:	\$1,512.90

Electronic/Mail-ins Income

July 14, 2024:

Weekly Contributions:	\$ 656.55
Property Loan Fund:	\$ 170.00
Total:	\$ 826.55

In Worship Offerings

Weekly Contributions:	\$2,243.00
Property Loan Fund:	\$ 550.00
Total:	\$2,793.00

Electronic/Mail-ins Income

July 21, 2024:

Weekly Contributions:	\$ 747.56
Property Loan Fund:	\$ 130.00
Total:	\$ 877.56

In Worship Offerings

Weekly Contributions:	\$1,223.00
Property Loan Fund:	\$ 410.00
Total:	\$1,633.00

ATTENDANCE:

July 21, 2024

In person: 48

Virtual: 18

This Week at St Paul's

Sunday, July 28th

Worship (Livestream)

9:00am

"Minute to Win It" @

1pm-3pm

Victoria Park

Sunday, August 4th

Worship (Live Stream)

9:00am

Ministry Sunday

10:00am



Council Minutes

June 18, 2024

Attendees: Pastor Phil Beck, Ellen Bucheimer, Barb and Bill Cartwright, Sheila Kahler, Lauren McCloskey, Patty Rimel, Roxanne Smith, Kate Stottlemeyer, Jackie Waas.

Call to Order: 7 pm.

Devotion: Kate.

May Minutes: Sheila moved to approve, Jackie seconded, carried.

June Benevolence: Congregational Life Ministry moved to approve \$100 to the Frederick Rescue Mission, Jackie seconded, carried. Pastor recommended Christ Church to Congregational Life for consideration for July Benevolence.

Reports:

- *Treasurer:* Bill reported a \$2,851 deficit year-to-date.
- *Christian Education:* Faith Formation starts September 15, with Rally Day on August 25.
- *Worship & Arts:* We will use 3 settings per year.
- *Media & Tech:* Mount St. Mary's and Hood have agreed to offer Internships for us, available in September.
- *Generosity:* Will broadcast series "What it Means to be Lutheran in a Crucial Election Year" at church beginning with the June 25 session; Pastor will check time zone; Pastor wrote up advertisement for St. Paul's and other churches.
- *Property:* Tom is trying to get the hole in the bricks fixed.
- *Congregational Life:* Will be hosting a Chat on July 14 for Pastor Carla; Pastor mentioned that she will be preaching at Bethel also; Lauren volunteered to "call" for future Bingo Nights.

New Business:

- *Synod Assembly:* Resolution on World Hunger, Patty arranged for someone to come do a Temple Talk in October; Resolution to reduce greenhouse emissions; Memorial on Bishop oversight; taking an offering for rebuilding at Christ Church, Inner Harbor due to fire.
- *Facility Use:* HOA missed facility use on June 17 due to email problem (they didn't know how to get into the building); Jackie suggested making sure instructions on how to get in were given with approval notice.
- *LGBTQ Epistle Article:* Discussion included intention to educate, education vs. indoctrination, need to talk with congregation members about Pastor Carla's visit to get "temperature" on issue (facilitate conversation), possible small group discussions, use of pronouns, agree to disagree lovingly.
- *Constitutional Amendment (regarding number on Council):* 9-12 people, needed by the next meeting to go out by September/October.

Motion to adjourn: Kate moved, Sheila seconded.

The Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted,
Kate Stottlemeyer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*****IMPORTANT*****

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

https://youtu.be/-b3_ZV8O9sQ, July 14, 2024

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

St. Paul's Official YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6I9JEpgsBUXlow1I7_-Q



*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and thanks to everyone who's support keeps
the food ministry alive by Brian & Roxanne Smith.*

"MINUTE TO WIN IT" GAME DAY!

VICTORIA PARK, TODAY, SUNDAY, JULY 28TH, 1-3PM

St. Paul's will be hosting a summer event for the residents of Victoria Park. We will be playing games and have scheduled the KONA truck for a summer treat. Please sign up to join us or to donate items needed using the link below. The residents are excited for us to come back and appreciate our continued support.

<https://www.perfectpotluck.com/CPOP2443>



Year Round Stocking Stuffer Project!

Christmas in JULY! Every Christmas St. Pauls helps to fill Christmas stockings for kids in the community. We depend on your generosity to continue this labor of love every year. For Christmas in July this year, ***we need playdough, bibs, teethingers and rattlers!*** Let's load 'em up! You can bring your donations to church or you may also give a financial donation! Please See Kay Wachter for more details!

Come Join us. What does it mean to be Lutheran in a crucial election year?

Thanks to one of our members, the cost for these seminars have been paid. We will be airing these on the big screen in the overflow area in the church from 7-8:30pm on the appointed evenings. There will also be a link available if you are not able to make it and would like to watch it from home. This will be like a follow up of our Gathered at the Table Series. Please contact the office to let us know you will be attending and feel free to bring snacks and drinks. Please see the flyer on the bulletin boards or check the weekly email for the dates and more details. ***Next Session is August 27, 2024.***



ANNOUNCEMENTS

IT'S TIME TO GET INTO HIGH GEAR!

JULY 30TH IS THE FINAL DAY FOR COLLECTING!

Through the month of July Saint Paul's will support the Back-to-School Project sponsored by Glade Valley Community Services. Please see the weekly email or bulletin boards for supplies needed and watch for summer sales!

Let's get ready to gear these kids up for a great School Year!



SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, August 18, 2024, 10:30am at Walkersville Community Park and will include a blessing of the backpacks! Please see the flyer on the bulletin Boards, use the sign up sheets in the church to bring a side dish or dessert to share! Don't Forget to RSVP!

We are collecting a special offering through the month of **JULY** to support our siblings in Christ at *Christ Inner Harbor Lutheran Church* as they would do for us.

Please see the weekly email or bulletin boards for more information. Please consider giving to this call for help.



Donations for ***Glade Valley Food Bank*** are always accepted!

****UPDATED ITEMS OF NEED ARE:****

Spaghetti noodles, spaghetti sauce, boxed crackers, Peanut butter and cereal

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!

***Would you like to schedule a date to sponsor Altar flowers?
Please contact Patty Rimel
through the Parish Office if
you would like to arrange a date
to offer flowers.***



Save the date!, "Rally" literally means "a renewal of energy in joint action", and that's what we'll be doing on Saturday, August 24th! Join us from 6pm-8pm to rally together and celebrate new beginnings! See the weekly email or bulletin boards for more info.

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