

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost—August 11, 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.....Mary Ann Ferguson
 Organist.....Jeff Gentry
 Ushers.....Kate Stottlemeyer and Linda Yopp
 Acolyte.....Camden Plog & Annabelle Bush

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS

President—Patty Rimel
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 Treasurer—Bill Cartwright
 Secretary—Kate Stottlemeyer

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

“Jesus says that the bread he gives for the life of the world is his flesh, and whoever eats this bread has eternal life now and will be raised on the last day. In Ephesians Paul tells us what this life Jesus gives us looks like, this life we live as those marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit in baptism. We live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. The whole purpose of life is giving yourself for the other. ”

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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)**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

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

Lord, have mer - cy.

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 mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

P: Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Anthem.....*Glad Be the Love to Search and Keep Me*(Soloist, Trish Valcarcel)
All Creation Sings Hymn #1084

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:4-8

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

PSALM: Psalm 34

¹I will bless the LORD at all times;
 the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
²I will glory in the LORD;
 let the lowly hear and rejoice.
³Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
 let us exalt God's name together.
⁴I sought the LORD, who answered me
 and delivered me from all my terrors.

⁵Look upon the LORD and be radiant,
 and let not your faces be ashamed.
⁶I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me
 and saved me from all my troubles.
⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who
fear the LORD
 and delivers them.
⁸Taste and see that the LORD is good;
 happy are they who take refuge in God!

SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:25-32, 5:1-2

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

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

GOSPEL: John, 6:35, 41-51

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..... *O Living Bread of Heaven*ELW 542**
Text: Johann Rist, 1607-1667; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.

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

Text: John Ellerton, 1826-1893, alt.

***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*
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*
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.*

Connections with the Liturgy

In one way to interpret John's words that we will never die, the *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* rite of Holy Baptism says that "our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death" (p. 227). In the commendation at a funeral, the pastor prays that the deceased be received "into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light" (p. 283). Thanksgiving at the Table VII (p. 67) prays that "we, estranged and dying, might be adopted to live in your Spirit." These are examples of the goal that every Sunday service prepares us for dying—and for not dying.



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 28, 2024:

Weekly Contributions:	\$**
Property Loan Fund:	\$**
Total:	\$**

In Worship Offerings

Weekly Contributions:	\$**
Property Loan Fund:	\$**
Total:	\$**

ATTENDANCE:

August 4, 2024

In person: 50

Virtual: 16

This Week at St Paul's

Sunday, August 11th

Worship (Livestream)	9:00am
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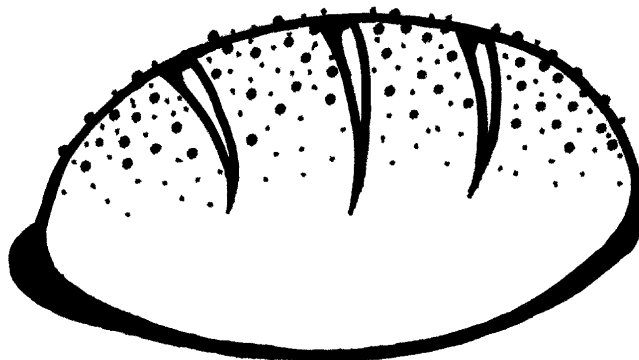
Worship & Arts/Finance	10:00am
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Saturday, August 17th

Community Dinner	5pm-7pm
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Sunday, August 18th

Worship (Live Stream)	9:00am
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*****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 in celebration of
Mickey Carroll's birthday this week
by MaryAnn Ferguson.*

Year Round Stocking Stuffer Project!

**As fast as Summer came, it's almost over!
The Christmas season will be upon us
before we know it!**

Children in our community are counting on us! Your continued generosity has allowed this labor of love, this Saint Paul's Christmas tradition, to stay alive!

Let's end this summer season in a big way! For the months of August and September, ***we need Hot Wheels, markers, pens, pencils, colored pencils and 24 count crayons!*** 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 ***The next session August 27th.***

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Saint Paul's Annual Worship in the Park with the Blessing of Backpacks!

August 18th, 10:30am worship in the park, @ Walkersville Community Park, (at the end of Kenneth Drive) Pavilion #2. The Picnic will directly follow. Fried Chicken, chips, bottled water and tableware will be provided. Please sign-up in the church with a side dish or dessert you would like to share or call the Parish Office.

Be sure to **RSVP to the office by Wednesday, August 14, 2024!** We want to make sure we have enough chicken for everyone!



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.

All are welcome!

St. Paul's and Woodsboro Evangelical Lutheran Churches will be sponsoring monthly dinners in August. **Saturday, August 17th from 5pm-7pm** @ Woodsboro Evangelical Lutheran Church. Please contact Roxanne Smith if you would like to volunteer your time or desserts. roxiesmith@verizon.net



COMMUNITY DINNER



Griefshare is a 13 session Christ centered grief support group. Each session you will meet for about two hours with a group of people who are grieving the loss of someone close to them. The 1st Hour is a video of personal stories of persons in their grief and healing process, who have found healing after a loved ones death. Grief counselors, pastors, teachers also share. The next hour is a small group sharing from insights from the video and challenges you face ahead. A Griefshare group is being offered starting Sept. 12 at 10 am at Keysville Lutheran Church. Carol Baldwin and Pastor Cathy Feil are the group facilitators. **It is Free and all are welcome.** Register by calling Ellie Slayback at 410-259-9816.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*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.*



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!

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