

23rd Sunday after Pentecost—October 27, 2024 Reformation Sunday

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

Worship Service LIVE—9:00 a.m.

Church Phone: 301-845-4600 E-mail: info@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org

Web Site: <http://www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org>

Saint Paul's Official YouTube Channel:

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.....Susan Hayes
Organist.....Jeff Gentry
Ushers.....Marcia Gupta & Kay Wachter
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

“Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God’s grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.”

CHURCH BELL RUNG

CANDLES LIT

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.

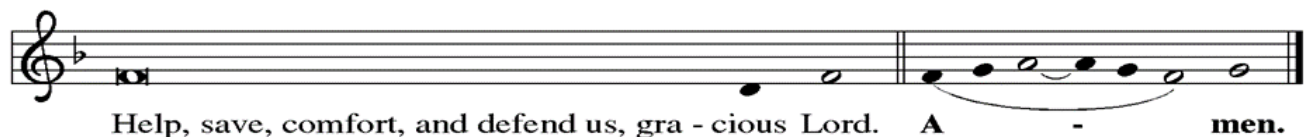
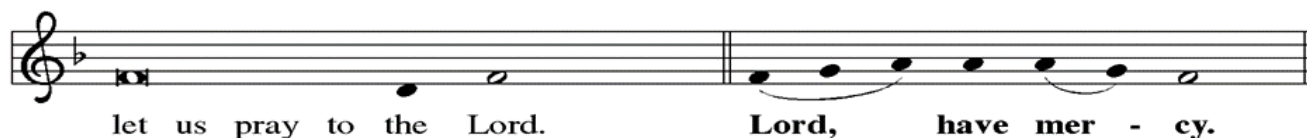
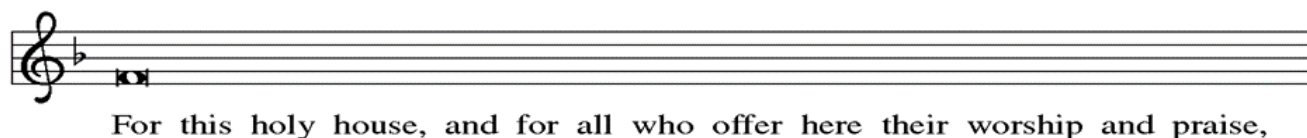
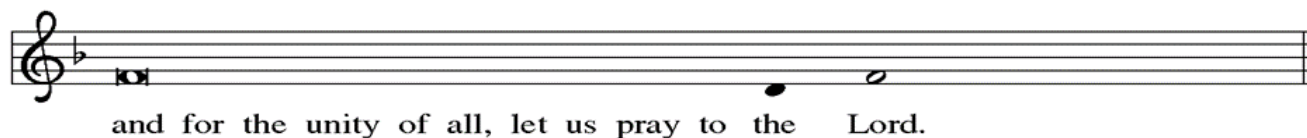
C: **Amen.**

***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: Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Anthem.....The Truth Will Make You Free by Anne Krentz OrganChoir
Augsbergfortress.org

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

L: *The Word of the Lord.*

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 46

¹God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,

and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;

³though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

the holy habitation of the Most High.

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.

⁶The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.

⁷The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

⁸Come now, regard the works of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰“Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”

¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

L: *The Word of the Lord.*

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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

GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the tenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon.....Pastor Phil Beck

Silence for Reflection

P: We affirm our faith in the words of the Apostle's 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.

***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
Music © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress

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)

Copyright © 2024 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved | License # SAS103410, Used with permission under ONE LICENSE #736745-A. All rights reserved
CCLI Copyright © 2024 License 21412874, Streaming 21412867 All rights reserved

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)

Copyright © 2024 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved | License # SAS103410, Used with permission under ONE LICENSE #736745-A. All rights reserved
CCLI Copyright © 2024 License 21412874, Streaming 21412867 All rights reserved

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.....The Church's One FoundationELW 654*

V. 1,2,4,5

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839-1900

***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.

From sundaysandseasons.com | Copyright © 2024 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved | License # SAS103410, Used with permission under ONE LICENSE #736745-A. All rights reserved
CCLI Copyright © 2024 License 21412874, Streaming 21412867 All rights reserved



PRAYER LIST

Joe Collins, *Cousin of Joann Valainis*
Mark Holloway, *Husband 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*
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*
Eileen Trihoulis, *Sister of Merle Anderson*
Gary Wachter, *Member*
Heather Anderson, *Member*
Bert Fiske, *Friend of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider*
Dottie Titmas, *Member*
Florence Schell, *Member*
Merle Anderson, *Member*
Bonnie Kay Cartwright, *Daughter of Bill and Barbara Cartwright*
Dixie Lynch, *Sister of Connie Chesnik*
Mark Spaseff, *Son in law of Nancy and Graham McIntyre*
Dee Dee Kopp, *Member*
Dakota Monn, *friend of Joann Valainis*
Jack Lotwick, *friend of Dianne and Robb Port*
Ken Martz, *Member*

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

Every renewal of the church essentially consists in an increase of fidelity to her own calling. Undoubtedly this explains the dynamism of the movement toward unity. Christ summons the church, as she goes her pilgrim way, to that continual reformation of which she always has need, insofar as she is a human institution here on earth. Consequently, if, in various times and circumstances, there have been deficiencies in moral conduct or in church discipline, or even in the way that church teaching has been formulated—to be carefully distinguished from the deposit of faith itself--these should be set right at the opportune moment and in the proper way. —*Decree on Ecumenism, Second Vatican Council*

(Vatican Council II, *The Basic Sixteen Documents, Revised Translation in Inclusive Language*, ed. Austin Flannery, OP [Northport, NY: Costello Publishing Company, 1996], 507-508.)



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

October 13, 2024:

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

In Worship Offerings

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

ATTENDANCE:

October 20, 2024

In person: 45
Virtual: 15

This Week at St Paul's

Sunday, October 27th

Worship	9:00am
<i>Reformation Sunday</i>	
Faith Formation	10:00am

Monday, October 28th

FEC	8am-5pm
Girl Scouts	6:00pm

Tuesday, October 29th

FHS	10am-3pm
-----	----------

Wednesday, October 30th

FEC	8am-5pm
-----	---------

Thursday, October 31st

<i>Halloween</i>	
Frederick Children's Choir	9:30am-12pm
FHS	10am-3pm
Cub Scouts	5:30pm
Choir	7:00pm

Saturday, November 2nd

Quilting, PH	8am-3pm
--------------	---------

****Set your clocks back an hour****

Sunday, November 3rd

Worship	9:00am
<i>All Saints Day</i>	
Faith Formation	10am
Ministry Sunday	10am
Veteran Ceremony @ 5 Point	1:00pm
Cub Scout Committee Mtg	7:00pm



Council Minutes
September 10, 2024

Attendees: Pastor Phil Beck, Ellen Bucheimer, Barb & Bill Cartwright, Marcia Gupta, Sheila Kahler, Lauren McCloskey, Roxanne Smith, Kate Stottlemeyer.

Devotions: Prayer by Ellen.

Epistle Article due 9/20: Jackie.

Benevolence of \$100: Congregational Life Ministry moved to donate to Lutheran Social Services National Capital Area, Roxanne seconded, approved.

Minutes Approval: Marcia moved to approve Minutes from 8/20 & 25, Ellen seconded, approved.

Reports:

- *Pastor—Will be on vacation 9/16-22; call Joann first with issues.*
- *Faith Formation—Ladies who have expressed willingness to lead Adult Education have been invited to the next meeting.*
- *Worship & Arts—Marie is bringing cake for 9/15 Chat; going back to Setting 4 11/10/24-3/2/25.*
- *Congregational Life—Need food for funeral 9/13; Roxanne has many thin paper plates to give away.*
- *Media & Tech—Joann would be happy to have Intern.*
- *Property—AC fixed, have maintenance contract; Tom says that often the people he needs to meet with don't show up.*

Old Business:

Woodsboro Dinners

- Bethel voted to be part of the meal ministry; Pastor gave them Roxanne's contact information.
- Roxanne hopes to get funding; working with Food Pro, gave a list of common items.
- Sharing funding with Woodsboro.
- Pastor will reach out to Grace, Westminster, regarding contact for pantry items.
- Costco website mentions grants; Sheila will look at it, then Mary Ann or Dan.
- Woodsboro is having an event on our Saturday in October; Roxanne needs 23 take-out meals for Bell Court; possibly cook them here?
- Attendance is physically 10-12 people, take-out to Victoria Park about a dozen and Bell Court 23.

What It Means to be Lutheran: Next 2 dates 9/24, 10/8.

Motion to Adjourn: Marcia moved, multiple seconds, approved.

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://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BjQO6ISi358>, October 20, 2024

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

St. Paul's Official YouTube channel: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6I9JEggsBUXlow1I7 -Q](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6I9JEggsBUXlow1I7-Q)



*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of
Katie & Joe Walker's and Lauren & Lee McCloskey's
wedding anniversaries by Candy Foucart.*



Are you called to serve with a smile? If you would like to serve St. Paul's congregation by creating a welcoming environment and setting the tone for their worship experience, please consider joining our Usher team. We would love to have you share in this ministry. To sign up, contact Kate Stottlemeyer through the Parish Office. - *"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace."* [1 Peter 4:10](#)



christkindl
MARKET

October here and preparations have begun for the 7th annual Christkindl Market. It will happen on **Saturday, December 7th** from 10am-2pm. Once again, the Walkersville Historical Society will be the event host. St. Paul's will have vendors, food and host the Wreath contest similar to last year. Look for more information on those items as we get closer to the date.



We will be looking for donations of gently used Christmas items for "Mrs. Claus' attic." These are items that are affordable for children or individuals without a lot of funds to buy as gifts or decoration. So, keep on the lookout if you hit up the local yard sales. If anyone has a good idea for a craft to do as a small group that we can add to the sale let us know. We will NEED volunteers!



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 10/30/2024.

Please address any questions to the Worship and Arts Committee.

Betsy Galliher

ANNOUNCEMENTS



FRIENDSGIVING AT VICTORIA PARK

Saturday, 11/30
11:30 am – 1:30 pm



St. Paul's will be living out our mission statement, "Through Christ, we joyfully feed the body, mind, and spirit of all," by providing and serving Thanksgiving dinner to the residents of Victoria Park.

St. Paul's will be hosting Friendsgiving on Saturday, 11/30, from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm. The residents are extremely grateful for the continued support of the members of St. Paul's who lovingly and joyfully share their time and talents! Please see the link below to sign up for food and/or volunteering to serve. Donated items can be dropped off at the Parish Hall at 11:00 am on 11/30 or pickup arrangements can be made. If you have any questions, please contact Amy Mildenstein at mruddyamy@aol.com or Lori King at lb69king@yahoo.com.

***The Thanksgiving and Christmas Seasons
will be upon us before we know it.
Food Bank shelves tend to get bare and the need for help grows***

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.**



Staff

Minister-202-497-0584 (pastor@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org).....	Pastor Phil Beck
Office Administrator- 301-845-4600(officeadministrator@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org).....	Joann Valainis
Music Coordinator	Jeff Gentry
Flower Coordinator.....	Patty Rimel
Administration/Purchasing	Ed Chaney
Sexton	Larry Beard
Stephen Ministry.....	Linda Yopp
Property Coordinator.....	Tom Waters
Financial Secretary.....	Troy Keeney