June 7, 2026

Second Sunday after Pentecost

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

Worship Service—9:00 a.m.

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

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Good morning and welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church on this Second Sunday after Pentecost. Today we celebrate Youth Sunday, giving thanks for the young people of this congregation and for all who nurture faith across generations.

Jesus reminds us in today's Gospel that he comes not for the perfect, but for people who need healing, hope, and new life. In a world that often feels hurried and bruised, Christ still stops for people along the roadside. Christ still calls disciples from unexpected places. Christ still says,
"Follow me."

Today, young voices, experienced voices, and every voice in between gather together as one family of faith. Welcome to worship**.**

****Stand as you are able***

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GATHERING

L: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

****CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS***

L: Trusting in God's mercy and love, let us confess our sin before God and one another.
C: Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Merciful God,
C: we confess that we have not always followed where Christ leads us. We have held onto fear instead of trusting your promises. We have passed by people in need. We have spoken harsh words when kindness was needed. We have doubted that our small acts of faithfulness could matter. Forgive us, renew us, and help us live as disciples shaped by your mercy and love. Amen.

L: Hear the good news: Jesus came not to condemn the world, but to save it. God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. In Christ, we are given hope, healing, and a new beginning each day. Thanks be to God.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Morning Has Broken.....ELW 556

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****GREETING***

L: 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* (p. 147)**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE Glory to God in the Highest (p. 148)

****PRAYER OF THE DAY:***

L: Compassionate God, you call unlikely people into your service and bring healing where the world sees only brokenness. Open our hearts to your mercy, teach us to trust your promises, and help us welcome every generation into the work of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Hosea 5:15-6:6

L: *The Word of the Lord.*

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 50

[7] "Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you;
for I am God, your God.
[8] I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices;
your burnt offerings are always before me.
[9] I will not accept a calf from your stalls,
nor goats from your pens;
[10] for all the wild animals of the forest are mine,
the cattle on a thousand hills.
[11] I know every bird of the mountains,
and the creatures of the fields are mine.
[12] If I were hungry, I would not tell you,
for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.
[13] Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls,
or drink the blood of goats?
[14] Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving
and make good your vows to the Most High.
[15] Call upon me in the day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.

SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25
L: *The Word of the Lord.*
C: Thanks be to God.

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

Gospel: *Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26*
The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the ninth chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

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

Message.....Lauren McCloskey

Silence for Reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Will You Come and Follow Me.....ELW 798

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P: We affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

C: 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 worshipped 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 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

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow .....ELW 884

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: God of all creation,
all that we have comes from you. Receive these gifts and the offering of our lives, that through this church young and old alike may know the love of Christ and share it with the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: 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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with the angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

***Holy, Holy, Holy (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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (ELW p. 153)

P: Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.
The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.

C: We praise you, O God.

P: Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

C: We bless you, O God.

P: We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

C: We thank you, O God.

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 for the remembrance of me.

P: 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.
Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

P: We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.
Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer
Gathered into One with the Holy Spirit, we now pray as Jesus taught us…

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.

L: Jesus welcomed saints and sinners, the young and the old, the confident and the questioning. All are invited to this table of grace.

***HOLY COMMUNION*:**
P: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

COMMUNION HYMN (p.155)
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 (p. 155)
L: Let us pray,
Nourished by Christ's mercy and strengthened by this meal, send us now into the world to serve with compassion, courage, and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION
L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. Amen. Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee..... ELW 836

Dismissal

Go in Peace, Serve the Lord

Thanks be to God

Please remember to return name tag pins to the containers at the side door or the front door before leaving today.
– thank you, Kay Wachter

PRAYER LIST

Betsy Galliher, Member
Joe Collins, *Cousin of Joann Valainis*
Mark Holloway, *Husband of Kate Stottlemyer*
Sue Snyder, *Member*
Bert Fiske, *Friend of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider*
Jack Lotwick, *Friend of Robb and Dianne Port*
Parker Bazarewski*, Extended family of Ed Chaney*
Dudley Cate*, Family friends of Ed Chaney*
Patty Plitt, *Cousin of Ed Chaney*
Leanne Colwell, *Friend of Sue Snyder*
Kira Wynne, *Friend of Sue Snyder*
Nancy Wynne, *Friend of Sue Snyder*
Linda Koelsch, *Friend of Ed Chaney*
Marion Lawrence, *Cousin of Kate Stottlemyer*
Emily Kilmon, *Daughter of Betsy Galliher*
Richard Pratt, *Brother of Patty Rimel and Mary Sulima*
Dawn Lee Knoebel**,** *Daughter of Robb and Dianne Port*
Regina Baker, *Member*
Mary Zeiman, *Mother of Amy Mildenstein*
Linda Brown, *Friend of the Mildenstein Family*
Steve Jones**,** *very close personal friend of Joann Valainis*
Michael and Serena Anderson, *Friends of Linda Yopp*
Adrian Smith, *Grandson of Sam and Marie Purswell*
***Our United States Military**, by Robb and Dianne Port*
Sheila Kahler*, member*
Patty Rimel, *member*
Trish Valcarcel, *member*
Jeff Gentry**,** *Music Director*
Davey Crockett*, Friend*
Kathleen Twenhafel**,** *friend of Sue Snyder*
Family of Darlene Kiever*, Member*
***Jan Luykx**, Sister in law of Betsy Galliher*

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

† 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
† Aaron Martz, U.S. Navy, grandson of Ken Martz

Please remember all the names on our prayer list, and especially those that are **bold.

They have specific current need for Christian love and support.

Do you or someone you know have need for prayer?

If so, please know that we have a prayer team at St. Paul's that is ready to help.

Simply contact Merle Anderson through the Parish Office.

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/

This Week at St Paul's

Sunday, June 7th
Youth Sunday
Worship (Livestream) 9:00am

Tuesday, June 8th
Worship and Arts 10:00am

Thursday, June 11th
Cub Scouts 6:00pm

Sunday, June 14th
Third Sunday after Pentecost
Worship, (Live Stream) 9:00am
Faith Formation 10:00am
Bell Court Worship 3:00pm

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:

Current Fund Weekly Need:
$3,110.00

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need:
$350.00

Electronic/Mail-ins Income
May 31, 2026

Weekly Contributions:	$ 172.50
Property Loan Fund:	$ 35.00
Total:	$ 207.50

In Worship Offerings

Weekly Contributions:	$1,288.00
Property Loan Fund:	$ 350.00
Total:	$1,638.00

ATTENDANCE:
May 31, 2026

In Person:	47
Virtual:	6

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*******IMPORTANT*******

For those without Facebook please tune into our YouTube channel for live streams of last week's service. Video link https://youtu.be/XKLBnLsUljg May 24, 2026. Please look for future notices regarding live streaming and YouTube videos at St. Paul's Official YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6I9JEpgsBUXlow1l7_-Q

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in remembrance of Nina Valcarcel. Given by Julio Valcarcel, Sr.

ALL ARE WELCOME!
Bring Family and Friends!
Saturday, June 20, 2026 from 5:00-6:30pm
Woodsboro Evangelical Lutheran Church
101 S. Main St., Woodsboro, MD
Please see Roxanne Smith with any questions

Walkersville Carnival, 2026
Can you Help?

The Walkersville Volunteer Fire Company Carnival will be held this year from Monday, June 29th to Saturday, July 4th from 5pm to 10pm. Help is needed in the Food Building and various other places on the grounds. If you can help, just show up any night and help for whatever time fits in your schedule. Times and dates are at your convenience, and you can be assured that all assistance will be appreciated.

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American Red Cross | Community of Giving

Blood Drive
St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Parish Hall
19 W Pennsylvania Ave
Walkersville, MD 21793

Friday, June 19, 2026
11:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Please scan the QR Code or
call 1-800-RED-CROSS (733-2767) to
schedule your blood donation!

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients.
If you are an eligible type O, B - or A - donor,
consider making a Power Red donation.
Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component.

Scan to be directed to RapidPass®

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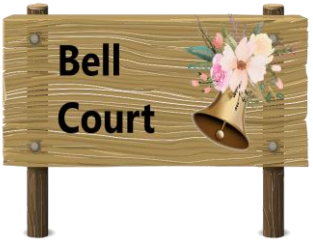
Would you like to schedule a date to sponsor Altar flowers? Please use the sign up on the bulletin board or contact the Parish Office if you would like to arrange a date to honor or remember.

THE YEAR ROUND STOCKING STUFFER PROJECT NEEDS YOU!

Summer sales will be all over the stores soon. Our Stockings need big erasers, cap erasers, colored pencils, crayons, fat markers, skinny markers, chapstick, toothpaste, 3 in 1 body wash for kids and most of all **YOUR SUPPORT!** You always have the option for a financial donation as well, see Kay Wachter for details.



Worship at Bell Court

690 W Adams Circle

Woodsboro, MD 21798

June 14, 2026 @ 3:00pm

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

****UPDATED ITEMS OF NEED ARE:**
Cereal, Hamburger Helper,
Macaroni and Cheese,
Canned Fruit and Peanut butter

Please bring them to the donation vin 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!

SERVING TODAY

Minister.....Pastor Peter Roy
Lectors.....Youth
Organist.....Jeff Gentry
Ushers.....Youth
Acolyte.....Camden Plog, Journey Gardner & Kay Wachter

Staff

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Office Admin: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.....
Financial Secretary.....Troy Keeney

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 © 2026 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved | License # SAS103410, Used with permission under ONE LICENSE #736745-A. All rights reserved
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