

Pentecost 9– August 10, 2025

Prelude *Please maintain a reverent quiet as the Prelude is played.*

Welcome & Announcements

Children's Sermon

Opening Hymn

Apostolic 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.

Glory to God Pg. 167

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Glory to God in the highest, Amen, amen.

Prayer of the Day

L The Lord be with you **C** And also with you

L Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. C Amen

First Reading: Genesis 15: 1-6

¹ After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” ² But Abram said, “O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³ And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” ⁴ But the word of the Lord came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” ⁵ He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” ⁶ And he believed the Lord, and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness. Wisdom, Holy Word. **C Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 33: 12-22

¹² Happy is the nation whose God ¹ is the LORD!
Happy the people chosen to ¹ be God's heritage!

¹³ **The LORD looks ¹ down from heaven,
and sees all ¹ humankind.**

¹⁴ God sits firmly en- ¹ throned and watches
all who dwell ¹ on the earth.

¹⁵ **God fashions ¹ all their hearts
and observes ¹ all their deeds.**

¹⁶ A king is not saved by the size ¹ of the army,
nor are warriors rescued by ¹ their great strength.

¹⁷ **The horse gives vain ¹ hope for victory;
despite its great strength it ¹ cannot save.**

¹⁸ Truly, your eye is upon those who fear ¹ you, O LORD,
upon those who wait for your ¹ steadfast love,

¹⁹ **to deliver their ¹ lives from death,
and to keep them alive in ¹ time of famine.**

²⁰ Our innermost being waits for ¹ you, O LORD,
our helper ¹ and our shield.

²¹ **Surely, our heart rejoic- ¹ es in you,
for in your holy name we ¹ put our trust.**

²² Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, ¹ be upon us,
even as we place our ¹ hope in you.

Second Reading: Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16

¹ Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. ⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance, and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith, with Sarah's involvement, he received power of procreation, even though he was too old, because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." ¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴ for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better homeland, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them. Holy wisdom, holy word.

C Thanks be to God

Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel according to Luke 12th C Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ³² “Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ³⁵ “Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night or near dawn and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. ³⁹ “But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord. C Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Apostles’ Creed

**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 People

L: In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

AM: Keep the heart of your church set firmly in you so that, with lamps lit and attentive to Christ's call at any time or place, your people are ready to respond with faithful action for the sake of the world. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

AM: Worlds were prepared by your word. Speak healing and protection upon the earth, especially where life and habitats are threatened (places may be named). Guide the work of astronomers and all who teach us about the stars and galaxies. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

AM: You know the actions and deeds of the nations. Turn humanity away from instruments of war and violence. Fashion the hearts of world leaders to work for peace. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

AM: Let your lovingkindness be on those in need (especially). Assure all who are afraid or experiencing great uncertainty that your promises are sure. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

AM: Calm the fears of migrants and refugees who set out, not knowing where they go. Provide shelter, sustenance, protection from harm, and welcome. Bless the work of Global Refuge and other means of support and advocacy. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

AM: For any other needs you now lift to God..... Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

People: Amen

The Peace

L The Peace of the Lord be with you all.

C And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace with one another. The Offering is received, and the table is prepared.

Anthem: Leaning Into Jesus Words: Patricia Mock; Music: Patti Drennan

I'm leaning into Jesus for his mercies new each day, leaning into Jesus for the wisdom of his ways. I'm leaning into Jesus when my heart cries out in fear, leaning into Jesus when my eyes are filled with tears. I find his perfect peace when waves roll over me, giving him full control, yielding my heart and soul. When my path is shining bright, or in the dark of night, I'm leaning into Jesus, into his loving arms. I'm leaning into Jesus as blue skies turn to gray, leaning into Jesus when I lose my way. I'm leaning into Jesus for his mercies new each day, leaning into Jesus for the wisdom of his ways. I find his perfect peace when waves roll over me, giving him full control yielding my heart and soul. When my path is shining bright, or in the dark of night, I'm leaning into Jesus, into his loving arms. He is my shelter safe, giver of strength and grace; I'm leaning on his everlasting arms. Oh what a refuge sure, in him I rest secure; I'm leaning on his everlasting arms. I'm leaning into Jesus.

Offertory Hymn ELW 185 Create in Me a Clean Heart

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Offering Prayer

Creator God,
in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good
and the harvest is plentiful.
Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth
and our labor,
that we may work for the good of all;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen.

*Today will be a lay-led communion service using wine and wafers
pre-consecrated last Sunday by the pastor.*

The Great Thanksgiving

- L The Lord be with you. **C And also with you.**
L Lift up your hearts. **C We lift them to the Lord.**
L Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
L 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 Holy, holy, holy 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.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Last week when we were gathered to receive this sacrament the pastor consecrated these elements of bread and wine. Together we were reminded of the events of the Last Supper and the promise Jesus made to us there. We recalled the way that he took bread and wine and invited us to eat and drink. He assured us that in these elements, we would be receiving his own body and blood. Our Lord told us that this meal is a pledge of a new covenant between God and humanity. Trusting in Jesus' holy words, we are set free from our sin and all that stands between us and the promise of new life in Christ. Today we will again accept what has been given to us- these gifts of bread and wine- and the promise of mercy that come to us in and through them. We will also speak together the prayer that Jesus taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER

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

The Agnus Dei pg. 146

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.

All are warmly welcomed by Christ to his table and feast.

Communion

Post Communion Prayer

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace.
Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in
Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

Benediction

L The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and
mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you peace. **C** **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Dismissal

AM Go now in peace, to love and serve the Lord and your neighbors. **C** **Amen.**

Postlude

Please maintain a reverent quiet as the Postlude is.

Thank you for coming. May God's peace be yours today.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The following is a listing of those who need your prayers. Our hope is that you will take this listing home with you and in your daily prayers remember those listed below.

Kay Ackley
Ben, Sheryl & Nik Ahrens
Connie Aparo
Phil Bascetta
Kathleen Bowler

Cherie Brown
Sharon Cable
Nancy Campbell
Angelo & Nicole Capasso
Carol Cianciolo

Emma Cortina
Leif Dallaire
Linda Dellano
Carla Derrickson
Sue DiAngelis

Winifried Diorio
Irene Douglas
Judy Elliott
Walt Esker
Jan Eucalitto

Jennifer Ezzo
Bruce & Liz Falls
Tommy Fitzpatrick
Ashley Friday
John Fox

Joan Gerard
Liam Gregg
Danise Hall
Jack & Barbara Heintz
Brayden Herzberg

Renate Higgins
Charles Hilton
Kathleen Hilton
Shannon Hilton
Jake Hoadley

Sven Holmgren
Erma Horn
Eunice Jones
Marilyn Killingbeck
Maria Koskovich
Jason Lashbrook
John Lewis

David Little
Rebecca Little
Michael Maccalous
Kari Machowski
Mary Ellen Mackinnon
Jerry MacManus
Irene Madore
Audrey Marquard

Abigail Marine
Eric Marine
Richard Marine
Janis Martin
Gil & Marilyn Martin

Gladys Medina
Michael Meyers
Kate Merrow
Colin Moore
Brigitte Mueller

Martin Mueller
Dennis Nalette
Karen Ness
Tom O'Brien

Lea Orriola & family
Russell Palmer
Maria Payne
Caroline Quintal
Ed & Susan Regner

Jonathan Richard
Louise Roche
Mark Rose
Holly Schaff
Rosemary & Otto Schibi

Denae Seelye
Matt Simpson
Margo Skaret
Dana Steele
Sigrid Smitley

Paul Smith
Dana & George Steele
Jennifer Stella
Deb & Jon Sterling

Tom Sterling Sr.
RuthAnn Stone
Patricia Switzer
Gloria Thibault
Andy Thomas
Julia Thompson Carroll

Susan Tycienski
Steve Warner
Renee Woodard
Clayton Young
Clarence & Priscilla
Ed

Jen O.
Jaiden
Steve
Lou W.
Steve
Todd
Robert K.
Terry
Joe
Carol G.

Kristen & Jared
Vinny
Hagbard
Carolina
Robert P.

Peanut
Colleen
Ken
Kathy
Jaxson

Gail
F.C.H.
Chantel
Stephan
Helene B.
Jason R
Baby Wesley

**Family and Friends of
Christopher Kelleher**

Our Nursing Home Members

Dee Gammon
Midge Rosenbeck
Calvin Bensch
Judy Schaller
Ernest Marquard
Mae Fay
Francine Ahrens

Our Military Friends

Lord Jesus, Savior of the World and King of Peace, watch over our sons and daughters in the service of their Country. Protect them from the physical and moral dangers. Keep them close to you and help them live the commandments. Lord, Jesus give them courage to serve their country with honor and dignity. Be with them when they are in danger; strengthen them when they face hardship. Above all Lord, grant that when their service is finished that they may return to us, sound in mind, body and soul. Amen.

Tyler Quinn
Eric Beyus
Major Zachary Fulton
Brandan Holbrook
Jonathan Connell
Tom Gregg, Jr.
Eric Bremer
Peter Hutchinson
S/W Anderson James Ernst
USCG
SPC Dominic Boscarino
PVT Noah Braatz
PVT 2 Christian Braatz
Swab Aiden Avenia USCG
2nd Lt. Ben Speaker
Pvt. Noah Roy

Around the Church

Event	Date	Time
Council	8/11	7:00 pm
Blessing of the Backpacks	8/17	During Service
Chris Ed. Meeting	8/18	6 pm
Breakfast	8/20	8:30 am

Pastor Vacation August 11- 19

Rachel Vacation August 11-17

Due to Pastor's vacation, on August 10, 2025, August 17th will be a non-communion service

Bible Study Cancelled on the 12 & 19 on Tuesday and Wed. the 13th due to vacation

Tai Chi 11:00 am Wednesdays

Quilting Group 1:00 pm Wednesdays

Offerings Summary:

Needed Weekly	\$4,561
Received	\$ 5,178
Shortfall	\$1,840
YTD shortfall	(\$42,813)

Minimalist bulletin

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Children's Sermon

Opening Hymn

Apostolic Greeting

Glory to God Pg. 167

Prayer of the Day

First Reading

Psalm

Second Reading

Gospel Acclamation Pg. 171

Reading of the Holy Gospel

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Prayers of the People

Peace

A Capella Choir Anthem

The Offering is received

Offertory Hymn Pg. 185

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

Sanctus

Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) pg. 146

Communion is Distributed

Post-communion prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn

Dismissal

Postlude

There will be a special congregation meeting Wed, Aug 20 at 7pm,

Items to be discussed: 1. a proposal for a solar array and roof refinishing
2. HVAC upgrade. All Voting Members are encouraged to attend.

What is a Voting Member?

1. Must be an official member of St. Paul's
2. Must have received communion in the last 12 months
3. Must have made a "contribution of record" in last 12 months. This means a financial donation that can be attributed to you.

If you have any doubt about your status as a voting member, please contact the office.

**Opportunity! We're looking for volunteers to
to help us re-start our famous Puppettude ministry.
If interested, please see
Pastor Cady or Judy Ludwig**



Back to School Supply Collection

Social Concerns is collecting school supplies for kids in need!

Backpacks

Pencil Cases

Pencils

Pens

Washable Markers

Crayons

Glue Sticks

Notebooks

3 Ring Binders

Colored Pencils

Pencil Sharpeners

Erasers

Pocket tissues



We are also looking for new
packaged socks and underwear
Kids sizes 5 and up!

*Accepting items until
September 7, 2025*

**Thank you for supporting
our effort!**

