

For the Living of these Days August 19, 2020

Information for Worship in a Time Apart

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Woo Hoo! We are back up and running! Please check us out!

COME ONE AND ALL TO WORSHIP TOGETHER SATURDAY AUGUST 22nd AT 4 P.M.!

WEAR A MASK! BRING HAND SANITIZER!

SIT IN MARKED PEWS and OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING BETWEEN FAMILY GROUPS!

YOU ARE WELCOME TO BRING YOUR OWN COPY OF THE BULLETIN ALTHOUGH THEY WILL BE PROVIDED.

PLEASE, DON'T COME IF YOU ARE FEELING ILL.

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FOLLOW THE LINK AND OPEN THE VIDEO IN THE BROWSER OF YOUR CHOICE!**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Keys to the Kingdom. This is a week of sad goodbyes. On Saturday, the 15th we said goodbye to a good and faithful servant, Russ Hovland. His ministry to the physical church and in the choir will be sorely missed. On the 22nd will be the last service for our organist, Matt Hummel, whose love, musical expertise, and dedication to our church as well will be very much missed as well. Interestingly, both had a bunch of keys to the church. I'm sure Russ had more keys; I think he had more keys than anyone! When I was secretary if, I needed Russ and I called at the house, chances were he was already in or on his way to the church. He was here fixing and mending, checking on pipes, cutting the grass and sweeping off the roof of the parish building. Used to startle me sometimes because boom! There he was! Matt was always early, making sure things were set for the service – checking the hymn boards, sweeping the church, making sure I had the right hymns and liturgical information. There have been many others before them who have shown such service to the Lord right here at St. Paul's. Why would they do that? And we all know the answer; because they loved God and through Him, they loved us. Paul says in this week's lesson and I'm paraphrasing here, that we are all members of the same church, but we are different in how we can serve Him and those differences benefit and strengthen the church. I can't think of two more shining examples of men who found their way to serve the Lord and by serving Him enriched all of our lives. You will be missed. *Kerrill Foster*

As mentioned above, Russ Hovland died on Saturday August 15th. There will be a family service in the church on Thursday the 20th. Due to the Coronavirus, there will not be a visitation time. However, the family would like to offer an opportunity for you to view the family funeral service. If you are interested in having a zoom invite, please contact the church office so that we can organize an invite list by noon Wednesday, August 19, 2020. We will need your name, email address or cell phone number. Thank you!

Our sympathy to Mary Heatwole and family on the death of her grandson, Blake Heatwole Nelson who died August 9th in Florida. Our sympathy to the Levy and Miller families on the death of Gary Levy July 27th. My apologies on being late with this announcement.

We are looking for people willing to help with filming the live service one Saturday a month. If you can help, please contact Greta at stpaulselcanewark@gmail.com or call or text her at 740-644-4620. Thanks!

Our first Holy Communion on August 15th went well. The Fellowship cups were pretty easy to use. Our next communion will be on September 26th.

August Birthdays

August 23rd – Hannah Watkins, August 25th Jackie Sainsbury, August 27th – Jackie Casto
August 29th – Dan Campbell, August 30th – Jana Hovland, Jack Metcalf, Tim O'Keefe
August 31st – Alexandrina Wolf

August Anniversaries

August 25th – Marty & Dee Altmaier (47), Tim & Brenda O’Keefe (36)

Please Keep the following people in your prayers:

Tambra Simon	Ruth Swinehart	Missy Zimmerman	Ruth White
Carmella Holman	Jan Rengert	Ginny Baker	Pastor Betsy & family
Matthew Rauch			

Those with long-term ongoing concerns:

Dawn Campbell	Betty Neighbarger	Wilma Keller	Rose Godenschwager
Earnest & Wanda	Gretchen Treneff	Terry Nelson	Frances Slebodnik
Cooperider	Mary Beamer	Margaret Marx	Alice Smith
		Terrie Baker	

12th Weekend after Pentecost

Service of the Word

St. Paul’s Evangelical

Lutheran Church

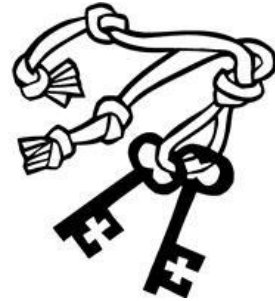
August 22, 2020 4 p.m.

Organist: Matthew J. Hummel

Council President: M. Jean Hovland

Pastor Emeritus: Rev. William J. Rauch

Supply Pastor: Rev. Dr. John D. Stroup



PRELUDE: *Organ & Piano duet, Miriam Truex, pianist “The Heavens are Telling” – Haydn*

ANNOUNCEMENTS *Dear Friends, please remember that there will be no singing or speaking in unison during the service to reduce the possible spread of disease. All text will be read by the supply pastor and singing by the cantor. The offering plates will be by the exit doors as you leave today. Standing at this service is optional.*

ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. Amen. 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. Amen.

Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. Amen.

GLORIA

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.

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. 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. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PSALM HYMN ELW #685 *“Take my life that I may be”*

Take my life that I may be consecrated, Lord to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love; take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King; take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold; take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

THE LESSON: *is written in the book of Romans Chapter 12 beginning with the 1st verse:*

¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness. *The word of the Lord.*

SPECIAL SOLO *“The Lone, Wild Bird”* - Juli Rauch

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(Please stand as you are able. Standing is optional.)*

Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word. Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred. Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: *The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 16th chapter. (13-20)*

¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah. *The gospel of the Lord.*

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #652 *“Built on A Rock”*

Built on a rock the church shall stand, even when steeple's are falling; crumbled have spires in every land, bells still are chiming and calling--calling the young and old to rest, calling the souls of those distressed, longing for life everlasting.

Surely in temples made with hands God the Most High is not dwelling—high in the heavens his temple stands, all earthly temples excelling. Yet God who dwells in heaven above deigns to abide with us in love, making our bodies his temple.

Christ builds a house of living stones: we are his own habitation; he fills our hearts his humble thrones, granting us life and salvation. Where two or three will seek his face, he in their midst will show his grace. blessings upon them be stowing.

Yet in this house, an earthly frame Jesus the children is blessing; hither we come to praise his name, faith in our savior confessing. Jesus to us his spirit sent, making with us his covenant, granting his children the kingdom.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *please remember there are no responses said in unison.*

LORD’S PRAYER Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us together silently 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.

BENEDICTION
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 ☩ give you peace.

DISMISSAL Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

POSTLUDE: “*Ein Feste Burg*”- Johann Christoph Bach