

For the Living of these Days July 22, 2020

Information for Worship in a Time Apart

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We’re experiencing some technical difficulties, but please keep trying!!
COME ONE AND ALL TO WORSHIP TOGETHER SATURDAY JULY 24TH 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.

***CONTINUE TO LOOK FOR OUR SERVICE ONLINE ON FACEBOOK AND A
PHONE MESSAGE AT 1-740-247-5551***

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In the bulletin this week, the illustration suggested was that of a woman making bread. I like to make bread. Bread baking is in my blood, all my grandmothers and great-grandmothers made bread. They were the kind of cooks that measured everything by handfuls and pinches. I do rely on my measuring cups! I like to hunt up recipes that use yeast in different ways – variations on when and how the yeast is added, and other interesting ingredients from cheese to candied fruit. The cool thing that I have found is that *the yeast always works*. No matter where or when it is added, the bread rises and the house is filled with that wonderful, wonderful, yeasty bread smell. As in the parable, you don’t need a lot to get results – just like a kind word or a smile, or broadcasting the word of God in acts of love, kindness and tolerance increases the kingdom of God a hundredfold. So, spread that word! Crinkle those eyes in a smile behind those masks! The mask that says I care about my neighbor – perhaps even that is the word of God in action. (And no one knows about the salad in your teeth!) *Kerrill Foster*

PS No more news on Communion, we are still hoping for an August 15th date. The next council meeting will be Monday, July 27th at 7pm. Please look for the email from Greta if you want to attend the meeting via Zoom.

We extend our condolences to the family of Tim and Brenda O’Keefe. Tim’s father, Jerry O’Keefe passed away on July 15th. Please keep them in your prayers.

July Birthdays

July 28th – Kathy Jordan, Lou Thomas, July 29th Jenna Chorpenning,
July 30th – Christine Godenschwager, John Grangaard, Charles Rager (93)

July Anniversaries

July 29th – Vincent and Betsy Kleinknecht (31), July 31st – Joseph and Nikki McDaniel (16)

Please Keep the following people in your prayers:

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

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	

8th Weekend after Pentecost
Service of the Word
St. Paul's Evangelical
Lutheran Church
July 25, 2020 4 p.m.

Organist: Matthew J. Hummel
Choir & Ringers Director: Michael D. Belt
Council President: M. Jean Hovland
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. William J. Rauch
Supply Pastor: Rev. Dr. John D. Stroup



PRELUDE: *“Blott en dag”* – (Day by Day) J. Bert Carlson

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.

KYRIE - Kyrie Eleison, Lord Have Mercy, Christe Eleison, Christ have Mercy,
Kyrie Eleison Lord Have Mercy

GLORIA

Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth. Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth: we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love. Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above; on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.

Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call; Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all: Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright.
For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PSALM 119:129-136

¹²⁹Your de- | crees are wonderful;
therefore I obey them with | all my heart.
¹³⁰When your word is opened | it gives light;
it gives understanding | to the simple.
¹³¹I open my | mouth and pant
because I long for | your commandments.
¹³²Turn to me and be gra- | cious to me,
as you always do to those who | love your name.
¹³³Order my footsteps | in your word;
let no iniquity have dominion | over me.
¹³⁴Rescue me from those | who oppress me,
and I will keep | your commandments.

¹³⁵Let your face shine up- | on your servant
and teach | me your statutes.

¹³⁶My eyes shed | streams of tears,
because people do not | keep your teaching.

THE LESSON: *is written in the book of Romans Chapter 8 beginning with the 26th verse:*

²⁶The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

²⁸We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. *The word of the Lord.*

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

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 13th chapter. (31-33, 44-42)

³¹[Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field;³²it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

³³He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

⁴⁴"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." ⁵²And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old." *The gospel of the Lord.*

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #781 *"Children of the Heavenly Father"*

Children of the heavenly father safely in his bosom gather, nestling bird nor star in heaven such a refuge e'er was given.

God his own doth tend and nourish, in his holy courts they flourish, from all evil things he spares them in his mighty arms he bears them.

Neither life nor death shall ever from the lord his children sever unto them his grace he showeth and their sorrows all he knoweth.

Though he giveth or he taketh, God his children ne'er forsaketh his the loving purpose solely to preserve them pure and holy.

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: *“Allein Gott in der sei Ehr”*- (To God Alone On High Be Glory) Johann Christoph Bach