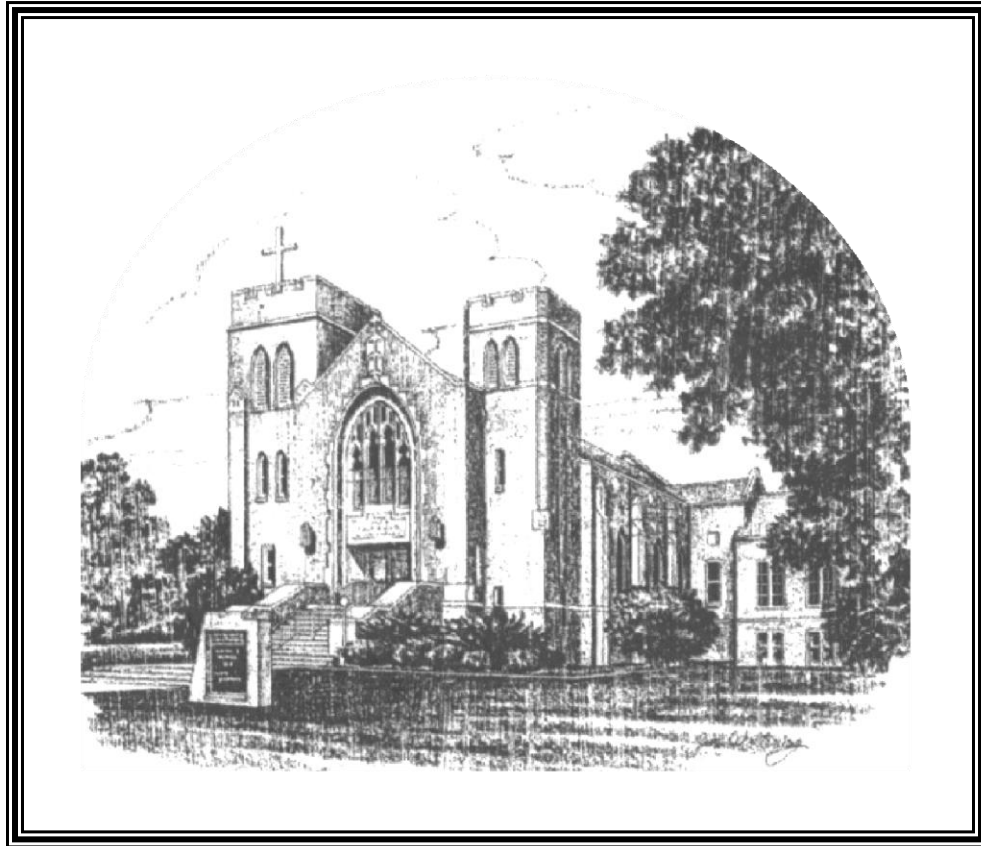


St. Paul Lutheran Church

Yorktown, TX



Saturday and Sunday

Holy Communion Services

7th Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2024

Silent Prayer

O God, whose holiness is not limited to grand cathedrals or saintly persons, spectacular mountains or mountain-moving leaders; O God, whose holiness is often discovered in simple everyday places and simple everyday folks, plant your holiness in this place, in us now. Grow us this hour, that we might flower, right where we are, with the beauty of your holiness. Through Jesus we pray. Amen.

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS *Please take a moment to fill out an Attendance Card. You may leave them in the pew by the center aisle or drop them in the basket at the church entrance. (*) Indicates times in worship when you are invited to stand as you are able. (+)Indicates when it may be appropriate to make the sign of the cross.*

***OPENING HYMN**

“Glorify Thy Name” W&P #42

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Glorify thy name

Chord symbols: C, CM⁷, Dm⁷, G⁷, C, C²/E, F, G⁷sus, G, C, F², F, E⁷, F^{#m}7(b⁵), E⁷/G[#], Am, F, G⁷, C, CM⁷, F/C, C.

Lyrics:
 1 Fa - ther,
 2 Je - sus, we love you, we wor-ship and a - dore you,
 3 Spir - it,
 glo - ri-fy thy name in all the earth;
 glo - ri-fy thy name, glo - ri-fy thy name,
 glo - ri-fy thy name in all the earth.

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***GREETING and DIALOGUE**

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.

L: In the beginning was the Word,

C: And the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

L: In the Word was life,

C: And the life was the light of all people.

L: The Word became flesh and lived among us,

C: And we have seen his glory, full of grace and truth.

***CONFESSION**

P: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

C: pray in the Holy Spirit.

P: Keep yourselves in the love of God;

C: look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

C: Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another. Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins.

C: Amen.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

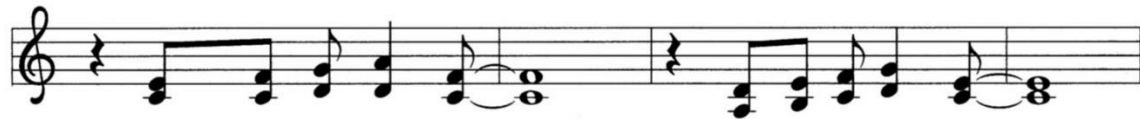
C: Almighty and eternal God, your Son our Savior is with you in eternal glory. Give us faith to see that, true to his promise, he is among us still, and will be with us to the end of time; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

HYMN

“Change My Heart, O God” (2x) **W&P #28**

Change My Heart, O God

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Change my heart, O God; make it ev-er true.



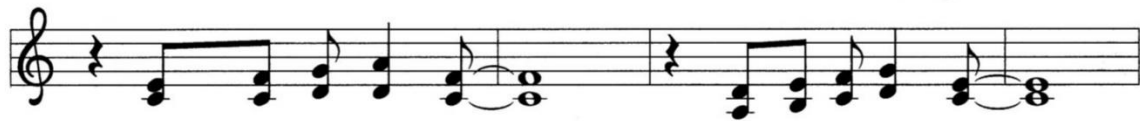
Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.



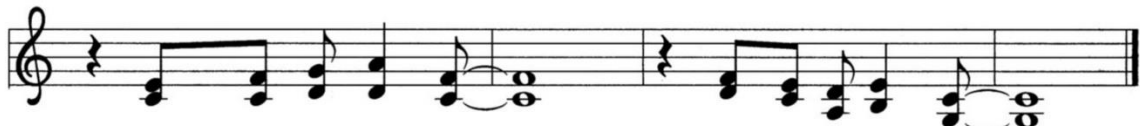
You are the pot - ter; I am the clay.



Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.



Change my heart, O God; make it ev-er true.



Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

Text: Eddie Espinosa, b. 1953

Music: Eddie Espinosa

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CHANGE MY HEART
PM

FIRST LESSON: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

Lector: A reading from _____.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶“Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” ²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us— one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.” ²³So they

proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 1

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

²**Their delight is in the law of the LORD,
and they meditate on his law day and night.**

³They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither;
everything they do shall prosper.

⁴**It is not so with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶**For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

SECOND LESSON: 1 John 5:9-13

Lector: A reading from _____.

⁹If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. ¹⁰Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL VERSE**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

***GOSPEL John 17:6-19**

P: The Holy Gospel according to _____, the ____ chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus prayed:] ⁶“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN of the DAY

“You Are My Hiding Place” (2x) W&P #160

160

You are my hiding place



You are my hid - ing place; you al - ways



fill my heart with songs of de - liv - er - ance. When -



ev - er I am a - fraid I will trust in you,



I will trust in you. Let the weak say,



“I am strong in the strength of the Lord.”



strength of the Lord, I will trust in you.”

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***CONFESSION OF FAITH**

P: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

C: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.

P: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**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;

by the power of the Holy Spirit

He became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.**

With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

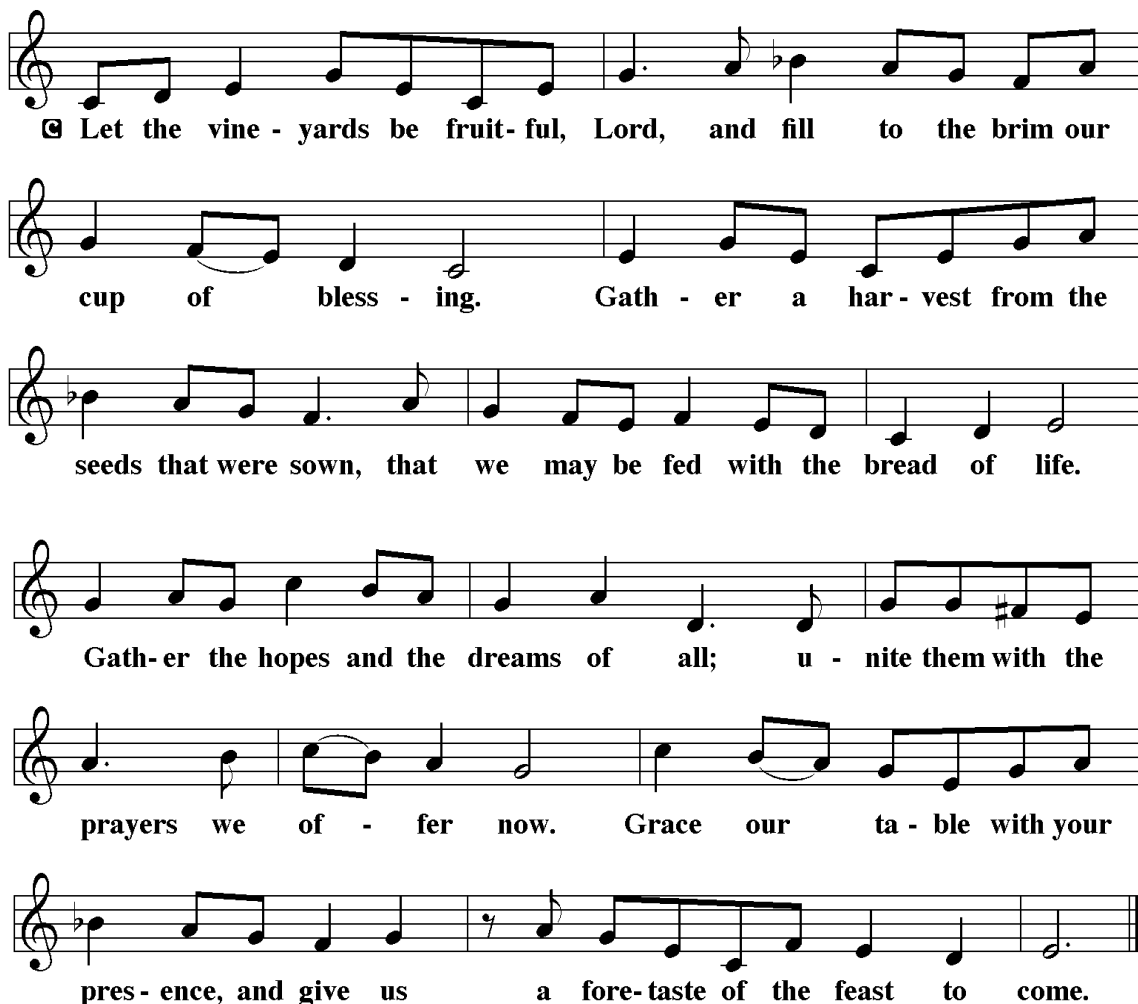
**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

***PRAYERS**

P: ... Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

OFFERING

***OFFERTORY**



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

L: Let us pray. Merciful God,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

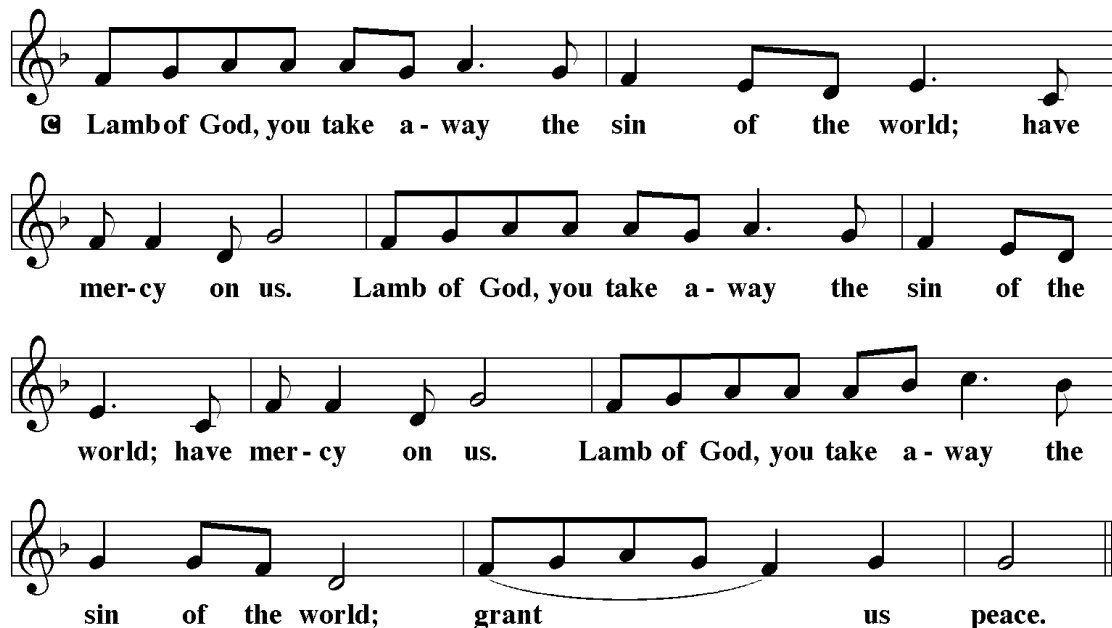
*** LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

DISTRIBUTION of the ELEMENTS

All those who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the sacrament are welcome at His table. Those who are unable to receive communion, for any reason, may come forward to receive a blessing, and may indicate this by crossing their arms over their chest. Parents, please indicate if children are to receive communion. If they are not yet receiving communion, children are encouraged to come to the table to receive a blessing. If you are unable to come to the altar and wish to receive communion, please inform the ushers so that the sacrament may be brought to you.

COMMUNION HYMN: “Lamb of God”



☞ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

***POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O God, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

***BLESSING:**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and +give you peace.

C: Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus” **LBW #439**

What a Friend We Have in Jesus



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta - tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?
3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum-bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged—take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge—take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need-less pain we bear—
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor-rows share?
Do your friends de-spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be-cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak-ness—take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820–1886
Music: CONVERSE, Charles C. Converse, 1832–1918

***DISMISSAL**

P: As you go forth into the world to serve God with gladness; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. As you leave, you are invited to share the peace of the Lord with those around you. Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

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ANNOUNCEMENT BULLETIN

7th Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 12, 2024

HELPING with WORSHIP SERVICES:

MAY 12, 2024 – 9:00 AM SERVICE

7th Sunday of Easter – Mother's Day

Presiding Minister: Tim W Muehlbrad

Reader: Karen Dueser

Acolytes: Piper & Patrick Peyton

Children's Sermon: Terry Carmichael

Musician: Saturday – Rebecca Innocenti

Sunday – Rebecca Innocenti

Saturday Altar Guild: Barbara Cramer

MAY 19, 2024 – 9:00 AM SERVICE

Day of Pentecost; Senior Recognition

Presiding Minister: Tim W Muehlbrad

Readers: Youth

Acolytes: Kollin & Korbin Kerlick

Children's Sermon: Terry Carmichael

Musician: Saturday – PT & Friends

Sunday – PT & Friends/Beverly

Saturday Altar Guild: Luellen Smiley

Helping with Worship during the month of May:

Head Usher: Jay Heil

Ushers: Wade Bolting, Glen Henze, Carl Matejek, & Royce Pargmann

Altar Guild: Reeve Gips & Wanda Rohan

Saturday Usher: Albert Metting

FLOWER CHART:

The flowers at the **Altar** are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Judy Wolpman's birthday and Mother's Day, from her family.

The flowers at the **Lectern** are given to the Glory of God from Christopher & Hilary Gohmert.

The flowers at the **Pulpit** are given to the Glory of God and to our mom, Junell Lincke, and to all moms who are now angels watching over us. Your loving families.

KNOWN HOSPITALIZED DURING THE WEEK:

Shirley J. Mueller

Thank you to all who have been helpful in keeping the Pastor informed of members who are hospitalized.

PRAYERS FOR GOD'S PEOPLE Below is a list of individuals Pastor has been asked to include in our prayers during worship. We list these people in our bulletin to encourage you, the members, to include them in your daily prayers. *Names will remain on the list for 4 weeks unless the request is renewed.*

Aggie Arnold	Daniel Goehring	Mark Niemeier
Alton Audilet	Rosa Horton	David Norrell
Joyce Baacke	Keith Ibrom	Christy Paulsgrove
Laurie Barfield	Joanna Ivy	Pam Roth
Joe Barnes	Shirley Jendrzey	Luellen Smiley
Donna Baxter	Bonnie Kaiser	Joan Smith
Ricky Bellon	Mary Kanuch	Kennedy Smith
Caroline Blain	Bill Klaevemann	Lori Nelson Stenger
Daisy Borgfeld	Joyce Lamprecht	Mike & Deborah Stern
Warner Borth	Ray Lange	Pastor Craig Sturm
Katherine Brown	Dorothy Mayfield	Judy Taylor
David Brucker	Marie Metting	Levi Wilhelmsen
Virginia Buesing	Lin Migura	Ron & Marjorie Wilhelmsen
Byron Cramer	Lanie Milliff	Wesley Wynn
Verda Mae Foerster	Shirley Janssen Mueller	

ST. PAUL OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK:

Sunday (12th)	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	Mother's Day Brunch – Fellowship Hall
Monday (13th)	10:00 am	Church Pictorial Directory Meeting
Tuesday (14th)	1:30 pm	Cradle Workshop
	5:30 pm	Worship Committee Meeting
	6:00 pm	Council Meeting
Wednesday (15th)	9:00 am	The Learning Garden Chapel
	9:30 am	Do-Day
	6:00 pm	FFF
Friday (17th)	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED – No power to Educational Building	
Saturday (18th)	5:00 pm	Worship with Holy Communion - SANCTUARY
Sunday (19th)	Day of Pentecost	
	Senior Recognition	
	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	11:30 am	Potluck Lunch – Fellowship Hall
11:30 am	Confirmation Class	

GENERATOR UPDATE: Coastal Bend Power Services and AEP will be connecting power to our generator on Friday, May 17, 2024. The power will be off all day. If you are needing into the building, please make plans to do it before that day. The church office and daycare will be closed. Thank you for your patience.

GOD HAS BLESSED Caleb Lemke and Paige Nance as they were united in marriage on Saturday, May 11, 2024. We pray them God's richest blessings as they begin their life together as husband and wife.

SYMPATHY - We keep in our prayers the family and friends of Geraldine Goehring. May the power of the resurrection give assurance to her family and friends as Geraldine joins the Church Triumphant.

RADIO BROADCAST - in Memory of Geraldine Goehring, given to the Glory of God by Dr. John & Kathy Frels.

GABRIEL PROJECT: Linda Palmer, Executive Director of the Gabriel Project of the Crossroads, will be joining us on Sunday, May 12th at the 9:00 am service to give us an update on their programs currently being offered. This will be a time for the Gabriel Project to extend its gratitude to St. Paul's for our commitment to the sanctity of life through our prayers and support. Mrs. Palmer will reflect on how lives are being touched at the Bethlehem Maternity, and throughout the Crossroads area.

CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: It's time for a new directory! Universal Church Directories will be taking our professional portraits August 13-17, 2024. You will be receiving a letter in the mail with more detailed information within the next week or so. **Online Scheduling Available!** To schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to www.ucdir.com, click on photography appointment scheduling login on the right side, enter **tx506** in the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. If you have 6 or more in your family, please use 2 consecutive time slots. The online scheduling option is available Monday through Friday. **Appointments fill up quickly, so schedule as soon as possible to secure your preferred date and time.** If you need assistance with scheduling, we will have someone available after church starting in June, going through July, or you can call the church office.

SR. RECOGNITION SUNDAY, MAY 19TH - On Sunday, May 19, 2024, we will recognize our graduating seniors: Kaiden Hilbrich, Zoe Innocenti, and Chesney Kaiser. Join us as we proudly recognize their accomplishments and extend our best wishes for their future! Each of these seniors will be eligible for a scholarship from St. Paul Lutheran Church. If anyone would like to contribute, donations/memorials can be made to the Sr. Scholarship Fund at any time during the year. Your generosity has and will continue to make a difference in the future of our youth! Also graduating, but not living here anymore are: Carter Hoefling, Wesley Phillips, and Elijah Stern. These seniors were baptized in our church but have since moved elsewhere. **CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2024!!!**

CAROLINE BLAIN IS TURNING 100!! Please join Caroline at her 100th birthday party celebration on Saturday, May 25, 2024 from 2-6 pm at the DeWitt County Veterans Center (formerly American Legion Building). No gifts are necessary, she would just love to have you celebrate with her!

SERVANT MINISTRY: With the influx of funerals lately, it is time to update our servant ministry list. As members of St. Paul, you are put on this list to help provide food for funeral receptions. If your phone number has changed, please call the church office at 361-564-2135 to get it updated. We are also in need of helpers to serve at funeral receptions. If you would like to help, please let the church office know or contact Pam Hoefling. Thank you for your participation in this ministry.

SATURDAY WORSHIP SERVICE: Beginning Saturday, April 20, 2024, our Saturday Worship services will be held in the Sanctuary.

COME DIVE INTO GOD'S FRIENDSHIP AT VBS THIS YEAR! VBS will be held in the evening this year, July 15-18, 5-7:30pm. We would love for you to help out as a leader or send your child to participate! Supper will be served to the students and the helpers at VBS! Contact Tina Boehm at 361-491-1625 for more information or to register. Registration forms may be picked up from the church office, our website at www.stpaulykt.org, or you can register online at https://www.myvbs.org/Ykt_vbs2024.

We are looking for items to decorate our ocean...if you have any scuba gear or corals of any sort, we would love to borrow them! Please get with Tina for more info. We are also looking for old or new pool noodles (floats) to create fun sea objects with!

NALC TEXAS-OKLAHOMA MISSION REGION invites you to a Regional Get-Together July 23-25, 2024 at Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Temple, Texas. Guest speaker is Rev. David Keener, Director of Renewal and Discipleship for the NALC. Workshops include Disaster Response training with Michael Dittrich and Drawing Closer to God through prayer with Pastor Ralph Reitmeyer. If you have questions, please call Pastor Becky Thane at 201-572-8073 or email her at BeckyThane@aol.com. Enrollment forms are located on the table in front of the church office in the educational building and on our website. Space is limited! Register early to reserve your spot. If you are interested in going, St. Paul will reimburse you your stay.

Upcoming Christian Life Events:

May 19, 2024 – 11:30 am Potluck Lunch

Upcoming Youth Events

May 12, 2024 – Mother's Day Brunch, during Sunday School hour in the fellowship hall.

June 16, 2024 – Father's Day Taco Breakfast, during Sunday School in the fellowship hall.

August 2, 2024 – Swim Party

Upcoming Local Events:

REV UP YOUR FUTURE KIDS EXPO – Wednesday, May 22, 2024, 3-7pm at the Yorktown City Park. This family fun event offers hands-on opportunities to explore various vehicles and careers! From fire trucks to ambulances, construction vehicles to police cars, there's something for every aspiring professional. Don't miss this incredible opportunity to ignite your child's imagination and inspire their future! Admission and refreshments are free, so bring the whole family and join us for an evening of discovery and adventure! Free entry, hot dogs provided by Citizens Bank, snow cones, and of course, we (St. Paul) will be handing out popcorn!

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