

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Yorktown, Texas



Saturday and Sunday
Holy Communion Services
8th Sunday after Pentecost
August 3, 2025

Silent Prayer

We have come to you in thanksgiving and praise, to know that you are God and to place our lives anew into your perspective. Enlarge our vision this hour with your Word. Instill in us, again, your hope in place of our despair, your peace where our hatred threatens, your joy amidst our depression, your love overwhelming our apathy. May your Holy Spirit surround and indwell this congregation now, and forevermore. In 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. Verses in this text let us see the biblical roots of different portions of the Liturgy, helping us find both texts and inspiration for the different parts of our worship.*

***BRIEF ORDER for CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS** *1 John 1:8-9*

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** *Ephesians 5:19, Colossians 3:16, Psalm 96:1*

"We Praise You, O God" LBW #241

We Praise You, O God



1 We praise you, O God, our re - deem - er, cre - a - tor;
 2 We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers, we bless you;
 3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer



in grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
 through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been.
 and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.



We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;
 When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,
 With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.



we bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.
 and with your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.
 To you, our great re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

Text: Julia C. Cory, 1882–1963, alt.

Music: KREMSER, A. Velerius, *Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626

***GREETING** *2 Corinthians 13:14*

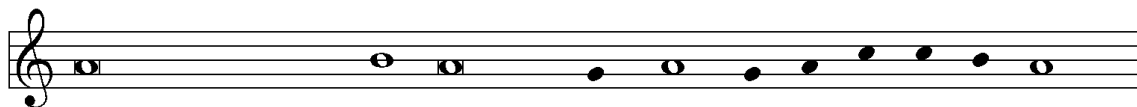
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

***KYRIE** *Luke 17:13, Matthew 20:30-31*



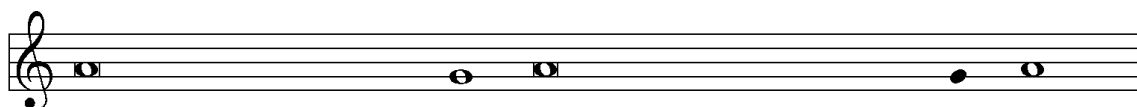
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



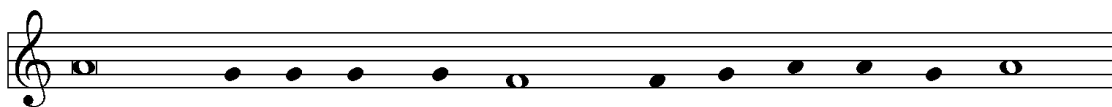
A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



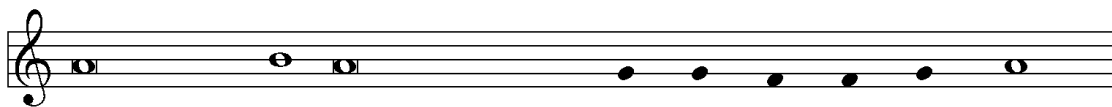
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **G** A - men

***HYMN OF PRAISE** *1 Chronicles 16:25*

Ⓐ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.

Ⓑ Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us

free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and

strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.

Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the

hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and

might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain

has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

***SALUTATION and PRAYER OF THE DAY** *Ruth 2:4, Luke 1:28*

Ⓐ The Lord be with you. Ⓑ And al-so with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty, eternal God, your kindness is far more than we desire or deserve. Generously pour out your mercy to forgive where our conscience is afraid and to provide that for which by ourselves, we do not even presume to pray; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE READINGS ¹ Timothy 4:1

FIRST READING: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-26

Lector: A reading from _____.

²Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

¹²I the Preacher have been king over Israel in Jerusalem. ¹³And I applied my heart to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven. It is an unhappy business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. ¹⁴I have seen everything that is done under the sun, and behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind.

¹⁸I hated all my toil in which I toil under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to the man who will come after me, ¹⁹and who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰So I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹because sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What has a man from all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun? ²³For all his days are full of sorrow, and his work is a vexation. Even in the night his heart does not rest. This also is vanity. ²⁴There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, ²⁵for apart from him who can eat or who can have enjoyment? ²⁶For to the one who pleases him God has given wisdom and knowledge and joy, but to the sinner he has given the business of gathering and collecting, only to give to one who pleases God. This also is vanity and a striving after wind.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 100

¹Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

²**Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!**

³Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

⁴**Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!**

⁵For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-11

Lector: A reading from _____.

¹If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. ⁵Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Luke 4:14; Acts 4:8*

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me. ____

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me. ____

Melt me. Mold me. Fill me. Use me. ____ *rit.*

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Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

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***GOSPEL** **Luke 12:13-21**

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

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

¹³Someone in the crowd said to {Jesus}, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." ¹⁴But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." ¹⁶And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' ¹⁸And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry."'" ²⁰But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON *2 Timothy 4:1-5*

HYMN of the DAY

“We Give Thee but Thine Own” **LBW #410**

We Give Thee but Thine Own



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,
3 Hearts still are bruised and dead, and homes are bare and cold,
4 To com - fort and to bless, to find a balm for woe,



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.
and lambs for whom the Shep - herd bled are stray - ing from the fold.
to tend those lost in lone - li - ness, is an - gels' work be - low.

5 The captive to release,
the lost to God to bring,
to teach the way of life and peace—
it is a Christlike thing.

6 And we believe thy word,
though dim our faith may be:
whate'er we do for thine, O Lord,
we do it unto thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.
Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, *Cantica Lauda*, 1850

***APOSTLES' CREED** *1 Timothy 3:16, Genesis 1, 1 Corinthians 15*

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of Heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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** *Psalms 143:1, 1 Timothy 2:1-2*

P: ... Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

OFFERING *1 Corinthians 16:1-4*

***OFFERTORY** *1 Corinthians 10:16*

Create in Me a Clean Heart

The musical score is written for a single voice part in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of nine staves of music. The lyrics are: 'Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, O Lord, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.' The melody is simple and hymn-like, with many notes beamed together. The lyrics are placed below the corresponding notes.

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.
Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.
Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, O
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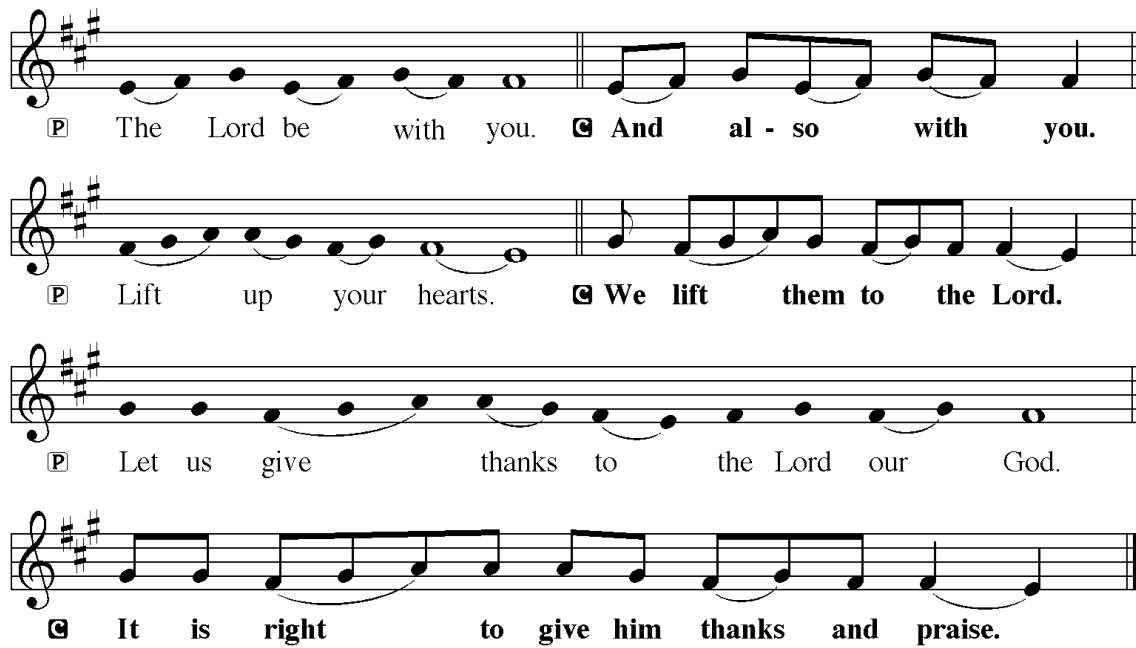
Text: Psalm 51:10-12
Music: CREATE IN ME, anonymous

***OFFERING PRAYER**

P: Let us pray. Wise and Gracious God,

C: Receive the labor of our hands—these gifts of money, bread, and wine—along with the offering of our lives. Nourish us with the life of your Son, that we might be His body in the world, making known your abundant mercy in Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

***GREAT THANKSGIVING** *Lamentations 3:41*



P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.

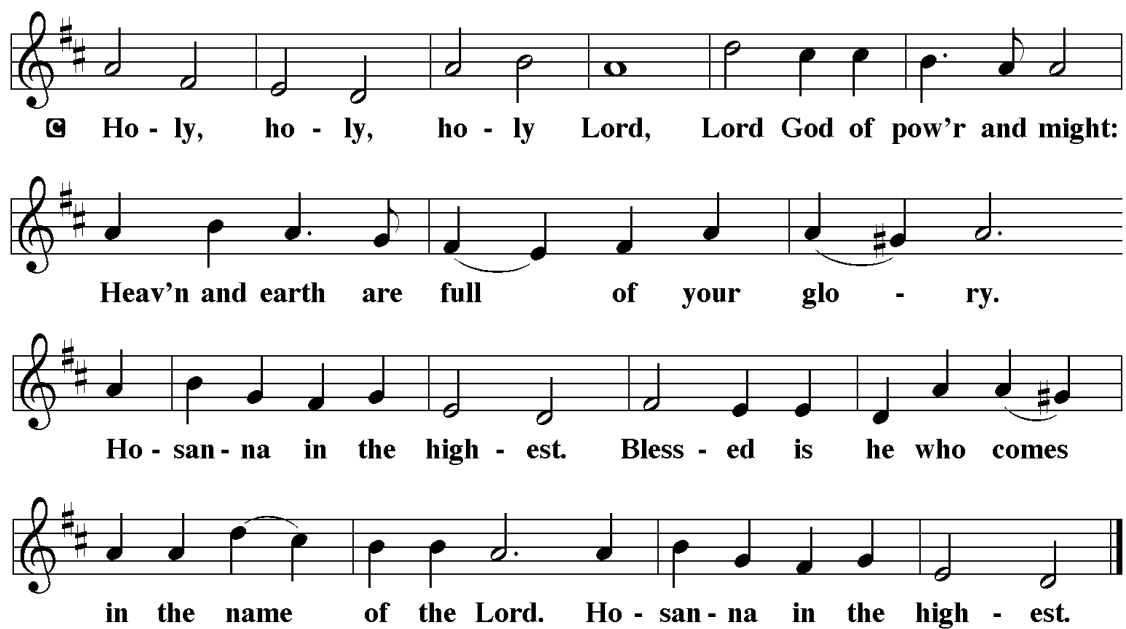
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

***PREFACE** *Psalms 69:30, Ephesians 5:20*

P: It is indeed right ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***SANCTUS** *Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9*



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION** *1 Corinthians 11:23-26*

***LORD'S PRAYER** *Matthew 6:9-13*

DISTRIBUTION of the ELEMENTS *Luke 22:19-20*

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. Available in the center of each tray is juice for those choosing not to drink wine. 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 HYMNS: ***“Lamb of God” John 1:29***



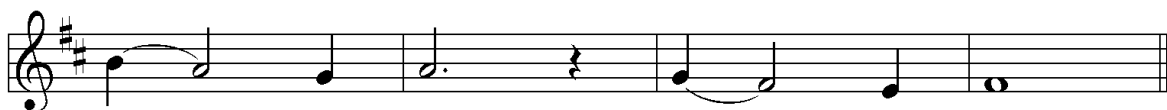
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



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, grant us peace.

ADDITIONAL COMMUNION HYMNS:

“Now We Join in Celebration” LBW #203

“Blest Be the Tie that Binds” LBW #370

“When Peace, like a River” LBW #346

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING *John 6:47-51*

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

C: Amen.

***POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE** *John 21:15*



☐ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

***POST-COMMUNION PRAYER** *Psalms 107:1, 118:1*

P: Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with spiritual food, the body and blood of Christ. All who come to you will not hunger, all who believe in you will not thirst. Empowered by this sacrament, send us back into the world to do the work you have given us to do: to share the gospel and be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

***BLESSING** *Numbers 6:23-26*

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.



☐ A - men

***CLOSING HYMN**

"He Leadeth Me" LBW #501

He Leadeth Me



- 1 He lead - eth me: oh, bless-ed thought! Oh, words with heav'n-ly com-fort fraught!
- 2 Some-times mid scenes of deep-est gloom, some-times where E - den's bow-ers bloom,
- 3 Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine, nor ev - er mur - mur nor re - pine;
- 4 And when my task on earth is done, when by thy grace the vic-t'ry's won,



What-e'er I do, wher-e'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that lead - eth me.
by wa - ters calm, o'er trou-bled sea, still 'tis God's hand that lead - eth me.
con - tent, what-ev - er lot I see, since 'tis my God that lead - eth me.
e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jor - dan lead - eth me.



He lead-eth me, he lead - eth me, by his own hand he lead-eth me.



His faith-ful fol-l'wer I would be, for by his hand he lead - eth me.

Text: Joseph H. Gilmore, 1834–1918

Music: HE LEADETH ME, William B. Bradbury, 1815–1868

***DISMISSAL** *Luke 7:50*

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

P: As we go in peace we share that peace with each other. The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

The sharing of the peace—Matthew 5:23–24, and Romans 16:16—ordinarily occurs before Holy Communion. In our setting we have moved it to the end of the service to help facilitate our Radio Broadcasts.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BULLETIN

8th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 3, 2025

HELPING with WORSHIP SERVICES:

AUGUST 3, 2025 – 9:00 AM SERVICE

8th Sunday after Pentecost

Presiding Minister: Tim W Muehlbrad

Reader: Christopher Gohmert

Acolytes: Landrey Koopmann & Maesen Foerester

Musicians: Beverly Bruns

Sunday – Beverly Bruns

Saturday Altar Guild: Patsy Ibrom

AUGUST 10, 2025 – 9:00 AM SERVICE

9th Sunday after Pentecost

Leading Worship: Jay Heil, Bill Klaevemann, & Boyd Weise

Reader: Cindy Parma

Children's Sermon: Karen Dueser

Acolytes: Kylie Diehl & Shelby Arguellez

Musicians: Rebecca Innocenti

Sunday – Rebecca Innocenti

Saturday Altar Guild: Barbara Cramer

Helping with Worship during the month of August:

Head Usher: Jay Heil

Ushers: Carl Clyne, Michael Franke, Cody Geffert, Layne Geffert

Saturday Usher: Albert Metting

Altar Guild: Laurey and Aydn Garcia

FLOWERS: The flowers at the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Spence and Rebecca Innocenti.

KNOWN HOSPITALIZED DURING THE WEEK:

Linda Metting

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.*

Joe Barnes	Alberto Jimenez, Jr.	Roslyn Potcinske
Caroline Blain	Clinton Kaiser	Jeannine Robinson
Carlton Bolting	Mary Kanuch	Bennett Rohan
Wade Bolting	Joyce Lamprecht	Pam Roth
Warner Borth	Ray Lange	Michael & Dorothy Sinast
David Brucker	Elaine Malina	Joan Smith
Virginia Buesing	Linda Metting	Lori Nelson Stenger
Julie Dupree	Lin Migura	Mike & Deborah Stern
Kathryn Gloor	Lanie Milliff	Alma Suggs
Tiffany Godby	Gray Mosier	Judy Taylor
Daniel Goehring	Larry & Carole Mueller	Chandler Vaclavik
Sharon Hardin	Stacey Gohmert Nelson	Baby Mae Weischwill
Rosa Horton	David Norrell	Mark Weischwill
Keith Ibrom	Oleta Pattillo	Levi Wilhelmsen
Joanna Ivy	Nick Picard and donor	Ron & Marjorie Wilhelmsen

ST. PAUL OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK:

Sunday (3rd)	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15 am	Sunday School
Monday (4th)	6pm	Fellowship Hall Reserved - TLG
Wednesday (6th)	6:30-8 pm	Back to School Bash – Yorktown City Park
Saturday (9th)	5:00 pm	Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday (10th)	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15 am	Sunday School

CHURCH SERVICES:

Our elevator is out of order. Sunday morning service is still in the Sanctuary. Those who rely on the elevator are welcome to come to the Saturday evening service held at the Chapel in the Educational Building at 5pm until further notice.

YOUTH SPORTS COURT:

After the called congregational meeting, the youth sports complex was approved but will not proceed with building until 65% of the money needed (\$84,955) is collected. We are currently at \$37,275. If you would like to make a donation to this project, please label your offering envelope “Youth Sports Court”.

CHURCH FACILITIES NEED REPAIR:

Council has discussed 3 main concerns that need attention. One of the AC units needs to be replaced at the church for approximately \$43,000. We need to have the plumbing re-piped in the educational building for approximately \$39,000. The buckled flooring and water-damaged carpet needs to be replaced in the chapel with a bid of \$12,147.20. If you would like to make a donation to this project, please label your offering “AC/PLUMBING/FLOOR”. Any help is greatly appreciated!

CONFIRMATION PARENTS MEETING:

The summer is coming to an end, and it is time to start a new Confirmation Class. Students who are eligible for the class are those who are entering the 6th and 7th grade. Rally Day for the Sunday School is on August 17th and I would like to have a parents' meeting while the students are enjoying the activities planned for them. We will meet right after the Sunday School opening (10:35) in the Chapel of the Educational Building and discuss the Confirmation Program. Individual letters shall be sent out soon explaining more of the Confirmation Program. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Tim.

GUITAR LESSONS:

Pastor Tim will be offering a class for those who would like to learn to play guitar. The class is open to adults and children. Students need to be strong enough to press and hold the strings on a guitar and be committed to practicing. We will meet once a week for half an hour starting on Wednesday, August 27 at 5:30 pm. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Pastor Tim.

Upcoming Christian Life Events:

August 17, 2025 – Rally Day

September 21, 2025 – 11:30 am Pot Luck Lunch

October 26, 2025 – 11:30 am Pot Luck Lunch

Upcoming Youth Events:

September 7, 2025 – Grandparents Day Reception: Fellowship Hall, during SS Hour

Area Events:

Holy Cross Catholic Church Festival - Sunday, September 14, 2025. Homemade Polish sausage and shoulder clod meal starts at 10:30 a.m. (Plates are \$15 for adults/to go, and \$8 for kids 12 and under); Entertainment begins at 11:00 a.m., Live Auction at 1:00 p.m. in Air Conditioned Hall. Music, Country Store, Cake Walk, Children's Games, Inflatable Obstacle Course, KC Calf Raffle and more!

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