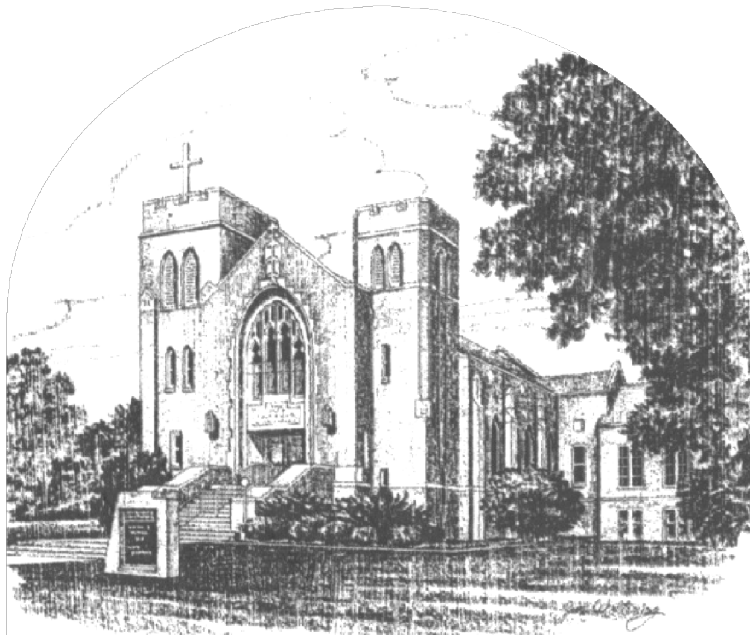


# St. Paul Lutheran Church *Yorktown, Texas*



## Saturday and Sunday Holy Communion Services 14th Sunday after Pentecost September 14, 2025

### Silent Prayer

So often we begin worship by asking for you to be here. But we are the ones who need the prodding. Prod us, Lord! Tickle us awake with your Spirit! Make us alive in Christ! Help us to be aware that you are here with us, now! Amen.

### **PRELUDE**

**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.*

**As We Gather at Your Table**



1 As we gath-er at your ta-ble, as we lis-ten to your word,  
2 Turn our wor-ship in-to wit-ness in the sac-ra-ment of life;  
3 Gra-cious Spir-it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.  
where tri-um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.



Nour-ish us with sa-cred sto-ry till we claim it as our own;  
Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for-give as you for-gave;  
There no more will en-vy blind us nor will pride our peace de-stroy,



teach us through this ho-ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic-t'ry known.  
may we still be-hold your im-age in the world you died to save.  
as we join with saints and an-gels to re-peat the sound-ing joy.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710

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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: Holy is the LORD, the Almighty.

**C: He was, He is, and He is to come.**

L: He is worthy of glory and honor and power.

**C: He created all things. By His will they came to be.**

L: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain;

**C: worthy to take the scroll and break its seals.**

L: By His blood He purchased for God

**C: people of every race and tongue, of every folk and nation.**

L: Christ made of them a kingdom

**C: and priest to serve our God.**

L: And they shall reign on earth forever.

**C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

### **\*CONFESSION OF SIN**

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

**C: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**

L: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and + remission of all your sins.

**C: Amen.**

### **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

**C: O Lord, help your people to avoid the infection of the evil one, and with pure hearts to follow you, our only Lord. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### **HYMN**

“Remember and Rejoice” RW #162

# Remember and Rejoice

1 Re - mem - ber and re - joice, re - newed by floods of grace.  
2 In life, in death, we trust in God's most ho - ly name,  
3 We pledge our - selves a - new to flee the lures of hell,  
4 God, bless us by your grace; re - mind us of your care.  
5 Re - mem - ber and re - joice, re - newed by floods of grace.

We bear the sign of Je - sus Christ that time can - not e - rase.  
for - ev - er traced by wa - ter sign, and sealed by Spir - it - flame.  
to cling to Christ's com - mu - ni - ty, in jus - tice, peace to dwell.  
Re - new - ing Spir - it, fill us now, in - spire our work, our prayer.  
We bear the sign of Je - sus Christ, that time can - not e - rase.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947  
Music: HEATH, Mason and Webb, *Cantica Lauda*, 1850  
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## **FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34:11-24**

Lector: A reading from \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>11</sup>“For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup>As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. <sup>13</sup>And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. <sup>14</sup>I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup>I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord God. <sup>16</sup>I will seek the lost, and I will

bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice. <sup>17</sup>As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord God: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. <sup>18</sup>Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear water, that you must muddy the rest of the water with your feet? <sup>19</sup>And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet? <sup>20</sup>Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup>Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, <sup>22</sup>I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. <sup>23</sup>And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup>And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the Lord; I have spoken.”

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 119:169-176**

<sup>169</sup>Let my cry come before you, O Lord;  
give me understanding according to your word!  
<sup>170</sup>**Let my plea come before you; deliver me according to your word.**  
<sup>171</sup>My lips will pour forth praise, for you teach me your statutes.  
<sup>172</sup>**My tongue will sing of your word, for all your commandments are right.**  
<sup>173</sup>Let your hand be ready to help me, for I have chosen your precepts.  
<sup>174</sup>**I long for your salvation, O Lord, and your law is my delight.**  
<sup>175</sup>Let my soul live and praise you, and let your rules help me.  
<sup>176</sup>**I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek your servant,  
for I do not forget your commandments.**

### **SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 1:5-17**

Lector: A reading from \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>5</sup>The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. <sup>6</sup>Certain persons, by swerving from these, have wandered away into vain discussion, <sup>7</sup>desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions. <sup>8</sup>Now we know that the law is good, if one uses it lawfully,

<sup>9</sup>understanding this, that the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers, <sup>10</sup>the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine, <sup>11</sup>in accordance with the gospel of the glory of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted. <sup>12</sup>I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, <sup>13</sup>though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, <sup>14</sup>and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup>The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. <sup>16</sup>But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. <sup>17</sup>To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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.*

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

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**\*GOSPEL Luke 15:1-10**

P: The Holy Gospel according to \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>The tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear {Jesus}. <sup>2</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." <sup>3</sup>So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup>"What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? <sup>5</sup>And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. <sup>6</sup>And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' <sup>7</sup>Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. <sup>8</sup>Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? <sup>9</sup>And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' <sup>10</sup>Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

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**

## 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,  
*To repeat*  
"I am strong in the strength of the Lord."  
*Last time*  
strength of the Lord, I will trust in you."

Text and music: Michael Ledner

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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**

### 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 eight staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes, and some rests. The final note of the piece is a half note G, followed by a double bar line.

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.

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.

## **\*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. 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 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, 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: 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**

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**

“Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen” **RW #191**

#### Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen



- 1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en, from this meal of love and grace;
- 2 Rise, trans-formed, and choose to fol - low af - ter Christ, though wound-ed, whole;
- 3 Rise, re - mem-ber well the fu - ture God has called us to re - ceive;
- 4 Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion; cour-age be our dai - ly breath;



may we through such love en - vi - sion whose we are, and whose, our praise.  
bro - ken, shared, our lives are hal - lowed to re - lease and to con - sole.  
pres - ent by God's lov - ing nur-ture, spir - it - ed then let us live.  
mer - cy be our des - ti - na - tion from this day and un - to death.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: God, the won - der of our days.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: Christ, our pres - ent, past, and goal.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: Spir - it, grace by whom we live.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

Text: Susan Palo Cherwien, b. 1953

Music: PRAISE, MY SOUL, John Goss, 1800–1880

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## **\*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**

**14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Sunday, September 14, 2025**

### **HELPING with WORSHIP SERVICES:**

#### **SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 – 9:00 AM SERVICE**

**14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**Presiding Minister:** Tim W Muehlbrad

**Saturday:** Terry Carmichael

**Reader:** Johanna Warwas

**Acolytes:** Kellen & Annie Hahn

**Children's Sermon:** Terry Carmichael

**Musicians:** Luellen Smiley

Sunday – Luellen Smiley

**Saturday Altar Guild:** Barbara Cramer

#### **SEPTEMBER 21, 2025 – 9:00 AM SERVICE**

**15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**Presiding Minister:** Tim W Muehlbrad

**Reader:** Jay Heil

**Acolytes:** Mason Loera & Maesen Foerster

**Children's Sermon:** Terry Carmichael

**Musicians:** Luellen Smiley

Sunday – Beverly Bruns

**Saturday Altar Guild:** Luellen Smiley

### **Helping with Worship during the month of September:**

**Head Usher:** Ricky Hilbrich

**Ushers:** Fred Hahn, Spence Innocenti, Mark Lincke, Travis Peyton

**Saturday Usher:** Albert Metting

**Altar Guild:** Karen Dueser & Penny Sievers

## KNOWN HOSPITALIZED DURING THE WEEK:

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	Kate Janis	Jeannine Robinson
Caroline Blain	Alberto Jimenez, Jr.	Bennett Rohan
Carlton Bolting	Clinton Kaiser	Pam Roth
Wade Bolting	Mary Kanuch	Joan Smith
Warner Borth	Joyce Lamprecht	Lori Nelson Stenger
David Brucker	Ray Lange	Verda Mae Styra
Virginia Buesing	Cheryl Leist	Alma Suggs
Julie Dupree	Elaine Malina	Judy Taylor
Kathryn Gloor	Bea McNabb	Chandler Vaclavik
Tiffany Godby	Lin Migura	Baby Mae Weischwill
Daniel Goehring	Lanie Milliff	Mark Weischwill
Sherri Hoefling	Larry & Carole Mueller	Levi Wilhelmsen
Rosa Horton	David Norrell	Ron & Marjorie Wilhelmsen
Keith Ibrom	Spencer Pfenninger	
Joanna Ivy	Nick Picard and donor	

## **ST. PAUL OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK:**

<b>Sunday (14<sup>th</sup>)</b>	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15 am	Sunday School
<b>Monday (15<sup>th</sup>)</b>	<b>Newsletter Deadline</b>	
<b>Tuesday (16<sup>th</sup>)</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Do-Day</b>
<b>Wednesday (17<sup>th</sup>)</b>	9:15 am	TLG Chapel
	<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>Guitar Lessons in Meeting Room</b>
	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>FFF</b>
<b>Saturday (20<sup>th</sup>)</b>	5:00 pm	Worship with Holy Communion
<b>Sunday (21<sup>st</sup>)</b>	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	<b>11:30 am</b>	<b>Confirmation Class</b>
	<b>11:30 am</b>	<b>Pot Luck Lunch</b>

### **CHURCH SERVICES:**

Our elevator is working again, but Saturday service will remain in the Chapel. Sunday morning service is still in the Sanctuary.

### **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 \$41,295. 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!

### **Upcoming Christian Life Events:**

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

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

### **Area Events:**

**Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church BBQ & Raffle** will be held on Sunday, September 28, 2025, at 11220 FM 237 in Meyersville, Texas. Raffle tickets are \$5.00 each or 6 for \$25.00. BBQ meal is \$15.00 a plate, dine-in or to-go, 11am-12:30pm. Live auction starting at 12:30 pm in the air-conditioned Parish Hall. Come and enjoy good food, good fellowship & good fun!

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