

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

*"Proclaiming and Serving CHRIST
In the Heartland and Beyond"*

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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 23, 2023

Welcome! We are glad you are here!

To aid in your worship at St. Paul's, the following services are available. Just contact an usher.

Large print Bulletins.

Children's Busy Bags.

Listening devices for the hearing impaired.

The Fellowship Hall serves as our nursery

St. Paul's celebrates Holy Communion at each Worship Service. All who stand in need of God's forgiveness, grace and love are invited to receive this great gift of the Sacrament.

You have a place at this Lord's Table!

(Gluten free wafers available.)

(at this table red is wine, white is grape juice)

Our Order of Worship is from the Evangelical Lutheran Worship (Red Hymnal)
The Power Point presentation is Holy Communion, Setting One, pages 94-115.

A synopsis of this Order of Worship is printed inside this leaflet. We have also listed the location of the bible readings and song pages for easy reference.

The Order of Worship

Announcements

Call to Worship	“Cares Chorus”	Choir
Confession and Forgiveness		
Opening Hymn	“Gather Us In”	#532
Kyrie		p. 98
Canticle of Praise	“This is the Feast”	p. 101
Prayer of the Day		
Choir Anthem	“What A Fellowship, What a Joy Divine”	
First Reading		<i>Isa 44:6-8</i>
Psalmody		<i>Ps 86:11-17</i>
Hymn	“Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing”	#807
Second Reading		<i>Rom 8:12-25</i>
Gospel Acclamation		p. 102
Gospel		<i>Matt 13:24-30,36-43</i>
Sermon		<i>Pastor Leif Espeland</i>
Hymn of the Day	“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”	#693
Apostles’ Creed/Prayers of Intercession		
The Sharing of the Peace		
Offering/ Offertory Prayer		
Great Thanksgiving		p. 107-108
The Lord’s Prayer		p. 112
Communion	“Lamb of God”	p. 112
Communion Hymns	“For the Fruit of All Creation”	#679
	“Sing to the Lord of Harvest”	#694
Communion Prayer		
Benediction		
Sending Song	“Great Is Thy Faithfulness “	#733
Dismissal		p. 115

St Paul's Calendar for the Week

Monday	07/24	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Quilting Adult Study (zoom)
Tuesday	07/25		Kids Fishing Contest Our Sponsorship Volunteers needed
Wednesday	07/26	10:45 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	Wm's Bible Study Choir Practice Community Meal @ UCC
Thursday	07/27	3:30 p.m.	Backus Farmers Market
Friday	07/28	5:00 p.m	NAC Concert Series
Saturday	07/29		
Sunday	07/30	9:00 a.m.	Nineth Sunday after Pentecost

United Blood Services (Vitalant) would like our Church to hold a Blood Drive, Tuesday August 22 from 1:15-5:30.

They are asking our Church to provide drinks and snacks and a couple of people to register donors on the day of the Drive.

Vitalant is also asking for us to register donors. Lorelee agreed to do some calling and wants (2) others to assist her. She will get the roster around the first of August.



Darrell & Sue Zenk will be celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary on Aug 3rd. They wish to celebrate it with us before Service on July 23 with Cake and Coffee. All are welcome!



Are you interested in becoming a member or seasonal member of St. Paul's?

Please let Pastor Leif know if you are interested.

CHILDREN'S FISHING CONTEST

St. Paul's is again sponsoring the Children's Fishing Contest. Our day to provide workers is Tuesday, July 25th from 10:00 to around 1:00. We need workers to grill hotdogs and pass them out, and volunteers to pour pop. It's a fun atmosphere and the jobs we do are greatly appreciated. If you can help, please show up at the city fishing pier at 10:00 am. You can wear your "God's Work, Our Hands" tee shirt if you have one or a Thrivent tee shirt.



Country Fair Follow up

Sunday August 23rd, the "Nearly New" items from the Country Fair will be half price, If You donated an item and it didn't sell, please take it home at that point. On Mon. 24th, ARRC (women's Shelter/thrift shop from Akeley will take away any of Our items that didn't sell. Thank you for all your generous donations!