



Humanity is often divided into groups. Only through faith in Christ is sin forgiven and the sting of death removed. God's Word creates that saving faith, but not in everyone who hears it. Sinful people retain the terrible ability to resist the Holy Spirit and reject the gift of faith. Therefore, God's Word produces the only grouping that ultimately matters: believers and unbelievers. Inevitably, every believer will face hostility and opposition. Yet Jesus promises us our perseverance will be rewarded.

Opening Hymn _____ *Speak, O Savior, I Am Listening* 631

The Service – Setting 2

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord,

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for private confession and reflection.

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



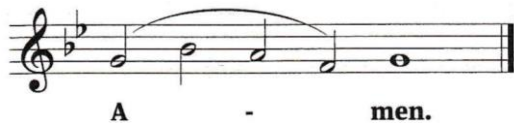
For the peace of the whole world, for the well being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



Glory to God in the Highest _____ p.176

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Merciful Lord God, it is only by your gift of grace that we come into your presence and offer true and faithful service. Grant that our worship on earth may always be pleasing to you, and in the life to come give us the fulfillment of what you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



First Reading / Today's Message – Jeremiah 23:23-29

The Word of the LORD divides what is true from what is false.

²³ Am I a God who is only nearby, declares the LORD, and not a God far away?

²⁴ Can anyone hide in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD.

Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD.

²⁵ I have heard what the prophets who prophesy lies in my name have said. They say, "I have had a dream! I have had a dream!" ²⁶ How long will this be in the hearts of these lying prophets? These prophets proclaim the fantasies of their own hearts. ²⁷ They think they can make my people forget my name with the dreams each one tells his neighbor, the way their fathers forgot my name because of Baal. ²⁸ Let the prophet who has a dream tell his dream. But let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully.

What has chaff to do with grain? declares the LORD. ²⁹ Is not my word like a fire? declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading – Hebrews 12:1-13

*The Hebrews who converted to Christianity often were separated from their family and friends.
How would they persevere? By fixing their eyes on Jesus.*

¹² Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us get rid of every burden and the sin that so easily ensnares us, and let us run with patient endurance the race that is laid out for us. ² Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, who is the author of our faith and the one who brings it to its goal. In view of the joy set before him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of God's throne. ³ Carefully consider him who endured such hostility against himself from sinful people, so that you do not grow weary and lose heart.

⁴ You have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood in your fight against sin.

⁵ Have you also forgotten the encouragement that addresses you as sons?

My son, do not regard the Lord's discipline lightly, and do not become weary of his correction. ⁶ For the Lord disciplines the one whom he loves, and he corrects every son he accepts.

⁷ Endure suffering as discipline. God is dealing with you as sons. Is there a son whose father does not discipline him? ⁸ If you are not disciplined (and all of us have received it), then you are illegitimate children and not sons. ⁹ In addition, we have earthly fathers who disciplined us, and we respected them. Should we not submit even more to the Father of the spirits and live? ¹⁰ They disciplined us for a little while, according to what seemed best to them, but God disciplines us for our good, so that we may have a share in his holiness. ¹¹ No discipline seems pleasant when it is happening, but painful, yet later it yields a peaceful harvest of righteousness for those who have been trained by it.

¹² Therefore strengthen your weak hands and feeble knees, ¹³ and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be dislocated but rather healed.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day - 4

Gospel - Luke 12:49-53

The Gospel according to Luke, chapter 12:
Glory be to you, O Lord!

Jesus was fully aware that his work would cause division that would often cut close to home.

⁴⁹ “I came to throw fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already ignited. ⁵⁰ But I have a baptism to undergo, and how distressed I am until it is finished! ⁵¹ Do you think that I came to bring peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. ⁵² Yes, from now on there will be five divided in one household: three against two, and two against three. ⁵³ They will be divided: father against son, and son against father; mother against daughter, and daughter against mother; mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law, and daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to you, O Christ!

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn of the Day _____ *Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide* 641

Today's Message

The Preacher Preaches to Preachers

Hymn of Response _____ *O Lord Take Pity Once You've Seen* 865

Offering & Friendship Register

Prayer of the Church

Lord God, our maker and preserver, we praise and thank you for all that you give us day after day.

We are not worthy of all the mercies you show us.

You have given us your precious Word to nourish our souls and to protect us from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature.

We thank you for those who teach and preach your saving truth at this place and everywhere. Grant them a rich measure of patience, wisdom, and love.

Heavenly Father, we pray that you shield us from every kind of danger: sudden catastrophe, terrors of crime, and the pain of disease. Watch over those who travel by land, sea, and air. Keep our loved ones from whatever perils may threaten them.

Heal those who are sick, cheer those who are sad, calm those who are distressed, and comfort all who are old and infirm.

Bless our land, our people, and those who hold offices of high trust. Keep our government and schools upright and strong for the advancement of good citizenship and useful vocations, that we may enjoy your gifts of peace, security, and well-being.

Grant your blessing to every nation on earth. Where there are wars, may there be peace. Where there is hatred, let it be healed. Where there is poverty, danger, or disaster, come with your almighty power to help and restore.

Special Prayers

Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions for ourselves and others.

Silent Prayer

We bring these requests before you in the name of Jesus our Lord, and ask you to hear us. Take all that we have, our bodies and minds, our time and skills, our ministries and offerings, and use them to your glory.

We give ourselves to you that we may serve you in whatever way is pleasing in your sight. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

Closing Hymn _____ *God Has Spoken by His Prophets* 639

Nia, Welcome to God's Royal Family!



This weekend, we welcomed another little lamb of the Good Shepherd into God's family through the power of God's Word connected with the water of Baptism.

Nia Elise DeWitt

Parents: Andrew and Dora DeWitt

Godparents: Daniel DeWitt and Maria Martin

St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School in Cudahy, Wisconsin

A Member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

August 14, 2022

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!

- **Welcome!** ... We are so glad you chose to join us for worship today. We pray that "Jesus Christ the Savior of the world" was clearly proclaimed in the message and music of worship and that you were blessed by it. If we can be of service to you, please don't hesitate to speak with our pastor. If you are a visitor, we would consider it an honor if joined us again.
- **Main Floor Restroom** ... Please reserve it for those with limited mobility. Women's and men's are on the lower level. Changing tables are available in each.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL

It is a blessing to assist parents with the Christian Education of their children through St. Paul's School. We provide a quality Christian Education for children ages 4 years through 8th Grade. We are a Choice School. Call the School Office (744-9771) for more information, or leave a message any time.

Sunday (August 14)

9:30 AM..... Worship
10:30 AM Fellowship

Tuesday (August 16)

6:15 AM..... Men's Breakfast Bible Study
9:00 AM..... Women's Bible Study

Thursday (August 18)

6:30 PM..... Worship / Communion

Sunday (August 21)

9:30 AM..... Worship / Communion
1:00 PM..... Comfort Quilters

Men's Breakfast Bible Study

The Men continue to meet for breakfast and Bible Study at 6:15 AM at Andrea's Restaurant on S. Packard Ave in Cudahy on the First and Third Tuesdays of the month. We're studying the book of Judges and the men and women whom God picked to lead Israel before they demanded having a king like everyone else.

Guide Book / Directories

You should be receiving an updated St. Paul's Guide Book / Directory in the mail in the coming weeks. If you don't receive one by the beginning of September, contact the church office we have extra copies.

We Play Organ

Amy Preston

We Usher

Thursday (8/18)

J Hansen, R Stack

Sunday (8/21)

J & L Nygaard, A Henn,
J Doherty, L Ubl

We Greet

Sunday (8/21)

Kathy Hahn,
Michelle Helgeson
Shawn & Meghan Walsh

We Gather

Thursday..... 44..... 38
Sunday..... 74..... 64
Total 118.... 102

We Bring Gifts

Envelopes.....\$5,249.00
Thank Offering\$100.00
E-Offerings.....\$2,792.08
Total\$8,141.08

Thank Offering

In Honor of
Walter Knudtson's baptism,
\$100 has been given by
the Knudtson Family.

Women's Morning Bible Study

The Women meet on the First and Third Tuesdays of the month at Dorothy Schlueter's home, 6215 Walnut Ln. #41 (off College Ave in Cudahy). Contact her at: 414.840.4018.

Thank You - East Side of School

A special thanks to those installed additional railroad ties to the planter boxes and the landscaping along the east side of the school. Our Properties Team of Dave Hintz and Duane Rickaby had some help: Henry Brockman, Lucas Nygaard, Craig Paarfusser, Chameron Hatzinger and Nick Marti.

**A Personal Note from Steve Olson,
A Former St. Paul's Pastor**

Dear brothers and sisters at St. Paul's,

Gina and I, and all of our children and grandchildren are deeply grateful for the many encouragements from God's Word that so many of you have shared with us. We thank God that you have held us up in prayer and we humbly ask you to continue to keep us in your prayers. Your gifts of love have also reminded us that God has blessed us richly through all of you. As we grieve for Jacob, the bond of Christian love that we share with you has been a rich blessing to us. Our world has been shaken, but the foundations of our life remain the same. God's words and promises give us confidence in our sorrow. It remains the only thing we know for sure. We are grateful that the Lord allowed us to have Jacob in our lives for 7 years and we pray that God will strengthen us through Word and Sacrament to cherish Christ even more. Job said at the loss of his children, "The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away; may the name of the Lord be praised." Join us to praise God for the blessings we enjoy.

We are so appreciative of your kindness and love.
In Christ, Steve and Gina Olson

Public School Confirmation Classes

Confirmation Classes for 7th and 8th Graders who attend a public school are on **Mondays from 4:30-6:00 PM.** Our first class meets on **September 12,** and we meet in the Church Fellowship Hall. All materials are provided.

Special Communion Service & Meal
Thursday, September 8 at 11:00 am

Remain seated for this 40 min. service of Scripture and hymns, sermon and Sacrament. A delicious meal is served afterward in the Fellowship Hall.

Flowers

In Honor of their 18th Wedding Anniversary,
Brian & Kim Labinski have given flowers

Join Us

fellowship

Stay after worship on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month! Enjoy treats, coffee / refreshments and chat with others. We'd be honored if our guests and visitors stopped in!
Contact the church office if interested in taking a turn to host.

Week 2 Host:

LuAnn Gaertner & Sandy Marshall

Week 4 Host:

Tammy Smukowski & Sandy Santorol

Church Picnic / Celebrating 30 Years!
Sunday, September 11

Our Christian Education Celebration this year will not only start off our Sunday School for kids, and Bible Class schedule for adults, we'll also enjoy a "Church Picnic" and a celebration for our school building which is officially 30 years old this year.

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| Sunday School | 8:30 am |
| Bible Class | 8:30 am |
| Celebration Worship | 9:30 am |
| Church Picnic | 10:30 am |

Purchase a New Hymnal

Purchase a hymnal for \$25 for yourself, or for the church *in honor of,* or *in memory of* someone. (A label will be attached to the inside front cover of a hymnal with info.)



Envelopes are available in the church entryway.

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