

+++THE GUIDE +++
ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH-STRASBURG ILLINOIS

May 19 2024

The Day of Pentecost

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Greeter	Rick & Susie Allen		

THIS WEEK WITH THE LORD

SUN.	8:30 AM	Worship Service-Pentecost
	9:30 AM	SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S., Colleege+
	5:30 PM	Worship Service @ Grace
TUE.	9:00 AM	BibleStudy
WED.	8:00 AM	Guide/Bulletin
	8:30 AM	Chair Yoga
	2:30 PM	Social Hall Communion
	7:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
THURS.	8:30 AM	Blanket making
SUN.	8:30 AM	Communion Service-Choir sings
	9:30 AM	SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S., Colleege+
	5:30 PM	Worship Service @ Grace

May 12 8:30: 126 Year Ago: 146 Sunday School:37

Welcome Welcome to Pentecost worship! Today we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church. May we be open to the Spirit's dynamic leading. *If you are a visitor, we invite you to worship with us again and to please sign our guestbook.*

Vacation Bible School Registration for St. Paul's/Grace Vacation Bible School is now open. VBS will be held June 17-21, from 9:00-11:30 a.m. The theme is "Celebrate the Savior-Jesus Give Us Joy". VBS is for ages preschool to students entering 7th grade this fall. There will also be an adult VBS class taught by Pastor Whybrew. Flyers and registration forms can be found in the Narthex, on St. Paul's FB page, and in the school. Please take a flyer and invite your neighbors and friends to attend. If you have questions, please contact the VBS committee of Susie Allen, Suan Hanfland, Karen Kull, Dee Dee Batson and Cindy Roley, or call St. Paul's church office at 217.644.2661.

Benefit/Fundraiser St. John Lutheran Church, Dieterich, IL is hosting a benefit/fundraiser for Seminary Student Hunter Kinnison to help with his Seminary expenses. The benefit will be Sunday, May 19 from 4-7pm. Free Will donations will be accepted. There are benefit flyers in the narthex.

Japan Missionaries Sunday, May 26 Peter and Diane Vogel Bakelaar will share their experiences as missionaries in Japan during Bible class hour in the social hall. All are welcome to attend.

Strasburg 150th Float There will be a meeting on Monday, May 20th at 6:30PM in the social hall about the float for Strasburg's 150th Celebration parade.

FOR THE LORD'S WORK

CURRENT OFFERINGS	\$ TO MEET YEARLY BUDGET	\$ RECEIVED	\$ DIFFERENCE
May 5	\$ 3,750.00	\$3,650.00	\$ -100.00
year-to-date	\$ 61,250.00	\$67,525.00	\$ 6,275.00
Synod-Offerings			
May 5	\$ 481.00	\$ 810.00	\$ 329.00
year-to-date	\$ 9,139.00	\$10,549.00	\$1,410.00
TRINITY GOAL-\$10,000		Total to Date	\$3,495.00
Building \$240 Seminary Student \$245 Trinity \$245 LCMS World Relief \$300			
		May 9 \$300.00(Ascension Service)	
		May 12 \$5,190.00	

05/28 9:00 AM Bible Study

05/29 8:30 AM Chair Yoga

Baby Bottle Project On Mother's Day, local churches in our area will be participating in the Family Life Center's BABY BOTTLE PROJECT. The Baby Bottle Project is a fundraising effort the whole family can enjoy. Simply take a bottle provided to you in the narthex and fill it with change from Mother's Day to Father's Day. The church will collect the filled bottles and donate the proceeds to the Family Life Center for the continuation of its life-saving ministry. This fundraiser provides an excellent opportunity for people of all ages to be involved in supporting this local ministry that provides FREE services and education to our area. **YOUR CHANGE CAN CHANGE A LIFE!!**

Thank you Thanks to all who helped in anyway with the funeral for Norma Rose Huddleston. Lutheran Ladies Aid of Strasburg

Congratulations Congratulations to the graduates from our church this year. Graduating for S-S High School are Claire McCormick, Morgan Mathis, and Gabby Vonderheide and from Shelbyville High School is Ellie Storm. Also, congratulations to Karly Wetherell, and Edie Wittenberg who are graduating from the eighth grade.

College Graduate Please inform our church secretary if you know of any student from our church graduating from college this year.

Thoughts on Stewardship from the LCMS: 1 John 5:12-"Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life."

Jesus is the foundation, the bedrock, the beginning and the end. To have Him is to have it all. In Him we have life. And we are called to live in Him, to live this new life He has given us, to grow up into His image. This is a struggle in this sinful world! But His grace is sufficient as He refreshes us through Word and Sacrament.

Acts 2:1-"When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place." Pentecost was the Old Testament harvest festival: a time of thanksgiving, bounty and the giving of gifts. How appropriate that in the New Testament, Pentecost takes on the meaning of a new harvest, directing us to the ripe fields of the nations and the task of bringing in the elect of every tribe and tongue to sing the Lord's praise. Every farmer knows that it is God who gives the increase and that the harvest calls for thanksgiving.



ANNIVERSARIES

19-Jonathon & Abby* Luce
18-Cody* & Adrienne Bushue

BIRTHDAYS

19-Jesse* Wallin
20-Allison Vonderheide
22-Dianna Gibson; Lois Ogle
25-Josh Tabbert

HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK

Jonathan & Abby Luce, Mark & Melissa Luce, Sarah Luce, Kathy Manhart, Wes & Rose Manhart, Cassie Schultheis, Dean Schultz, Gary & Johnna Schultz, Alex Shadwell, Brian & Lisa Shelton, Ashley Sherrill

Recorded Services

Website: stpaul-strasburg.com

YouTube: St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Strasburg Illinois

Facebook: St. Paul's Lutheran Church

PRAYER

Dianna Gibson	Anna Schlechte
Nick Hanfland	Kendall Fulk
Frances York	Wayne Wirth
Robert Pfeiffer	Ronda Schlechte
Margaret Swank	Nick Oller

LIMITED MOBILITY

Mary Rincker-Villas of Hollybrook
Rose Schlechte- StoneBridge
Robert Stremming
Imogene Lading – Villas of Holly Brook
Bill Orr
Rosemary Sporleder-Brookstone
Mattoon
Mildred Rincker – Heartland, Neoga
Doris Stremming – Lutheran Care
Center
Margaret Swank – Willowbrook
Effingham

FRIENDS & FAMILY **(non-members)**

Zona Doty (Health)
Walker Warden (cancer)
Christie Dust (Howard & Kay's
daughter) (Primary Progressive
Multiple Sclerosis)
Laikyn Bauer (Digeorge syndrome)
Matt Durbin
Ivan Crutcher (cancer, Karen Rentfro's
uncle)

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The Day of Pentecost – Setting Four

Hymn of Invocation

Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid

LSB 500

- 1 Creator Spirit, by whose aid
The world's foundations first were laid,
Come, visit ev'ry humble mind;
Come, pour Your joys on humankind;
From sin and sorrow set us free;
May we Your living temples be.

- 2 O Source of uncreated light,
The bearer of God's gracious might,
Thrice-holy fount, thrice-holy fire,
Our hearts with heav'nly love inspire;
Your sacred, healing message bring
To sanctify us as we sing.

- 3 Giver of grace, descend from high;
Your sev'nfold gifts to us supply;
Help us eternal truths receive
And practice all that we believe;
Give us Yourself that we may see
The glory of the Trinity.

- D 4 Immortal honor, endless fame
Attend the_almighty Father's name;
The Savior-Son be glorified,
Who for all humankind has died;
To You, O Paraclete, we raise
Unending songs of thanks and praise.

Text: attr. Rabanus Maurus, 776–856; tr. John Dryden, 1631–1700, alt.
Text: Public domain

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Introit

Psalm 104:24, 27–28, 30; antiphon: Liturgical Text

Kyrie

LSB 204

C ***Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.***

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204

C ***1 To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.***

**2 To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—**

**3 For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.**

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 37:1–14

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading

Acts 2:1–21

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse

C ***Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.***

Holy Gospel

John 15:26–27; 16:4b–15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The Gospel is Read

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.**

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day

Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord

LSB 497

- 1 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord, With all Your graces now outpoured
On each believer's mind and heart; Your fervent love to them impart.
Lord, by the brightness of Your light In holy faith Your Church unite;
From ev'ry land and ev'ry tongue This to Your praise, O Lord, our God, be sung:
Alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 Come, holy Light, guide divine, Now cause the Word of life to shine.
Teach us to know our God aright And call Him Father with delight.
From ev'ry error keep us free; Let none but Christ our master be
That we in living faith abide, In Him, our Lord, with all our might confide.
Alleluia, alleluia!

- 3 Come, holy Fire, comfort true, Grant us the will Your work to do
And in Your service to abide; Let trials turn us not aside.
Lord, by Your pow'r prepare each heart, And to our weakness strength impart
That bravely here we may contend, Through life and death to You, our Lord,
ascend. Alleluia, alleluia!

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Sermon "Call Upon the Name of the Lord" Acts 2:1-21

Prayer of the Church

- P Gracious Lord, Your Spirit fills the world and gladdens Your Church with the remembrance of all Christ Jesus has spoken. Glorify His name among us in every word and deed. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P Lord God, guide the Church into all truth by Your Holy Spirit through Your Word, that we may be guarded from all error and false doctrine and other great shame and vice. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P God of comfort, give hope to Your people in the midst of this world of death and despair. Put Your Spirit within us to believe, to live and to serve according to Your promises and commands. Lead our homes to confess our confidence in Your power to raise the dead — now and at the Last Day. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P Lord God, be near to those You have set in place to govern our land. Do not let the ruler of this world govern them and their decisions to our harm, but give us the benefits of good government. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P We call on Your name, O Lord, praying in Your Spirit to help and save all. Renew the face of the earth, look with favor on Your creatures and fill the hearts of Your faithful, kindling in them the fire of Your love. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord, send Your Holy Spirit upon Your faithful people, that convicted of their sin they may also be convinced that the righteousness of Christ is theirs, and in such repentance and faith receive the things of Christ declared in this Supper: His holy body and precious blood for the forgiveness of sins. Unite us by Your Spirit of truth in faith and confession, and comfort us with the knowledge that this world's prince is judged. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God, comfort those who grieve. Assure them that, since Christ has gone away to the cross and has risen victorious over death, so those who go away from us in this life will rise also to everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God, heavenly Father, through Your Son You promised Your Holy Spirit, who would convict the world of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. Enlighten our hearts, that we would confess our sins; obtain everlasting righteousness through faith in Christ; and through every trial and temptation, abide in the consolation that Christ is Lord over the devil, death and all things. We ask that You would graciously deliver us from all affliction to make us partakers of eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

C **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.**

Benedicamus

LSB 212

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction

- 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 T give you peace.
- C **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn

Holy Spirit, Light Divine

LSB 496

- 1 Holy Spirit, light divine, Shine upon this heart of mine;
Chase the shades of night away, Turn the darkness into day.
- 2 Let me see my Savior's face, Let me all His beauties trace;
Show those glorious truths to me Which are only known to Thee.
- 3 Holy Spirit, pow'r divine, Cleanse this guilty heart of mine;
In Thy mercy pity me, From sin's bondage set me free.
- 4 Holy Spirit, joy divine, Cheer this saddened heart of mine;
Yield a sacred, settled peace, Let it grow and still increase.
- 5 Holy Spirit, all divine, Dwell within this heart of mine;
Cast down ev'ry idol throne, Reign supreme, and reign alone.

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Next Week's Readings – Isaiah 6:1-8, Acts 2:14a, 22-36, John 3:1-17

This Week's Memory Verse – Acts 2:21 "And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

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