

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

September 22, 2024

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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THIS WEEK WITH THE LORD

SUN. 8:30 AM Communion Service
 9:30 AM SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S., Colleege+
 5:30 PM Worship Service @ Grace

TUE. 9:00 AM Morning Bible Study

WED. 8:00 AM **Guide/Bulletin**
 8:30 AM Chair Yoga
 2:30 PM Social Hall Communion
 6:30-7:30PM WDS
 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

SUN. 8:30 AM Worship Service-Choir sings
 9:30 AM SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S., Colleege+
 5:30 PM Worship Service @ Grace

September 15 8:30: 161 Year Ago: 144 Sunday School: 43

Welcome Welcome to worship in the name of God — Father, Son and Holy Spirit — who created you, saved you and makes you holy. Amen. *If you are a visitor, we invite you to worship with us again and to please sign our guestbook.*

Thank you We would like to express our deepest gratitude for the love and support shown to our family during this incredibly difficult time. Thank you to Pastor Whybrew and the Ladies Aid for all they provided for our family. We are truly grateful to be part of such a caring and supportive church family. Luke, Lauren, Tyler, Dylan, Wyatt Wetherell.

Script Order Forms I will have Script order forms and some cards from Trinity available the 1st/3rd Sundays of the month at Grace and on the 2nd/4th Sundays at St. Paul's,

October Newsletter If you have articles for the October Newsletter, please get them to the church secretary by Monday, September 13th.

FOR THE LORD'S WORK

CURRENT OFFERINGS	\$ TO MEET YEARLY BUDGET	\$ RECEIVED	\$ DIFFERENCE
Sept 15	\$ 3,750.00	\$4,755.00	\$ 1,005.00
year-to-date	\$ 128,750.00	\$141,349.56	\$12,599.56
<u>Synod-Offerings</u>			
Sept 15	\$ 481.00	\$ 385.00	\$ -96.00
year-to-date	\$ 16,797.00	\$16,679.00	\$ -118.00
TRINITY GOAL-\$10,000		Total to Date	\$6,635.00
Building \$450 Trinity \$120 Seminary Student \$125 Sunday School \$45			
Rev. Alex Gordon \$75 Floyd Storm Mem.\$100 E Wittenberg Mem. \$75			

Sept 16 \$75.00 (E Wittenberg Mem)
Sept 16 \$6,055.00

- 10/01 9:00 AM Morning Bible Study
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal
- 10/02 8:30 AM Chair Yoga
- 6:30-7:30PM WDS
- 10/03 1:30 PM Ladies Aid

WDS Treats The Education Team is looking for members who could supply treats for the Weekday School children one week during the months of September, October or November. If you would be interested in supplying treats one week, please contact Karen Kull at 217.549.3141. Thank you.

Thank you Thank you to those that have completed and turned in the "Time and Gifts Inventory". We appreciate your time and willingness to serve our church! If you could please complete them before Oct. 1st we would appreciate it. They can be placed in the box in the Narthex, the collection plate or if you'd prefer, place in a sealed envelope in the office door.

SAVE the DATE Men, Women and Teens... Come hear Jim Reed from "In His Hands Orphans Outreach" and view his slides from Kenya. Jim has been to Kenya as a project manager building a water source and orphan housing for several months the past two years! This is a Bible-based non-denominational organization. Come enjoy the presentation, fellowship and refreshments in the St. Paul's Social Hall. Sept. 26, 2024 @ 7:00 pm hosted by the Lutheran Ladies Aid of Strasburg.



ANNIVERSARIES

- 22- Rick & Susan Allen;
Colton* & Alecia Booher
26- Rick* & Sheryl Vonderheide;
Kevin* & Lori Mathis

BIRTHDAYS

- 23- Mary Brehmer; River Gilmore
24- Robert Stremming;
Derek Bloemer;
Scott Widdersheim
25- Kim Storm
26- Doug Stremming;
Autumn McCormick
27- Karen Pfeiffer;
Bryan Vonderheide
Culver Bloemer
28- Crosby Ashmore

HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK

Shelby & Brandon Beltz, Ron & Carolyn Boldt, Alecia & Colton Booher, Brendon & Renea* Bowers, Adrienne & Cody Bushue, Danielle Wirth, Darrell & Laurie Wirth, Dennis & Kenna Wirth, Gary Wirth, Kevin & Allison Wirth, Ron & Karen Wirth

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
Beulah Ulmer	Debra Richards

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)

Adopted Seminary Students 2024-25

4TH Year Student

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2024-25 Vicar assignment at

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****** Note: New Address:******

18th Sunday After Pentecost – Setting Three

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

LSB 904

- 1 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word We are gathered all to hear You.
Let our hearts and souls be stirred Now to seek and love and fear You,
By Your teachings, sweet and holy, Drawn from earth to love You solely.
- 2 All our knowledge, sense, and sight Lie in deepest darkness shrouded
Till Your Spirit breaks our night With the beams of truth unclouded.
You alone to God can win us; You must work all good within us.
- 3 Gracious Savior, good and kind, Light of Light, from God proceeding,
Open now our heart and mind; Help us by Your Spirit's pleading.
Hear the cry Your Church now raises; Hear and bless our prayers and praises.
- D 4 Father, Son, and Spirit, Lord, Praise to You and adoration!
Grant that we may trust Your Word, Confident of our salvation,
While we here below must wander, Till we sing Your praises yonder.

Text (sts. 1–3): Tobias Clausnitzer, 1619–84; (sts. 1–3): tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.; (st. 4): Geistreiches Gesang-Büchlein, 1707, Berlin; (st. 4): tr. unknown, 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 Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto
God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us
forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I 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 37:5–7; antiphon: v. 4

C ***Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.***

Kyrie

LSB 186

C ***Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.***

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

C ***Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.***

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C ***And with thy spirit.***

P Let us pray.

O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; 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

Jeremiah 11:18–20

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

James 3:13—4:10

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia

LSB 190

C ***Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.***

Holy Gospel

Mark 9:30–37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

C ***Glory be to Thee, O Lord.***

The Gospel is Read

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C ***Praise be to Thee, O Christ.***

Nicene Creed

C **I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,

begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

LSB 851

- 1 Lord of glory, You have bought us With Your lifeblood as the price,
Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice;
And with that have freely given Blessings countless as the sand
To the_unthankful and the evil With Your own unsparing hand.
- 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Gladly, freely of Your own.
With the sunshine of Your goodness Melt our thankless hearts of stone
Till our cold and selfish natures, Warmed by You, at length believe
That more happy and more blessed 'Tis to give than to receive.
- 3 Wondrous honor You have given To our humblest charity
In Your own mysterious sentence, "You have done it all to Me."
Can it be, O gracious Master, That You deign for alms to sue,
Saying by Your poor and needy, "Give as I have giv'n to you"?
- 4 Lord of glory, You have bought us With Your lifeblood as the price,
Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice.
Give us faith to trust You boldly, Hope, to stay our souls on You;
But, oh, best of all Your graces, With Your love our love renew.

Text: Eliza S. Alderson, 1818-89, alt. Text: Public domain

Sermon Mark 9:30-37 "Who's the Greatest"

Offertory

LSB 192

C *Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.*

Prayer of the Church

Preface

LSB 194

P The Lord be with you.

C *And with thy spirit.*

P Lift up your hearts.

C *We lift them up unto the Lord.*

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C *It is meet and right so to do.*

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 195

C *Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.*

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

P 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.

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

Pax Domini

LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei

LSB 198

C ***O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.***

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Distribution

Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord

LSB 637

- 1 Draw near and take the body of the Lord,
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured;
Offered was He for greatest and for least,
Himself the victim and Himself the priest.
- 2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,
To all believers life eternal yields;
With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.

- 3 Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere,
And take the pledges of salvation here.
O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow
As in this feast of love You bless us now.

Text: Latin, 7th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt. Text: Public domain

The Man Is Ever Blessed

LSB 705

- 1 The man is ever blessed
Who shuns the sinners' ways,
Among their counsels never stands,
Nor takes the scorners' place,
- 2 But makes the Law of God
His study and delight
Amid the labors of the day
And watches of the night.
- 3 He like a tree shall thrive,
With waters near the root;
Fresh as the leaf his name shall live,
His works are heav'nly fruit.
- 4 Not so the wicked race,
They no such blessings find;
Their hopes shall flee like empty chaff
Before the driving wind.
- 5 How will they bear to stand
Before the judgment seat
Where all the saints at Christ's right hand
In full assembly meet?
- 6 He knows and He approves
The way the righteous go;
But sinners and their works shall meet
A dreadful overthrow.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.
Text: Public domain

What Is the World to Me

- 1 What is the world to me
With all its vaunted pleasure
When You, and You alone,
Lord Jesus, are my treasure!
You only, dearest Lord,
My soul's delight shall be;
You are my peace, my rest.
What is the world to me!

- 2 The world seeks to be praised
And honored by the mighty
Yet never once reflects
That they are frail and flighty.
But what I truly prize
Above all things is He,
My Jesus, He alone.
What is the world to me!

- 3 The world seeks after wealth
And all that mammon offers
Yet never is content
Though gold should fill its coffers.
I have a higher good,
Content with it I'll be:
My Jesus is my wealth.
What is the world to me!

- 4 What is the world to me!
My Jesus is my treasure,
My life, my health, my wealth,
My friend, my love, my pleasure,
My joy, my crown, my all,
My bliss eternally.
Once more, then, I declare:
What is the world to me!

Text: Georg Michael Pfefferkorn, 1645–1732; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt. Text: Public domain

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

C *Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

Thanksgiving

LSB 200

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C *and His mercy endureth forever.*

P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C *Amen.*

P The Lord be with you.

C *And with thy spirit.*

Benedicamus

LSB 202

P Bless we the Lord.

C *Thanks be to God.*

Benediction

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and T give you peace.

C *Amen, amen, amen.*

The Son of God Goes Forth to War

- 1 The Son of God goes forth to war A kingly crown to gain.
His blood-red banner streams afar; Who follows in His train?
Who best can drink His cup of woe, Triumphant over pain,
Who patient bears his cross below—He follows in His train.
- 2 The martyr first, whose eagle eye Could pierce beyond the grave,
Who saw his master in the sky And called on Him to save.
Like Him, with pardon on His tongue In midst of mortal pain,
He prayed for those who did the wrong—Who follows in his train?
- 3 A glorious band, the chosen few, On whom the Spirit came,
Twelve valiant saints—their hope they knew And mocked the cross and flame.
They met the tyrant’s brandished steel, The lion’s gory mane;
They bowed their necks their death to feel—Who follows in their train?
- 4 A noble army, men and boys, The matron and the maid,
Around the Savior’s throne rejoice, In robes of light arrayed.
They climbed the steep ascent of heav’n Through peril, toil, and pain.
O God, to us may grace be giv’n To follow in their train!

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Text: Public domain

**Next Week’s Readings – Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29; James 5:13-20;
Mark 9:38-50**

This Week’s Memory Verse – Mark 9:37 “Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.”

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