



*God is in His holy habitation; He settles the solitary in a home.
The God of Israel—He is the One who gives power and strength to His people.*

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

August 20, 2023

9:30 a.m.

This Morning's Hymns

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For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the Living God, the Heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in Heaven, and to God, the Judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the Mediator of a New Covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better Word than the blood of Abel.

Hebrews 12:18–24

The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the Blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the Body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread . . . For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when He was betrayed took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and said, "This is My Body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup, after supper, saying, "This Cup is the New Covenant in My Blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.

1 Corinthians 10:16–17; 11:23–29

Who receives this sacrament worthily? Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words "for you" require all hearts to believe.

Luther's Small Catechism: The Sacrament of the Altar

Falsely are our churches accused of abolishing the Mass; for the Mass is retained among us and celebrated with the highest reverence. Nearly all the usual ceremonies are also preserved . . . For ceremonies are needed to this end alone: that the unlearned be taught what they need to know of Christ . . . The people are accustomed to partake of the Sacrament together, if any be fit for it, and this also increases the reverence and devotion of public worship. For none are admitted except they be first examined.

Augsburg Confession XXIV: Of the Mass

A Welcome to Our Visitors

Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church. We are glad that you have joined us this morning to receive from our gracious God and to offer Him your prayer, praise, and thanksgiving. If this is your first visit to St. Paul, or you have never received the Lord's Supper from Pastor Proctor, we ask that you speak with him or one of the elders before receiving Holy Communion. Children and adults who are not permitted to the Sacrament of the Altar may come forward and cross their arms against their chest to indicate they would like to receive a blessing at the rail.

✠ CONFSSION AND ABSOLUTION ✠

P In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ 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.

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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

Introit

Psalm 68:1, 3, 7a, 10b, 19; antiphon: Psalm 68:5b, 6a, 35b

God is in His holy habitation;

He settles the solitary in a home.

The God of Israel—He is the One

who gives power and strength to His people.

God shall arise, His enemies shall be scattered;

and those who hate Him shall flee before Him!

But the righteous shall be glad; they shall exult before God;

they shall be jubilant with joy!

O God, when You went out before Your people,

in Your goodness, O God, You provided for the needy.

Blessèd be the Lord, who daily bears us up;

God is our salvation.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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Kyrie

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us, Christ, have mer - cy up - on us,
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

P Glory be to God on high!

And on earth peace, good will toward men. We
praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee, we
glo-ri-fy Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great
glo-ry, O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Fa-ther Al-
mighty. O Lord, the on-ly be-got-ten Son, Je-sus Christ,
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther,
that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have
mer-cy up-on us. Thou that tak-est a-way the sin of the
world, re-ceive our prayer. Thou that sit-test-at the
right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mer-cy up-on us.
For Thou on-ly art ho-ly, Thou on-ly art the
Lord. Thou on-ly, O Christ, with the Ho-ly

Ghost, art most high in the glo - ry of God— the Fa - ther,
A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray. Almighty and Everlasting God, always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than we either desire or deserve, pour down upon us the abundance of Your mercy, forgiving those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things that we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament

Genesis 4:1–15

¹Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have gotten a man with the help of the LORD." ²And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the ground. ³In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground, ⁴and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering, ⁵but for Cain and his offering He had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell. ⁶The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? ⁷If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is for you, but you must rule over it."

⁸Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. ⁹Then the LORD said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?" ¹⁰And the LORD said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to Me from the ground. ¹¹And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. ¹²When you work the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth." ¹³Cain said to the LORD, "My punishment is greater than I can bear. ¹⁴Behold, You have driven me today away from the ground, and from Your face I shall be hidden. I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me." ¹⁵Then the LORD said to him, "Not so! If

anyone kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold.” And the LORD put a mark on Cain, lest any who found him should attack him.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 28:7b, 1a, 2a

In God my heart trusts, and I am helped;
my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to Him.

**To You, O LORD, I call; my Rock, be not deaf to me,
hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to You for help.**

Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:1–10

¹Now I would remind you, brothers, of the Gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ²and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

³For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then He appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, He appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia & Verse

Psalm 90:1

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

**Lord, You have been our dwelling place
in all generations. Alleluia!**

Holy Gospel

Luke 18:9–14

P The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke:

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

At that time: ⁹Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt:

¹⁰“Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: ‘God, I thank You that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.’ ¹³But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to Heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Nicene Creed

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.

Sit

Hymn of the Day

From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee


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Sermon

Offering

Stand

Offertory



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 Thy
pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion
and up - hold me with Thy free Spir - it.

Prayer of the Church

At the end of each petition:

P Let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

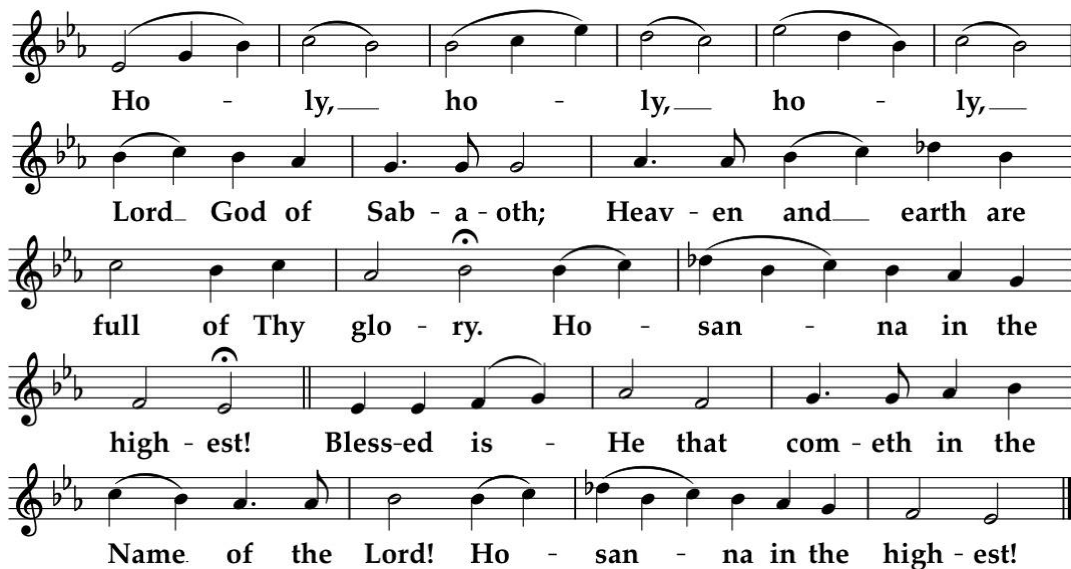
Preface

- 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.

Proper Preface

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, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the Virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. 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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,
Lord God of Sab - a - oth; Heav - en and earth are
full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est! Bless - ed is - He that com - eth in the
Name of the Lord! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

The 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.

The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My ✠ Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the
sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O
Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the
sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O
Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the

sin of the world, grant us Thy_ peace. A - men.

Sit

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Stand

Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace
ac - cord - ing _____ to Thy Word,
for mine eyes have seen Thy sal - va - tion
which Thou hast prepared before the face of all_ peo - ple,
a _____ Light to light - en the Gentiles
and the Glory of Thy peo - ple _____ Is - ra - el.
Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Ho - ly_ Spir - it. As it was in the be - gin - ning,



Thanksgiving

- P** O give thanks unto the LORD, for He is good.
- C** **And His mercy endureth forever.**

- P** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

Salutation and Benedicamus

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And with thy spirit.**

- P** Bless we the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction

- 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 ☩ give you peace.
- C** **Amen.**



Hymn

The Tree of Life

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BULLETIN NEWS

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday, August 20	9:30am	Divine Service	Sanctuary
	11:30am	Adult Bible Class	Irmer Hall
		Sunday School	Library
Saturday, August 26	10:30am	Matins	Sanctuary

BIRTHDAYS

08/20 – Linda Winger

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

08/23 – Bea Hendricks

ANNIVERSARIES

08/22 – John & Melody Peterman

PASTOR PROCTOR OUT OF TOWN

Pastor Proctor will be out of town Wednesday, August 16 through Sunday, August 20. Pastor Steven Resner will celebrate the Divine Service and teach Adult Bible Class next Sunday.

TO SUPPORT THE PHOENIX RESCUE MISSION

During July and August, we will be collecting WATER BOTTLES & PLASTIC REUSABLE WATER BOTTLES. Place bottles on the "Social Ministry" cart in the narthex.

SUMMER VISITATION

Please see the sign-up sheet on the narthex counter. The time slots are for visits with Pastor Proctor in his study at the church office. If your schedule doesn't permit a visit during one of the available slots, please speak with him to make a special arrangement.

DAILY 15-MINUTE BIBLE STUDY

The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon will be leading a study this week on The Macedonian Call; The Conversion of Lydia; Paul and Silas in Prison and The Philippian Jailer Converted in Acts 15 and 16. You can listen at your convenience

at thewordendures.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

LET US PRAY FOR...

Please keep this list available for your daily devotions. *For prayer requests Church office (623) 846-2228, or email at info@stpaulutheran-az.com. Prayer requests are removed after three weeks.*

IMMEDIATE CONCERNS:

Marci Brekken, suffering from deteriorating eyesight.
Barbara Sand, returned home and now receiving hospice care.
Darrell Ahrens, feeling ill.

ON-GOING CONCERNS:

Nigel Proctor – suffering from severe digestive issues
Wayne Bartels – recovering from brief hospitalization
Debbie Dyjak – ongoing eyesight concerns
Jonathan Brant – recovering from surgery
Bea Hendricks – fell and currently in a care center
Rose Tressler – health issues
Nicholas Jimenez, Linda Rossow, Jim Rucker, Pat Haas

Mary Howard – suffering from back pain
Kevin Stamm – recovering from surgery
Christopher Richards – recovering from fall
Dennis Stonecypher – seeking employment
Suzi Riley – suffering from sleep apnea
Jorge Jimenez – fighting cancer

FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Nick Koontz, husband of Mary Howard’s stepdaughter, has been diagnosed with leukemia.
Pam Werdabaugh (mother of Dan Noggle) diagnosed with cancer and has stopped radiation treatment.
Jean Lorenzen (mother of Debbie Dyjak) cognitive function has worsened and has entered a care facility.

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY ST. PAUL:

Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram and wife, Joan, serving in Japan. **Debbie Dyjak**, preparing to serve in Latvia
Rev. Steven Massey and son, Marco, serving in Guatemala. **PSWD Missions**
Rev. Stephen Oliver and wife, Maggie, and children, serving in Taiwan and the Asia Region.

PRAY FOR ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH/THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD:

The Rev. Jeff Proctor and family
Sunday School teachers & children **LCMS officers, congregations & schools**
Maryvale Preparatory Academy families & staff **Lexington Life Academy families & staff**

OUR NATION: For all elected and appointed public servants, and all who labor to maintain peace and order.

FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY (*members, friends, or relatives*): **Lucas Butterfass, Erich Dyjak, Nathanael Dyjak, Juan Garcia, Robert Gilmore, Tiffany Gilmore, Robert Majewski, Mike Nguyen, Ethan Peterman, Andy Smiley, Jacob Wilson**

OUR SHUT-INS: **Anne Smith, Lois Carlson, Suzanne Berna**