



*We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that,
just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father,
we too might walk in newness of life.*

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

July 7, 2024

9:30 a.m.

This Morning's Hymns

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L In the Name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

L Dearly beloved! We have come together in the presence of God our Heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at His hand, to set forth His most worthy praise, to hear His Holy Word, and to ask for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and salvation. O come, let us worship Him! Let us kneel and bow down before Him. Let us confess our sins with penitent hearts, and obtain forgiveness by His infinite grace and mercy.

C **Almighty and Most Merciful Father, I have strayed from Your ways like a lost sheep. I have followed the devices and desires of my sinful heart. I have offended against Your Holy Law. I have done those things which I should not have done, and I have not done those things which I should have done. Have mercy on me, O Lord! Spare me and restore me, according to the promises You have declared to me in Jesus Christ, my Lord. For His sake grant that I may live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your Holy Name. Amen.**

L The Almighty and Merciful Lord has granted you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins, grace for true repentance and amendment of life, and the comfort of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

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Psalm

Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

**Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,**
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.

**The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.**

The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

**Come, behold the works of the LORD,
how he has brought desolations on the earth.**

He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the chariots with fire.

**“Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!”**

**The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

Sit

Office Hymn

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

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✠ READINGS ✠

Old Testament

Proverbs 15:1-4, 7; 25:11-15

A soft answer turns away wrath,
but a harsh word stirs up anger.
The tongue of the wise commends knowledge,
but the mouths of fools pour out folly.

The eyes of the LORD are in every place,
keeping watch on the evil and the good.

A gentle tongue is a tree of life,
but perverseness in it breaks the spirit.

The lips of the wise spread knowledge;
not so the hearts of fools.

A word fitly spoken
is like apples of gold in a setting of silver.

Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold
is a wise reprover to a listening ear.

Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest
is a faithful messenger to those who send him;
he refreshes the soul of his masters.

Like clouds and wind without rain
is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

With patience a ruler may be persuaded,
and a soft tongue will break a bone.

R O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

James 3:2-12

For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

R O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:17–26

At that time Jesus said to His disciples: ¹⁷“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸For truly, I say to you, until Heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the Kingdom of Heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the Kingdom of Heaven. ²⁰“For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

²¹“You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.’ ²²But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, ‘You fool!’ will be liable to the hell of fire. ²³So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, ²⁴leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. ²⁵Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. ²⁶Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

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C Thanks be to God.

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Apostles' Creed

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.

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BULLETIN NEWS

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday, July 7	9:30am	Divine Service	Sanctuary
	11:30am	Adult Bible	Irmer Hall
		Sunday School	Library
Wednesday, July 10	5:00pm	BOD Meeting	Library
Saturday, July 13	8:30am	CPR Class	Irmer Hall

CONFERENCE LIVE & ON-DEMAND VIDEO STREAM

You can watch a live and recorded broadcast of the Issues, Etc. radio talk show and podcast, a hymn sing and three worship services from the “Making the Case” Conference Friday, July 12 and Saturday, July 13 at Concordia University Chicago. These events will be streamed live and on-demand at facebook.com/issuesetc. The speakers’ presentations and Q & A sessions will not be streamed.

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@stpaul Lutheran-az.com. Prayer requests are removed after three weeks.*

ON-GOING CONCERNS:

Charlie Cook – experimental procedure to heal bladder

Cymantha Makeley – experiencing health concerns

Dennis Stonecypher, suffering an undiagnosed illness

Nigel Proctor – suffering from severe digestive issues

Wayne Bartels – ongoing health issues

Nicholas Jimenez, Linda Rossow, Jim Rucker, Pat Haas

Kevin Stamm – health issues

Suzi Riley – suffering from sleep apnea

Jorge Jimenez – fighting cancer

Rose Tressler – health issues

FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Rei Imer (sister of Louise Ahrens) recovering from surgery and is now going through radiation treatment.

Bill Garber (cousin of Jeanne Schubring) diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

Sharon Wies (wife of Cliff Wies, cousin of Vickie Hulteen) diagnosed with metastatic lung cancer.

Nick Koontz (husband of Mary Howard’s stepdaughter) diagnosed with leukemia.

THOSE WHO ARE GREIVING:

Family and friends of Jean Lorenzen (mother of Debbie Dyjak), died 07/03/2024.

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY ST. PAUL:

Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram and wife, Joan, serving in Japan. 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 Substitute Pastors and their families

Sunday School teachers & children

Maryvale Preparatory Academy families & staff

The Rev. Jeff Proctor and family

LCMS officers, congregations & schools

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, Nathanael Dyjak, Juan Garcia, Robert Gilmore, Tiffany Gilmore, Robert Majewski, Mike Nguyen, Ethan Peterman, Andy Smiley, Jacob Wilson

OUR SHUT-INS: Anne Smith

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