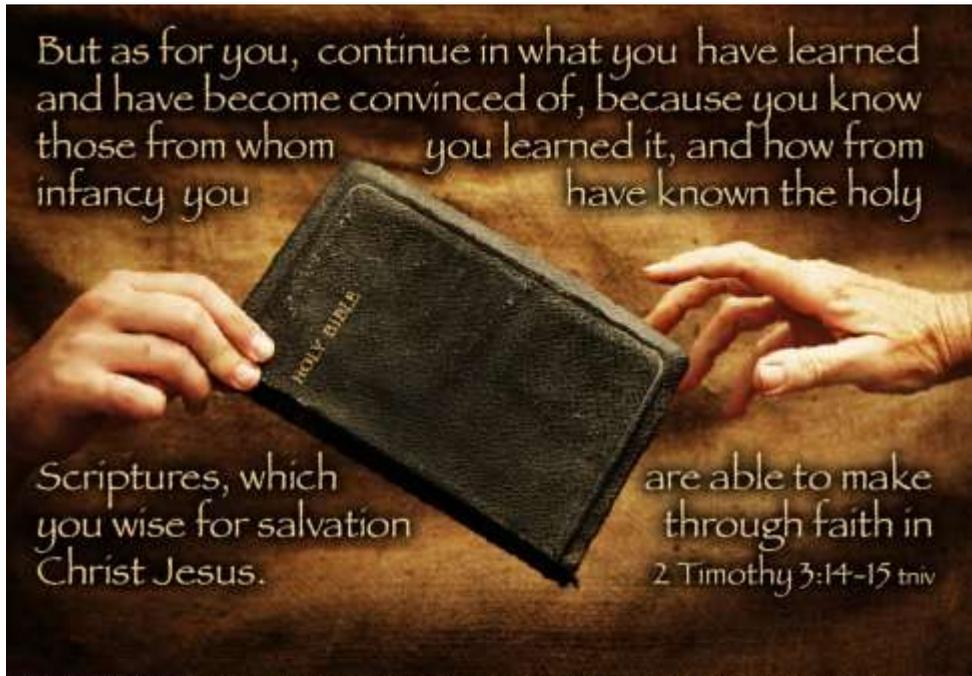


Christ Beatrice – 7:45AM

St. Paul's Plymouth – 10:00AM

October 25, 2020

Pentecost 21



2020 Confirmation Verses Sermon Series

8/30—Deuteronomy 4:23

9/27—2 Timothy 4:8

11/1—Psalm 28:7 &

9/6—Joshua 1:9

10/4—2 Corinthians 9:10,11

Psalm 62:1-2

9/13—Luke 1:37 &

10/18—Ephesians 4:32

11/15—Revelation 2:10

Matthew 19:26

10/25—Philippians 4:6,7

11/22—1 Corinthians 1:8

9/20—2 Corinthians 12:10

Broadcast Sponsor

Our broadcast today is sponsored in loving memory of Virgil Remmers by his wife, Kathleen. Virgil entered eternal life October 25, 2019.

THANK YOU for joining us for worship today!
We pray that your spiritual life will be nourished through Word and Sacrament.

- † Please practice social distancing as to be respectful of others' space during this time.
- † If you do not want to use a paper bulletin this morning, you can access the bulletin on our website – www.stpaulsplymouth.org. The entire worship service is printed out so that you do not need to use the hymnal.
- † Offering plates can be found at the entrances. Although giving offerings for gospel ministry is an act of worship, we will refrain from passing the offering plates during the service at this time.
- † May the Lord bless the time we spend together around His Word this morning! If you are looking for a church to call home, please contact Pastor Berger at any time (email pastorberger@gmail.com; call/text 402-239-4509; or stop by the church office). He would love to serve you with God's Word!
- † If you desire, there is a nursery in the back on the west side of the church, but please know that **your children are ALWAYS welcome** in our service no matter how much noise they make. We're happy to have them hear the Word and join us praising God with their voices!
- † Before you leave, please sign the **guest register**. It is located on the top of the stairs in the church entryway.
- † Please talk to one of the **Elders** (seated in the back of the church) if you have questions about the service or the congregation.
- † **Large print service folders** are available. Please speak to one of the Elders if this would be of assistance to you.
- † Our Sunday morning service can be heard on KWBE 1450AM (94.7FM) and viewed live and archived at www.stpaulsplymouth.org. Please share this information with those who are not able to attend worship.
- † **Prayers before Worship** can be found in *Christian Worship—A Lutheran Hymnal*, pp. 10-11.

Focus for Our Worship

After three years of instruction on the basics of Christianity, we have a special Confirmation Sunday when the students share what they have learned and confess their Christian faith. This year our Confirmation Sunday was August 16th (it's usually the first Sunday in May). Each confirmand picked a verse to be a guide and encouragement throughout his/her entire life. It is also our custom here at St. Paul's to use the confirmand's verse at his/her funeral. Over the next weeks, we are going to be taking a look at the wonderful verses this year's confirmands have chosen. May the confirmands and all of us continue in what we have learned (2 Timothy 3:14-15) as we study the Holy Scriptures together. This morning we meditate on John Wehrman's verses: Philippians 4:6,7.

The Common Service with Communion

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St. Paul's Sunday School Choir "One More Song for You" by Jason Ingram and John Mark Hall
(10AM Service)

Please stand

M In the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit.



Confession of Sins and Holy Absolution

M Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

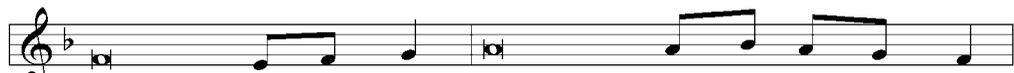
AI Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed You in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve Your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



M God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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.



M In the peace of this forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



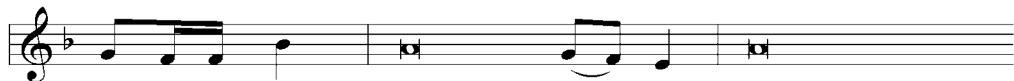
we give thanks to you for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa - ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the



sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the



sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of



God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on - ly are holy;



you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,



are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Prayer of the Day

M The Lord be with you.



M Let us pray. O Lord, in Your grace You have come to us through Your Word and Sacrament. Continue to strengthen us through these means and make us a church family that never wearies of encouraging one another to stay focused on our Savior Jesus, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



First Lesson — Genesis 18:23-33

We read Abraham's bold, unselfish, humble, and persistent prayer to the Lord.

²³ Then Abraham approached him and said: "Will you sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴ What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous people in it? ²⁵ Far be it from you to do such a thing—to kill the righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and the wicked alike. Far be it from you! Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?"

²⁶ The LORD said, "If I find fifty righteous people in the city of Sodom, I will spare the whole place for their sake."

²⁷ Then Abraham spoke up again: "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, though I am nothing but dust and ashes, ²⁸ what if the number of the righteous is five less than fifty? Will you destroy the whole city because of five people?"

"If I find forty-five there," he said, "I will not destroy it."

²⁹ Once again he spoke to him, "What if only forty are found there?"

He said, "For the sake of forty, I will not do it."

³⁰ Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak. What if only thirty can be found there?"

He answered, "I will not do it if I find thirty there."

³¹ Abraham said, "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, what if only twenty can be found there?"

He said, "For the sake of twenty, I will not destroy it."

³² Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak just once more. What if only ten can be found there?"

He answered, “For the sake of ten, I will not destroy it.”

³³When the LORD had finished speaking with Abraham, he left, and Abraham returned home.

Second Lesson — Philippians 3:18-4:8

Sermon Text

¹⁸For, as I have often told you before and now say again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is on earthly things. ²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

4 Therefore, my brothers, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, that is how you should stand firm in the Lord, dear friends!

²I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to agree with each other in the Lord. ³Yes, and I ask you, loyal yokefellow, help these women who have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

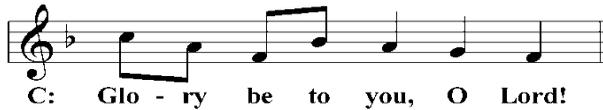
Verse of the Day — Psalm 143:1,2

M Alleluia. O LORD, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy; in your faithfulness and righteousness come to my relief. Do not bring your servant into judgment, for no one living is righteous before you. Alleluia!



Holy Gospel — Luke 11:1-13

M The Gospel of St. Luke chapter 11, beginning at verse 1:



What a Friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.”

² He said to them, “When you pray, say:

“ ‘Father,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come.

³ Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴ Forgive us our sins,
for we also forgive everyone who sins against us.
And lead us not into temptation.’ ”

⁵ Then he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and he goes to him at midnight and says, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, ⁶ because a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have nothing to set before him.’

⁷ “Then the one inside answers, ‘Don’t bother me. The door is already locked, and my children are with me in bed. I can’t get up and give you anything.’ ⁸ I tell you, though he will not get up and give him the bread because he is his friend, yet because of the man’s boldness he will get up and give him as much as he needs.

⁹ “So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.

¹¹ “Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? ¹² Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

M This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

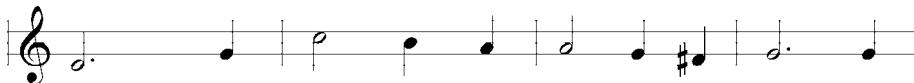
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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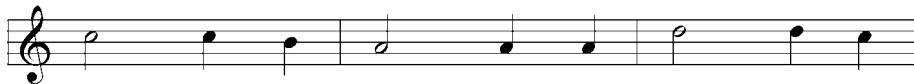
When Peace Like a River



1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my
2 My sin— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous
3 And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be



way, When sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll— What -
thought— My sin, not in part, but the whole, Is
sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll; The



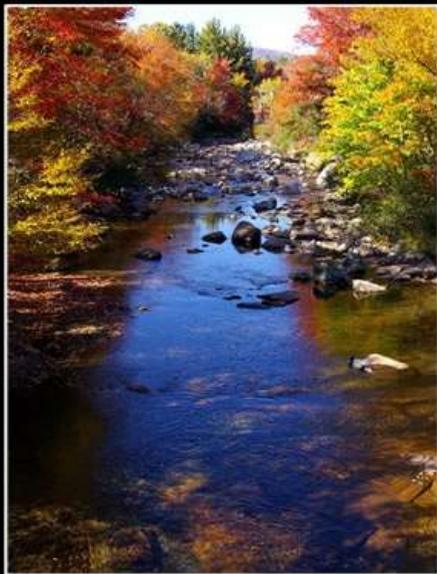
ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to
nailed to the cross, and I bear it no
trump shall re - sound, and the Lord shall de -

say, It is well, it is well with my soul.
 more: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
 scend; E - ven so, it is well with my soul.

Refrain It is well with my
 It is well with my soul.
 soul.
 It is well, it is well with my soul.

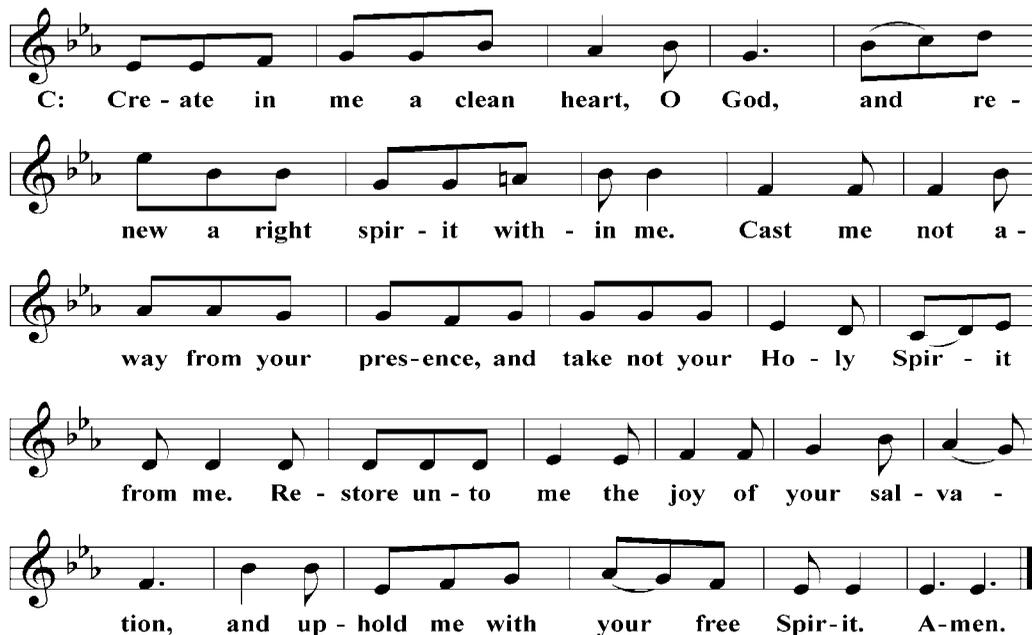
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Sermon – Philippians 4:6,7



Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
 Philippians 4:6–7

After the sermon, the congregation sings:



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

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

All 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 SACRAMENT

M The Lord be with you.



M Lift up your hearts.

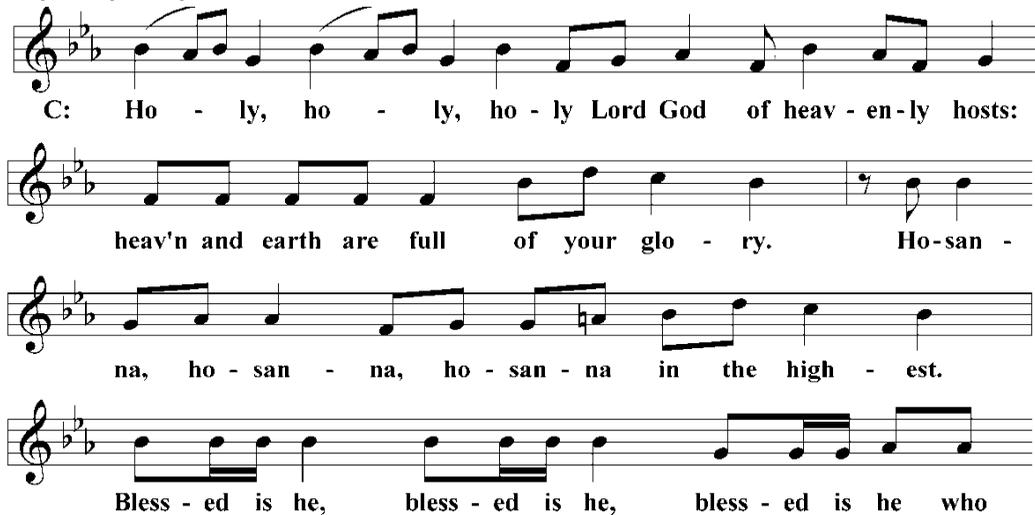


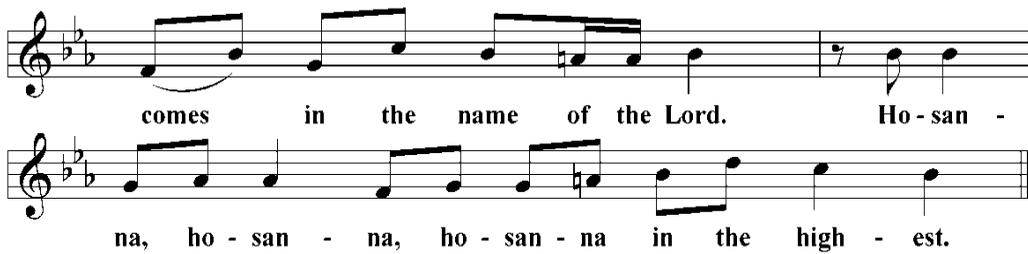
M Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give You thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in His name, there He is with them to shepherd His flock till He comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise Your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy





comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

M Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is My ✙ body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

Then He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is My ✙ blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



M The peace of the Lord be with you always.

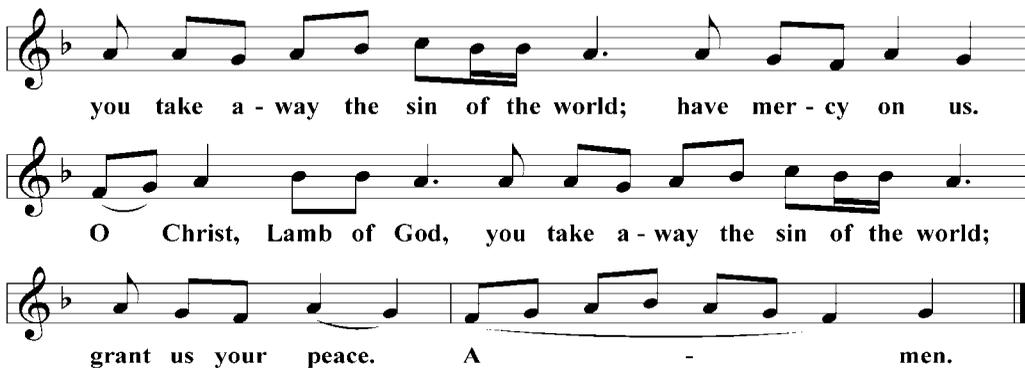


C: A - men.

O Christ, Lamb of God



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
 O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
 grant us your peace. A - - - men.

Close Communion We ask that only those who have previously spoken to our pastor or are members in good standing of this or another WELS or ELS congregation come to Holy Communion today. Our practice of Close Communion (which has been the practice of the Christian Church throughout the ages) is in no way trying to judge anyone's faith. What we are trying to do is follow the Bible's clear teaching (I Corinthians 11) to first study God's Word together. As we do so, we can share with/review with you what the Lord's Supper is all about. You, then, also have an opportunity to examine what we believe and teach before you come to the Lord's Supper here at St. Paul's/Christ Lutheran and make a public profession that you agree with what we teach.

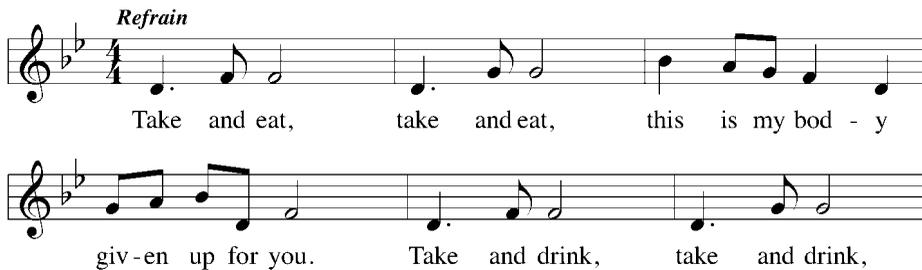
If you have any questions about this or would like to commune at St. Paul's/Christ Lutheran in the future, please talk with Pastor Berger. He would love to sit down with you on your timetable and at your convenience and talk about these important matters.

PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at Your holy table. But You are a friend of sinners, and You will not cast me out. This bread is Your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is Your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At Your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior. Amen.

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Take and Eat



Refrain
 Take and eat, take and eat, this is my bod - y
 giv - en up for you. Take and drink, take and drink,

this is my blood giv - en up for you. *Last time*

Verses

1 I am the Word that spoke and light was made;
 2 I am the way that leads the ex - ile home;
 3 I am the Lamb that takes a - way your sin;
 4 I am the cor - ner - stone that God has laid,
 5 I am the Light that came in - to the world;
 6 I am the First and Last, the liv - ing One;

I am the seed that died to be re - born;
 I am the truth that sets the cap - tive free;
 I am the gate that guards you night and day.
 A chos - en stone and pre - cious in his eyes.
 I am the Light that dark - ness can - not hide;
 I am the Lord who died that you might live;

I am the bread that comes from heav'n a - bove;
 I am the life that rais - es up the dead;
 You are my flock: you know the Shep - herd's voice;
 You are God's dwell - ing place; on me you rest
 I am the Morn - ing Star that nev - er sets.
 I am the Bride-groom, this my wed - ding song.

To Refrain

I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.
 I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.
 You are my own: your ran - som is my blood.
 Like liv - ing stones, a tem - ple for God's praise.
 Lift up your face; in you my light will shine.
 You are my bride; come to the mar - riage feast.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Thank You, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with Your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in You as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of Your Spirit to live and work to Your praise and glory. Amen.

After the Lord's Supper, the congregation stands to sing:

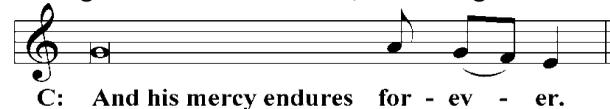
Thanksgiving

Song of Simeon



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing
to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre -
pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the
Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra-el.

M O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

M We give thanks, almighty God, that You have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it You will strengthen our faith in You and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M 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.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

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1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me O - ver life's tem -
2 As a moth - er stills her child, Thou canst hush the
3 When at last I near the shore And the fear - ful



pes - tuous sea; Un - known waves be - fore me roll,
o - cean wild. Bois - t'rous waves o - bey thy will
break - ers roar 'Twixt me and the peace - ful rest,



Hid - ing rock and treach - 'rous shoal. Chart and com - pass
When thou say'st to them, "Be still!" Won - drous Sov - 'reign
Then, while lean - ing on thy breast, May I hear thee



come from thee: Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
say to me, "Fear not! I will pi - lot thee."



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St. Paul's Church Family

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Today – M/M Geron Brown

Monday – Joni Schwab, Val Weishahn

Wednesday – Neil Bekemeyer, Bently Styers

Friday – Brevin Damrow, Marvin Yost

Sunday – Bailey Green

Christ Lutheran's Church Family

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Wednesday – Jaxon Crome

Sunday – Tony Oltman

This Week, By God's Grace (October 25th – November 1st)

Sunday	Worship with Communion at Christ, Beatrice Sunday School and Bible Class Worship with Communion at St. Paul's, Plymouth Outside Drive-thru Communion St. Paul's Ladies Aid 100 th Anniversary Celebration	7:45am 9:00am 10:00am 11:15am-Noon 2:00pm
Monday	Faculty Meeting Monday Night Worship with Communion at St. Paul's, Plymouth	7:15am 7:30pm
Mon. – Thurs.	Parent-Teacher Conferences	
Tuesday	Faculty Devotion School Chapel LES Catechism Class	7:15am 8:30am 9:00am
Wednesday	PSI Class	6:00-7:30pm
Thursday	Faculty Devotion LES Catechism Class Men's Work Group Growing in Hope Class	7:15am 8:30am 2:00pm 7:00-8:00pm
Friday	Men's Bible Study Breakfast Harvest Party Rescheduled for During School Day	6:45am
Sunday	NO WORSHIP AT CHRIST, BEATRICE Sunday School and Bible Class Worship at St. Paul's, Plymouth with Chris Driesbach (Greeters: Nick Schroeder, Daryl Workman) (Childcare: Lisa Scheele, Marcie Vossler) Children's Christmas Eve Participation Forms Due	9:00am 10:00am

Prayer Updates

† [Marcia Nispel](#) – Marcia returned home to the Kensington this past Wednesday.

100th Anniversary—St. Paul’s Ladies Aid invites the women of our congregation to a celebration of their 100th anniversary. Sarah Stellick, wife of Pastor Kevin Stellick (former missionary to Taiwan and China) will be our guest speaker **this afternoon, October 25th, at 2:00PM**. Her topic will be “Women in God’s Service” (an entirely different presentation than the one she gave at the recent LWMS Rally). Pie and ice cream will be served to conclude the afternoon. We hope many of you will be able to join us and enjoy an afternoon filled with thanksgiving, fellowship, and inspiration from Christian sisters in Christ.



Chris Driesbach—Next Sunday Chris Driesbach will be at St. Paul’s in Plymouth to play for our only worship service of the weekend. “Chris was an atheist until age 33, and after that sort of a new-age spiritualist. Nine years later he became a Lutheran and a Christian at the same time in 1995. Faith Lutheran Church and Pastor James Oldfield in Anchorage, Alaska, were his first church and pastor. They went through a 22-week Bible study course together. Pastor Oldfield read to him out of the Bible when Chris asked him all of the hardest questions he could think of, and after 6 weeks of the class Chris was given the gift of faith by the Spirit working though God’s Word. Chris is a member of Lamb of God Lutheran Church in Madison, Alabama. His songs are all original Christian music, and he loves to tell the story of the Spirit's powerful work in his stubborn and unbelieving heart.”



Joint Service Offerings—When Christ Lutheran and St. Paul’s have a joint worship service (special service next Sunday, Maundy Thursday, etc.), envelope offerings will be separated for each congregation. Any loose offerings will remain with the congregation where the service is held.

Book Fair—The St. Paul's School Book Fair started Monday, October 19th, and will run through Sunday, November 8th, in the school library. It is a great time to start your Christmas shopping. Great books at great prices!!

If you are interested in volunteering to help with the book fair, you may sign up by visiting the following link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4DAEAD22A3FA7-scholastic2> . Please contact Tammy Wurm at 402.239.6946 if you have any questions.

There is also an option to purchase books via the Online Book Fair at <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/stpaulslutherschool28>. Online shoppers will receive FREE standard shipping on book-only purchases over \$25* and all orders ship direct to home. Plus, all purchases benefit our school, earning 25% in *Scholastic Dollars*[™] rewards during our Fair.



Piano—If anyone is interested in the remaining piano in the old preschool room in the church basement, today is the last day to let Pastor Berger know. The piano is free, but will need to be moved out of the basement. It is an old player piano and will need a little bit more work to be functional and a tuning.

One Act Play—As NELHS gets ready to compete in a One Act play, the NELHS play production team is wondering if people have a few items on hand--or the knowledge of how to make them. First of all, they are looking for an old grill--preferably without a gas tank (safety first)! This would be dragged to different parts of the stage, so bear that in mind before lending one out. They also would like some defibrillator paddles--or something that would look like them. If you could make them, that would be great (since it is doubtful anyone has any extras lying around). They could also use some bandages and beach chairs. If you are able to help them out, please contact Cori Humann at chumann@nelhs.org.

Christmas Eve Children's Service—In connection with the 2020 Children's Christmas Eve Service, your child/children should have received a form from Sunday school, our LES, or as an attachment to an email last week. We are asking you to complete and return it to the church or school office by Sunday, Nov. 1, so we can plan and orchestrate various aspects of the service. If your child/children did not receive a form, please contact Mr. Danner or the church office. Thank You!



Jesus Light of the World

Invitation Cards—A number of invitation cards are available on the back table for our members to use when inviting someone to join us for worship, Bible Information Class, or other church related functions. Along with a picture of our church logo, the card contains basic church contact information, and the back side has been left blank for you to leave your own personal contact information. Please take a few cards along and share them with anyone you think might be interested in finding out more about St. Paul's and the precious truths of Scripture.



Quarterly Meeting Highlights
Sunday, October 18th, 2020 - 11:00 AM

Opening:

Chairman Steve Freese called the meeting to order. Pastor Berger opened the meeting with prayer. The Secretary's minutes from the July 12, 2020 meeting were approved as presented.

The following reports were given in addition to the information shared in the quarterly report. If there is no summary of the report, it is because the report just covered what was already written out in the quarterly report.

Elders:

- Worship Update
- Call Meeting on Sunday, September 20 – Call Extended to Pastor Justin Dauck 605-848-2283 (cell); justin.dauck@gmail.com. Everyone is encouraged to reach out to him
- Baptisms this past quarter (Roman Scheele, Ayker Niederklein, Jonathan Person, Maverick Wietzki)
- Future Baptisms: (Craig and Mandy Wiedergreen – December)
- Transferred from Church Militant to Church Triumphant this past quarter (Gerry Newhouse, Daryl Scheele, Bill Jurgens)
- New Members were accepted: Zachary Bergmeier, August Gerlach, Coen Hummel, Elizabeth Kerwood, Kaden Koch, Caleb Kosmos, Bryce Malchow, Matthew Scheele, Bailey Schwab, Jonah Schwab, Aubrey Sluka, Kenzie Strein, John Wehrman
- Membership Transfer: Caleb Brown to Juneau, AK

Board of Education:

- Mr. Danner highlighted his report in the Quarterly Report.
- Ethan Schroeder led us through the school financial report.
- A Motion was made and Seconded to approve a \$4,500 housing allowance for the Bekemeyers for tax purposes in the 2020 tax year. Motion carried.

Trustees:

- Tile in Basement has been laid; Trim Replaced; Toilets replaced and working well
- Basement was cleaned thoroughly
- Daryl will be installing a hydrant on the north side of the school for the outdoor classroom in October
- Daryl fixed the toilet at school in the men’s bathroom
- Building Fund Projects for 2020
- 1. ~~Painting and New Carpeting and New Vinyl Floor installed in Fellowship Hall~~
- 2. ~~Second Pastor’s Office – Brian Weishahn built walls for new office. He hung the door and put up the trim.~~ He will insert furnishings (cabinets, drawer, countertop, bookshelves) when he has time.

Cemetery Committee:

- There was quite a bit of clean up work done after Sunday night’s wind storm.

- The Meints stone that was blown over in a storm will be repaired by Moon & Son Monument company.

Pastor Berger's Report:

- Wonderful fellowship at Annual Golf outing (thanks to Deb for all her work). I have it scheduled for September 12th next year at Hidden Acres
- Sunday School has started off well
- Plans are being made for our Christmas Eve Service
- Words before Communion to help explain “close” communion
- Growing in Hope – 15 non members are taking the class
- Conference in Seward October 20-21
- Future Weddings –Grant and Taylor Reaffirmation Ceremony and Reception (Cancelled until next year due to COVID); February 2021 Garrett Freese and Amanda Antholz
- District Mission Board – Joplin, MO; Grace Hmong in Kansas City; Shepherd of Peace in Norfolk; Living Savior in Blair, NE; Wichita, KS Second Site;

Other Business:

- Nominating Committee (Steve Freese, Pastor Berger, Joel Schroeder, Stan Hueske, David Hummel, Forrest Freese, Don Wurm) will meet on November 19 at 8PM. They will propose a list of candidates to the December church council meeting, and then share with the congregation at least two Sundays prior to the annual meeting. Please do not ask anyone to serve until after the nominating committee meets.
- Budget Committee (Steve Freese, Pastor Berger, Mr. Danner, Joel Schroeder, David Hummel, Erik Bekemeyer, Stan Hueske, Don Wurm, Kirk Holtmeier, Forrest Freese, 2 At-large members) will meet on December 10 at 8PM.
- November Church Council Meeting will take place on Thursday, December 3 at 8PM

The meeting closed with the singing of the Doxology.



November 1 – November 28

ONLINE Fall Auction

Nebraska Lutheran High School will be hosting our annual Fall Auction a bit differently this year due to Covid and will be hosting the event all **online**. Bidding for the event will start November 1 and continue through November 28. There will still be many AWESOME items to bid on. Please keep an eye on our website for more information and how you can help support the Christian Education that Nebraska Lutheran has been providing for 41 years. Please contact Mandy at mwellman@nelhs.org or 402-728-5236 with any questions or concerns.

- All Items will be online
- Easy Access to all Items
 - Easy pick up
 - Help Support NELHS
- In person or over the phone help with bidding registration
- All proceeds from the Auction will go to new cafeteria tables and equipment



If you would like more information about St. Paul's Lutheran Church, feel free to speak with Pastor Fred Berger after the service or anytime during the week! (call/text 402-239-4509; email pastorberger@gmail.com) If you think you might be interested in joining the St. Paul's church family, Pastor would be more than happy to take you through some Bible studies at whatever time or location is most convenient for you to learn more about what we teach.

If you would like more information about St. Paul's Lutheran School, feel free to speak with Mr. Andrew Danner! (call/text 402-433-5349; email danner@stpaulsplymouth.org) He would love to give you a tour of the school and answer any questions you might have about the excellent Christ-centered education we offer students of our church and community.

Please contact us! We would love to serve you!

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