

# St. Paul's Plymouth

June 9, 2019 – Pentecost Sunday

Holy Baptism & Divine Service 1

Welcome!



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# Welcome

**THANK YOU for joining us for worship today!**

**We pray that your spiritual life will be nourished through Word and Sacrament.**

- † 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](http://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*, pages 10-11.

## Broadcast Sponsor

Our broadcast today is sponsored by Bob & Bernice Gerlach in thankfulness to God as they celebrate their 63<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

## Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar this morning are given in honor of Dennis & Joanne Weichel's 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary by their children and grandchildren. Dennis & Joanne were married June 7, 1974.

## Focus for Our Worship

Fifty days after Easter, God sent the promised Counselor on the day we call "Pentecost" (Greek for "fifty"). This day marked the birthday of the New Testament Church and celebrates the harvest of souls. On Pentecost we see the resurrection of our Lord now empowering His people to be witnesses of the resurrection for the world.

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**Opening Songs by VBS Children** “Footprints on the Water” by Stephen Elkins  
“Eye of the Storm” by Ryan Stevenson, Bryan Fowler

*Please stand*

**GREETING, CONFESSION OF SINS AND HOLY ABSOLUTION**

**M** The grace of our Lord ☩ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**M** Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded baptism when He said: “Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” All of us are born into this world with a deep need for baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took away our sin by giving His life on the cross. At our baptism He clothes us with the robe of His righteousness and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer. We recall what baptism means for our daily lives as we speak these words:

**AI** **Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.**

**M** As baptized children of God we confess our sins:

**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.

**C** **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

**HYMN** “God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It” (CWS 737, st. 1)

**C** **♪ God’s own child, I gladly say it: I am baptized into Christ!  
He, because I could not pay it, Gave my full redemption price.  
Do I need earth’s treasures many? I have one worth more than any  
That brought me salvation free, Lasting to eternity!**

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## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR TIMOTHY MATTHEW MEYER

- M** In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in His promise, you have brought Timothy to be baptized. Jesus told us, “Let the little children come to Me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God’s Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.
- M** Receive the sign of the cross on the head ☩ and heart ☩ to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.
- M** Timothy Matthew Meyer, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. The Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

## EXHORTATION

- M** Brothers and sisters in Christ:  
Our Lord commands that we teach His precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and witnesses, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Timothy may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to accept this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.
- C** **Yes, as God gives me strength.**
- M** Let us pray: Merciful Father in heaven, we thank You for the blessing of baptism by which You offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us each to look back on our baptism and remember the white robe of righteousness You adorned us with as You made us Your children. Look with special favor on Timothy and grant him a rich measure of Your Spirit that he may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities as parents, witnesses, friends, and family so that one day all of us will finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

## HYMN “God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It” (CWS 737, st.5)

- C** **♪ There is nothing worth comparing To this lifelong comfort sure!  
Open-eyed my grave is staring: Even there I’ll sleep secure.  
Though my flesh awaits its raising, Still my soul continues praising:  
I am baptized into Christ; I’m a child of paradise!**

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## PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

### GLORY TO GOD



Glo - ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and



Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



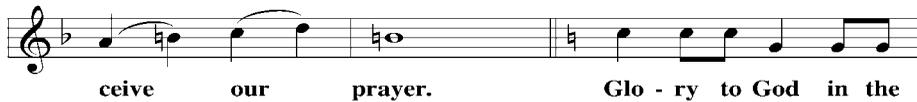
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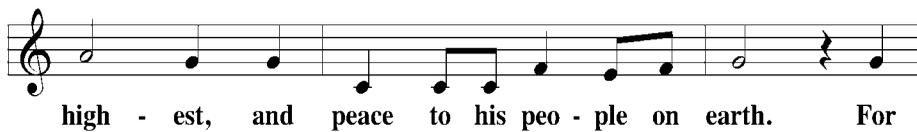
You are seat - ed at the right hand of the



Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer, re -



ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the



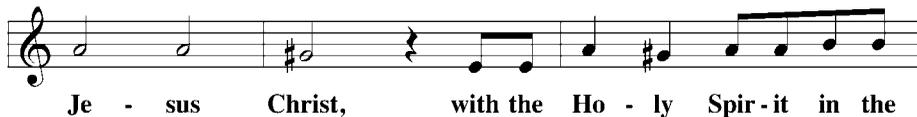
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you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the



Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,



Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the

glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. Glo - ry to God in the  
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.  
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M** O Lord, we pray that You continually send to us the Holy Spirit to teach us the Truth You have revealed to us in Your Holy Scriptures. Be with us as we distinguish Your Truth from the falsehood of man. Through the work of the Spirit, point us to the central teaching of Scripture—the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### LESSON — Acts 2

#### *The historical account of the day of Pentecost – Sermon Text*

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup>When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. <sup>7</sup>Utterly amazed, they asked: “Are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>Then how is it that each of us hears them in his own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome <sup>11</sup>(both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!” <sup>12</sup>Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?”

<sup>13</sup>Some, however, made fun of them and said, “They have had too much wine.”

<sup>14</sup>Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. <sup>15</sup>These men are

not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! <sup>16</sup> No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup> "In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. <sup>18</sup> Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.

<sup>19</sup> I will show wonders in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. <sup>20</sup> The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. <sup>21</sup> And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

<sup>22</sup> "Men of Israel, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. <sup>23</sup> This man was handed over to you by God's set purpose and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. <sup>24</sup> But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. <sup>25</sup> David said about him: " 'I saw the Lord always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. <sup>26</sup> Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will live in hope, <sup>27</sup> because you will not abandon me to the grave, nor will you let your Holy One see decay. <sup>28</sup> You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.'

<sup>29</sup> "Brothers, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. <sup>30</sup> But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. <sup>31</sup> Seeing what was ahead, he spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to the grave, nor did his body see decay. <sup>32</sup> God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of the fact. <sup>33</sup> Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear. <sup>34</sup> For David did not ascend to heaven, and yet he said, " 'The Lord said to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand <sup>35</sup> until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet." '

<sup>36</sup> "Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ."

<sup>37</sup> When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

<sup>38</sup> Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."

<sup>40</sup> With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." <sup>41</sup> Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

<sup>42</sup> They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. <sup>43</sup> Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. <sup>44</sup> All the believers were together and had everything in common. <sup>45</sup> Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need. <sup>46</sup> Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

**VERSE OF THE DAY** — John 15:26,27

**M** Alleluia. Christ is risen!

**C** **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**M** <sup>26</sup> “When the Counselor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father, he will testify about me. <sup>27</sup> And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning.

**M** Alleluia!

**HOLY GOSPEL** — John 14:25-27

**M** The Gospel according to St. John, chapter 14:



Glo-ry be to you, O Lord! Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

*Jesus promises the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost.*

Jesus said, “<sup>25</sup> All this I have spoken while still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.”



**M** The Gospel of the Lord



Praise be to you, O Christ! Praise be to you, O Christ!

**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.

**HYMN OF THE DAY** "Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest" (CW 177)

**SERMON — What a Day! (Acts 2)**



Cre - ate in me a



pure heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with -



in me. Do not cast me a - way from your



pres-ence or take your Ho - ly Spir - it from  
 me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -  
 hold, up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

**OFFERING**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**AI**

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.

**C** And also with you.

**M** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them up to the Lord.

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

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

**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 on this day kept His promise and poured out the Holy Spirit to empower His Church to proclaim the gospel in all the world. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise Your holy name and join their glorious song:

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,  
 God of might: heav'n and earth are full of your glo -  
 ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless -  
 ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -  
 na in the high - est. 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  $\text{✠}$  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  $\text{✠}$  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** Amen.

### O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

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. A - men.

The musical score is written on seven staves of music. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a common time signature. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "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. 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 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 to 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.

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

“We Now Implore God the Holy Ghost” (CW 190)

“Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling” (CW 182)

“Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord” (CW 176)

## **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.

## SONG OF SIMEON



In peace, Lord, you let your  
ser - vant now de - part ac - cord - ing to your word. For my  
eyes have seen your sal - va - tion, which you have pre - pared for  
ev - 'ry peo - ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the  
glo - ry, 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 forever.

**M** O God the Father, source of all goodness, in Your loving kindness You sent Your Son to share our humanity. We thank You that through Him You have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that You will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve You day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**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** Amen.

Closing Hymn "Holy Spirit, Light Divine" (CW 183)



## NOTES AND NEWS

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### **St. Paul's Church Family**

#### **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

**Today** – Bryn Hummel, M/M Lance Bice    **Monday** – Meila Gronemeyer, Justin Weichel  
**Tuesday** – Dianne Weishahn    **Thursday** – Caleb Brown, Donna Hayek, Cari Schroeder  
**Friday** – Dick Drewes    **Saturday** – Ila Burger, Garrett Freese, Damyn Weichel, Dylan Weichel  
**Sunday** – Andrew Danner, Bethany Schroeder, Richie Styers

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### **Christ Lutheran's Church Family**

#### **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

**Thursday** – Virgene Hoadley

**Organist:** Janice Pieper – Beatrice  
**Elder:** Mike Schroeder  
**Usher:** Roger Johnsen

## This Week, By God's Grace (June 9<sup>th</sup> – June 16<sup>th</sup>)

Today	Worship-Communion at Christ Lutheran - Beatrice	8:00am
	Worship-Communion	10:00am
	TILM Utah Trip Meeting	11:00am
Monday	Beatrice Future Planning Committee Meeting	7:00pm
Thursday	Ladies Aid	2:30pm
Sat. – Sat.	TILM Mission Trip (June 15 – 22)	8:00am
Sunday	Worship at Christ Lutheran - Beatrice	10:00am
	Worship	
	(Greeters: Neil & Beckie Bekemeyer)	

**Student Fund**—It has been our tradition at St. Paul's that a freewill offering is taken for our Student Fund on the Sunday when we celebrate Ascension. Since we celebrated Ascension Sunday a week early, please note that this offering will be taken today, following our worship service. Together with the Christmas Eve offering, these monies are given to students in the congregation who are attending a WELS Lutheran high school or college, or Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary to help defray tuition expenses.

### In Our Prayers

- ✝ Adena Wollenburg—she was a patient at Bryan West last weekend due to complications following her recent appendectomy. She returned home early this past week.
- ✝ Kay Weichel—she is scheduled to have surgery on her elbow this coming Tuesday.
- ✝ Jay Schroeder – he is scheduled to have surgery this coming Wednesday at Bryan East

**VBS**—Thank you to everyone who helped with Vacation Bible School this year! Without having so many of you share your time and talents, it would have been difficult to host a week of Vacation Bible School for the students in our congregation and community. Thank you to everyone who brought children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, friends and other family to attend Vacation Bible School! We had a great week of teaching 71 children about God's Word, doing crafts, singing songs, and enjoying fellowship.



**St. Paul's Yeti Tumblers**—St. Paul's is ordering customized 20 oz. Yeti Tumblers to hand out to new community members. If you would be interested in ordering one as well, sign the sheet on the table in the front entrance and give a suggested donation of \$25 to the church office. The deadline to sign up is today.

**Cemetery Flowers**—If you have placed flowers or decorations on our cemetery grounds, please note the following cemetery regulations: “No plants, shrubs, or trees shall be planted on this cemetery by any person other than the cemetery committee. **All living plants, artificial flowers, vases, ornaments, and decorations shall be removed from the graves from June 10 to November 1.** Exceptions will be made to all vases permanently attached to monuments. No glass jars or vases are permitted on cemetery grounds. Flowers may be left on new graves for thirty days.”



**WELS Coed Church Softball Tournament**—We are hosting a Single Elimination Church Softball Tournament at the east ballfield in Plymouth on Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup>. The first game (with the two nearest teams playing) will begin at 1PM. Men and women who are in high school or older, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex (we will work on randomly dividing the names into teams). There will be a concession stand open for food and drinks. If you have any questions, please feel free to email Pastor Fred Berger – [pastorberger@gmail.com](mailto:pastorberger@gmail.com) – or call the church office – 402-656-3003. Hope to see you there!



### Save the Date

- ❖ St. Paul’s Softball Tournament – July 14<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Annual NELHS Golf Classic – July 20<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ First Day of School – Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ St. Paul’s Golf Outing – Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>

## Upcoming Camps

**WELS Youth Camp Jefferson 2019**—The 2019 WELS Youth Camp will be held at Camp Jefferson Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup>. This is for 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> graders (and Teen and Adult Helpers). The cost is \$55 for youth, \$25 for Teen Helpers, and \$15 for Adult Helpers. For additional information or to register, go to [www.welscampjefferson-welsne.org](http://www.welscampjefferson-welsne.org). If you have any questions, please feel free to send an email to [welscampjefferson@gmail.com](mailto:welscampjefferson@gmail.com).



**WELS Teen Camp 2019**—The 2019 WELS Teen Camp will be held at Camp Jefferson from Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup> (immediately following Youth Camp Jefferson) – Tuesday, July 30<sup>th</sup> (closing service Tuesday evening). This is for 9<sup>th</sup> grade through age 19. The cost is \$60 for the full 2-day camp. Online registration is now open, and the T-shirt order deadline date is July 6<sup>th</sup>. For additional information or to register, call (402)310-8538 or go to [www.welscampjefferson-welsne.org](http://www.welscampjefferson-welsne.org). If you have any questions, please feel free to send an email to [welscampjefferson@gmail.com](mailto:welscampjefferson@gmail.com).

**Teen Super Summer Smash**—Area WELS Pre-teens/Teens (7<sup>TH</sup> grade – 12<sup>TH</sup> grade) are invited to an all-nighter of swimming, bowling, mini golf, basketball, battle ball, pizza, pop, snacks, and more at the Hastings YMCA beginning at 9:00pm on Friday evening, August 9<sup>th</sup> and ending at 9:00 am on Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>. Look for additional information coming soon.

**Thank You**—We recently received the following thank you note:  
Members of St. Paul's,

Thank you for the framed certificate you gave me for confirmation. It will hang on my wall and serve as a reminder of that special day.

Thanks again,  
Andrew Sasse

**Service Opportunity**—One of our service opportunities this year includes helping take care of the west ballpark in Plymouth. This involves doing various types of yardwork, but it does not include mowing. If you would like to volunteer to share your time and help out once or more this summer, please contact Dallas Christ (402-520-1022).

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](mailto: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](mailto: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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Mrs. Beckie Bekemeyer (4-5) 402-239-7667

Principal Andrew Danner (6-8) 402-433-5349

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