

# St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church



## *The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

Sunday, August 29, 2021 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

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**Welcome & Announcements**

**Organ Prelude**

“Prelude in Classic Style”

Gordon Young

**Brief Order for Confession & Forgiveness**

**P** In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**P** Most merciful God,

**C We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors and ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us, and for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

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## Opening Hymn

### Beneath the Cross of Jesus

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1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I long to take my stand;  
2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus, My eye at times can see;  
3 I take, O cross, your shad - ow For my a - bid - ing place;

The shad - ow of a might - y rock With - in a wea - ry land,  
The ver - y dy - ing form of one Who suf - fered there for me.  
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than The sun - shine of his face;

A home with - in a wil - der - ness, A rest up - on the way,  
And from my con - trite heart, with tears, Two won - ders I con - fess:  
Con - tent to let the world go by, To know no gain nor loss,

From the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat And bur - dens of the day.  
The won - der of his glo - rious love And my un - wor - thi - ness.  
My sin - ful self my on - ly shame, My glo - ry all, the cross.

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**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C** And also with you.

## The Hymn of Praise

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.

Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.

For 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. A - men

## The Prayer of The Day

## The Children's Sermon

**The First Lesson****Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9**

<sup>1</sup>So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. <sup>2</sup>You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you. <sup>6</sup>You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" <sup>7</sup>For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? <sup>8</sup>And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? <sup>9</sup>But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

**Choir Anthem****The Chancel Choir****The Second Lesson****James 1:17-27**

<sup>17</sup>Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. <sup>18</sup>In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. <sup>19</sup>You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; <sup>20</sup>for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. <sup>21</sup>Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. <sup>22</sup>But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. <sup>23</sup>For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; <sup>24</sup>for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. <sup>25</sup>But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. <sup>26</sup>If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. <sup>27</sup>Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
 You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**P The Holy Gospel According to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.**

**C** Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around [Jesus], <sup>2</sup>they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. <sup>3</sup>(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; <sup>4</sup>and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) <sup>5</sup>So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” <sup>6</sup>He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, ‘This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; <sup>7</sup>in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.’ <sup>8</sup>You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.” <sup>14</sup>Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: <sup>15</sup>there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.” <sup>21</sup>For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, <sup>22</sup>adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. <sup>23</sup>All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

**P The Gospel of the Lord.**

**C** Praise to you, O Christ.

**The Sermon**

Rev. Peter J. Hartmann

**Shall We Gather at the River**

1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,  
2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,  
3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;  
4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;

with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?  
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.  
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.  
soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

*Refrain*

Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;

gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

## The Apostles' Creed

- + I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.\*  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. **Amen**

## The Prayers of The Church

### 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, the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### Benediction

- P** The Lord Bless You & Keep You, The Lord Make His Face  
Shine on you and Be Gracious to You, The Lord Look Upon  
You with Favor, and Give You Peace.

**C**

A musical score for the Benediction. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics 'A - men, A - men, A - - - men.' are written below the treble staff. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a steady rhythm.



## The Closing Hymn

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### Lift High the Cross

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*Refrain*



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till  
all the world adore his sacred name.

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,  
2 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,  
3 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied,  
4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,

*Refrain*

Our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
The hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine.  
Bear on their brows the seal of him who died.  
As thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.

5 So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
Praise to the Crucified for victory! *Refrain*

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## The Communion

### Piano Postlude

“Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us”

Arr. Jerry Ray

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**We Welcome You to  
St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church...**

Whether you are a long time member, friend at St. Paul's, or here for the first time, we are glad you are with us in worship today! If you are in need of pastoral care, please give us a call.

If you will be entering the hospital or preparing for any surgical procedures, please let the Pastor know so he can plan to visit and have prayer with you during this time.

All are welcome to partake in The Communion at the end of the service. After The Consecration, as you leave, receive the Blessing and The Body & Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ and then proceed to the Narthex to exit.

Thank you for checking the "prayer list" posted in the bulletin today and for helping us to keep this list current by notifying the office with any updates.

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**We Remember in Our Prayers...**

Betty Bacon, Hal Behnke, Kevin, Sarah & Molly Boatright, Angie Briggs, Jean Camp, Chuck Campbell, Pat Cunningham, Hank & Marion Groover, Herman Grotheer Jr., Virginia Huber, Denny Jacobi, Clarke Jones, Don Kennedy, Shirley Kennedy, John I. Lanier, Ann Lariscy, George Martin Sr., Joan Martin, Jane McClain, Nancy Merk, Rita Monson, Page Kleinsteuber Park, Dorothy Perry, Jodi Ragno, Leonora Reid, Frankie Rivenbark, Kay Sellman, Barbara Tyson, Jackie Walker, Bart Waller, Melissa Waller, Simone Wiggins and Stan Woo.

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**Current Budgetary Needs Each Sunday From 2021 Offerings**  
\$8,000.00

**Received From Current Offerings Last Sunday**  
\$3,669.00

**Worship Statistics Last Week In Person & At Home**  
8:30 - 52    11:00 - 40    Facebook - 92

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**Our Worship Leaders & Staff...**

**Senior Pastor...** The Rev. Peter J. Hartmann

**Director of Music & CFO ...** Donald R. Martin, Jr.

**Senior Organist ...** Rebecca T. McClain

**Facilities Coordinators ...**

Rebecca T. McClain & Richard Wolf

**Chancel Choir Soprano Section Leaders ...**

Melissa Flummerfelt & Sarah P. Taito

**Chancel Choir Tenor Section Leader ...** Carl Lettow

**Chancel Choir Bass Section Leader ...** Anthony Broadnax

**Pre-School Director ...** Gina Johnson

**Assistant Pre-School Director ...** Cynthia Thomas

**Parish Housekeeping ...** April Reilly

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**Our Lectors Today**

8:30 Bill Wiggins 11:00 Chuck McCallar

**August Altar Guild**

8:30 Patty Cannady & Kay Robb

11:00 Faye Letto & Sydney Oetgen

**Liturgical Service Cantors**

8:30 Melissa Flummerfelt 11:00 Scott Leary

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**Flowers on the Altar are Placed in Honor  
Of Almighty God and in Memory  
Of Nelson Graff  
By the Pennsylvania Graff's.**