

# St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church



## The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 13, 2024

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

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**Welcome & Announcements**  
**Prelude      Jared Hall**

**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 as 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.**

Opening Hymn  
**Blessed Assurance**

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

*Refrain*

This is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior, all the day long:  
this is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
angels descending bring from above  
echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain*

Perfect submission, all is at rest;  
I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
watching and waiting, looking above,  
filled with his goodness, lost in his love. *Refrain*

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915

**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



♩ Glory to God in the highest, 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

### Children's Sermon & Birthday Recognitions

## The First Lesson

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

<sup>6</sup>Seek the Lord and live,  
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,  
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.  
<sup>7</sup>Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,  
and bring righteousness to the ground!  
<sup>10</sup>They hate the one who reproves in the gate,  
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.  
<sup>11</sup>Therefore because you trample on the poor  
and take from them levies of grain,  
you have built houses of hewn stone,  
but you shall not live in them;  
you have planted pleasant vineyards,  
but you shall not drink their wine.  
<sup>12</sup>For I know how many are your transgressions,  
and how great are your sins—  
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,  
and push aside the needy in the gate.  
<sup>13</sup>Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;  
for it is an evil time.  
<sup>14</sup>Seek good and not evil,  
that you may live;  
and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you,  
just as you have said.  
<sup>15</sup>Hate evil and love good,  
and establish justice in the gate;  
it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts,  
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

## Choir Anthem

The Chancel Choir

## The Second Lesson

Hebrews 4:12-16

<sup>12</sup>Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. <sup>14</sup>Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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

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

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

<sup>17</sup>As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” <sup>20</sup>He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. <sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

**P The Gospel of the Lord.**

Praise to you, O Christ.

**The Sermon**

**Rev. Peter J. Hartmann**

**The Sermon Hymn**

## **“God’s Love”**

Music By Tony Hatch

God’s love is warmer than the warmest sunshine, softer than a sigh.  
God’s love is deeper than the deepest ocean, wider than the sky.  
God’s love is brighter than the brightest star,  
that shines every night above; and there is nothing  
in this world that can ever change God’s love.

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## The Apostles' Creed

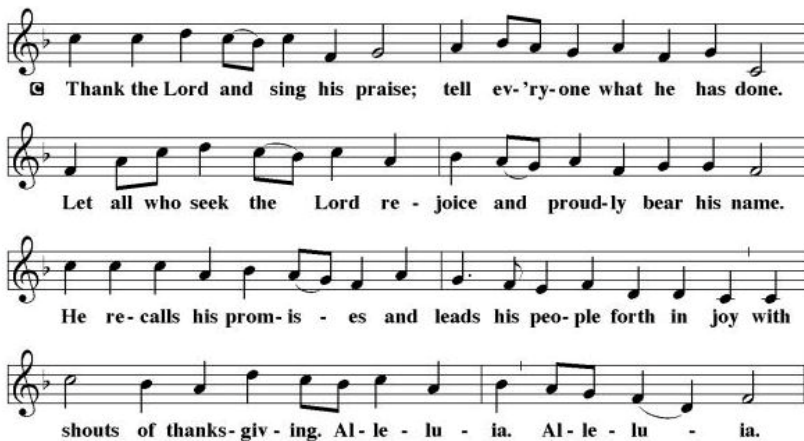
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third 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.**


## The Words of Institution & The Communion

- P** The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C**  Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear his name.  
He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with  
shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## 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 - men, A - men, A - - - men.



**The Closing Hymn**  
**I Love to Tell the Story #390**

I love to tell the story  
of unseen things above,  
of Jesus and his glory,  
of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story,  
because I know it's true;  
it satisfies my longings  
as nothing else would do.

*Refrain*

I love to tell the story;  
I'll sing this theme in glory  
and tell the old, old story  
of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story:  
how pleasant to repeat  
what seems, each time I tell it,  
more wonderfully sweet!  
I love to tell the story,  
for some have never heard  
the message of salvation  
from God's own holy word. *Refrain*

I love to tell the story,  
for those who know it best  
seem hungering and thirsting  
to hear it like the rest.  
And when, in scenes of glory,  
I sing the new, new song,  
I'll sing the old, old story  
that I have loved so long. *Refrain*

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834-1911

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**P/C Go In Peace! Serve The Lord! / Thanks Be To God!**

**Postlude**

**Jared Hall**

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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. 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...**

Kevin Boatright, Ronnie & Delores Boatright, Angie Briggs, Florence Brown, Tom Brown, Jean Camp, Alice Ann Duggar, Miriam Fulton, Frances Graff, Rev. Peter Hartmann, Gene Henry, Don Kennedy, Shirley Kennedy, Ann Lariscy, George Martin Sr., Joan Martin, Al Schunemann, Kay Sellman, Isabelle Sherouse, Charlie Smith, Barbara & Tim Tyson, Melissa Waller and Mary Gail Wolf.

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**Current Budgetary Needs Each Sunday From 2024 Offerings**

\$8,600.00

Current Offerings \$14,383.00

**Worship Statistics Last Week In Person & At Home**

10:00 am - 81 Facebook - 100

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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 & Choir Accompanist ...** Jared Hall
- Office Administrator ...** Fran Snipes
- “The Epistle” ...** Betsy Martin
- Facebook Live Broadcasting...** Lisa B. Martin
- Chancel Choir Soprano Section Leader ...** Melissa Flummerfelt
- 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 Charlie Schafer 11:00 Dave Fulton

**October Altar Guild**

8:30 Lynn Wood & Betsy Martin  
11:00 Becky Truluck & Dottie Kraft

**October Communion Assistants**

8:30 Janet Gnann & Chris Conway  
11:00 The Hadden Family

**Liturgical Service Cantors**

Melissa Flummerfelt, Carol Stemsrud & Emelia Levy

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**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

**Deadline**  
**Sunday**  
**November 10th**  
**Thank You!**



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**Our Congregational Meeting for 2024 ..**

**Sunday, November 24th at 9:45 between services.**

We will need to approve three Council Nominees for 2025-2027, as well as review and approve the 2025 proposed Church Budget.

## ***2024 Fall Worship Offerings***

### ***Sunday October 20th & 27th***

8:30 & 11:00 am Worship with Holy Communion  
9:45 am Adult Sunday School

### ***Sunday November 3rd***

9:00 am-10:00 am Fellowship Time  
9:00-9:45 Children's Sunday School (3-11 Yr. Olds)  
**10:00 am Worship with Holy Communion**

### ***Sunday November 10th & 17th***

8:30 & 11:00 am Worship with Holy Communion  
9:45 am Adult Sunday School

### ***Sunday November 24th***

8:30 & 11:00 am Worship with Holy Communion  
9:45 am Adult Sunday School  
**12:00 Noon - Thanksgiving Covered Dish Luncheon**

### ***Sunday December 1st - Advent 1***

***Rev. Jill Henning Presiding***  
9:00 am-10:00 am Fellowship Time  
9:00-9:45 Children's Sunday School (3-11 Yr. Olds)  
**10:00 am Worship with Holy Communion**

### ***Sunday December 8th - Advent 2***

8:30 & 11:00 am Worship with Holy Communion  
9:45 am Adult Sunday School  
**4:00 pm 64th Annual Tri-Church Christmas Festival & Reception**

### ***Sunday December 15th - Advent 3***

8:30 & 11:00 am Worship with Holy Communion  
9:45 am Adult Sunday School  
**5:00 Annual Family Advent Night - Soup & Sandwich Dinner**

### ***Sunday December 22nd - Advent 4***

**10:00 am Sunday School Christmas Play**

### ***Tuesday December 24th - Christmas Eve Services***

**6:30 & 10:00 pm Candlelight Communion Services w Choirs & Brass**

### ***Sunday December 29th***

**10:00 am Lessons & Carols Service with the Choir**

