

Independence Day Weekend July 1 & 2, 2018

Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship today. In our service we gather before Jesus our Savior to offer him our worship and praise. We also gather to strengthen ourselves through the study of God’s holy and powerful word. Also,

- † Restrooms are down the hall and to the right from the back of church.
- † We love families! Your children are welcome in our service. Thanks for bringing them to hear about Jesus! If you would like, there are children’s bulletins with crayons in the back of church and a cry room in the back of the sanctuary.
- † Please fill out the Friendship Registers located at the end of each row.
- † If you want to review or share today’s service, you can find it on our website.
- † For upcoming events and activities, “like” us on our Facebook page.

Please come again and worship with us very soon!

TODAY’S THEME:
GOD BLESSES US IN COUNTRY & CHURCH

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Liturgist & Preacher.....Pastor Brian Adams
OrganistMiss Heather Schmidt

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

GREETING

OPENING HYMN

“AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL”

1. O beau - ti - ful for spa - ci - ous skies, For am - ber waves of grain,
2. O beau - ti - ful for pil - grim feet, Whose stern, im - pas - sioned stress
3. O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved In lib - er - at - ing strife,
4. O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream That sees be - yond the years

For pur - ple moun - tain maj - es - ties A - bove the fruit - ed plain!
A thor - ough - fare for free - dom beat A - cross the wil - der - ness!
Who more than self their coun - try loved And mer - cy more than life!
Thine al - a - bas - ter cit - ies gleam, Un - dimmed by hu - man tears!

A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed His grace on thee,
A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - ery flaw,
A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! May God thy gold re - fine
A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed His grace on thee,

And crown thy good with broth - er - hood From sea to shin - ing sea!
Con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, Thy lib - er - ty in law!
Till all suc - cess be no - ble - ness, And ev - ery gain di - vine!
And crown thy good with broth - er - hood From sea to shin - ing sea!

Please Stand

OPENING VERSES

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: *(Spoken)* **In God we trust! Amen.**

P: The earth is the Lord's and everything in it,

C: *(Spoken)* **The world and all who live in it.¹**

P: God reigns over the nations;

C: *(Spoken)* **God is seated on his holy throne.²**

P: He rules forever by his power;

C: *(Spoken)* **His eyes watch the nations.³**

P: May the nations be glad and sing for joy,

C: *(Spoken)* **For you rule the peoples justly and guide the nations of the earth.⁴**

P: May God be gracious to us and bless us,

C: *(Spoken)* **And make his face shine upon us.**

P: That our ways may be known on earth,

C: *(Spoken)* **Your salvation among all nations.⁵**

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: **Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin. For faithless worrying and selfish pride, for sins of habit and sins of choice, For the evil I have done and the good I fail to do, You should cast me away from your presence forever. O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

¹ Psalm 24:1

² Psalm 47:8

³ Psalm 66:7

⁴ Psalm 67:4

⁵ Psalm 67:1-2

P: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: *(Spoken)* **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Lord, keep this nation under your care. Bless the leaders of our land that we may be people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to other nations of the earth. Help us elect trustworthy leaders, contribute to wise decisions for the general welfare, and serve you faithfully in our generation to the honor of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: *(Spoken)* **Amen.**

Please be Seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

DEUTERONOMY 6:4-7,17

⁴ Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ⁵ Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶ These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. ⁷ Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

¹⁷ Be sure to keep the commands of the Lord your God and the stipulations and decrees he has given you.



Let them praise the name 'of the LORD,*
for his splendor is above the earth and the heavens.

**Glory be to the Father and 'to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the be'ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Refrain

For - ev - er let us sing the good - ness of the Lord.

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For - ev - er let us sing the good - ness of the Lord.

Psalm tone

Praise the LORD from the 'heavens,*
praise him in the heights above.

Praise him, all his 'angels,*
praise him, all his heavenly hosts.

Praise him, 'sun and moon,*
praise him, all you shining stars.

Refrain

For - ev - er let us sing the good - ness of the Lord.

Psalm tone

Praise the LORD 'from the earth,*
lightning and hail, stormy winds that do his bidding,

you mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all 'cedars,*
wild animals and all cattle, small creatures and flying birds,

kings of the earth and all rul'ers on earth,*
young men and maidens, old men and children.

THE SECOND LESSON

ROMANS 13:1-7

13:1 Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. 2 Consequently, whoever rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves. 3 For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and you will be commended. 4 For the one in authority is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for rulers do not bear the sword for no reason. They are God's servants, agents of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer. 5 Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also as a matter of conscience.

6 This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing. 7 Give to everyone what you owe them: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin condemns any people. Alleluia.
(Proverbs 14:34)

Psalm continues on next page

Please Stand

15 Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words. 16 They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. 17 Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the imperial tax to Caesar or not?"

18 But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, "You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me? 19 Show me the coin used for paying the tax." They brought him a denarius, 20 and he asked them, "Whose image is this? And whose inscription?"

21 "Caesar's," they replied.

Then he said to them, "So give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."

22 When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away.



1. My coun - try, 'tis of thee, Sweet land of lib - er - ty,
 2. My na - tive coun - try, thee, Land of the no - ble free,
 3. Let mu - sic swell the breeze And ring from all the trees
 4. Our fa - thers' God, to Thee, Au - thor of lib - er - ty,

Of thee I sing: Land where my fa - thers died, Land of the
 Thy name I love: I love thy rocks and rills, Thy woods and
 Sweet free - dom's song: Let mor - tal tongues a - wake, Let all that
 To Thee we sing: Long may our land be bright With free - dom's

pil - grims' pride, From ev - ery moun - tain - side Let free - dom ring!
 tem - pled hills; My heart with rap - ture thrills Like that a - bove.
 breathe par - take; Let rocks their si - lence break, The sound pro - long,
 ho - ly light; Pro - tect us by Thy might, Great God, our King!

⁶ Samuel Francis Smith wrote the lyrics to "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" in 1831, while a student at the Andover Theological Seminary in Andover, Massachusetts. His friend Lowell Mason had asked him to translate the lyrics in some German school songbooks or to write new lyrics. Rather than translating the lyrics from German, Smith wrote his own American patriotic hymn to the melody completing the lyrics in thirty minutes. Smith gave Mason the lyrics he had written and the song was first performed in public on July 4, 1831, at a children's Independence Day celebration at Park Street Church in Boston.

THE OFFERING & OFFERING PRAYER

As the offering is gathered, we invite everyone to sign the Friendship Registers in each pew.

Please Stand

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Almighty God, we acknowledge with thanks that all we have and enjoy is a gift from your gracious hand. We come before you today in heartfelt appreciation for our nation and its people.

C: **We thank you for enabling us to worship you in freedom and to serve you without fear.**

P: You have enriched us with the bounties of farm and factory, the beauty of forest and mountain, and the marvels of medicine and science.

C: **For all these blessings, we praise and glorify you.**

P: Look with favor upon our nation, and preserve our cherished liberties. Enable our leaders to govern with wisdom, honesty, courage, and justice. Protect those who serve in the armed forces and those who maintain peace and safety in our communities.

C: **Give us willingness to obey our nation's laws and to work for the common good.**

P: Keep our financial institutions secure and our economy strong. Bless our fields that they may produce abundant harvests. Guard us from calamities of nature and accident, and spare our land from the ravages of disease and epidemic.

C: **Teach us not to worry but to cast all our cares on you.**

P: Strengthen the homes of our nation. By your Spirit lead husbands and wives to love each other, parents to nurture their children, young adults to assume responsibility, and children to show respect.

P: To you, O Lord, we bring our thanks and our requests.

C: **Hear our prayers for Jesus' sake. Amen.**

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 and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT⁷

P: The Lord be with you.

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C: And al - so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

⁷ Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*SANCTUS*)

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.
The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.
You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.
I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -
va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.
The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION⁸

P: 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."

⁸ Following historical custom, the pastor directs attention to the earthly elements of bread and wine and, with the Lord's words of institution, consecrates or sets them aside for sacred use in the Sacrament. The words are not a magic formula that brings about a change in the elements. The presence of Jesus' body and blood comes with the Sacrament through the gracious working of the Lord, whose promise is connected with these words. In the Sacrament, the Lord offers and imparts to believers all the blessings of his redemptive activity.

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."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*AGNUS DEI*)

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.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER⁹

⁹ Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper. The Lord's Supper is a miracle. By God's power, the Lord's body and blood are with the bread and wine. In the Lord's Supper, God gives strength and comfort to His believers. While the Lord's Supper is first about our relationship with Jesus, it is also about our relationship with fellow believers. Therefore, we practice "close communion." We invite all who are members of St. Paul's or visitors who belong to our WELS fellowship to receive the Lord's Supper with us. If you would like to learn more about being a member of our family at St. Paul's, please feel free to contact the pastors.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

“BEFORE THE LORD WE BOW”
Christian Worship #618



1 Be - fore the Lord we bow, The God who reigns a -
2 The na - tion you have blessed May well your love de -
3 May ev - 'ry moun - tain height, Each vale and for - est
4 Earth, hear your Mak - er's voice; Your great Re - deem - er
5 And when in pow'r he comes, Oh, may our na - tive



bove And rules the world be - low In bound - less
clare, From foes and fears at rest, Pro - tect - ed
green, Shine in your Word's pure light And its rich
own. Be - lieve, o - bey, re - joice, And wor - ship
land From all its rend - ing tombs Send forth a



pow'r and love. Our thanks we bring; In joy and
by your care. For this fair land, For this bright
fruits be seen! May ev - 'ry tongue Be tuned to
him a - lone. Cast down your pride! Your sin de -
glo - rious band, A count - less throng, And, joy - ful,



praise Our hearts we raise To heav'n's high King.
day Our thanks we pay— Gifts of your hand.
praise And join to raise A grate - ful song!
plore And bow be - fore The Cru - ci - fied!
sing To heav'n's high King Sal - va - tion's song!

Please Stand

THANKSGIVING

THANK THE LORD



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud - ly bear his name.



He re - news 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!

PRAYER

P: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - - men.

THE BLESSING

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
 Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.



THE CLOSING HYMN

“GOD BLESS OUR NATIVE LAND”
Christian Worship #619

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
FINANCIAL UPDATE AND 2018 - 2019 FISCAL BUDGET

- This Budget maintains a status quo ministry here at St. Paul's
- This proposed budget calls for the individual board budgets to remain relatively the same as the prior year.
- Proposed wage increase for all Called Workers of approximately 2% to maintain them around 90% of Synod Guidelines.
- Hourly workers proposed wage increase of .25 cents per hour
- Synod Health Care Premiums estimated to increase 7% and Pension rates up 10% (using published Synod rates)

	17/18 Estimated Actual	17/18 Budget	18/19 Budget
Receipts:			
School Tuition	\$ 124,177	\$ 115,000	\$ 125,000
Early Childhood Center	189,314	155,000	190,000
Budgetary Contributions	313,491	270,000	315,000
Total Receipts	885,644	934,500	926,065
Expenditures:			
Board of Elders	9,874 1.1%	8,000 0.9%	8,000 0.9%
Board of Lutheran Schools	4,356 0.5%	7,350 0.8%	6,000 0.6%
Board of Outreach	4,319 0.5%	8,000 0.9%	6,650 0.7%
Board of Spiritual Growth	4,075 0.4%	4,450 0.5%	4,500 0.5%
Board of Fellowship	750 0.1%	950 0.1%	950 0.1%
Board of Church Properties	96,908 10.5%	97,000 10.5%	97,000 10.5%
Early Childhood Center	6,500 0.7%	6,500 0.7%	6,500 0.7%
Voters	25,385 2.8%	25,000 2.7%	25,000 2.7%
Synod/High School/Agencies	56,378 6.1%	57,000 6.2%	56,500 6.1%
Payroll & Taxes	711,075 77.3%	720,250 77.8%	714,965 77.2%
Total Expenditures	919,620	934,500	926,065
Projected income (loss)	\$ (33,976)	\$ -	\$ -
Estimated Weekly Contributions	\$11,003	\$12,779	\$11,751
Increase in Weekly Contributions vs. PY Est Actual			\$ 748
Increase in Weekly Contributions vs. PY Budget			\$ (1,028)

2018 VACATION BIBLE CAMP FULL: Thanks to all who registered for our Vacation Bible Camp. We are FULL. We have 150 kids registered this year. Unfortunately, we will NOT be able to take any more registrations. (Including "walk-up" ones on Monday, July 9th.) If you wish to be placed on a waiting list, you may call or email St. Paul's office. Thank you for supporting our mission to teach many children about Jesus.

UTILITY WORK ON 51ST STREET: WE Energies has begun replacing one of their major gas lines that runs along 51st Street. Below is the notice that was received this past week from WE Energies:

Our work will require the southbound lane on South 51st Street between West Grange Avenue and Rawson Avenue to be closed approximately 7am to 7pm daily. The northbound lane will be controlled by flagging so vehicles may safely pass in one direction (northbound or southbound) at a time. All lanes will be open at night. Traffic access to east/westbound roads from 51st Street will be maintained; however, there may be intermittent impacts to sidewalk access in this area. Construction began mid-May along West Grange Avenue, and we soon will begin work along South 51st Street. We expect all work to be completed by October. This upgrade will allow us to continue to provide safe and reliable natural gas service for years to come. Construction activities will require excavation as well as traffic control measures, which are being coordinated with Greendale, Franklin and Milwaukee County."

Therefore, you may want to take an alternate route coming to St. Paul's during the work week.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP FOOD SIGN-UP: The sign-up sheets for this year's food items that are needed are on the counter in the back of church. We thank everyone for their help with the food that is served for both lunches and snacks during the week of Vacation Bible Camp. We really appreciate your help!

FREE PIANOS: We have a few older upright pianos that are looking for a good home. You would be responsible for moving them. If you are interested, please contact the office at (414) 421-1178, or office@stpaulsfranklin.org.

PRESCHOOL AIDE POSITION OPENING: St. Paul's is in need of an Aide for our 3K program for the 2018-2019 school year. This exciting position works with our youngest students and many of our newest families. The Aide position is a part of our PreK team, mostly working with Mrs. Patti Krizan in the morning as support in the education of our students. Persons of interest should have some experience with young children, a desire to work as a member of an important education team, and be available from 7:30 am until 1 pm Monday through Friday during the school year. Any interest or questions please contact the principal, Nathan Schulmeister, at nschulmeister@stpaulsfranklin.org.

NEW SUMMER BIBLE CLASS: *This Is What The Lord Says* ~ In this ten week class we will crack open the Bible and see what God has to say about himself. It is an opportunity to ask questions of God and let him answer through the pages of the Bible. This class could be a great next step for you. If you have been coming to St. Paul's for a while and want to know what the next step for church membership is - this class is for you. If you have unanswered questions about God, who he is and how he operates - this class is for you. If you've been a life-long Christian and want a refresh on lessons you learned a long time ago - this class is for you. If you've got someone in your life who doesn't know or believe in Jesus and you don't feel confident sharing Jesus all by yourself - this class is a perfect opportunity to invite that person to come and see and know Jesus. It will be held on Sunday mornings after second service (**10:45am**). The class will begin on **July 15th**. If you are interested, we'd love to have you join us! If you have questions, let Pastor Hoff know.

ST. JOHN'S KIDS' DAY: St. John's Church on Howell Avenue will be holding a Kids' Day on Saturday, July 14 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. A lunch will be served and there will be many fun and exciting activities and games for the children. It is recommended for children ages 3 to 12, but younger children accompanied by their parents are also invited to attend. Children are also encouraged to bring their friends. All the kids will have the opportunity to meet others and have a blast! St. John's is located at [6700 S Howell Avenue](#) in Oak Creek. If you would like your child(ren) to participate please contact Rod Bollinger at 414-762-3950.

WELS NIGHT AT MILLER PARK: Back for another year, we are excited to announce the fifth annual WELS Night, which is scheduled for Friday, August 3rd. Mark your calendars and plan to join thousands of WELS members for an evening at Miller Park to watch the Brewers take on the Rockies. Tickets for WELS members are discounted up to 50% and

are reserved together in a block. We would like to order tickets in a block for St. Paul's, so that we can sit together in the Field Outfield section. Tickets are \$21.00 each. You can also order a WELS Night T-shirt! There is a sign-up sheet on the narthex counter – please sign up by July 13th.

VOLUNTEERS

GREETERS FOR THIS WEEK (July 1 & 2)

8:00 AM – Roger Buntrock
 9:30 AM – Dee Kresa; Taylor
 6:30 PM – Joan Shevey

GREETERS FOR NEXT WEEK (July 8 & 9)

8:00 AM – Don & Marge Gebert
 9:30 AM – Marilyn Krueger
 6:30 PM – Walter & Laurie Falkowski

USHERS FOR JULY

8:00 AM – TEAM #3 – Donn Johnson, John Migacz, Todd Grunze, Frank Krajewski
 9:30 AM – TEAM #7 – David Brightsman, Kyle Brightsman, Randy Raduenz, Luke Raduenz
 6:30 PM – TEAM #9 – Terry Plant, John Kiesow

ALTAR GUILD

June 27-July 3 – TEAM #4 – Marge Gebert, Marilyn Krueger, Renate Nazimek
 July 4-10 – TEAM #1 – Sherry Kosovich, Beverly Garves, Sue Stempel

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

July 1: Set-up – Pete & Sherry Kosovich, Clean-up – Mark & Kristin Hernon
 July 8: Don & Marge Gebert, Clean-up – Larry & Marion Klug

GRASS CUTTING:

July 4-7 – TEAM #1 – Dave Qualmann
 July 11-14 – TEAM #2 – Gordy Lesser

THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, July 1

Worship Service with Communion8:00 AM
 Worship Service with Communion9:30 AM

Monday, July 2

Worship Service with Communion6:30 PM

Wednesday, July 4

NO Men's Open Gym

Sunday, July 8

Worship Service8:00 AM
 Worship Service9:30 AM

Statistics – Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 AM – 90, 9:30 AM – 134, 6:30 PM – 66
 Total Attendance – 290