# 16<sup>th</sup> Weekend After Pentecost September 4<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016

elcome! 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.
- f If you want to review or share today's service, you can find it on our website.
- f For upcoming events and activities, "like" us on our Facebook page.

Please come again and worship with us very soon!

## TODAY'S THEME:

WARNING FROM JESUS: COUNT THE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP

# **Worship Participants**

Liturgist and Preacher	Pastor Jacob Hoff
Organist	Miss Heather Schmidt



# GATHERING RITE ON HOLY BAPTISM

Please stand

Minister: In the name of the Father and of the Son ⊕ and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.



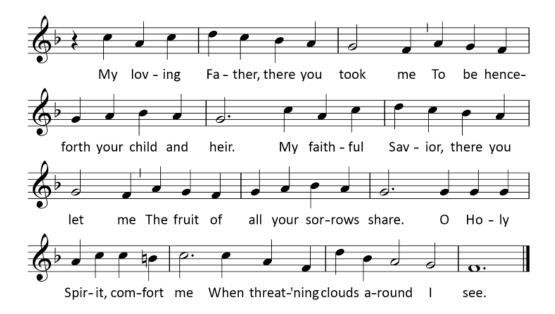
M: I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit.

C: Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. (John 3:5-6)

M: Surely we were sinful at birth, sinful from the time our mothers conceived us. (*Psalm 51:5*)

C: But we were washed, we were sanctified, we were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God. (1 Corinthians 6:11)





- M: As baptized children of God, we confess our sins.
- C: 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: Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless (*Ephesians 5:25-27*). 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  $^{\circ}$  and of the Holy Spirit.

## C: Amen.

8:00 AM and 6:30 PM service continues on bottom of Page 6

# **AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM (9:30 AM)**

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ gave his Church the command to baptize when he said: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."

In having children baptized, parents do what is God-pleasing. Jesus himself invited little children to become a part of his kingdom when he said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them, and blessed them.

The minister marks the sign of the cross on the child who has been baptized.

Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart to mark you as a redeemed child of God.

Before the Lord and his Church Laura and I confess that Amos was baptized 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 have been 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.

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 sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Amos may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

# C: Yes, as God gives me strength.

M: Let us pray. Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father, through your stern judgement the unbelieving world was destroyed by the flood, but according to your mercy, you saved Noah and his family. You engulfed stubborn Pharaoh and his army in the waters of the Red Sea but led your people through those same waters to safety on dry land. In the waters of the Jordan your own Son was baptized and anointed with the Spirit. By these signs you

foreshadowed the precious, cleansing bath which you give us in Holy Baptism.

Clinging to your command and promise, we ask that you would look with favor on Amos Martin Hoff. Through the water of baptism all sin inherited from Adam, and any other evil he may do, was drowned in him. Set him apart from the unbelieving world and hold him safe and secure in the holy ark of the Church. Keep him always fervent in spirit and joyful in hope so that he may honor your holy name and at last receive, together with all your people, the promised inheritance of eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### C: Amen.

## All services continue below



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

# THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST LESSON: GENESIS 12:1-8

The LORD had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you.

2 "I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you;
 I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing.
 3 I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse;
 and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

<sup>4</sup> So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran. <sup>5</sup> He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all the possessions they had accumulated and the people they had acquired in Harran, and they set out for the land of Canaan, and they arrived there.

<sup>6</sup> Abram traveled through the land as far as the site of the great tree of Moreh at Shechem. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. <sup>7</sup> The LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built an altar there to the LORD, who had appeared to him.

<sup>8</sup> From there he went on toward the hills east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. There he built an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD.

PSALM 19

MUSIC BY DAVID HAAS

After the refrain is sung once, the congregation is invited to repeat it and sing it as indicated.



The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul;

The Lord's rule is to be trusted, the simple find wisdom. *Refrain* 

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding forever;

The decrees of the Lord are true, all of them just. Refrain

The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart,

The command of the Lord is clear, giving light to the eye. *Refrain* 

They are worth more than gold, than the finest gold,

Sweeter than honey, than honey from the comb. *Refrain* 

# SECOND LESSON: PHILIPPIANS 3:4-11

If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup> circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup> as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless.

<sup>7</sup> But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. <sup>8</sup> What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. <sup>10</sup> I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings,

becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup> and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

## VERSE OF THE DAY



Please stand

GOSPEL: LUKE 14:25-33

Large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: <sup>26</sup> "If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even their own life—such a person cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup> And whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

<sup>28</sup> "Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won't you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it? <sup>29</sup> For if you lay the foundation and are not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule you, <sup>30</sup> saying, 'This person began to build and wasn't able to finish.'

<sup>31</sup> "Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Won't he first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup> If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. <sup>33</sup> In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples."



Please be seated

THE HYMN OF THE DAY..... "Take My Life and Let It Be"

Christian Worship #469



6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At thy feet its treasure store. Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for thee.

THE SERMON ...... Luke 14:25-33

## **True Love Requires Sacrifice**

#### Please stand

#### THE 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.

#### Please be seated

#### THE OFFERING

(We invite you to sign our Friendship Registers in each pew during the offering.)

THE OFFERING PRAYER

Please stand

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

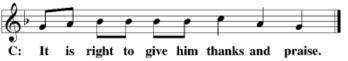
M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



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



M: Praise be 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 forever and ever.

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus



#### 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.



## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



Please be seated

#### DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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 one of the pastors.

## Christian Worship #454

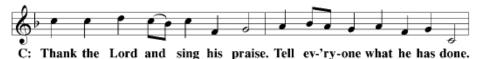


6 Oh, let thy life be spent,
Thy years for me be giv'n,
As I for thee was sent
To bear thee home to heav'n.
I gave my life for thee;
Come, give thy life to me.

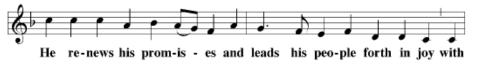
Please stand

# **THANKSGIVING**

#### THANK THE LORD









#### THE CLOSING PRAYER

M: 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.



#### THE BLESSING

M: 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.



Please be seated

THE CLOSING HYMN ...... "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Christian Worship #125



**ALTAR FLOWERS:** This weekend's altar flowers are given by Pete & Sherry Kosovich in honor of their 39<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**LABOR DAY WEEKEND WORSHIP:** A reminder that our Monday night service will move to Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, due to the holiday weekend. Sunday services will still be at 8:00 am & 9:30 am. The Sunday service time will change on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, to 8:00 & 10:30 am.

150TH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE/DINNER: As we are winding down our yearlong 150th Anniversary Celebration — we are planning a special service and dinner. Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 18th for this very special event of "Celebrating God's Blessings for 150 Years". We will hold one service that Sunday at 10 a.m. followed by a celebration meal. There will be a Monday evening service, but it will be a shortened version of the Sunday service. Please RSVP before September 10th by calling 421-1178 or emailing office@stpaulsfranklin.org. There will be a \$10/per family cost to help offset the cost of the meal. There is also sign up sheet and envelopes in the Narthex — please make sure you indicate how many will be attending. We also welcome any memories you would like to share, please send them to the attention of the "Anniversary Committee" to the church address or email to the church office.

ANNIVERSARY CHOIR: St. Paul's is organizing a choir specifically for 150th Anniversary Celebration on September 18. There will be one rehearsal on September 14th at 6:30 p.m. in preparation for the Anniversary Service. Anyone is welcome to join the Anniversary Choir. Any questions? Please contact Marie Becker. Phone: (262)-623-4145 or email: <a href="mailto:mbecker@stpaulsfranklin.org">mbecker@stpaulsfranklin.org</a>.

**ADULT CHOIR:** The Fall Festival choir will begin soon on September 21. Anyone who enjoys singing and praising God with their voice is welcome to join! New and past members are always welcome. No experience is necessary to join the choir, just a positive attitude. If you are worried about making a commitment for the entire year, the choir year is divided into 4 sessions. You can join all 4 sessions or just the session(s) that fit your schedule. The Fall Festival Choir is from September 21 - November 24. Rehearsals are 45 -60 minutes and usually place on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the

month at 6:30 p.m.. Any questions? Please contact Marie Becker. Phone: (262)-623-4145 or email: <a href="mailto:mbecker@stpaulsfranklin.org">mbecker@stpaulsfranklin.org</a>.

sunday mornings, we have been serving coffee and donuts after the services. The coffee has been donated by Kwik Trip, and the donuts have been purchased at a discounted price. We thank them for their generosity. We also thank you for the weekly donations and the continued gifts in the donation bucket that have been covering the cost of the donuts. At this point, we are planning to continue this time of fellowship on a weekly basis. We invite everyone to stay around each week and get to know each other better.

**SUNDAY MORNING REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE:** We would like to put together a committee to serve the Sunday morning refreshments on a weekly basis. It is very easy to do. It involves picking up the donuts at Kwik Trip prior to the 8:00 am service on Sunday morning (they will be ordered and paid for already); making coffee before the services and cleaning up after the services are finished. If interested please sign-up on a sheet located on the counter in the back of church.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL & ADULT BIBLE CLASS BEGIN:** Sunday School and Adult Bible Class will begin on Sunday, September 25 at 9:15 am.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL HELP:** We are in need of some occasional help with teaching Sunday School. If you wish more information, please talk to Pastor Adams.

**ST. PAUL'S YOUTH GROUP:** We continue to work on putting together a youth group here at St. Paul's. In order to help with communication, we ask for the names, addresses, phone numbers and email of all youth (Grades 7-12) who are interested or wish to be placed on an email list. The contact person for the group is Pete Kosovich. His contact information is: (414) 761-7664 or <a href="mailto:pekopete@aol.com">pekopete@aol.com</a>.

"THE STORY" BIBLE CLASS: Our next bible class will be Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. As we continue to look at God's story in the Bible, our lesson focuses on the theme: "The Faith of a Foreign Woman". For those who may not be able to make it on a Saturday, we will be setting up a schedule for the class to be repeated during the week. Watch for a new schedule.

WANTED: GROUP CONFIRMATION PICTURES: Were you (or anyone you know) confirmed at St. Paul's in any of the following years? A parent, grandparent or child? 1989, 1983,1981,1980,1972, 1965, 1962, 1961, 1960, 1959, 1958, 1957, 1955, 1954, 1952, 1951, 1950, 1948, 1943, 1941, 1940, 1939, 1938 or before. If you have a picture but aren't sure of the year, if you know the name of someone in the picture, we can look up the year. Please let Pastor Adams know if you have a picture. It will be scanned and returned to you. Thank You!

WLHS TOUR OF LUTHERLAND: Want to see all of the significant sites of the Lutheran Reformation on a ten-day tour from March 24-April 2, 2017? See more by traveling with like-minded Christians on a wonderful hassle-free, educational, and faith-strengthening experience. For more information, contact Pastor Ken Fisher (ken.fisher@wlhs.org), visit www.wlhs.org/Lutherland2017, or attend an informational meeting on Tuesday, September 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the WLHS atrium.

**ST. PAUL'S GIFT TRUST FUND:** Are you aware of any members of St. Paul's that are pursuing a WELS Teaching or Pastoral degree? The Gift Trust Fund is designed to collect and retain monetary gifts from our members. It is also designed to provide assistance to our members by distributing the interest or earnings. The primary distributions will be focused on Tuition Assistance for any members pursuing the degrees mentioned above. Please let Donn Johnson know if you know someone you think this can help. 414-218-2412.

If you want to see the Tuition Assistance grow, you can add money to this fund in four ways:

- 1. Outright gifts of cash.
- 2. Including "The St. Paul's Gift Trust Fund" as a beneficiary of your insurance, investments and/or Wills and Trusts.
- 3. Coordinating a Qualified Charitable Deduction of your retirement accounts. Required

Minimum Distributions (RMDs), if you are age 70 ½ or older.

4. Establishing Charitable Trusts for income and legacy benefits.

Please contact Donn Johnson if you have a desire to add to this fund or simply need more information. 414-218-2412/Donn44@wi.rr.com

FREE TUTORING AT ST. JOHN'S – OAK CREEK: Free tutoring will be available at St. John's Lutheran Church (6700 S. Howell Ave., Oak Creek) starting on Tuesday evening, September 13th, 6:00 – 7:30 PM. The plan at this time is to meet each Tuesday night after that. Each session will include a free supper (first night is pizza). Our first meeting will be an informational, meet and greet session. It will give interested individuals the opportunity to meet our tutors and find out what we plan to offer. Tutoring will be available for children ages from first grade through senior in high school but also adult learners interested in English as a Second Language (ESL). We will do our best to accommodate all tutoring needs and requests. Some of the subject areas include: reading, math, social studies, Spanish, financial budgeting/advice and ESL.

## **Volunteers**

## **GREETERS THIS WEEK (September 4 & 6)**

8:00 AM – Roger Buntrock

9:30 AM - John & Karen Milazzo; Cameron, Trevor, Logan & Kendall

6:30 PM - Richard & Kathy Hinz

## **GREETERS NEXT WEEK (September 11 & 12)**

8:00 AM - Terry & Linda Ganyo

9:30 AM - Jean Villwock

**6:30 PM** – Donna LaBlanc

#### **USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER**

8:00 AM – TEAM #1 – Bob Hille, Larry Stujenske, Josh Ebeling, Philip Becker 9:30 AM/10:30 AM – TEAM #5 – Mark Klein, Chris Klein, Bob Dittrich, Gary Eickhorst, Todd Grunze, Dan Mertz, Brett Abramowski 6:30 PM – TEAM #9 – Curt Stellwagen, Dave Long, Max Grueneberg

### **ALTAR GUILD:**

Aug 31-Sept 6 – TEAM #1 – Sherry Kosovich, Beverly Garves, Karen Hille Sept 7-13 – TEAM #1 – Sherry Kosovich, Beverly Garves, Connie Myer

#### GRASS CUTTING:

Sept 7-10 – TEAM #3 – Dave Qualmann Sept 14-17 – TEAM #4 – Jerry Lehtinen and Gary Tosic

# The Weekly Schedule

Sunday, September 4  Worship Service with Communion	
Monday, September 5 Labor Day NO SCHOOL/NO WC	ORSHIP
Tuesday, September 6 Worship Service with Communion	:30 PM :30 PM
Thursday, September 8 Preschool/Junior Kindergarten Parent Orientation (in church)6:	:30 PM
Saturday, September 10  Bible Class8:	:00 AM
Sunday, September 4  Worship Service with Communion	:00 AM :30 AM

#### Statistics – Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 AM – 89, 9:30 AM – 131, 6:30 PM – 66 Total Attendance – 286