

11th Sunday After Pentecost

August 24th & 25th, 2014



Welcome in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ! We are happy to have you with us. We pray that your worship will be enriched and blessed by the Word of God. Restrooms are located in the hallway off the west side of the sanctuary. We also ask that you sign one of our Friendship Registers which are located in each of the pews. Please come and worship with us again!

Our Worship Service

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WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN “O Word of God Incarnate”
Christian Worship #279

1 O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom
2 The Church from you, dear Mas - ter, Re - ceived the
3 Oh, make your Church, dear Sav - ior, A lamp of

from on high, O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O
gift di - vine, And still that light is lift - ed O'er
bur - nished gold To bear be - fore the na - tions Your

Light of our dark sky, We praise you for the
all the earth to shine. It is the chart and
true light, as of old. Oh, teach your wan - d'ring

ra - diance That from the hal - lowed page, A lan - tern
com - pass That, all life's jour - ney through, Mid mists and
pil - grims By this their path to trace Till, clouds and

to our foot - steps, Shines on from age to age.
rocks and quick - sands Still guides, O Christ, to you.
dark - ness end - ed, They see you face to face.

Text: William W. How, 1823–97, adapt., alt.
Tune: MUNICH (76 76 D) *Neu-vermehrtes . . . Gesangbuch*, 3rd ed., Meiningen, 1693, alt.

Please Stand

THE INVOCATION

P: 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.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

P: God, our heavenly Father has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -
ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -
ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -
ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. O God, you reveal your mighty power chiefly in showing mercy and kindness. Grant us the full measure of your grace that we may obtain your promises and become partakers of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

Please be Seated

THE FIRST LESSON..... Proverbs 9:9-10

We cannot and are not going to find wisdom, understanding, and lasting happiness aside from the Lord. The words of our first lesson summarize the first nine chapters of Proverbs.

⁹Instruct a wise man and he will be wiser still; teach a righteous man and he will add to his learning. ¹⁰"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

THE PSALM OF THE DAY..... Psalm 111

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Refrain
Sing to the Lord a new song, for
he has done mar - vel - ous things.

Psalm tone *

Great are the works of the LORD;*
they are pondered by all who delight in them.
Glorious and majestic are his deeds,*
and his righteousness endures forever.
He has caused his wonders to be remembered;*
the LORD is gracious and compassionate.

Refrain

The works of his hands are faithful and just;*
all his precepts are trustworthy.

Psalm continues on next page

He provided redemption for his people;^{*}
he ordained his covenant forever.
The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;^{*}
all who follow his precepts have good understanding.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son^{*}
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,^{*}
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain



Sing to the Lord a new song, for
he has done mar - vel - ous things.

Psalm tone

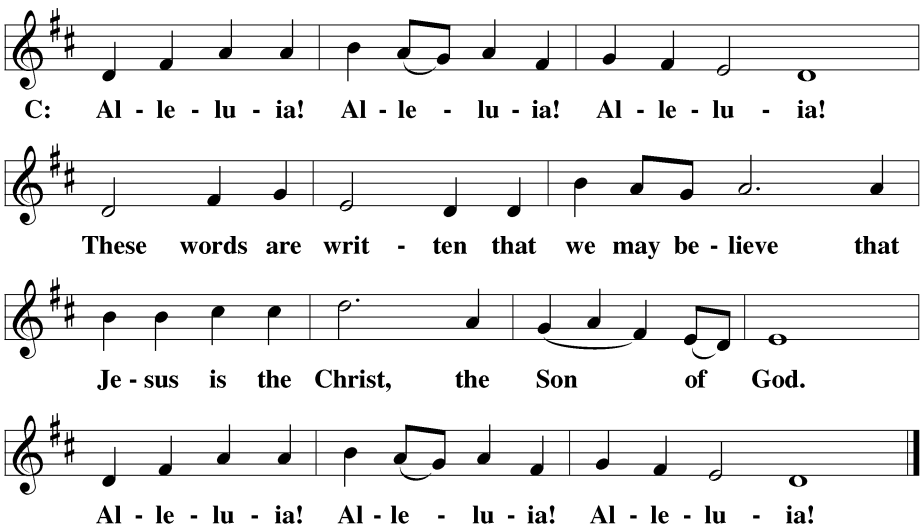


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THE SECOND LESSON..... 1Corinthians 1:18-25
The greatest of scholars today will never find God or understand him if he depends on his own intellect or learning. God has decreed it be so.

¹⁸For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate." ²⁰Where is the wise man? Where is the scholar? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe. ²²Jews demand miraculous signs and Greeks look for wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For the foolishness of God is wiser than man's wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than man's strength.

VERSE OF THE DAY
P: Alleluia. Jesus replied, "If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him." Alleluia. (John 14:23)



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Please Stand

THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 12:39-42
God's wisdom is greater than any wisdom of this world. It is greater than even Solomon.

³⁹He answered, "A wicked and adulterous generation asks for a miraculous sign! But none will be given it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. ⁴⁰For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of a huge fish, so the Son of Man will be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. ⁴¹The men of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and now one greater than Jonah is here. ⁴²The Queen of the South will rise at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for she came from the ends of the earth to listen to Solomon's wisdom, and now one greater than Solomon is here.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be Seated

CHILDREN’S TALK 9:30 AM

THE HYMN OF THE DAY “You Are the Way; through You Alone”
Christian Worship #356



1 You are the way; through you a - lone Can
2 You are the truth; your Word a - lone True
3 You are the life; the emp - ty tomb Pro -
4 You are the way, the truth, the life; Grant



we the Fa - ther find; In you, O Christ, has
wis - dom can im - part. You on - ly can in -
claims your con - qu'ring arm, And those who put their
us that way to know, That truth to keep, that



God re - vealed His heart and will and mind.
form the mind And pu - ri - fy the heart.
trust in you Not death nor hell shall harm.
life to win Whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

Text: George W. Doane, 1799–1859, alt.
Tune: DUNDEE (CM) *The CL Psalms of David*, Edinburgh, 1615.

THE SERMON Proverbs 9:9-10
Wisdom for Living – It Begins With Fear

Please Stand

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was**

**buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended
into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he
will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the
forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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

THE PRAYERS

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.**

Please be Seated

CONGREGATION HYMN “I Know My Faith Is Founded”
Christian Worship #403



1 I know my faith is found - ed On Je - sus
2 In - crease my faith, dear Sav - ior, For Sa - tan
3 In faith, Lord, let me serve you; Though per - se -



Christ, my God and Lord; And this my faith con -
seeks by night and day To rob me of this
cu - tion, grief, and pain Should seek to o - ver -

Hymn continues on next page

fess - ing, Un - moved I stand up - on his Word. Man's
 trea - sure And take my hope of bliss a - way. But,
 overwhelm me, Let me a stead - fast trust re - tain. And

rea - son can - not fath - om The truth of God pro -
 Lord, with you be - side me I shall be un - dis -
 then at my de - par - ture, Lord, take me home to

found; Who trusts in world - ly wis - dom Re - lies on
 mayed; And led by your good Spir - it, I shall be
 you, And let me there in - her - it All you have

shift - ing ground. God's Word is all - suf - fi - cient,
 un - a - fraid. A - bide with me, O Sav - ior,
 prom - ised me. In life and death, Lord, keep me

It makes di - vine - ly sure, And, trust - ing
 A firm - er faith be - stow. Then I shall
 Un - til your heav'n I gain, Where I by

in its wis - dom, My faith shall rest se - cure.
 bid de - fi - ance To ev - 'ry e - vil foe.
 your great mer - cy The end of faith at - tain.

Text: Erdmann Neumeister, 1671–1756; tr. composite.
 Tune: NUN LOB, MEIN SEEL (78 78 76 76 76 76) *Concentus novi*, Augsburg, 1540, alt.

Please Stand

P: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

THE BENEDICTION

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.

C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

Please be Seated

THE CLOSING HYMN“Abide, O Dearest Jesus” *Christian Worship # 333*

1 A - bide, O dear - est Je - sus, A - mong us
 2 A - bide, O dear Re - deem - er, A - mong us
 3 A - bide with heav'n - ly bright - ness A - mong us,
 4 A - bide with rich - est bless - ings A - mong us,
 5 A - bide with your pro - tec - tion A - mong us,

with your grace That Sa - tan may not
 with your Word And thus now and here -
 pre - cious Light; Your truth di - rect and
 boun - teous Lord; Let us in grace and
 Lord, our Strength, Lest world and Sa - tan

harm us Nor we to sin give place.
 af - ter True peace and joy af - ford.
 keep us From er - ror's gloom - y night.
 wis - dom Grow dai - ly through your Word.
 fell us And ov - er - come at length.

Hymn continues on next page

6 Abide, O faithful Savior,
Among us with your love;
Grant steadfastness and help us
To reach our home above.

Text: Josua Stegmann, 1588–1632; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.
Tune: CHRISTUS, DER IST MEIN LEBEN (76 76) Melchior Vulpius, c. 1570–1615, alt.

Worship Participants

Liturgist and Preacher.....Pastor Brian Adams
PianistMs. Louise Nagel

Announcements

PASTOR CALL PROCESS UPDATE: The Church Council, in consultation with the Board of Elders, continues to move forward with the process of replacing Pastor Sternberg. The Board and Council are preparing for a meeting with District President Rutschow scheduled for Tuesday August 26. This meeting will help us clarify our congregation’s mission, strengths, weaknesses, and pastoral needs. It also serves to assist Pastor Rutschow when it comes time for him to prepare a call list for our consideration. The pastoral calling process requires the District President to identify men possessing the necessary qualifications that meet the needs of St. Paul’s. As you can imagine, this process takes time. The Church Council and the Board of Elders seek to keep you informed each step of the way and welcome your thoughts and prayers. We can rest in the confidence that through the Holy Spirit’s guidance, the process will ultimately lead the correct man to accept the call, joining the ministry of St. Paul’s and helping us carry out our mission of “reaching out to the people of the world through Worship and Education by Living and Sharing the Gospel of Christ.”

NEW SERMON SERIES: This weekend, we will begin a new series titled: “*Wisdom for Living*.” It is based on texts found in the book of Proverbs. Solomon, the author of the book of Proverbs, is often referred to as the wisest man ever. Come and listen to the words of Wisdom that he shares with his readers. The themes for the coming weeks are:
Wisdom for Living: It begins with fear (Prov. 9:9-10)
Wisdom for Living: It guards our tongue (Prov. 15:1-8)
Wisdom for Living: It gives us direction (Prov. 16:1-9)
Wisdom for Living: It brings Discipline (Prov. 3:11-12)
Wisdom for Living: It cheers a crushed spirit (Prov. 17:22)

SCHOOL BEGINS: Monday, August 25th begins a new school year for our Preschool – Eighth Grade. We wish all our staff, parents and students the Lord’s blessings as we begin another year.

NO SCHOOL: There is no school on Friday, August 29th. Enjoy the Labor Day Weekend!

ORGAN CONCERT: On September 14 & 15, organist Charles Bonow will be presenting a worship/concert service during our regular service times. This service/concert will begin with a devotion based on the Word of God followed by Scripture readings entwined with organ solos and congregational singing of our well-loved hymns of faith. Everyone is invited to join us on that weekend. Charles Bonow, a former pastor in our Wisconsin Synod, now has as his ministry the presentation of his service concerts in our churches each Sunday in all parts of our country. The presentation of these service concerts is Charles Bonow’s life’s work and the means of support for himself and his family. A free-will offering for the Bonow family will be received following the service. Charles Bonow also is looking for a place to stay on that weekend. If there is anyone who would be able to offer him a place that he could stay that weekend, please talk to Pastor Adams.

CALLING ALL SPORT ENTHUSIASTS: As the summer is in full swing and the back to school commercials are starting to appear, planning for the school year is also in full swing. If you are interested in coaching or helping out with our sports teams please contact Nathan Schulmeister. We offer girls volleyball, soccer, cross country, basketball (multiple levels), and possibly softball this coming year. Nathan can be reached at school 414-421-1930 or by email nschulmeister@stpaulsfranklin.org. Thank you and GO HORNETS!

OFFERING COUNTERS: We are in need of a few additional offering counters. If you are available on Mondays from 8:00 a.m. until about 10:30 a.m. and are interested in helping, please contact Don Gebert at (414)425-5041.

LABOR DAY WEEKEND WORSHIP: The service on Monday, September 1, will be moved to Tuesday, September 2, due to the holiday weekend.

Volunteers

GREETERS THIS WEEK (8/24& 25):
8:00 AM - John & Barb Migacz
9:30 AM - Roberto & Kendra Matus; Mara, Caleb
6:30 PM - Richard & Kathy Hinz

GREETERS NEXT WEEK (8/30 &:31)

8:00 AM- Corrine Mayer
9:30 AM- Tim & Denise Rasmussen; Abigail & Anne
6:30 PM- Donna LaBlanc

CLEANING CREWS:

August 26- Crew #11- *Pete & Sherry Kosovich*; Todd & Lynn Barnhardt Family, Roger Buntrock, Tom & Marilyn Drews, Cheryl Connor, Caleb & Rachel Manske, Corinne Mayer, John Prochnow, Randy & Gaylyn Raduenz
September 2- Crew #12-*Mark & Kristine Riel*; Pastor & Nancy Adams, Philip & Marie Becker, Patricia Krizan Family, John & Karen Milazzo, Heather Schmidt, Nathan Schulmeister, Lyle & Christie Timm , Randy & Nancy Willms

USHERS FOR AUGUST:

8:00 AM TEAM #4 – Pete Kosovich, Craig Gebert, Matt Gebert, Gordy Lesser
9:30 AM TEAM #8 – Mike Destrampe, David Destrampe, Daniel Destrampe, Paul Larsen
6:30 PM TEAM #9 – Curt Stellwagon, Dave Long, Max Gruenberg

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER:

8:00 AM TEAM #1- Bob Hille, Larry Stujenske, Andy Nazimek, Josh Ebeling, Philip Becker
10:30 AM TEAM #5-Mark Klein, Chris Klein, Bob Dittrich, Gary Eickhorst, Todd Grunze, Dan Mertz, Brett Abamowski
6:30 PM TEAM #9-Curt Stellwagon, Dave Long, Max Gruenberg

ALTAR GUILD:

Aug 20-Sept 2 Team #4- Marge Gebert, Marilyn Krueger, Renate Nazimek
Sept 3-9 Team #1- Sherry Kosovich, Gale Bartow, Beverly Garves

GRASS CUTTING:

Aug 27-30- Gordy Lesser
Sept 3-6- Frank Krajewski

The Weekly Schedule

Sunday, August 24th

Worship Service8:00 AM
Worship Service9:30 AM

Monday, August 25th

School Begins.....8:15 AM
Worship Service 6:30 PM

Tuesday, August 26th

Church Council/Board of Elders Meeting 6:30 PM

Friday, August 29th

No School

Sunday, August 31st

Worship Service8:00 AM
Worship Service9:30 AM

Statistics - Last Week

Worship Attendance: 8:00 AM –89, Communed 70; 9:30 AM –118, Communed 86;
6:30 PM –42, Communed 40; Total Attendance – 249; Total Communed 196