

# Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

## August 30 & 31, 2015



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

#### Divine Service 1

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#### WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN .....“Speak , O Savior; I Am Listening”  
*Christian Worship #283*



1 Speak, O Sav - ior; I am lis - t'ning, As a ser - vant  
2 Oh, what bless - ing to be near you And to lis - ten  
3 Lord, your words are wa - ters liv - ing Where I quench my  
4 As I pray, dear Je - sus, hear me; Let your words in



to his lord. Let me show re - spect and hon - or  
to your voice! Let me ev - er love and fear you;  
thirst - y needs. Lord, your words are bread life - giv - ing;  
me take root. May your Spir - it e'er be near me

*Hymn continues on next page*



To your ho - ly, pre - cious Word, That each day, my  
Let your Word still be my choice. Man - y hard - ened  
On your words my spir - it feeds. Lord, your words will  
That I bear a - bun - dant fruit. May I dai - ly



whole life through, I may serve and fol - low  
sin - ners, Lord, Flee in ter - ror at your  
be my light Through death's cold and drear - y  
sing your praise, From my heart glad an - them



you. Let your Word e'er be my plea - sure  
Word, But to all who feel sin's bur - den  
night; Yes, they are my sword pre - vail - ing  
raise, Till my high - est praise is giv - en



And my heart's most pre - cious trea - sure.  
You give peace and words of par - don.  
And my cup of joy un - fail - ing.  
In the end - less joy of heav - en.

Text: Anna Sophia of Hesse-Darmstadt, 1638-83, abr.; tr. composite.  
Tune: WERDE MÜNTER (87 87 77 88) Johann Schop, c. 1590-1667.

*Please Stand*

#### THE INVOCATION

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

**C:** *(spoken)* Amen.

#### THE CONFESSION OF SINS

**P:** Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**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.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

*Kyrie*

Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us. A - men.

**P:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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 and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** *(spoken)* Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

GLORY BE TO GOD

*Gloria in Excelsis*

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! Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. 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, re - ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. 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. Glo-ry to God in the

high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God!

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** *(spoken)* And also with you.

**P:** Let us pray: Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** *(spoken)* Amen.

*Please be Seated*

## THE FIRST LESSON..... Joshua 24:1,2a,14-18

*Joshua calls to those who have been richly fed by the life-giving Word of the Lord and who have seen in God's mighty and saving acts his faithfulness to that Word. In view of all that they have heard and seen, he urges them to a public confession of loyalty to that Word in a hostile world. For not all of the heathen had yet been driven out; even among the Israelites there were still the faithless. Faithfulness to him in the midst of godlessness and apostasy remains the only appropriate response of God's people to his saving Word and works.*

<sup>24:1</sup> Then Joshua assembled all the tribes of Israel at Shechem. He summoned the elders, leaders, judges and officials of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. <sup>2</sup> Joshua said to all the people, <sup>14</sup> “Now fear the LORD and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your forefathers worshiped beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. <sup>15</sup> But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your forefathers served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.” <sup>16</sup> Then the people answered, “Far be it from us to forsake the LORD to serve other gods! <sup>17</sup> It was the LORD our God himself who brought us and our fathers up out of Egypt, from that land of slavery, and performed those great signs before our eyes. He protected us on our entire journey and among all the nations through which we traveled. <sup>18</sup> And the LORD drove out before us all the nations, including the Amorites, who lived in the land. We too will serve the LORD, because he is our God.”

## THE PSALM OF THE DAY ..... Psalm 71

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*Refrain*

Bless-ed are they who hope, who hope in the Lord.


*Psalm tone*

In you, O LORD, I have taken refuge;<sup>\*</sup>  
let me never be put to shame.  
Rescue me and deliver me in your righteousness;<sup>\*</sup>  
turn your ear to me and save me.

*Psalm continues on next page*

Be my rock of refuge to which I can always go;\*  
For you are my rock and my fortress.

Refrain



Bless-ed are they who hope, who hope in the Lord.

Psalm tone



Since my youth, O God, you have taught me,\*  
and to this day I declare your marvelous deeds.  
Even when I am old and gray,\*  
do not forsake me, O God,  
till I declare your power to the next generation,\*  
your might to all who are to come.

**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

**THE SECOND LESSON.....Ephesians 5:21-31**

*We follow after and cling to the Word of the Lord, no matter what the flesh says and no matter what the world says. For by the miracle of baptism, he has made us spotless and holy. In love and gratitude to him for his grace, we embrace all that he has said and shun the rebellion that would make us unholy and separate us from him.*

<sup>21</sup> Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. <sup>22</sup> Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord. <sup>23</sup> For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. <sup>24</sup> Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything. <sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved

the church and gave himself up for her <sup>26</sup> to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, <sup>27</sup> and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. <sup>28</sup> In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup> After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the church — <sup>30</sup> for we are members of his body. <sup>31</sup> “For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.”

**VERSE OF THE DAY**

**P:** Alleluia. Jesus Christ has destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Alleluia. (1Timothy 1:10b cf. NIV)

Please Stand

**THE GOSPEL LESSON..... John 6:60-69**



Glo-ry be to you, O Lord! Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

*Those who refused the saving food and divine wisdom offered in the Word go away from Jesus grumbling. Jesus' response is sorrow at their departure. But that sorrow does not move him to compromise the truth; for he continues by boldly confessing equally difficult truths about his coming triumph. The Spirit who gives life by the bread of life prompts the likewise bold confession from Peter to the divine person and work of the Savior. That beautiful confession, inspired by the Word and based upon it, comes at a moment when friends had gone away—a tribute to the effectiveness of the Word in the face of what must have been very painful opposition.*

<sup>60</sup> On hearing it, many of his disciples said, “This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?” <sup>61</sup> Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, “Does this offend you? <sup>62</sup> What if you see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before! <sup>63</sup> The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life. <sup>64</sup> Yet there are some of you who do not believe.” For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. <sup>65</sup> He went on to say, “This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled him.” <sup>66</sup> From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him. <sup>67</sup> “You do not want to leave

too, do you?” Jesus asked the Twelve. <sup>68</sup> Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. <sup>69</sup> We believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”



Praise be to you, O Christ! Praise be to you, O Christ!

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 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



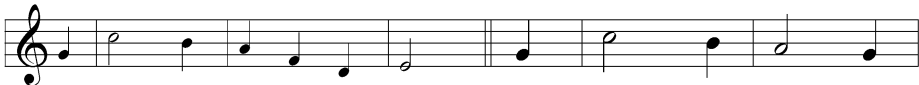
God re - vealed His heart and will and mind.  
form the mind And pu - ri - fy the heart.  
trust in you Not death nor hell shall harm.  
life to win Whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

THE SERMON ..... Joshua 24:1-2a; 14-18

“Choose Whom You Will Serve!”

Please Stand

CREATE IN ME



Cre - ate in me a



pure heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with -



in me. Do not cast me a - way from your



pres - ence or take your Ho - ly Spir - it from



me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -



hold, up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

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

Musical score for the hymn "I Know My Faith Is Founded" (Christian Worship #403). The score is in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. It consists of four staves of music with corresponding lyrics. The lyrics are: 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 - 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

Hymn continues on next page

Musical score for the offering prayer. The score is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music with corresponding lyrics. The lyrics are: 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 76) *Concentus novi*, Augsburg, 1540, alt.

Please stand

CLOSING PRAYER

P: Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: *(spoken)* Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

P: 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: *(spoken)* Amen.

Please be seated


THE CLOSING HYMN ..... “Oh, Blest the House, Whate’er Befall”  
Christian Worship #506



1 Oh, blest the house, what - e'er be - fall, Where Je - sus  
2 Oh, blest that house where faith you find And all with -  
3 Oh, blest the par - ents who give heed Un - to their  
4 Blest such a house; it pros - pers well. In peace and  
5 Then here will I and mine to - day A sol - emn



Christ is all in all! A home that is not whol -  
in have set their mind To trust their God and serve  
chil - dren's fore - most need And wea - ry not of care  
joy the par - ents dwell, And in their chil - dren's lives  
pro - mise make and say: Though all the world for - sake



ly his— How sad and poor and dark it is!  
him still And do in all his ho - ly will.  
or cost. May none to them and heav'n be lost!  
is shown How rich - ly God can bless his own.  
his Word, I and my house will serve the Lord!

Text: Christoph C. L. von Pfeil, 1715–84, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, st. 1-2, 4-5, alt;  
*Evangelical Lutheran Hymnal*, Columbus, OH, 1880, st. 3, alt.  
Tune: WO GOTT ZUM HAUS (LM) Klug, *Geistliche Lieder auff's new gebessert*, Wittenberg, 1535.

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Worship Participants

Liturgist and Preacher ..... Pastor Brian Adams  
Organist ..... Mrs. Marie Becker

Announcements

**HOSPITALIZED:** Paul Larsen – St. Luke’s.

**LABOR DAY WEEKEND WORSHIP SCHEDULE:** Just a reminder that the worship services for Labor Day weekend are as follows: Sunday (September 6) – 8:00 & 9:30am; Tuesday (September 8) at 6:30pm. The Sunday Worship times change to 8:00am & 10:30am on September 13<sup>th</sup>.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE:** We are in the process of updating the church directory. If your address, telephone, email information, etc. has changed since the last directory was printed about 2 years ago, please either call (421-1178) or email the office ([office@stpaulsfranklin.org](mailto:office@stpaulsfranklin.org)) with the current information. We would also like to update the directory information with children who may no longer reside at home or are away at school. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

**CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF GOD’S GRACE – 1865-2015:** We are excited to kick off a yearlong celebration of God’s blessings at St. Paul’s by recognizing our “Past.....Present.....Future”.

Since our congregation officially began on September 21, 1865 – we will start with our ‘past’ by celebrating Heritage Day on September 20th. Heritage Day will display some history and fun facts of St. Paul’s starting in 1865. We hope you’ll join us as we turn back the clock with games, food and fellowship.

During the year we’ll focus on how St. Paul’s has grown from its humble beginnings in the farm fields of Franklin. We’ll recognize and remember past members and events that helped shape St. Paul’s.

As we look to the future and passing along our Christian heritage to the next generation, one of our celebration-long goals is to raise funds towards the purchase of a new organ.

There will be much more information about this yearlong celebration coming in the future.  
150th Committee Members: Nancy Adams, Dawn Brightsman, Jane Koplein, Sherry Kosovich, Theresa Mess, Chris Romeis, Carolyn Streeter.

**HERITAGE DAY-150<sup>TH</sup> ST. PAUL’S CELEBRATION:** Join us as we kick off our 150<sup>th</sup> celebration with Heritage Day, Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup> from noon-3:00 pm! Celebrate our past as we “turn back the clock” to 1865 with a special worship service and an old fashioned church picnic complete with games, entertainment and fellowship.

To defray some of the costs, we are asking for a \$10 per family contribution. To sign up for the picnic, please use the envelopes on the counter in the narthex. Please sign up no later than September 8<sup>th</sup>. You may also pay \$12 per family the day of the picnic.

Keeping with tradition of a church picnic of the past, we ask that you bring a dish to pass. Beans, potato salad, your favorite casserole, dessert, and fruit are some suggestions. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. We will provide spanferkel (pig roast) and beverages.

**2<sup>ND</sup> PASTOR CALL:** On Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, St. Paul’s extended a Divine Call to Pastor Jason Schmidt to serve as a second pastor at St. Paul’s. Pastor Schmidt graduated from Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in 2002. He currently serves as an Associated Pastor at St. Mark’s Lutheran Church in Citrus Heights, California. St. Mark’s is a congregation with just over 700 souls. Pastor Schmidt has also served congregations in Bremerton, Washington and South Shore, South Dakota. He is married and they have 4 children. Please keep Pastor Schmidt in your prayers. His contact information is: 916-966-1619 (home) or 916-961-7891 (office) and [jschmidt@stmarkslutheran.com](mailto:jschmidt@stmarkslutheran.com).

**PLEASE JOIN US AND RING FOR ST. PAUL’S SR. HANDBELL CHOIR:** Thank you to all who volunteered last year in our choir and we hope you can join us again. Whether you’ve played in St. Paul’s School Handbell Choir, in another choir or are completely new to handbells, we hope to see you in the front of church on Thursday, September 10 at 6:30 for the first practice of the year. We have ways to help with eye sight issues in reading music, lack of experience with music or even fear of getting up in front of the congregation to play. We hope congregation members of any skill level will pray and consider this area of service so we can have a full choir again this year to ring praises for our Lord. For more information, questions or to join, contact Kristal Young, [kristal@kristalcleargraphics.com](mailto:kristal@kristalcleargraphics.com), 414-325-6976.

**PLEASE CHECK YOUR MAILBOXES:** In case you didn’t know, there are now “mailboxes” for the members of St. Paul’s along the hallway between the entrance of the outdoor courtyard and the future office area. Please check them for any information that may be distributed in them. Thank you.

**FUTURE PASTOR’S OFFICES:** We will soon be starting construction on new offices for the Pastors. The cost to complete this project will be approximately \$18,000. To date we have received \$6085.00. This work will be done with our own people including rough carpentry, drywall, insulation, painting, suspended ceilings and floor covering. If you are able to help financially in addition to your weekly offering, please place in separate envelopes stating “New Pastor’s Offices”. You may drop off your contribution in the school office, put it into the

collection plate, or give it to Pastor Adams. If you have any questions, please contact Mark Derouin (414) 881-8944 or Bob Hille (414) 427-6106.

**FALL WOMEN’S RETREAT:** Time- A blessing and a curse. All of us have been given time here in this world. How are you using your time? Dwelling on the past? Missing the present or only living for the here and now? Or are you dreaming about the future? This year’s Women’s Retreat hosted at Divine Peace Lutheran Church (3203 S. 76<sup>th</sup> St. Milwaukee) on October 10<sup>th</sup> will focus on the well known verse from the Old Testament book of Ecclesiastes, “*There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven.*” Spend the day immersed in the Word of God to help bring focus and peace to your daily life. For more information and to register visit: <http://PHM1Six.org>.

## Volunteers

**GREETERS THIS WEEK (August 30 & 31)**  
8:00 AM-Jacque & Doreen Vallier  
9:30 AM-Charles & Sharie Snyder  
6:30 PM –Richard & Kathy Hinz

**GREETERS NEXT WEEK (September 6 & 7)**  
8:00 AM-Randy & Nancy Willms  
9:30 AM-Tammy Sunjic; Simun  
6:30 PM-Donna LaBlanc

**USHERS FOR AUGUST:**  
8:00 AM TEAM #4-Pete Kosovich, Craig Gebert, Matt Gebert, Gordy Lesser  
9:30 AM TEAM #8-David Destrampe, Daniel Destrampe, Paul Larsen  
6:30 PM TEAM #9-Curt Stellwagen, Dave Long, Max Grueneberg

**USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER:**  
8:00 AM TEAM #1-Bob Hille, Lary Stujenski, Josh Ebeling, Philip Becker  
9:30 AM TEAM #5-Mark Klein, Chris Klein, Bob Dittrich, Gary Eickhorst, Todd Grunze, Dan Mertz, Brett Abramowski  
6:30 PM TEAM #9 Curt Stellwaen, Dave Long, Max Grueneberg

**ALTAR GUILD:**  
August 19-September 1 TEAM #2-Jane Koplein, Karen Hille, Kelly Cannistra  
September 2-15 TEAM #3-Jane Koplein, Carol Wilms

**GRASS CUTTING SCHEDULE**  
Aug. 26-29 Crew #1: Gordy Lesser



Sept. 2-5 Crew #2 Jerry Lehtinen, Gary Totic  
Sept. 9-12 Crew #3 Dave Qualmann  
Sept. 16-19 Crew #4 Frank and Sam Krajewski  
Sept. 23-26 Crew #1 Gordy Lesser

The Weekly Schedule

Sunday, August 30

Worship Service ..... 8:00 AM  
Worship Service ..... 9:30 AM

Monday, August 31

Worship Service.....6:30 PM

Tuesday, September 1

Pastor Circuit Meeting (East Troy)..... 10:00 AM

Thursday, September 3

School Devotion..... 8:00 AM  
Adult Bible Information Class .....6:30 PM

Friday, September 4

NO SCHOOL

Sunday, August 30

Worship Service with Communion ..... 8:00 AM  
Worship Service with Communion ..... 9:30 AM

Statistics – Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 am-91, Communed-n/a  
9:30 am- 117, Communed-n/a  
6:30 pm-41, Communed-n/a  
Total Attendance 249, Total Communed-n/a  
Sunday School-n/a; Bible Class-n/a