Seventh Sunday of Easter May 17th 8:00 am & May 18th 6:30 pm



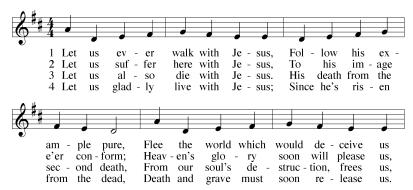
Welcome in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ! We are happy to have you with us. We pray that your worship will be enriched and blessed by the Word of God. Restrooms are located in the hallway off the west side of the sanctuary. We also ask that you sign one of our Friendship Registers which are located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

Our Worship Service

The Common Service with Communion-8:00 am & 6:30 pm Christian Worship p. 15

WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" Christian Worship #452



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Text: Sigmund von Birken, 1626–81; tr. J. Adam Rimbach, 1871–1941, alt. Tune: LASSET UNS MIT JESU ZIEHEN (87 87 877) Georg G. Boltze, 18th century, alt.

Please Stand

THE INVOCATION

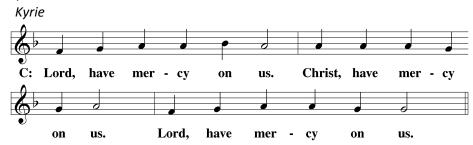
P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



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



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.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

GLORY BE TO GOD

Gloria in Excelsis



THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Let us pray: Almighty God, you see that we have no power to defend ourselves. Guard and keep us both outwardly and inwardly from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be Seated

THE FIRST LESSON......Acts 1:15-26

The eleven disciples select a replacement for Judas. Under God's direction, they reform themselves as a full company of twelve while they wait to begin their work as witnesses of the resurrection.

¹⁵ In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty) ¹⁶ and said, "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled which the Holy Spirit spoke long ago through the mouth of David concerning Judas, who served as guide for those who arrested Jesus — ¹⁷ he was one of our number and shared in this ministry." ¹⁸ (With the reward he got for his wickedness, Judas bought a field; there he fell headlong, his body burst open and all his intestines spilled out. ¹⁹ Everyone in Jerusalem heard about this, so they called that field in their language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰ "For," said Peter, "it is written in the book of Psalms," 'May his place be deserted; let there be no one to dwell in it,' and," 'May another take his place of leadership.' ²¹ Therefore it is necessary to choose one of the men who have been with us the whole time the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²² beginning from John's baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us. For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection." ²³ So they proposed two men: Joseph called Barsabbas (also known as Justus) and Matthias. ²⁴ Then they prayed, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which of these two you have chosen ²⁵ to take over this

apostolic ministry, which Judas left to go where he belongs." ²⁶ Then they cast lots, and the lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the eleven apostles.





O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in <u>all</u> the earth!*

You have set your glory above the <u>heav</u>ens.

When I consider your <u>heav</u>ens,*

the work of your fingers,

what is man that you are mindful of him,*

the Son of Man that you care for him?

Refrain

You made him a little lower than the heavenly <u>beings</u>* and crowned him with glory and <u>hon</u>or.

You made him ruler over the works <u>of</u> your hands;* you put everything under his feet.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the beginning,* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

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We bear witness to, rely on, and live in the God who is love. It is only right, therefore, that we love one another. If we do not, then we do not love God nor truly show his love for us.

¹³ We know that we live in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴ And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. ¹⁵ If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him and he in God. ¹⁶ And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him. ¹⁷ In this way, love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the Day of Judgment, because in this world we are like him. ¹⁸ There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. ¹⁹ We love because he first loved us. ²⁰ If anyone says, "I love God," yet hates his brother, he is a liar. For anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love God, whom he has not seen. ²¹ And he has given us this command: Whoever loves God must also love his brother.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. I will not leave you as orphans: I will come to you. Alleluia.



ANTHEM....."The Potter's Hand"

Sung by St. Paul's Faculty/Staff

Beautiful Lord, wonderful Savior,

I know for sure all of my days are held in your hand,

Crafted into your perfect plan.

You gently call me into your presence, guiding my by your Holy Spirit.

Teach me, dear Lord, to live all of my life through your eyes.

I'm captured by your Holy calling.

Set me apart, I know you're drawing me to yourself.

Lead me, Lord, I pray.

Take me, mold me, use me, fill me. I give my life to the Potter's hand.

Call me, guide me, lead me, walk beside me.

I give my life to the Potter's hand, the Potter's hand.

You gently call me and guide me by your Holy Spirit.

Teach me, dear Lord, to live all of my life through your eyes.

I'm captured by your Holy calling. Set me apart,

I know you're drawing me to yourself.

Lead me, Lord, I pray, I pray.

Take me, mold me, use me, fill me.

I give my life to the Potter's hand.

Call me, guide me, lead me, walk beside me.

I give my life to the Potter's hand, the Potter's hand, the Potter's hand.

Please Stand



Our High Priest prays for his disciples as he looks ahead to the time when he will no longer be with them. He asks that the Father would protect them and set them apart as his own. The tool by which he will do that is the Word.

¹¹ Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name—the name you gave me—so that they may be one as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled. ¹³ "I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them. ¹⁴ I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. ¹⁵ My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. ¹⁷ Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.



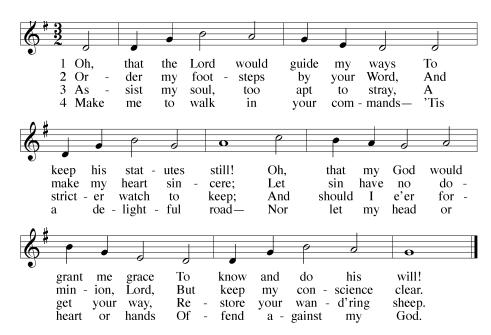
THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

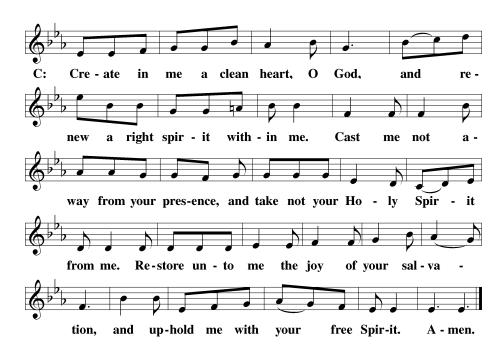
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate 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



Please Stand



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.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Lift up your hearts



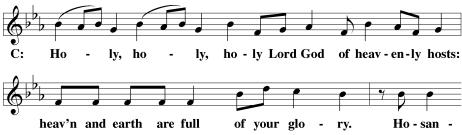
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

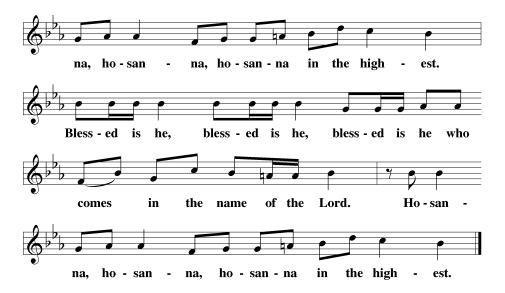


P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, and we praise you especially for the glorious resurrection of you Son, the true Passover Lamb, who by his sacrifice took away the sins of the world and by his resurrection restored everlasting life. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY







WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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."

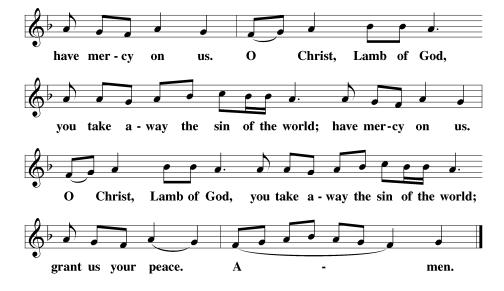
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD





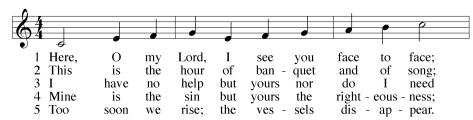
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DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

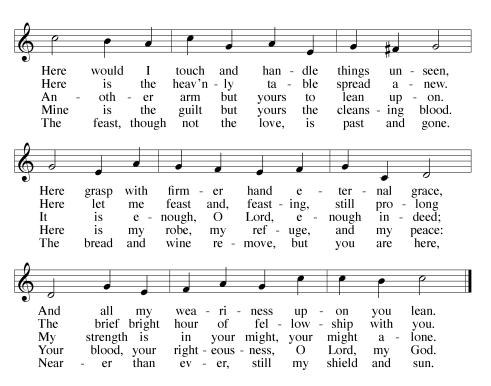
Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper. The Lord's Supper is a miracle. By God's power, the Lord's body and blood are with the bread and wine. In the Lord's Supper, God gives strength and comfort to His believers. While the Lord's Supper is first about our relationship with Jesus, it is also about our 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.

THE DISTRIBUTION HYMN...... "Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face"

Christian Worship #315



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6 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by, Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above, Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy, The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89, abr., alt.

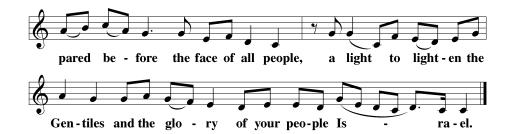
Tune: FARLEY CASTLE (10 10 10 10) Henry Lawes, 1595–1662.

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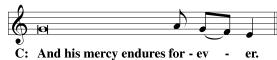
SONG OF SIMEON



13



P: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



CLOSING PRAYER

P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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.



Please be seated

THE CLOSING HYMN "Our Lord and God, Oh, Bless This Day" Christian Worship #599



Text: Johan N. Brun, 1745–1816, abr.; tr. George A. T. Rygh, 1860–1942, st. 1, 3, alt.; Carl Döving, 1867–1937, st. 2, alt.

Tune: REUTER (87 87 66 66 7) Friedrich O. Reuter, 1863–1924.

Worship Participants

Liturgist and Preacher	Pastor Brian Adams 8:00 am
	Pastor Larry Ellenberger 6:30 pm
Organist	Miss Heather Schmidt
St. Paul's Senior Choir Director	Mrs. Marie Becker

Announcements

Confirmation Sunday: This weekend, we welcome 18 young people into communicant membership in our congregation through the rite of Confirmation. These young people will promise before God to remain faithful to God and His Word. May the Lord give each of them the strength that they need to remain faithful to God and His Word. May the Lord give each of them the strength that they need to remain faithful to that promise. The members of this year's Confirmation Class are:

Braeden Andrew Barwick Colin John Connor Ian Thomas Eppen Nicholas James Flunker Seth Richard Gibbons Jordan Arianna Guerra **Connor James Henry Dominic James Hoffmann** Tobin Marcus Kallies, Jr. Brian Ming Zhe Melching Katelin Grace Nidy Jacqueline Sandra Olen Rebecca Renee Olen Haley Noelle Plant Brandon Michael Schultz **Brandon Michael Skorik** David Douglas VanErt **Edward Donald York**

2nd **PASTOR CALL:** On Sunday, May 3rd, St. Paul's extended a Divine Call to Pastor Schutz, who is currently serving Hope Lutheran Church in Spearfish, South Dakota. We have received the following letter from him acknowledging receiving the Call from St. Paul's.

"Dear Members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, He is risen! May our Living Savior fill you with all joy and peace as you remain in him! I am writing to let you know that I have received the Divine Call you have extended to me to serve as the Associate Pastor of your congregation. I have begun the process of prayerfully considering where I will serve our gracious God and Savior. I trust he will guide me through his Word to make a decision that is both God-pleasing and for the benefit of his kingdom. During this time I ask that you would pray for me, my family, and your brothers and sisters in Christ at Hope in Spearfish, SD whose lives are also touched by this call. I thank you for your prayers. May the love of our Savior, Jesus Christ fill your hearts and overflow into your interactions with each other and your community. He is faithful and can do so much in the building of his kingdom through each and every one of you. I welcome your contacting me by mail (111 Union St. Spearfish, SD 57783, phone (605-722-3857), or e-mail (pastorschutz@hopelutheran.us) with any questions or comments you may have. May our gracious God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit bless you as you trust the LORD to work all things for our eternal good. Yours in Christ, Pastor Mark Schutz."



From left to right: Natalie (4), Jonathan (17mo.), Jill, Mark, Lydia (6)

MILWAUKEE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY AWARD: On Monday, May 18th Milwaukee County Historical Society will recognize St. Paul's upcoming 150th anniversary at its 62nd Annual Awards Dinner at the Pfister Hotel in downtown Milwaukee. We thank Pastor Larry Ellenberger for leading us in worship on Monday, May 18th, as Pastor Adams attends this Awards Dinner.

BIBLE INFORMATION CLASS BEGINS: On Thursday, June 4, we will begin a new Bible Information Class. The main purpose of this class is to teach the basic teachings of God's Word

to those who wish to know more about God's Word before joining St. Paul's as a member. Anyone who wishes to review the basic teachings of God's Word is welcome to attend as well.

WORSHIP SERVICE TIME CHANGE: Please make note that next Sunday, May 24th, the second service time changes from 10:30 to **9:30 am** for the summer.

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE CHANGE: In observance of Memorial Day, next Monday's service will move to Tuesday, May 26.

THANK YOU: We wish to thank all who gave toward Wisconsin Lutheran High School's "Share the Mission" program. \$300 was gathered for the program through the free-will offering last weekend.

WORSHIP SERVICE VIDEO ONLINE: Just a reminder that video of our worship services can be found on our website, if you miss a week for worship. Please feel free to share that information with anyone who may wish to explore knowing more about St. Paul's.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR VBC: We are looking for donations of a few items for craft projects for Vacation Bible Camp. If there's anything you'd like to donate, please leave it in the multipurpose room. If you have any questions, contact Nancy Adams (423-1445 or njadams86@yahoo.com)

- 1) 1x6 pine boards in any length (they will be cut into smaller pieces) scrap pine wood of any size is ok as long as it is large enough to cut into 6x6 or 4x6 pieces (1 inch thick).
- 2) 1 1/4 inch finishing nails or brads
- 3) colored pencils (used are ok)

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING: The Church Council will meet on Tuesday, May 19th at 6:30 pm.

THANK YOU: We would like to thank Mrs. Cheryl Konell for serving as our Sunday School teacher this year. She was wonderful with the children and they enjoyed every minute with her!

ST. PAUL'S PIANO RECITAL: St. Paul's piano students will be having their piano recital on Thursday, May 21 at 6:00 PM in the church. All are invited to come and listen to some beautiful music performed by our students.

GRASS CUTTING CREWS: It once again is getting to be the time to setup the grass cutting crews for church. There are sign-up sheets on the counter in the back of church. If you have any questions, please contact Gordy Lesser (421-5687).

KITCHEN REORGANIZATION: Beginning June 1st the school kitchen will undergo extensive reorganization. If you have any items stored in the kitchen at this time, please remove them prior to June 1st. If the items need to stay in the kitchen, please clearly label them. Any items not claimed will be donated to Southside Ministries.

150TH **ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE:** St. Paul's was founded in 1865 when a group of German Lutherans, in the township of Franklin, met on September 21, 1865, in the house of H. Sanders on Smith Road (now 51st Street) for the purpose of organizing a new Lutheran congregation. At that meeting, H. Wolter was chosen to be the Chairman and H. Sanders as Secretary. Mr. Wolter would donate the land necessary to build the new church and cemetery. Planning and work on a new church building began shortly after that meeting, and the church would be completed in two months. On November 14, 1865 Pastor Phillip Brenner was called to be the first visiting pastor of St. Paul's. Worship services were held in the house of H. Wolter until the new church would be completed in late 1865.

The Board of Elders would like to form a committee of men and women who would be willing to help plan events related to the upcoming 150th anniversary celebration of St. Paul's congregation. Anyone interested in being part of this committee should contact Pastor Adams or Steve Baade, the chairman of our Board of Elders.

2016 AUCTION AND GALA: On February 20th, 2016, we will be hosting our 3rd Auction and Gala. We need you to make it a success! It is a great opportunity to meet new families, get involved, and make a HUGE difference in the lives of our school kids! The last two auctions raised over \$55,000! The money was well spent on upgrading the technology throughout the school – modernized infrastructure, Chromebooks and iPads were installed and purchased. The kids are so excited to use this new technology! Please consider your involvement and the impact you can make. There are opportunities for every level of commitment, from auction chairs to muchneeded, but short-lived tasks and everything in between. **Please send your contact information and any questions to Auction@stpaulsfranklin.org**

SAVE THE DATES: Our Vacation Bible Camp dates for this summer have been set with the staff from Camp Phillip. Our VBC program will be on July 6-10 from 9am – 3pm. Registration forms will be available at a later date. Help needed forms are in today's bulletin.

Volunteers

GREETERS THIS WEEK (May 17 & 18)

8:00 AM- Bob & Carol Goelz 10:00 AM- Andrew Backus 6:30 PM - Dave & Janet Long

GREETERS NEXT WEEK (May 24 & 26)

8:00 AM- Josh & Allison Ebeling; Henry

9:30 AM- Bob & Sue Dittrich 6:30 PM- Richard & Kathy Hinz

USHERS FOR MAY:

8:00 AM TEAM #1-Bob Hille, Larry Stujenski, Josh Ebeling, Philip Becker 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:

May 13-May 26-TEAM #3; Jane Koplein, Carol Wilms
May 27-June 2- TEAM #4; Marge Gebert, Marilyn Krueger, Renate Nazimek

The Weekly Schedule

Sunday, May 17 Worship with Communion
Monday, May 18 Worship Service with Communion6:30 PM
Tuesday, May 19 Mary Martha Outing6:00 PM Church Council Meeting6:30 PM
Wednesday, May 20 Senior Choir Rehearsal6:30 PM
Thursday, May 21 St. Paul's Piano Recital6:00 PM

Friday, May 22	
School Devotion	8:30 AM
School Track Meet	12:00 PM
Sunday, May 24	
Worship Service	8:00 AM
Worship Service	9:30 AM

Statistics – Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 am-109, Communed-n/a; 10:30 am-168, Communed-n/a; 6:30 pm-39, Communed-n/a; Total Attendance 316; Total Communed-n/a; Sunday School-11; Bible Class-24

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