

8th Weekend After Pentecost July 31 & August 1, 2022

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

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

Please come again and worship with us very soon!

TODAY’S THEME:

The believer hears the Word of God and listens with a trusting heart. So many things in this world can distract us from that simple privilege and duty of believers! Living according to God’s will means giving the Word of God central place in our lives as the one thing needful.

Worship Participants

Liturgist Pastor Brian Adams
Preacher Pastor Joel Gaertner
Organist Miss Heather Schmidt

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

SERVICE OF THE WORD

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THE OPENING HYMN "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"

Christian Worship #221



1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at your Word We are gath - ered
2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight Lie in deep - est
3 Gra - cious Sav - ior, good and kind, Light from Light, from
4 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, Praise to you and



all to hear you. Let our hearts and souls be stirred
dark - ness shroud - ed Till your Spir - it breaks our night
God pro - ceed - ing, O - pen now our heart and mind;
ad - o - ra - tion! Grant that we your Word may trust,



Now to seek and love and fear you, By your teach-ings,
With the beams of truth un - cloud - ed. You a - lone to
Help us by your Spir - it's plead - ing. Hear the cry your
Con - fi - dent of our sal - va - tion, While we here be -



sweet and ho - ly, Drawn from earth to love you sole - ly.
God can win us; You must work all good with - in us.
peo - ple rais - es; Hear and bless our prayers and prais - es.
low must wan - der, Till we sing your prais - es yon - der.

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.

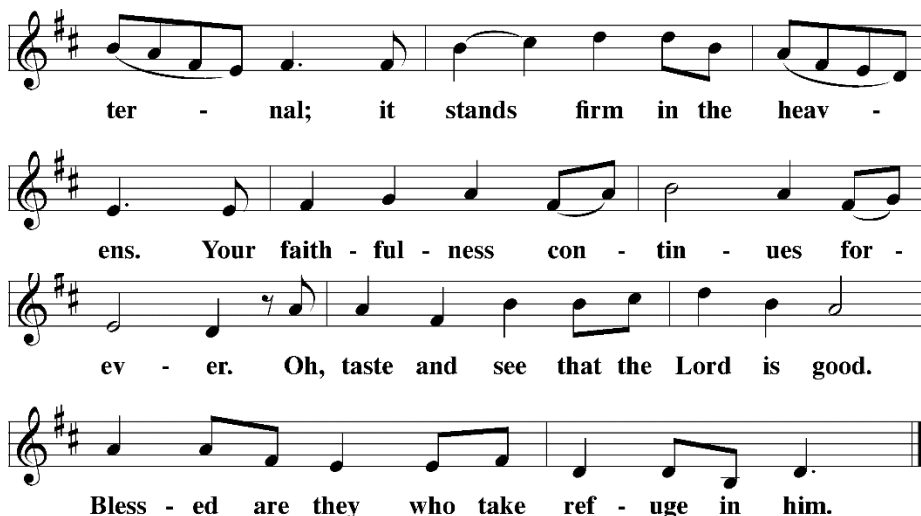
PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

OH, TASTE AND SEE

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the hymn 'Oh, Taste and See'. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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.

Grant us, Lord, the spirit to think and do what is right that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by your help be enabled to live according to your will; 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 WORD

THE FIRST LESSON Genesis 18:1-14

The Lord appeared to Abraham and promised him a son. Even though it seemed impossible, Abraham listened to God's word and believed with a trusting heart.

^{18:1} The LORD appeared to Abraham near the great trees of Mamre while he was sitting at the entrance to his tent in the heat of the day. ² Abraham looked up and saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he hurried from the entrance of his tent to meet them and bowed low to the ground.

³ He said, "If I have found favor in your eyes, my lord, do not pass your servant by. ⁴ Let a little water be brought, and then you may all wash your feet and rest under this tree. ⁵ Let me get you something to eat, so you can be refreshed and then go on your way—now that you have come to your servant."

"Very well," they answered, "do as you say."

⁶ So Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah. "Quick," he said, "get three seahs of the finest flour and knead it and bake some bread."

⁷ Then he ran to the herd and selected a choice, tender calf and gave it to a servant, who hurried to prepare it. ⁸ He then brought some curds and milk and the calf that had been prepared, and set these before them. While they ate, he stood near them under a tree.

⁹ "Where is your wife Sarah?" they asked him.

"There, in the tent," he said.

¹⁰ Then one of them said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife will have a son."

Now Sarah was listening at the entrance to the tent, which was behind him. ¹¹ Abraham and Sarah were already very old, and Sarah was past the age of childbearing. ¹² So Sarah laughed to herself as she thought, "After I am worn out and my lord is old, will I now have this pleasure?"

¹³ Then the LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Will I really have a child, now that I am old?' ¹⁴ Is anything too hard for the LORD? I will return to you at the appointed time next year, and Sarah will have a son."

Refrain

Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

Psalm tone

Blessed are they whose ways are blameless,*
who walk according to the law of the LORD.

Blessed are they who keep his statutes*
and seek him with all their heart.

You have laid down precepts*
that are to be fully obeyed.

Refrain

Oh, that my ways were steadfast*
in obeying your decrees!

Then I would not be put to shame*
when I consider all your commands.

I will praise you with an upright heart*
as I learn your righteous laws.

**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.....Colossians 3:12-17

Though we have been called to be God's chosen people, we often fail to act like it. Paul reminds us that as the Word of Christ dwells in us, so the peace of Christ rules in our hearts.

¹²Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ¹⁴And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

¹⁵Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. ¹⁷And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. My Word will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. Alleluia. (*Isaiah 55:11b cf. NIV*)

Please Stand

THE GOSPEL LESSON..... Luke 10:38-42

We hear the well-known story of Jesus visiting his friends Mary & Martha and teaching them and us about what is needful and truly useful in life.

³⁸As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. ³⁹She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"

⁴¹ “Martha, Martha,” the Lord answered, “you are worried and upset about many things, ⁴² but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her.”



Please be Seated

THE HYMN OF THE DAY..... “One Thing’s Needful”
Christian Worship #290



1 One thing’s need - ful; Lord, this trea - sure Teach me high - ly
 2 How were Mar - y’s thoughts de - vot - ed Her e - ter - nal
 3 Wis - dom’s high - est, no - blest trea - sure, Je - sus, can be



to re - gard. All else, though it first give plea - sure,
 joy to find As in - tent each word she not - ed,
 found in you. Let me find in you my plea - sure;

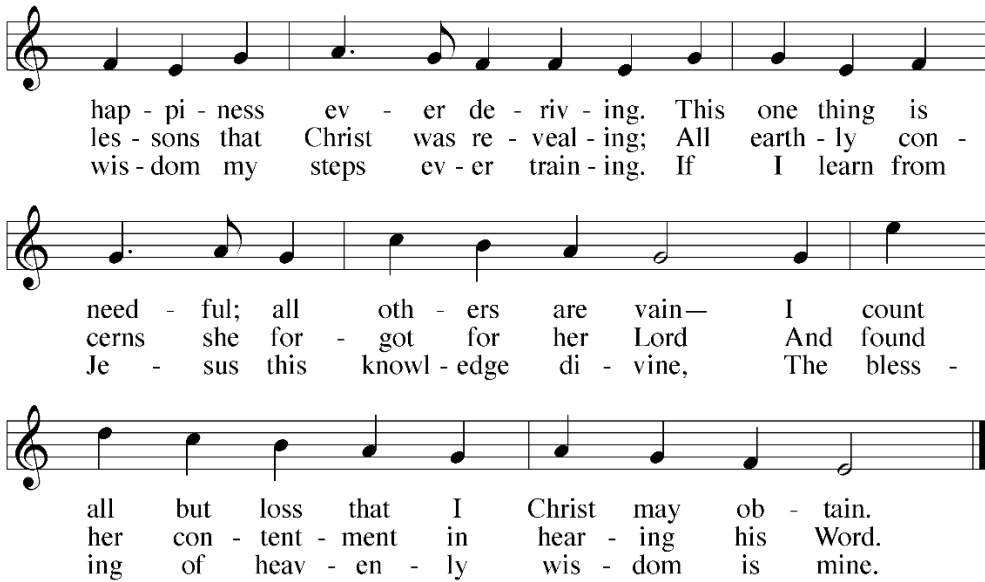


Is a yoke that press - es hard. Be - neath it the
 At her Sav - ior’s feet re - clined. How kin - dled her
 Make my will and ac - tions true, Hu - mil - i - ty



heart is still fret - ting and striv - ing, No true, last - ing
 heart, how de - vout was its feel - ing, While hear - ing the
 there and sim - plic - i - ty reign - ing, In paths of true

Hymn continues on next page



hap - pi - ness ev - er de - riv - ing. This one thing is
 les - sons that Christ was re - veal - ing; All earth - ly con -
 wis - dom my steps ev - er train - ing. If I learn from

need - ful; all oth - ers are vain— I count
 cerns she for - got for her Lord And found
 Je - sus this knowl - edge di - vine, The bless -

all but loss that I Christ may ob - tain.
 her con - tent - ment in hear - ing his Word.
 ing of heav - en - ly wis - dom is mine.

THE SERMON Luke 10:38-42
Come and Sit at Jesus' Feet

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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Please be Seated

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN "Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear"

Christian Worship #282



1 Lord, o - pen now my heart to hear, And through your
2 Your Word in - spires my heart with - in; Your Word grants
3 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the

Word to me draw near. Let me your Word e'er pure re -
heal - ing from my sin. Your Word has pow'r to guide and
Spir - it, Three in One, Shall glo - ry, praise, and hon - or

tain; Let me your child and heir re - main.
bless; Your Word brings peace and hap - pi - ness.
be Now and through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

Please Stand

P: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE BLESSING

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

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



Please be Seated

CLOSING HYMN“Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways”

Christian Worship #462



1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To
2 Or - der my foot - steps by your Word, And
3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, A
4 Make me to walk in your com - mands— 'Tis



keep his stat - utes still! Oh, that my God would
make my heart sin - cere; Let sin have no do -
strict - er watch to keep; And should I e'er for -
a de - light - ful road— Nor let my head or



grant me grace To know and do his will!
min - ion, Lord, But keep my con - science clear.
get your way, Re - store your wan - d'ring sheep.
heart or hands Of - fend a - gainst my God.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU: Thank you to Pastor Joel Gaertner for sharing God's word with us today! Pastor Gaertner serves as Vice President of Ministry at The Lutheran Home Association and as the National Director of Jesus Cares Ministries.

ALTAR FLOWERS: This weekend's altar flowers are given by Randy & Nancy Willms in thanksgiving for their 33rd wedding anniversary.

PASTOR ADAMS VACATION: Pastor Adams will be on vacation from August 1st – August 9th.

GREAT OPPORTUNITIES AT OUR SCHOOL - K4 Aide - Classroom Aide - After School Care:

St. Paul's is blessed to have a great PreK program! We are looking for a teacher's aide to support our growing enrollment numbers. There are also other classrooms that would benefit from a part-time aide.

We are also looking for an individual or individuals that could help with our After School Care program. If you are available for a single day, a few days, or all days please get in touch with us. It is a great opportunity to connect with some of our students and help our families that are unable to pick their children up right away after school.

If you are interested in supporting your school by giving us a hand, please reach out to Principal Schulmeister by email at nschulmeister@stpaulsfranklin.org or by phone at 414-421-1930.

NEW YOUTH GROUP FOR HIGH SCHOOL TEENS – BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 11, 2022:

Youth from St. John's Milwaukee, St. Paul's Franklin and Victory of the Lamb are invited to join together on the 2nd and 4th Sunday evenings of every month for Bible Study, fellowship, worship and fun. Bring a friend and meet new people as we study together how we can be witnesses for Christ. The first meeting will be September 11th at Victory of the Lamb and more details on exact time and locations to come. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Kristal Young at kristal@kristalcleargraphics.com / 414-325-6976.

AUGUST IS “BEFRIEND A MISSION” MONTH: Lutheran Women's Missionary Society sponsors the Befriend A Mission program. Check the narthex counter for ways you can pray for and connect with our home and world missions!

LOST & FOUND: We have accumulated a number of lost items here at church. Please take a look at the narthex counter to see if anything belongs to you.

ALTAR GUILD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are looking for additional volunteers to serve on our Altar Guild. Altar Guild is responsible for preparing the altar for worship services. For more information on how you can help, please contact Jane Koplein at (414) 510-9291.

SUMMER OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICES: We have one more outdoor service this summer! Join us on Sunday, August 14th at 9:00 AM! There will be an indoor Monday evening service at 6:30 PM. All are welcome to join us! Please invite your neighbors, friends, and family to worship in this informal and unique way. Refreshments and snacks provided!

SCHOOL SPORTS COACHES NEEDED: Do you or anyone you know have an interest in coaching our St. Paul's students? We do not need experts in the field to coach; we need safe, reliable and considerate coaches that will share a love of Christ and fitness with their athletes! We need coaches in the following sports:

- **Cross Country:** With nearly 40 kids willing to participate, we need multiple coaches to assist however possible.
- **Girls Basketball:** We are still working out details because of the upper grades interest/ages, but we can use another interested coach at the C-team level.
- **Fall: 3rd/4th grade and 5th/6th grade Girls Volleyball:** We have a willing coach for both, but we can use (at least) an assistant for each.
- We have a strong interest in **spring season 5-8th grade Track and Field.** (Coaches would help prepare 5-8th graders for the Wisco Track and Field meet and possibly 1-2 other meets.)

If you are interested or would like more information, please email Mr. Clough at cclough@stpaulsfranklin.org.

JR. VIKING BOYS & GIRLS BASKETBALL TRYOUTS: Be a part of the Jr. Vikings basketball program! Registration to tryout is open to both boys and girls (grades 3-8). Increase basketball fundamental skills, compete at a higher level, develop relationships with future classmates in a Christ-centered team atmosphere. Boys tryouts are August 26 & 27 and girls tryouts are September 10 & 17. Visit wlhs.org/jrvikings to register. There is a \$10 tryout fee.

JR. VIKING CHEERLEADING OPEN REGISTRATION: Girls in 1st-8th grade are invited to register for Jr. Vikings Cheer. Participants will develop safe cheerleading skills for the purposes of performing at games and in local competitions, develop their athletic cheer ability, and ultimately use our athletic gifts to glorify God in all we do. To register, visit wlhs.org/jrvikings by Friday, August 26.

USHERS FOR JULY

8:00 AM – TEAM #3 – Donn Johnson, John Migacz, Todd Grunze, Frank Krajewski

9:30 AM – TEAM #7 – David Brightsman, Kyle Brightsman, Luke Raduenz, Randy Raduenz

6:30 PM – TEAM #9 – Terry Plant, John Kiesow

USHERS FOR AUGUST

8:00 AM – TEAM #4 – Pete Kosovich, Craig Gebert, Matt Gebert, Gordy Lesser, Adrian Boldt

9:30 AM – TEAM #8 – Walter Falkowski, Jacob Marciniak, Fred Socha, Scott Seymer

6:30 PM – TEAM #9 – Terry Plant, John Kiesow

ALTAR GUILD

July 27-Aug 2 – TEAM #3 – Jane Koplein, Carol Willms, Connie Myer

August 3-9 – TEAM #3 – Jane Koplein, Carol Willms, Connie Myer

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

July 31: Set-up – Tony & Mary Tripoli, Clean-up – Beverly Garves

August 7: Set-up – Don Druml & Connie Myer, Clean-up – Andy & Chris Backus

GRASS CUTTING (CHURCH)

August 3-6 – CREW #2 – Dave Qualmann

August 10-13 – CREW #3 – Frank Krajewski

GRASS CUTTING (CEMETERY)

August 3-6 – CREW #2 – Gary Totic

August 10-13 – CREW #3 – Gordy Lesser

THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, July 31

Worship Service8:00 AM
Worship Service9:30 AM

Monday, August 1

Worship Service 6:30 PM

Sunday, August 7

Worship Service8:00 AM
Worship Service9:30 AM

Statistics – Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 AM – 76, Communed – 67
9:30 AM – 80 Communed – 56
6:30 PM – 28, Communed – 19
Total Attendance – 184
Total Communed – 142