



## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS – SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

**WORSHIP DETAILS:** Service of the Word, pg. 38  
Hymns: 469, 192, 349, 462

Psalm: 51b

### **First Lesson:** Numbers 11:16, 24-29

<sup>16</sup> The Lord said to Moses: “Bring me seventy of Israel’s elders who are known to you as leaders and officials among the people. Have them come to the tent of meeting, that they may stand there with you....

<sup>24</sup> So Moses went out and told the people what the Lord had said. He brought together seventy of their elders and had them stand around the tent. <sup>25</sup> Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke with him, and he took some of the power of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied—but did not do so again.

<sup>26</sup> However, two men, whose names were Eldad and Medad, had remained in the camp. They were listed among the elders, but did not go out to the tent. Yet the Spirit also rested on them, and they prophesied in the camp. <sup>27</sup> A young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.”<sup>[P. 1]</sup><sub>SEP</sub>

<sup>28</sup> Joshua son of Nun, who had been Moses’ aide since youth, spoke up and said, “Moses, my lord, stop them!” <sup>29</sup> But Moses replied, “Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all the Lord’s people were prophets and that the Lord would put his Spirit on them!”

### **Second Lesson:** James 4:7-12

<sup>7</sup> Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup> Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup> Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. <sup>10</sup> Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

<sup>11</sup> Brothers and sisters, do not slander one another. Anyone who speaks against a brother or sister or judges them speaks against the law and judges it. When you judge the law, you are not keeping it, but sitting in judgment on it. <sup>12</sup> There is only one Lawgiver and Judge, the one who is able to save and destroy. But you—who are you to judge your neighbor?

### **Gospel Lesson:** Mark 9:38-50

<sup>38</sup> “Teacher,” said John, “we saw someone driving out demons in your name and we told him to stop, because he was not one of us.” <sup>39</sup> “Do not stop him,” Jesus said. “For no one who does a miracle in my name can in the next moment say anything bad about me, <sup>40</sup> for whoever is not against us is for us. <sup>41</sup> Truly I tell you, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to the Messiah will certainly not lose their reward.

<sup>42</sup> “If anyone causes one of these little ones—those who believe in me—to stumble, it would be better for them if a large millstone were hung around their neck and they were thrown into the sea. <sup>43</sup> If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life maimed than with two hands to go into hell, where the fire never goes out. <sup>45</sup> And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. <sup>47</sup> And if your eye causes you to stumble, pluck it out.

It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell,<sup>48</sup> where “the worms that eat them do not die, and the fire is not quenched.”<sup>49</sup> Everyone will be salted with fire.<sup>50</sup> “Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can you make it salty again? Have salt among yourselves and be at peace with each other.”

**THANK YOU:** We thank Seminary student, Benjamin Kieta, for leading our worship service as Pastor Adams is out of town. He is a second year student from Livonia, Michigan, where his father serves as pastor of Peace Lutheran Church. He was born in Bogota, Columbia, since his father served as a missionary for a time. He attended Michigan Lutheran Seminary for high school. He served for a year as a missionary in China until the start of the pandemic forced everyone to evacuate. We thank him for sharing God’s Word with us today, and we wish him the Lord’s blessings in his studies at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** This Sunday’s altar flowers are given by John & Jean Mertz in thanksgiving for their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**THANK YOU:** Thank you to everyone that helped with our outdoor worship service and pancake breakfast last Sunday! We appreciate your helping hands!

**LWMS DOOR COLLECTION:** Next Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, we are having our semi-annual door collection to support the ministry of the Lutheran Women’s Missionary Society (LWMS). For more information on the work of LWMS, visit their website: <http://www.lwms.org>. They thank you for your support.

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY:** God’s people want to tell others about the peace, joy and forgiveness they have in Jesus. But many Christians are unsure how to do this. This Bible Study called, “Let’s Go!,” is designed to encourage and equip Christians to become more comfortable and confident witnesses. In order to do that, we need to understand the culture that we live in today. The way that our culture thinks about religion has changed. If we want to reach out to this mission field of our own culture which God has placed before us, we need to look at how God equips all of us to do that. “Let’s Go” is designed to encourage and equip Christians to connect unchurched people in their lives to the gospel of Jesus Christ. Join us as we learn some simple, practical ways to reach out to the lost souls God has brought into our lives. We begin next Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:15am.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** We will begin Sunday School next Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:15am. Sunday School is open to children from age 3 to 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

**MONDAY EVENING SERVICES:** We are planning to start the Monday evening services again beginning Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. Service time is 6:30 PM.

**SENIOR CHOIR:** Members of St. Paul’s, Scripture encourages us to “sing to the Lord a new song.” After a prolonged break, the Senior Choir is beginning rehearsals for the 2021-2022 season and you are invited to join us as we raise our voices in praise to God. We will be rehearsing in a socially distanced manner and our rehearsals will be limited to 45 minutes. Please note that due to demands on my schedule, the choir will be rehearsing on the 1st, 3rd, and occasional 5th Tuesday of each month from 6:30 – 7:15 pm. Please note this is different than in the past. Our first rehearsal will take place on Tuesday, October 5th in the sanctuary. I encourage you to come and check us out. If you have any questions, feel free to contact David Brightsman (414.559.9059 or [david.brightsman@wlc.edu](mailto:david.brightsman@wlc.edu)). I hope to see many of you beginning Tuesday October 5th at 6:30pm.

**NEW SERMON SERIES:** We have begun a new sermon series looking at the Gospel Lessons in Mark. What does it mean to be a Follower of Christ? Over the next weeks, we'll take a look at the Bible's answer to that question. Here is the schedule for the next weeks:

**Followers of Christ**

September 12 – Have Compassion (Mark 7:31-37)  
September 19 - Are humble servants (Mark 9:30-37)  
September 26 - Celebrate the service of others (Mark 9:38-50)  
October 3 & 4 - Love their family (Mark 10:2-16)  
October 10 & 11 - Maintain proper priorities (Mark 10:17-27)  
October 17 & 18 - Imitate Christ's selfless service (Mark 10:32-45)

**AFTER SCHOOL CARE POSITION:** St. Paul's School is in need of your help! We are looking for caring individuals to watch over our students in After School Care from 3:00pm-6:00pm each weekday beginning October 4th. If you can help us out on select days during the school week or all week please contact Mr. Schulmeister at 414-421-1930. Please feel free to share this with anyone you know who may be interested!

**PRESCHOOL POWER HOUR:** Preschool Power Hour is back! Join us in the church narthex from 10:30-11:30 a.m. each Thursday that school is in session! There are flyers on the narthex counter with more information. We'd like to give a special thank you to Bonnie Larson for getting this program up and running again!

**LWMS FALL RALLY – SAVE THE DATE:** The Lutheran Women's Missionary Society Milwaukee Metro South Circuit's Fall Rally will be on Saturday, October 23, 2021 from 7:45 am - 12:45 pm and will be held at Christ Lutheran Church, S89 W22970 Maple Avenue, Big Bend, WI. The Mission Speaker will be Pastor Nathan Seiltz, Director of WELS Multi-Language Publications who will speak on MLP's use of new technology - Digital Outreach of the Gospel! Ladies of all ages are welcome to attend! Join us - and make new friends! See the flyer on the narthex counter for more details!

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR 2021:** Our school's book fair will be held October 1st through October 7th! Please stop in before, during or after school to check out what's new in literature for everyone! Along with the book fair, there will be a coin drive for classroom libraries! Mark your calendars and dig into those couch cushions for lost coins! **If you enjoy books and have a few hours open, St. Paul's is looking for amazing volunteers!** No experience needed! Please use [this](#) sign up genius form to volunteer or contact the office! Literacy at St. Paul's is a great success, thanks to your continuing family support!

**SOLES FOR JESUS SHOE DRIVE:** For our school's first mission project of the year, we are working with Soles for Jesus. Along with the monetary donations we are collecting for them, we will also be hosting a shoe drive and would like to invite our congregation members to help us! Please bring your new or very gently used shoes to our collection bin in the narthex or school lobby – all sizes are welcome. We will be collecting shoes until **October 8<sup>th</sup>**. You can read more about the Soles for Jesus mission [here](#). By collecting the shoes that are hiding in closets and basements across our nation, we can provide hope and diminish disease for thousands, all while sharing the love of Jesus!

**ALTAR GUILD:**

Sept 22-28 – TEAM #1 – Beverly Garves, Sherry Kosovich, Vanessa McKee

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**GRASS CUTTING (CHURCH):**

Sept 29-Oct 2 – CREW #1 – Gordy Lesser

Oct 6-9 – CREW #2 – Dave Qualmann

**GRASS CUTTING (CEMETERY):**

Sept 29-Oct 2 – CREW #4 – Connie Roedel

Oct 6-9 – CREW #5 – Gordy Lesser