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DIVINE SERVICE

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Lutheran Service Book

## **The True Tradition of the Church Is the Ministry of the Gospel of Christ Jesus, Her Savior**

The true tradition of the Church is the Gospel, which is the preaching and administration of Christ Jesus. Other traditions, although not commanded by God, may serve and support that sacred tradition of the Gospel. But the Church dare not “[reject] the commandment of God” in order to establish or hold to “the tradition of men” (Mark 7:8–9). Sinful people attempt to draw near to the Lord “with their mouth” and to honor Him “with their lips,” while their hearts are far removed from Him (Is. 29:13). Yet, He is “the Holy One of Israel,” who brings about salvation by His cross. Therefore, “the wisdom of their wise men shall perish,” but “the deaf shall hear” and “the eyes of the blind shall see” (Is. 29:14–19). This mystery of Christ is profound, for He is the husband of the Church, and He is her Savior. Not because of any works that she has done, but solely for the sake of His great love, He “gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word” (Eph. 5:25–26).

*Ringing of the Bells*

*Welcome*

## Confession and Absolution

## 913 O Holy Spirit, Enter In

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

### Invocation

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

**C** **Amen.**

### Exhortation

*LSB 203*

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

### Confession of Sins

*LSB 203*

**C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

### Prayer for Forgiveness

**P** Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C Amen.***Stand*

# Service of the Word

**Introit***Psalm 26:1–2, 6–7; antiphon: v. 8***P** O LORD, I love the habitation of your house**C and the place where your glory dwells.****P** Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity,**C and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.****P** Prove me, O LORD, and try me;**C test my heart and my mind.****P** I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O LORD,**C proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all your wondrous deeds.****C 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.****P** O LORD, I love the habitation of your house**C and the place where your glory dwells.****Kyrie***LSB 204***C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.**Gloria in Excelsis***LSB 204*

**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
 2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
 O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, defend Your Church from all false teaching and error that Your faithful people may confess You to be the only true God and rejoice in Your good gifts of life and salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

*Sit*

### Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 29:11–19*

**A** The Old Testament Reading for The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost is from the twenty-ninth chapter of the prophecy of Isaiah.

<sup>11</sup>The vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot, for it is sealed." <sup>12</sup>And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot read."

<sup>13</sup>And the Lord said:

"Because this people draw near with their mouth

and honor me with their lips,  
 while their hearts are far from me,  
 and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men,  
<sup>14</sup>therefore, behold, I will again  
 do wonderful things with this people,  
 with wonder upon wonder;  
 and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish,  
 and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hidden.”  
<sup>15</sup>Ah, you who hide deep from the LORD your counsel,  
 whose deeds are in the dark,  
 and who say, “Who sees us? Who knows us?”  
<sup>16</sup>You turn things upside down!  
 Shall the potter be regarded as the clay,  
 that the thing made should say of its maker,  
 “He did not make me”;  
 or the thing formed say of him who formed it,  
 “He has no understanding”?  
<sup>17</sup>Is it not yet a very little while  
 until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field,  
 and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?  
<sup>18</sup>In that day the deaf shall hear  
 the words of a book,  
 and out of their gloom and darkness  
 the eyes of the blind shall see.  
<sup>19</sup>The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD,  
 and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of  
 Israel.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

*Ephesians 5:22–33*

**A** The Second Reading is from the fifth chapter of the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians.

<sup>22</sup>Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. <sup>23</sup>For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the

church, his body, and is himself its Savior. <sup>24</sup>Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

<sup>25</sup>Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, <sup>26</sup>that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, <sup>27</sup>so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. <sup>28</sup>In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup>For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, <sup>30</sup>because we are members of his body. <sup>31</sup>"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." <sup>32</sup>This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. <sup>33</sup>However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

### Alleluia and Verse

#### Alleluia


LSB 205




**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

#### Verse

LSB 205



**C** These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



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

## Alleluia

LSB 205



## Holy Gospel

Mark 7:1–13

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>When the Pharisees gathered to [Jesus], with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup>they saw that some of his disciples ate with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. <sup>3</sup>(For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands, holding to the tradition of the elders, <sup>4</sup>and when they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions that they observe, such as the washing of cups and pots and copper vessels and dining couches.) <sup>5</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” <sup>6</sup>And he said to them, “Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written,

“This people honors me with their lips,  
but their heart is far from me;

<sup>7</sup>in vain do they worship me,  
teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’

<sup>8</sup>You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men.”

<sup>9</sup>And he said to them, “You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! <sup>10</sup>For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’ <sup>11</sup>But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother, Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban’ (that is, given to God)— <sup>12</sup>then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, <sup>13</sup>thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**



**Apostles' Creed**

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**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

*Sit***577 Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast****Sermon**

Rev Jason Zirbel  
Grace Lutheran Church  
Greenwood, Arkansas

**Gathering of Tithes & Offerings**

*If you are submitting a prayer request on a prayer card, kindly hand it directly to the usher. Do not place it into the offering plate.*

**Musical Offering***Stand***806 Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart**

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, Give thanks to the  
Ho - ly One, Give thanks \_\_\_\_\_ be - cause He's giv - en\_\_ Je - sus

Christ His Son. Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, Give  
 thanks to the Ho - ly One, Give thanks \_\_\_\_\_ be-cause He's giv-en—  
 Je-sus Christ His Son. And now let the weak say "I am  
 strong," Let the poor say "I am rich," \_\_\_\_\_ Be-cause of  
 what the Lord has done for us. And now let the  
 weak say "I am strong," Let the poor say "I am  
 rich," \_\_\_\_\_ Be-cause of what the Lord has done for us.  
 Give thanks, \_\_\_\_\_ give thanks. \_\_\_\_\_

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## Prayer of the Church

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- P** ... Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.

## Lord's Prayer

- C** 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.

### **Concluding Collect**

Visit our dwellings, O Lord, and drive from them all the snares of the enemy; let Your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let Your blessing be on us always; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

### **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 upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**C** **Amen.**

### **923 Almighty Father, Bless the Word**

*Silent Prayer*

*Announcements*

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# The Glad Spirit St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church

August 25, 2024

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

### ST. PAUL'S FAMILY

Kurt Diekelman  
Kristen Dunne, Family Paisley, Olive  
Lisa Durkin  
Nicholas Durkin  
Lucas Durkin

### BIRTHDAYS

Steven Michels, 8/29  
Edward Hoeksema Jr., 8/30  
Danial Hoover, 8/31

### CONFIRMATION ANNIVERSARIES

Kristen Dunne, 8/28  
Nicole Golembeck, 8/28

### SPECIAL CONCERNS

**Vacancy Pastor** for St. Paul Church to shepherd us.

**Pray for** Norma Allen, Janice Abel, Sondra Budde, Jay Carey, Pastor and Pam Collins, Mitch Cueller, Carmen Dampier, Judy Diekleman, Shirley Emerick, Latricia Harris, Ed Hoeksema Jr., Chester Orendorff, Violet Rich, Dolly Tagenhorst, Warren Van Mynen, Gene Wiltjer, Ray Zander.

**Serving in the Military** – Austin Brandy, James Fluechtling, and Nathan Lopez.

**Serving as First Responders** – David Allen, Dave Bloom, Nathan Conway, Brianne Giba, Melanie Hudson, Brian Orth, Dana Tatgenhorst, Taylor VanDommelen and Dan Zander.

## NEWS UPDATE

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St. Paul Book Club will meet Wednesday September 11 at 10:00 am, to review *The Women: A Novel* by Kristin Hannah. We always welcome new members. We enjoy fellowship and lunch following the discussion.

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**Christ For You this week on KFuo.org:** Begin studying Psalm 119 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), begin studying Amos on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and continue hearing stories on KFuo Radio's 100-year history on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and the KFuo Radio app! Find more about our 100th Anniversary celebration at [kfuo.org/100](http://kfuo.org/100).

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### “A Statement of Scriptural and Confessional Principles” Series...

During the Lutheran Battle for the Bible, the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod adopted “A Statement of Scriptural and Confessional Principles” in 1973. It dealt with how Lutherans regarded Holy Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions. Issues, Etc., a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL, recently completed a multi-part series on this document with Lutheran historian Dr. Martin Noland. You can listen to this series at [issuesetc.org/astatement](http://issuesetc.org/astatement).

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**We’d love to see you in worship.** Our worship services are every Sunday at 9:30 AM. If you are unable to attend it can be viewed on Facebook live at [www.facebook.com/splcms/videos](http://www.facebook.com/splcms/videos). A previous recording is also available. Bulletins for the services are available for viewing or download on our website at [www.splcms.org/worship](http://www.splcms.org/worship).

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“We live in the presence of evil. Some of it is twisted to sound good. We hear of ‘the compassionate relief of suffering’ or ‘death with dignity’ or ‘right to health care’ or ‘simple medical procedure.’ You know many more. God calls us to confront these with His truth, to reveal the evil behind them. God calls us to educate fellow Christians in His truth so they do not end up ‘possessed’ by this way of thinking. God calls us to call evil what it is, but also to share the truth of what God has done about evil. For that we fix our gaze upon Jesus (Hebrews 12:2). He speaks to us through His Word of truth and grace.” Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former Executive Director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)

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## Clean or Unclean?

So the Pharisees and teachers of the law asked Jesus, "Why don't your disciples live according to the tradition of the elders instead of eating their food with 'unclean' hands?" Mark 7:5 (NIV)

Based on Mark 7:1-7; 14-15; 21-23 (NIV)



Mark 7:1-8;  
14-15; 21-23

C A B P B U A T Z E G M I J O  
 I P H A R I S E E S A R V W M  
 G E Y L D L N V Z A A T O L Z  
 R U N C L E A N Z N C C I V I  
 D K L Y S E L Z T E F H S N J  
 F U N D V O X I W W A L E W G  
 K J N X I G Y Q P O O G S R P  
 F A Y W A S H S M S R E K M S  
 H Z L L A K C H B B X S C V S  
 L H Y P O C R I T E S I H T O  
 H F Q U Z S Y P P U Y S R I H  
 S O O I G U J E Q L D A X Z P  
 B M N O F G L A W X E H F G F  
 T P Z O D S P Q R H M S V I H  
 N G X J R U L E S A P I B K K

LAW  
HANDS  
RULES

WORSHIP  
HEARTS  
EATING

UNCLEAN  
PHARISEES  
LIPS

FOOD  
HYPOCRITES  
HONOR

TEACHERS  
DISCIPLES  
WASH

# GOD'S PEOPLE IN ACTION



## ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

August 18<sup>th</sup> Attendance 22, 20 Communed

Envelopes	\$956.00	Weekly Missions	\$55.00
		Luth. Church Charity	10.00
		Church Maint	10.00
		Social Ministry	35.00
<b>Budgeted Total</b>	<u>956.00</u>	<b>Non-budgeted Total</b>	<u>\$110.00</u>
Offering Needed	<u>1,362.00</u>		
<b>Short</b>	<b>\$-406.00</b>		



## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:30 am	Coffee &...
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:30 am	Coffee &...

## SERVANT SCHEDULE

	<b>Sun, Aug 25, 9:30 AM</b>	<b>Sun, Sep 1, 9:30 AM</b>
Pastor		Rev. Mark Zuehsow
Usher	Bill Sommer	Dave Bloom
Lay Reader	Norma Allen	

## DONATIONS



FOOD PANTRY



GENERAL FUND