

The Seventh Sunday of Easter June 1, A+D 2025



# St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church

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> DIVINE SERVICE Setting 1 – Page 151 Lutheran Service Book

If you wish to submit a prayer request on a prayer card, kindly hand it to an usher before the service starts.

#### Jesus Is with Us in His Holy Christian Church

On the night when He was betrayed, Jesus interceded for His Church — for His apostles and all who believe in Him through their word — that all of His disciples "may become perfectly one" in the Father and the Son (John 17:21–23). For Jesus became flesh and dwells among us in order to reveal the Father and His name, to share with us the glory of His righteousness, and to bring us to the Father in Himself. As the Father loved the Son from "before the foundation of the world" (John 17:24), so He loves the whole world (John 17:23, 26). Through the apostolic witness to the Baptism, cross and resurrection of Jesus (Acts 1:21–22), the Lord gathers His disciples throughout the world "with one accord" as one body in Christ (Acts 1:14). And so with one voice and by one Spirit, His Bride prays, "Come" (Rev. 22:17). And He comes to us. He gives us "the water of life without price" to wash our robes and quench our thirst (Rev. 22:17); He feeds us from "the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit" (Rev. 22:2).

Ringing of the Bells

Welcome

# Confession and Absolution

Stand

#### Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation LSB 151

- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

#### **Confession of Sins**

LSB 151

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Absolution 151

- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 
  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

# Service of the Word

#### Introit

Psalm 61:3, 5-8; antiphon: v. 1

- **P** Hear my cry, O God,
- listen to my prayer;
- P for you have been my refuge,
- **a** strong tower against the enemy.
- **P** For you, O God, have heard my vows;
- you have given me the heritage of those who fear your name.
- P Prolong the life of the king;
- may his years endure to all generations!
- P May he be enthroned forever before God;
- appoint steadfast love and faithfulness to watch over him!
- P So will I ever sing praises to your name,
- as I perform my vows day after day.
- 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 Hear my cry, O God,
- listen to my prayer;

**Kyrie** 152

**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



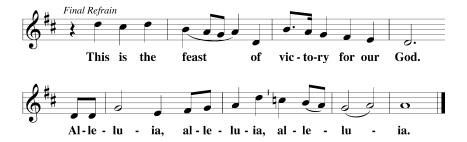
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.







#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



P Let us pray.

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

### **First Reading**

Acts 1:12-26

A The First Reading for The Seventh Sunday of Easter is from the first chapter of the Acts of the Apostles.

<sup>12</sup>Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup>And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. <sup>14</sup>All these with one

accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

<sup>15</sup>In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, <sup>16</sup>"Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. <sup>17</sup>For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." <sup>18</sup>(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. <sup>19</sup>And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) <sup>20</sup>"For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"'May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it';

and

"'Let another take his office.'

<sup>21</sup>So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup>beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." <sup>23</sup>And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. <sup>24</sup>And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup>to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." <sup>26</sup>And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

#### **Second Reading**

Revelation 22:1-20

A The Second Reading is from the twenty-second chapter of the Revelation of St. John.

<sup>1</sup>Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup>through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree

of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup>No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. <sup>4</sup>They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup>And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

<sup>6</sup>And he said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place."

<sup>7</sup>"And behold, I am coming soon. Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book."

<sup>8</sup>I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who showed them to me, <sup>9</sup>but he said to me, "You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers the prophets, and with those who keep the words of this book. Worship God."

<sup>10</sup>And he said to me, "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near. <sup>11</sup>Let the evildoer still do evil, and the filthy still be filthy, and the righteous still do right, and the holy still be holy."

<sup>12</sup>"Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay everyone for what he has done. <sup>13</sup>I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

<sup>14</sup>Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. <sup>15</sup>Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

<sup>16</sup>"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

<sup>17</sup>The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

<sup>18</sup>I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, <sup>19</sup>and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of

this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

<sup>20</sup>He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand



#### Holy Gospel

John 17:20-26

 ${\bf P}$  The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.



<sup>20</sup>[Jesus said:] "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup>that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup>The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, <sup>23</sup>I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. <sup>24</sup>Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. <sup>25</sup>O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup>I made known to them

your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

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



Sit

#### 467 Awake, My Heart, with Gladness

#### Sermon

Stand

#### **Apostles' Creed**

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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.

#### **Prayer of the Church**

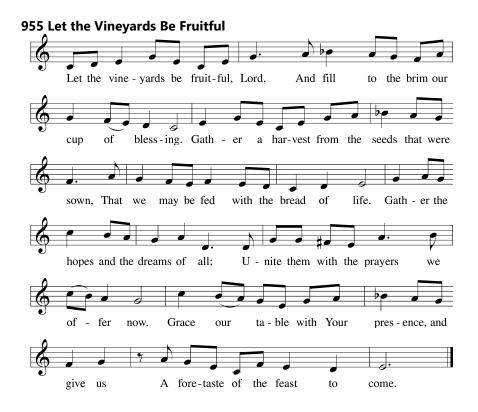
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- **P** ... Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

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#### **Gathering of Tithes & Offerings**

Stand



# Service of the Sacrament

Preface 160

P The Lord be with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



#### **Proper Preface (Full)**

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up into heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

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P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer 162

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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 Words of Our Lord

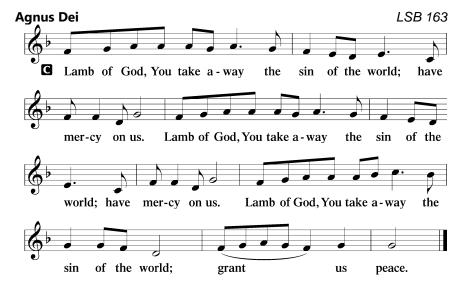
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My → body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.





Sit

#### **Distribution of Christ's Body and Blood**

Members of other Christian denominations who are present may come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor during the distribution. It is requested that you cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you desire this blessing.

Silent Prayer Just Before Communing: Dear Savior, at your gracious invitation, I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Silent Prayer Just After Communing: Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament. I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace the forgiveness of sins unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

#### 469 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

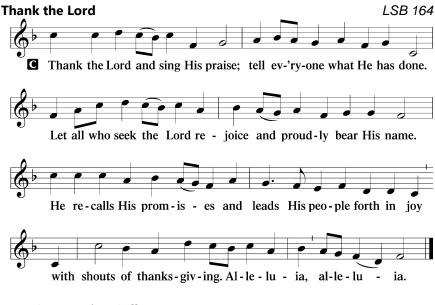
#### 478 The Day of Resurrection

Stand

#### The Dismissal

- **P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart 

  → in peace.
- C Amen.



#### **Post-Communion Collect**

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction 166

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.



#### 680 Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

Silent Prayer

**Announcements** 

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# The Glad Spirit St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church June 1, 2025

# REMEMBER IN PRAYER

## ST. PAUL'S FAMILY

Janet Sanders
Erik & Teresa Schassburger
Alec Schassburger
Aaron Schassburger
Ethan Schassburger
Tara Schassburger
Laura Schassburger



#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Taylor VanDommelen, 6/1 Brian Orth, 6/3 Jeanette Ramirez, 6/3 Shirley Wahl, 6/7

#### **BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES**

Jerry Wiltjer, 6/2

#### **CONFIRMATION ANNIVERSARIES**

Cassandra Michels, 6/1
Chris Carr, 6/3
Tina Morse, 6/3
Nicholas Carr, 6/7

Brian Wiltjer, 6/2
Jennifer Lovett, 6/3
Dana Krieger, 6/4
Micci Orth, 6/7

Tara Schultz, 6/7

#### **SPECIAL CONCERNS**

**Pray for** Janice Abel, Dave Bloom, Sandy Bodza, Sondra Budde, Jay Carey, Pastor and Pam Collins, Carmen Dampier, Judy Diekleman, Shirley Emerick, Latricia Harris, Ed Hoeksema Jr., Doris Leifert, Chester Orendorff, Violet Rich, Bill Sommer, Dolly Tagenhorst, Warren & Chris Van Mynen, Gene Wiltjer, Ray Zander.

**Serving in the Military** – Austin Brandy, Jessica Calderon-Phillips, Dakoda Gaut 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.

Rehab Care this past week – Sandy Bodza

**Receiving Hospice this past week** – Jay Carey

## **NEWS UPDATE**



St. Paul Book Club will meet date to be announced at 10:00 am, to review *As Bright as Heaven* by Susan Meissner. We always welcome new members. We enjoy fellowship and lunch following the discussion.

Christ For You the week of June 1<sup>st</sup> on KFUO.org: Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT) continues its study through 1 Kings, picking up with chapter 19. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), we are journeying through the book of Genesis. Join us as we continue the saga of Jacob and his family. Don't forget to tune in to the Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. CT) to learn about a new catechetical fiction series from Kloria Publishing, and to join us as we conclude our series on Sabbath with Rev. Dr. Joel Biermann! Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or in the KFUO Radio app!

The Week of June 1<sup>st</sup> Contending For Truth In An Age Of Anti-Truth... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent subjects include: Christian Silence, Scripture Alone, Christians in the Public Square, The Lutheran Worldview, Christian Peace, The Progressive Assault on the U.S. Constitution and more. You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

"Watch and prepare for Jesus to return. Set your hearts on Him and on your life in Him. He is the beginning and end, the purpose and goal of your life. So there's no need for tears as you see Him ascend. He is with you always. He will come back for His people soon. Then we will appear with Him in glory." Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

# **Jesus Prays for All Believers**

"May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me." John 17:23 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on John 17:20-23 (NIV).



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# GOD'S PEOPLE IN ACTION



#### **ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS**

May 25th Attendance 23, 15 Communed, 14 Online

Envelopes	\$1,195.00	Weekly Missions	\$20.00
Basket	55.00	Luth. Church Charity	10.00
General Fund	250.00	Church Maint	30.00
		Social Ministry	25.00
<b>Budgeted Total</b>	1,500.00	Non-budgeted Total	\$85.00
Offering Needed	1,423.00		
	\$77.00		



#### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today	9:30 am	Worship Service
Today	10·30 am	Coffee &

Monday Tuesday 7:30 pm Elders Meeting

Wednesday Thursday Friday

Saturday 7:45 am Parish Hall until 12:00

9:30 am Worship Service Sunday

10:30 am Coffee &...

#### **SERVANT SCHEDULE**

Sun, Jun 8, 9:30 AM Sun, Jun 1, 9:30 AM

Pastor Rev. Mark Zuehsow

Lay Reader Norma Allen





