



SHARING CHRIST'S LOVE WITH JOY!

SAINT PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

AUGUST 1, 2021

9:00 A.M.

Order of Worship

10th Sunday of Pentecost

August 1, 2021 † 9:00 am

Gathering Music

Welcome, Announcements, and Prayer Concerns

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Let us be honest with ourselves, our God, and with each other and confess our sins in order that we might receive the forgiveness of God and experience the joy of the community of Christ.

All: God, we sin by what we think, what we say and what we do. We continue to pull away from you even though you love us with an everlasting love. Today in worship, we recognize our failures and our weaknesses. We confess our sins of omission and commission. We confess we do not love our neighbors as ourselves. We come to you now, as brothers and sisters in Christ, who need your power and forgiveness.

P: In the name of Jesus, I speak his word to you: *“I belong to you as you belong to me. I am one of you, I know you. I died and rose for you so your sin might be forgiven. I feel what you feel and I live through your life. I forgive your wrongs and with that forgiveness give you power to change your condition as you live lives which are pleasing in my sight.”*

Song

“10, 000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)”

Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul, worship His holy name
Sing like never before O my soul, I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning, it's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger,
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing,
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Worship Your holy name
Lord I'll worship Your holy name

Sing like never before O my soul,
I'll worship Your holy name
Worship Your holy name,
Worship Your holy name

Call to Worship & Prayer of the Day

P: We begin our worship in the name of the Creator, Son, and Holy Spirit!

All: Amen!

P: In the peace and quiet of this hour we come to find rest for our hearts and contentment for our weary minds.

All: We are caught up in the activity of our life and need to pause and be refreshed.

P: In the beauty of this place we come to be touched by the forgiving grace of God.

All: We are surrounded by the loving people of God, bound together by a unity only the Holy Spirit can give.

P: Let us pray ... O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Reading

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

² The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³ The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." ⁴ Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. ⁹ Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" ¹⁰ And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. ¹¹ The Lord spoke to Moses and said, ¹² "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'" ¹³ In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴ When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵ When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading

Ephesians 4:1-16

¹ therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ² with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³ making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. ⁷ But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸ Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." ⁹ (When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰ He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹ The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³ until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of

God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴ We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵ But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶ from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel:

John 6:24-35

²⁴ So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. ²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶ Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷ Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸ Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹ Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰ So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?" ³¹ Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³² Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is that which[a] comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴ They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." ³⁵ Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Message

Song

“Lord, I Need You”

Lord I come I confess, bowing here I find my rest
And without You I fall apart, you're the one that guides my heart

Lord I need You oh I need You, ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness, oh God how I need You

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more, where grace is found is where You are
And where You are Lord I am free, Holiness is Christ in me
Where You are Lord I am free, Holiness is Christ in me

So teach my song to rise to You, when temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You, Jesus You're my hope and stay
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Lord I need You oh I need You, ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness, oh God how I need You
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Affirmation of Faith

I believe in a living God, creator of all humankind, who has created and recreates the entire universe by power and love. I believe in Jesus Christ, God in the flesh and my Savior and Lord. Because of his life, work, suffering and death, I know who I am, and what I can become through Christ. I believe God is present with me always and can be experienced in prayer, the Sacraments, the Word, and the community of believers. Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

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

All: And also with you!

Offering

Thank you for your continued support and generosity towards the mission and ministry of St. Paul Lutheran. Your consistent gifts are all the more important during this time of pandemic. You're reminded that you can contribute in three ways. You can give electronically on our church website, drop your envelope off at church, or mail in your offering envelope to:

St. Paul Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 583, Wyoming, MN 55092

Offering Prayer

P: In loving response to your gracious blessing, we come with the offering of our time and treasure. May these gifts bring hope and healing to a world in need.

All: Amen.

Prayers

L: Lord, in your mercy...

All: Hear our prayer.

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

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.

Communion

Communion Music

“Old Rugged Cross”

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suff'ring and shame
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best, for a world of lost sinners was slain

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown

O the old rugged cross so despised by the world, has a wondrous attraction for me
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above, to bear it to dark Calvary

In the old rugged cross stained with blood so divine, A wondrous beauty I see
For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died, to pardon and sanctify me

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true, Its shame and reproach gladly bear
Then He'll call me some day to my home far away, where His glory forever I'll share

Communion Blessing

Communion Prayer

P: Jesus, we thank you for life and love, for grace and peace, for joy and contentment.
May these gifts of your body and blood be ours, and renew us, this day, as we
celebrate your resurrection presence.

All: Amen.

Benediction

Dismissal

P: Go in peace! Share Christ's love, with Joy!

All: Thanks be to God!

Sending Music

“I Refuse”

Sometimes I, I just want to close my eyes
And act like everyone's alright, when I know they're not
This world needs God, but it's easier to stand and watch
I could say a prayer and just move on, like nothing's wrong but I refuse

'Cause I don't wanna live like I don't care, I don't wanna say another empty prayer
Oh I refuse to, sit around and wait for someone else
To do what God has called me to do myself, oh I could choose not to move but I refuse

I can hear the least of these, crying out so desp'ately
And I know we are the hands and feet, of You oh God
So if You say move, it's time for me to follow through
And do what I was made to do, and show them who You are

To stand and watch, the weary and lost cry out for help
I refuse to turn my back, and try and act like all is well
I refuse to stay unchanged, to wait another day to die to myself
I refuse to make one more excuse

I refuse I refuse yeah

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Thank You to All Involved in Today's Worship

Guest Pastor: Steve Melander

Worship Assistant: Kathie Marabella

Sound Tech: Chris Timmons/Sam Kroschel

Altar Guild: Cindy Gruett

Welcome to Saint Paul Lutheran!

Announcements for Sunday, August 1, 2021

Please keep in your prayers this week:

- First Responders, those working in the medical field and on the front line for COVID-19, and all who have struggled with COVID
- Our partners in Tanzania, the Mgoli and Mtera parishes, and the whole Iringa Diocese
- Fran (friend of Pat Miska, Chad (friend of Cindy Gruett), Janet Nutter, Beth Wilkinson, Rick Schwab, Becky (friend of Pat Miska), Chuck Crawford, Pat Crawford, Dave Petrey, Arnie Rudenick, Bill Coppersmith, Family of Dar Fraley, Wendy Hazzard and her mother Jackie.

Please contact Melissa in the church office if you'd like a prayer concern added, updated, or removed from the list.

Today we welcome Pastor Steve Melander. Pastor Steve is the part-time visitation pastor at Faith Lutheran in Forest Lake. Please join us in giving him a warm welcome! Pastor Dale is on a short camping trip on the North Shore and will be back in the office tomorrow.

SPLC Caps for Sale TODAY. In memory of Bill Oswald, Karen Roseske will be selling embroidered SPLC caps that Bill donated. The caps are \$15 and all funds received will go towards our church cleaning expenses. Bill was one of our church custodians for many years. Thank you, Karen!

Volunteers Needed: We are in need of greeters, readers, and worship assistants! If interested please email or call Melissa at 651-462-5212

Altar Flowers: We still have several spots open to purchase Altar Flowers. Please refer to this weeks newsletter to sign up online or sign up in the Narthex.

Sunday Refreshments: There is a sign up sheet available in the Narthex, or you can sign up through our weekly newsletter.

Bible Study: Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m.

We are studying the book of Ephesians during our Wednesday Bible Study. It would help to read the assigned chapter for the day prior to the study. This Wednesday, August 4, we'll be studying chapter four. On August 11 we'll study chapters five and six.

Keenagers: Keenagers will meet at the Village Inn on Wednesday, August 11 at 11:00 a.m. We hope you can join us!

General Fund Financial Offerings Received as of July 29, 2021

Year-to-Date Actuals	Year-to-Date Budget	Over (Under) Budgeted Giving
\$ 102,512.00	\$ 96,250.00	\$ 6,262.00

This Week at Saint Paul Lutheran

Sunday, August 1

9:00 a.m. Outdoor Worship
Guest Pastor: Steve Melander

Monday, August 2

6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts

Tuesday, August 3

6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

Wednesday, August 4

1:00 p.m. Bible Study

Sunday, August 8

9:00 a.m. Indoor Worship

Other On-Going Donation Opportunities

Support SPLC While Shopping!

Do you shop online at Amazon?
Did you know you can support the ministries of St. Paul Lutheran by shopping at smile.amazon.com? AmazonSmile donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to our church!

A Weekly Food Donation Reminder

The Food Donation Grocery Cart is in the narthex each Sunday ready to receive your non-perishable food truck donations which are distributed the third Saturday of each month.

Cans For Christ!

Your donated aluminum cans become additional funds to help us meet our general operating expenses at the church. Tell your friends and neighbors to donate their cans for Christ, too!



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