

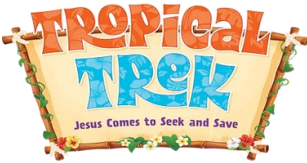
Scripture Readings

June 28	Fifth Sunday after Pentecost	Jer. 28:5-9	Psalm 119:153-160	Rom. 7:1-13	Matt. 10:34-42
July 5	Sixth Sunday after Pentecost	Zech. 9:9-12	Psalm 145:1-14	Rom. 7:14-25a	Matt. 11:25-30
July 12	Seventh Sunday after Pentecost	Isaiah 55:10-13	Psalm 65:(1-8), 9-13	Rom. 8:12-17	Matt. 13:1-9, 18-23

We are looking for the following:
Elementary Sunday School teachers
A teacher for the SPMiddles Group
if interested or questions please contact Kelly Holte, 785-632-7514
Chairperson of the Education Board.

Every year there is a mission that is selected to support during VBS. This year the local Lighthouse for Christ will be the recipient. We are asking for the congregation's participation to PACK the pack n play that is located in the narthex.

Please bring any of the following **before June 30**:
Either a new or gently used book and/or toy
Kids' snacks (granola bars, fruit snacks, etc.
Spaghetti-os
Cereal
Tuna (can or pouches)
Crackers



This Week's Schedule - June 20 through June 28	
Saturday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM
Sunday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM Family Education - 10:30 AM
Monday	Men's Bible Study - 7:00 PM
Wednesday	Bulletin Deadline - Noon
Next Saturday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM
Next Sunday	Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM Family Education - 10:30 AM

Welcome
to
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"A Place of Grace, A Source of Hope, A Mission of Mercy!"
For 138 years!!!
OUR MISSION
"Existing in God's love and forgiveness, St. Paul proclaims the Gospel of Christ, helps people grow in faith, and nurtures lives of worship and service."

June 20 & 21, 2026
Delivered from Sin and Death,
You Now Live before God in the Righteousness of Christ

The outcome of sin is death, *"but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord"* (Rom. 6:23). He has set you free from the slavery of sin and has brought you *"from death to life"* (Rom. 6:13). No longer are you under the condemnation of the Law, but you live *"under grace"* (Rom. 6:14). Such is your courage in the face of *"those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul"* (Matt. 10:28). For though *"you will be hated by all"* and maligned by the world for the name of Christ (Matt. 10:22, 25), you abide in the care of your Father in heaven, who numbers *"even the hairs of your head"* and values you more *"than many sparrows"* (Matt. 10:30–31). By the Word of Christ, you have become like Him, your Teacher and Master in whom you endure to the end, and *"will be saved"* (Matt. 10:22, 25). For He is with you *"as a dread warrior,"* who has overcome your enemies (Jer. 20:11). By the righteousness of faith, He delivers your heart, mind, body and life *"from the hand of evildoers,"* and He brings you into the land of the living (Jer. 20:12–13).

RADIO BROADCAST this week is sponsored by Joyce Laflin.

WELCOME to our guests and congregation! We are glad you are here! Thank you for joining us for worship and please feel free to join us again!

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Hymn #s - 727, 744, 570, 606, 783, 633, 877
SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Organist	Sat. Connie Paronto/Sun. Nola Schmale
Ushers	Mark Pfizenmaier, Walt Lenhart, Kenyon Badsky, Wes Wright
Greeters	Jerry & Betty Siebold
Live Stream	Jarrett Wachsnicht
Acolyte	June Davis, Isabel Mesalles
Communion Assistant	Brad Dieckmann
Altar Guild	Donna Jordan, Bonnie Sanneman
Fellowship Host	Willard & Donna Lenhart

FAMILY EDUCATION - 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Preschool - Kindergarten - meet in Room 11 (West Wing)
1st Grade - 3rd Grade - meet in Library Room (West Wing)
4th Grade - 8th Grade - meet in Conference Room (West Wing)
9th Grade - 12th Grade - meet in High School Room (Basement)
Adult - meet in Fellowship Hall (Basement)

Weekly Attendance	Sat	Sun	Total	Family Education Attendance	Total
June 6 & 7	21	80	101	June 7	30
June 13 & 14	21	118	139	June 14	32

SUMMER THOUGHTS

Please check with the Church Office for a Lutheran Church near your vacation destination. We encourage everyone to continue to hear the message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. **On the Stewardship side:** the financial needs of St. Paul continues throughout the summer. We still have an obligation to our normal expenses which do not stop during the vacation season. Please, if you know you are going to miss a Sunday or two, mail your offering to the church office or be sure to catch up on your financial support when you return.

Summer Family Challenge sheet in the narthex, complete all spots and return for a chance at Simply Scoop \$25 gift card. All participants will get bubbles when completed.

Actual Income to Expense - as of June 16, 2026		
	Weekly	Year to Date
Income	\$9,952	\$190,165
Expense	\$9,433	\$231,368
Net Income (Expense)	\$519	(\$41,203)

IN OUR PRAYERS
Congregational Members

Remembering our shut-ins: Bonnie VonLehe-Wakefield Care/Rehab, Larry Rakowsky; Georgie Dierking-Presbyterian Manor; Julie Hillman-Linn Nursing Home; Cedric Pfaff-Well Springs of Westmoreland; Mary Ann Mall-Liberty Place; Pauline Burger-Legend; Larry Ernsting - Topeka VA; Lola Lehman-Leonardville Nursing Home.
Health concerns: Kenzie Hillman, Dwight Koch, Raef Schuette, Larry Ernsting, and Larry Rakowsky.
Our outreach programs: Prayer Shawl Ministry, Small Group Ministry, Christian Preschool at St. Paul, Radio Ministry, LWML Friendship Circle, and our Youth groups.
Thanksgiving for the gift of life: Martin James born to Nathan & Jenna Ohlde

Larger Community Members
Healing: Keith McCullough, Barbara Jacobsen, Arielle Salazar, Brad Wichman, Norma Rice, Kay Johnson, Van Reichert, Kathy Baehr, Philip Steimetz, Katie Donovan, Denise Kidwell, Bobbi Holz, Sarah Tessaro, Ryan With-ee, Emmitt Budy, Malissa Milum, Rev. David Grouner, Donna Watson, Ron McDaniels, Micah Helms, Addie Voelker, Ann Huninghake, Sandy Larkey, Irene Bane, John Zeller, Rev. Greg DuBois, Melissa Martin, Benjamin Will-roth, Jennifer Zimmerman, Gail Thomas, Melis-sa Dunn, Darlene Miller, Darla Wilder, Rachelle Smith, Joe Parrlli, Sheila McGrew, Connie Winter, and Kerri Brown
Military: Isaiah, Mitchell, Kyle, Enrique, and Cooper.

Friendship Circle will be collecting Mites for Missions on Sunday, July 5

Mission Efforts beyond St. Paul

You Matter Tour; Hope House; LeadaChild; For the Sake of the Church; Lutheran Bible Translators; Lutheran Heritage Foundation; KansaSEED Deaf Ministry; Lutheran Hour Min-istries; Zion Lutheran Church Outreach, Con-cordia, KS

Please remember to inform the church office when the person for whom you requested prayer should be removed from the prayer

The Building Committee has been hard at work and is currently wait-ing for new numbers on a revised build-ing plan. We will inform the congrega-tion when those numbers are received. We look forward to being able to report back to the congregation after we re-ceive the updated information.

We continue to be proud of our congregation and grateful for the gen-erosity of our members. Fifty-five giving units have contributed to the new build-ing as of this date. If you would like to continue, or start, donating to the new building you may do so by writing "New Building Fund" on the memo line of your check. Please continue to keep our congregation, and the building process, in your prayers. Thank you!

Ready, set, go!

It's time to get your hair fixed and your dress clothes on. We are planning to take photos for a new pictorial directo-ry on September 22 and 23. Watch for opportunities to sign up... and smile!!