

Scripture Readings

Aug 6	Tenth Sunday after Pentecost	Is. 55:1-5	Psalms 136:1-9 (23-26)	Rom. 9:1-5 (6-13)	Matt. 14:13-21
Aug 13	Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost	Job 38:4-18	Psalms 18:1-6	Rom. 10:5-17	Matt. 14:22-33
Aug 20	Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost	Is. 56:1, 6-8	Psalms 67	Rom. 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32	Matt. 15:21-28

Pastoral characteristics questionnaires have been distributed, please fill them out & return to the church office today is the deadline.

We are still looking for greeters before worship services. If you are interested in serving as a greeter, there is a sign up sheet in the Narthex or contact the church office.

We plan to start this back up in the month of September!
Thank you!

On August 27, 2023, we are inviting you to an open house to celebrate Pastor Fritz & his 43 years of service to God's Kingdom. This will be held at Trinity Lutheran school basement Hanover, KS from 2pm - 4pm. Cake and punch will be served. You can take this time to visit with Pastor Fritz and thank him personally for his service.

This Week's Schedule - August 5 through August 13

Saturday Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM
Sunday Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM
 Family Education - 10:30 AM
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
 Unified Boards - 1:00 PM
 Parish Directors - 2:30 PM

Welcome

to

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"A Place of Grace, A Source of Hope, A Mission of Mercy!"

For 135 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."

August 5 & 6, 2023

Christ Jesus, the Living Bread from Heaven, Feeds the Children of God

By the Gospel of "the Christ, who is God over all, blessed forever" (Rom. 9:5), we are "the children of God" (Rom. 9:8), "not because of works but because of him who calls" (Rom. 9:11). Therefore, "listen diligently" and "hear, that your soul may live." By His sacrificial death in His flesh and blood, He has made "an everlasting covenant" for us. Since He now calls us to Himself, we come to Him "and eat what is good, and delight ... in rich food" (Is. 55:2-3). He has come with divine compassion to save us from sin and death and to feed us with Himself. As our Lord Jesus once took bread, "said a blessing," broke the loaves, "and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds" (Matt. 14:18-19), He also now takes bread, blesses it by His Word to be His very body, and distributes it to His Church by the hand of His called and ordained servants. Just as "they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces," there is more than enough for His whole Church to eat and to be satisfied (Matt. 14:20).

RADIO BROADCAST this week is sponsored by Gailen Franson -
In Memory of Linda.

The cost to sponsor a broadcast is \$40.00.

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!

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Hymn #s - 533, 712, 629, 611, 643, 922
SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Organist Sat. Connie Paronto / Sun. Terri Parry
Ushers Mark Pfizenmaier, Walt Lenhart
Live Stream Jarrett Wachsnicht
Communion Assistant Kenny Rettig, Chuck Tromp
Altar Guild DeeDee Anderson, Donna Jordan, Joyce Laflin
Fellowship Kristi Hager

FAMILY EDUCATION - 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM

Preschool - 6th Grade - meet in Tree Room (West Wing)
7th Grade - 12th Grade - meet in Conference Room (West Wing)
Adult - meet in Fellowship Hall (Basement)

Weekly Attendance	Sat	Sun	Total	Family Education Attendance	Total
July 22 & 23	40	103	143	July 23	22
July 29 & 30	40	91	131	July 30	18

What is Mercy?

Mercy is an act of love that enters into misery and brings consolation, relief and help.

Mercy is love responding to need.

Wilhelm Loehe

The LCMS Kansas District is offering two opportunities for congregations and individuals to train as volunteers to serve in Disaster Response and/or Critical Incidents scenarios. Both events are offered for individuals 14+ who have an interest learning how we can serve our neighbors both within our church families and local communities not only during a disaster, but in the “off season” as well. Here are the details:

LERT Basic Training
 Herington Retreat Center
 475 Trail Rd.
 Herington, KS
 Registration: \$25 for 6 hours of training
 Register: lcms-lert.org

LERT Basic Chainsaw Safety & Operation
 Herington Retreat Center
 475 Trail Rd.
 Herington, KS
 Registration: \$35 for 6 hours of training (classroom, field work & Stop the Bleed class)
 Register: TBA

Remember, LERT training and Disaster Response is not just about the disaster, it’s about the people.....everyday. Both classes are facilitated by our Kansas District Training teams. Training materials and the noon meal will be provided. If you or a member of your congregation have any questions, please reach out to District Disaster Response Coordinator (DDRC) Donna Williams ksddrc@gmail.com. Updated information can be found at ksclcms.org and on our Facebook page LERT Kansas District

IN OUR PRAYERS
Congregational Members

Remembering our shut-ins: Bonnie VonLehe, Jack Wilder-Advena; Irma Burger, Georgie Dierking, Darlene Obenland-Presbyterian Manor; Betty Sump-Leonardville Nursing Home; Julie Hillman-Linn Nursing Home; Cedric Pfaff-Well Springs of Westmoreland; Lola Lehman-Liberty Place.

Health concerns: Becky Beichter, Loyde Hager, Winnie, Janet Thurlow, Kay Osthoff, Larry Rakowsky, Cliff & Dee Noffsinger, and Ann Worley.

Our outreach programs: Small Group Ministry, St. Paul Preschool, Radio Ministry, LWML Friendship Circle, and our Youth groups.

Larger Community Members

Healing: Irie Carson, Alec Sewell, Mindy, Sarah Tessaro, Wyatt Carson, Bobby Pfizenmaier, Paul, Charles, Jackie Monroe, Vi Waters (relative of Deanna Rundle), Pam Everett, Jimmy Carlson, Sharon Schweitzer, Holt Hammeke, Larry Wallace, Jr., Lois Nash, Elizabeth Wischer, Lee, Melissa Dunn, Darlene Miller, Scot Richter, Darla Wilder, Gail Habluetzel, Lon Gallup, Megan Loberg, Brody Reed, Rachelle Smith, Joe Parrlli, Taylor James, Sheila McGrew, Donald, Sandy Wohler, Marla Forsyth, Grant & Grace Goodin, Connie Winter, Kerri Brown, Ethan, Dan Gott, Luke, and Ella Turner.

Military: David, Enrique, Liam, Cooper, Michael, and Evan.

Mission Efforts beyond St. Paul

LeadaChild; For the Sake of the Church; Lutheran Bible Translators; Lutheran Heritage Foundation; KansaSEED Deaf Ministry; Lutheran Hour Ministries; North Central Kansas LCMS Outreach

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

Renew or Sign Up for The Lutheran Witness, which is the official magazine of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. The rate is \$30.00 for an annual subscription. Checks should be made to St. Paul Lutheran and either placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the office, or mailed to the office.
DEADLINE - AUGUST 13

UNIFIED BOARDS
 will meet on Sunday, August 13 at 1:00 PM in the Sanctuary And Parish Director's Meeting will follow at 2:30 PM.
 All board members and officers are encouraged to participate.

Blessing of the Back Packs

All children are invited to bring their back packs to church with them on August 13 to have them “Blessed” for the upcoming school year!