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The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome! *The Word of Christ Bestows Peace on His Creation through His Forgiveness of Sins.*

In his anguish and affliction, Job must be reminded that, as a finite creature, he is in no position to question the Maker of the heavens and the earth. Job's "words without knowledge" are unable to penetrate the wisdom of the Lord (Job 38:1-2). For the Lord has "prescribed limits" and "set bars and doors," so that "here shall your proud waves be stayed" (Job 38:9-11). That's how He humbles us unto repentance. But also by His powerful Word, He calms the "great windstorm" and the waves "breaking into the boat." He does not permit the chaos of this fallen world to overwhelm us or bring us to despair. By the Word of His Gospel, He speaks "Peace!" to us, which bestows the "great calm" of His new creation (Mark 4:37-39). Therefore, do not be afraid, and do not receive this grace of God in vain. "Now is the favorable time," and "now is the day of salvation" (2 Cor. 6:1-2).

We invite you all to worship with us again.

In Our Prayers:

Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

Red Arldt-recovering
Chris Birnbaum-recovering
Christi Fritsche-recovering
Garry Fritsche-recovering (nephew of Doris Fritsche)
George Hernandez-recovering
Roselie Johnson-recovering (mother of Carie Oltmann)
Judy Kalbas
Russell Kappler-recovering
Pastor Joshua Knippa, Holy Cross, Nederland, recovering from liver transplant surgery
Charles Malke-hospitalized (brother of Carol Jean Noack and Douglas Malke)
Charlyn Matthijetz
Sylvin Mersiovsky (father of Stephen Merisovsky)
Bobby Oltmann-recovering
Ethan Ray-recovering
Ruth Siegmund-hospitalized (friend of Eldor & Lori Becker)
Cindy Umphries-recovering (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)
Jeannie Werchan-recovering

Our members in nursing homes and our shut-ins.

Those fighting cancer including:

Lillian Bamsch (sister-in-law of Charlyn & Marvin Matthijetz)
Randy Belz (uncle of Amanda Carter)
Teresita Brodrick (aunt of David Wittman)
Vernon Bryant (friend of Arthur & Dianna Noack)
Russell Cleghorn (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)
Brandon Cleland (brother of Sonya Schautschick)
Ginger Clifford (sister of Nancy Kasper)
Stephen Kasper
Franklin Hoffman (father of Maxine Bradshaw)
Devin Jackson (brother-in-law of Chris and Michelle Birnbaum)
Paul Kappler
Brenda Karisch (friend of Bonnie Wenke family)

Steven Kelly (cousin of Jessica Gruetzner, brother-in-law of Christi Bradford)
Bethany Lara (daughter of Kathy Gersch)
Heather Lilly (granddaughter of Irene Noack)
Vic Lohberg
Ruby Maass (mother of Linda Schonhoeft)
Cannon Martin (nephew of Christopher Taylor)
Gladys Mathena (sister of Frances Miertschin and Marilyn Miertschin)
Rhonda Mitschke (friend of Christi Fritsche)
Ron Muessel (father of Chris Miertschin)
Walter Rehle (friend of the Arldt's from Germany)
Carol Sander
Diane Sanders (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)
Louise Schubert (aunt of Bonnie Bise and Steven Schautschick)

Karen Symm (sister of Michael Symm)
Martin Werchan
Judy Wesbrook (mother of Heather Krause)
Those serving in the Armed Forces including:
Steven Cutlip (brother of Stephanie Symm), Fort Bliss, El Paso
Kosh Ozmun (son of Stephanie Miertschin), Ft. Cavazos, TX
Coy Hunt (son of Shannon & Christine Hunt) Ft. Drum, New York
Jacob Knapp (cousin of Mark Gruetzner, son of Nathan & Heather Wenke) Ft. Stewart, Georgia
Randall Weise (grandson of Bernice Doebbler) Ft. Huachuca, Arizona
Dylan Robbins (cousin of Michelle Birnbaum) Jacksonville, NC
Aron Marak (nephew of Mike and Susie Maass) Fr. Bragg, North Carolina
Kyler Brown (friend of Dorthy Schautschick) U.S. Navy-Bahrain

Seasonal Weather

Prayer Requests are always welcome. To have someone included in our Sunday morning prayers either call the church office through the week or write out the request and give it to pastor on Sunday morning.

The Order of Service– 184 of the hymnal

The Hymns: 717, 726, 781 v. 1&2, 818, 722

Sermon Text: Mark 4:35-41

The Sermon: **“Be Still!**

- † **The Altar flowers** are placed to the glory of God in memory of the birthdays of Adelia Becker and Johnny Mutschink by the Becker & Jones families.
- † **Pastor Schmidt and his family** will be leaving for vacation this afternoon and will return on Tuesday, July 8th. If you need assistance during this time please call Pastor David Mumm, your Elder or the church office.
- † **July Calendar.** The July Calendar is available from the ushers this morning.
- † **Sunday, June 30th Song Service** will be led by the Elders.
- † **Sunday, July 7th** Pastor Herbert Keistman will conduct the service.
- † **Community League Baseball** – The Serbin Jackrabbits will play Shiner today at Serbin. Time for the game is 3:00 p.m. Next Sunday, June 30th Serbin will play Flatonia at Flatonia. Time for the game is 3:00 p.m. Results of last week’s game, Serbin 12, Weimar 9.
- † **Music Program.** As we prepare for the next school year, we are looking for anyone willing to help with the music program. If you are interested in helping, please contact the church office
- † **Sunday School Help.** We are looking for a Sunday School Teacher/Helper to help with the 3&4 grade. If you are interested, please contact the church office.
- † **Aluminum Cans:** Need somewhere to take your aluminum cans? There is a drop-off trailer by the pasture gate for anyone who would like to drop off their aluminum cans to be recycled. All money raised from the recycled cans will go to the Building Fund. We sold the cans this past week and raised another \$57.00. for the Building Fund. Total given to the Restoration/Building fund is \$4,001.75.

LUTHERAN HOUR: Next Sunday, June 30th, **“An Eager Conversationalist!”** Guest Speaker: Rev. Keith Haberstock. The Holy Spirit empowers us to open our mouths and share Jesus, so that all might have what none of us deserve. (Acts 17:16-31). Hear *The Lutheran Hour* each Sunday on station KBUK-FM 104.9 at 7:00 a.m. or on station KANJ-FM 91.5 at 12:30 p.m. or go to lhm.org for a link to listen to the Lutheran Hour live.

- Serving today:**
- Elders**– David Fritsche and Gary Oltmann
 - Organist**- Susan Michael
 - Acolytes**- Kenzie Stewart and Owen Wittman
 - Head Ushers**- Donald Becker
 - Captain**- Michael Becker **Assistant**- Glen Albrecht
 - Ushers**- Wyatt Arldt, Gabriel Bailey, Virgil Becker,
Jace Heuermann, Clay Mertink, Cody Mertink,
Cole Mertink, Benjamin Schonhoeft, Robert Zoch
 - Counting and Posting offering this week:**
 - Chairman**- Glen Albrecht
Daniel Marak, Brooks Kasper, Pablo Rodriguez
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Life Thoughts in the Church Year:

June 23 – Pentecost V

“Widen your hearts,” the Apostle exhorts his Corinthian companions (2 Corinthians 6:13). He has just instructed them how God’s grace prevails to make life worthwhile without regard to anyone’s size, skills, or circumstances. Doesn’t His love expand our imaginations and affections to receive every human life as a gift and privilege? Won’t our voices offer the same opportunities to neighbors in surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis?

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Today **Worship Service – 8:30 a.m.**
Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.
Community League Baseball – Serbin vs. Shiner –
3:00 p.m. @ Serbin
Clear Classrooms

Mon.- Sun. Pastor's Vacation

Monday **Wax Classrooms**

Next Sunday **Song Service – 8:30 a.m.**
Acolytes: Jasmine Bailey and Luks Iselt
Greeter: Pam Krause

Birthdays: 24th – Lydia Goodson, Halee Oltmann; 25th – Marvin Matthijetz; 26th – Janiece Becker; 27th – James House, Donnie Zoch, 28th – Samuel Beeman, Lilianna Sanchez. God's Blessings to you.

ST. PAUL NOTES:

Attendance Last Week: Morning Worship- 237, Communion- 113.

Offering Last Week: \$13,987.69

Home:		Mission:	
General	\$8,097.06	Mission	\$330.00
Use of Facility	\$150.00	Mission Total	\$330.00
ECC Operating	\$5,353.63	Savings/Other:	
Received 6/16/2024	\$13,600.69	Building Fund	\$57.00
		Savings/Other Total	\$57.00
Est. needed per week	\$29,635.00		
Received MTD	\$55,919.89	Total	\$13,987.69
Est. needed per month	\$128,417.00		

MEMORIALS:

✝ **Pictorial Directory:** Plans are underway for our 2024 Pictorial Directory. Photography dates for the directory will be June 17 – June 23 and July 15 – July 21. Sign up for photography times. Sign-up sheets are in the church office on Sunday mornings. You can come by or call the Church Office during the week and we will be happy to sign you up. Check your calendars and get ready to come and be a part of this 2024 edition of the directory.

Here is the link for sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4FAAAA29A2F8CF8-48684408-stpaul>

