St. Paul Lutheran Church



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The Third Sunday after Pentecost

29 June 2025

Welcome! Christ's Messengers Proclaim His Kingdom. When the prophet Elijah became discouraged and despaired of his life, "the word of the LORD came to him" (1 Kings 19:9b) and stood him "on the mount before the LORD" (1 Kings 19:11). The Lord made Himself known to the prophet — not in the impressive power of gale force winds, or in an earthquake, or in the fire, but in "the sound of a low whisper" (1 Kings 19:12). Today God reveals Himself to us through the frail preaching of the Gospel. The Son of Man sends "messengers ahead of him ... to make preparations for him" (Luke 9:52). Putting their hand to that plow of preaching, they "go and proclaim the kingdom of God," and they do not look back (Luke 9:60, 62). What they preach is not the power of the Law with its "yoke of slavery," but the power of God unto salvation through the Gospel of forgiveness, by which "Christ has set us free" (Gal. 5:1).

We invite you all to worship with us again.

In Our Prayers:

Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

Wavne Becker-recovering

Ginger Clifford (sister of Nancy Kasper)

Dorothy Exner-recovering

Herbert Handrick (uncle of Shannon Handrick)

Mike Hensel-hospitalized (friend of the Werchans)

Roselie Johnson-recovering (mother of Carie Oltmann)

Ruth Kluetz-recovering

Billy Krause-recovering

Vic Lohberg

Ruby Maass-recovering (mother of Linda Schonhoeft)

Douglas Malke-recovering

Ruben Melcher-recovering (uncle of James, Johnny,

Larry & Leroy Kalbas))

Chris Miertschin-recovering

Arthur Richards-hospitaized

Camie Smiley-surgery (friend of Thomas Birnbaum)

David Wachsmann (cousin of Billy Krause)

Wesley Yurk-recovering

Irene Zoch-recovering (mother of Donnie Zoch)

Our members in nursing homes and our shut-ins. Those fighting cancer including:

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)

Ralph & Debbie Domel (sister & brother-in-law of Mary

Jatzlau)

Sherri Fritsche

Christie Hall (friend of Mark Arldt)

Dana Herzog (niece of Becky Weise)

Franklin Hoffman (father of Maxine Bradshaw)

Devin Jackson (brother-in-law of Chris and Michelle

Birnbaum)

Betty Jenkins (mother of Jared Jenkins)

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)

Susan Mogonye-recovering (mother of Lindsey Hansen)

Cannon Martin (nephew of Christopher Taylor)

Kelli Meinholdt (sister of Carie Oltmann)

Rhonda Mitschke (friend of Christi Fritsche)

Walter Rehle (friend of the Arldt's from Germany)

Carol Sander

Diane Sanders (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)

Karen Symm (sister of Michael Symm)

Courtney Wagner (cousin of Mark Gruetzner)

Jordan Weidemann (friend of Byron Kalbas)

Judy Wesbrook (mother of Heather Krause)

Those serving in the Armed Forces including:

Steven Cutlip (brother of Stephanie Symm), Fort Bliss, El Paso

Cov Hunt (son of Shannon & Christine Hunt) Ft. Drum, New York

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-

Benjamin Symm-Training Camp Johnson, North Carolina

Jacob Droegemueller Ft. Jackson, South Carolina Corey Pedeville (friend of Dorothy Schautschick) Army-

serving in Saudia Arabia

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—Worship Insert

On Sunday, June 8 we welcomed to God's people through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Ella James Peters

Ella is the daughter of Hayden and Hannah Peters

Her baptismal sponsors are Nicole Dobos and Blake Carter and her baptismal witnesses are Danielle Loving and Aubrey Loving

On Saturday, June 28 we welcomed to God's people through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Maverick Lane Flory

Maverick is the son of Ricky and Corie Flory.

His baptismal sponsors are Brandy Todd and Christopher Schimank

- The Altar flowers are placed to the glory of God in honor of Macy Adelia's baptismal birthday and her Granny Becker's heavenly birthday by Paul, Tina & Max Sommerfield.
- The Altar Stand flowers are placed to the glory of God in memory of our parents, Victor & Gladys Symm and Earl & Wilma Sandlin by David & Tina Symm.
- Altar flowers are needed for Sunday, July 13th, 20th and 27th. If you would like to place flowers on any of these Sunday's, please call Dorothy Schautschick at 716-0094.
- Pastor Schmidt and his family will be leaving for vacation this afternoon and will return on Monday, July 14th. If you need assistance during this time please call Pastor David Mumm, your Elder or the church office.
- \$\frac{1}{2}\$ Sunday, July 6th Pastor Herbert Keistman will conduct the service.
- **July Calendar.** The July Calendar is available from the ushers this morning.

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- \$\frac{1}{2}\$ Special Voter's Meeting Minutes. The special Voter's meeting was called to order by Chairman of Elders, Michael Krause with 35 in attendance.
 - A motion was made, seconded and passed by ballot vote of 28-4 to contract Principal Kelsey Schatte for the 2025-26 school year for a salary of \$80,961 plus benefits.
 - A motion was made, seconded and passed to contract Miss Emily Depine as 1st grade teacher for a salary of \$47,268 and Athletic Director stipend of \$4,000 plus benefits for a total cost to the congregation of \$67,557.80.
 - A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn.
- **Funds Transfer** − This week we transferred \$45,000 from savings to cover expense which included \$21,568.17 insurance and approximately \$38,000 for payroll.
- ⊕ Community League Baseball The Serbin Jackrabbits will play Flatonia today at Flatonia. Time for the game is 3:00 p.m. No game is scheduled for next Sunday, June 6th. Last week's game Serbin 18, Shiner 1. The Jackrabbits have now started a Facebook page so you can follow it for updates.
- Property Reset Classrooms. This morning, the classrooms will be reset after the service.
- Attention Ladies! If you would like a light-hearted evening away with the ladies, we will be having an informal gathering at Los Patrones in Giddings at 6:00 on Weds, July 9. Dinner (and drinks) is at your own expense, but it will be a fun time getting to know your Sisters in Christ! Bring a friend, your daughter, or your mom, if you wish! Please text Melodi Oltmann to RSVP at 979-540-0039.
- \$\footnote{\text{Sunday School Help.}}\$ We are looking for a Sunday School Teacher for grades 1 & 2 and a helper for kindergarten. If you are interested, please contact the church office.

LUTHERAN HOUR: Next Sunday, July 6th, "A Little Light, Reading". Lutheran Hour Speaker; Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The Book of Job is not light reading but Christians read it in the light of Christ. (Job 1:8). 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.

Life Thoughts in the Church Year:

June 29 – St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles

Humankind once mistook Jesus for somebody less than Lord God (Matthew 16:13-14). Even His own people once mistook Gentiles for something less than just as special (Acts 15:50). The Gospel and its Apostles delight to embrace neighbors not yet born and neighbors no longer able as blessings, brothers and sister, beloved and belonging to one Heavenly Father. May we rejoice to proclaim and practice it!

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Today Song Service – 8:30 a.m.

Reset Classrooms

Community League Baseball – Serbin v. Flatonia –

3:00 p.m.@ Flatonia

Mon. – Sat, Pastors Vacation

Thursday ECC Red, White and Blue Day

Friday 4th of July

ECC Closed

Church Office Closed

Next Sunday Worship Service – 8:30 a.m.

Acolytes: Lane Gersch and Trenton Grange

Greeter: Judy Boriack

Birthdays: 30th – Lucille Mitschke, Ronald Oltmann, Glenn Teinert; 1st – Andie Jenkins, Kalen Kalbas; 2nd – Byron Kalbas, Kaden Kasper; 3rd – Ben Smith; 4th – Allan Marburger; 5th – Lana Kaiser. God's Blessings to you.

ST. PAUL NOTES:

Attendance Last Week: Morning Worship – 191.

Offering Last Week: \$15,449.00

| Home: | | Mission: | |
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| General | \$6,813.20 | Mission | \$198.80 |
| Lunch Room | \$1,035.00 | Mission Total | \$198.80 |
| ECC Operating | \$5,038.00 | Savings/Other: | |
| Tuition | \$2,224.00 | School Fund | \$100.00 |
| Received 6/22/2025 | \$15,110.20 | Cemetery Fund | \$40.00 |
| | | Savings/Other Total | \$140.00 |
| Est. needed per week | \$31,870.00 | | |
| Received MTD | \$82,979.42 | Total | \$15,449.00 |
| Est. needed per month | \$138,103.00 | | |

MEMORIALS: General: In memory of Elmo Miertschin by Susan Michael - \$25.00; by Kyle, Laurie & Kaden Kasper - \$50.00; by Michael & Teresa Krause - \$25.00; by Phillip, Rose, Libbi, Courtland and Jennifer Tharp - \$80.00. In memory of Ludwig Krause by Robin & Sherri Buscha - \$40.00. In memory of Shirley Christianson and Elmo Miertschin by Robert & Joyce Hinze - \$100.00. ECC Operating: In memory of Elmo Miertschin by Janiece Becker - \$50.00. School Fund: In memory of Elmo Miertschin by M/M Larry Schatte - \$50.00; by William & Tina Kappler - \$50.00. Cemetery Fund: In memory of Laverne Weiser by Robin & Sherri Buscha - \$40.00.

Serving today: Elders- Keith Oltmann and Tim Weise

Organist- Susan Michael

Acolytes- Addyson Early and Jagger Garner

Head Ushers- Donald Becker

Captain- Craig Oltmann Assistant- Payton Oltmann Ushers- Bradley Albrecht, Thomas Birnbaum, Seth Kalbas, Kaleb Oltmann, Chase Oltmann, Curtis Oltmann, Gary Oltmann, Grant Oltmann, Nathan Michael

Counting and Posting offering this week:

Chairman- Mason Becker

Nathan Michael, Carson Becker, Tim Symm

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