

# St. Paul Lutheran Church

Serbin, Texas



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## The Second Sunday after Pentecost

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**Welcome! *Jesus Calls Sinners to Repentance and Newness of Life in Accordance with His Mercy.*** In calling Matthew the tax collector to follow Him, Jesus demonstrates that He has come “not to call the righteous, but sinners” (Matt. 9:9, 13). As a good physician, He comes not to confirm them in their sins, but to heal them with His grace, calling them to repentance, faith and newness of life (Matt. 9:12). He puts them to death by the preaching of His Law, in order to raise them with His Gospel, to live before Him in the righteousness of His resurrection (Hos. 6:1–2, 5). It is in this way that God “gives life to the dead,” that is, through faith in Jesus, “who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification” (Rom. 4:17, 24–25). Thus, sinners from all nations are called to share the same faith as Abraham, the father of all who trust in Jesus (Rom. 4:16–18). And as our Lord in mercy thus welcomes us poor sinners to recline at the table in His house, so does He “desire steadfast love and not sacrifice” (Matt. 9:10, 13; Hos. 6:6), that we should have mercy on our neighbors and forgive their sins against us for Jesus’ sake. We invite you all to worship with us again.

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### In Our Prayers:

#### Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

Allan Becker  
Troy Bise-recovering  
Chris Birnbaum-recovering from knee surgery  
Monroe Brade (uncle of James, Johnny, Larry & Leroy Kalbas)  
Carl Dittmar-recovering (father of Jennifer Smith)  
David Gersch-recovering  
Herbert Handrick (uncle of Shannon Handrick)  
Cathy Harrel-recovering (Aunt of Laurie Kasper)  
Billy Krause-recovering  
Paula Krause-recovering  
Ruth Kluetz-hospitalized  
Mike Maass-recovering  
Ruben Melcher-recovering (uncle of James, Johnny, Larry & Leroy Kalbas)  
Chris Miertschin-recovering  
Andrea Muniz (mother of Robert Muniz)  
Gene Namken-recovering (brother of Linda Oltmann)  
Darrell Sanders-recovering from surgery (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)  
Kelsey Schatte-recovering  
Nicholas Taylor-recovering  
David Wachsmann (cousin of Billy Krause)  
Alton Weiser-recovering  
Linda Wilkins-recovering  
Bev Witt (friend of Delvin & Judy Boriack)  
Wesley Yurk- testing

#### 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)  
Brandon Cleland (brother of Sonya Schautschick)  
Dana Herzog (niece of Becky Weise)  
Franklin Hoffman (father of Maxine Bradshaw)  
John Huenefeld (friend of Craig and Melodi Oltmann)  
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)  
Jensyn Lesikar (nephew of Kasey Rosales)  
Ruby Maass (mother of Linda Schonhoeft)  
Rhonda Mitschke (friend of Christi Fritsche)  
Walter Rehle (friend of the Arldt’s from Germany)  
Carol Sander  
Diane Sanders (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)  
Nancy Schautschick  
Karen Symm (sister of Michael Symm)  
Tina Warren (mother of Jason Heuermann)  
Jordan Weidemann (friend of Byron Kalbas)  
Judy Westbrook (mother of Heather Krause)

#### Those serving in the Armed Forces including:

Steven Cutlip (brother of Stephanie Symm), Fort Bliss, El Paso  
Coy Hunt (son of Shannon & Christine Hunt) Ft. Drum, New York  
Dylan Robbins (cousin of Michelle Birnbaum) Jacksonville, North Carolina  
Aron Marak (nephew of Mike and Susie Maass) Fr. Bragg, North Carolina  
Kyler Brown (friend of Dorothy Schautschick) U.S. Navy-Bahrain

Benjamin Symm-Australia  
Jacob Droegemueller Ft. Stewart, Georgia  
Brittany Loudon (daughter of Bryan and Antoinette Winkles) Navy, stationed in Florida  
Kolton Alen (nephew of Mike & Susie Maass) Army, stationed at Ft. Sill, Lawton, OK

#### Rain

**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**— Page 184 of the hymnal

The Hymns: 555, 689, 781 v. 1&2, 803, 464, 566  
Sermon Text: Romans 4:13-25  
The Sermon: **“Undeserved Gift”**

- † **The Altar flowers** are placed to the glory of God.
- † **Altar flowers** are needed for Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>. If you would like to place flowers on that Sunday, please contact Dorothy Schautschick at 716-0094.
- † **Welcome:** Joining our congregation this morning through Adult Confirmation is Emily Depine-Pearson. We welcome her as a part of our congregation and pray God will richly bless her affiliation with our congregation.
- † **Community League Baseball** – The Serbin Jackrabbits played New Ulm Friday night in LaGrange. Next Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, Serbin will play Flatonia at Flatonia. Time for the game is 3:00 p.m. Results of last week’s game, Weimar 1, Serbin 16.
- † **BBQ Pork Steak Dinner:** The St. Paul Lutheran Church Adult Fellowship in Serbin is having a BBQ Pork Steak dinner on Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup> from 10:00-12:00 at the Serbin Picnic Grounds. Only advance plates will be sold for \$15.00 and all are to-go. If you would like to order plates please contact Susan Michael at 979-540-0854 or Sharon Claxton at 979-540-7154 by June 15<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds will be going toward future church/school projects. Thank You!
- † **St. Paul Lutheran School** is seeking a part-time Head Cook for the 2026–2027 school year. Pay is dependent on experience. Interested applicants should send a resume to [kschatte@stpaulserbinschool.org](mailto:kschatte@stpaulserbinschool.org).
- † **Sunday School Help.** We are looking for Sunday School Teachers for grades 3 & 4, and a helper for Kindergarten. Please consider donating your time and talents in service to the Lord and join our Sunday.

**LUTHERAN HOUR:** Next Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, **“Journey Through Anxiety”**. Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Anxiety is like a “Check Engine” light for the soul that leads us to take all our concerns to the Lord I prayer. Mattherw 6:25. 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](http://lhm.org) for a link to listen to the Lutheran Hour live.

**THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK**

Today **Worship Service w/Communion – 8:30 a.m.**  
Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.  
Scholarship Committee Meeting – 10:15 a.m.

Mon. – Fri. **Vacation Bible School**

Wednesday LWML Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

Next Sunday **VBS Closing Service – 8:30 a.m.**  
Clear Classrooms  
Acolytes: Lucy Gurka and Madilyn Kalbass  
Greeter: Nancy Bucholz

**Birthdays: Today** – Mark Arldt, Kenzie Stewart; 8<sup>th</sup> – Sharron Adair, Greyson DeRoune, Larry Schatte; 9<sup>th</sup> – Izabella Garcia, Gable Weise; 10<sup>th</sup> – Courtney Becker, Christopher Kanevsky; 11<sup>th</sup> – Donald Becker, Randall Becker, Mark Weiser; 12<sup>th</sup> – Jolee Faske; 13<sup>th</sup> – Robert Zoch. God’s Blessings to you.

**ST. PAUL NOTES:**

**Attendance Last Week:** Morning Worship- 256, Sunday School- 18, Offering- \$21.62.

**Offering Last Week:** \$21,885.37

<b>Home:</b>		<b>Mission:</b>	
General	\$7,641.00	Mission	\$884.00
Use of Facility	\$400.00	Lutheran Hour	\$40.00
Sunday School	\$18.00	<b>Mission Total</b>	<b>\$924.00</b>
Lunch Room	\$3,666.46	<b>Savings/Other:</b>	
ECC Operating	\$540.01	<b>Savings/Other Total</b>	
School Registration	\$450.00		
Tuition	\$8,245.90	Total	\$21,885.37
<b>Received 5/31/2026</b>	<b>\$20,961.37</b>		

**Est. needed per week**     **\$33,625.00**  
**Received MTD**           **\$122,551.36**  
**Est. needed per month**   **\$145,708.00**

**MEMORIALS: General:** In memory of Jasmine Bailey by Doug & Mary Jatzlau - \$500.00. In memory of Kathryn Fischer by Martin & Jeannie Werchan - \$100.00. In memory of Ken Weiser’s birthday by Ruby Weiser - \$500.00. In memory of Gilbert Krause by Denise Brademan - \$25.00. **Lutheran Hour:** In memory of Steve Hitt by Wilbert & Carol Jean Noack - \$40.00. **ECC Operating:** In memory of Arthur Noack by Patsy Coufal – \$40.00.

**Serving today:** **Elders**– Gary Oltmann and Monroe Schatte, Jr,  
**Organist**- Susan Michael  
**Acolytes**- Max Sommerfield and Max Faske  
**Head Ushers**- Donald Becker  
**Captain**- Mason Becker **Assistant**- Carson Becker  
**Ushers**- Jason Becker, Randy Becker, Brandon Burgdorf,  
Trenton Grange, Lukas Iselt, Mike Krause,  
Ethan Miertschin, Rex Perry, Brad Schmidt,  
Timothy Symm.  
**Counting and Posting offering this week:**  
**Chairman**- Glen Albrecht  
Tonmy Miertschin, Cole Mertink, Ethan Miertschin.  
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**Life Thoughts in the Church Year:**

**Trinity 1**

Our Lord’s plan is not our own plan. This is one of the greatest struggles for very single person born to the human race. We assume that, because we seem to have destiny in our hand, we have the ability to plan every single aspect of our lives, right down to the very time and place we have a child. Abraham was just like us. He had accumulated great wealth and was well respected in the new place God had sent him to. He had everything except a child—and thus no one to whom to pass on his wealth and wisdom. However, God promised him a child! While God does not promise us the same, He does promise us a family built on the blood of Jesus who names us His heirs and gives us His wisdom.



### **Summer Camps**

Camp is well underway, but we have a few spots still available in each upcoming session. We would love to have your children join us!

June 8-10 Volleyball Total Cost \$20

June 15-17 STEM Total Cost \$40

June 22-24 Art Total Cost \$40

Details: <https://www.faithlutheranhighschool.com>

### **9th FLHS Golf "Fore" Education Tournament**

Our annual tournament at Frisch Auf Country Club in La Grange benefiting Faith was a great success. Thank you for the partnership of all our players and sponsors!

### **New Student Registration**

It's time to grow Faith! We would appreciate your help identifying potential new students for the upcoming 2026-2027 academic year. Please spread the word about our wonderful high school in person and on social media. Those interested can learn more and request registration materials by calling (979) 242-2889 or visiting our website at [flhstx.org](http://flhstx.org). Thank You!

### **Seeking 2 & 3 Days-a-Week Teachers**

We would love to see members of our supportive Lutheran community step into one of the new part-time teaching roles here at Faith. If you have subject knowledge in history, English, music, and/or Spanish, we seek your skills and experience. This is a perfect opportunity for retired teachers and other professionals who have a few days free in their weekly schedules. Teaching at Faith is rewarding and fun; please contact Mrs. Kueck at (979) 242-2889 or email [kueckn@flhstx.org](mailto:kueckn@flhstx.org) for more details. You may also send resumés directly to us at Faith Lutheran High School, P.O. Box 138, Warda, TX 78960. Thank you so much for considering serving in this way!

### **Thrivent Action Team Grants**

If you are a Thrivent member willing to submit an application for a \$250 grant to supplement our summer camps at Faith, please contact Mrs. Nikki Kueck at (979) 242-2889 or [kueckn@flhstx.org](mailto:kueckn@flhstx.org). Help us access these funds for the good of our students and greater community children.

### **Faith-full Listeners**

Do you tune into local radio stations KTIM, 89.1 FM, KBUK, 104.9 FM, or KNRG, 92.3 FM? If so, listen for our school's 30-second spot that runs daily on all three stations. We are excited to introduce Faith to more of our surrounding communities!

### **Follow Us On Facebook!**

Keep up with all the exciting things happening here at FLHS. By following our Facebook page and sharing with friends, you'll be in the know and help Faith grow!

<https://www.facebook.com/faithlhscentraltx>

### **Amazon Wish List**

FLHS has created a wish list on Amazon, for needed materials for the upcoming school year. You can click on the Amazon link on our website or Facebook page. It is also below:

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/28VCA56CBHF90/ref=nav\\_wishlist\\_lists\\_1](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/28VCA56CBHF90/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_1)

Thank you for your generous support!