

St. Paul Lutheran Church

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The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome! *The Preaching of the Word of Christ Bears the Good Fruits of Faith and Love.* As “the rain and the snow come down from heaven” and “water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout” (Is. 55:10), so the Word of God accomplishes the purpose for which He speaks it, granting joy and peace through the forgiveness of sins and producing the fruits of faith and love in those who are called by His name. Christ Jesus, the incarnate Word, has established the name of the Lord as “an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off” (Is. 55:13). He opens our ears to hear, our minds to understand and our hearts to believe His Word, lest the evil one come and snatch it away. He thus transforms our rocky hearts into good soil, which clings to the Gospel and “indeed bears fruit” (Matt. 13:23). He is Himself the firstfruits of all who “have received the Spirit of adoption as sons” (Rom. 8:15). Thus being “led by the Spirit of God,” we are not afraid, but we cry out in faith to our Father in heaven (Rom. 8:14–15). For as we suffer with Christ, the beloved Son, so shall we “also be glorified with him” (Rom. 8:17).

We invite you all to worship with us again.

In Our Prayers:

Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

Troy Bise-recovering
Chris Birnbaum-recovering from knee surgery
Monroe Brade (uncle of James, Johnny, Larry & Leroy Kalbas)
Ginger Clifford-recoverin (sister of Nancy Kasper)
Carl Dittmar-recovering (father of Jennifer Smith)
David Gersch-recovering
Herbert Handrick (uncle of Shannon Handrick)
Cathy Harrel-recovering (Aunt of Laurie Kasper)
Nancy Kasper-medical testing
Billy Krause-recovering
Paula Krause-recovering
Ruth Kluetz-recovering
Mike Maass-recovering
Ruben Melcher-recovering (uncle of James, Johnny, Larry & Leroy Kalbas)
Chris Miertschin-recovering
Shannon Miertschin-hospitalized
Carolyn Mitschke-recovering (Mother of Jonathan Mitschke and Susan Schatte)
Andrea Muniz (mother of Robert Muniz)
Gene Namken-recovering (brother of Linda Oltmann)
Linda Oltmann-recovering
Darrell Sanders-recovering from surgery (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)

Larry Schatte-recovering
Bradly Schautschick-recovering
Peggy Siegeler-recovering (sister of Billy Kieschnick)
LaVerne Urban-hospitalized
David Wachsmann (cousin of Billy Krause)
Linda Wilkins-recovering
Bev Witt (friend of Delvin & Judy Boriack)

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 Dorthy 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
Henry Kalbas U.S. Naval Academy-Annapolis, MD

Rain

ST. PAUL NOTES:

Attendance Last Week: Morning Worship- 184, Communion- 113.

Offering Last Week: \$67,418.33

Home:		Mission:	
General	\$9,671.00	Mission	\$804.00
Other Income-		Mission Total	\$804.00
Storm Damage	\$49,201.62	Savings/Other:	
ECC Operating	\$7,741.71	Savings/Other Total	
Received 7/5/2026	\$66,614.33		
		Total	\$67,418.33
Est. needed per week	\$33,625.00		
Received MTD	\$66,614.33		
Est. needed per month	\$145,708.00		

MEMORIALS: General: In memory of Lucille Lorenz by Robert & Joyce Hinze - \$100.00. **Texas Wendish Heritage Society:** In memory of Kermit Schautschick by Jack & Marian Wiederhold - \$50.00

Serving today: Elders– David Fritsche and Gary Oltmann
Organist- Susan Michael
Acolytes- Nathen Barnett and Max Faske
Head Ushers- Donald Becker
Captain- Troy Menzel **Assistant**- Mark Jones
Ushers- Copper Hinze, John Hinze, Scott Jones,
 Russell Kappler, Brooks Kasper, Kaden Kasper,
 Kyle Kasper, Ty Kasper, Clyde Schimank,
 Troy Wiederhold
Counting and Posting offering this week:
Chairman- Mason Becker
 Robert Zoch, Philip Tharp, Chase Oltmann
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Life Thoughts in the Church Year:

Trinity 6

Jesus, who did not come to destroy the Law, but to keep it (Matthew 5:17), teaches us that we are all guilty of breaking the 5th Commandment (Exodus 20:13). Even though we may not have had an abortion or ended someone else’s life, we have been angry with those who have. Therefore, we are all equally in need of His salvation (Matthew 5:20). Thankfully, Jesus has reconciled us to Himself (Matthew 5:23-24) by uniting us to His death and resurrection through Baptism, and He empowers us to live a new life of love toward each of our neighbors (Romans 6:1-4)).



Office Closed

The FLHS office will be closed the week of July 13-17 for staff vacations. Please call 979-242-2889 and leave a message or send an email to kueckn@flhstx.org if you need anything.

HALF-PRICE Enrollment Fee

Word is really getting out about FLHS; your referrals are helping us grow. To keep up the positive momentum throughout the summer and into the 2026-2027 school year, **we are offering a 50% discount on the enrollment fee. That's a savings of \$200!** Please spread the word, and remember to have interested families call (979) 242-2889 or visit flhstx.org.

Seeking 2 & 3 Days-a-Week Teachers

If you have subject knowledge in history, English, art, vocal 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 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!

Opening Service

Opening Service for the 10th academic year of Faith Lutheran High School will be on **Wednesday, August 5th** in the evening. We will share more information about the details of the event as they are finalized, but please make plans to attend. We would love to fill Holy Cross with our Falcon family!

Faith-full Listeners

Faith's 30-second radio spot that runs daily on local stations KTIM, 89.1 FM, KBUK, 104.9 FM, and KNRG, 92.3 FM is carrying our back-to-school message. Listen for "The Voice of FLHS" and our **awesome 2026-2027 enrollment deal**. (see below)

Thrivent Action Team Grants

Thrivent member? To supplement ongoing projects and activities at Faith, we ask those willing to submit an application for a \$250 grant to contact Mrs. Nikki Kueck at (979) 242-2889 or kueckn@flhstx.org. Thank you for helping us access these additional funds!

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/28VCA56CBHF9O/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_1
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