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The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 24, 2022

Welcome! *The Prayer of the Church Is the Voice of Faith.* Jesus catechizes His disciples in the way of faith by teaching them how to pray. He promises us: “Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you” (Luke 11:9). If earthly fathers know how to give good gifts to their children, “how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him” (Luke 11:13). Thus, father Abraham was bold in his prayer because he believed the gracious promise of the Lord, that he would “surely become a great and mighty nation” (Gen. 18:18). When we pray in Jesus’ name, we also hold “fast to the Head” (Col. 2:19), “rooted and built up in him and established in the faith” (Col. 2:6–7).

We invite you all to worship with us again.

In Our Prayers:

Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

Delvin Boriack-recovering
Hudson Corn-recovering
Van Durrenberger
Gladys Karisch-recovering
Hildegard Krause
Mary Loewe (mother of Christi Bradford)
Douglas Malke-recovering
Chris Miertschin
Shannon Miertschin
Irene Noack-hospitalized
Greg Sorrento-recovering (nephew of Doris Fritsche)
Cindy Umphries-recovering (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)
Kenneth Weiser-recovering
Laverne Weiser
Conway Whited (nephew of Ashley Schmidt)

Our members in nursing homes and our shut-ins.

Those fighting cancer including:

Lillian Bamsch (sister-in-law of Charlyn & Marvin Matthijetz)
Annie Beasley (niece of Shorty & Sandra Schimank)
Joyce Bise
Don Claxton-father of Jeff Claxton
Russell Cleghorn (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)

Ginger Clifford (sister of Nancy Kasper)
Mandie Fritsche (granddaughter-in-law of Doris Fritsche)
Franklin Hoffman (father of Maxine Bradshaw)
Steven Kelly (cousin of Jessica Gruetzner, brother-in-law of Christi Bradford)
Bethany Lara (daughter of Kathy Gersch)
Heather Lilly (granddaughter of Irene Noack)
Jack Pennington (brother-in-law of Marvin & Charlyn Matthijetz)
Pat Richardson (friend of Darlene Schatte)
Carol Sander
Diane Sanders (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)
Judy Westbrook (mother of Heather Krause)
Tiffany Wittman (sister-in-law of Jason & Cindy Heuermann)

Those serving in the Armed Forces including:

Steven Cutlip (brother of Stephanie Symm), Fort Irwin, CA
Kosh Osmun (son of Stephanie Miertschin), Ft. Hood, 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)

Those who mourn:

The family of Louis Muniz, Jr. (brother of Robert Muniz)
The family of Gary Schautschick

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: 797, 766, 781 v. 1&2, 773, 770
Sermon Text: Genesis 18:17-33
The Sermon: "A.S.K."

✠ We begin today with the order of Baptism on page 268 of the hymnal

We welcome to God's people through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Koralyn Grace Schautschick

Koralyn is the daughter of Bradley Schautschick and Katelyn Zewe.

Her baptismal sponsors are Bradley Albrecht, Seth Kalbas, Jennifer Wenke and her baptismal witnesses are Ashlyn Zewe and Brittney Lathrop

- ✠ **The Altar flowers** are placed to the glory of God in honor of Koralyn Grace Schautschick's baptism by her parents.
- ✠ **We express our sympathy** to the family of Gary Schautschick. He fell asleep in Jesus on Tuesday, July 19, 2022. Services for Mr. Schautschick were held here at St. Paul Lutheran Church on Friday, July 22, 2022. May the Lord comfort the family with His word of promise.
- ✠ **Thank You.** Special thanks to Pastor Schmidt for his many visits and prayers. Thank you to Pastor Mumm for your appropriate message at the service. Thanks to Mr. Wiederhold for the lovely music and the LWML for the luncheon after the service. *The Robertson family.*
- ✠ **Thank You.** The family of Kenneth Lorenz would like to thank Pastor Schmidt for his visits to Kenneth. Thank you to the Sunshine Group, other members for continuous cards of encouragement and well wishes since his accident. Thank you to Pastor Mumm for conducting the beautiful service and to Jack Wiederhold for playing the organ. Special thanks to the LWML Ladies Aid for preparing the sandwiches, the members that bought desserts for the meal and the ladies that helped prepare and serve. God's Blessings to all for the prayers and kindness shown to Kenny and our families. *Milton and Geraldine Albrecht and Robert and Joyce Hinze.*
- ✠ **Reset Classrooms.** The School Board is requesting your help this morning, immediately following the service, to reset the classrooms.
- ✠ **Sunday School Teachers Meeting.** The Sunday School Teacher's Meeting that was scheduled for today will be held on Sunday, July 31st.
- ✠ **Mid-Year Contribution Statements.** Mid-year contribution statements can be picked up in the church office. Please review your statement and if there are any errors, please call the church office.
- ✠ **Community League Baseball.** The Serbin Jackrabbits will play New Ulm today, at New Ulm. Time for the game is 3:00 p.m. Next Sunday, July 31st, Serbin will play Schulenburg at Serbin. Time for the game is 3:00 p.m. The results of last week's game Serbin 2, Weimar 1.
- ✠ **South Lee County Volunteer Fire Department Annual Barbecue** will be held on Saturday, August 13th, on the Serbin Picnic Grounds. Beef, Pork and BBQ to go at the pit beginning at 4:30 p.m. Beef and Pork BBQ plates served with all the trimmings from 5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Plates are \$12.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children 12 and under. All to go plates are \$12.00. There will be a silent auction beginning at 3:00 p.m. and a live auction beginning at 6:30 p.m. Music throughout the afternoon by "Lost Cause Band". All proceeds go toward updating Fire Equipment.

LUTHERAN HOUR: Next Sunday, July 31st, "**Hebel**". Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Dr. Michael Zeigler contrast life's ephemeral nature with Christ's eternal hope. (Ecclesiastes 12:8). 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 Through the Church Year:

July 24 – Pentecost VII

Even surprise pregnancies involve a father. More than 60% of women who undergo abortion report pressure to do so from a man in their life. Jesus extends instead the joy of God Himself in a fatherhood that finds beautiful and blessed fulfilment by protecting and providing for the child (Luke 11:11-13). The sanctity of life isn't a women's issue – it's a Gospel gift!

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Today **Worship Service – 8:30 a.m.**
 Community League Baseball – Serbin v. New Ulm–
 3:00 p.m. @ New Ulm
 Mon. – Fri. ECC Closed
 Next Sunday **Song Service – 8:30 a.m.**
Endowment Sunday
 Acolytes: Kenedy Schatte and Rylee Smolik
 Sunday School Teacher’s Meeting – 9:30 a.m.

Birthdays: Today – Kelly Becker, Frances Miertschin, Payton Oltmann, Louise Wittmann; 25th – Garrett Oltmann; 26th – Dora Durrenberger, Carl Kasper III, Teresa Krause; 27th – Addilyn Handrick; 28th – Mary Davis, Marilyn Miertschin, Rita Schatte, Angela Schautschick, Susan Sweeney; 29th – Rebecca Klepac, Ronnie Schnell; 30th – David Hempel, Russell Mertink, Erin Michael, Malynda Schautschick. God’s Blessings to you.

Serving today: **Elders**– Tim Hartfield and Keith Oltmann
Organist- Susan Michael
Acolytes- Brooke Lehmann and Ayla Droegemueller
Head Ushers- Donald Becker
Captain- Troy Menzel **Assistant**- Mark Jones
Ushers- Joshua Adair, John Hinze, Scott Jones, Russell Kappler, Brooks Kasper, Kyle Kasper, Ty Kasper, Caleb Oltmann, Curtis Oltmann, Clyde Schimank, Troy Wiederhold
Counting and Posting offering this week:
Chairman- Rex Perry
 Tim Symm, Chase Oltmann, Virgil Becker
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ST. PAUL NOTES:

Attendance Last Week: Morning Worship- 179, Communion- 110.

Offering Last Week: \$21,678.87

Home:		Mission:	
General	\$10,888.89	Mission	\$280.00
ECC Operating	\$7,633.88	Mission Total	\$280.00
Received 7/17/2022	\$18,522.77	Savings/Other:	
		School Fund	\$50.00
Est. needed per week	\$22,500.00	Building Fund	\$340.00
Received MTD	\$49,051.52	Scholarship	\$2,486.10
Est. needed per month	\$97,500.00	Savings/Other Total	\$2,876.10
		Total	\$21,678.87

MEMORIALS: General: In memory of Kenneth Lorenz by Milton & Geraldine Albrecht, Jeff, Sharon & Sadie Claxton and Glen Albrecht - \$100.00; by Sherri & Kevin Coffman - \$20.00; by Wilbert & Carol Jean Noack - \$30.00; by Carolyn Richter - \$25.00; by Shoppa’s John Deer - \$200.00. In memory of Calvin Robertson by Milton & Geraldine Albrecht - \$30.00; by M/M Herbert Zoch - \$35.00. In memory of Linda Tate by Milton & Geraldine Albrecht - \$30.00; by John Gres - \$50.00; by Daniel & Ruby Schulze - \$20.00. In memory of Calvin Robertson, Linda Tate, Kenny Lorenz and Louis Muniz, Jr. by David & Karen Schmidt - \$100.00. In memory of Calvin Robertson, Linda Tate and Kenny Lorenz by David & Susan Michael - \$75.00. In memory of Linda Tate, Calvin Robertson, Kenny Lorenz and Gerald Henry by Doug & Mary Jatzlau - \$200.00. In memory of Barbara Symm and Kenny Lorenz by Troy, Chelsea, Levi & Travis Wiederhold - \$60.00. **ECC Operating:** In memory of Kenny Lorenz, Calvin Robertson and Linda Tate by M/M Jimmy Luecke - \$300.00. **School Fund:** In memory of Herbert Hosea by Sherri & Kevin Coffman - \$20.00; by Wilbert & Carol Jean Noack - \$30.00. **Building:** In memory of Linda Tate by Kyle, Laurie & Kaden Kasper - \$50.00; by Sherri & Kevin Coffman - \$20.00; by Wilbert & Carol Jean Noack - \$30.00; by Teresa Muniz and Ollie Siegler - \$50.00; by

Sheila Fox - \$20.00; by Robert & Joyce Hinze – \$40.00. In memory of Linda Tate, Calvin Robertson and Kenny Lorenz by Ken & Virginia Arldt - \$50.00. In memory of Ricky Schueler, Calvin Robertson Linda Tate and Kenny Lorenz by Eldor & Lori Becker & Jeremy - \$80.00. **Faith Lutheran High School:** In memory of Herbert Hosea by Bobby & Carolyn Oltmann - \$25.00.

✝ **Wreaths Across America.** We will again be participating in National Wreaths Across America Day on December 17, 2022. Please consider sponsoring a wreath(s) so that we can honor all our Veterans at Christmas.

Wreaths Across America

To sponsor a wreath(s):

You can go online to www.wreathscrossamerica.org. or you can call direct to 1-877-385-9504.

Online: www.wreathscrossamerica.org

Click on the MENU button at the top right of the home page

Click on Search Locations

Click on Participating Locations

Type in TXPLCS

Select dropdown-St. Paul Lutheran Church of Serbin, (TXPLCS) Giddings, TX 78942

Click on Sponsor

This page will appear:

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At this point you can select to sponsor a grave specific wreath(s) and/or wreath(s) in honor or memory of.

Once you have selected grave specific and/or in honor or memory of, simply follow the instructions.

Cost of a wreath is \$15.00

All funds must be in the Wreaths Across America office by Monday, November 28, 2022, to be considered a 2022 Wreaths Across America contribution. Any funds received after that date will be considered a 2023 donation.

National Wreaths Across America Day is December 17, 2022.

If you have questions or need assistance contact the church office.