

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Serbin, Texas



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The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome! Welcome! *Creation Is Redeemed and Sanctified by the Word of Christ Jesus.*

Having spared faithful Noah and his family from the flood, the Lord established His covenant with them, “and with every living creature,” that never again would there be “a flood to destroy the earth” (Gen. 9:9–11). He signed and sealed this everlasting covenant with His rainbow in the clouds, by which He sees and remembers His promise that “the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh” (Gen. 9:13–16). Although creation suffers under the curse of sin, the Lord preserves and orders creation for the benefit of His Church. In particular, all of creation is redeemed and sanctified by the incarnate Son of God. “Take heart,” and “do not be afraid,” for He is with you on the sea. He is not a ghost, but He has come in the flesh to save you. He has gotten “into the boat” with you, and the wind that was against you has ceased (Mark 6:45–51). For He is the Word and promise of the Father, and His own flesh and blood are the covenant by which you are “strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being” (Eph. 3:16–17).

We invite you all to worship with us again.

In Our Prayers:

Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

- 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*
- Ludwig Krause*
- Paula Krause-surgery*
- Charles Malke-recovering (brother of Carol Jean Noack and Douglas Malke)*
- Braycen Mersiovsky (son of Rodney and Gina Mersiovsky)*
- Sylvin Mersiovsky (father of Stephen Merisovsky)*
- Bobby Oltmann-recovering*
- Ethan Ray-recovering*
- Cindy Umphries-recovering (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)*
- Jim Wells (cousin of the Oltmann families)*
- Jeannie Werchan-recovering*
- Irene Zoch-hospitalized (mother of Donnie Zoch)*

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)*

- 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)*
- Keith Muessel (brother 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 Westbrook (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

Thanksgiving for 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— 184 of the hymnal
The Hymns: 713, 809 781 v. 1&2, 769,715
Sermon Text: Genesis 9:8-17
The Sermon: **“Who Do You Trust?”**

On Saturday we welcomed to God’s people through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Hadley Ray Oltmann and Jadya Railey Robinson

Hadley is the daughter of Kaleb Oltmann and Jadya Robinson. Her baptismal sponsors are Kaydence Schroeder, Kassi Oltmann, Brett Schneider, Dylan Schautschick and Maison Schautschick, and her baptismal witness is Darian Servantez.

- † **The Altar flowers** are placed to the glory of God in memory of Bonnie Menzel by her family.
- † **The Altar Stand flowers** are placed to the glory of God in honor of Railey Robinson’s and Hadley Oltmann’s baptism by the Curtis Oltmann family
- † **Dear St. Paul Family.** Thank you for your kindness and generosity to me since my house fire. Your prayers have surely been felt. It is in times such as these that God’s love and support shines through His people. May we continue to grow in his service. God bless you all!
Nancy Beckcom
- † **Special Voters Meeting.** A special voters meeting will be held on Sunday, August 4th immediately after church. This meeting is called to proceed with getting a Geotech to do a sample for the proposed expansion. Cost not to exceed \$7000 with money to come from the Building Fund.
- † **August Calendar.** The August Calendar is available from the ushers this morning.
- † **Community League Baseball** – The Serbin Jackrabbits will play Weimar today at Serbin. Time for the game is 3:00 p.m. Next Sunday, August 4th will be semifinal games to be announced. The results of last week’s game, Serbin 9 New Ulm 6.
- † **Ebenezer Lutheran Church** will be sponsoring a sit-down Spaghetti, salad and garlic bread lunch fundraiser at its fellowship hall, on August 11, 2024 starting at noon. A free will offering will be collected to help support Deaconess Jane Obersat in her mission work. She will be working with Pastor Hugo Gevers and Deaconess Kim Bueltmann, who work with former Muslims in Leipzig, Germany.
- † **Did you know?** On Wednesday July 24th our organ at St. Paul Lutheran Church celebrated 120 years of service in leading our congregation in worship. It was dedicated July 24, 1904.
- † **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.
- † **Group Pictures** will be taken next Sunday, August 4th immediately following the Special Voter’s Meeting.

LUTHERAN HOUR: Next Sunday, August 4th, **“Resurrection: God’s Public Guarantee”**. Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz. Archives August: A crucified Savior, a resurrected living Lord: the public guarantee of God, at work in the world for you. (1 Corinthians 15:17-19). 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**— Monroe Schatte, Jr. and Dwayne Schulze
Organist- Susan Michael
Acolytes- Everett Corn and Jagger Garner
Head Ushers- Donald Becker
Captain- Craig Oltmann **Assistant**- Payton Oltmann
Ushers- Bradley Albrecht, Thomas Birnbaum, Seth Kalbas,
Chase Oltmann, Gary Oltmann, Grant Oltmann,
David Michael, Nathan Michael, Austin Schmidt
Counting and Posting offering this week:
Chairman- Rex Perry
Timothy Symm, Nathan Michael, Virgil Becker

Life Through the Church Year:

July 28 - Pentecost X

Fatherhood embodies the gift and the work of God Himself (Ephesians 3:15). In bringing forth life from their very bodies our Heavenly Father makes men into His instruments and agents. He expects a strong love from them because He has endowed them with his own. Let us encourage them to protect their children even when inconvenient and provide for mothers even if difficult.

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Today **Worship Service – 8:30 a.m.**
Sunday School Teachers Meeting – 9:30 a.m.
Community League Baseball – Weimar v Serbin –
3:00 p.m. @ Serbin

Mon. – Fri. ECC Closed – Training/Cleaning

Next Sunday **Worship Service w/Communion – 8:30 a.m.**
Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.
Special Voter’s Meeting – 9:30 a.m.
Group Pictures
Acolytes: Jasmine Bailey and Everett Corn
Greeter: Doris Fritsche

Birthdays: Today – Mary Davis, Marilyn Miertschin, Rita Schatte, Angela Schautschick, Susan Sweeney; 29th – Jony Huff, Rebecca Klepac, Ronnie Schnell; 30th – David Hempel, Russell Mertink, Erin Michael, Malynda Schautschick, Austin Schmidt; ;31st– Trisha Albrecht, Whitney Faske, Lois Kalbas, Royce Schulze; 1st – Kristin Lehmann, Brian Miertschin; 2nd – Everlee Oltmann; 3rd – Megan Becker, Bonnie Bise, Tucker Kalbas, Marcus Sander. God’s Blessings to you.

ST. PAUL NOTES:

Attendance Last Week: Morning Worship- 263, Communion- 136.

Offering Last Week: \$18,703.75

Home:		Mission:	
General	\$9,947.00	Mission	\$530.00
ECC Operating	\$7,906.75	Lutheran Hour	\$75.00
Received 7/21/2024	\$17,853.75	Mission Total	\$605.00
		Savings/Other:	
Est. needed per week	\$29,635.00	Building Fund	\$145.00
Received MTD	\$65,495.40	Cemetery Fund	\$100.00
Est. needed per month	\$128,417.00	Savings/Other Total	\$245.00
		Total	\$18,703.75

MEMORIALS: General: In memory of Paul Kappler by Roland & Betsy Guettler - \$50.00; by Michael & Susan Mitschke - \$75.00; by Bernice Urban - \$25.00; by M/M Darris Williams, Jr. - \$50.00; by Jerry & Kay Stephenson - \$25.00; by Pat Allen - \$50.00; by M/M Keith Cohn - \$50.00; by M/M Doug Alexander - \$50.00; by Doris Fritsche - \$20.00; by Carolyn Noack - \$25.00; by Linda Jones - \$25.00; by Janiece Becker - \$25.00; by Allen & Mildred Perry - \$25.00. In memory of Mirlyn Griffin by David & Karen Schmidt - \$20.00; by Carolyn Noack - \$25.00. **Lutheran Hour:** In memory of Linda Arldt by Mary Ann & Delbert Prellop - \$50.00. **Building:** In memory of Paul Kappler by M/M Jack Wiederhold - \$50.00; by Alton Weiser - \$25.00; by Elaine Mersiovsky - \$50.00. In memory of Mirlyn Griffin by Kevin & Sherri Coffman - \$20.00. **Cemetery Fund:** In memory of Paul Kappler by Jeanette Mitschke - \$100.00. **Faith Lutheran High School:** In honor of Harold & Judy Faske’s 65th Wedding Anniversary by Doris Fritsche - \$30.00.