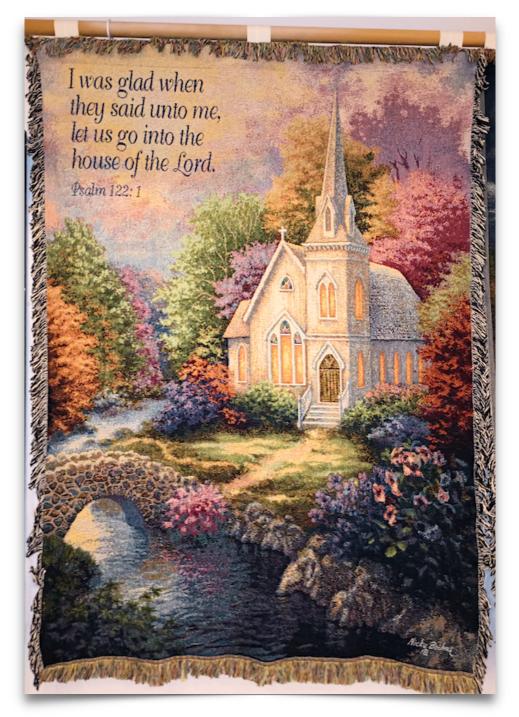
St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church

 Church of the Lutheran Confession – Lakewood, Colorado



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Order of Worship: Service of the Word

(printed on insert inside front cover of maroon hymnal)

<u>Serving Us At God's House Today</u> Organist: Suzannah Miller – Ushers: Wayne and Joshua Ruegge

- ◆ Pre-Service Devotion: Psalm 26 (pew bible, p.492)
- ◆ The Hymns: 901, *226, 589 (1-3), 589 (4) *(*back page of bulletin)*
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: Hebrews 10:19-25, Luke 4:16-21
- ◆ Psalm of the Day: From Psalm 111
- ◆ Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (*liturgy insert, p.15*)

Sermon Text – Psalm 122

Come, Let Us "Go Up" to the House of the Lord! To join our hearts and voices ..

1. In thanking our gracious Lord.

2. To encourage our fellow believers.

- ✦ Offering of Thankful Hearts
- ✦ Prayer & Lord's Prayer
- ◆ Benediction / Closing Hymn (589, stanza 4)

Today's Scriptures

First Lesson – Hebrews 10:19-25

19 Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, 20 by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, 21 and having a High Priest over the house of God, 22 let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. 23 Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. 24 And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, 25 not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

Psalm of the Day – From Psalm 111

- P I will praise the LORD with my whole heart:
- **C** In the assembly of the upright and in the congregation.
- P The works of the LORD are great:
- C Studied by all who have pleasure in them.
- P His work is honorable and glorious:
- C And His righteousness endures forever.
- P He has made His wonderful works to be remembered:
- **C** The LORD is gracious and full of compassion.
- P He has sent redemption to His people:
- C Holy and awesome is His name.
- P The fear of the LORD:
- C Is the beginning of wisdom.
- P A good understanding have all those who do His commandments:
- **C** His praise endures forever.

Second Lesson – Luke 4:16-21

16 So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. 17 And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written: 18 "The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed; 19 to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD." 20 Then He closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him. 21 And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

Sermon Text – Psalm 122

1 I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the LORD." 2 Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem! 3 Jerusalem is built as a city that is compact together, 4 Where the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, to the Testimony of Israel, to give thanks to the name of the LORD. 5 For thrones are set there for judgment, the thrones of the house of David. 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you. 7 Peace be within your walls, prosperity within your palaces." 8 For the sake of my brethren and companions, I will now say, "Peace be within you." 9 Because of the house of the LORD our God I will seek your good."

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A Warm Welcome To Our Worship Guests. The members of St. Paul are pleased to meet you and glad that you are here to worship with us today. We are a congregation committed without reservations to the entire Truth of God's Word, the Bible. We have found joy and hope in the Gospel of Christ. We have found moral guidance, a way of life, and the promise of eternal life in the Scriptures. It is gives us pleasure to share these blessings with you. We invite you to sign our guest book and to come worship with us again!

This Week at St. Paul

Today (8/14)	8:30 am	Choir Practice
	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Quarterly Voters' Meeting
Sun (8/21)	8:30 am	Choir Practice
	9:30 am	Worship Service

The Following Have Received Divine Calls from our congregation (through the Board of Elders) to serve on the St. Paul Sunday School Staff in the coming year:

- Mike Sprengeler Sunday School Coordinator / Teacher Substitute
- Carly Mess Middle Level Teacher
- Zachary Ruegge Lower Level Teacher
- Suzannah Miller Music Teacher
- Jo Ellen Blakey Teacher Substitute
- Emily Ruegge Sunday School Aid/Intern

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<u>Prayer</u>

Lord Jesus, our Good Shepherd, we, Your flock, entreat You graciously to regard the needs of Your kingdom. We thank You that according to Your rich grace You provide gifts to Your Church in the form of Christian teachers for the spiritual training of Your lambs. We pray that You would bless the deliberation of Your servants as they consider their calls to teach the lambs of Your flock. Guide their understanding in this matter. Bless them through Your Spirit with wisdom and discretion so that the decision to which they are led may agree with Your will, redound to Your glory, and serve the interests of Your kingdom. In Your name we ask it. Amen.

Upcoming Events

- National Women's (Virtual) Retreat "You're Invited! A women's event is planned for two hours on Saturday, August 27, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (Pacific Time), via Zoom. The event theme is: "Press Pause: God's Daily Encouragement in the Moments of Life." <> The two hours will include speakers from CLC congregations around the country in a panel session focused on personal devotions for all types of schedules. Breakout groups will be included for discussion and sharing. <> Register at: https://tinyurl.com/Gethsemane-Lutheran. This is a free event. You can participate from home via Zoom or at church with Gethsemane participants. Not good with Zoom? Not to worry, help is available! Contact Tina Eichstadt (teichstadt@gmail.com, 651-398-2386) with questions. See you (virtually) there!"
- The Front Range Joint Mission Festival will be held on Sunday, August 28, at Mountain Range Shadow Clubhouse at 8401 Mummy Range Dr, Fort Collins, CO 80528. The service begins at 3:00 pm with Pastor Richard Kanzenbach of St. Luke's, Lemmon SD, serving as guest speaker. A meal provided by the Prince of Peace ladies will be served after the service.

Synod News & Notes

- "The women of the Southeastern Conference of the CLC will host a women's retreat at Myrtle Beach, SC October 7-9, 2022. CLC women who would like to join us (as well as any friends you would like to bring) can obtain a registration form from their pastor or can find it on the 'CLC Southeastern Women's Retreat Information' Facebook page. The registration deadline is September 1, 2022."
- Pastor Drew Naumann of Trinity Lutheran Church, Spokane WA, accepted the call to serve the joint vacancy of Ascension Lutheran Church, Tacoma WA and Redemption Lutheran Church, Lynnwood WA.

Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions; August 15-20, '22

Mon Luke 12:49-53 Jesus prepares His disciples for a future that is not a bed of ease, either for Himself or for His followers. He must go through suffering to overcome sin, and they will suffer divisions and persecution like their Master. Yet as His "baptism of fire" will be accomplished (finished v50), so also will they be saved!

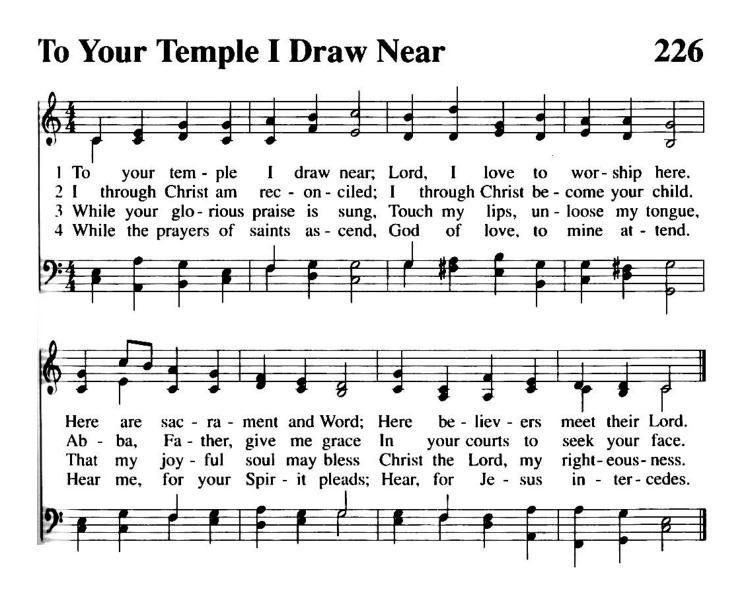
Tues Hebrews 12:1-2 In view of the Salvation that Jesus has won for us and encouraged by the believers who came before us, we do not make peace with sin, but turn away from it as a weight that hinders us in our race to the goal. So our Savior also looked to the joy ahead to endure the cross and gain the prize.

Wed Hebrews 12:3-13 God permits us to go through the fire of persecution to strengthen us in our walk with Him. Through the struggles of this life, He trims away those things which would turn us away from Him and cause us to fall. Like "bumpers" at a bowling alley, discipline hems us in and guides to the heavenly goal.

Thurs Jeremiah 7:1-7 God's prophet Jeremiah speaks to people who go to the "Temple of the Lord," but their lives continue to serve not God, but themselves. They are deceived by a false comfort which calms their consciences while they go through the motions of worship, but lets them give up the struggle against sin and go after other gods. That kind of "peace" God does not want us to have, but would call us to repent and enjoy His forgiveness.

Fri Jeremiah 7:8-15 God reaches out to the faithless ones, calling upon them to see their sin and repent. If they make the house that is called by His name the gathering place (hideout?) of a bunch of robbers, do they think that He will not let that house be destroyed? Then they should go look at what happened to Shiloh, the one-time residence of God's tabernacle. So God will knock down false comfort to make way for His loving forgiveness.

Sat Acts 14:8-20 The apostle Paul on his very first missionary journey already encountered many struggles, both from "friends" who wanted to worship the messengers, and from enemies who would destroy the messengers of the living God. Through all of these trials God continued to bless His missionaries and those who heard them.



- 5 While I listen to your law, Fill my soul with holy awe Till your gospel brings to me Life and immortality.
- 6 While your ministers proclaim Peace and pardon in your name, Through their voice, by faith, may I Hear you speaking from the sky.
- 7 From your house, when I return, May my heart within me burn, And at evening let me say,"I have walked with God today."