

# St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church

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**13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – August 18, 2024**

## Order of Worship: Service of the Word

Find today's order of service printed on the liturgy insert tucked inside the front cover of the maroon *Lutheran Service Book* (in the hymnal rack). Large print copies of the order of worship and worship bulletin are on the shelf under the tract rack or speak to an usher who will be happy to share them with you. A warm welcome in Christ to all worshipers!

### Serving Us Today

Organist Lisa Sprengeler  
Ushers Bob Rankin, Don Claeys

- ◆ Pre-Service Devotion: Psalm 111 (pew bible, page 542)
- ◆ The Hymns: 820, 821, 850, 917
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: Proverbs 9:1-6, John 6:51-58
- ◆ Psalm of the Day: From Psalm 1
- ◆ Confession of Faith: The Apostles Creed (liturgy insert, p.15)

### **Sermon Text – Ephesians 5:15-20**

#### **Theme: "Walk Wisely"**

1. Understanding the Lord's will.
2. Being filled with the Spirit.

- ◆ Offering of Thankful Hearts
- ◆ Altar Prayer / Lord's Prayer
- ◆ Benediction / Closing Hymn (917)

## Today's Scriptures

### First Lesson – Proverbs 9:1-6

*Walk in the Way of Wisdom*

1 Wisdom has built her house; she has hewn her seven pillars. 2 She has slaughtered her beasts; she has mixed her wine; she has also set her table. 3 She has sent out her young women to call from the highest places in the town, 4 “Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!” To him who lacks sense she says, 5 “Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. 6 Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight.”

### Psalm of the Day – From Psalm 1

*The Way of the Righteous and  
the Wicked, Contrasted*

P Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked:  
C **Nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;**  
P But his delight is in the law of the LORD:  
C **And on his law he meditates day and night.**  
P He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season:  
C **And its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.**  
P The wicked are not so:  
C **But are like chaff that the wind drives away.**  
P Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment:  
C **Nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.**  
P For the LORD knows the way of the righteous:  
C **But the way of the wicked will perish.**



**Second Lesson – John 6:51-58***Whoever Feeds on Me Will Live Forever*

51 I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is My flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world.” 52 The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” 53 So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. 54 Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. 55 For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. 56 Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. 57 As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. 58 This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.”

**Sermon Text – Ephesians 5:15-20***Be Careful How You Walk*

15 Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, 16 making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. 17 Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. 18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, 19 addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, 20 giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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**A Warm Welcome in Christ to our Worship Guests!** We are glad for the opportunity to share with you the Gospel of forgiveness through Jesus. Please introduce yourself to the pastor and sign our guest book. We invite you to come worship with us again. If you would like to know more about St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church and our national organization, the Church of the Lutheran Confession, please speak with the pastor. He will be happy to call on you to share our confession and mission with you.

### **This Week at St. Paul**

Today (8/18)	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:30 am	Coffee / Fellowship Time (downstairs)
Tue	6:00 pm	Young Adults Bible Study at Castle Pines
Fri	6:30 pm	Evangelism Seminar ( <i>see note below</i> )
Sun (8/25)	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:30 am	Coffee / Fellowship Time

### **Upcoming Events**

- Sunday School Staff Installation: Sunday Sept. 8
- Special Voters Meeting: Sunday, Sept 8, 10:30 am. Agenda item: Action on student tuition aid request of Jesse and Shelly Cornish (for sons Jesse W. and Joseph, who are enrolled at Immanuel Lutheran High School, Eau Claire).
- Sunday School & Adult Bible Study Resume: Sun., Sept. 8, 10:45 am
- West-Central Pastoral Conference: Sept. 10-12, hosted by Prince of Peace, Loveland

### **Evangelism Seminar**

- When: This Friday, August 23, 6:30 pm
- Where: Here at St. Paul
- Presented by: CLC Committee on Domestic Fields (CDF)
- Presenter: Pastor Mark Tiefel of Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church, Middleton (Madison area), WI
- Presentation Title: "*Acts of Evangelism.*" It takes a look at examples of evangelism (sharing of the Good News of Jesus) from the Book of Acts and applies them to modern circumstances.
- Preceded by a pizza lunch at 5:30
- Come, and invite a friend!

## **In Our Prayers**

- Pastor Tim Wheaton, who has been diagnosed with a rare form of inoperable thyroid cancer. It is an aggressive cancer for which there is currently no known cure, but he will be undergoing chemotherapy treatments to, by God's grace, prolong his earthly walk and time with his family. Plans now call for Tim to step down from his pastoral duties in October.
- The family of Allison Phillips, wife of Steve Phillips, who was called out of this life to heaven on Friday, August 9. We pray that the family may find their source of comfort in the Lord Jesus who has delivered us from the clutches of death and made heaven a reality for all who have anchored their hopes in Him. The funeral service will be conducted at Living Savior Lutheran Church in Littleton at 10:00 am on Saturday, August 31.

## **Synod News & Notes**

- "Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church of Spokane WA will be celebrating their 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a commemorative worship service at 3pm on Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Bringing us the Word for this thankful occasion will be Rev. Terrel Kesterson. All are invited to join us as we praise the Lord for His countless blessings on our flock in years past and as we ask for His continued grace in the years to come" (from Rev. Drew Naumann).
- "An interest has been expressed to revive the 'Rise & Shine Retreat.' This retreat is geared toward young adults of the CLC, particularly those in their 20s and 30s. While we hope to put out an announcement in the near future regarding dates and registrations, what we are currently seeking are individuals who would like to help coordinate and plan such a retreat. One doesn't have to be in any specific age group to qualify for this position. He/she only needs to possess an interest in encouraging and assisting the young adults of our church body in their walk with the Lord by faith. We have need for people with an aptitude for organization and forward thinking who desire to put those gifts to work in God's kingdom in this endeavor. If you would like to assist with this work, please contact either Bethanie Gantt (715-577-8807) or Pastor Frank Gantt (470-214-3401). Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this request."

## Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions

### August 19-24

**Mon Matthew 13:31-32** From a human point of view, God's rule comes in a small way, in a Word. But when it reaches the heart and the hearts of others, it's power will one day be seen.

**Tues Matthew 13:33-35** God's rule works from within, unseen, but it will affect one's entire life, which will also touch the lives of our neighbors. When Jesus spoke these parables, He also fulfilled Psalm 78:2.

**Wed Mark 4:26-29** The growth of God's rule is not something that comes by human effort, any more than the farmer can make the seeds grow. This is God's doing, whose works and ways are marvelous to see!

**Thurs Acts 19:23-40** A riot breaks out in Ephesus when the idol sales have fallen off, and Demetrius sees it as a result of successful apostolic preaching. The uproar is great but the end of it is peace and protection for the Christians there.

**Fri 1 Samuel 16:1-13** Saul has turned away from the Lord's favor, and Samuel has come to anoint one of Jesse's sons as future king. Samuel learns that God's choice for ruler is not based on outward appearance, but on the heart within.

**Sat Acts 4:32-37** The early Christians show God's gracious ruling among them, both by their powerful testimony about the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and by their actions, helping and encouraging one another.