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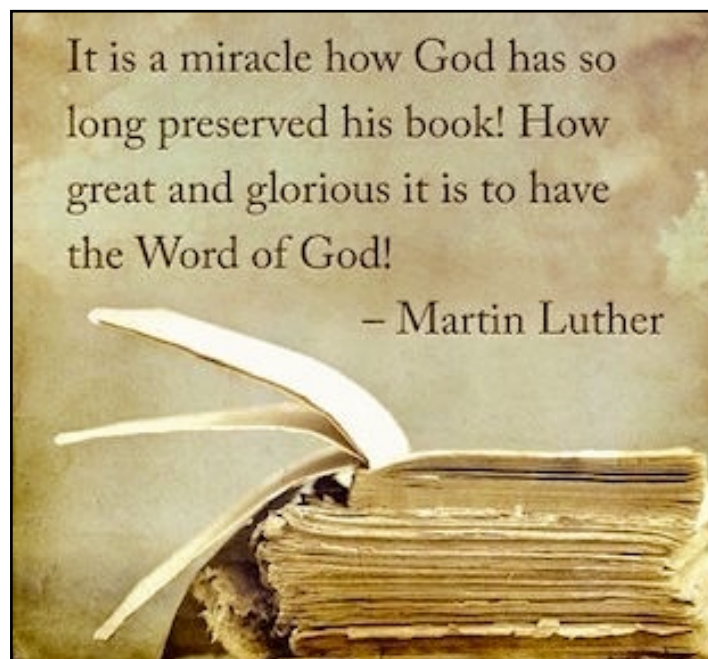
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20th Sunday after Pentecost – October 26, 2025
(A Reformation Festival Primer)

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.

Today's Order of Worship is "Divine Worship Setting 1," as printed in the liturgy pamphlet distributed by the ushers. The service is based on pages 12-21 in *Worship Supplement 2000* (tan hymnal). Please leave your copy of the liturgy pamphlet in the pew after the service concludes or drop it into the designated box in the foyer so that it may be used in future services. Thank you.



Serving Us Today
Organist Carly Mess
Ushers Ed Chiappetti, Don Claeys

- ◆ Pre-Service Devotion: Psalm 19 (pew bible, page 489)
- ◆ Today's Hymns: 803, 580, 583, 584
- ◆ Psalm of the Day: Psalm 119
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: Galatians 1:1-10, Luke 8:4-15

Sermon



Text – Matthew 12:46-50

**Theme – *"When Alone Are We True
Children of the Reformation?"***

1. When we love what Luther loved.
2. When we fear the thing which Luther feared.

*(adapted from a Reformation Sermon
by Rev. Norman A. Madsen)*

*The Scripture Lessons, Psalm of the Day, and
Sermon Text are printed on the following pages.*

Today's Scriptures

First Lesson – Galatians 1:1-10

No Other Gospel

1 Paul, an apostle (not from men nor through man, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father who raised Him from the dead), 2 and all the brethren who are with me, to the churches of Galatia: 3 Grace to you and peace from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ, 4 who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, 5 to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. 6 I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel, 7 which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ. 8 But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed. 9 As we have said before, so now I say again, if anyone preaches any other gospel to you than what you have received, let him be accursed. 10 For do I now persuade men, or God? Or do I seek to please men? For if I still pleased men, I would not be a bondservant of Christ.

Psalm of the Day – Psalm 119

Your Word Is a Lamp to My Feet

P Blessed are the undefiled in the way:
C **Who walk in the law of the LORD!**
P Blessed are those who keep His testimonies:
C **Who seek Him with the whole heart!**
P You have commanded us:
C **To keep Your precepts diligently.**
P Your word I have hidden in my heart:

C That I might not sin against You.

P Blessed are You, O LORD!:

C Teach me Your statutes.

P I have rejoiced in the way of Your testimonies:

C As much as in all riches.

P I will delight myself in Your statutes:

C I will not forget Your word.

P Your word is a lamp to my feet:

C And a light to my path.

Second Lesson – Luke 8:4-15

The Parable of the Sower

4 And when a great multitude had gathered, and they had come to Him from every city, He spoke by a parable: 5 “A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it. 6 Some fell on rock; and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture. 7 And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. 8 But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold.” When He had said these things He cried, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear!” 9 Then His disciples asked Him, saying, “What does this parable mean?” 10 And He said, “To you it has been given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest it is given in parables, that ‘Seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.’ 11 “Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. 12 Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. 13 But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in

time of temptation fall away. 14 Now the ones that fell among thorns are those who, when they have heard, go out and are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity. 15 But the ones that fell on the good ground are those who, having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep it and bear fruit with patience.

 Sermon Text – Matthew 12:46-50

Jesus' Mother and Brothers

46 While He was still talking to the multitudes, behold, His mother and brothers stood outside, seeking to speak with Him. 47 Then one said to Him, “Look, Your mother and Your brothers are standing outside, seeking to speak with You.” 48 But He answered and said  to the one who told Him, “Who is My mother and who are My  brothers?” 49 And He stretched out His hand toward His disciples and said, “Here are My mother and My brothers! 50 For whoever does the will of My Father in heaven is My brother and sister and mother.”

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This Week at St. Paul

Today (10/29)	8:30 am	Choir Practice
	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
Sun (11/2)	9:30 am	Choir Practice
	10:00 am	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
	11:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	12:15 pm	Reformation Festival Meal

Front Range Reformation Festival

- When: Next Sunday, November 2

- Where: Here at St. Paul

- Schedule of Events:

- ▶ Choir Rehearsal, 9:30 am
- ▶ Bible Class & Sunday School, 10:00 am
- ▶ Worship Service with Holy Communion, **11:00 am**
(note change in service time!)
- ▶ Fellowship Meal, 12:15 pm



In Our Prayers: We ask the Lord for His continuing gracious care for our fellow members: Ruth Claeys, Mark Hartmeister, Doug Tiefel, and Jerry Wamboldt in physical trials they are experiencing. <> Prayers are also requested for Amy Ross, daughter of Don and Ruth Claeys, who is dealing with a heart ailment. <> May the Great Physician of Souls continue to sustain and keep them spiritually as well as physically.

November Birthday (Anniversary) Blessings To . . .

Rebecca Baker, Nov 1	Jerry Wamboldt, Nov 23
Emily Ruegge, Nov 8	Linda Wamboldt, Nov 24
Joshua Ruegge, Nov 9	(Adam & Shawna Fritzler, Nov 24)
Shelly Cornish, Nov 15	

New in Your Mailbox: St. Paul Quarterly Offerings Report.

Synod News & Notes

Available in the tract rack: Hard copies of ...

- The Coordinating Council Report Summary
- The CLC CC Report devotions (President's Message, Board of Missions, Board of Regents)
- The September CLC World Missions Prayer List
- Help yourself!

Zion Lutheran Church (formerly of Ipswich, SD) will dedicate its new church building (1223 4th Ave SW, Aberdeen, SD) on Sunday, October 26, at 5:00 pm.

A mission group in Des Moines, IA, will host its inaugural service on Sunday, November 9, at 10:30 am (under the auspices of Trinity Lutheran Church, Watertown, SD).

Pastor Drew Naumann will be installed at Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI, the weekend of October 25-26.

Pastoral vacancies currently exist at Red Wing, MN; Spokane, WA; Appleton, WI; Eau Claire, WI (third pastor); and Middleton, WI.

"Immanuel Lutheran College Visitors' Day is coming up on Friday, November 14th on the ILC campus in Eau Claire, WI. Activities will begin with chapel at 10:05 A.M. in the Field House, followed by presentations and classroom visits until 2:50 p.m. Come and learn more about your church's college, and consider continuing your education in a solidly Christian setting! Visitors will be our guests for lunch and supper in the cafeteria, and in the evening are invited to join us for ILC's fall theatrical production, *Enchanted Sleeping Beauty*. Speak with your pastor if you're interested in attending. For questions, contact Academic Dean Paul Naumann. Office: 715-836-6636, cell: 253-228-8736, e-mail: paul.naumann@ilc.edu."

The CLC Mission Helper Program is making preparations for another Mission Trip to Africa for the summer of 2026. The main focus of this trip will be presenting the Gospel, through a series of child evangelism lessons, to member and non-member children in village congregations. Possible areas of evangelism include the CLC–Tanzania, CLC–Kenya, CLC–Zambia, and CLC–Uganda. CLC members are welcome and encouraged to apply. For more information and to apply, visit www.mht.lutheranmissions.org.

Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions

October 27 – November 1

Mon Luke 15:11-24 The younger of two sons went to a far country and wasted his birthright. When he returns repentant, his father rejoices because he “was dead and is alive again. He was lost and is found” (v24).

Tues Acts 28:16-31 Paul is under arrest in Rome, but speaks of Jesus to the leaders of the Jews there. Some were convinced, but others continued in unbelief. Nevertheless Paul’s ministry continued for two years.

Wed 1 Kings 19:4-18 Elijah is discouraged when opposition continues after the triumph on Mt. Carmel. God tells him there is more work for him to do, and he is definitely not the only believer left in the land.

Thurs Deuteronomy 24:17-22 The Lord instructs Israel to make provision for the non-Israelites, the fatherless, and widows in the land, remembering that they were all once strangers in the land of Egypt.

Fri John 2:3-17 This day Luther posted the 95 Theses to glorify Jesus Christ. After Jesus revealed his glory at the wedding of Cana, He went on to reform some of the current temple practices in Jerusalem.

Sat 2 Corinthians 3:12-18 When Moses received the law from God, his face glowed for a while. But there is a greater glory, and those who reflect the Lord’s glory (v18), revealed in the gospel, still shine!