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For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17.



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22nd Sunday after Pentecost (2nd Sunday of End Time)
November 9, 2025

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

Today's Order of Worship is "Divine Worship Setting 2" as printed in the liturgy pamphlet distributed by the ushers. This service is based on pages 5-14 in *The Lutheran 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.



Organist Carly Mess
Ushers Mike Sprengeler, John Sprengeler

- ◆ Pre-Service Devotion: Psalm 7 (pew bible, page 483)
- ◆ Today's Hymns: 516, 508, 563, 921
- ◆ Responsive Reading: Psalm 90
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: Jeremiah 26:1-6, Luke 19:11-27

Sermon



Text – 2 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Theme – *"You Are God's Holy People (Saints!)"*

1. You believe His Gospel message.
2. You suffer persecution for your faith.
3. You are patiently awaiting Jesus' return.

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

Today's Scriptures

Responsive Psalm Reading – Psalm 90

(read responsively after the Confession of Sins and Words of Absolution)

The Eternity of God, and Man's Frailty

P Lord, you have been our dwelling place:

C In all generations.

P Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world:

C From everlasting to everlasting, you are God.

P For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past:

C Or as a watch in the night.

P You return man to dust:

C You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream.

P You have set our iniquities before you:

C Our secret sins in the light of your presence.

P The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty:

C Yet their span is but toil and trouble.

P They are soon gone:

C And we fly away.

P So teach us to number our days:

C That we may get a heart of wisdom.

P Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love:

C That we may rejoice and be glad all our days. [ESV]

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First Lesson – Jeremiah 26:1-6

The Lord Foretells Disaster in the Land of Judah

1 In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah,

this word came from the LORD, saying, 2 “Thus says the LORD: ‘Stand in the court of the LORD’S house, and speak to all the cities of Judah, which come to worship in the LORD’S house, all the words that I command you to speak to them. Do not diminish a word. 3 Perhaps everyone will listen and turn from his evil way, that I may relent concerning the calamity which I purpose to bring on them because of the evil of their doings.’ 4 And you shall say to them, “Thus says the LORD: ‘If you will not listen to Me, to walk in My law which I have set before you, 5 to heed the words of My servants the prophets whom I sent to you, both rising up early and sending them (but you have not heeded), 6 then I will make this house like Shiloh, and will make this city a curse to all the nations of the earth.” ’ ”

Second Lesson – Luke 19:11-27

Jesus' Parable of the Ten Minas

11 Now as they heard these things, He spoke another parable, because He was near Jerusalem and because they thought the kingdom of God would appear immediately. 12 Therefore He said: “A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom and to return. 13 So he called ten of his servants, delivered to them ten minas, and said to them, “Do business till I come.’ 14 But his citizens hated him, and sent a delegation after him, saying, “We will not have this man to reign over us.’ 15 “And so it was that when he returned, having received the kingdom, he then commanded these servants, to whom he had given the money, to be called to him, that he might know how much every man had gained by trading. 16 Then came the first, saying, “Master, your mina has earned ten minas.’ 17 And he said to him, “Well done, good servant; because you were faithful in a very little, have authority over ten cities.’ 18 And the second came, saying, “Master, your mina has earned five minas.’ 19 Likewise he said to him, “You also be over five cities.’ 20 “Then another came, saying, ‘Master, here is your mina, which I have kept put away in a handkerchief. 21 For I feared you, because you are an austere man. You collect what you did not deposit, and reap what you did not sow.’ 22 And he said to him, “Out of your own mouth I will judge you, you wicked servant. You knew

that I was an austere man, collecting what I did not deposit and reaping what I did not sow. 23 Why then did you not put my money in the bank, that at my coming I might have collected it with interest?’ 24 “And he said to those who stood by, ‘Take the mina from him, and give it to him who has ten minas.’ 25 (But they said to him, “Master, he has ten minas.’) 26 “For I say to you, that to everyone who has will be given; and from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him. 27 But bring here those enemies of mine, who did not want me to reign over them, and slay them before me.’ ”

Sermon Text – 2 Thessalonians 1:1-10

The Judgment at Christ's Second Coming

1 Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: 2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 3 We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is fitting, because your faith grows exceedingly, and the love of every one of you all abounds toward each other, 4 so that we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that you endure, 5 which is manifest evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you also suffer; 6 since it is a righteous thing with God to repay with tribulation those who trouble you, 7 and to give you who are troubled rest with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, 8 in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, 10 **when He comes, in that Day, to be glorified in His saints and to be admired among all those who believe, because our testimony among you was believed.**

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This Week at St. Paul

Today (11/9)	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
Sun (11/16)	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Sunday School & Bible Class

Extended Calendar

- Thanksgiving Day Service: Thursday, November 27, 9:30 am
- Christmas Decorating: Sunday, November 30 (after church service)
- Christmas Potluck: Sunday, December 7 (after church service)
- Gift bags assembly: Sunday, December 14 (after church service)
- Christmas Bible School: Saturday, Dec. 20, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm (*see note below*)
- Christmas Eve Service: Wednesday, December 24, 6:30 pm
- Christmas Day Worship: Thursday, December 25, 9:30 am
- New Year's Eve Com. Service: Wednesday, December 31, 6:30 pm

In Our Prayers: Doug Tiefel who is scheduled to undergo back surgery this Tuesday. < Jerry Wamboldt, who is still hospitalized at Lutheran Hospital in Golden. < *"I sought the LORD, and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears. Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the man who trusts in Him!" (Psalm 34:4, 8).*

Christmas Bible School: We are making plans to host a one-day "Christmas Bible School" here at St. Paul on Saturday, December 20, for children ages Kindergarten through 6th Grade. Hours of the school: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. More details, and advertising flyers for sharing with friends and neighbors, will be made available soon. Stay tuned.



Children's Christmas Eve Service Rehearsals are planned for the following dates: Sunday, November 30, December 7, 14, 21 (after the worship service at 10:45 am).

Pastoral Call: Last week I was informed by the Christians of Trinity Lutheran Church, Spokane, Washington, that they have extended to me a call to serve as their pastor. In the coming days I request your prayers that the Lord would guide me to a decision in keeping with His will. Thank you, Pastor Schuetze

Synod News & Notes

Call News: Pastor Michael Gurath of Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ, has accepted the call to Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church, Middleton, WI. ◇ Mrs. Dawn Mayhew has asked for a peaceful release from her call as teacher at Redeemer Ev. Lutheran School, Cheyenne, WY, effective at the end of the 2025-26 school year.

Prayer Request: "The last week of October, [Cyclone Montha](#) hit the east coast of India in an area where 363 CLC-India congregations and 4,300 members are located. 2,000 of these members are from the impoverished and marginalized Dalit tribal colonies. Government aid was announced, but in India, such aid is distributed only by Hindu nationalist party (BJP) leaders in districts where the BJP is in the majority. Christians are routinely turned away when requesting aid, and in some cases, they are physically beaten. Local police ignore the situation and, at times, actually join in the abuse. The CLC Board of Missions has approved Kinship funding to provide immediate, life-saving humanitarian aid to CLCI members who are suffering. You can see pictures of the devastation here: photos.app.goo.gl/pNzVTK3zCed8tMEp8. Please pray that the Lord will protect, provide, strengthen, and give hope to His children in India who are suffering. You can help with this and other humanitarian efforts by contributing to Kinship at: lutheranmissions.org/kinship/ or through your local congregation." *(from Missionary Todd Ohlmann)*

Missionary Bruce Naumann posted a new update to his Tanzania mission blog on October 28, which you can see here: clc-tz.blogspot.com

Informational Leaflets: We recently received leaflets which publicize the CLC's "EduK8 Fund" which is used to help establish and maintain Christian Day Schools in sister CLC congregations. So far this fund has been used to help with funding and/or startup of Christian Day Schools in Madison Heights (Detroit area) MI (Mt. Zion Lutheran), Valentine NE (Grace Lutheran), and Middleton (Madison) WI (Peace Thru Christ Lutheran). If you would like information about what you can do to help this cause, pick up one of the EduK8 leaflets from the tract rack.

A Youth Camp will be held June 14-20, 2026 on the campus of Immanuel Lutheran College for campers going into 6th-9th grades. Please visit our website for more information: <https://youthcampclc.wixsite.com/camp>. Registration will open in March of 2026. Email youthcamp.clc@gmail.com with any questions.

Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions

November 10-15

Mon Matthew 21:33-44 Jesus pictures the Jewish leaders as tenant farmers of a well developed vineyard who are unwilling to give the owner his fruit when it is due, even going so far as to kill the owner's son.

Tues Revelation 2:8-11 The Lord points out to the suffering church in Smyrna how rich they truly are! They may suffer for a period of time, but even death cannot take from them the crown of life!

Wed Jonah 3:10-4:11 Jonah reveals the reason he did not want to go to Nineveh. He did not want the Lord to show mercy to them and perhaps have some fruit from His vineyard there. The Lord reproves Jonah.

Thurs Proverbs 23:19-21 A father does not seek to harm his son, but pleads with him to walk straight and avoid the side streets of drunkenness and gluttony. These will not help, but impoverish those walking in them.

Fri Proverbs 23:22-25 Parents desire wisdom, discipline, and knowledge for their children because they want every blessing for them. That is why they find joy in the righteous child.

Sat Proverbs 23:26-35 The son is warned of the dangers of immorality and then drunkenness, which can also lead to it, as both the senses and the mind are assaulted by the "sparkling wine"(v33).