

**St. Paul's Lutheran Chapel**  
**The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**September 1, 2024**

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**Divine Service Setting Three, Lutheran Service Book, page 184**

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Kneel/Stand*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

*Stand*

Service of the Word

**655 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word**



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are  
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your  
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that  
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And bring to naught all He has done.  
we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
strife And lead us out of death to life.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

Tune: Geistliche Lieder auff's new gebessert, 1543, Wittenberg, ed. Joseph Klug

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## Kyrie

LSB 186

- C Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

## Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

- P Glory be to God on high:  
C and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.  
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.  
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.  
C And with thy spirit.**

- P Let us pray.  
O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

- C Amen.**

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Deuteronomy 4:1–2, 6–9*

<sup>1</sup>“Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the just decrees that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. <sup>2</sup>You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you. . . .

<sup>6</sup>Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.’ <sup>7</sup>For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is

to us, whenever we call upon him? <sup>8</sup>And what great nation is there, that has statutes and just decrees so righteous as all this law that I set before you today?

<sup>9</sup>“Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children’s children.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm

*Psalm 119:129–136; antiphon: v. 132*

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<sup>129</sup>Your testimonies are | wonderful; \*  
therefore my soul | keeps them.

<sup>130</sup>The unfolding of your | words gives light; \*  
it imparts understanding to the | simple.

<sup>131</sup>I open my | mouth and pant, \*  
because I long for your com- | mandments.

<sup>132</sup>Turn to me and be gra- | cious to me, \*  
as is your way with those who | love your name.

<sup>133</sup>Keep steady my steps according to your | promise, \*  
and let no iniquity get dominion | over me.

<sup>134</sup>Redeem me from man’s op- | pression, \*  
that I may keep your | precepts.

<sup>135</sup>Make your face shine upon your | servant, \*  
and teach me your | statutes.

<sup>136</sup>My eyes shed | streams of tears, \*  
because people do not | keep your law.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning, \***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen**

## Epistle

*Ephesians 6:10–20*

<sup>10</sup>Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. <sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup>Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, <sup>15</sup>and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; <sup>17</sup>and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, <sup>18</sup>praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, <sup>19</sup>and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup>for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## Alleluia

LSB 190

C **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel

Mark 7:14–23

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup>[Jesus] called the people to him again and said to them, “Hear me, all of you, and understand: <sup>15</sup>There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.” <sup>17</sup>And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. <sup>18</sup>And he said to them, “Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, <sup>19</sup>since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?” (Thus he declared all foods clean.) <sup>20</sup>And he said, “What comes out of a person is what defiles him. <sup>21</sup>For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, <sup>22</sup>coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. <sup>23</sup>All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

## Nicene Creed

C **I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,**

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life T of the world to come. Amen.

*Sit*

### 566 By Grace I'm Saved



1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and  
2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct  
3 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down to earth to  
4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer - tain; As long as God is



doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?  
have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,  
bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own mer - it  
true, it stands. What saints have penned by in - spi - ra - tion,



Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? No! Then this word must  
Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for our  
That Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and  
What in His Word our God com - mands, Our faith in what our



true re - main: By grace you too will life ob - tain.  
sins a - tone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.  
grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne.  
God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.

5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble,  
In tribulation's furnace tried,  
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,  
The Father's heart is open wide.  
Where could I help and strength secure  
If grace were not my anchor sure?

6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;  
In Jesus' promise I rejoice;  
For though I know my heart's condition,  
I also know my Savior's voice.  
My heart is glad, all grief has flown  
Since I am saved by grace alone.

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### Sermon “Addition and Subtraction” Deuteronomy 4:1-2

*Stand*

**Offertory**

*LSB 192*

- C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

*Sit*

**Offering**

*Stand*

**Prayer of the Church**

Service of the Sacrament

**Preface**

*LSB 194*

- P The Lord be with you.  
C And with thy spirit.**
- P Lift up your hearts.  
C We lift them up unto the Lord.**
- P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.  
C It is meet and right so to do.**
- P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:**

**Sanctus**

*LSB 195*

- C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Lord's Prayer**

*LSB 196*

- P Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
C Amen.

## Agnus Dei

LSB 198

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace.  
Amen.

*Sit*

## Distribution

### Concerning the Holy Communion

We ordinarily offer the Lord's Supper only to those who are communicant members of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod or of congregations which are part of a church body which is in altar or pulpit fellowship with the LCMS. The Scriptures teach that Holy Communion is to be a confession of a common faith (1 Cor. 10:17, Acts 2:42) and that those who are unprepared may even do themselves spiritual harm (1 Cor. 11:23-32). We do not hereby presume to question another's faith in Christ, but hold this historic position out of love for God's Word and in care for souls. Inviting all Christians to Communion would imply a oneness which does not yet exist but for which we must all pray. Even as we try to respect the practices of other Christian denominations so we ask others to respect our practice. Those who would like to discuss this practice at more length may make an appointment with our pastor to do so.

If you are unable to receive Holy Communion, but wish to receive a blessing, please feel free to come forward. Please stand with your hands behind your back to indicate that you would like a blessing.

## 569 In Adam We Have All Been One



1 In Ad - am we have all been one, One huge re - bel - lious man;  
2 We fled Thee, and in los - ing Thee We lost our broth - er too;  
3 But Thy strong love, it sought us still And sent Thine on - ly Son  
4 O Thou who, when we loved Thee not, Didst love and save us all,



We all have fled that eve - ning voice That sought us as we ran.  
Each sin - gly sought and claimed his own; Each man his broth - er slew.  
That we might hear His Shep - herd's voice And, hear - ing Him, be one.  
Thou great Good Shep - herd of man - kind, O hear us when we call.

5 Send us Thy Spirit, teach us truth;  
Thou Son, O set us free  
From fancied wisdom, self-sought ways,  
To make us one in Thee.

Δ 6 Then shall our song united rise  
 To Thine eternal throne,  
 Where with the Father evermore  
 And Spirit Thou art one.

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### 698 May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill

1 May we Thy pre - cepts, Lord, ful - fill And do on  
 2 So may we join Thy name to bless, Thy grace a -  
 3 Spir - it of life, of love and peace, U - nite our

earth our Fa - ther's will As an - gels do a - bove;  
 dore, Thy pow'r con - fess, From sin and strife to flee.  
 hearts, our joy in - crease, Thy gra - cious help sup - ply.

Still walk in Christ, the liv - ing way, With all Thy  
 One is our call - ing, one our name, The end of  
 To each of us the bless - ing give In Chris - tian

chil - dren and o - bey The law of Chris - tian love.  
 all our hopes the same, A crown of life with Thee.  
 fel - low - ship to live, In joy - ful hope to die.

Text: Edward Osler, 1798–1863, alt.

Tune: Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

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### 924 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with  
 2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's  
 3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling

joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,  
 joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion  
 pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,

Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;  
 In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,  
 Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,





O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.  
ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.  
may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

Text (sts. 1–2): attr. John Fawcett, 1740–1817, alt.; (st. 3): Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, alt.

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*Stand*

### **Nunc Dimittis**

*LSB 199*

**C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,  
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,  
a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

### **Thanksgiving**

*LSB 200*

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**C and His mercy endureth forever.**

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C And with thy spirit.**

### **Benedicamus**

*LSB 202*

**A** Bless we the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **Benediction**

*LSB 202*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

**C Amen, amen, amen.**

### **Acknowledgments**

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**In our prayers** we pray for Donna Heilman who is undergoing treatments for cancer and Keith Miller who is home recuperating.

**Van Driver's Needed.** Van drivers are needed beginning Sunday, August 25 for the 2024-2025 University of Iowa school year. Drivers are needed only when school is in session. If you can commit to driving one Sunday a month, please contact Kyle Bembnister at: [kbembnister@gmail.com](mailto:kbembnister@gmail.com).

### **Upcoming Events!**

**Labor Day Fun Day.** Monday, September 2. Meet at Chapel at 1:00 PM. Carpooling to Pinseekers, Tiffin. Bring money for snacks.

**Omolo Visit.** Archbishop Joseph Omolo of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Kenya (ELCK), will be with us on Friday, September 6, 2024. A meal for Chapel folks and the Archbishop will be held at 5:30 PM. We ask that you please sign up in the Happy Hour room by Sunday, September 1. Archbishop Omolo will give a presentation at 6:30 PM.

Omolo will be giving a Powerpoint presentation on "Hope for the Destitute." "Hope for the Destitute" is a nonprofit organization in Kisumu, Kenya that provides educational support for orphaned children and shelter for needy widows. Many children are orphaned as a result of the high prevalence of HIV and AIDS in this country and are left in the care of elderly relatives who have no source of income. Education is not free in Kenya, and many students are unable to access it, leading to unemployment and a continual chain of poverty within their families. "Hope for the Destitute" ensures that orphaned children can access education as well as be nurtured spiritually in Lutheran teachings and devotions. The organization welcomes you to be part of the Lord's work through monthly or yearly donations.

You can access the website here - <https://www.hftdestitute.org/>

**Onsase Offering .** Rev. Haron Onsase is a pastor in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Kenya. You will recall, we helped him secure a motorcycle a few years ago. Last year, his wife stopped working due to illness. This has caused an income shortage which makes paying the food bills, education fees for his children, nieces, and nephews very difficult. The wife is feeling better and is back to work, but they could use some help. If you wish to assist Rev. Onsase, please place your gift in the bucket in the ushers' pew marked "Onsase Gift."

**Tag, I Ain't It** will take place on Thursday, September 12, at 7:30 PM. Meet at the Chapel.

### **General Information**

**Cry Room:** If you are in need of a place to go with your children during the service, please feel free to use the bell tower. You will still be able to hear the service from there. Also, there is a changing station in the women's bathroom.

**Bulletin Announcements:** If you are in charge of an announcement for an event, please have it to the administrative assistant by 9:00 AM on the Thursday before the first Sunday you would like it to run. E-mail it to [stpaulschapel.iowacity@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulschapel.iowacity@gmail.com)

**Lost and Found!** In the student center is a wicker storage cube which is the Chapel's Lost and Found. Any items left in the Chapel will be placed in this container. At the end of each month, the bin will be emptied and its contents will be donated to Good Will. All Chapelites are strongly encouraged to check the Lost and Found periodically so we don't donate something of yours!

**Auto Debit Offering Option:** If you would like to automate or update your existing auto-offering please visit <https://stpaulic.com/giving/> or speak with Chapel Treasurer Trent Dickerson, [treasurer.stpaul@gmail.com](mailto:treasurer.stpaul@gmail.com)

### Calendar

- 1 Today**                    Divine Service at 9:00 AM  
Happy Hour  
Bible class
- 2 Monday**                Pinseekers, at 1:00 PM
- 4 Wednesday**          Vespers at 7:00 PM  
Bible study at 7:30 PM
- 6 Friday**                Archbishop Omolo Presentation at Chapel at 6:30 PM
- 8 Sunday**                Divine Service at 9:00 AM  
Happy Hour  
Bible class

Private absolution is available by appointment.

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