St. Paul's Lutheran Chapel and University Center
St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles
June 29th, 2025

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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 Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Kneel/Stand

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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

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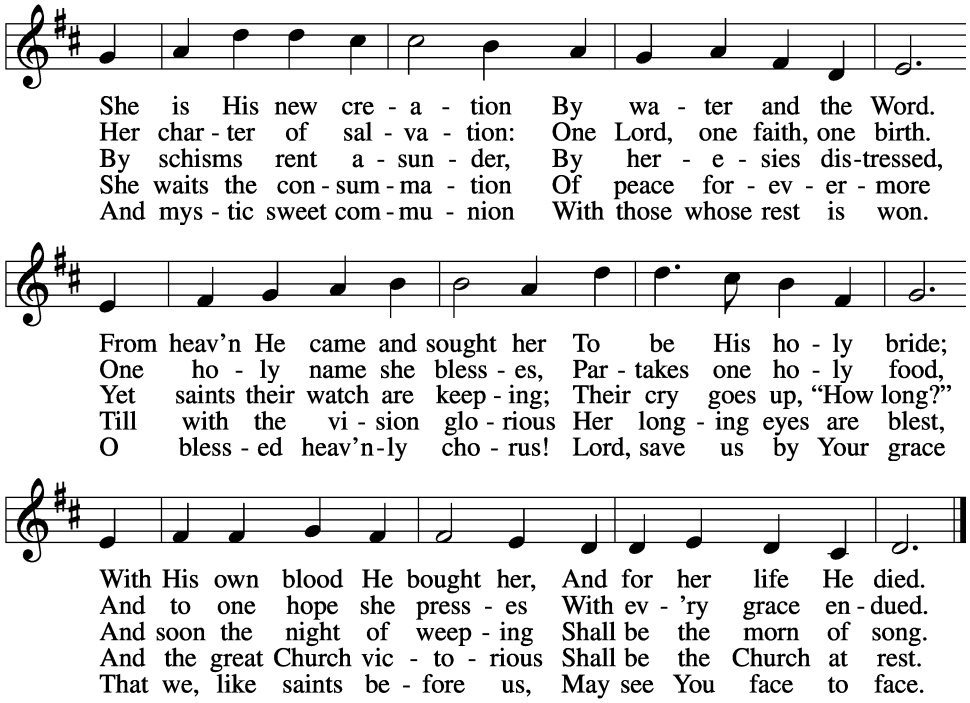

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Kyrie *LSB 204*

C **Lord, have mercy;**
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.

Gloria in Excelsis *LSB 204*

C **1 To God on high be glory**
And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father;
Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory,
Lord God, our heav'nly King.

2 To You, O sole-begotten,
The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior,
You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus;
Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated
At God's right hand on high—

3 For You alone are holy;
You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever,
Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit

Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory.
"Amen!" our glad reply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.
Merciful and eternal God, Your holy apostles Peter and Paul received grace and strength to lay down their lives for the sake of Your Son. Strengthen us by Your Holy Spirit that we may confess Your truth and at all times be ready to lay down our lives for Him who laid down His life for us, even Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

First Reading *Acts 15:1–12*

[1]But some men came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised
according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved." [2]And after Paul and Barnabas had no small
dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to
Jerusalem to the apostles and the elders about this question. [3]So, being sent on their way by the church,
they passed through both Phoenicia and Samaria, describing in detail the conversion of the Gentiles, and
brought great joy to all the brothers. [4]When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church
and the apostles and the elders, and they declared all that God had done with them. [5]But some believers
who belonged to the party of the Pharisees rose up and said, "It is necessary to circumcise them and to
order them to keep the law of Moses."

[6]The apostles and the elders were gathered together to consider this matter. [7]And after there had been
much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, "Brothers, you know that in the early days God made a
choice among you, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe. [8]And
God, who knows the heart, bore witness to them, by giving them the Holy Spirit just as he did to us,
[9]and he made no distinction between us and them, having cleansed their hearts by faith. [10]Now,
therefore, why are you putting God to the test by placing a yoke on the neck of the disciples that neither
our fathers nor we have been able to bear? [11]But we believe that we will be saved through the grace of
the Lord Jesus, just as they will."

[12]And all the assembly fell silent, and they listened to Barnabas and Paul as they related what signs
and wonders God had done through them among the Gentiles.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm *Psalm 46; antiphon: v. 11*

[1]God is our ref- | uge and strength,*
a very present help in | trouble.
[2]Therefore we will not fear though the | earth gives way,*
though the mountains be moved into the heart | of the sea,
[3]though its waters | roar and foam,*
though the mountains tremble at its | swelling.

[4]There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- | y of God,*
the holy habitation of the | Most High.
[5]God is in the midst of her; she shall | not be moved;*
God will help her when | morning dawns.
[6]The nations rage, the kingdoms | totter;*
he utters his voice, the | earth melts.
[7]The LORD of hosts is | with us;*
the God of Jacob is our | fortress.

[8]Come, behold the works | of the LORD,*
how he has brought desolations | on the earth.
[9]He makes wars cease to the end | of the earth;*
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the chariots | with fire.
[10]"Be still, and know that | I am God.*
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted | in the earth!"
[11]The LORD of hosts is | with us;*
the God of Jacob is our | fortress.

Epistle *Galatians 2:1–10*

[1]Then after fourteen years I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, taking Titus along with me. [2]I went up because of a revelation and set before them (though privately before those who seemed influential) the gospel that I proclaim among the Gentiles, in order to make sure I was not running or had not run in vain. [3]But even Titus, who was with me, was not forced to be circumcised, though he was a Greek. [4]Yet because of false brothers secretly brought in—who slipped in to spy out our freedom that we have in Christ Jesus, so that they might bring us into slavery— [5]to them we did not yield in submission even for a moment, so that the truth of the gospel might be preserved for you. [6]And from those who seemed to be influential (what they were makes no difference to me; God shows no partiality)—those, I say, who seemed influential added nothing to me. [7]On the contrary, when they saw that I had been entrusted with the gospel to the uncircumcised, just as Peter had been entrusted with the gospel to the circumcised [8](for he who worked through Peter for his apostolic ministry to the circumcised worked also through me for mine to the Gentiles), [9]and when James and Cephas and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given to me, they gave the right hand of fellowship to Barnabas and me, that we should go to the Gentiles and they to the circumcised. [10]Only, they asked us to remember the poor, the very thing I was eager to do.

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

C **These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Holy Gospel *Matthew 16:13–19*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[13]Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people
say that the Son of Man is?" [14]And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others
Jeremiah or one of the prophets." [15]He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" [16]Simon Peter
replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." [17]And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you,
Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven.
[18]And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not
prevail against it. [19]I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth
shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, 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.**

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647 Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's Head

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Sermon

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Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

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Preface *LSB 208*

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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 208*

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;**
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

You once proclaimed Your saving promise through the prophets of Israel, and by the apostles and evangelists You published the good news of Your saving promise fulfilled in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Grant that we, being instructed in the doctrine of the blessed apostles and evangelists, may faithfully eat His body and drink His blood and declare His salvation to all the world.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

C **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.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

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

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei *LSB 210*

C **1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,**
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

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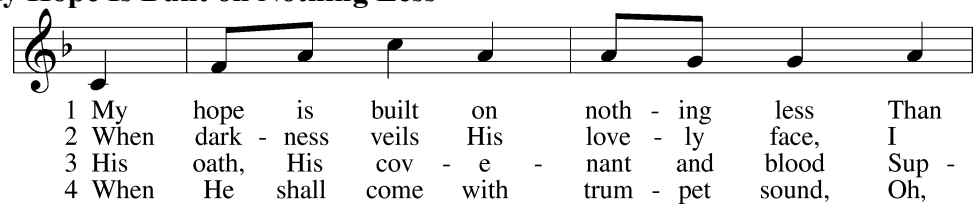
Distribution

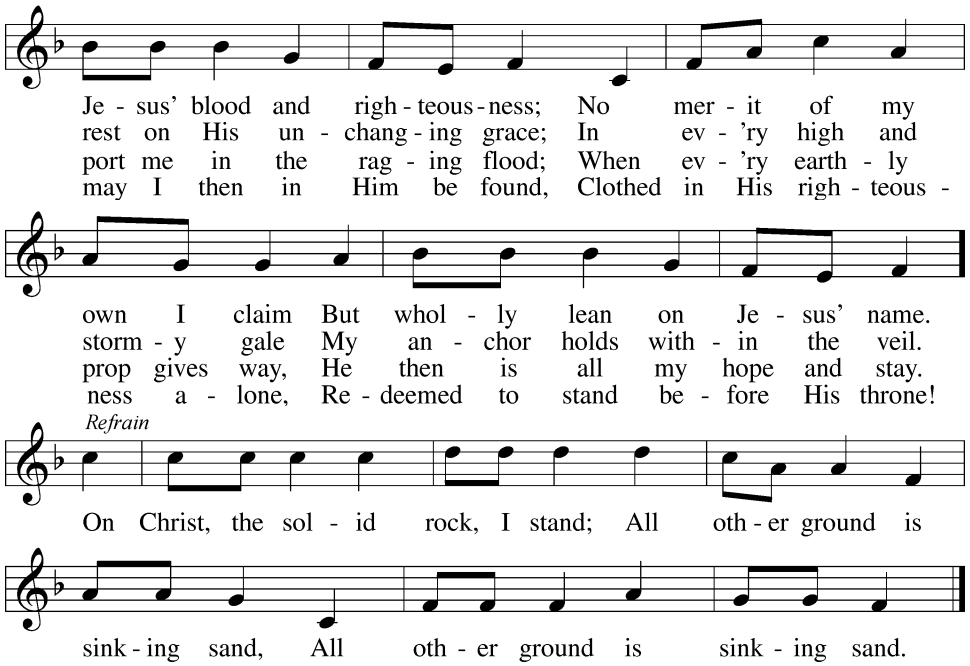
Concerning the Holy Communion

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.

576 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less





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430 My Song Is Love Unknown

5 They rise and needs will have
My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save,
The Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful He
To suff'ring goes

That He His foes
From thence might free.

6 In life no house, no home
My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb
But what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heav'n was His home
But mine the tomb
Wherein He lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,
No story so divine!
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief like Thine.
This is my friend,
In whose sweet praise
I all my days
Could gladly spend!

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Stand

Nunc Dimittis *LSB 211*

C **1 O Lord, now let Your servant**
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.

2 All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.

Post-Communion Collect

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.**

Benedicamus *LSB 212*

A Let us bless the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
C **Amen.**

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In our prayers we pray for DP Farenthold and John Ireland who are undergoing treatments for cancer.

Upcoming Events!

Following the Bible class today, Pastor Mons is on vacation. He will return to the chapel on Tuesday, July 15, 2025. If you are need of pastoral assistance during this time, please contact Rev. Sean Hansen, St. Paul, Mount Vernon (319-210-4660).

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 Thursday before the first Sunday you would like it to run. E-mail it to 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 Samantha Zoske, treasurer.stpaul@gmail.com

Calendar

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Private absolution is available by appointment.

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