

A TIME TO PLAN

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH | Bangor, WI

September 21, 2025

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

In the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, we welcome you to St. Paul's. We especially welcome our guests who have joined us today. We pray that your soul will be strengthened by the good news of God's forgiveness through Jesus.

PRAYER IN PREPARATION FOR TODAY'S WORSHIP

Heavenly Father, you planned out and fulfilled my salvation over the course of thousands of years. Yet I can fail to include you as I plan out my time on this earth and fail to trust in your ultimate plans for me. Preach to me today about my forgiveness in Jesus that I not only trust you no matter what happens but also live in honor of you with the time I have. In Jesus I pray. Amen.

FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

Children's activity sheets are available near the entrance to the sanctuary. The church basement is also available with a live feed of the worship service along with a Kids' Corner for parents with children to utilize during the service if needed.

THANK OFFERING

You may leave your offering in the plate in the lobby. The QR code to the right will provide the link to our online giving option. If you're visiting with us today you are welcome to give an offering, but don't feel compelled by guilt or embarrassment to do so. God wants all offerings to be made freely and with joy.



HOLY COMMUNION

Today St. Paul's will be celebrating Holy Communion. The Bible tells us that those who take the Lord's Supper together are to recognize that Christ's true body and blood are present in the Sacrament (1 Cor. 11:29), examine themselves (1 Cor. 11:28), and be united in faith with their fellow communicants (1 Cor. 10:17). For these reasons, it is our practice that only those who are members of St. Paul's or of a congregation within our fellowship join us at the Lord's Table. If you are interested in learning how you can partake of Holy Communion with us in the future, the pastor would be pleased to speak with you after the service.

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

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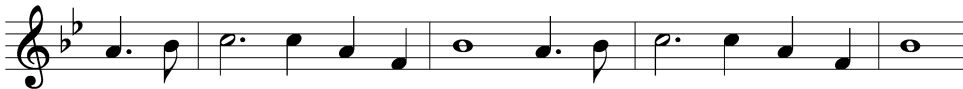
Service of Word and Sacrament is a version of the historic liturgy of the Christian church that highlights the gospel in the Scripture readings as well as in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

OPENING HYMN

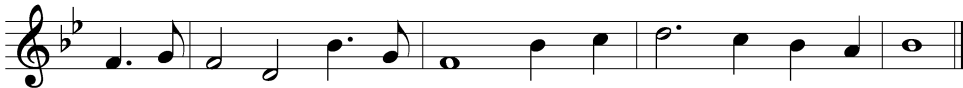
839 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me



1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;
2 Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill thy law's de - mands;
3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply to thy cross I cling;
4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,



let the wa - ter and the blood, from thy riv - en side which flowed,
could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,
na - ked, come to thee for dress, help - less, look to thee for grace;
when I soar to worlds un - known, see thee on thy judg - ment throne,



be of sin the dou - ble cure: cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
all for sin could not a - tone; thou must save and thou a - lone.
foul, I to the foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

Text: Augustus M. Toplady, 1740–1778, alt.

Tune: Thomas Hastings, 1784–1872

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Stand

INVOCATION

The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

CONFESSION

God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

ABSOLUTION

God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Prayer and Praise

LORD, HAVE MERCY

For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



C: A - men.

The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

O LORD, OUR LORD

(no musical intro)



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in



all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,



you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin;



you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and



ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,



but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,



how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.



O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,



you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;



you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the



King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,



how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, you have told us not to be anxious about what we need for this life. Move our hearts to seek you and your kingdom, that all good things may be given to us as well; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

The Word

FIRST READING

Job 1:6–22

⁶There came a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came into their midst. ⁷The LORD said to Satan, "Where have you come from?"

Satan answered the LORD, "From roaming the earth and walking around on it."

⁸Then the LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a man who is blameless and upright, who fears God and turns away from evil."

⁹Satan answered the LORD, "Is it without cause that Job fears God? ¹⁰You have put a protective hedge around him and his household and everything that belongs to him, haven't you? You have blessed the work of his hands. His livestock has spread throughout the land. ¹¹But just stretch out your hand and strike everything that is his, and he will certainly curse you to your face!"

¹²So the LORD said to Satan, "Very well, then. Everything that he has is in your hand. But you may not stretch out your hand against the man himself." So Satan left the presence of the LORD.

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¹³One day when Job's sons and daughters were eating and drinking wine in the house of their oldest brother, ¹⁴a messenger came to Job and said, "The oxen were plowing and the female donkeys were grazing nearby, ¹⁵when the Sabeans swooped down and took them away. They put the servants to death with the sword, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!"

¹⁶While he was still speaking, another servant came and said, "The fire of God fell from the sky and burned up the flocks and the servants and consumed them, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!"

¹⁷While he was still speaking, another servant came and said, "The Chaldeans formed three raiding parties and plundered the camels and took them away. They put the servants to death with the sword, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!"

¹⁸While he was still speaking, another servant came and said, "Your sons and daughters were eating and were drinking wine in the house of their oldest brother. ¹⁹Suddenly a powerful wind swept in from the wilderness and struck the four corners of the house, and it collapsed on the young people, and they died, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!"

²⁰Then Job stood up, tore his robe, and shaved his head. He fell to the ground and worshipped. ²¹Then he said, "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked I will return. The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away. May the name of the LORD be blessed."

²²In all this, Job did not sin or blame God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

James 4:13–17

¹³Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go into this or that city, spend a year there, do business, and make a profit." ¹⁴You do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? Indeed, it is a mist that appears for a little while and then disappears. ¹⁵Instead, it is better for you to say, "If it is the Lord's will, we will live, and we will do this or that." ¹⁶But right now you are boasting in your

arrogance. All such boasting is evil. ¹⁷So, for the one who knows the right thing to do and doesn't do it, this is a sin.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Proverbs 16:9

Alleluia!

A person's heart plans his way, but the LORD makes his steps secure.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 1:29–39

²⁹They left the synagogue and went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. ³⁰Simon's mother-in-law was lying in bed, sick with a fever. Without delay they told Jesus about her. ³¹He went to her, took her by the hand, and raised her up. The fever left her, and she began to serve them. ³²That evening, when the sun had set, the people kept bringing to him all who were sick and demon-possessed. ³³The whole town gathered at the door. ³⁴He healed many people who were sick with various diseases and drove out many demons. But he did not allow the demons to speak, because they knew who he was.

³⁵Jesus got up early in the morning, while it was still dark, and went out. He withdrew to a solitary place and was praying there. ³⁶Simon and his companions searched for him, ³⁷and, when they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is looking for you!"

³⁸He told them, "Let's go somewhere else, to the neighboring villages, so that I can preach there too. In fact, that is why I have come." ³⁹Then he went throughout the whole region of Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

The Gospel of the Lord.

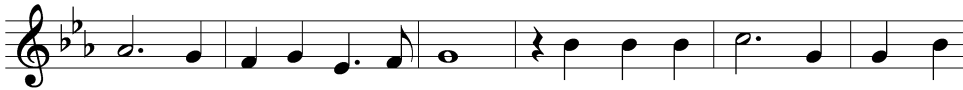
Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY

847 Be Still, My Soul



1 Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side; bear pa-tient
2 Be still, my soul; your God will un - der - take to guide the
3 Be still, my soul; when dear-est friends de - part and all is
4 Be still, my soul; the hour is has - t'ning on when we shall



ly the cross of grief or pain; leave to your God to or - der
fu - ture as he has the past; your hope, your con - fi - dence, let
dark - ened in the vale of tears, then you will bet - ter know his
be for - ev - er with the Lord, when dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and



and pro - vide; in ev - 'ry change he faith - ful will re -
noth - ing shake; all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at
love, his heart, who comes to soothe your sor - rows and your
fear are gone, sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re -



main. Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'n - ly friend
last. Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know
fears. Be still, my soul; your Je - sus can re - pay
stored. Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,



through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.
his voice who ruled them while he lived be - low.
from his own full - ness all he takes a - way.
all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

Text: Catharina A. von Schlegel, 1697–1752, abr.; tr. Jane L Borthwick, 1813–1897, alt.

Tune: Jean Sibelius, 1865–1957, adapt.

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The Reason Jesus Heals You

Stand

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Be seated

OFFERING

"Bring the complete tithe to the storehouse so that there may be food in my house. Just test me in this, says the Lord of Armies. See whether I do not open for you the windows of heaven and pour down blessing on you, until there is more than enough" (Malachi 3:10).

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

The presiding minister will speak the Prayer of the Church on behalf of the congregation.

Stand

The Sacrament

Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we also bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns. See p.295 in the hymnal for preparation.

The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

(no musical intro)



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -



va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

(no musical intro)



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; grant us your peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION

"The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a communion of the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a communion of the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one bread" (1 Corinthians 10:16,17). Please follow the directions of the ushers during distribution.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

807 All Depends on Our Possessing



1 All de - pends on our pos - sess - ing God's a - bun - dant
2 He who to this day has fed me and to man - y
3 Man - y spend their lives in fret - ting o - ver tri - fles
4 When with sor - row I am strick - en, hope a - new my



grace and bless - ing, though all earth - ly wealth de - part.
joys has led me is and ev - er shall be mine.
and in get - ting things that have no sol - id ground.
heart will quick - en; all my long - ing shall be stilled.



They who trust with faith un - shak - en in their God are
He who ev - er gent - ly schools me, he who dai - ly
I shall strive to win a trea - sure that will bring me
To his lov - ing - kind - ness ten - der soul and bod - y



not for - sak - en and will keep a daunt - less heart.
guides and rules me, will re - main my help di - vine.
last - ing plea - sure and that now is sel - dom found.
I sur - ren - der, for on God a - lone I build.

Verses 5 & 6...

5 Well he knows what best to grant me;
 all the longing hopes that haunt me,
 joy and sorrow, have their day.
 I shall doubt his wisdom never;
 as God wills, so be it ever;
 I commit to him my way.

6 If my days on earth he lengthen,
 he my weary soul will strengthen;
 all my trust in him I place.
 Earthly wealth is not abiding,
 like a stream away is gliding;
 safe I anchor in his grace.

Text: Andächtige Haus-Kirche, Nürnberg, 1676; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.; Tune: Johann Löhner, 1645–1705; adapt. Johann Balthasar König, 1691–1758; Text and tune: Public domain

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

799 I Leave All Things to God's Direction



1 I leave all things to God's di - rec - tion; he loves me
 2 God knows what must be done to save me; his love for
 3 God gives me help in all temp - ta - tion, his lov - ing
 4 My God has all things in his keep - ing; he is my



both in joy and woe. His will is good, sure his af -
 me will nev - er cease. Up - on his hands he did en -
 goal my soul to save. Calm in the face of life's frus -
 ev - er - faith - ful friend. He gives me laugh - ter af - ter



fec - tion; his ten - der love is true, I know. My for - tress
 grave me with pur - est gold of lov - ing grace. His will su -
 tra - tion, all earth - ly trou - ble I will brave. His will be
 weep - ing, and all his ways in bless - ings end. His love en -



and my rock is he: what pleas-es God, that pleas-es me.
 preme must ev - er be: what pleas-es God, that pleas-es me.
 done e - ter - nal - ly: what pleas-es God, that pleas-es me.
 dures e - ter - nal - ly: what pleas-es God, that pleas-es me.

Text: Salomo Franck, 1659–1725, abr.; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.; Tune: Georg C. Neumark, 1621–1681; Text and tune: Public domain

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

844 What God Ordains Is Always Good



1 What God or-dains is al - ways good: his will is just and
 2 What God or-dains is al - ways good: he nev - er will de -
 3 What God or-dains is al - ways good: though I the cup am
 4 What God or-dains is al - ways good: this truth re - mains un -



ho - ly. As he di - rects my life for me, I fol - low
 ceive me; he leads me in his right - eous way and nev - er
 drink - ing which sa - vors now of bit - ter-ness, I take it
 shak - en. Though sor - row, need, or death be mine, I shall not



mEEK and low - ly. My God in - deed in ev - 'ry need knows
 will he leave me. I take con - tent what he has sent; his
 with - out shrink - ing. For af - ter grief God grants re - lief, my
 be for - sak - en. I fear no harm, for with his arm he



well how he will shield me; to him, then, I will yield me.
 hand that sends me sad - ness will turn my tears to glad - ness.
 heart with com - fort fill - ing and all my sor - row still - ing.
 will em - brace and shield me; so to my God I yield me.

Text: Samuel Rodigast, 1649–1708, abr.; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.; Tune: Severus Gastorius, 1646–1682; Text and tune: Public domain

Thanksgiving

THANK THE LORD

(short musical intro)



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

PRAYER

Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

BLESSING

Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.



Be seated

CLOSING HYMN

850 *It Is Well with My Soul*



1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
3 My sin— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought— my
4 And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the



sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll— what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my
sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross, and I
clouds be rolled back as a scroll; the trump shall re - sound, and the



taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
help - less es - tate and hath shed his own blood for my soul.
bear it no more: praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so, it is well with my soul.



Refrain
It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828–1888, alt.; Tune: Philip P. Bliss, 1838–1876; Text and tune: Public domain

SERVING IN WORSHIP

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Pastor Brock Groth

Accompanist

Harriet Langrehr

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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

STEWARDSHIP LEGACY – TIME

Corresponding with our worship series will be our midweek studies throughout September. The focus of our worship on Sunday will be the further focus of our midweek study that week. Our remaining worship and midweek lessons will look at: *A Time to PLAN*, and *A Time to PAUSE*. Midweek study is on Tuesday at 7:00 pm and Wednesday at 9:00 am (same study). The Lord bless your growth in his Word and in your godly use of such a precious commodity.

CHRIST THROUGH US

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Delegates at the 68th biennial synod convention, held July 21-24, 2025, at Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minn., adopted a new long-range strategic plan to guide WELS in its next ten years of mission and ministry work.

This plan's theme, "Christ through us," is taken from 2 Corinthians 5:17-21, which reads in part: "God...reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us."

The plan lays out four intertwined priorities:

- Culture: Cultivating a gospel-driven culture
- Congregations: Strengthening WELS' backbone
- Calling: Producing workers for a growing harvest
- Commission: Bringing Christ to the nations

All members are encouraged to participate in this plan as Christ's ambassadors through gospel ministry in their local congregations and communities. This plan isn't simply guidelines and goals for synod leaders at the WELS Center for Mission and Ministry; it provides encouragement for all members in our family of believers.

Serving with you in Christ,
WELS President Mark Schroeder

You can find more about this strategic plan at christthroughus.net.

MISSIONS SUNDAY AND PRESENTATION

On Sunday, October 5th, we will celebrate a Missions Sunday, with "Pastor Paul" giving a message from the Word during worship and giving a presentation during Bible study hour.

Pastor Paul served in Pakistan as a general surgeon for 36 years. Alongside his medical career, the Lord also called him into pastoral ministry, and in 2010 he was ordained in the Confessional Evangelical Lutheran Church in Sahiwal, Pakistan. Due to Christian persecution, Pastor Paul and his wife Aneela were forced to leave Pakistan in 2015. Since then, God has continued to use them for His kingdom work. They are blessed with three children: two daughters who are medical doctors in England and active in our Lutheran Church in Abingdon and Birmingham, and one son, Pastor Jordan, who serves alongside Pastor Leon Ehlert at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in Green Bay. Pastor Paul and Aneela now serve the South Asian congregations through The Church for All Nations at Christ Lutheran Church, Pewaukee. Through this ministry, God is bringing many souls to the knowledge of Christ.

Join us as we worship our God together for his gospel message and hear about God's work through them in Pakistan and the Pewaukee area.

HOST PASTOR PAUL AND HIS WIFE?

If you are willing and able to provide dinner and lodging to Pastor Paul and Aneela on Saturday, October 4th, please contact Pastor Gorth.

THANK YOU

Dear Families and friends of St. Paul's,

I would like to take this opportunity to wholeheartedly thank all those who helped me move two weeks ago. It could not have been possible without each of you, from the children to all the adults. As we worked together, the job was completed in about 2 hours! That was amazing. A special thank you to the Johnsons who offered their truck and trailer to complete the tasks at hand!

I am blessed to be serving with you all at our school and church. Thank you so much for everything! Always remember Jesus is with us all as we daily serve Him!

In Christ,
Theckla Cortez

BUTTER BRAID FUNDRAISER

We're excited to kick off our Butter Braid® fundraiser to support the 5th–8th grade class trip in May! These delicious, high-quality pastries are a favorite—and every purchase helps our students get one step closer to an unforgettable experience. Order forms are available in the lobby, along with all the details you'll need to sign up and pay. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to: Susie Johnson (608-790-8911). Thank you in advance for your support!

WELS ONLINE TEEN BIBLE STUDY

Don't miss the upcoming opportunity to gather virtually with WELS peers across the continent to study God's word together! Beginning on Sunday, September 28, at 6 p.m. (Central), Professor Dave Scharf, professor of theology at Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minn., will lead four studies throughout the school year on the book Judges. In this first study, participants will explore how God gave the Promised Land to the Israelites under Joshua's leadership. Then a new generation came along who turned away from God, starting a cycle for Israel that lasted centuries. However, God provided "saviors" or judges who saved the people from their enemies. This first lesson gives us a chance to look in the mirror as we see their example, but also rejoice in the grace of God, who provided THE Savior we need! Register at wels.net/event/september-national-online-teen-bible-study.

REFORMATION/WELS 175TH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

Luther High School is excited to announce that a special service at Luther High School on Sunday, November 2nd, at 2:00 pm. That service will celebrate both the Lutheran Reformation and the 175th anniversary of the Wisconsin Synod. Pastor Paul Koelpin will be preaching, the Luther High School Concert Choir will be singing. There will also be an adult choir, and children from Association elementary schools will be singing as well. The service will be held in the Chapel Auditorium.

WELS TRAVEL TOUR?

Interested in traveling with a group of like-minded believers? The OWLS (WELS Seniors) is partnering with Father's World Tours to offer a New Year's (Dec 31-Jan 13) trip to sunny Southern California (Rose Parade, Reagan Library, San Diego, Palm Springs, Joshua Tree NP) that also includes a 7-night Princess cruise to the Mexican Riviera. All tours involve daily devotions and WELS weekend worship. The tour is open to W/ELS members of all ages. Registration closes on October 1 (earlier if all spots are sold). Visit www.fathersworldtours.com or contact us (steve@fathersworldtours.com, 507-217-1731) to learn more.

PRAYERS

This week we keep in our prayers: Brian Berg, Gary and Christa Lemke, Clarice Koltermann, Marcie Richmond, Herb Miller, John Langrehr, Ron Meyer, Dan Chandler, Vivian Havens, Ted Thielker, Gidget Gade, Nicole Wakeen, and Rev. Bob Gerke.

OFFERING SUMMARY (includes online and memorials to Gen Fund)

2025 Weekly Budget: \$10,913.22 Budget to Date: \$403,789.14
Received Last Week: \$8,574.37 Rec'd to Date: \$300,035.45

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

8:00 am: 130 Online Viewers: 49 10:00 am: 112 Total: 291
Sunday Bible Study: 39 Sunday School: 14 Tues./Wed. Bible Study: 22

CALENDAR

TODAY	8:00 am	Worship with Communion
	9:10 am	Sunday School
	9:15 am	Bible Study
	10:00 am	Worship with Communion
TUESDAY	7:00 pm	Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	9:00 am	Bible Study (same as Tues.)
	3:30 pm	Public School Catechism Class
THURSDAY	2:00 pm	Ladies Aid Meeting
	6:00 pm	Bible Information Class
NEXT SUNDAY	8:00 am	Worship
	9:10 am	Sunday School
	9:15 am	Bible Study
	10:00 am	Worship
	6:30 pm	PACE meeting

