

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity



*How can one feed these men with bread here in the
desert?*
Mark 8:4

The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod
+Seventh Sunday after Trinity+

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Guests and Visitors: St. Paul's Lutheran Church follows the Biblical and Apostolic practice of Closed Communion. This respects: the Lord's Supper as the full expression of unity in doctrine and practice of all who partake (1 Corinthians 11:26); that the Pastor is accountable to God for the souls under his care (Hebrews 13:17); and that we are accountable to each other at the Lord's Table (1 Corinthians 10:14-17). For these reasons, we kindly ask **ALL GUESTS** (even if you are a member of another LCMS congregation) to please speak with the Pastor before communing.

Hymn of Invocation: 578 Thy Strong Word

Confession and Absolution (pg. 184-185)

Service of the Word (pg. 186-189)

Introit

Psalm 47:3, 6-8; antiphon: vv. 1-2

Clap your hands, all peoples!

Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

**For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared,
a great king over all the earth.**

He subdued peoples under us,
and nations under our feet.

Sing praises to God, sing praises!

Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

For God is the King of all the earth;
sing praises with a psalm!

God reigns over the nations;

God sits on his holy throne.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Clap your hands, all peoples!

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a great king over all the earth.

Kyrie

LSB 186

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

O God, whose never-failing providence orders all things both in heaven and earth, we humbly implore You to put away from us all hurtful things and to give us those things that are profitable for us; 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

Isaiah 62:6–12

⁶On your walls, O Jerusalem,
I have set watchmen;
all the day and all the night
they shall never be silent.
You who put the LORD in remembrance,
take no rest,
⁷and give him no rest
until he establishes Jerusalem
and makes it a praise in the earth.
⁸The LORD has sworn by his right hand
and by his mighty arm:
“I will not again give your grain
to be food for your enemies,
and foreigners shall not drink your wine
for which you have labored;
⁹but those who garner it shall eat it
and praise the LORD,
and those who gather it shall drink it
in the courts of my sanctuary.”
¹⁰Go through, go through the gates;
prepare the way for the people;
build up, build up the highway;
clear it of stones;
lift up a signal over the peoples.
¹¹Behold, the LORD has proclaimed
to the end of the earth:
Say to the daughter of Zion,
“Behold, your salvation comes;

behold, his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.”
¹²And they shall be called The Holy People,
The Redeemed of the LORD;
and you shall be called Sought Out,
A City Not Forsaken.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual (Spoken in Unison)

Psalm 34:11, 5

**Come, O children, listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
Those who look to him are radiant,
and their faces shall never be ashamed.**

Epistle

Romans 6:19–23

¹⁹I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death.

²²But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia

LSB 190

Holy Gospel

Mark 8:1–9

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

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹In those days, when again a great crowd had gathered, and they had nothing to eat, [Jesus] called his disciples to him and said to them, ²“I have compassion on the crowd, because they have been with me now three days and have nothing to eat. ³And if I send them away hungry to their homes, they will faint on the way. And some of them have come from far away.” ⁴And his disciples answered him, “How can one feed these people with bread here in this desolate place?” ⁵And he asked them, “How many loaves do you have?” They said, “Seven.” ⁶And he directed the crowd to sit down on the ground. And he took the seven loaves, and having given thanks, he broke them and gave them to his

disciples to set before the people; and they set them before the crowd. ⁷And they had a few small fish. And having blessed them, he said that these also should be set before them. ⁸And they ate and were satisfied. And they took up the broken pieces left over, seven baskets full. ⁹And there were about four thousand people. And he sent them away.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed (found inside the back cover of the hymnal)

Hymn of the Day: 819 Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good

Sermon

Offering

Offertory

LSB 192

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

LSB 241

Collect for the Word

P Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; 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 & Benediction

LSB 202

Hymn to Depart: 730 What Is the World to Me

Prayer for Voters Meeting

P Let us pray.

Almighty God and Lord, as You have called us to labor in Your vineyard, so grant us now Your presence. Enlighten and guide us by Your Word that in all matters of deliberation we may always consider the best interests of Your Church and this congregation. Let Your Holy Spirit rule and direct our hearts that, in the spirit of Christian love, we may present and discuss matters and be kindly disposed toward one another, to the end that all we say and do may please You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Welcome Visitors: We’re glad you’re worshipping with us today and pray this service is a blessing to you. If you don’t have a church home, we warmly invite you to join us regularly. To learn more about the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, please speak with Pastor. **Please complete an attendance card for our records.** Activity bags and children’s bulletins are available in the back—just ask an usher. Welcome, and thank you for being here!

JULY-SEPTEMBER - Portals of Prayer are available.

Remember in your prayers: The family of John Rambat, The family of Anita Most, Donna Lakin (Linda Block’s Aunt), Perry Leimer, Sharon Abbott (Kevin Block’s aunt), Raegan Roche, Doug Luedke, Linda Peters, Paul Orth-Indian Hills Manor, Ron Orr-North Platte Care Center, Evelyn Frosh-Linden Court

Radio Ministry - Today’s broadcast is sponsored to the glory of God by Marcia Crofutt in thanksgiving for God’s many blessings.

Lutherans for Life- July 19 “Each of us amounts to more than assorted cells, isolated fluids, and random spasms. Human means—in every case—a character, with an emerging identity, disclosing a history, developing toward an intended destiny. Every life is a story.” *Rev. Michael Salemink, former Executive Director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Lutheran Hour- July 19 "From Groans to Glory" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Glenn Nielsen
A day will come when the grief will end, the groans will be silenced. Jesus will return and the dead in Christ will arise with bodies glorified. Romans 8: 21-27 Lexington 104.5 FM-10:30am (CT). North Platte's Christian KJLT 970 AM- Sun. at 2:00 pm (CT)

LCMS Stewardship Ministry- July 19 Romans 6:19 – “For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.” To be sanctified means to be set aside for God’s purposes in all that we do, whether in the home, church or society at large. St. Paul encourages us to see ourselves, our bodies, our souls and all that we are as set aside for God’s work.

July 19-July 25

Sunday	8:30 am	Worship Service
Sunday	9:45 pm	Congregational Voters Meeting
Monday-Friday		Office Closed-Madie on Vacation
Monday	6:00 pm	Board Meetings
Tuesday	1:00 pm	Tie the Knot
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Wednesday Evening Service

Congregational Voters Meeting – Today July 19th

Please note that our **Congregational Voters Meeting** will be held **TODAY**, immediately following the worship service.

There will not be Bible Study this morning so everyone has the opportunity to attend the meeting.

All voting members are encouraged to stay and attend.

Life Line Screening will be at **St. Paul's Lutheran School Gym** on **Tuesday, July 28**, offering a one-day preventive health screening event for our community.

Since 1993, Life Line Screening has provided mobile health screenings to more than 10 million people nationwide, helping detect risk factors for stroke, vascular disease, and other serious health conditions before symptoms appear. Each year, thousands of individuals discover previously unknown health concerns through these screenings.

Take this opportunity to be proactive about your health and encourage your family and friends to do the same. Call 800-324-9458 to schedule your appointment.

Meals on Wheels 2026

The meals will be ready at 11:00 AM, please enter from Highway 30. Do not enter the kitchen, you must go through the front door and pick the meals up from the desk.

July 20th through July 24th

East Side- Sharon Ott 289-0985 Vak Wood 720-988-7607

West Side- Rod and Diane Kolsrud 284-3883

Dear Women of St. Paul Lutheran,

St. Paul Circle /LWML will continue to meet the second Monday of each month. We are changing the meeting time to 12:00 Noon. We will begin with lunch so we encourage our members to bring a lunch item to share with the group. We are praying this new time will make it more convenient for more women to attend and join us in mission ministry. Any questions please ask our members or call JoAnn Bradley for more information. We look forward to welcoming any women who would like to join us. God bless you as you consider this option to serve the Lord.

In Jesus,

JoAnn Bradley

Mark your calendars! Our next 100th Anniversary special service will be held on Sunday, August 16th at 8:30 a.m., with Pastor Leroy Pralle preaching. A potluck brunch will follow the service—please join us for worship, food, and fellowship!

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In the second place Christ desires to teach his Christians to exercise faith in the things which pertain to the temporal life and to their temporal possessions, in a way that they see him here even in their hands and expect from him also the necessities of this life; for since the Church upon the earth is his Church and shall remain so, he must provide for her, for her body, for her food, her drink, her clothing, her buildings, her locations and other necessary things. Yea, he has indeed created all that the world contains and produces for the sake of pious Christians; he gives and maintains all still only for their sake, as long as the world stands, in order that they should richly enjoy these things in this life, and have no need. But since the devil rules in the world and he is the enemy of Christ and of his Church, and since they themselves do not seek the things of this world, they must suffer that to be taken out of their mouths, and robbed of, which belongs to them. Here now Christ must help his Church and give where she suffers need and want, that she may continue to exist, that it may be called miraculous giving; and the Christians acknowledge that it is given by him and that he shows forth continually in his Christendom such special miracles, so that they notwithstanding will have something to eat, drink, etc., even if the world gives nothing and grants no favors but takes from her, and is jealous and hateful because of what God gives her.

Sermons of Martin Luther - The Church Postils
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