



St. Paul
Lutheran
Church

Seventh Sunday of
Easter

May 21, 2023
9:00 am

Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Opening Hymn: ELW #392 “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!”

Greeting- The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie: pg. 147

Hymn of Praise: pg. 149 “This Is The Feast ”

Prayer of the Day- Let us pray.

O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Word

Children’s Sermon

First Reading: Acts 1:6-14

⁶When [the apostles] had come together, they asked [Jesus], “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

¹²Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. ¹³When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. ¹⁴All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

^{5:6}Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. ⁷Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. ⁸Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. ¹⁰And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: pg.151

Gospel: John 17:1-11

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples], he looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, ²since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. ⁵So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

⁶“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: ELW #482 “I Come with Joy”

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People:

Hear us, O God. Response: **Your mercy is great.**

Offering

(We invite the children to gather dollar bills and change for the mission jug.)

Create in Me a Clean Heart– p. 186 (*hymn section*)

Offering Prayer

Meal

The Great Thanksgiving: pg. 152

Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy: pg. 153

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Lamb of God: pg. 154

**Distribution Songs: ELW #488 "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"
ELW #492 "Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup"**

Communion Blessing

Sending

Blessing–

Sending Hymn: ELW #855 “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Dismissal

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Announcements

Thank you to Pastor Luther Thoresen for providing pulpit supply today. We appreciate you!

The Church Council will meet on Wednesday, May 24 at 7:00 p.m. If you are new to the council in June, please plan to attend this meeting.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family and friends of Terry Murphy. Terry passed away on May 15, 2023. Funeral visitation and funeral were held here at St. Paul on Friday, May 19. Pastor Kim Wills officiated. Please keep this family in your prayers.

The Northeastern Iowa Women of the ELCA 35th Annual Gathering will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Belmond on June 17 from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. There is a sign up sheet in the fellowship hall.

We continue to remember those that are members of our congregation. Please reach out with a visit, phone call, or note to church family to let them know we miss them and care about them.

This Week at St. Paul

Sunday, May 21, 2023

Worship Services - 9:00 a.m.
Coffee and Fellowship—10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

Quilting -9:00 a.m.
Coffee Hour -10:00 a.m.
Counsel Meeting –7:00 p.m.

5/21/23	9:00 am	Offering 5/14/23	
Presiding Officiate	Pastor Luther Thoresen		
Reader	Sam Showalter	General:	\$ 2,217.00
Organist	Pam DeVries	Building:	\$ 120.00
Coffee Hour	Juliette Koch and Dorothy Madetzke	Radio	\$
Greeters	Larry and Charlene Richtsmeier	Automated Giving General Bldg	\$ 480.00
5/28/23	9:00 am	Total	\$ 2,817.00
Reader	Peyton Kofoot		
Greeters	Kent and Mari Cramer		
Coffee Hour	Council		

Prayer List:



Terry Wheeler, Justin Mejia, Arvin Stadtlander,
Gary and Curtis Askew, Steve Sandvig, John Sandvig,
Verna Humburg, Nancy Knipfel, Bob Fink,
Michael Norman (son of Sheena English), Janet Kohls,
The family of Terry Murphy, Grant and Nicole Woodley
and the Call Committee Process.

**Online: Facebook– St. Paul Lutheran of Hampton Page–
Sunday 9:00 am**

**After broadcast, available on demand on Facebook and at
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Radio Broadcast on KLMJ at 8:00pm