



<sup>19</sup>And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying,  
“May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting?”

Acts 17:19

# St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

*Growing in Faith, Missions, Living, and Giving*

Bonduel, Wisconsin

June 15/18, 2017

## *The Second Sunday after Pentecost*

### **People to Meet in Heaven...**

Hur, a Philippian jailer, Simon of Cryene, Shiphrah and Puah, Tertius, Priscilla, Rhoda, Michael, Jeremiah, Zacchaeus, Nehemiah, Noah's wife, and we are just getting started. We have all heard of Abraham, Moses, Peter, and Paul. Surely we will meet them in heaven, too. Some people we will meet are lesser known. Others, we have never heard of. A couple of Sundays ago, we were introduced to Huldah, unknown and unheard of by each one of us, a prophetess, from 2 Chronicles 34. We will meet her in heaven. Of the hundreds (thousands?) of people named in the Bible whom we will meet in heaven, we will meet a few of them this summer, learn what their stories are, what difference they make for us, and why we can look forward to meeting them in heaven. This week, today in worship, we begin with Dionysius the Areopagite. Welcome to worship.



**Opening Hymn 908**     *Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear*

### **Invocation, Confession and Absolution**

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

**Amen.**

Gathered in the name of the One who created all things and Who called us into His covenant of grace through our Baptism into Christ, let us draw near to God, confess our sin, and be renewed in His mercy and forgiveness.

**For our failure to be attentive to the care of Your creation, for our lack of thanksgiving for the eternal gifts You have given to us in Christ, for our lack of care for the unloved and unbelieving, for our false pride and failure to live confidently in Your love, for all our sins, known and unknown, O Lord, have mercy on us. Forgive us and renew us in faith in You alone.**

God's love is shown to us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**Psalmody**      *Psalm 100*

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

**Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!**

Know that the LORD, he is God!

**It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

**Give thanks to him; bless his name!**

For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

**and his faithfulness to all generations.**

**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.**

**Salutation and Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty, eternal God, in the Word of Your apostles and prophets You have proclaimed to us Your saving will. Grant us faith to believe Your promises that we may receive eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**Hymn**      **658**      *Preserve Your Word, O Savior (stanzas 1 & 4)*

Preserve Your Word, O Savior, to us this latter day,  
And let Your kingdom flourish; enlarge Your Church, we pray.

O keep our faith from failing; keep hope's bright star aglow.

Let nothing from truth turn us while living here below.

Preserve Your Word and preaching, the truth that makes us whole,  
The mirror of Your glory, the pow'r that saves the soul.  
Oh, may this living water, this dew of heav'nly grace,  
Sustain us while here living until we see Your face.

## **Old Testament Reading**

*Exodus 19:2–8*

They set out from Rephidim and came into the wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel encamped before the mountain, <sup>3</sup>while Moses went up to God. The LORD called to him out of the mountain, saying, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: <sup>4</sup>You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. <sup>5</sup>Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; <sup>6</sup>and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel.” <sup>7</sup>So Moses came and called the elders of the people and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. <sup>8</sup>All the people answered together and said, “All that the LORD has spoken we will do.” And Moses reported the words of the people to the LORD.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Epistle Reading**

*Romans 5:6–15*

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—<sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup>Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. <sup>10</sup>For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. <sup>11</sup>More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation. <sup>12</sup>Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned—<sup>13</sup>for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. <sup>14</sup>Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come. <sup>15</sup>But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through

one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **The Holy Gospel**

The Holy Gospel, according to St. Matthew, the ninth and tenth chapters.

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. <sup>36</sup>When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup>Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; <sup>38</sup>therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." <sup>10:1</sup>And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. <sup>2</sup>The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; <sup>3</sup>Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup>Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. <sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, <sup>6</sup>but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup>And proclaim as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' <sup>8</sup>Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay. <sup>9</sup>Acquire no gold nor silver nor copper for your belts, <sup>10</sup>no bag for your journey, nor two tunics nor sandals nor a staff, for the laborer deserves his food. <sup>11</sup>And whatever town or village you enter, find out who is worthy in it and stay there until you depart. <sup>12</sup>As you enter the house, greet it. <sup>13</sup>And if the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. <sup>14</sup>And if anyone will not receive you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet when you leave that house or town. <sup>15</sup>Truly, I say to you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah than for that town. <sup>16</sup>"Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. <sup>17</sup>Beware of men, for they will deliver you over to courts and flog you in their synagogues, <sup>18</sup>and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. <sup>19</sup>When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. <sup>20</sup>For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **The Nicene Creed**

**Hymn**     **573**     *Lord, 'Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee*

**Sermon**     “People to Meet in Heaven: Dionysius the Areopagite” (Acts 17:16–34)

**Offering**     *Please complete the friendship register found at the end of the pew.*

## **Prayer of the Church**

### **The Service of the Sacrament     p. 160**

*Note for those desiring to commune...* Our practice of close communion is the Biblical and historic practice of the Christian church. It is prompted by love, both for God’s Word and for His people since it seeks to prevent spiritual damage to those who do not recognize the true body and blood of Christ in, with, and under the bread and wine in this Holy Supper (1 Corinthians 11:29). Furthermore, it does not deny that members of other denominations are Christians. Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible’s deep concern for doctrinal truth (Romans 16:17) and the Bible’s witness that the Lord’s Supper is the highest expression of fellowship and doctrinal unity (Acts 2:42). For this reason, guests who are not a member of a sister LCMS congregation are asked to speak to our pastor before communing.

**Distribution Hymns**     **610**     **537**     **627 (1 – 4)**     **740**

**Post-Communion Canticle**     **p. 164**

**Post-Communion Collect and Benediction**     **p. 166**

**Closing Hymn**     **798**     *The God of Abraham Praise*     *(stanzas 1 – 4)*



# *Serving the Lord in Worship*

<b>Liturgy</b>	Rev. Mark R. Palmer	<b>Sermon</b>	Rev. Timothy J. Shoup
<b>Organist</b>	Mrs. Debbie Welch		
<b>Acolytes</b>	Salvador Oviedo, Jr.	Hailey Zernicke	Heidi Dreyer

## *Prayers*

**In Need of Healing . . .** *June Bethke, Greyson Cornelius, Kathy Ebert, Phyllis Folkman, Shirley Kieckhafer, Gregory Kopitske, Jr., Freda Krueger, Dorothy Krull, Sandy Rosin, Kevin Schneidewend, Brittany Slack, Grant Staszak, Carol Wegner, Jeff Wegner, and Todd Wegner.*



**Altar Flowers . . .** are placed to the glory of God by the family of *Julius and Elaine Wnuk* in honor of their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on June 21<sup>st</sup>. This week's bulletin is sponsored by *Julius and Elaine Wnuk* on the occasion of their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Prayer Request . . .** for *Chuck and Sandy Rosin* as they celebrate their 55<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on June 16.

## *Announcements*

**Summer Office Hours . . .** will be Monday - Thursday 8:00am – 2:00pm, closed on Fridays from June 5<sup>th</sup> through August 31<sup>st</sup>. In the event of an emergency, please contact Pastor Shoup (715-853-8841) or Pastor Palmer (715-853-5225).

**Summer Preaching Series! . . .** Starting in June a special sermon series will open the door to grow in your knowledge of individuals God used throughout biblical history to extend His kingdom of grace and mercy. Stay tuned.

**The Lutheran Hour . . . "What God Says"** (*Isaiah 43:1-3*) Are you listening to what "they" say— or what God says? Tune in next Sunday to hear Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus at 7:30am on WTCH/960 AM or at 10:00am on WRVM/102.7.

***Attendance – June 8 & 11, 2017***

Thursday	6/8	7:00pm	95
Sunday	6/11	8:00am	172
Sunday	6/11	10:15am	<u>156</u>
		Total	423

**Please Note . . .** Our custodians are working hard to clean our school. Signs for cleaning and waxing will be posted; please do NOT enter those areas. Volunteers are needed to help wash walls; please contact the office at 715-758-8532 if you can help.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry . . .** The meeting date for Prayer Shawl Ministry has been changed to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at 6:30pm.

**Lutheran Witness issues. . .** Please pick up your copy of the June/July edition from the table in the narthex.

**Mission Sunday Festival . . .** celebration at St. John-Green Valley on June 25, worship service at 10:00am with speaker Rev. Travis Kleinschmidt. Fish dinner served at 11:00am sponsored by Zone 14 Lutheran Laymen’s League. Proceeds will go toward the \$200,000 matching grant fund for Wolf River Lutheran High School.

**55+ Group . . .** We will meet on Tuesday, June 27, for a noon pot-luck lunch in the fellowship hall. Pat Trinko of the Shawano Ambulance Service will present a program on services this company provides for Shawano and outlying areas. An ambulance will be on display for all to see. All interested persons are encouraged to attend.





**Packer Family Night – August 5<sup>th</sup> . . .** Green Bay Packers Family Night is Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, starting at 5:30 PM. Because St. Paul operates a concession stand at Lambeau Field, St. Paul is one of the not-for-profit groups that is able to order Family Night tickets as a fundraiser for the school, before the Family Night tickets go on sale for the General Public.

As a fundraiser, the tickets will cost \$10.00 with \$4.00 remaining at St. Paul. If you are interested in attending this year's Packer Family Night, please order your tickets through St. Paul. Contact the school with your order of tickets and the dollars to cover the cost of the ticket(s) by Wednesday, June 21st. A sign up will be in the narthex or call the school office, 715-758-8532. St. Paul will need a minimum of 100 tickets before an order can be placed.



**\$200,000 Matching Grant . . .** Construction of the new Wolf River Lutheran High School in Shawano is well underway. Steel siding for the gym is going up and some classrooms walls are also up already. The classrooms, office, and common area for the building are scheduled to be completed in August for the start of the 2017–2018 school year. Praise the Lord for the donor who has volunteered to contribute up to **\$200,000 if we can match that amount**. This offer is in effect **until the end of June** and every new dollar given or pledged during June will be doubled by this matching gift. We are grateful to everyone who has already contributed toward the matching fund. If you have not yet participated, please consider helping with this special offering to raise the funds required to finance the full cost of construction. Pledge forms are available on the table in the narthex. For more information or to make a pledge, please call 715–745–2400, or mail your gift to Wolf River Lutheran High School, P.O. Box 77, Cecil, WI 54111. All gifts are truly needed.





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“Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.” Eph 3:20-21

## 2017 Matching Grant Pledge Form

With thanksgiving to our Lord Jesus, I/We intend to give an offering for the new Lutheran high school building, to be matched by the anonymous \$200,000 grant. (We understand that we may alter our pledged if circumstances change.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zipcode: \_\_\_\_\_

\$100      \$500      \$1000      \$2500      \$5000      \$10000      \$25000

Total amount pledged toward the \$200,000 matching grant: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Payable:     One Time     Monthly     Quarterly     Annually  
(Check one please)

Amount:    \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Write Matching Grant on your check payable to Wolf River Lutheran High School.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Pledge forms accepted through June 30, 2017.*

*Please remit gifts honoring pledge as soon as you can before December 31, 2017.*

*Mail to Wolf River Lutheran High School, P O Box 77, Cecil, WI 54111-0077*



**Thank you for your investment in God's kingdom.**

## EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

<b>SUN.</b>	<b>6/18</b>	8:00am Worship – Holy Communion 9:00am Fellowship (Ladies Aid) 10:15am Worship – Holy Communion SCRIP collected
<b>MON.</b>	<b>6/19</b>	7:30am Strong Bones
<b>TUES.</b>	<b>6/20</b>	7:00am NO Bible Study
<b>WED.</b>	<b>6/21</b>	11:00am Worship – Holy Communion 6:30pm Mission Circle
<b>THURS.</b>	<b>6/22</b>	SCRIP due by noon 2:00pm <b>NO</b> Women’s Bible Study 7:00pm Worship SCRIP collected
<b>FRI.</b>	<b>6/23</b>	<i>Church/School Office Closed</i> 7:30am Strong Bones
<b>SAT.</b>	<b>6/24</b>	
<b>SUN.</b>	<b>6/25</b>	8:00am Worship 10:15am Worship SCRIP collected



### Acolyte Schedule Next Week

<b>6/22</b>	Ruth Titler	
<b>6/25</b>	Abby Ard	Noah Weier

### SCRIP Schedule Next Week

<b>6/22</b>	Sandy Staszak	
<b>6/25</b>	Barb Swiecichowski	Pam Schmidt



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