

St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

Bonduel, Wisconsin
August 30/September 2, 2018

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to the House of the Lord

Passion. What do you have passion for? The Webster Dictionary defines passion as: “a strong feeling of enthusiasm or excitement for something or about doing something.” You can almost feel the “passion” of the message in both our Old Testament and Epistle readings. In the reading from Deuteronomy 4, the call to listen to, and more so, to keep the just decrees and commandments of the LORD for your wisdom and benefit flows over to a passionate call for these to be passed onto the next generation! Likewise, the passion in the voice of the Apostle Paul, from our Ephesians 6 reading, can almost be audibly heard on the printed page, of the importance to “be strong in the Lord!”

What do you have “passion” for? We gather this day to worship our gracious God who was passionate enough towards you that He sent His Son to be Your Savior. For His holy “Passion” we raise our voices in praise and thanksgiving. Come. Let us worship Him.



Opening Hymn 664 *Fight the Good Fight*

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Psalmody – Psalm 119:129–136

Your testimonies are wonderful;

therefore my soul keeps them.

The unfolding of your words gives light;

it imparts understanding to the simple.

I open my mouth and pant,

because I long for your commandments.

Turn to me and be gracious to me,

as is your way with those who love your name.

Keep steady my steps according to your promise,
and let no iniquity get dominion over me.
Redeem me from man's oppression,
that I may keep your precepts.
Make your face shine upon your servant,
and teach me your statutes.
My eyes shed streams of tears,
because people do not keep your law.

**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.

O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Old Testament Reading — Deuteronomy 4:1–2, 6–9

“Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the just decrees that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. ²You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you ...

⁶Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.’ ⁷For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? ⁸And what great nation is there, that has statutes and just decrees so righteous as all this law that I set before you today? ⁹“Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading — Ephesians 6:10–20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, ¹⁹and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Holy Gospel — Mark 7:14–15; 17–23

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus] called the people to him again and said to them, “Hear me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.” ¹⁷And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. ¹⁸And he said to them, “Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, ¹⁹since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?” (Thus he declared all foods clean.) ²⁰And he said, “What comes out of a person is what defiles him. ²¹For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, ²²coveting, wickedness, deceit,

sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Good News for Kids

Hymn 658 *Preserve Your Word, O Savior*

Sermon *Grit and Passion for the Battlefield*

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

Prayer of the Church

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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 606 623 631

Post-Communion Canticle ~ Thank the Lord

Closing Hymn 548 *Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious*



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Serving the Lord in Worship

Liturgy	Rev. Timothy J. Shoup	Sermon	Rev. Mark R. Palmer
Organists	Thursday – Ms. Rhoda Lehrke		Sunday – Mrs. Debbie Welch
Acolytes	Ben Reisner Ruth Titler		Salvador Oviedo

Prayers

In Need of Healing . . . *Jon Baker, Lori Cathey, Roland Genke, Shirley Kieckhafer, Lee Kohn, Gregory Kopitske, Jr., Audrey Moede, Wally Mueller, Allen Radloff, Brittany Slack, Evangeline Thiede, Katie Titler, Larry Wilke, Roger Wood, and Harland Zehren.*



Announcements

Attendance – August 23/26, 2018

Thursday	8/23	7:00pm	69
Sunday	8/26	8:00am	215
Sunday	8/26	10:15am	<u>169</u>
		Total	453

Tuesday Morning Bible Study . . . Starting on Tuesday, September 5, a new study on the book of John will begin. The class meets from 7:00-8:00am in the fellowship hall. All newcomers are welcome!

Membership Class . . . A new member class will begin on Monday, September 10th and be held from 6:30 – 8:00pm. Anyone who is interested in becoming a new member or wanting to review the main teaching of Scripture is welcome to attend. Please contact one of our pastors with any questions. Please join us in the Music Room at 6:30pm!

Sunday School . . . All children 3 years old through 6th grade are invited to our fall/winter session of Sunday School starting on September 9. It will be held by the Preschool room between worship services, 9:00 – 10:05am. You may register online or just drop in and join us for the fun. For questions contact Bridgett Dingeldein at 715–853–7991. Register at [://www.stpaulbonduel.com](http://www.stpaulbonduel.com). Click on “Registration” near the top left of the home page

Worship Schedule . . . Saturday evening worship services will resume on September 8.

College Ministries . . . We are looking for new and updated addresses for all college students and military personnel. We are also looking for new members to join our committee. If you’re interested in joining or have a new address, contact Pastor Palmer, Bridgett Dingeldein at 715–853–7991, Sheila Bahr at 715–853–5474, or Cara Richter at 715–851–5435.

September Calendars . . . are on the table in the narthex.

Opportunity to Help a Child . . . We have been asked to help support a student in a difficult home-life. School clothes, shoes, and basic living necessities are being purchased. If you would like to contribute, please label an envelope "Adopt a Student" and drop off or mail to our church/school office. Thank you! *Pastor Shoup*

The Lutheran Hour . . . *The Changeless Christ for a Changing World* (Hebrews 13:8) In a classic message first heard in 1937, **Dr. Walter A. Maier** tells how Christ comes to us in our world of change and decay with a message of unchanging hope. Tune in next Sunday to listen at 7:30am on WTCH/960 AM, at 10:00am on WRVM/102.7 FM, or at lutheranhour.org.

Sunday Morning Bible Study . . . How Well Do You Know Paul?

Most of us would say that we know about the conversion of Saul/Paul in the New Testament, the man who was very well-educated with a great zeal to accomplish whatever he was involved in. What was Paul trying to do? What made him do it? Why did he keep going back to the different synagogues he visited, even though they would end up throwing him out, often beating him? Why did he carry on relentlessly, with his apparent desire to be in three places at once, to write to a number of churches at once, to explain and to persuade, to teach and to proclaim, to travel and travel and travel some more? What was it about the initial event on the road to Damascus, and about his subsequent sense of an inner compulsion flowing from that, that kept him going?

That paragraph was filled with many questions about Paul. It is my hope and prayer that we will be able to use God's Word to help us discuss these things and come to better understand what made Paul and his ministry so effective and successful.

This three to four-session Bible study will begin on September 9th about fifteen minutes after the first service in the eighth grade room. Please join us for fellowship and the sharing of God's Word.

Frank Wegner

National Youth Gathering Meeting . . . There will be a meeting on Wednesday, September 12th at 6:30pm for youth who are planning to attend the NYG in 2019. Important information will be shared. Please contact Mrs. Reep for more information.

Founders' Day Cookies for Missions . . . St. Paul Mission Circle will host a booth at Founders' Day on Saturday, September 15th located near *The Hungry Bear*. If you would like to make cookies, please bring them to the church kitchen by 9:00am on Friday, September 14th. More cookies equal more funds for designated missions.

Veterans Service Fair . . . Northeast Wisconsin has many resources for veterans and military service members. Over 35 organizations will be at the fair to discuss benefits and services for which you may be eligible on Wednesday, September 12, from 11:00am – 1:00pm at Concordia University’s Green Bay Center, 1150 Springhurst, in Ashwaubenon.

Men’s Club Meeting Time Change . . . The Men's Club meeting will meet next Thursday at **6:00pm**. Please note the new time. All men young and old are invited!!

Teachers — Installation, Rededication, and Anniversary

The teaching positions at St. Paul have all been filled for the 2018-2019 school year. We welcome Miss Michele Krueger – 1st Grade, Miss Candis Zills – 3rd Grade, and Miss Morgan Mahan – 6th Grade. They will be installed during the 8:00am service on Sunday, September 9. The faculty will also be rededicated during that service.

We will also recognize Miss Jesse Schultz for her ten years of service here at St. Paul. Her first year was in Grade 1, after which she has spent nine years teaching Grade 2. We thank the Lord for Miss Schultz’s dedication of sharing the joy that comes with knowing Jesus with the children here.

There will be a time to meet the new teachers and congratulate Miss Schultz on her years of service between the Sunday services. There will be a card (gift cards) / food pantry box for Miss Schultz and the three new teachers in the fellowship hall area.

Acolyte Schedule Next Week

September 8 Abbi Heller **September 9** Ryker Wendt Alicia Oviedo

SCRIP Schedule Next Week

September 8 Sandy Staszak **September 9** Louise Reisler Sheila Bahr

EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

- Sunday 9/2** 8:00am Worship – Holy Communion
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- Monday 9/3** *Labor Day*
- Tuesday 9/4** 7:00am Bible Study
8:30am Opening Chapel Service
6:00pm Bell Choir
- Wednesday 9/5** 5:45pm Choir Potluck and Rehearsal
6:30pm SPYRT meeting
7:00pm Board of Elders
- Thursday 9/6** 1:30pm Ladies Aid
6:00pm Men’s Club (note time change)
- Friday 9/7** 7:30am Strong Bones
- Saturday 9/8** 7:00pm Worship
- Sunday 9/9** 8:00am Worship (Grades 3 & 4 sing)
9:00am Fellowship
9:00am Sunday School
9:15am Bible Study
10:15am Worship



Rev. Timothy J. Shoup, Administrative Pastor
Rev. Mark R. Palmer, Associate Pastor
Mr. Gerald R. Schmidt, Principal
Mrs. Lorraine Doell, Music Director
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