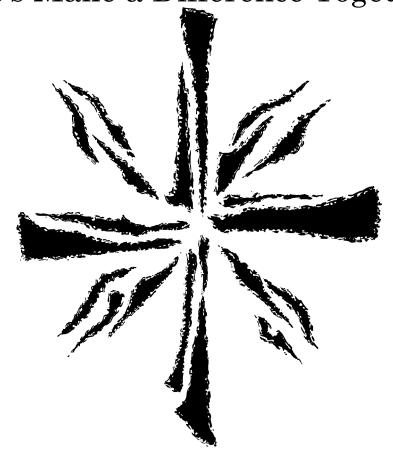
St. Paul Lutheran Church "Let's Make a Difference Together"



"Gotta Have Faith" Sermon Series

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Worship Services: Sunday at 9:00 A.M.

Holy Communion: 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month & Festivals

Christian Education: Sunday's at 10:15 A.M. Air Conditioned & Handicapped Accessible

Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church

<u>OUR MISSION STATEMENT:</u> Grounded in faith and growing in grace, we share the Good News of Jesus Christ by word and deed in our local community and throughout the world.



Are you visiting St. Paul? Are you interested in membership or just looking to see if St. Paul is a good fit for you and/or your family?? Please call (570-629-1992) or stop by our office during regular business hours (Mon – Thurs 9:00am – 1:00pm) and speak to our Parish Administrator, Leanna Wickline, who will be happy to guide you through

the membership process and help you find information on all of the great programs at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

SILENT MEDITATION... Please note – the silent meditation is a part of the morning worship service. This is a time for individual reflection; a time for communicating with God, as well as a time of preparation for the service of worship. We encourage you to use it in a meaningful way.

Please respect the prayerful atmosphere of this holy place. We ask that you turn off all cell phones and electronic devices. Thank you.

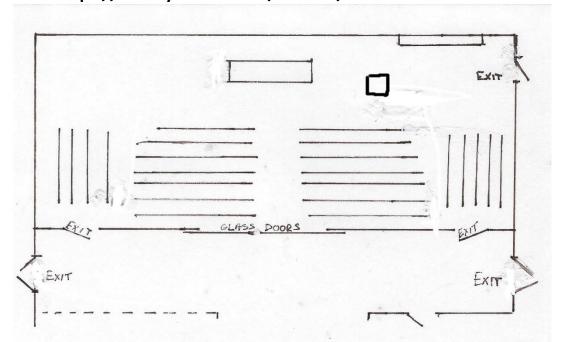
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Worship Service Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, August 20, 2023

"Gotta Have Faith" Faith for the Whole Body

*Please stand, if able.

Words in bold print denote congregational response.

Chimes

Announcements

Prelude

*Confession

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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

To you, O God,

all hearts are open, to you all desires known. We come to you, confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*Absolution

By water and the Holy Spirit God gives us a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of + Jesus Christ, God forgives us all our sins. The God of mercy and might strengthen us in all goodness and keep us in eternal life.

Amen.



Text: John Foley, sj, b. 1939

Music: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY, John Foley, sJ

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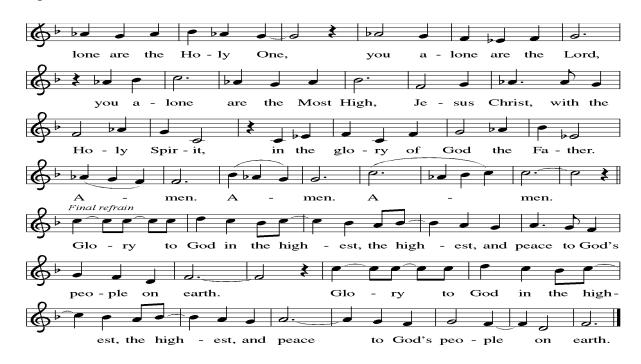
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*Greeting

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.







*Prayer of the Day (Lector)

Let us Pray.

God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

First Reading: Romans 12:1-8

¹Therefore, brothers and sisters, in view of the mercies of God, I urge you to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God; this is your true worship. ² Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what is the good, pleasing, and perfect will of God. ³ For by the grace given to me, I tell everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he should think. Instead, think sensibly, as God has distributed a measure of faith to each one. ⁴ Now as we have many parts in one body, and all the parts do not have the same function, ⁵ in the same way we who are many are one body in Christ and individually members of one another. ⁶ According to the grace given to us, we have different gifts: If prophecy, use it according to the proportion of one's faith; ⁷ if service, use it in service; if teaching, in teaching; ⁸ if exhorting, in exhortation; giving, with generosity; leading, with diligence; showing mercy, with cheerfulness.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 67

- ¹ May God be gracious to us and bless us; may he make his face shine upon us Selah
- ² so that your way may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations.
- ³ Let the peoples praise you, God; let all the peoples praise you.

⁴ Let the nations rejoice and shout for joy, for you judge the peoples with fairness and lead the nations on earth. Selah.

⁵ Let the peoples praise you, God, let all the peoples praise you.

⁶ The earth has produced its harvest; God, our God, blesses us.

⁷ God will bless us, and all the ends of the earth will fear him.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 13:1-12

A reading from 1 Corinthians, the 13th Chapter"

¹If I speak human or angelic tongues but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

² If I have the gift of prophecy and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith so that I can move mountains but do not have love, I am nothing. ³ And if I give away all my possessions, and if I give over my body in order to boast but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. Love does not envy, is not boastful, is not arrogant, ⁵ is not rude, is not self-seeking, is not irritable, and does not keep a record of wrongs. ⁶ Love finds no joy in unrighteousness but rejoices in the truth. ⁷ It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸ Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹ For we know in part, and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰ but when the perfect comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put aside childish things. ¹² For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I will know fully, as I am fully known.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel. (Lector)

*Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Reading: Mark 10:46-52

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

- ⁴⁶ They came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting by the road. ⁴⁷ When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸ Many warned him to keep quiet, but he was crying out all the more, "Have mercy on me, Son of David!"
- ⁴⁹ Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So they called the blind man and said to him, "Have courage! Get up; he's calling for you." ⁵⁰ He threw off his coat, jumped up, and came to Jesus.
- ⁵¹ Then Jesus answered him, "What do you want me to do for you?"
- "Rabboni," the blind man said to him, "I want to see."
- ⁵² Jesus said to him, "Go, your faith has saved you." Immediately he could see and began to follow Jesus on the road.

The gospel of the Lord.

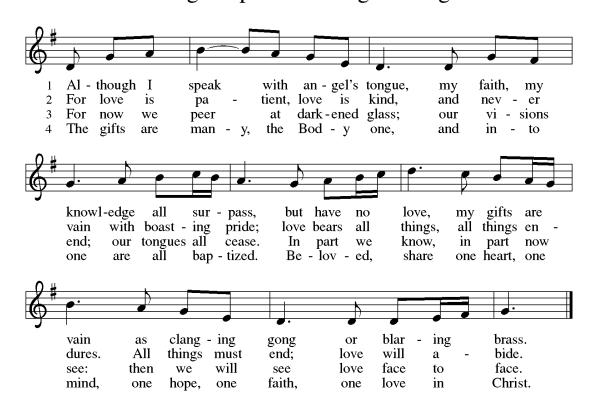
Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon

"Faith for the Whole Body"

*Hymn of the Day Although I Speak with Angel's Tongue ELW (Red book) #644



*The 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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic 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.

*Prayers of the People (Lector)

Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

O God, your Spirit gathers the church. Shepherd those who are newly baptized and newly ordained in the proclamation of the gospel, breathe life into ecumenical and inter-religious endeavors, and support missionaries throughout the globe. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You created the earth and all its inhabitants and declared it good. Clean polluted skies, seas, and soil, provide nourishment to plants and animals, and make us aware of our impact on the environment. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You call leaders to bridge differences and practice generosity. Inspire all in authority to protect people in harm's way, deliver those in bondage, support fair elections, provide care for military personnel and veterans, and show mercy to those for whom they have responsibility. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You provide for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Embrace people who have been rejected because of difference, heal trauma caused by racism or prejudice, shield any who are persecuted, console the dying, and heal the sick. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

O God, you journey with us in all of life's transitions. Guide those preparing for baptism, marriage, and retirement. Guide our church council and committees in their visioning and ministry. Safeguard those who travel. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We give you thanks for those who now rest from their labors. Motivate us by their lives of dedication to the gospel, until that day when we join with them in our eternal home. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

At this time, you are welcomed to share your joys and concerns, either out loud or silently. *Pause.* Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

Offering Prayer

God of field and forest, sea and sky,

you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace. Then the assembly is seated.

Invitation to Communion

All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

*The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

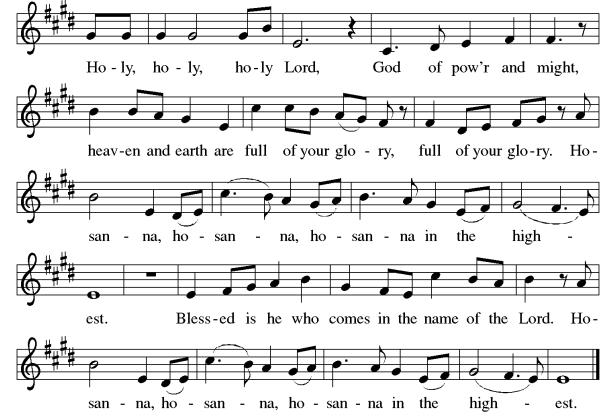
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Proper Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Holy, Holy, Holy



*Words of Institution

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.

We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

We thank you, O God.

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

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

Amen.

*The 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.

Invitation to Communion

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

Communion

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

*Table Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

*Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

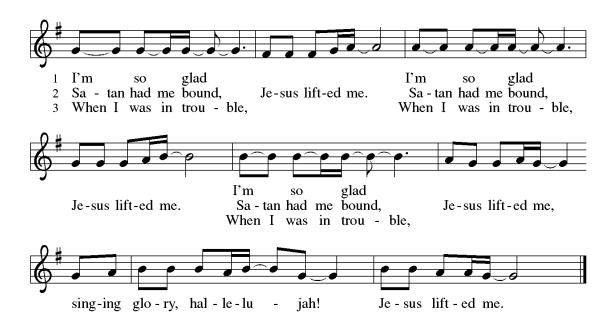
We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

*Blessing

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed \oplus bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

Amen.



Text: African American spiritual Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual



*Charge to the People

Go in peace. Serve in love.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"The worship ends. . .the service begins."

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Prayers have been requested for the following brothers and sisters in Christ who have concerns needing God's help...

Sr. Msgt. William F. Allen; Specialist William "Blake" Allen; Sr. Master Sargent William F. Allen; Tom Altemose; Mark Anthony; Evelyn Arroyo; Daniel Bartron; Dillon Berenti; Major Matthew Blessing; Captain Katy Blessings; David Brong; Judi Carman; Elaine Cornelus; Jamie Fisher; LilliAnna Daniels; Renee Depuy; Doris Drury; John Drury; Louis Genset; the family of Chris Haley Jr.; Charlie Hemple; T. J. Imhof; Carol Jones; Ian Juica; Robbie Kinsley; Nikolaos Kotretsos; Eleanor Kreuger; Esther Laurito; David Leith; James Meckes; Steven Moore; Ada Morales; Nelson Morales; Donna Myers; Dr. Kenny Pearson; Annabelle Peechatka; Anna Rivera; Jean Ross; Gina Santiago; Rafael Santiago; Claudette Segear; Frank Schambra; Shirley Singer; Samuel Smith, Jr.; Greg Theadford; Jim Tomedi; Brenda Van Why; Jacob Wilson; John Woodling; for the people of Ukraine; for all who are traveling; for all of those struggling with addictions; the members of the Armed Forces of the United States; for the families and victims of the mass shootings, for all those around the world and here at home suffering from the coronavirus pandemic.

Have your prayers been answered? Or do you still need God's help? Please let us know. Thank you to everyone who prays with us for those in need.



and tuna.

Thank you to all who have helped to support St. Paul's Strunk Food Pantry! Your commitment to help is a true blessing to those who are struggling to feed their families. The pantry is always in need of basic food supplies, and we need your continued support to keep this program going strong. Items of particular need are peanut butter, cereal, pasta/spaghetti, pasta sauce, mac & cheese, soup, canned veggies (potatoes, peas, green beans, corn, carrots, kidney beans), canned fruit,

Grocery Tapes

If you shop at Kinsley's Shoprite or Weis markets we get a percentage of your purchase. Just bring your receipts in and put them in the box on the table in the Narthex. In order for us to receive credit, the receipts must include the date and store number. Please don't tear off the bottom of the receipts.

St Paul Tee-shirts

St Paul Tee-shirts are available to purchase, in sizes from medium to 3XL. The price is \$10.00. Personalized with St Paul Lutheran Church, Tannersville on the back the colorful front says "Faith, Hope & Love 1 Corinthians 13".

August Sermon Series

Pastor is doing a sermon series during the month of August titled "Gotta Have Faith".

August 20th "Faith for the Whole Body" August 27th "Let Faith Grow"

Inside Out Church

Inside Out Church is held at 6:30pm on Wednesday, in Spies Hall. We join together with a meal and a deep dive into the scriptures. This is an opportunity to grow your faith and increase your knowledge and understanding of God's Word and the Bible.

Help Wanted

As many of you already know, Leanna Wickline, our Parish Administrator (and all-purpose problem solver), will be moving to the Harrisburg area to be closer to her family. With this in mind, Council is looking to fill Leanna's position while she would still be here to assist with any necessary training. The position currently calls for twenty hours per week, but it could be shared between two people. If any of you have an interest in the position or may know of someone who does, please contact Bill Below, Deb Storman, Pastor Woody, or Leanna.

Brunch Today

There will be a brunch after worship on today to honor Leanna.

PATH Needs

PATH needs new, unused bedding. The Park Avenue house is filled with 8 families, and a mom and her 5 children are moving into the 9th Street House in the coming weeks. Moms and their children receive new bedding and towels upon their arrival at PATH, and take these items with them upon completion of the program. New bedding and towels make a difference in a mom's journey out of homelessness.

All donations should be neutral or beige in color -- not white. Items of particular need: twin bed sheet sets, twin bed blankets, towel sets, crib mattress sheets, crib mattress pads, pillows. Bedding donations can be dropped off or shipped to: PATH Attn: Kandi Palmer, 309 Park Avenue, Stroudsburg, PA 18360

		Worship	Assistant	Schedule		
	Acolyte	Ushers	Lector	Communion Assistants	Counters	Altar Guild
	Dawn				Linda	
8/20/2023	Weiss	Charlie Hempel	Dawn Bartron	Dawn Bartron	Carrasquillo	Barbara Allen
		Donna Warner		Leanna Wickline	Barbara Allen	Leanna Wickline
	Deb					
8/27/2023	Storman	Linda Below	Kris Kent		Deb Storman	
		Deb Storman			Donna Warner	

If you are unable to serve at your scheduled time, please contact the office.

Next Week's Readings:

1 John 5:1-4 Knowing God through Love.

Psalm 138 O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever.

Philemon 1:1-9 Philemon's love & faith.

Matthew 21:18-21The barren fig tree.