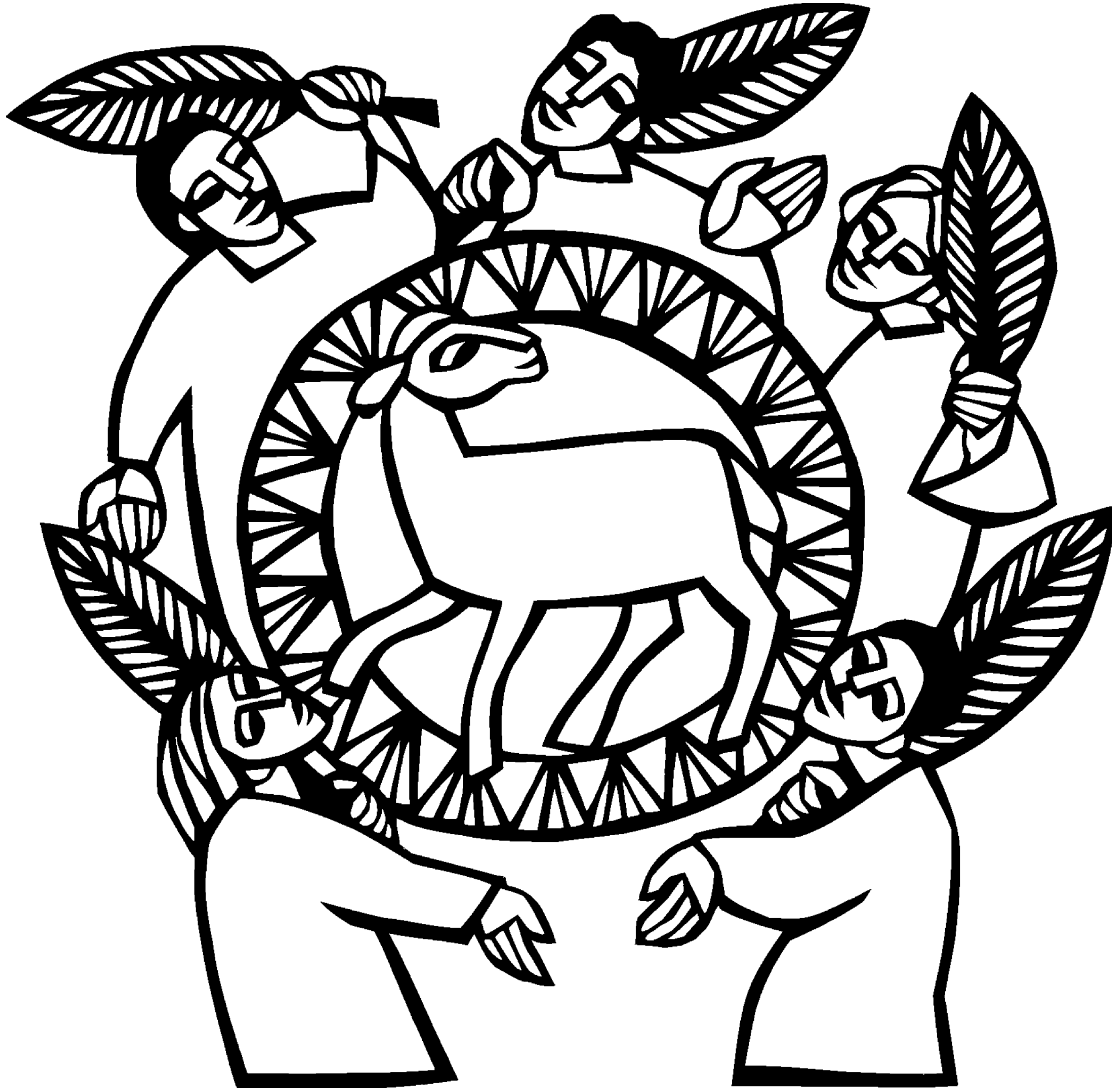


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Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church

OUR MISSION STATEMENT: 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.

Our Church Staff

Pastor: Vacant – in Call Process

Parish Administrator: Mrs. Leanna D. Wickline

Choir Director/Organist: Mr. Robert Jones

2020 Council Members

Grant Allen

Bill Below

Terry Fouts

Chris Kinsley Sr.

Carl Reindl

Deb Storman

Ingrid Unternahrer

Beth Werkheiser

We welcome the Rev. William Thompson this morning. Pastor Bill Thompson is a retired United Methodist pastor residing with his wife, Leta, in Bear Creek Lakes outside of Jim Thorpe. He serves as Adjunct Pastor at St. John's in the Heights Evangelical Lutheran Church and as Chaplain and Safety Officer for the Penn Forest Volunteer Fire co. #1.

Thank you for leading us in worship this morning!

Worship Service

All Saints Day

Sunday, November 1, 2020

+Late Seating

**Please stand, if able.*

Words in bold print denote congregational response.

Prelude

Chimes (Call to Worship)

Announcements

***Confession**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved.

Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One,

we confess that we are not awake for you. We are not faithful in using your gifts. We forget the least of our siblings. We do not see your beautiful image in one another. We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community. Open our hearts to your coming, open our eyes to see you in our neighbor, open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.

***Absolution**

Beloved, we are God's children, and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us.

Through † Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice! Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world.

Amen.

* Opening Hymn

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

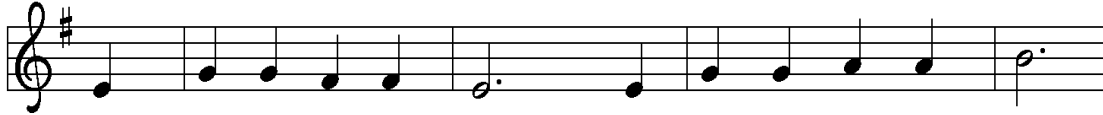
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Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

*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



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

*Hymn of Praise



- 1 Glo - ry be to God in heav - en; peace, good - will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo - ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho - ly One we now ac - claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might - y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

*Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith

and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

The book of Revelation is written to seven churches in western Asia Minor during a time of great oppression. Today's reading is a response to the question asked in 6:17: "Who is able to stand?" The writer gives the faithful the assurance of God's protection and a vision of victory.

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. ¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 34:1-10, 22

¹I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

²**I will glory in the LORD; let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

³Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; let us exalt God's name together.

⁴**I sought the LORD, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.**

⁵Look upon the LORD and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.

⁶**I called in my affliction, and- the LORD heard me and saved me from all my troubles.**

⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD and delivers them.

⁸**Taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!**

⁹Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD, for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.

¹⁰**The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.**

²²O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

Second Reading: John 3:1-3

A saint is one who has been set apart by God for God's purposes. God, out of divine love, set us apart to be the children of God. Our holy hope is that we shall see God as God really is.

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

In the Beatitudes, Jesus provides a unique description of those who are blessed with God's favor. His teaching is surprising and shocking to those who seek wealth, fame, and control over others.

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 5th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil

against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

The word of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon - “For All the Saints” Rev. William Thompson

***Hymn of the Day**

For All the Saints



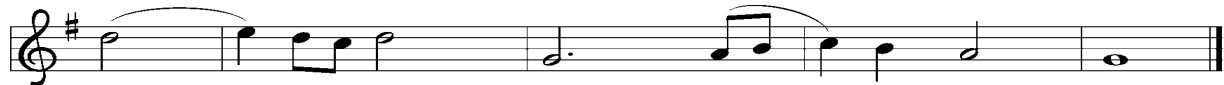
1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou,
Stanzas 3-5 below.
 6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: the
 7 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through



thee by faith before the world confessed, thy
 Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; ..
 saints tri-um-phant rise in bright array; the
 gates of pearl streams in the countless host, ..



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
 thou, in the dark - ness dread, their one true light.
 King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



3 Oh, blest com-mu-nion, fel-low-ship di-vine, we fee-bly strug-gle,
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear the
 5 The gold-en eve-ning bright-ens in the west; soon, soon to faith-ful



they in glo-ry shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are
 dis-tant tri-umph song, and hearts are brave a-gain and arms are
 ser-vants com-eth rest; . . . sweet is the calm of par-a-dise the



thine. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 strong.
 blest.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897

Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

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*** The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell.* On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

***Pastoral Prayer**

Longing for Christ's reign to come among us, we pray for the outpouring of God's power on the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Lord of all the saints, we praise you for evangelists and martyrs whose sacrifices witness to your gospel across time and space. Inspire us by their courage to carry our faith to new people and places around us. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord of every place, the universe proclaims your greatness from generation to generation. Bless the work of naturalists, conservationists, and park rangers who train our attention to the wonders of the world you have made. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord of every nation, guide this country—red states and blue states, rural voters and urban voters, young and old—as we share in another national election. Kindle hearts eager to understand our common needs and seek our common good. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord of every blessing, your Son's blessing came to those living with poverty, grief, hunger, thirst, and persecution. Shape our vision of the saints to match his own. Awaken in us your call to serve all who suffer. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord of every venture, anoint us with the missionary spirit of the early church. Bless all new missions of our synod. Empower testimony from new communities of faith to shape a diverse witness to your saving power. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Lord of every time, countless are the multitudes you have called by name and gathered to yourself. Comfort us as we grieve those who have died in the past year *Roberta Rasely, Emma Butz and Helmut Luehrs*. In faith, may we join with them in ceaseless praise. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Receive our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior, until that day when you gather all creation around your throne where you will reign forever and ever.

Amen.

***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**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

***The Words of Institution**

***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 table where Christ gives himself as food and drink.

Communion

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

Lamb of God



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

*Table Blessing

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

*Post Communion Canticle

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach-ing out with a shout of joy:
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear-ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro-ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo-ken and seen and heard.
teach-ing peo-ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im-man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!

Refrain



Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

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Music: LINSTEAD, Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925–1980

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*Prayer After Communion

Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way.

Amen

*Blessing

May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.

Amen.

*Closing Hymn

Shall We Gather at the River



1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;



with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.



Refrain



Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;



gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.



***Choral Benediction** *"Go Now and Pass It On"*

May the Lord _____ walk be - side us _____ as we

6
leave _____ this qui - et place, _____ for the Lord _____ will al - ways

12
guide us _____ if we walk in the light of His grace. _____

17
_____ May we feel God's love a - round us _____ as it

22
keeps us faith - ful and strong, _____ for the peace _____

27
_____ of God sur rounds us, _____ and now we must pass it

32
on. _____ Go now and pass it on. _____

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of seven staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "May the Lord _____ walk be - side us _____ as we leave _____ this qui - et place, _____ for the Lord _____ will al - ways guide us _____ if we walk in the light of His grace. _____ May we feel God's love a - round us _____ as it keeps us faith - ful and strong, _____ for the peace _____ of God sur rounds us, _____ and now we must pass it on. _____ Go now and pass it on. _____".

***Dismissal**

Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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

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Prayer Requests

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

Ryan Ace, Sr.; Msgt. William F. Allen; Grant Allen; Private William "Blake" Allen; Tom Altemose; Marian Anllo; Mark Anthony; Evelyn Arroyo; Daniel Bartron; Dawn Bartron; Wynne Below; Nancy Besecker; Dillon Berenti; Cptn. Matthew Blessing; David Brong; Vicki Burnett; Jack Callahan; Judi Carman; Elaine Cornelus; LilliAnna Daniels; Renee Depuy; Doris Drury; John Drury; Rev. Carl & Barbara Filer; Chris Gehm; Louis Genset; Lynn Gerber; Pete Gerard; Jean Gerstlauer; Barbara Grosch; T. J. Imhof; Carol Jones; Jim Johnstone; Ian Juica; Mason & Addison Kapun; Richard Kernan; Robbie Kinsley; Robert Kinsley; Eleanor Kreuger; Esther Laurito; David Leith; Helmut Luehrs; James Meckes; Ruth Mitchell; Mattie Morales & family; Dr. Kenny Pearson; Annabelle Peechatka; Shirley Pensyl; Faye Reiner; Carl Reindl; Rev. Tom & Sandy Richards; Joan Rinker; Anna Rivera; Jean Ross; Gloria Russell; Jack Russell; Pastor Santiago; Claudette Segear; Lynn Seip; Samuel Smith, Jr.; David & Lisa Stirling; Greg Theadford; Kelly Wickline; Charles Zuccarelli; Fran Zuccarelli; for all who are traveling; for all of those struggling with addictions; the families of those killed and wounded in Iraq and Afghanistan; the members of the Armed Forces of the United States; for the 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. Please leave requests and/or updates in the basket labeled "Prayer Requests" located in the church office. THIS LIST IS RENEWED FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH. PLEASE RENEW YOUR REQUEST MONTHLY IF YOU OR YOUR LOVED ONE IS STILL IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS. Thank you to everyone who prays with us for those in need.



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: canned vegetables like peas, carrots, corn, green beans, kidney beans, pinto beans, canned fruit, canned potatoes, and canned meats like tuna, chicken, beef and other protein sources.** ***Our Food Pantry remains open, although it is functioning as a curb-side service. This limits the contact to others and protects our food pantry staff and our building while still serving the needs of those in need. This week, we served 16 families, 47 adults and 28 children, totaling 75 people!***

Annual Meeting of the Congregation

The Annual meeting of the Congregation is scheduled according to the Constitution for Sunday, November 8.

Adult Sunday School

The Adult Sunday School will not be meeting today to continue their Bible study, but, instead, will be working on a “service” project to help with the preparation of the Election Day Soup Sale. The proceeds of this project will benefit “God’s Global Barnyard” which is an ELCA program to fight global hunger and poverty by providing animals for food and income.

God’s Global Barnyard

The Global Barnyard includes a family farm for \$750, a cow for \$500, and a herd of goats for \$300, as well as many other “Good Gifts” to support economic independence and good nutrition. Our plan is to launch our Global Barnyard campaign on the first Sunday of Advent (November 29) and continue it through the end of the year. Please consider giving to this effective and proven program that has demonstrated positive results throughout the world!

Gentle Yoga

Gentle yoga classes are appropriate for all including those who want a softer, nurturing, slow-paced, well-supported and relaxing practice. The approach includes carefully orchestrated movements, controlled pressure, and well-measured stretches, including range of motion exercises. The class will include breathing techniques and meditation. Please wear loose clothing and bring a mat and water bottle to the class. Members of the congregation can try their first class for \$5.00. After that, class cards can be purchased for \$55.00 and are good for 6 consecutive Mondays. For further information, contact: Lois Silver Zini at 718-986-9502 or email at Loissilver1@mac.com

Worship Schedule

November 8, 2020	9:00am	Worship - The Rev. Dr. Dan Baugess
	10:30 am	Annual Congregational Meeting
November 15, 2020	9:00am	Worship - Rev. William Thompson
	10:15am	Sunday School
November 22, 2020		Christ the King Sunday- The Rev. Dr. Dan Baugess
	9:00am	Worship
	10:15am	Sunday School
November 29, 2020		First Sunday of Advent
	9:00am	Worship- Rev. William Thompson
	10:15am	Sunday School

All Saints Day, Sunday, November 1, 2020

The custom of commemorating all of the saints of the church on a single day goes back at least to the third century. All Saints Day celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who make up the body of Christ.

Today, we celebrate the lives of our members who have entered the Church Triumphant during the past year. We thank God for the lives of all the blessed saints of St. Paul Church. Grant comfort and peace to all of us who live in faith and hope eternal.

Roberta Rasely

Entered Life Eternal November 17/2019

Age: 82 years, 7 months, 11 days

Emma E. Butz

Entered Life Eternal May 2, 2020

Age: 96 years, 9 months, 12 days

Helmut N. Luehrs

Entered Life Eternal October 21, 2020

Age: 94 years, 1 month, 12 days