

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 10, 2021



Welcome to

St. Paul Lutheran

Making Disciples of All Ages

*We are happy to have you with us
this morning and pray that your
time of worship will be a blessing to you.*

LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER I thank You, my Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER Thatcher Hawk, Carolyn Reisetter, Nathan Baggett, Betty Cornelius, Barb & Gary Graves, Donna McCulloch, Lonnie Brickey, Cheryl Hallquist, Tony Bruscato, Pat Estes, John Horton, Mike Gibson, Carol Almanza, Chuck Horstman, Lois Lucas, Don Peterson, Carlyn Kline, Michelle Biesemeyer, Jeff Ellis, Tim Brammeier, Garrett Goodwin, Mel Cundiff, Sandi Bibb.

ALTAR FLOWERS are for Blessings Received by the Wetlaufer family.

ABOUT THE COVER The rich young man looked upon his life as one that had upheld the commandments from youth. But Jesus points right to the heart of the matter when He tells the man to go sell everything he has and come follow Him. Though outwardly, his life appeared upstanding, the young man's faith was in his worldly wealth rather than the riches of God. The riches of God are this: Christ Jesus has purchased and won us, not with silver or gold but with His own precious blood (1 Peter 1:18–19).

Handbell Prelude *God of Grace and God of Glory* arr. by Jason Krug

Hymn

804 O Worship the King

Invocation and Confession [Stand]

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

P: Let us now confess our sins to God our Father; O almighty God, merciful Father,

C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Introit

Psalm 112

Praise the Lord! Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in his commandments!

Wealth and riches are in his house, and his righteousness endures forever.

Light dawns in the darkness for the upright; he is gracious, merciful, and righteous.

It is well with the man who deals generously and lends; who conducts his affairs with justice.

For the righteous will never be moved; he will be remembered forever.

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.

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Kyrie and Gloria *Sung*

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Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

**To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You Father; Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—**

**For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory, "Amen!" our glad reply.**

Collect

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us to forsake all trust in earthy gain and to find in You our heavenly treasure; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** [Sit]

Old Testament

Amos 5:6-7,

10-15

⁶ Seek the LORD and live, lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel, ⁷ O you who turn justice to wormwood and cast down righteousness to the earth! ¹⁰ They hate him who reproves in the gate, and they abhor him who speaks the truth. ¹¹ Therefore because you trample on the poor and you exact taxes of grain from him, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not dwell in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. ¹² For I know how many are your transgressions and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate. ¹³ Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time, for it is an evil time. ¹⁴ Seek good, and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, as you have said. ¹⁵ Hate evil, and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual

He will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

Alleluia. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. Alleluia.

Epistle

Hebrews

3:12-19

¹² Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. ¹³ But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened

by the deceitfulness of sin. ¹⁴ For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. ¹⁵ As it is said, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.”

¹⁶ For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? ¹⁷ And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? ¹⁸ And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? ¹⁹ So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God. [Stand]

Alleluia *Sung*

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Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Mark

10:17-22

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁷ And as he was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁸ And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. ¹⁹ You know the commandments: ‘Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.’” ²⁰ And he said to him, “Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth.” ²¹ And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, “You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” ²² Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the ☩ life everlasting. Amen. [Sit]

Children's Message

Hymn
Tower

694 Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My

Sermon Rev. David Moore
10:21

Follow Jesus Mark

Offering *You may also give online.*
card)

(All worshipers please sign a pew

up)
(Please pass the cards to the aisle for an usher to pick

Prayers and Lord's Prayer [Stand]

Each petition ends with:

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our 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.

Hymn

729 I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus

Benediction and Greeting

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	Worship	8:15, 10:45	am
October 10	Bible Study and Sunday School/Rally Sunday	9:30	am
	Bold Preteen	12:00	pm
	NYG Youth Night	6:30	pm
MONDAY	Sewing	9:30	am

	Ruth Circle	7:00	pm
TUESDAY	Women's Bible Study	7:00	pm
WEDNESDAY	Next Sunday Lessons	7:00	am
	Life With God	6:00	pm
SATURDAY	Men's Bible Study	7:30	am
SUNDAY	Worship/Communion	8:15, 10:45	am
October 17	Bible Study and Sunday School	9:30	am

Attendance Last Week: 256	Last Year: 186	Sunday School Attendance: 122
Offering Last Week: \$10,075.04		Received Year: \$457,714
Debt Owed: \$0		Expenses This Year: \$457,714
Building Fund Last Week: \$1615		Received Year: \$163,045
Building Fund Needed Monthly: \$10,000		Received October: \$1615

MISSION FESTIVAL SUNDAY is today. Our offerings this year will be given to the youth ministries of our congregation to help our Sr. High youth who will be attending the National Youth Gathering next summer in Houston, TX.

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL the children learn how God remains faithful even when His people do not. Because of their unfaithfulness, the Israelites were taken into exile. But God continues to love and care for His people. Because of our sin, we may feel separated from God, too. But He is always faithful and forgiving. Talk about a time when you felt far from God. What can you do to remember God is with you?

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS Praise the Lord our Sunday school classes are growing! More little hands though require a few more big hands. We are looking for a helper for our preschool-grade 2 class. No teaching or prep is required – just another set of hands. If you are able to help, please see Linda or Lori.

Sunday school offering this fall will go to the American Red Cross to help with disaster relief. The children will be singing at the beginning of the 10:45 Service on Sunday, Oct. 24. (A note will be sent home next week). Check out the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall to learn more about what's happening in children and youth ministries!

SUNDAY USHERS NEEDED Ushers are needed for the 8:15 and 10:45 worship services. Please contact Randy Klein if you attend early service and Bernie

Fortmeyer if you attend late service and would be willing to serve the Lord in this way.

SENIOR YOUTH MEETING TONIGHT! Tonight is our NYG team-building night. ALL youth and adults planning to attend the gathering should attend. We will be working on our Pre-Gathering Covenant and begin our first Bible Study focusing on this year's theme "In All Things." See you tonight – 6:30-8:00 in the Youth Room.

RUTH CIRCLE meets Monday, October 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will continue our video-based study called *Hosea* by Jennifer Rothschild. All ladies of the congregation are invited to attend.

CHURCH COUNCIL will not meet October 18 but instead will meet Monday, October 25 at 6:00 PM before the fall voters meeting.

RED LOBSTER NIGHT – OCTOBER 18! Support St. Paul Youth and enjoy a night out at Red Lobster on Monday, October 18, 5:00-Close. The youth will receive 10% from all sales with a St. Paul flyer. Flyers will be available at church October 10 and 17.

PIZZA HUT night is October 19 (Why not eat out 2 nights in a row!) The youth receive 20% from all dine-in and carry-out orders (with our flyer) between 4:00-8:00. NOTE: Youth will NOT meet this month for pizza.

OPEN DOOR FOOD KITCHEN Our congregation will serve a Food Kitchen favorite on Saturday, October 23. Please prayerfully consider how you can help this need in our community. Sign up sheet is on the display case or contact Bill or Sandy Plackemeier for more information.

YOUTH AXE FACTOR Senior youth (and families) are invited to join us for an evening of axe throwing at Axe Factor on Sunday evening, October 24. Meet at church at 6:30. Cost is \$10 per person. Bring a snack to share!

TRUNK-OR-TREAT will be Sunday, October 31, 3:00-5:00 in the church parking lot. We will be returning to our traditional set-up, and we need lots of cars to make this event a success. The Christian Education board is asking that cars be decorated with a Bible theme so we can share Jesus along with treats. Please see

the sign-up sheet in the lounge. We are also looking for donations of candy. Last year we welcomed over 100 children and ran out

of treats! This is a wonderful community outreach for St. Paul. Please prayerfully consider participating.

CHRISTMAS BANQUET The Fellowship board is asking for members to share their level of interest in having the Christmas Banquet again this December or not. Please email Linda Kent, lindakent60@yahoo.com or Pastor Cundiff, pastorc@splcc.org with your comments.

MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION UPDATE Please help us by checking your contact information in the Narthex, initial, and update it if necessary. The Elders have been making phone calls to our members with this information and have found many of the phone numbers disconnected and addresses to be outdated. We will be using this information for a new church directory. Thank you.

BOARD MEMBER UPDATES Board chairs, please email your current list of members to Kristy at secretary@splcc.org so they can be updated in the upcoming directory.

OFFERING ONLINE Go to splcc.org, click on *Church* then click on the *Gift* at the top. You can also mail your envelope in the mail. If you have any questions on any of this please give us a call.

TRASH BAG SALE The youth are selling trash bags to help raise money for their trip to the National Youth Gathering. Trash bags are \$11 per roll and come in a variety of sizes. Bags may be purchased Sunday mornings (cash and carry). Look for our table in the lounge before and after Worship or contact one of the youth. These bags are great for leaves!!

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY Need a spiritual re-charge midweek? Join us Wednesday mornings at 7:00 AM as we study the Scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday. Great discussion and fellowship...and sometimes donuts! Won't you join us?

PRAYER CHAIN Be added to St. Paul's prayer chain. Keep up to date on church members and their friends and family that need our prayers. Email Kristy at:

krrademann@gmail.com.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT UPDATES need to be emailed by *Wednesday morning* to Kristy at secretary@splcc.org.

OCTOBER MESSENGER is available to pick up in the entryway and posted online.

OCTOBER LUTHERAN WITNESS is available to pick up in the entryway.