

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, School, & Preschool (WELS)

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Online services & materials can be found weekly at www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com

June 11/13/14, 2020

Pentecost 2

Order of Service: Service Folder

Sermon: Deuteronomy 11:18-21, 26-28

Keep God's Word Close!

Study it...Share it...Live It!

Welcome to St. Paul's!

- A **t-coil hearing loop system** for those with hearing aids is available. We also have headsets to use without hearing aids. An usher can help if you have questions.
- **Service folders** are on stands near the sanctuary doors. These folders contain the entire service. Please take it and the bulletin home with you. We will not reuse them.
- A **child training room** for parents to calm or feed small children is available.
- **Restrooms** are to the right as you exit the sanctuary.
- **The offering** will be gathered in baskets on stands.
- **After worship** ushers will dismiss us back to front. Visiting, with safe distancing, is best done outside.

We continue public worship with services on Thursday and Saturday at 6:30pm and Sunday at 9:00am. For safety, we will limit attendance to approximately 80 worshipers per service for the time being. Please sign up for a specific service via *Sign-up Genius* at www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com or call the office at 922-1080. Please leave a message if there is no answer.

God's Word this week: The Holy Ministry stands on the rock-solid truth of God's Word. Not all who call themselves ministers do that, so watch out for false teachers! Many will come with wise sounding words and pious promises, but they are not what they seem. The Church's only defense is to stand firmly on the rock-solid truth of God's Word. The season of Pentecost explains the teachings of Christ and the application of faith in the life of the Christian. How fitting that this initial Sunday lays the foundation for that teaching and life: the inspired Word of God.

June 11 - 21, 2020

06/11	Thu	6:30pm	Worship
06/13	Sat	6:30pm	Worship
06/14	Sun	9:00am	Worship
		10:30am	Clayton Graumann Baptism
06/15	Mon	6:30pm	Church Council
06/18	Thu	6:30pm	Worship (Communion follows)
06/20	Sat	6:30pm	Worship (Communion follows)
06/21	Sun	9:00am	Worship (Communion follows)

Radio and television worship: If you aren't able to attend in-person services yet, here are some options: Radio broadcasts: *St. Peter's, Fond du Lac*, on KFIZ radio at 8:00am Sundays; *St. Paul's, Appleton*, Sundays at 8:00am on AM1280 WNAM; *St. Stephen's, Beaver Dam* at 9:30am Sundays on AM1430 WBEV. Television broadcasts: *Time of Grace* is on Green Bay NBC-26 Sundays at 6:30am and Milwaukee CBS-58 Sundays at 10:30am. Our own services continue to be found online each week at our congregation's website: www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com.

Ushers this weekend are teams 16 (B. Bruss) and 1 (D. Schumacher). Next weekend (June 20/21) will be teams 2 (L. Ziemer) and 3 (M. Peachy). The greeter schedule will resume soon.

St. Paul's is part of the **Zion Cemetery Association**. The cemetery is located north of Van Dyne near the corner of Highways Z and R. Volunteers are needed to help with mowing and trimming. A riding mower and trimmer are stored on site for volunteer use. If you would like to assist, please contact St. Paul's members David Babler at 539-4571 or Howard Miller at 688-2814.

Second Impressions Thrift Store, supporting WLA students, is open. New items arrive daily and volunteers are always needed and welcomed: 325 Winnebago Dr., Fond du Lac, WI; 907-9900.

Volunteer opportunities: St. Paul's has **two sign-up lists** in the narthex to consider: (1) *lawn mowing* and (2) *cleaning* the church. Please call the office at 922-1080 or speak with the pastors if you have questions about procedures and equipment. Thank you!

Fatalism: Sometimes we say, "When my time is up, it's up." That is true, but only from God's point of view because only he knows the future and the time of our death (Ps. 139:16). While we are here, the Lord wants us to use the knowledge he gives us to make wise decisions about protecting our lives. He wants us to respect and care for the bodies he gave us and owns (5th Commandment). That's why we carefully train our children how to be safe. It's also one reason why we don't wear a blindfold when driving a car or fly a plane without having been instructed. To say, "When my time is up, it's up" and not act prudently would be to put God to the test. Satan used that tactic unsuccessfully against Jesus. See the Savior's response to the devil's temptation in Matthew 4:7. Trusting God and testing God are opposites.

Prayer: Lord, mercifully direct and guide us in our journey through this life. Although we are surrounded by change and uncertainty, grant that we begin, continue, and end all our works in you that we may glorify your holy name and finally, by your grace, be brought safely to your eternal kingdom. Amen. (*There's a Prayer for That*, Northwestern Publishing House, ©2017, p. 87)

Last week: Current Fund-\$11,886.81; Missions-\$2,583.59; Improvement Fund-\$140; Mortgage Fund-\$2,956; Ascension-\$10; *Meditations*-\$19; Organ/Piano-\$40; Student Aid-\$15; Facilities use offering-\$100. (Electronic funds included in these gifts total \$5,768.35.) About 70 attended each of 3 services last week. **Memorial:** to the Piano Fund from Sharon Adams in memory of Diane Kieckbush, Yvonne Schmolesky's daughter. **Thankoffering:** in thanksgiving to God for 13 years of marriage on June 16th from Dave and Jeanne Jahns. **Flowers:** in loving memory of Deloris Merk for her 88th birthday on April 5th from Lori LeQue. May the Lord bless these heartfelt offerings for the benefit of precious souls.

Offering options: If unable to attend worship in person, you may still bring your offerings for the Lord's work by mail (1010 Adams Ave., NFDL, 54937), drop them off into the secure lock box post near the office entrance, or use Vanco electronic options. An authorization form for electronic funds transfers can be found at our website or in the narthex. You can also give using your smart phone. Go to your phone's app store under "Giving Plus" and follow the directions.

Stewardship Moment: God wants us to trust him for the future. There is, however, a difference between trusting God and tempting God. Those who are reckless with their income and make no plans for the future are not trusting God. A budget helps individuals and families, as well as congregations and synods, to plan wisely for the future. (*Stewardship: What I Do with What God Gave Me*, Arno Wolfram, Northwestern Publishing House, ©2001, page 140)

Taste and See! The WELS Missions office is partnering with the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) to host an online event called *Taste and See* from June 27-July 11. *Taste and See* will provide opportunities for you to learn about WELS home and world mission work through various live-streamed events, presentations, daily devotions, and more. Participate in family-friendly scavenger hunts, download coloring pages for kids, and try your hand at making ethnic recipes shared by our missionaries. A new website, welstasteandsee.com, will host all of the videos and activities for the two-week event. Visit the website today to register to participate and subscribe for e-mail updates regarding online festivities. Join them on the [WELS Missions](#) or [LWMS](#) FaceBook pages or on the *Taste and See* website at the following times:

- **Saturday, June 27, 11am Central:** Opening service immediately followed by the LWMS flag presentation
- **Wednesday, July 1, 7pm Central:** Home Missions Q&A panel
- **Wednesday, July 8, 7pm Central:** World Missions Q&A panel
- **Saturday, July 11, 6pm Central:** Closing service featuring the commissioning of three world missionaries and one home missionary, immediately followed by a Q&A panel with the newly commissioned missionaries

"Taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed is everyone who takes refuge in him" (Psalm 34:8 EHV).

Deuteronomy 11:18-21, 26-28

Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.¹⁹ Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.²⁰ Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates,²¹ so that your days and the days of your children may be many in the land that the LORD swore to give your forefathers, as many as the days that the heavens are above the earth....²⁶ See, I am setting before you today a blessing and a curse --²⁷ the blessing if you obey the commands of the LORD your God that I am giving you today;²⁸ the curse if you disobey the commands of the LORD your God and turn from the way that I command you today by following other gods, which you have not known.

Romans 3:21-25a, 27-28

But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify.²² This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference,²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,²⁴ and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.²⁵ God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood.²⁷ Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. On what principle? On that of observing the law? No, but on that of faith.²⁸ For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from observing the law.

Matthew 7:15-29

"Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves.¹⁶ By their fruit you will recognize them. Do people pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles?¹⁷ Likewise every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit.¹⁸ A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit.¹⁹ Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.²⁰ Thus, by their fruit you will recognize them.²¹ "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.²² Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and in your name drive out demons and perform many miracles?'²³ Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!'²⁴ "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.²⁵ The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.²⁶ But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand.²⁷ The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash."²⁸ When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching,²⁹ because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.