The Mission and Ministry Statement for St. Paul's: We, the members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, in gratitude to The Triune God for His love for us in Jesus Christ, dedicate ourselves as individuals and as a congregation to learning, teaching and sharing God's Word, caring for others, and living in God's grace through Word and Sacrament.

**To our visitors:** In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we welcome you to our church with God's richest blessings. Please sign our guest register in the narthex today. We invite you to make St. Paul's your new church home. If you are interested in church membership, or have questions, please contact Pastor Burns.

**Friendship Pads:** Please take a moment to fill in the Friendship Pad, listing **each family member separately**. Please indicate on the Friendship Pad if you are receiving Holy Communion. Children that are receiving the blessing should not be marked as such or as receiving Holy Communion. **Visitors** please complete the form in its entirety.

Children and the Divine Service: Thank you for bringing your children with you to church. The Scriptures tenderly tell of Jesus' love for little children. Jesus wants your children in His Company, to hear His Word and receive His gifts given to all in the Divine Liturgy. If you feel your child would benefit by leaving the worship service for a short period of time, you are welcome to use the Narthex. There is a speaker and chairs so you may continue to hear and participate in the worship service. If you need any assistance, please let us know how we can help.

The Holy Communion: The Lord's Supper reflects our unity of faith and doctrine. Therefore, we assume that all those attending Holy Communion with us are members of a congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. In love and concern, we ask that all others speak with the pastor before communing. For those with sensitivity to alcohol, the center cups in the tray contain white dealcoholized wine. Gluten free communion hosts are also available (please request gluten free at the Communion Rail).

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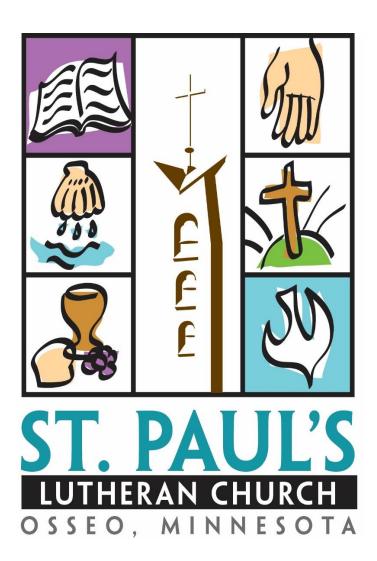
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# Sixth Sunday of Easter May 17, 2020



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Pastor: Daniel Burns XXX.XXX.XXXX XXXXXX@stpaulsosseo.org Church Office: 763.425.2238 Website: www.stpaulsosseo.org As you prepare for worship, you may pray the following prayer: O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter; as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

James 1:22 – "But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves." The Word of God is not merely to be heard, but to be received and believed. Our faith is implanted and strengthened by the Word of God. And as Luther said, "Oh, it is a living, busy, active, mighty thing, this faith. And so, it is impossible for it not to do good works incessantly." James reminds us of this – and encourages us to examine our lives and come to repentance where we can see that we are not living out our faith in sincerity.

# The Lord Jesus Comforts Us with the Preaching of His Resurrection

"The God who ... gives to all mankind life and breath and everything" (Acts 17:24–25) wants all people to seek Him that they might "feel their way toward him and find him" (Acts 17:27). But in our sinful ignorance, we humans turn instead to idols "formed by the art and imagination of man" (Acts 17:29). Therefore, God appointed the Man of Righteousness, Jesus Christ, and "has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead" (Acts 17:31). Because He lives, we also live (John 14:19) in His forgiveness, and thus we love Him and keep His commandments (John 14:15). While the risen Lord prepares us for His ascension, He will not leave us "as orphans" (John 14:18), but He gives "another Helper," the Holy Spirit, to be with us forever (John 14:16) through the preaching of "Jesus and the resurrection" (Acts 17:18). Because He "suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous" (1 Peter 3:18), we "honor Christ the Lord as holy" and are always "prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks" for the reason for our hope (1 Peter 3:15). Our Baptism "now saves" us "as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ" (1 Peter 3:21).

# Those serving this week: May 10th

Video David Glauvitz

## **Attendance and Offering**

online service
\$4,815.00
\$5,000.00
\$4,163.51

**Member Callings** will be used to update the congregation of changes to St. Paul's schedule. These will also be on our web site. <a href="https://www.stpaulsosseo.org">www.stpaulsosseo.org</a>

Our website is the best way to stay up to date with all that is happening at St. Paul's. Be sure to check it frequently!

Website

LWML and S.P.Y. are working together to get Cub gift cards to Crossing Home in Richfield, Mn. Please check out their program at crossinghome.org. They offer "healthy, God-honoring homes and sustainable employment opportunities to men and women who have completed treatment and/or prison". Because of Covid19 there is a great need for food assistance for these people. Crossing Home is requesting Cub gift cards so that their director can fill the needs of the people. Here is where S.P.Y comes in with Scrip Cards. If you would like to help please send a check to church (710 East Broadway Osseo, Mn. 55369) made out to Saint Paul's Youth for \$25-\$100 by June 7th and Sherry will order the cards and get them sent to Crossing Home by June 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Members who are sick and in need of healing and comfort-Jim Feuerstein (brother of Judy Opsal), Rick Scheevel, Paula Schmidt, Sharon Wilken, Ada Fields (sister-in-law of Shirley Scheuble), Debbie Hanna, Judy Erickson, Jody Slack, Doug Steere, and Melissa Lee. Our Lord Jesus, who reached out to heal and comfort the sick and dying, continues to reach out with His healing Word through us. Cards, phone calls and prayers are always appreciated. If you know of someone who is sick or hospitalized, please inform Pastor Burns.

<u>Our homebound members</u> are Vi Anderson, Rose Ebert, Terry Benson, Bev Hansen, Melissa Lee, Mae House, Doug Steere and Bertha Hannu (mother of Barb Gamache).

### All those serving in our Armed Forces.

<u>This Week:</u> The Congregations in our circuit are praying for-St. Timothy Society for Lutheran Seminary Scholarship, and their Chaplain, Rev. Gordon Bynum.

<u>For those serving in the mission field:</u> Elliot and Serena Derricks, Johanna Heidorn, Kayla Hoem and Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram.



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### THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sun. May 17 Sixth Sunday of Easter

(Online/Facebook Page 8:00a)

Go to <u>www.stpaulsosseo.org</u> and click the Facebook tab at the bottom of the page

Thur. May 21 The Ascension of Our Lord

(Online/Facebook Page 7:00p)

Sun. May 24 Seventh Sunday of Easter

(Online/Facebook Page 8:00a)

Mon. May 25 Memorial Day- Office closed

**Lutheran Humor-**You might be a Lutheran if... sharing the peace during the service takes more time than the sermon.



The Lutheran Witness for May is available. If you would like one, please call the office and we can drop one off for you.

During this time of uncertainty, our greatest comfort is found in God's Word. **Tune in to live devotions on St. Paul's Facebook page every day.** These devotions are led by Pastor Burns.