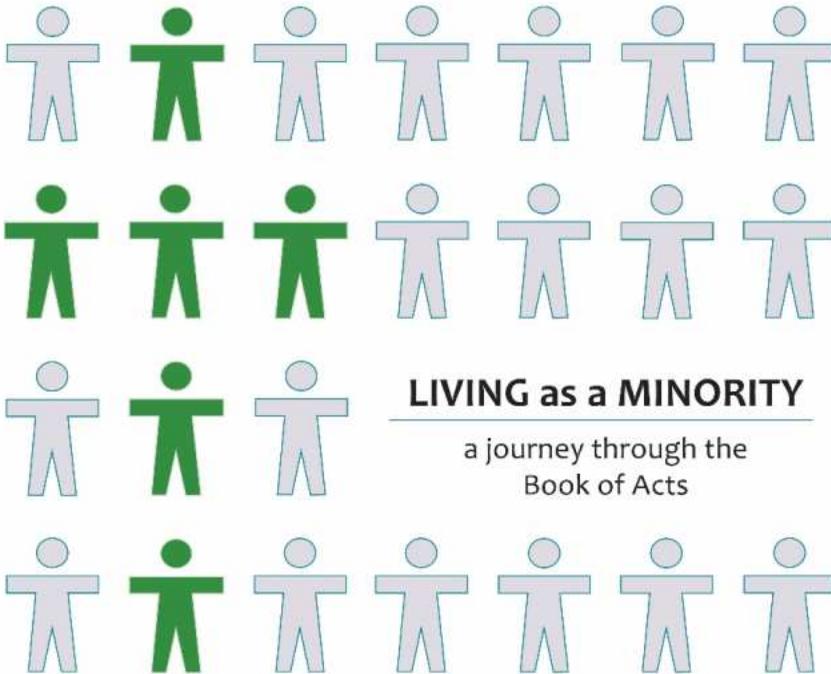


# St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, School and Kinder Place

(The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod)

## "If This is of God..."



210 East Pleasant Street  
Oconomowoc, Wisconsin 53066  
Church Office: 262-567-5001 Website: [www.splco.org](http://www.splco.org)

Worship Schedule: \*Saturday 5:30 pm \* Sunday 8:00 am Traditional \*  
\* Sunday 10:30 am Contemporary \* Wednesday 6:30 pm Lakeside\*

St. Paul's Mission Statement: *"Reaching, Serving and Growing Disciples"*

June 11/12, 2016

Rev. Lance Armstrong O'Donnell, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Steven Scharnell, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Paul Borgman, Pastor Emeritus  
Jonathon Pickelmann, Principal  
Volume 22

Ben Mueller, Youth Director  
Diane Bleke, Organist/Choir Director  
Christine Flores, Kinder Place Director

Office Hours - 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Number 26

WELCOME to everyone, especially our guests.  
Your presence is important to us.

St. Paul's is an evangelical Christian congregation, embracing historic Christian teaching on all doctrines, centered on Jesus Christ. Our desire is to bring the Gospel both to those who are searching for answers to the meaning of life and to those who desire a closer relationship with God. We here at St. Paul's have chosen to align ourselves with the teachings of the Lutheran Reformation, due to the clarity with which these help us to see the true meaning of God's Word. Specifically, St. Paul's is a ministry of the Lutheran Church -- Missouri Synod, one of America's truly biblical churches!

- **Members and guests:** please fill out an attendance card and place it in the offering plate to indicate your presence today. For Holy Communion, please read our confession and indicate your agreement with our beliefs by checking the box next to the names of those communing.
- Those sharing our beliefs, especially from parishes in fellowship with us, are welcome to receive.
- If you desire Holy Communion but hold a confession differing from that of this congregation, please speak with a Pastor or an Elder.
- Non-communing, baptized children are welcome to come to the table for a blessing.

**Please note:** Half the inner circle of individual glasses in each tray contains water with **one drop** of communion wine for those hesitant to drink larger amounts of wine. Those glasses with wine are rose in color.

## THE 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Come to worship.** As the prelude begins, worshippers are encouraged to conclude conversation and quietly prepare to enter into the experience of worship.

**Pastor:** Steve Scharnell

**Theme:** *Living as a Minority*  
*Part 6: If This is of God...*

Traditional Worship

**Lutheran Service Book, Divine Service 1, pg. 167**

Contemporary Worship

**Special Order**

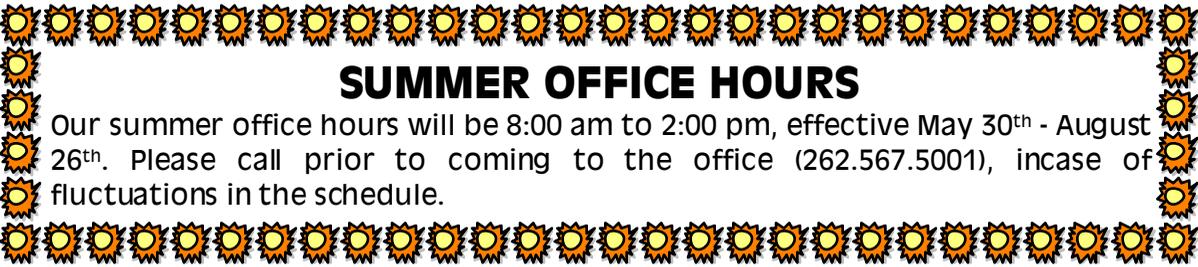
## BIBLE STUDIES

**A Walk Through the Bible**

**567-5001 Sun. - 9:15 a.m. Fellowship Hall**  
**Salvation**

**567-8195 Tues. - 7:00 p.m. Muecke's Home**

The **radio broadcast** is sponsored in loving memory of Waldo & Isie Holtzhueter from their family. St. Paul's 8:00 am church service can be heard Sunday over WTKM (104.9 FM) and worldwide at wtkm.com.



## SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Our summer office hours will be 8:00 am to 2:00 pm, effective May 30<sup>th</sup> - August 26<sup>th</sup>. Please call prior to coming to the office (262.567.5001), in case of fluctuations in the schedule.

## BAPTISM

We welcome into St. Paul's church family during the 10:30 am Worship Service, **Colton John**. He is the son of John & Rebecca (Stucky) **Kuester**. His sponsors are Dan Kremer & Kristen Kremer. We will keep Colton in our prayers.

**\*Flash photography is not allowed during a baptism which takes place during the worship service. The pastor may reenact the baptism after the service for picture-taking opportunities.**

## REACHING DISCIPLES



## Family Promise® of Western Waukesha County

### IT'S TIME TO SIGN-UP!

We are only two weeks away from hosting our Family Promise Guests at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Take a turn...volunteer! (Note: training will be available before we host.)

The newest Sign-Up Genius has been posted to the SPL website: [splco.org](http://splco.org). Host dates are June 26<sup>th</sup> - July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Go to our website to sign-up. If this is not feasible call Deb Prange at the number below for assistance.

If you are interested in volunteering in the Family Promise Program during our next hosting week, June 26<sup>th</sup> - July 3<sup>rd</sup>, and have not yet received training, attend the upcoming training session at St. Paul's *this coming Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup>* from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Contact Deb Prange (414-418-4953) if you would like to register for this session.

## SERVING DISCIPLES

### FEELING DOWN?

Our Stephen Ministry can help. Stephen Ministers aren't just there for "big" crises. They're also available for the little ones, because many times the little things can really add up. Maybe you're overwhelmed with the care of your children or you are worried about your job, your marriage falling apart, or a loved one (or you) dealing with an illness. A Stephen Minister can help! Don't just wait until you have a really big crisis: consider Stephen Ministry if the little things have you feeling down.

For more information on how to request a Stephen Minister to help you or a loved one through a difficult time, please contact one of our Stephen Leaders: Jeff Stache (262-567-1302); Steve Hansen (262-646-4049); Bobbie Scheuer (262-354-0033); or Carol Allen (262-468-4292)

## GROWING DISCIPLES

### ATTENTION MOTORCYCLE ENTHUSIASTS

St. Paul's will have a Motorcycle Riding Group this summer for its members and any guests. The details of the rides are below:



Sunday, June 12  
Sunday, July 10  
Sunday, August 14  
Sunday, Sept 11\*



Pre ride gathering is at noon; kickstands up at 12:15. Each ride will be approximately 3 hours with a brief break along the way. Any questions, please see Sara Junio or Scott Kalien.

\*subject to change depending on the Packer's schedule.

### LUTHERAN WITNESS

*The Lutheran Witness* magazine is available again this year. If you are currently on the list and receiving the magazine, please call the church office at 567-5001 to let us know if you would like to continue your subscription or cancel it. If you would like to start receiving *The Lutheran Witness*, please call the church office so we can add you to the subscription list. The cost for the magazine is \$15.96 for 11 issues (the June/July issue is combined). The deadline for renewal or new subscriptions is June 29<sup>th</sup>.

# The Congregation at Prayer

*A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer  
Living as a Minority, Part 6: If This is of God...*

June 12-19, 2016

## **The Order of Meditation and Prayer**

### ***Living as a Minority, Part 6: If This is of God...***

The opposition intensifies. However, Gamaliel (Paul's teacher) gave wise advice: you cannot stop a movement if it is of God. Christianity is certainly that, and this again offers us assurance – even if Gamaliel did not know he was supporting Christ's way. Even if we are a minority, God will not let His plan be stopped.

*Pray and confess out loud as much from the order of meditation and prayer as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.*

### **Invocation**

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

### **Apostles' Creed**

**Christ-Centered Theme:** Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Against His Church the gates of hell shall not prevail.

**Verse:** 2 Sam. 12:13b; Luke 7:50b— "The Lord also has put away your sin; you shall not die." "Your faith has saved you. Go in peace."

**Psalm: Psalm 32 and/or the appointed daily psalms for General Psalms in Psalm Schedule LSB, p. 304**

	Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
<b>Daily Psalms</b>								
<b>Morning</b>	103	5	42	89:1-18	97	51	104	19
<b>Evening</b>	117, 139	84, 29	102, 133	1, 33	16, 62	142, 65	118, 111	81, 113

**Catechism—The Lord’s Prayer: Fifth Petition**

<p><i>The Lord’s Prayer (Fifth Petition)</i>  <b>And forgive us our trespasses  as we forgive those trespass against us.</b></p>	<p>Preschool +</p>
<p><i>What does this mean?</i>  We pray in this petition  that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins,  or deny our prayer because of them.  We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray,  nor have we deserved them,  but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace  for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment.  So we too will sincerely forgive  and gladly do good to those who sin against us.</p>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Grade +</p>

***Living as a Minority, Part 6: If This is of God...***

<b>Day</b>	<b>Bible Stories for the Family &amp; School</b>	<b>Daily prayer readings</b>
<b>Sun.</b>	Matthew 10:28-31	<p>For Daily Prayer Readings, please refer to the “Living as a Minority” weekly devotions found on St. Paul’s website at <a href="http://www.splco.org">www.splco.org</a>.</p> <p>The devotions can be found by clicking on CHURCH → LIVING AS A MINORITY → Weekly Guides or on the bookshelves in the back of the sanctuary.</p>
<b>Mon.</b>	Jesus Forgives and Heals a Paralytic—Luke 5:17-26	
<b>Tue.</b>	Matthew the Tax Collector—Luke 5:27-32	
<b>Wed.</b>	Fasting and the Sabbath—Luke 5:33-39	
<b>Thur.</b>	Jesus Is Lord of the Sabbath—Luke 6:1-11	
<b>Fri.</b>	The Twelve Apostles—Luke 6:12-19	

***Prayers: Collects for the Week, Daily Themes for Prayer, In Our Prayers at St. Paul’s***

**Collect for Living as a Minority, Part 6: If This is of God...**

Almighty God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Your Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ’s holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve You and, in the confession of Your name, abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

## **Daily Themes for Prayer**

- Sunday:** *Pray for the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and Sacraments.*
- Monday:** *Pray for faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for one's calling and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for schools, colleges, and seminaries; for good government and for peace.*
- Tuesday:** *Pray for deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing, the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with besetting sins.*
- Wednesday:** *Pray for marriage and family, that husbands and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to the Word of God; for parents who must raise children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods.*
- Thursday:** *Pray for the Church and her pastors; for teachers, deacons, deaconesses, and other church workers; for missionaries and for all who serve the Church; for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed sacrament of Christ's body and blood.*
- Friday:** *Pray for the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for the spread of His knowledge throughout the whole world; for the persecuted and oppressed; for the sick and dying.*
- Saturday:** *Pray for faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for receptive hearts and minds to God's Word on the Lord's Day; for pastors and people as they prepare to administer and receive Christ's holy gifts.*

## **In Our Prayers this Week**

**Those sick or hospitalized: MEMBERS** – Anna Briggs - ongoing nerve pain in foot; Marilyn Runyard (hip surgery); Traci Anderson; Glenn Leidel; Louise Lang; Marguerite Schneider; Hadley McCormack - premature baby born at 1 lb. 3 oz.; Joel - having medical tests; Virginia Meintz; Shirley Dibble; Bob Klee - CIDP; Ethan Meyer - brain tumor; Peter Radulovich; Mabel Fredrick; Agnes Thurow; Jim Wilson (ALS) & Karen Wilson; Alice Feldschneider; Linda Hansen (Steve's wife); Marian Faltersack; Esther Hart; Iris Jahnke; Rick Ware; Ed Krelwitz; Harry & Dorothy Peterson (Shorehaven); Barb Krug; Crystal Parker.

**FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS – Those with cancer:** Daina Boppre - breast cancer; Peter Papa (Mike's dad) - prostate cancer in his spine; Quinn - breast cancer; Isiah Butler - Lymphoma; Dan Rogers (Jon Schmeling's brother-in-law) - bladder cancer; Julie; Laurie Farrell (Grant Hopkins' sister) - recovering from double mastectomy; Rebecca Paulson; Joanne Montanegro-Greinke; Ethan; Michael Graham; Jenny Lemke (friend of the Uttech's); Kayla (7 years-old) - brain cancer; Cheri (Tina Gartzke's friend); Linda F - breast cancer; Lloyd Crom; Jack Anderson; Patrick McNally; Kim B. - breast cancer; Jacalyn Balcuinas (Carol Lenz's daughter); Brian Keller; Jeanie; Karen Peskie (Mike & Cheryl Reiner's sister-in-law) - Lymphoma; Lea Acord (Pat Borgman's friend); Donald - bladder cancer; Korbin Berg - colon cancer; Jan; Mike Ball; Jessica; Chris Moha - breast cancer; Amy (Heather Gartzke's friend); Robert Counsell; Pat (Renee Ebert's aunt) - ovarian cancer; Ray Liska; Sue; Jim; Cheri Benz - breast cancer; Cami - healing; Tim - lung cancer; Pastor William Meyer (Don Meyer's brother) - Lymphoma; Dan (stage 4 prostate cancer); Crystal Schultz; Joann Romain - kidney cancer; Ron Rafalski - throat cancer; Nancy - breast cancer; Sarah Beine (stage 4 cancer)

**Other:** Jean Schiellach (Shirley Dibble's sister-in-law) - 5 fractured vertebrae; Laurie DaFonte (Dina Tanner's sister) - gravely ill; Donald Ryan (Gail Frosch's dad); Ashlin - stage 4 renal failure; Gary Haimerl; Clem - high calcium heart; Phyllis Ecklor (Shirley Dibble's sister) - fractured back; Ken (Kathie Ware's twin brother) - congestive heart failure; Kelly Braswell (BJ Lavota's sister) - MS; Brian Kloskowski - MS; Logyn (1 1/2 year old) - unknown health issues; Pat - afib; Noah - medical issues; TJ Easley (Dawn Lower's brother-in-law); Margaret Bauman (Pat Menden's sister) - hospice; Mora; Carol Duchow (Dorothy's sister-in-law) - hospice; Fred (Lynda Rades's brother); Lynne Kramer (Susie Meyer's dad); Joel (Tina Gartzke's nephew); Dwain Kline (Jennifer Truchan's grandpa) - Alzheimer's; Clarence; Pam Leimer (Pat Borgman's cousin) - stroke; Scott Kleist (Jim & Ann Duggan's son) - MS; Kelly Kulas; Ray (Michelle Schlomer's grandpa); Charles Tuff (Alzheimer's); Paul Fellin

**Those serving in the military-deployed:** Sgt. Tyler Peartree; Zach Howard, Theresa; Phil Preston; Captain Chad Kelling and his unit VMM-223; Casey, Phil, Andy & Steve Koth; Luke, Jacob, Brian, Randy, Kyle, Jake, Jeff, Matt, Tom, Brad, Ben, Mike & Rob

**Those serving God as missionaries:** Christie Nelson (China), Ray Wigdal (China), Dennis Denow (Thailand), Bob & Chris Prouty (Australia), Pastor Reinke (Deaf Ministry), Rev. Bud Palmer

**Those in need:** Our Shut-Ins; the family of Grace Wilhelm (Bill & Bobbie Scheuer's niece), who died; for our soldiers who are overseas to stay strong in adversity; Josh, for help with alcoholism; Daniel to come back to the Lord; those struggling with addiction--Bob, Andy, George, Dan, Dee; Sarah, Keri; the friend of a member in an abusive relationship; missionaries being attacked by ISIS; the Christians being persecuted in the Middle East.

**Baptism:** Colton John, son of John & Rebecca (Stucky) Kuester - June 12<sup>th</sup>

***Lord's Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism***

***Hymn of the Week: "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"***

***LSB 655***

***Looking forward to Living as a Minority, Part 7***

***June 18/19, 2016***

***808, 848 (602, 845, 684) 829***

***A Crisis Averted***

Again, here is a sign of the kind of conflict that could ruin the church, but an honest and open discussion led to a satisfactory conclusion. It is important to note how an internal struggle can side track a congregation from its true mission. "House-keeping details" need to be addressed quickly and openly so that the congregation can get back to business - Christ's business.

# Register MY CHILD to attend VBS, Ocean Commotion!



**June 27-30, 2016: 8:00 am - 11:00 am**  
**(\$15.00 per child/\$35 family max)**

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: Male Female  
Birthdate \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Grade completed \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Parents/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Work phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency contact \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Please place my child with \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of home church \_\_\_\_\_  
Food allergies Y \_\_\_ N \_\_\_ List \_\_\_\_\_  
Medical concerns Y \_\_\_ N \_\_\_ Explain \_\_\_\_\_

## *Volunteer Registration* (7<sup>th</sup> grade and older for the 2016-17 school year)

### Before VBS, I would like to help by:

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Praying                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Preparing craft materials        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Helping with administrative tasks | <input type="checkbox"/> Planning decorations             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decorating classrooms             | <input type="checkbox"/> Painting banners, backdrops, set |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building sets                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Sewing                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning publicity                |   |

### During VBS, I would like to help in one or more of the following areas:

- |            |                                 |                                 |   |
|------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Dive Club: | <input type="checkbox"/> Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Helper | <input type="checkbox"/> Drama              |
| Crafts:    | <input type="checkbox"/> Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Helper | <input type="checkbox"/> Photographer       |
| Snacks:    | <input type="checkbox"/> Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Helper | <input type="checkbox"/> Sound/AV           |
| Games:     | <input type="checkbox"/> Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Helper | <input type="checkbox"/> Clean-up Crew      |
| Music:     | <input type="checkbox"/> Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Helper | <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher            |
| Missions:  | <input type="checkbox"/> Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Helper | <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching Assistant |
| Nursery:   | <input type="checkbox"/> Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Helper |   |

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Days Available:  Every day  Certain days (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Age-Level Preference: \_\_\_\_\_

Scan the QR code with your smartphone to be directed to St. Paul's online giving webpage.



For the most current information on St. Paul's happenings, please visit our website at splco.org.

## UPCOMING EVENTS: June 13<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>

### ADVANCE THE MISSION

### REACHING, SERVING & GROWING DISCIPLES

MONDAY June 13th	Family Promise Training Stephen Ministry Continuing Education	Fellowship Hall Room 201	6:30 pm 7:00 pm
TUESDAY June 14th	All Boards Praise Team Practice (Look2Him)	Room 219 Church	7:00 pm 7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY June 15th	Summer Worship by the Lake	Backyard	6:30 pm
THURSDAY June 16th	Praise Team Practice (In His Light)	Church	7:00 pm
SATURDAY June 18th	Saturday Evening Worship AA Meeting	Church Fellowship Hall	5:30 pm 8:30 pm
SUNDAY June 19th	Traditional Worship Adult Bible Study Coffee Fellowship Hour Living as a Minority Bible Study Contemporary Worship	Church Fellowship Hall Lobby/Outside Room 201 Church	8:00 am 9:30 am 9: 9:30 am 10:30 am

## Wednesday Summer Worship Services

Lakeside Summer Worship (in our backyard) is on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. Bring your lawn chairs! Sermons will be from the prior Sunday. (If there is inclement weather, services will be moved into the sanctuary.)

# ATTENDANCE

June 4/5/8

Church Attendance :

5:30 pm - 80

8:00 am - 105

10:30 am - 142

Lakeside - 26

353 Total; 15 visitors; 338 members

ST. PAUL'S JUNE / JULY EPISTLE IS  
NOW AVAILABLE ON OUR  
WEBSITE AT SPLCO.ORG.

**FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN**  
We rejoice to have families with small children participating in our worship services. There are baskets available with items that might be helpful for your children behind the back pews.

## THIS WEEKEND

### 5:30 PM

### 8:00 AM

### 10:30 AM

	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
<b>Music Leaders</b>	Diane Bleke	Diane Bleke	In His Light
<b>Special Music</b>	Cheryl Tesch	Cheryl Tesch	
<b>Acolytes</b>	TBD	TBD	Ethan Jacobosky
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Jean Fisher	Wendy Tesch	Sarah Neff
<b>Elders</b>	Rick Zastrow	Mike Tesch	John Melvin
<b>Greeters</b>	Brenda Nagel	Don & Harriet Goose (church) Gary Pribnow (school)	Jamie Stache
<b>Power Point</b>	N/A	N/A	Leah Johnson
<b>Radio</b>	N/A	Jim Steinberg	N/A
<b>Ushers</b>	Rick Zastrow	Todd Leonhardt	John Melvin

## June 18/19

### 5:30 PM

### 8:00 AM

### 10:30 AM

	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
<b>Readings</b>	Acts 6:1-17		John 13:12-15
<b>Acolytes</b>	TBD	TBD	TBD
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Martha Blanck	Barb Hentz	Audrey Martens & Gerri Zwieg
<b>Elders</b>	Dave Meyer	George Menden	Jon Schmeling
<b>Greeters</b>	Rick Zastrow	John & Margie Hertneky (church) Jim & Marlene Steinberg (school)	Al & Kathy Mueller
<b>Power Point</b>	N/A	N/A	Gary Pribnow
<b>Radio</b>	N/A	Chuck Muecke	N/A
<b>Ushers</b>	Mike Papa	Bob Bratz	Truman Seifert

# THE 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## Acts 5:12-42 ~ ESV

*Pew Bible pg. 1161*

Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life." And when they heard this, they entered the temple at daybreak and began to teach. Now when the high priest came, and those who were with him, they called together the council and all the senate of Israel and sent to the prison to have them brought. But when the officers came, they did not find them in the prison, so they returned and reported, "We found the prison securely locked and the guards standing at the doors, but when we opened them we found no one inside." Now when the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these words, they were greatly perplexed about them, wondering what this would come to. And someone came and told them, "Look! The men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people." Then the captain with the officers went and brought them, but not by force, for they were afraid of being stoned by the people. And when they had brought them, they set them before the council. And the high priest questioned them, saying, "We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this

man's blood upon us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him." When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while. And he said to them, "Men of Israel, take care what you are about to do with these men. For before these days Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and all who followed him were scattered. So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!" So they took his advice, and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

## Matthew 10:28-31 ~ ESV

*Pew Bible pg. 1036*

And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.

June 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016