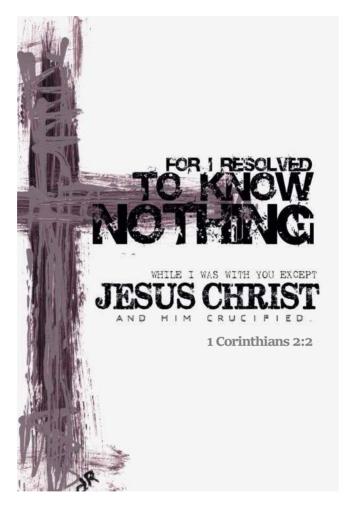
# St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, School and Kinder Place

(The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod)





210 East Pleasant Street
Oconomowoc, Wisconsin 53066
Church Office: 262-567-5001 Website: www.splco.org

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

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

Rev. Lance Armstrong O'Donnell, Senior Pastor Rev. Steven Scharnell, Associate Pastor Rev. Paul Borgman, Pastor Emeritus Jonathon Pickelmann, Principal Volume 23 Adam Tanney, Youth Director Diane Bleke, Organist/Choir Director Christine Flores, Kinder Place Director

Office Hours - 7:00 am - 4:00 pm

Number 6

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 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 FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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

Pastor Emeritus: John Kelling

Theme: Nothing But Christ Crucified

<u>Traditional Worship</u>

Lutheran Service Book, Divine Service 3, pg. 184

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 by a member in praise to God for blessings received. St. Paul's 8:00 am church service can be heard Sunday over WTKM (104.9 FM) and worldwide at wtkm.com.

## REACHING DISCIPLES

#### LWML

#### MISSION MINUTE UPDATE

SWD Grant #1 Church Without Walls Deaf Ministries for \$16,500 has been paid in full. This grant will improve the spiritual life of the deaf through the purchase of broadcast computers/laptops; digital camera equipment; expansion of online production resources and training of people to use this newly updated equipment.

The national mission grant projects, needs \$359,833 to fund 6 more grants to reach their \$2 million goal before the convention in Albuquerque, NM in June. Twenty-five percent of all mites collected go to national to fund these grants. Dig out that old Mite Box in this new year and help fund these last grants!

LWML meets Tuesday, February 7th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Remember your Mites!

#### LCMS STEWARDSHIP SENTENCES

Matthew 17:8 "And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only." Jesus is enough. Moses and Elijah point to Jesus and are happy to fade into the background. With our eyes focused on Him and Him alone the rest of our lives come into focus. He is primary, all else secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place.

# SERVING DISCIPLES

#### **CHURCH CARPETING**

On behalf of Ladies Aid's 130<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrated in 2016, we made a commitment to replace St. Paul's church carpeting, which is over 25 years-old. The estimates we received ranged from \$21,000 to \$24,000. This is in part due to whether we can recruit volunteers to rip up the old carpeting. This process will only begin when we have the <u>full</u> funding for the project. At this time, the Ladies Aid has gifted \$10,000 and we have received over \$2,000 in donations. We're already almost halfway there!

Samples of the new carpeting will be available for viewing in the narthex in the near future. God has blessed us so abundantly, we would like to do our part in beautifying His house of worship.

If your heart has been touched, you may make a donation to the "Ladies Aid Carpet Fund" and drop it in the offering plate or bring it to the church office. A huge "thank you" to those who have given, either through a memorial or in-kind. Continue to watch the bulletin for updates on funding.

### ASH WEDNESDAY DINNER



Ash Wednesday is on March 1st. There will be a 12:15 pm worship service and a 6:30 pm worship service. Prior to the evening service, from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm, St. Paul's Journeymen will be serving dinner. The menu is as follows:

Chicken
Green Beans
Mashed Potatoes
Desserts
Beverages

A free-will offering will be collected and proceeds will go to Larry Hansen.



# Culver's/St. Paul's Oconomowoc A.C.T. "Family Night Out"

Present this coupon when ordering, inside or drive-thru

 $10\,\%$  of your purchase will be donated to:

St. Paul's A.C.T.

Valid Only: Tuesday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 4 pm-8 pm

Oconomowoc Location, 262-567-8860

Cashier to complete: Sale Amount:

\$

Flavor of the day: GERMAN CHOCOLATE FUDGE

#### The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer
The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany: Nothing But Christ Crucified
February 6-12, 2017

#### Nothing But Christ Crucified

Our world is a busy place with many distractions and false promises. Even the Christian can be easily led astray by what others are doing in the name of religion. But we Lutheran Christians focus on the one true promise and hope only the real God could give - Jesus Christ, crucified and risen for the sake of all sinful mankind. It's in His crucifixion and nothing else where our sins are forgiven and the true hope and promise of eternal life is ours by faith. That is the Christian's life and the Church's mission.

#### The Order of Meditation and Prayer

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

**Verse**: Psalm 51:1-2 Have mercy upon me, O God, according to Your lovingkindness; according to the multitude of Your tender mercies, blot out my transgressions. <sup>2</sup>Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

**Psalm**: Psalm 2 and/or the appointed daily psalms for General Psalms in Psalm Schedule **LSB**, **p. 304** 

Daily Psalms	Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Morning	19	136	123	15	36	130	56	67
Evening	81,113	97, 112	30, 86	48, 4	80, 27	32, 139	100, 62	46, 93

#### The Catechism-Confession and Office of the Keys

What is Confession? Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.	Kindergarten +
What sins should we confess?  Before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord's Prayer; but before the pastor we should confess only those sins which we know and feel in our hearts.	1 <sup>st</sup> grade+
Which are these? Consider your place in life according to the Ten Commandments: Are you a father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife of worker? Have you been disobedient, unfair, or lazy? Have you ben hot-tempered, rude, or quarrelsome? Have you hurt someone by your words or deeds? Have you stolen, been negligent, wasted anything, or done any harm?	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade+

#### The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany: Nothing But Christ Crucified

Day	Bible Stories for the Family & School	Daily prayer readings from LSB, p. 299ff.			
Sun.	The Transfiguration of Our Lord— Matthew 17:1-9	Job 2:1-3:10	John 1:19-34		
Mon.	Joseph's Cup Is Found in Benjamin's Sack— Genesis 44:1-17	Job 3:11-26	John 1:35-51		
Tue.	Judah Intercedes for Benjamin Before Joseph—Genesis 44:18–45:3	Job 4:1-21	John 2:1-12		
Wed.	Joseph Forgives His Brothers— Genesis 45:4-28	Job 5:1-27	John 2:13-25		
Thur.	Jacob Journeys to Egypt to See Joseph— Genesis 46:1-27	Job 6:1-13	John 3:1-21		
Fri.	Lutheran Service Book Readings	Job 3:14-30	John 3:22-4:6		

Prayers: Collects for the Week, Daily Themes for Prayer, In Our Prayers at St. Paul's
O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the
hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power;
through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### 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.

Pray for marriage and family, that hyphands and wives parents and children

**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 – Keith & Ronna Pagenkopf; Paul Eggers; John Albright—back injury; Kaylyn Nord—knee injury; Larry Hansen; Bill & Margaret Voss for their new home at Lake Country Landing; August Fortmann; Ken Groenke; Tim Bratz; Laura Gruen—brain cancer; Esther Hart; Louise Lang; Marguerite Schneider; Ethan Meyer—brain tumor; Mabel Fredrick; Agnes Thurow; Alice Feldschneider; Linda Hansen (Steve's wife); Marian Faltersack; Iris Jahnke; Rick Ware; Ed Krelwitz; Harry & Dorothy Peterson (Shorehaven); Barb Krug; Crystal Parker.

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS – Those with cancer: Grandpa Dave (family friend of Nagel's)—bladder cancer; Beth Etzel—stage four pancreatic cancer; co-worker of Michelle Pagenkopf; Mike—cancer in bones; Dawn Hirn—ovarian cancer; Kathe Keithley—breast cancer; Ron Olson (Laura Rohowetz's father); Roy Hyatt—cancer returned; Daina Boppr—breast cancer; Quinn—breast cancer; Isiah Butler—Lymphoma; Dan Rogers (Jon Schmeling's brother-in-law)—bladder cancer; Julie; Joanne Montanegro-Greinke; Michael Graham; Jenny Lemke (friend of the Uttech's); Kayla (7 years-old)—brain cancer; Cheri (Tina Gartzke's friend); Linda F—breast cancer; Jack Anderson; Kim B.—breast cancer; 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:** Megan Bertram; Jane Nordstrom (Lois Wolf's mom) - continued healing & good test results; Rose (Pastor Krug's aunt); Kelly Braswell (BJ Lavota's sister) - MS; Bob King; Barb Schlomer (Dave's mom)—severe headaches; Dale Berger (Victoria's brother)—recovering from stroke; Cory—healing; Kathy Kraklau (Susan DeWitz's mom)—stroke; Mary—thyroid nodules; Brayden Stacey—2 year-old with brain tumor; Ken; Don; Bruce—open heart surgery; Curt G.;

Maddie Ratzow's grandma's eye & her grandpa's shoulder; Donald Ryan (Gail Frosch's dad); Ashlin—stage 4 renal failure; Clem - high calcium heart; Ken (Kathie Ware's twin brother)—congestive heart failure; Mary Dinnauer (Matt's aunt) - surgery on February 6<sup>th</sup>; Bob—prostrate problems; Linda—diabetic dementia; Sharon—probiotic/kidney problems; Kelly; Brian Kloskowski—MS; Logyn; Pat—afib; TJ Easley (Dawn Lower's brother-in-law); 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; Charles Tuff (Alzheimer's); Paul Fellin

**Those serving in the military-deployed:** PFC Nicholas Lang (South Korea); Sgt. Tyler Peartree; Zach Howard, Theresa; Phil Preston; Captain Chad Kelling; 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 Stephen Ministry program—for the teachers and students; the Ellenberger family; Josh, for help with alcoholism; David; those struggling with addiction-Bob, Andy, George, Dan, Dee; Sarah, Keri.

Birthday: Larry Hansen-71<sup>st</sup>-February 7<sup>th</sup>

Lord's Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism Hymn of the Week: "Thy Strong Word"

LSB 578

Looking forward to the 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

February 11/12, 2017

Hymns: 686, 645 (394, 872, 707) 650

#### **God Knows the Heart (Pastor Scharnell)**

Because all Commandments come from God, all must be obeyed perfectly. Even one violation falls short of the righteousness God requires. Let's face it, we all fall short. Our only hope for salvation is to trust the reconciliation that Christ accomplished by His sacrificial death. Having been reconciled to God, we may be reconciled with one another.

#### LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR

Jesus has brought love to fullness for us (Matthew 5:17-18) by giving Himself freely to us (1 Corinthians 2:2, 12) as Lord and Savior. Including the vulnerable ones around us in this abundant life (Isaiah 58:6-7) imparts shades and tastes of heaven (Matthew 5:13-14) that exceed whatever aggression and apathy can offer (Matthew 5:19-20). Almighty God, grant us the joy of sharing in Your self-giving. Amen.

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPONSOR A RADIO BROADCAST?

Our radio broadcast over WTKM is a very important outreach for our congregation. Below are the dates open for the year **2017**. Please prayerfully consider sponsoring one of these Sundays. The cost is **\$95.00**. We praise God for this valuable community outreach. **You may also contribute any amount to the "radio fund" at any time.** 

Mar. 12	May 14	Sept 3	Dec. 3
Mar. 19	Jun. 4	Sept. 17	Dec. 10
Apr. 2	Jun. 18	Nov. 5	Dec. 17
Apr. 16 (6 am)	July 23	Nov. 19	
Apr. 30	Aug. 6	Nov. 23	

If you are interested in sponsoring a broadcast please fill out the bottom portion of this page and hand it into the church office.

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DATE: 1 <sup>ST</sup> CHOICE	2 <sup>ND</sup> CHOICE
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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: February 6<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup> **ADVANCE THE MISSION** REACHING, SERVING & GROWING DISCIPLES

MONDAY February 6 <sup>th</sup>	Lord's Cupboard Open Pantry Stephen Ministry Training	Hallway Room 201	5:30 pm 6:00 pm
TUESDAY February 7 <sup>th</sup>	LWML	Fellowship Hall	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY February 8 <sup>th</sup>	Senior Adult Bible Study Parish Choir 5 Love Languages Bible Study Adult Choir	Room 219 Balcony Room 219 Balcony	12:00 pm 5:20 pm 6:15 pm 7:20 pm
THURSDAY February 9 <sup>th</sup>	Praise Team Practice	Church	7:00 pm
SATURDAY February 11 <sup>th</sup>	Iraditional Workhin Conuco		7:30 am 5:30 pm 8:30 pm
Traditional Worship Time to Grow (Sunday School) Adult Bible Study February 12 <sup>th</sup> Public School Confirmation Class Contemporary Worship Sunday Night Alive (5 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> )		Church Various Rooms Fellowship Hall Room 219 Church Room 138/Gym	8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 6:00 pm



#### **January 28/29**

#### **Church Attendance:**

5:30 pm—185

8:00 am-141

10:30 am-163

489 Total; 36 visitors; 453 members

ST. PAUL'S FEBRUARY 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
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Music Leaders	Diane Bleke	Diane Bleke	In His Light
Special Music	Parish Choir	SPLS Concert Choir	
Acolytes	Clayton Petersen	Makenna Paar & Katie Watterson	Nathan Oelsner & Levi Benes
Altar Guild	Mary Ann Ashworth	Barb Hentz	Audrey Martens & Gerri Zwieg
Elders	Bryan Polinske	Rick Zastrow	Scott Kalien
Greeters	John Melvin	Jim & Marlene Steinberg (church) Shirley Smart (school)	Kim Tuff
Lectors	Amy Hackbarth	Chad Eberhardt	
Power Point	N/A	N/A	Erik Benes
Radio	N/A	Jim Steinberg	N/A
Ushers	Dan Friedrich	Rick Zastrow	Scott Kalien

#### NEXT WEEKEND 5:30 PM 8:00 AM 10:30 AM

Readings	Deut. 30:15-20	1 Cor. 3:1-9	Matt. 5:21-37
Acolytes	Tyler Flood & Levi Benes	Katie & Kody Watterson	Hannah Tuff & Hannah Showen
Altar Guild	Martha Blanck	Leslyn Mueller	Barb Star
Elders	Dave Meyer	Arno Kirchenwitz	Jon Schmeling
Greeters	Michelle & Brigitte Schlomer	Ralph & Donna Andrus (church) Don & Harriet Groose (school)	Brenda Nagel
Lectors	Erik Benes	Jim Steinberg	
Power Point	N/A	N/A	Jamie Stache
Radio	N/A	Cheryl Tesch	N/A
Ushers	Gary Flanagan	Bob Bratz	Truman Seifert

#### THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

#### Isaiah 58:3-9a ~ ESV

Pew Bible pg. 785

'Why have we fasted, and you see it not? Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it?' Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure, and oppress all your workers. Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to hit with a wicked fist. Fasting like yours this day will not make your voice to be heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day for a person to humble himself? Is it to bow down his head like a reed, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? Will you call this a fast, and a day acceptable to the LORD? "Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover him, and not to hide yourself from your own flesh? Then shall your light break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up speedily; your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear quard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry, and he will say, 'Here I ām.'

#### 1 Corinthians 2:1-12~ESV

Pew Bible pg. 1211

And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God. Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him"— these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God.

#### St. Matthew 5:13-20 ~ ESV

Pew Bible pg. 1029 [Jesus said:] "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet. You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."