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Weekly Announcements

February 23, 2025



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Worship Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Special services during Advent, Lent & Summer

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leaping Leprechauns!

February has sure flown by and it's time to think about Ladies Aid's March meeting. Barb Brockway, a Chapter Co-Ordinator for Project Linus, will be our guest speaker. Project Linus provides blankets to needy children across the United States. Please plan on joining us on Thursday, March 6th, at 5:30pm. We'd love it if you would bring a friend. Also, any donations of new blankets suitable for children would be greatly appreciated, so bring them along too!

Lenten Devotions

"Daily Reflections" for the Lenten Season produced by our friends at Higher Things and are available for pick up after the worship services. The Daily Reflections actually begin with the Transfiguration on March 2nd, and end on Holy Saturday, April 19th. If you'd like to scroll through them on your phone or tablet instead, here's a link to the same material set up for easy scrolling.
<https://higherthings.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/Reflections-Transfiguration-through-Holy-Saturday-Scrolling.pdf>



Repentance starts with being honest before God and with ourselves about who we are. When it comes to sin, everyone has a natural impulse to hide, but repentance means finding the courage to be honest. It also means having faith in the promise of forgiveness. But being honest about faith means recognizing that faith is contested not only by society, but by our own experiences,

and sometimes seemingly by the actions of God himself.

Repentance means becoming more human, not less. Because our thoughts, desires, and actions are so linked with sin, it is easy to view repentance as fighting against our humanity as if holiness meant trying to stifle as many of our natural human impulses as possible. But, honest repentance recognizes that sin is the thing that stifles our humanity. Honest repentance results in our natural impulses functioning more as God designed them.

In order to explore the themes our Midweek readings are from texts assigned for the Easter Vigil. These readings capture the broad sweep of God's saving acts culminating in baptism and the Christian use of baptism through "daily contrition and repentance," as the Small Catechism puts it. Please join us this Lenten Season as we explore *Honest Repentance*.

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Martin + Katie CONFERENCE



University Lutheran Church
Champaign, Illinois

29 March 2025

Lutheran fellowship for
young adults

Join us in Champaign, IL on Saturday, March 29, 2025 to grow as Christian men and women, meet new friends, get to know each other, and have fun. The conference is open to Lutheran young adults, ages 18-30. Married or single are welcome. Registration is required, as capacity is limited. Please register no later than Friday, March 21st. Pastor Lance and Carrie O'Donnell will be the speakers. For more information visit the website at

<https://uniluchampaign.org/mpluskconference/>



Looking for livestream volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help with running the livestream worship services on Sundays at 8am. Teams of two are very helpful. You don't need to be tech savvy or computer literate, just be able to push a button. 😊 Confirmands, this is a wonderful way for you to complete your service requirements. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Heather in the church office at 262.567.5001 or via email at heather@splco.org.

St. Paul's 160th Anniversary

Church Friends, I have been asked to write a Brief History of St. Paul's from 1865-2025. Most of the "old" history is written, but I have a great need to ask you for your recollections, too. Since Carol Allen and I did a church history book for our 150th, that part is pretty well covered. What I need now is member input from 2015 to date. An event, a change, something you really enjoyed...anything is fine. So, please take a piece of paper, grab a pen, and start a list of things you would like to share. If you want to remain anonymous that is fine. I am looking for the facts. If you need to be recognized, please sign your name, include a recent self-photo and see what happens! REALLY! I am serious now...Questions? You may text me at 262-354-4203. Thank you for your help.

-Pat Borgman

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St. Paul's Youth Group

February Events

- February 23rd MS & HS lunch in FH at 11:30am, then rollerskating at Skate Express

March Events

- March 2nd HS Youth Group (7-8:30pm)
- March 9th Youth Group lunch & tubing after 10:30 am service
- March 16th HS Youth Group (7-8:30pm)
- March 23rd MS (5:30-7:00 pm) & HS (7:00-8:30 pm)
- March 30th **Krazy Golf** after 10:30 Service



St. Paul's Youth Group will be going tubing at Sunburst in Kewaskum on March 9th. Pizza will be served right after 10:30 Service and we will head out at 12:00. Our reservation at Sunburst is 1:00-3:00. Below is the link to sign up and purchase your ticket at the group rate.

<https://shop.skisunburst.com/groups>, and use group code **PY25** to login. Ticket must be purchased by 3/2 at 11:59 pm. If you already purchased a ticket for the previous date, no need to purchase another ticket. We will be looking for volunteers to help transport the youth group kids to Sunburst. Please let us know if you are willing to drive and how many youths you can transport.

Happy 80th Birthday, Duane Peterson!

Please join us in an open house celebrating Duane Peterson's 80th birthday - Sunday, March 9th, in the Fellowship Hall from 2:00-5:00pm. Refreshments, cake, desserts, and cheese/sausage/crackers will be provided.

LWML

LWML meets on Tuesday, March 4th, at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall.

EVERYONE is invited to attend the annual Zone 17 Prayer Service on March 4th, at 1:30pm, at St. John's, Sullivan, as we prepare our hearts for Lent. Refreshments to follow.

2025 Christmas Market

We are very excited to say that we will again be doing the "Christmas Market" for the students at St. Paul's in December. If you are interested in helping or crafting in any way, please contact Tammy Horton (262.607.1211) or Sue Lindemann (262.567.8985). Any and all helping hands will again be greatly appreciated. Thank you and God's blessings.

Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer

The Seventh Sunday after Epiphany: *Love Your Enemies?*

February 23 – March 2, 2025

Love Your Enemies?

Your inheritance as a child of Adam is sin and death, but in Christ you are made alive through His resurrection from the dead (1 Cor. 15:21–22). As you have died with Him in Holy Baptism, so are you raised with Him to newness of life. Therefore, “do not go on sinning” (1 Cor. 15:34). Instead of serving your desires and harming your neighbors, live as “sons of the Most High,” and “be merciful, even as your Father is merciful” (Luke 6:35–36). Deal with others as you would have others deal with you (Luke 6:31, 37–38). As Christ loved you when you were at enmity with Him, as He blessed and prayed for those who abused Him, and as He did good to those who hated Him and hurt Him, so also “love your enemies, do good” (Luke 6:27–29, 35). For God sent His Son to bear the cross and suffer death, not to condemn the guilty, but “to preserve life.” So does He provide a place for you within His Church, where He is near and deals kindly with “you and your children and your children’s children” (Gen. 45:5–10).

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

Christ-Centered Theme: The Son of God is merciful and forgives your sins, giving you His mercy to love and forgive.

Verse: John 6:54 Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

Psalm: Psalm 44 and/or the appointed daily psalms for General Psalms in Psalm Schedule **LSB**, p. 304

Catechism—Sacrament of the Altar: Where is this written? (sung) What is the benefit of this eating and drinking? How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?

<p><i>What is the Sacrament of the Altar?</i> It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink.</p>	1 st grade+
<p><i>What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?</i> These words, Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins, show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.</p>	1 st grade+
<p><i>How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?</i> Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: forgiveness of sins.</p>	2 nd grade+

The Seventh Sunday after Epiphany: *Love Your Enemies?*

Day	Bible Stories for Families with Young Children	Readings for Adults & Older Children	
Sun.	God Provides Quail and Manna: Exodus 16	Psalm 110, 66, 23	Luke 6:27-38
Mon.	The Ten Commandments: Exodus 19-20	Psalm 62, 73, 8	Dt 33:1-29
Tue.	The Ways of God: Exodus 33-34, 40	Psalm 13, 36, 5	Dt 34:1-12
Wed.	The Twelve Spies in Canaan: Numbers 13-14	Psalm 96, 132, 134	Jsh 1:1-18
Thur.	The Bronze Serpent: Numbers 21, 33	Psalm 116, 26, 130	Jsh 2:1-3:17
Fri.	Good-bye Moses: Deuteronomy 18, 34	Psalm 85, 25, 40	Jsh 4:1-5:12
Sat.	Sunday's Gospel Reading: Luke 9:28-36	Psalm 61, 138, 98	Jsh 5:13-7:26

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

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Daily Themes for Prayer

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 –Janet Dahm–knee surgery; Joanne Kullman; Carol Fellin–cancer care; Jim Braatz; William Kuebler–cancer; Dorothy Duchow; Carole Schmeda; Bruce Bojko–cancer; Ruth Polcha; Bill Anderson; John Lindemann; Gary Flanagan; Virginia Meintz; Belle Rombach; Nancy Wolter; Don Meyer–cancer; Ann Duggan; Jim Duggan; Marilyn Marohn–broken hip; Sally Eubanks; Dick Allen; Truman Seifert–acute myeloid leukemia; Carolyn Nagel–lung cancer; Don Schmitt; Karen Meyer–cancer; George Menden–prostate cancer; Diane Gartzke–post traumatic stress disorder; Stan Kuehl; Marian Faltersack; Michael Stollenwerk; Marilyn Runyard; Richard Schultz; Vernon Schilling–cancer; Marcus Pankow–cancer; Linda Leidel; Lucille Campbell–cancer treatment

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS – Those with cancer: Marna–liver cancer; Daniel (Bill Merten's brother); Curt Duchow (Dorothy's son)–mantle cell lymphoma; Rhonda–breast cancer; Hailey–13 year-old w/ brain tumor; JoyAnn; Dan Faltersack–COPD; Jeff–stage four colon cancer; Dick Watt; Betty Dow (Linda Uttech's cousin)–Leukemia; Jeff–non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; Jayne Roberts' husband–lymphoma; Cheech Counsell (Dona Thurow's son-in-law); Tyler; Christopher–cancer; Tanner–2 year-old with cancer; Missy (Sheila Ram's niece)–breast cancer; Dawn–lung cancer; Jim (Jackie Meyer's dad); Jim (Laura Grubba's brother-in-law); Phyllis; Mike; Elizabeth–breast cancer; Kayla–thyroid cancer; Erin (Mileager)–Rayborn–Hodgkins Lymphoma; Mary Sprague–breast cancer; Debra Thurow (Dona's daughter); Kathy Berkbigler (Pat Borgman's cousin)–breast cancer; Ron Rafalski–throat cancer; Nancy–breast cancer

Other: Tom (Jamie Stache’s boyfriend)—stroke; Dennis—COPD; Dorothy Steinke—Alzheimer’s; Trish Lederer—vision issues; Patricia Eberhardt (Chad’s mom); Brent (Barb Allwardt’s brother)—Alzheimer’s; Cindy Counsell (Dona Thurow’s daughter)—massive stroke; Paul; Bob; George; Paul; Liz Peronto (Barb Allwardt’s sister); Doug—CCL; Scott Kleist (Jim & Ann Duggan’s son)—MS; Paul Fellin

Those serving in the military-deployed: Joe; Sam Duggan; Justin Michener; Zach Howard; Theresa; Phil Preston; Casey, Phil, Andy & Steve Koth; Luke; Jacob; Brian; Randy; Kyle; Jake; Jeff; Matt; Brad; Ben; Mike & Rob

Those serving God as missionaries: Rev. Shauen & Krista Trump & family; Dennis Denow (Thailand), Bob & Chris Prouty (Australia), Pastor Reinke (Deaf Ministry), Rev. Bud Palmer; Rev. Ted Krey, Deaconess, Tirzah Krey in the Dominican Republic; all seminary students in the Dominican Republic, and all other pastors and missionaries in Latin America

Those in need: Our Shut-Ins; Sam—a young man struggling to make good choices; those struggling with addiction; Jennifer; Brian; David

Anniversary: Art & Phyllis Schuck—63rd—February 24th

Birthday: Phyllis Schuck—82nd—February 23rd

Lord’s Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism
Hymn of the Week: O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth

LSB 834

Looking forward to the Transfiguration of Our Lord

March 2, 2025

Hymns: *Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery*, 413 (415, 631, 414) 417

The Glory of God Is Manifested in the Body of Christ (Pastor Schockman)

“Moses was faithful in all God’s house as a servant,” but Christ Jesus *“has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses”* (Heb. 3:3, 5). A beloved and well-pleasing Son, who in His body brought the kingdom of God to us was faithful even to the point of death, Jesus’ own body was raised up on the third day as the house of God, and He has brought us into that house through the waters of Holy Baptism (Heb. 3:6). Thus, it was not Moses, the lawgiver, but his successor, Joshua (the Hebrew name for Jesus), who led the people into the Promised Land (Deut. 34:1–4, 9). Now, on the Mount of Transfiguration, the New Testament Joshua appears in the glory that He is about to manifest by His *“departure”* (exodus) in Jerusalem (Luke 9:31). Having entered the waters of the Jordan in His Baptism, He passed through those waters and entered into glory by His cross and Passion. What He thereby accomplished in His own flesh and blood, crucified and risen, He reveals and gives to His Body, the Church, by the means of His Word. Therefore, the Father declares from heaven, *“Listen to him!”* (Luke 9:35).

4th GRADE HAPPENINGS

Fourth grade is a busy year. We learn about our state of Wisconsin. Each student gathers different information about our state and keeps a binder. Every fall, FFA- Future Farmers of America- invite our 4th graders to learn about agriculture and farm animals. Through the Discover Dairy Program (Dairy Excellence Foundation) fourth graders have adopted a COW! Disco Diva was born on September 13, 2024, at the Orthridge Jerseys Dairy Farm near Lancaster, Wisconsin. The owners send monthly updates on how quickly Disco Diva is growing. The students complete mini-lessons associated with agriculture, diet, housing, and vaccinations.

Watch Your Calf Grow



Disco Diva

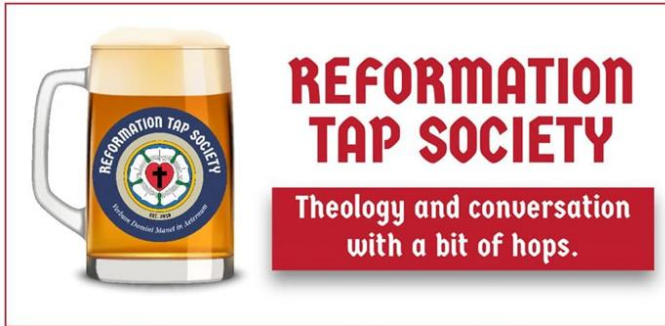
Currently, the students are studying weather and keeping a daily weather log. They have drawn the water cycle, learned about weather instruments that are used for measuring air and water pressure, the speed of the wind, and various other tools. We are experimenting with ice and melting snow in a jar.

This year the weather allows us to ice skate on Fowler Lake, one of their favorite activities during recess.



Learning cursive is a highlight for some. By the end of the school year, all written work is done in cursive.

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Reformation Tap Society talks are casual and thoughtful adult conversations about important things. The 2024-2025 RTS season explores many facets of grit and endurance under the theme “Unshakeable Joy in Christ.” Though we welcome adults of any age, topics and language are aimed at those 18-35. Our speakers understand that RTS is a public event, so the conversation won’t be raw, but our speakers are encouraged to practice candor geared towards adults. Parents of young ones should collaborate on a babysitter, then come and enjoy the beverages, food, and conversation. RTS is an opportunity to hear perspectives not regularly heard in popular culture. All are welcome.

RTS is held on the 3rd Sundays, September through May. We gather at 5 p.m., have a “beer talk” from the brewmaster at about 5:25, and at about 5:30 our speaker takes the mic. The speaker will present on a topic of interest, then take questions until 6:15 or so. (BTW, you’re welcome even if you’re not a beer fan. Other beverages are available.) For more information, visit

<https://splco.org/church/reformation-tap-society/>.

March 16

**The Joy of the Resurrection:
Making a Joyful Confession from Beyond the Grave— Notes on Cremation**

Presenter: Silas Hasselbrook

5-7p.m.

BrewFinity Brewery
N58W38900 Industrial Rd. Suite D
Oconomowoc, WI 53066
www.brewfinitybrewing.com

**First time guests
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beer or soda on us!**

WEEK AT A GLANCE

MONDAY February 24	Lord's Lambs Giveaway	Fellowship Hall	6:00 pm
WEDNESDAY February 26	W.O.W.: Vo-Tech Evangelism	Room 219	6:30 pm
THURSDAY February 27	Church Choir Rehearsal Praise Team Rehearsal	Church Church	6:30 pm 7:30 pm
SATURDAY March 1	Women of Joy Bible Study Divine Worship AA Meeting	Whelan's Church Fellowship Hall	8:00 am 5:00 pm 8:30 pm
SUNDAY March 2	Divine Worship Blood Pressure Screening Public School Confirmation Sunday School Life Application Bible Study Divine Worship High School Youth Group	Church Office Room 219 Meet in Gym Fellowship Hall Church Gym/Room 219Y	8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 7:00 pm

BIBLE STUDIES

Life Application Bible Study

Sunday: 9:15 am – Fellowship Hall
262-567-5001

Women of Joy

Saturday (1st & 3rd) - 8:00 am
Whelan's

Journeyman

Saturday (2nd & 4th) - 7:30 am
Maxim's

W.O.W. Vo-Tech

Wednesday: 6:30 pm – Room 219
262-567-5001

Sunday School

Sunday: 9:15 am – Meet in Gym
February 23, 2025

Called Christian

Bible Truth: The Holy Spirit works through God's Word.
Acts 9.26-31; 11.19-30

NEXT WEEKEND

	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Readings	Deut 34.1-12	Heb 3.1-6	Lk 9.28-36
Acolytes	TBD	Ryan Edwards	TBD
Altar Guild	Michelle Wilson	Amber Butler	Marcie Nelson
Elders	Arno Kirchenwitz	Dan Eifert	Tom Showen
Greeters	Mark & Sue Baganz	Dave & Bonnie Schlieve Dutch & Lynda Holland	Al Mueller
Live-Stream	N/A	Hertneky	N/A
Radio	N/A	Jim Juneau	N/A
Ushering Team	Gary Flanagan	Dave Meyer	Tom Showen

MARCH 2, 2025

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

Pastor: Jason A. Schockman

Theme: *The Glory of God Is Manifested in the Body of Christ*

5pm & 8am Worship

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10:30am Worship

Special Order

ST. PAUL'S STAFF

Rev. Lance Armstrong O'Donnell, Senior Pastor
Allison Mackie, Director of Parish Music
Jill George, Principal

Rev. Jason Schockman, Associate Pastor
Christine Flores, ECC Director

Office Hours: 7:00 am – 3:30 pm (Monday-Friday)

The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 45:3–15

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence.

So Joseph said to his brothers, "Come near to me, please." And they came near. And he said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; do not tarry. You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, and your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. There I will provide for you, for there are yet five years of famine to come, so that you and your household, and all that you have, do not come to poverty.' And now your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father of all my honor in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them. After that his brothers talked with him.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:21–26, 30–42

For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Why am I in danger every hour? I protest, brothers, by my pride in you, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die every day! What do I gain if, humanly speaking, I fought with beasts at Ephesus? If the dead are not raised, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." Do not be deceived:

"Bad company ruins good morals." Wake up from your drunken stupor, as is right, and do not go on sinning. For some have no knowledge of God. I say this to your shame.

But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" You foolish person! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. For not all flesh is the same, but there is one kind for humans, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish. There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is of one kind, and the glory of the earthly is of another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory.

So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable.

Holy Gospel: Luke 6:27–38

[Jesus said:] "But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

"If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

"Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

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Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, School, & Early Childhood Center

† Please fill out an attendance card and place it in the offering plate. † *As the prelude begins, worshipers are encouraged to conclude conversation and quietly prepare for worship.*

GUEST INFORMATION

Welcome! We're delighted that you've joined us for worship.

If you have questions, or would like more information about St. Paul's, a greeter, elder, or pastor will be happy to help you.

Please fill out an attendance card, located on the pew in front of you, and place it in the offering plate.

We welcome young children to the service. Try sitting closer to the front by a side aisle. There are activity bags located behind the back pews, and a simulcast downstairs if necessary.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord's Supper is not a private meal, but a body-and-soul communion with Christ and His body, the Church. In keeping with the Lord's instruction (cf. 1 Corinthians 11.17-34) and with the common historical practice of the church, St. Paul's welcomes only those who are in full confessional agreement to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. If you hold a confession differing from The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod or are not yet confirmed in our confession of faith, we welcome you to come forward for a blessing (Please indicate by folding your hands over your heart.). If you are physically unable to come forward, please let an usher know and the pastor will come to you and give you communion. Those communing should mark this on the attendance card. If you have questions, our pastors will be pleased to speak with you.

Distribution and Communion Wine

Please place open hands out to receive the Body of Christ and also to indicate whether you are receiving the Blood of Christ from the common cup or the individual cup. The wine glasses in the center of each tray contain **one drop** of communion wine. The glasses that contain more wine are dark in color.

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

5:00 pm – 89 **Total: 380**
8:00 am – 121
10:30 am – 170

Scan the QR code and give electronically. This is a safe and easy way to offer your gifts to God.



THOSE SERVING THIS WEEKEND

	5pm	8am	10:30am
Liturgist	Ps. O'Donnell	Ps. O'Donnell	Ps. O'Donnell
Preacher	Ps. Schockman	Ps. Schockman	Ps. Schockman
Musicians	Allison Mackie	Allison Mackie	Praise Team
Acolytes	Augie Meyer	TBD	TBD
Altar Guild	Jackie Meyer	Barb Hentz	Karen Gotthardt
Elders	Dave Meyer	Rick Zastrow	Ryan Schneider
Greeters	Char Binney	Dave & Bonnie Schliewe Bruce & Mary Bojko	Gary & Leah Johnson
Live Stream	N/A	Grace Schockman Brenainn O'Donnell	N/A
Radio	N/A	Chuck Muecke	N/A
Ushering Team	Dan Friedrich	Rick Zastrow	Mike Neff

Prayer before communing:

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this Holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Radio Broadcast: Art & Phyllis Schuck in praise to God for their 63rd wedding anniversary on February 24th and Phyllis's birthday on February 23rd

ST. PAUL'S MEDIA

† **Radio: LIVE Sunday at 8am on WTKM (104.9 FM)**
† **YouTube: LIVE Sundays at 8am (stpaulsev.lutheranchurch7279)**
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† *Processional*

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Announcements

Sermon Outline: *Love Your Enemies?*

by Rev. Jason A. Schockman, Associate Pastor
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

The Seventh Sunday after The Epiphany
23 February, A.D. 2025
Gen 45.3-15; 1 Cor 15.21-26,30-42; Lk 6.27-38

In the many imperatives found in our text, what is Jesus unpacking?

Which commandments in particular are involved in this?

How do you begin to show this love?

How does our Old Testament reading reflect this?

What motivates us to love those who hate us?

Is Jesus just an example and motivator in this? What else does He do?

When Jesus calls you to these imperatives, what else does He say?




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