#### 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)

# St. Bartholomew, Apostle

# **Old Testament Reading: Proverbs 3:1-8**

My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments, for length of days and years of life and peace they will add to you.

Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart.

So you will find favor and good success in the sight of God and man.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.

In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn away from evil. It will be healing to your flesh

and refreshment to your bones.

# **Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:7–10**

But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies.

# Holy Gospel: Luke 22:24-30

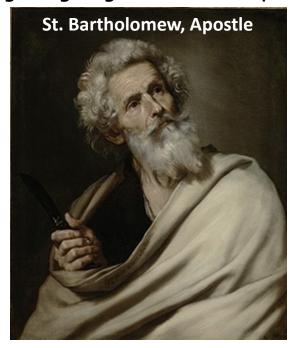
A dispute also arose among [the disciples], as to which of them was to be regarded as the greatest. And [Jesus] said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you. Rather, let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves. For who is the greater, one who reclines at table or one who serves? Is it not the one who reclines at table? But I am among you as the one who serves.

"You are those who have stayed with me in my trials, and I assign to you, as my Father assigned to me, a kingdom, that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel."





# Receiving and giving the love and hope of Christ



# **Worship Schedule**

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Special services during Advent, Lent & Summer

210 E. Pleasant St., Oconomowoc, WI 53066 262-567-5001 www.splco.org

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

- card and place it in the offering plate.
- † Please fill out an attendance † 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 guestions, 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 - 55Wed. -37

8:00 am - 181

Total: 426

10:30 am – 153

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
Altar Guild	Michelle Wilson	Amber Butler Sue Thelen	Stacey Balistreri
Elders	Rick Zastrow	Neil Anderson	Jerad Luedtke
Greeters	Char Binney	Dave & Bonnie Schliewe Rick Zastrow	Tom & Denise Showen
Live Stream	N/A	Edwards	N/A
Radio	N/A	Cheryl Tesch	N/A
Ushering Team	Rick Zastrow	Neil Anderson	Jerad Luedtke

Altar Flowers: Sponsored by Jim & Ann Duggan in praise to God for their 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 23<sup>rd</sup>

Radio Broadcast: Sponsored by a member in praise to God for blessings received

# ST. PAUL'S MEDIA

- + Radio: LIVE Sunday at 8am on WTKM (104.9 FM)
- + YouTube: LIVE Sundays at 8am (stpaulsev.lutheranchurch7279)
- + Web: Anytime at www.splco.org or YouTube

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# St. Bartholomew, Not the Greatest

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

St. Bartholomew, Apostle 24 August, A.D. 2025 Prov 3.1-8; 2 Cor 4.7-10, Lk 22.24-30

What did Bartholomew come to know and believe? Who else spoke this way?

Though our bodies a				what have
we already begun to				, what have
Confessing the deat arewhether you are livi	to live.	So how	•	
What do we learn al				our Gospel

Where does Christian talk of "greatness" need to begin and end?
What one little word makes it so hard for us to be content as a Jar of Claynot gold?
We the greatest sinners have the the real G.O.A.T!
What was Luther driving us to when he talked about the human experience this way? "Adam was living with death just an arm's length away; the fruit God had said not to eat. But we are dying with life just an arm's length away"
What do you already have? What does that mean for you?

Receiving and giving the love and hope of Christ

# **Weekly Announcements**

August 24, 2025



A member of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

# **Worship Schedule**

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Special services during Advent, Lent & Summer

### **Holy Baptism**

During the 10:30 am Worship Service, we welcome **Amelia Grace** into St. Paul's church family. She is the daughter of Brett & Kerri (Foster) Helwig. Her sponsors are Jordan Helwig & Jamie Halleen. We will keep Amelia 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.

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION**

# Calling ALL Children 4K-6th Grade

Sunday School starts on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Join us every Sunday for friends and fun (and sometimes food!) while learning how God loves you and is a part of your everyday life.

We encourage ALL St. Paul families (regardless of what school kids attend) to participate in Sunday School.

Sunday School begins September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025 4K (must be potty-trained) – 6th Grade 9:15 – 10:15 am Starts in school gym Ends in the classroom (parents will be given classroom assignments)

ANYTHING ELSE WE NEED TO KNOW:

You can also register by filling out this form and turning it in to the church office or by placing it in the offering plate.

CHILD'S NAME:

AGE:

GRADE:

PARENTS' NAMES:

ADDRESS:

EMAIL:

PHONE NUMBER:

ALLERGIES:

(Please place in the offering plate or turn in to the church office.)

# **Congregation at Prayer**

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer
St. Bartholomew, Apostle: St. Bartholomew, Not the Greatest
August 24–31, 2025

#### St. Bartholomew, Not the Greatest

Skinned alive! That, according to tradition, is how Bartholomew (called Nathanael in John) was martyred. Christ's preachers are not to be great lords, but servants who faithfully stay with Christ in His trials (Luke 22:24–30). They are "jars of clay"; the Savior they preach is the "surpassing power" (2 Cor. 4:7). Christ's servants are "afflicted in every way," "always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested" there (2 Cor. 4:8–10). We bear sufferings not leaning "on [our] own understanding," but trusting in the Lord (Prov. 3:5–7). Life will be manifested in our bodies, too, when the Lord brings "healing to [our] flesh and refreshment to [our] bones" in the resurrection (Prov. 3:8). For this reason, Bartholomew is often depicted holding his flayed skin. He will have need of it on the Last Day — at least for sizing.

# **Order 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.

**Christ-Centered Theme:** Christ is the greatest Savior of the greatest sinners.

# **Apostles' Creed**

**Verse:** Deuteronomy 6:4-5 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one! You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.

**Psalm:** Psalm 92 and/or the appointed daily psalms for General Psalms in Psalm Schedule **LSB**, **p. 304** 

## Catechism: Ten Commandments—First and Second Commandments

What is the First Commandment? You shall have no other gods.	Preschool +
What does this mean? We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade +
What is the Second Commandment? You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.	Preschool +
What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade +

# St. Bartholomew, Apostle: St. Bartholomew, Not the Greatest

Day	Bible Stories for Families with Young Children	Readings for Adults & Older Children	
Sun.	A Blessing for Ruth: Ruth 2-4	Psalm 67, 46, 93	Lk 22:24-30
Mon.	Hannah's Prayer: 1 Samuel 1-2	Psalm 51, 85, 47	Ps 83:1-89:52
Tue.	God's Promise: 1 Samuel 2	Psalm 54, 28, 99	Ps 90:1-95:11
Wed.	God Calls Samuel: 1 Samuel 3	Psalm 65, 125, 91	Ps. 96:1-101:8
Thur.	Saul Becomes King: 1 Samuel 8-11	Psalm 143, 81, 116	Ps 102:1-106:48
Fri.	Samuel Anoints David: 1 Samuel 16	Psalm 86, 6, 19	Ps 107:1-113:9
Sat.	Sunday's Gospel Reading: Luke 14.1-14	Psalm 122, 141, 90	Ps 114:1-118:29

Prayers: Collects for the Week, Daily Themes for Prayer, In Our Prayers at St. Paul's
Almighty God, Your Son, Jesus Christ, chose Bartholomew to be an apostle to preach the blessed
Gospel. Grant that Your Church may love what he believed and preach what he taught; through
Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and
forever. Amen

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Lord's Cupboard food pantry date changes

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Please share this with your family, friends and neighbors who could use a little extra help right now. Contact the office or email lordscupboard@splco.org with any questions or needs.

#### SWD LWML Fall Retreat

This fall's retreat is September 26-27 at Embassy Suites by Hilton MKE/Brookfield. Donna Snow is the presenter. Her topic for the weekend is *Armor of God- Your Strong Suit*. Join your fellow sisters in Christ for an inspiring weekend of strengthening to proclaim the ultimate victory in Christ. Registration forms can be found online at www.lwml swd.org or on the LWML bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. Registration deadline is September 13<sup>th</sup>.

#### Ladies Aid DATE CHANGE

Can you feel it? Something is happening! Something tremendous is happening to Ladies Aid! It's so exciting that we have to move our September meeting to a week later than normal. So please join us on Thursday **September 11**<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30pm to find out just what we have in store for you this coming year. And it would be great if you brought a friend to join in on all the excitement we have planned for you. Hope to see you on **September 11**<sup>th</sup>!

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# **Responsibilities include:**

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## **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 – Joyce Anderson; Sue Beles-broken kneecap; Phyllis Schuck-fractured foot; Carol Lenz; Catherine Weidler-Loney-cancer; Tammy Frazier-cancer; Bob Bratz; Ian McMillan; Joanne Kullman; Carol Fellin-cancer care; Jim Braatz; Ruth Polcha; Gary Flanagan; Virginia Meintz; Nancy Wolter; Don Meyer-cancer; Ann Duggan; Jim Duggan; Marilyn Marohn; Sally Eubanks; Dick Allen; Truman Seifert-acute myeloid leukemia; Carolyn Nagel-lung cancer; Don Schmitt; Karen Meyer-cancer; Stan Kuehl; Marian Faltersack; Michael Stollenwerk; Marilyn Runyard; Linda Leidel; Lucille Campbell-cancer treatment

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS – Those with cancer: Janice Mulvaney Krueger–lung cancer; Della–Diana Radtke's sister; Lauri; Steve Latino (Bruce & Mary Bojko's son-in-law)–pancreatic cancer; Dana–recent cancer diagnosis; Daniel (Bill Merten's brother); Curt Duchow (Dorothy's son)–mantle cell lymphoma; Rhonda–breast cancer; JoyAnn; Dan Faltersack–COPD; Jeff–stage four colon cancer; Jeff–non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; Missy (Sheila Ram's niece)–breast cancer; Dawn–lung cancer; Jim (Jackie Meyer's dad); Elizabeth–breast cancer; Kayla–thyroid cancer; Erin (Mileager)–Rayborn–Hodgkins Lymphoma; Mary Sprague—breast cancer; Kathy Berkbigler (Pat Borgman's cousin)–breast cancer Nancy–breast cancer

**Other:** Karen (Alfonso Flores' mom); Beth Dowhen; Baby Quinn, born prematurely; Todd (Sandy Raben-Roger's cousin) – blood clots; Dorothy–Alzheimer's; Patricia Eberhardt (Chad's mom); Brent (Barb Allwardt's brother)–Alzheimer's; 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: Madelynn Matthews—Air Force; Trevor Thiel—Alaska (Fort JBER); 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 and 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; the family of Jim Krueger (Lynn Pelnar's brother)—who passed away; Sam—a young man struggling to make good choices; those struggling with addiction; Jennifer; Brian; David

**Anniversaries:** Keith & Ronna Pagenkopf – 58<sup>th</sup> – August 19<sup>th</sup>
Jim & Ann Duggan – 45<sup>th</sup> – August 23<sup>rd</sup>

Baptism: Amelia Grace Helwig - August 24th

Lord's Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism Hymn of the Week: My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

LSB 583

August 31, 2025

Looking forward to the Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost Hymns: 845, 842 (625, 731, 620) 850

# Watch Jesus Closely (Pastor Schockman)

"Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled," Jesus proclaims, but "he who humbles himself will be exalted" (Luke 14:11). For your hope is in the name of the Lord, who humbled Himself unto death on the cross and was exalted in His resurrection. So, are you humbled by His cross, and "at the resurrection of the just," He will say to you, "Friend, move up higher" (Luke 14:10, 13–14)? By His grace, the King will honor you "in the presence of a noble," where your eyes will gaze upon the Prince, His dearly beloved Son (Prov. 25:7). As He has dealt so graciously with you, "do not neglect to do good and to share what you have" (Heb. 13:16), and "do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers" (Heb. 13:2). Watch Jesus closely, Humble yourself and exalt your neighbor.

# **WEEK AT A GLANCE**

MONDAY August 25	Lord's Cupboard Drive-Thru and Meal Lord's Lambs Giveaway	Parking Lot Fellowship Hall	5:30 pm 6:00 pm
WEDNESDAY August 27	Summer Lakeside Worship	Backyard	6:30 pm
THURSDAY August 28	New Member Sponsor Committee Meeting Praise Team Rehearsal Shut-In Visitor Training	Room 202 Church Room 202	1:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm
SATURDAY August 30			5:00 pm 8:30 pm
SUNDAY August 31	Divine Worship Life Application Bible Study Summer Sunday School Divine Worship	Church Fellowship Hall Meet in Gym Church	8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am

# **BIBLE STUDIES**

Life Application Bible Study Sunday: 9:15 am - Fellowship Hall 262-567-5001

Women of Joy
Saturday (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>) - 8:00 am
Whelan's

Sunday School
Sunday: 9:15 am - Meet in Gym
August 31, 2025
Creation 5 & 6

Journeymen Saturday (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>) - 7:30 am Maxim's

# **NEXT WEEKEND**

	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Readings	Prov 25.2-10	Heb 13.1-17	Lk 14.1-14
Altar Guild	Margie Hertneky	Megan Miller Sue Thelen	Barb Star
Elders	Chuck Laabs	Matt Dinnauer	Pat Smith
Greeters	Mark & Sue Baganz	Judy Braatz Chris & Pam Kroupa	Karen Meyer
Live-Stream	N/A	Bill & Kathy Granzin	N/A
Radio	N/A	Chuck Laabs	N/A
Ushering Team	Mark Baganz	Joel Tesch	Erik Benes

# AUGUST 31, 2025 THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Pastor: Jason A. Schockman

Title: Watch Jesus Closely

5pm & 8am Worship

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10:30am Worship

**Special Order**