



St. Paul  
Ann Arbor

Sowing **truth**. Building **faith**. Shining **love**.

# Justification of the Ungodly



- The Radical Gospel in Romans -

## Welcome to Worship

September 6, 2026

**8:30 AM, Downtown Campus**



St. Paul Lutheran  
Church of Ann Arbor

At St. Paul Ann Arbor, we equip families and  
individuals to know Christ, to discover truth,  
and to create meaningful connections.

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 6, 2026 (8:30 AM)

One church  
with two  
locations:

**Downtown Campus**  
420 W. Liberty St.  
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

Worship:  
Saturdays @ 6:30 PM  
Sundays @ 8:30 AM

Discipleship Hour:  
(Resumes in September)

**Earhart Campus**  
495 Earhart Rd.  
Ann Arbor, MI 48105

Worship:  
Sundays @ 10:15 AM

Discipleship Hour:  
(Resumes in September)



## Welcome to St. Paul Ann Arbor!

**We are so glad you're here.** At St. Paul, we value **unity**. Whether you are a long-time member or visiting for the first time, we want you to feel connected to one another and to the hope we have in Jesus.

## Getting Connected

Our pastors would love to meet you! If they don't get a chance to greet you before the service, please stop by afterward to say hi.

- **The Black Folder:** Guests, please find the folder at the end of your row to share your name and contact info. We'd love to know more about you!
- **What's Next?** Flip to the back page of this worship folder to see upcoming events and groups for connecting with others and serving the community.

## About Holy Communion

In Holy Communion, God's people gather as Jesus taught, united in what we believe. Sharing the beliefs and practices of the **Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS)**, we confess that this meal is more than a symbol. We confess (believe, speak, and live this truth):

- Jesus gives His true **body and blood** in the bread and wine of Holy Communion for the forgiveness of sins.
- God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—gives His gift of salvation in Baptism.
- We are sinners who need the gifts Jesus offers by His death and resurrection, as God promises in His inspired Word (the Bible).
- Holy Communion is something God gives His people as we gather for forgiveness and for the strength to live in God's Word by the Holy Spirit and to daily follow Jesus.

**Should I commune?** If you share this confession of faith, we welcome you to the table! If you have questions or hold different beliefs from those above, **we invite you to come forward for a blessing** (simply cross your arms over your chest). A pastor also would love to chat with you before or after the service to learn more.

## Families with Children

**We love having kids in worship!** (Yes, even if they're wiggling or crying.) If you are here with children, please know there are Activity Bags and Children's Bulletins at any entrance. Need a break? A Cry Room is available at the rear of the sanctuary, while a nursery is located just below the main entrance. Our hospitality team is happy to guide you to any of these spots.

## PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

## RINGING OF THE BELL / WORDS OF WELCOME

### HYMN

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"  
Stanzas 1–3



LSB# 398

### WE CALL UPON THE NAME OF GOD

*The sign of the cross ✠ may be made in remembrance of your Baptism.*

*Invocation*  
*Matthew 28:19b*

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen!**

### WE TURN TO GOD, MINDFUL OF OUR SINFULNESS

*Confession of Sins*  
*1 John 1:8–9*

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: **Most merciful God, we confess to You that we are sinners—sinful from birth. Our thoughts have not been of You, but centered on ourselves. Our deeds have not shown love for others, but have revealed us to be distant and uncaring. Our words have not encouraged others, but instead have torn them down. Forgive us for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ. Send Your Spirit to produce in us the works in keeping with repentance, that we would have hope. Amen.**

*(We observe a moment of quiet reflection as we consider our own sinful condition)*

### GOD TURNS TO US, EAGER TO FORGIVE

*Absolution*  
*(with Romans 15:4,8–9; John 20:19–23)*

P: *"Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope!"*

Brothers and sisters, we are indeed people of hope—but not hope that is fed by uncertainty. Our hope is in the Lord who is faithful to His promises. *For I tell you that Christ became a servant to those who first had the promise so as to show and confirm God's truthfulness, in order that the Gentiles also might know and glorify God for His mercy.* Therefore, upon your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, by His authority, forgive you for all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

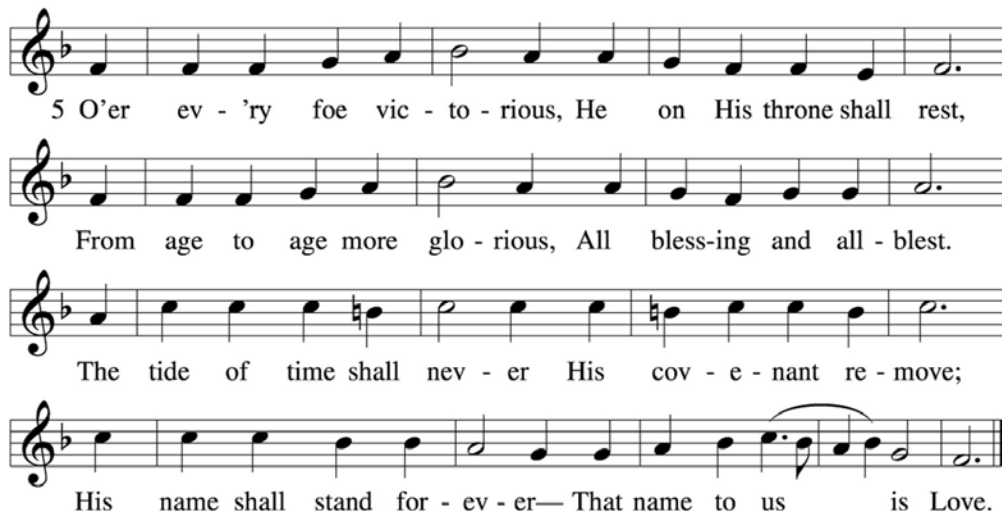
C: **Amen!**

P: Let us encourage one another to faithfulness by the hope we have from the Lord.

C: **Amen!**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

(LSB# 398)



5 O'er ev - 'ry foe vic - to - rious, He on His throne shall rest,  
 From age to age more glo - rious, All bless-ing and all - blest.  
 The tide of time shall nev - er His cov - e - nant re - move;  
 His name shall stand for - ev - er— That name to us is Love.

for everything that  
 was  
 WRITTEN  
 in the past  
 was written to  
 TEACH US

Romans 15:4

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

*Salutation & Collect*

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**P:** Lord Jesus, You have created all of us as unique individuals. Help us to celebrate each other—together—in a community bonded together by the truth of Your holy Word and Sacraments. Increase faith within us as we strive to follow Your example of kindness and gracious love, grounding our hope on what You have done for us—so that people of all nations will come to be of one mind in Christ.

**C:** **Amen.**

# We Hear the Word of God

**HOLY GOSPEL** ..... ✠ Matthew 18:15–20

<sup>15</sup> [Jesus taught the disciples:] “If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. <sup>16</sup> But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. <sup>17</sup> If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. <sup>18</sup> Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. <sup>19</sup> Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. <sup>20</sup> For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.” (ESV)

**P:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,

begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father  
by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church;

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**HYMN VERSE**

(Tune: LSB# 621)

**Christ, our human likeness sharing,  
Heaven’s love on earth portrayed;  
Christ the Shepherd, tending, caring,  
In His death our ransom paid:  
Christ the Savior, Christ the Servant,  
Be Your life in us displayed.**

**ROMANS READING—Part I** ..... ✠ Romans 15:1–13

<sup>1</sup> We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. <sup>2</sup> Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up. <sup>3</sup> For Christ did not please himself, but as it is written, “The reproaches of those who reproached you fell on me.” <sup>4</sup> For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. <sup>5</sup> May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup> Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

<sup>8</sup> For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God’s truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, <sup>9</sup> and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, “*Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name.*” <sup>10</sup> And again it says, “*Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people.*” <sup>11</sup> And again, “*Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him.*” <sup>12</sup> And again Isaiah says, “*The root of Jesse will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him will the Gentiles hope.*” <sup>13</sup> May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

**CONVERSATION**

“The Foundation”  
Rev. Dr. Ted Hopkins & Rev. Aaron Roggow

Romans 15

**HYMN VERSE**

(Tune: LSB# 621)

**Hear the word that Christ has spoken,  
Help the weak, the hungry feed;  
See the pow’rs of darkness broken,  
Sinners pardoned, captives freed:  
Christ the Savior, Christ the Servant,  
Help us meet our neighbor’s need.**

<sup>14</sup> I myself am satisfied about you, my brothers, that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge and able to instruct one another. <sup>15</sup> But on some points I have written to you very boldly by way of reminder, because of the grace given me by God <sup>16</sup> to be a minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles in the priestly service of the gospel of God, so that the offering of the Gentiles may be acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit. <sup>17</sup> In Christ Jesus, then, I have reason to be proud of my work for God. <sup>18</sup> For I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me to bring the Gentiles to obedience—by word and deed, <sup>19</sup> by the power of signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God—so that from Jerusalem and all the way around to Illyricum I have fulfilled the ministry of the gospel of Christ; <sup>20</sup> and thus I make it my ambition to preach the gospel, not where Christ has already been named, lest I build on someone else's foundation, <sup>21</sup> but as it is written, *"Those who have never been told of him will see, and those who have never heard will understand."*

<sup>22</sup> This is the reason why I have so often been hindered from coming to you. <sup>23</sup> But now, since I no longer have any room for work in these regions, and since I have longed for many years to come to you, <sup>24</sup> I hope to see you in passing as I go to Spain, and to be helped on my journey there by you, once I have enjoyed your company for a while. <sup>25</sup> At present, however, I am going to Jerusalem bringing aid to the saints. <sup>26</sup> For Macedonia and Achaia have been pleased to make some contribution for the poor among the saints at Jerusalem. <sup>27</sup> For they were pleased to do it, and indeed they owe it to them. For if the Gentiles have come to share in their spiritual blessings, they ought also to be of service to them in material blessings. <sup>28</sup> When therefore I have completed this and have delivered to them what has been collected, I will leave for Spain by way of you. <sup>29</sup> I know that when I come to you I will come in the fullness of the blessing of Christ.

<sup>30</sup> I appeal to you, brothers, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to strive together with me in your prayers to God on my behalf, <sup>31</sup> that I may be delivered from the unbelievers in Judea, and that my service for Jerusalem may be acceptable to the saints, <sup>32</sup> so that by God's will I may come to you with joy and be refreshed in your company. <sup>33</sup> May the God of peace be with you all. Amen.

## CONVERSATION

**"The Gospel from East to West"**  
*Rev. Dr. Ted Hopkins & Rev. Aaron Roggow*

Romans 15

## HYMN VERSE

(Tune: LSB# 621)

**Christ in ev'ry congregation  
Build Your temple stone by stone,  
With Your Word as firm foundation  
For a faith matured and grown:  
Christ the Savior, Christ the Servant,  
Make in all Your Gospel known.**

**ROMANS READING—Part III** ..... ✠ Romans 16

<sup>16:1</sup> I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a servant of the church at Cenchreae, <sup>2</sup> that you may welcome her in the Lord in a way worthy of the saints, and help her in whatever she may need from you, for she has been a patron of many and of myself as well.

<sup>3</sup> Greet Prisca and Aquila, my fellow workers in Christ Jesus, <sup>4</sup> who risked their necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks but all the churches of the Gentiles give thanks as well. <sup>5</sup> Greet also the church in their house. Greet my beloved Epaenetus, who was the first convert to Christ in Asia. <sup>6</sup> Greet Mary, who has worked hard for you. <sup>7</sup> Greet Andronicus and Junia, my kinsmen and my fellow prisoners. They are well known to the apostles, and they were in Christ before me. <sup>8</sup> Greet Ampliatus, my beloved in the Lord. <sup>9</sup> Greet Urbanus, our fellow worker in Christ, and my beloved Stachys. <sup>10</sup> Greet Apelles, who is approved in Christ. Greet those who belong to the family of Aristobulus. <sup>11</sup> Greet my kinsman Herodion. Greet those in the Lord who belong to the family of Narcissus. <sup>12</sup> Greet those workers in the Lord, Tryphaena and Tryphosa. Greet the beloved Persis, who has worked hard in the Lord. <sup>13</sup> Greet Rufus, chosen in the Lord; also his mother, who has been a mother to me as well. <sup>14</sup> Greet Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermes, Patrobas, Hermas, and the brothers who are with them. <sup>15</sup> Greet Philologus, Julia, Nereus and his sister, and Olympas, and all the saints who are with them. <sup>16</sup> Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the churches of Christ greet you.

<sup>17</sup> I appeal to you, brothers, to watch out for those who cause divisions and create obstacles contrary to the doctrine that you have been taught; avoid them. <sup>18</sup> For such persons do not serve our Lord Christ, but their own appetites, and by smooth talk and flattery they deceive the hearts of the naive. <sup>19</sup> For your obedience is known to all, so that I rejoice over you, but I want you to be wise as to what is good and innocent as to what is evil. <sup>20</sup> The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

<sup>21</sup> Timothy, my fellow worker, greets you; so do Lucius and Jason and Sosipater, my kinsmen. <sup>22</sup> I Tertius, who wrote this letter, greet you in the Lord. <sup>23</sup> Gaius, who is host to me and to the whole church, greets you. Erastus, the city treasurer, and our brother Quartus, greet you.

<sup>25</sup> Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages <sup>26</sup> but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith— <sup>27</sup> to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen. (ESV)

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**



## HYMN VERSE

(Tune: LSB# 621)

**Come, O living Christ, renew us,  
As of old in wind and flame;  
With the Spirit's pow'r endue us,  
Servants of Your saving name:  
Christ the Savior, Christ the Servant,  
Christ whose kingdom we proclaim.**

## CONVERSATION

**"Christian Unity as Fellow Workers"**  
*Rev. Dr. Ted Hopkins & Rev. Aaron Roggow*

Romans 16

## RESPONSE

(Tune: LSB# 621)

**Be the glory now and ever,  
All to You, eternal King—  
Strengthening our faith forever  
Of Your saving Message, bring;  
Christ the Savior, Christ the Servant,  
With one voice Your praise we sing!**

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# We Worship the Lord with Our Offerings

During the Offering, please let us know you're here! For members and guests who have our Church Center app, we ask you to please take a moment to Check In and let us know you are in worship with us today. For our guests and members who do not have our Church Center app, we invite you to please fill in the requested information in the Friendship Pad (the black folder located at the end of the pew at the center aisle). Please pass it along for anyone else who might need it.

Want to give electronically? Simply scan the QR code here:  
For other giving options, see the end of this worship folder.



## VOLUNTARY

# The Prayers We Bring to God



P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

## PRAYERS for THIS DAY

(As prompted) *P: Lord, in Your mercy,*  
*C: hear our prayer.*

P: Into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who taught us to pray:

*The Lord's Prayer*  
*Matthew 6:9-13*

**C: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

# A Foretaste of the Great Feast in Heaven



## CHRIST'S WORDS ESTABLISH THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Words of Institution*  
*1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: *Take, eat; this is ☩ My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me.* In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying: *Drink of it, all of you; this is ☩ My blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.*

# Sharing the Peace of Christ

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **Amen.**

*Pax Domini*

*John 20:19*

An ancient and significant gesture in worship is the **Sharing of Peace**. This tradition, rooted in Scripture (1 Peter 5:14; Romans 16:16), recognizes that one of the biggest dangers in the body of Christ is disunity— both from grievances not forgiven and from not knowing our neighbors. When we extend our hand to another, we identify with Jesus, who entered into our world, came to know humanity from the inside, and restored peace between God and all people. When we share the peace of Christ, we desire to know and be at peace with everyone who comes into our midst, especially those we are meeting for the first time.

**"Peace be with you." ✠ "The peace of Christ be with you."**

## LAMB OF GOD

*Agnus Dei* (LSB pg. 180)

*John 1:29*

**L**amb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of  
God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

## WE COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

*Communion Distribution*

Please note before receiving Holy Communion: *Please read the brief statement of our beliefs, "About Holy Communion", found at the beginning of our worship folder. Our pastors would be happy to meet with you to discuss our beliefs further, and help prepare you for Communion.*



**Hymns:** "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"  
"Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way"

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## WORDS OF PEACE AND JOY

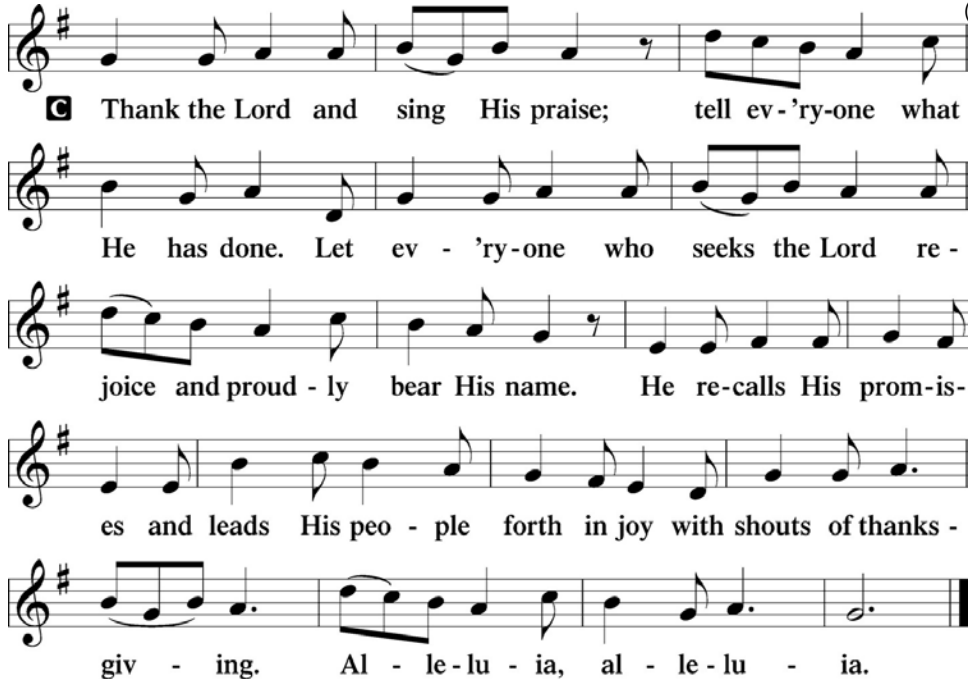
*Communicants' Dismissal*

- P: Now may this Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in ☩ peace!
- C: **Amen.**

## WE DEPART WITH THANKS AND PRAISE

*Post-Communion Cantic*

(LSB pg. 181)



**G** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what  
He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -  
joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-  
es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## TAKING IT HOME

Romans 15:8,9,13 (ESV)

- P: "Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. ...
- C: **May the God of Hope fill [us] with all joy and peace as [we] trust in Him, so that [we] may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."**

## WE RECEIVE THE BLESSING OF GOD

*Benediction*  
*Numbers 6:24-26*

- P: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with His favor and ☩ give you peace.
- C: **Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HYMN

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Stanzas 1, 2, 3, 5



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### POSTLUDE



## *The Flowers in the Chancel*

The flowers in the chancel have been placed to the glory of God  
by Pat Winton & Cindy Pine in celebration of their 1<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary.

## *Our Worship Servants*

**Preachers:** Rev. Dr. Ted Hopkins & Rev. Aaron Roggow

**Lay Reader:** Tory Zollinger

**Director of Music:** Dr. John Boonenberg

**Family Worship Team:** Tory Zollinger

**Hospitality:** Cherise Callahan

**Elder:** Brent O'Banion

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### **St. Paul Stephen Ministry**

Are you feeling overwhelmed, grieving a loss, or navigating a health crisis? SPAA is here for you. Our trained Stephen Ministers offer compassionate, confidential, and Christ-centered care, providing the support you need during challenging times. Contact Cherise Callahan at 734-395-8775 to connect with a Stephen Minister who will offer a listening ear and a caring heart.

# Our Offerings and Gifts

Looking for different options to financially support the ministry of St. Paul through your regular offerings or one-time gifts?



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or Visit <https://st-paul-lutheran-church-ann-arbor.churchcenter.com/giving>



or Mail checks to: **St. Paul Lutheran Church**  
420 W Liberty St  
Ann Arbor, MI 48103



For more giving information, go to: <https://www.stpaulannarbor.org/give/>

| 2026-2027 SPAA Attendance and Offering |            |           |              |            |              |          |
|----------------------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|------------|--------------|----------|
| Month                                  | Attendance | Offering  | Budget       | Bud. Var.  | Prior Year   | PY Var.  |
| July                                   | 255        | \$ 87,223 | \$ 90,569    | \$ (3,346) | \$ 85,561    | \$ 1,662 |
| August                                 | -          | \$ -      | \$ 97,260    | \$ -       | \$ 92,582    | \$ -     |
| September                              | -          | \$ -      | \$ 114,288   | \$ -       | \$ 108,717   | \$ -     |
| October                                | -          | \$ -      | \$ 118,332   | \$ -       | \$ 112,763   | \$ -     |
| November                               | -          | \$ -      | \$ 142,975   | \$ -       | \$ 135,822   | \$ -     |
| December                               | -          | \$ -      | \$ 171,440   | \$ -       | \$ 163,097   | \$ -     |
| January                                | -          | \$ -      | \$ 121,025   | \$ -       | \$ 91,986    | \$ -     |
| February                               | -          | \$ -      | \$ 134,636   | \$ -       | \$ 128,052   | \$ -     |
| March                                  | -          | \$ -      | \$ 117,968   | \$ -       | \$ 118,257   | \$ -     |
| April                                  | -          | \$ -      | \$ 99,376    | \$ -       | \$ 112,360   | \$ -     |
| May                                    | -          | \$ -      | \$ 113,215   | \$ -       | \$ 107,685   | \$ -     |
| June                                   | -          | \$ -      | \$ 109,416   | \$ -       | \$ 104,079   | \$ -     |
|                                        |            |           |              |            |              |          |
|                                        |            |           |              |            |              |          |
| YTD                                    | 255        | \$ 87,223 | \$ 1,430,500 | \$ (3,346) | \$ 1,360,960 | \$ 1,662 |



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## News & Upcoming Events

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**Don't miss out! Sign up for our e-News at: [www.stpaulannarbor.org/news-and-events](http://www.stpaulannarbor.org/news-and-events)**



### **Fall Community Groups - sign up now!**

Community Groups are for anyone looking to connect with others around a shared interest. Groups begin meeting in mid-September and most wrap up before Thanksgiving (some are ongoing). Fall groups include hiking, basketball, golf, coffee & breakfast groups, mahjong, service groups, Bible study, sewing, music, and many more! You do not have to be a member of St. Paul Ann Arbor to sign up! Please prayerfully consider asking a friend, family member or neighbor to join you. **Fall sign up ends on September 18th. Scan the QR code for more information and to sign up!**



### **Pathway Class Begins September 13th - School Campus**

A great way to learn more about St. Paul Lutheran Church & School is to take part in our Pathway class. Pathway is a 9-week class that meets on Sunday evenings (5-6:30pm) with the pastors and other church leaders. We will talk about what faith in Jesus looks like, return to some foundational basics of God's Word, and introduce you to what St. Paul is all about. There is no pressure to become a member after taking the class, and the class is a great way to learn more about Jesus and the Bible, meet some St. Paul people and learn more about St. Paul and what it means to be Lutheran. Childcare is provided! No class on 10/4 or 11/8. Register using the QR code.

### **Fall Kick Off - Sunday, September 13th at 8:30am & 10:45am!**

On Sunday, September 13th, at both 8:30am & 10:45am\* services, we are celebrating fall by kicking off a new sermon series, our fall community groups, sharing our fall Sunday morning opportunities for adults & kids that will begin on September 20th, and enjoying some snacks and social time together after church (both campuses). Please note, we will not have our annual Unity service this fall (due to Earhart campus parking lot construction) but we plan to celebrate all together in the spring! \*Our regular worship schedule resumes on Sunday, September 13th. Join us for worship on Saturdays @6:30pm (Downtown), Sundays at 8:30am (Downtown) and 10:45am (Earhart/School Campus).



### **Love Ypsi Meals - Community Group Highlight**

St. Paul has committed to providing a community meal for those living in a low-income area of Ypsilanti on the third Monday of each month. We need meal shoppers, preppers, servers and hosts! Even if you can only help with one of these things one month, we would greatly appreciate it! Sign up by scanning the QR code. If you have any questions, reach out to Jordyn Pair at [jordynpair@gmail.com](mailto:jordynpair@gmail.com).

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