



St. Paul
Ann Arbor

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

Justification of the Ungodly



- The Radical Gospel in Romans -

Welcome to Worship

July 5, 2026

10:00 AM, Downtown Campus



Sixth Sunday after Pentecost



Sunday, July 5, 2026 (10:00 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)

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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

"Cornerstone"



(Mote/Liljero/Myrin/Morgan)

1. My hope is built on noth - ing less, than Je - sus' blood and
right - eous - ness. — I dare not trust the sweet - est frame,
13 F G 1. C
but whol - ly trust in Je - sus' Name. —
16 2. C C^{SUS} C CHORUS F Am G C/E
- sus' Name. — Christ a - lone. Corn - er - stone. Weak made
strong in the Sav - iour's love. — Through the storm, He is Lord. Lord of
all. 2. When dark - ness seems to hide His face,
3. When He shall come with trump - et sound,
I rest on His un - chang - ing grace. — In ev - 'ry high and
oh may I then in Him be found. — Dressed in His right - eous -
storm - y gale, my an - chor holds with - in — the veil. — My an - chor holds with - in —
- ness a - lone. Fault - less stand be - fore —

— the veil. — Christ a - lone. Corn - er - stone. Weak made

39 F Am G C F Am | 1. G

strong in the Sav - iour's love. — Through the storm, He is Lord. Lord of

INTERLUDE

43 C Am F

all. He is — Lord. — Lord of all. —

48 G C/E | 2. G C | 3. G

— Christ a - Lord. Lord of all. Christ a - Lord. Lord of

D.S. al Coda

all.

— the throne. —

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!

OPENING SENTENCES

(Psalm 29:2; 33:12, 22; 115:1; 145:10; 147:5)

P: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; His understanding is beyond measure.

C: All Your works shall give thanks to You, O Lord, and all Your saints shall bless You!

P: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name; worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.

C: Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to Your name give glory, for the sake of Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness!

P: Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom He has chosen as His heritage!

C: Let Your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in You.

WE TURN TO GOD, MINDFUL OF OUR SINFULNESS

Confession of Sins
(reflecting on Romans 5)

P: Through the ministry of the apostles, and continuing with pastors and teachers throughout time, the authoritative Word of God is delivered to the world. Fundamental to faith in that Word is the understanding of our sin and the love of God for all people. The apostle Paul gives us this understanding— that sin is inherited from the disobedience of Adam and Eve; no one is exempt.

But even greater is to understand and believe that forgiveness of our sin and the gift of eternal life come to all who hear and believe the Gospel call to repentance. Let us therefore confess our sins to God, our heavenly Father.

C: Heavenly Father, since You have set forth the way of life for us in Your beloved Son, we confess our slowness to learn of Him, our failure to follow Him, and our reluctance to bear the cross.

P: Have mercy on us and forgive us.

C: Forgive us for our meager worship, our neglect of fellowship and of the Means of Grace, our hesitating witness for Christ, our place in His service, and our selfish stewardship of Your gifts.

P: Have mercy on us and forgive us.

C: Forgive us where we have been thoughtless in our judgments, quick to condemn, grudging in forgiveness, slow to seek reconciliation, and blind to the needs of our neighbors.

P: By the obedience of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us—

C: That by the abundance of Your grace, the many will be made righteous. Amen.

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

GOD TURNS TO US, EAGER TO FORGIVE

Absolution
Romans 5:6,8b,10; John 20:19–23

P: "While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly..."

C: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us...

P: While we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son."

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you for all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen!

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Great Things"

(Myrin/Wickham)

Verse 1 **Come let us worship our King.
Come let us bow at His feet.
He has done great things.
See what our Savior has done.
See how His love overcomes—
He has done great things.
He has done great things.**

Chorus ***O Hero of Heaven You conquered the grave.
You free every captive and break every chain.
O God You have done great things.
We dance in Your freedom awake and alive.
O Jesus our Savior Your name lifted high.
O God You have done great things.***

Verse 2 **You've been faithful through every storm.
You'll be faithful forevermore.
You have done great things,
And I know You will do it again.
For Your promise is yes and amen.
You will do great things.
God You do great things.**

Bridge ***Hallelujah! God above it all.
Hallelujah! God unshakable.
Hallelujah! You have done great things.***

(REPEAT) ***You've done great things.***

Ending **You have done great things.
O God You do great things.**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Almighty God, You have given us this land and nation as our heritage. Grant that we remember Your generosity and constantly do Your will. Bless our land with honest industry, truthful education, and an honorable way of life. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion, from pride and arrogance, and from every evil course of action. Grant that we, who came from many nations with many different languages, may become a united people. Support us in defending our liberties, and give those to whom we have entrusted the authority of government the spirit of wisdom, that there may be justice and peace in our land. In troubled times, do not let our trust in Your faithfulness fail, and when times are prosperous, may our hearts be thankful in Your goodness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

The Order of Holy Baptism

Wesley David Gray

infant son of Robert & Caroline Gray,
will become a member of God's family through Baptism.
The sponsors for Wesley are Michael & Krista Woon.

"Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's Word." (Luther's Small Catechism)

When God connects His life-creating and life-giving Word to simple water in Baptism, we are born again of water and the Spirit, re-created as His beloved child and heir.



BAPTISMAL HYMN

"Children of the Heavenly Father"

(LSB# 725)

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| <p>1. Children of the heavenly Father
Safely in His bosom gather;
Nestling bird nor star in heaven
Such a refuge e'er was given.</p> | <p>2. God His own doth tend and nourish,
In His holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things He spares them;
In His mighty arms He bears them.</p> |
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IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE ✠ SON AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

EXPLANATION OF BAPTISM FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Name of Baptismal candidate: ✠ **Wesley David Gray**

Receive the sign of the Cross
Prayer

PROMISE OF THE SPONSORS

BAPTISMAL GOSPEL

Mark 10:13–16 (ESV)

¹³ [People] were bringing children to [Jesus] that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴ But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ¹⁵ Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." ¹⁶ And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.

BAPTISMAL CONFESSION OF FAITH

P: We confess together the faith which God works through Baptism:
Do you renounce the devil, and all his works and all his ways?

C: **Yes, I do renounce them.**

P: Do you believe in God the Father Almighty?

C: **Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son?

C: **Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

P: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

C: **Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

THE BAPTISM

P: *Wesley David Gray*, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**



P: The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life ✠ everlasting.

C: **Amen.**

BAPTISMAL PRAYER

P: Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted *Wesley* the new birth in Holy Baptism and made him a member of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as he has now become Your child, You would keep him in his baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure he may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and, finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

P: In Holy Baptism, God the Father has made you a member of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and heir with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We receive you in Jesus' name as our brother in Christ, that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

C: **Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.**

P: Peace ✠ be with you.

C: **Amen.**

BAPTISMAL HYMN

(LSB# 725)

3. **Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord His children sever;
Unto them His grace He showeth,
And their sorrows all He knoweth.**

4. **Though He giveth or He taketh,
God His children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy.**

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We Hear the Word of God

FIRST READING ✠ Romans 5

¹ Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ² Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³ Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸ but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰ For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹ More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

¹² Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— ¹³ for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. ¹⁴ Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵ But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. ¹⁶ And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. ¹⁷ For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

¹⁸ Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. ¹⁹ For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. ²⁰ Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, ²¹ so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. (ESV)

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL..... ✠ Matthew 11:25–30

²⁵ At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶ yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸ Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." (ESV)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.



1. How great the
cha - sm that lay be - tween - us. How high the moun - tain I could not
climb. In des - per - a - tion I turned to heav - en and spoke Your
name in - to the night. — Then through the dark - ness Your lov - ing -
-kind-ness tore through the shad - ows of my soul. The work is fin - ished, the end is
writ - ten. Je - sus Christ, my liv - ing hope. 2. Who could im -
-ag - ine so great a mer - cy? What heart could fath - om such bound - less
grace? The God of ag - es stepped down from glo - ry to wear my
sin and bear - my shame. The cross has spo - ken; I am for - giv - en. The King of
kings calls me His own. Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, I'm Yours for - ev - er. Je - sus
Christ, my liv - ing hope. Hal - le - lu - jah, praise the
One who set me free! Hal - le - lu - jah, death has lost its grip on me! You have

bro - ken ev - 'ry chain. There's sal - va - tion in Your name. Je - sus Christ, my liv - ing

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1. C | 2. C

hope. Hal - le- hope. 3. Then came the morn - ing that sealed the

prom - ise, Your bur - ied bod - y be - gan to breathe. Out of the

si - lence, the Roar - ing Li - on de - clared the grave has no claim - on -

me. Then came the morn - ing that sealed the prom - ise, Your bur - ied

bod - y be - gan to breathe. Out of the si - lence, the Roar - ing

Li - on de - clared the grave has no claim - on - me. Je - sus,

Yours is the vic - to - ry! Whoa. Hal - le - lu - iah. praise the

One who set me free! Hal - le - lu - jah, death has lost its grip on me! You have

bro - ken ev - 'ry chain. There's sal - va - tion in Your name. Je - sus Christ, my liv - ing

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1. C | 2. Am C/E

hope. Hal - le- hope. Je - sus Christ, my liv - ing

hope. O God, - You are my liv - ing - hope.

Rev. Aaron Roggow

PRAYER

- P: Almighty God of grace, we thank You that in Jesus You have justified us, declaring us righteous by faith—so that peace comes to our hearts. When we were weak and ungodly, You loved us: You gave Your Son to die for sinners, and whose risen life brings us life. Where sin and death once reigned, Your righteousness now reigns, abundant and sure. Teach us to endure with hope, because Your love has been poured into us through the Holy Spirit. Keep our eyes on Jesus, and grant us to live within this faith, trusting not in our works, but praising You now and forever.
- C: **Amen.**

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.
- P: For the whole Christian Church, that through it the will of God may be done among us upon earth and that in it we may rejoice in hearing the Good News of the Gospel, and let us also pray for our nation, where we celebrate the freedom to gather for worship in the name of the Lord— let us pray to the Lord:
- C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For peace and tranquility in our country, asking the Lord's blessing on the agriculture and commerce of these United States, and let us also pray for the armed forces of our nation, that those who serve in them may find satisfaction in their given duties and a sense of accomplishment in the protection of our nation and its people— let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For our nation, that it may shine as a beacon of hope to the world, and let us pray for our communities, that kindness, goodness, and mercy may be the hallmarks of our lives together— let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For our congregation, that it may reach out with the love of Christ, and let us also pray for the Gospel, that it may be proclaimed without hindrance throughout our land— let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For our nation that it may continue as "one nation, under God, with liberty and justice for all" for this present time and for generations yet to come— let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

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.

C: 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.

Pax Domini

C: **Amen.**

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, alt. (LSB# 550)

John 1:29



1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, But You have
3 I was so lost, I should have died, But You have



sent Him from Your side To walk up - on this guilt - y
brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and



sod, And to be - come the Lamb of God.
rod, And to be called a lamb of God.



O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God!



O wash me in His pre-cious blood, My Je-sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

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: "O Come to the Altar"
"Be Thou My Vision"

(See page 17)

(See page 18)

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.**

TAKING IT HOME

Romans 5:1,2 (ESV)

P: "Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: **Through Him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God."**

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

"Living Hope"



(Johnson/Wickham)

**Hallelujah! Praise the One who set me free.
Hallelujah! Death has lost its grip on me.
You have broken every chain.
There's salvation in Your name:
Jesus Christ my living hope!**



The Flowers in the Chancel

The flowers in the chancel have been placed to the glory of God
by Marge Kipfmiller in loving memory of her dear husband, Harry Kipfmiller.

Our Worship Servants

Liturgist: Rev. Chris Troxel, *Emmaus Lutheran Church*
Preacher: Rev. Aaron Roggow
Lay Reader: Katie Contreras
Music Leader: Robert Gray, *Emmaus Lutheran Church*
Family Worship Team: Roggow family
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Elder: Adan Garcia

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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.

Distribution Hymns

“O Come to the Altar”

(Brown/Brock/Furtick/Joye)

- Verse 1 **Are you hurting and broken within,
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin?
Jesus is calling.
Have you come to the end of yourself?
Do you thirst for a drink from the well?
Jesus is calling.**
- Chorus ***O come to the altar,
The Father's arms are open wide.
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ.***
- Verse 2 **Leave behind your regrets and mistakes;
Come today there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling.
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy;
From the ashes a new life is born.
Jesus is calling.**
- Bridge ***Oh what a Savior,
Isn't He wonderful
Sing alleluia Christ is risen!
Bow down before Him
For He is Lord of all.
Sing alleluia Christ is risen!***
- Verse 3 **Bear your cross as you wait for the crown;
Tell the world of the treasure you've found.**

"Be Thou My Vision"

(Hull/Byrne)

1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all
 2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word; I ev - er
 3. Be thou my bat - tle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my
 4. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise, thou mine in -
 5. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won, may I reach

else to me, save that thou art— thou my best thought by
 with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Fa - ther,
 • dig - ni - ty, thou my de - light, thou my soul's shel - ter,
 her - i - tance, now and al - ways: thou and thou on - ly,
 heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, what -

day or by night, wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 I thy true son; thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.
 • thou my high tow'r: raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 first in my heart, High King of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 ev - er be - fall, still be my vis - ion, O Rul - er of all.

Our Offerings and Gifts

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



Download the **Church Center** app from the Google Play or Apple App stores and navigate to "Give"



or Scan the **QR Code** to give immediately through Church Center

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/>

2025-2026 SPAA Attendance and Offering						
Month	Attendance	Offering	Budget	Bud. Var.	Prior Year	PYVar.
July	278	\$ 85,561	\$ 103,200	\$ (17,639)	\$ 95,048	\$ (9,487)
August	292	\$ 92,582	\$ 129,100	\$ (36,518)	\$ 87,623	\$ 4,960
September	364	\$ 108,717	\$ 106,200	\$ 2,517	\$ 98,203	\$ 10,514
October	347	\$ 112,763	\$ 106,200	\$ 6,563	\$ 140,243	\$(27,480)
November	311	\$ 135,822	\$ 132,800	\$ 3,022	\$ 106,819	\$ 29,004
December	291	\$ 163,097	\$ 123,200	\$ 39,897	\$ 157,855	\$ 5,242
January	306	\$ 91,986	\$ 106,200	\$ (14,214)	\$ 107,378	\$(15,392)
February	350	\$ 128,052	\$ 107,400	\$ 20,652	\$ 87,936	\$ 40,116
March	356	\$ 118,257	\$ 135,200	\$ (16,943)	\$ 118,139	\$ 118
April	428	\$ 112,360	\$ 114,900	\$ (2,540)	\$ 95,801	\$ 16,559
May	360	\$ 107,685	\$ 132,800	\$ (25,115)	\$ 112,259	\$ (4,575)
June	-	\$ -	\$ 104,800	\$ -	\$ 122,082	\$ -
YTD	335	\$ 1,256,881	\$ 1,402,000	\$ (40,319)	\$1,329,384	\$ 49,579



News & Upcoming Events

Don't miss out! Sign up for our e-News at: www.stpaulannarbor.org/news-and-events



Church Office will be Closed - July 6th-10th

The church office will be closed the week of July 6 - 10 to allow staff time off with their families. Thank you for your understanding! If you have an urgent request during that time you can reach out to our Business Manager, Dave Theuerkorn at businessmanager@stpaulannarbor.org or 734-665-9117 x. 219. For a complete list of staff emails and extensions scan the QR code..



Summer Women's Bible Study with Visual Faith Ministry!

Join us Wednesdays, July 8 - August 5 (8pm EST), for our Summer Bible Study series: Tapestry, Women in the Gospels! This study is written by many different voices from the Visual Faith Ministry community, with the connecting thread being the Biblical women who were influenced by, associated with, or played an important part in Jesus' story. Our time together will include teaching time, Breakout Room discussion, and Visual Faith practices put to use. This Zoom Gathering is **FREE** - A Zoom link will be sent to your email upon registration. (Please check your spam folder if you do not receive the confirmation email!) Scan the QR code for more info and to register!



Volunteers Needed for Art Fair Parking Fundraiser - July 16-18

St. Paul and Emmaus are once again coming together to raise funds for the local Delonis Center shelter! During the Ann Arbor Art Fair we'll be providing a parking option in the youth house parking lot (500 W. Liberty St.) and passing out bottled water and snacks, all at an affordable price. Thanks to a Thrivent grant covering the up front costs, 100% of the proceeds will be donated to the Delonis Center! But, we need YOU to make this happen. Time slots are 2-3 hours each and we're looking for 2 volunteers in each slot. If you're able to, sign up for multiple slots! Sign up by scanning the QR code.

Job Opportunity at SPAA: Maintenance Help Needed

Part time maintenance person wanted for the church and school. Daily tasks include ongoing/preventative maintenance and small upgrade projects on the buildings and equipment at the school and church campuses. The position will require approximately 18 hours per week and the schedule is flexible. The pay range is \$25 to \$30 per hour depending on experience. If interested please contact David Theuerkorn, Business Manager, businessmanager@stpaulannarbor.org.

No Kids Word in July

There will be no Kids Word in July due to summer vacation schedules, but Kids Word will resume at the late service on Sunday, August 2nd!
