

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church

Holstein, IA

June 9, 2024

9:00 A.M.

The Third Sunday After Pentecost

A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit.

We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are Jesus' family. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.

GATHER

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways
of the world in which we live.**

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn?

**Share with us the words of eternal life
and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy:

you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.

Opening Song

Kyrie Eleison

Refrain

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

- 1 For peace in the world, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im -
- 3 For peace in our hearts, for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you

health of the church, for the u - ni - ty of all;
passioned re - sponse to the hun - gry and the poor;
peace in our homes, for friends and fam - i - ly;
cen - ter our lives in the wa - ter and the word;

for this ho - ly house, for all who wor - ship and praise,
that we may live out . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,
for life and for love, . . . for our work and our play,
that you nour - ish our souls . . . with your bo - dy and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

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Prayer of the Day

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

Genesis 3:8-15

⁸Adam and Eve heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.⁹But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?"¹⁰He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself."¹¹He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate."¹³Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate."¹⁴The Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

2 Corinthians 4:13 - 5:1

¹³Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak,¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence.¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day.¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure,¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

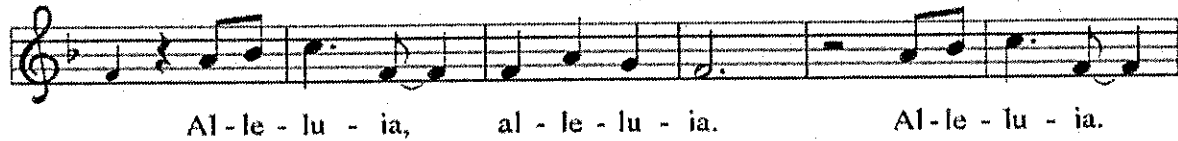
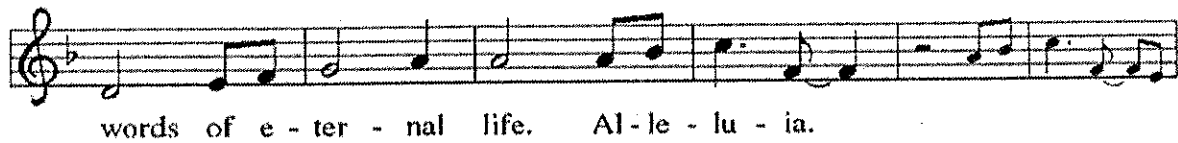
^{5:1}For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Gospel Acclamation



Mark 3:20-35

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 3rd chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus went home; ²⁰and the crowd came together again, so that Jesus and the disciples could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

²⁸"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—³⁰for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." ³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." ³³And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Message Pastor Del Olivier

Musical Offering

I Speak Jesus

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

Prayers of the People

Merciful God, your presence is revealed in the shade of trees, the growth of seeds into flowers, and in the blessing of plants granting food in their right season. Heal lands scarred by deforestation, pollution, or infestation.

Teach us to cultivate the earth with respect and reverence.

Our nations and communities are divided, O God. Teach us again to listen with curiosity and mercy, even in disagreement. Grant us the humility to acknowledge our hardness of heart.

Make us bold in modeling cooperation for the sake of the common good.

Grant safety to summer travelers. Let your light shine through us wherever we go.

Open our eyes and hearts to your creation and the people we meet on our travels.

Hear the prayers of all who cry out to you from the depths of fear, despair, or hopelessness. With haste, rescue victims of trafficking, exploitation, and abuse.

Bless organizations and individuals who work on their behalf.

Bring healing and comfort to all those who are ill, injured, or recovering ...

Receive our prayers, spoken and unspoken here today,

in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sharing the Peace

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

MEAL

Children's Offering / Offering

Offering Song - Take My Life, That I May Be

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Offering Prayer

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Words of Institution

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.

Invitation to Communion

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

Distribution

The Table

I will feast at the table of the Lord. I will feast at the table of the Lord.

I won't hunger anymore at His table. (repeat)

Refrain: Come all you weary, Come and find

His yoke is easy, His burden light.

He is able; He will restore at the table of the Lord.

There is peace at the table of the Lord. There is peace at the table of the Lord.
I won't worry anymore at His table.
There is healing at the table of the Lord. There is healing at the table of the Lord.
Oh and I won't suffer anymore at His table. **Refrain**

I know He has a place for me. Oh, what joy will fill my heart
With the saints around the mercy seat of God.
Come all you weary, Come and find
His yoke is easy, His burden light.
He is able; He will restore at the table of the Lord, at the table of the Lord.
I'm invited to the table of the Lord. I'm invited to the table of the Lord.
He says, "Come just as you are", to His table.

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Prayer After Communion

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your
own life. In your name we pray.

Amen.

SENDING

Blessing

The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

Closing Song

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

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Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me O Christ, Surround Me



1 God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to
2 Bind to my-self the name of Ho - ly, great cloud of wit - ness -
3 Bright-ness of sun and glow of moon-light, flash - ing of light - ning,
4 Walk - ing be-hind to hem my jour - ney, go - ing a - head to
5 Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that



move my voice; God, be the strength to now up - hold me:
es en - fold; proph - ets, a - pos - tles, an - gels wit - ness:
strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of plan - et:
light my way, and from be - neath, a - bove, and all ways:
hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me:



O Christ, sur - round me; O Christ, sur - round me.

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Worship Participants

Ministers:	All the members
Guest Pastor:	Pastor Del Olivier
DYME:	Jim & Kris Kistenmacher
Organist:	Sharen Borchers
Pianist:	Kris Kistenmacher
Lector:	Mary Ruffridge
Deacons:	Eric Hanson and Braden Else
Greeters:	Doug & Mary Ruffridge
Acolytes:	Tregg Bagenstos and Max Breyfogle
Sound & Video:	Kyle and Kreighton Krager
Coffee Hosts:	Larry Garland & Colleen Hare Dennis & Deb Krager

St. Paul Church Calendar

SUNDAY, June 9 ~ Third Sunday after Pentecost

- 9:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion
- 10:00 AM Coffee & Fellowship
- 6:00 PM Day Camp VBS Supper/Staff Meeting

MONDAY, June 10

- 9:00 AM Vacation Bible School

TUESDAY, June 11

- 9:00 AM Vacation Bible School

WEDNESDAY, June 12

- 9:00 AM Vacation Bible School

THURSDAY, June 13

- 9:00 AM Vacation Bible School
- 12:00 PM VBS program & meal

FRIDAY, June 14

- 6:00 PM Kinderfest Meal served by Youth Gathering Participants

SUNDAY, June 16 ~ Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

- 9:00 AM Worship
- 10:00 AM Sunday School
- 10:00 AM Coffee & Fellowship

Day Camp VBS!

We are teaming up with Ingham Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camps
for Day Camp again this summer!

At Day Camp, kids will encounter a week packed with Christ-centered activities,
games, arts and crafts, songs, skits, and Bible-based lessons.

A team of trained and energetic staff from
Ingham Okoboji will be leading the week's activities.

Our theme this summer is

CULTIVATE LIFE ~ John 15:5.

Themes for the four days are:

Cultivate Faith, a Renewed Mind, Peace, and Purpose .

Save the dates for Day Camp and join us
as we **CULTIVATE LIFE** this summer!

Day Campers in 1st-6th grade get to bring their own sack meal Monday through
Wednesday. A snack will also be provided for all students in the morning.

The week concludes with a Thursday Day Camp Celebration
where Day Campers share all they've experienced!

We hope you join us for Day Camp! Register today!

Dates and Location:

June 10-13, 2024

Monday through Thursday

St. Paul Lutheran Church, Holstein, IA

Session Times:

9 – 11:30 am for 4 & 5 year olds

9 am – 2 pm for grades 1st – 6th

Age requirement:

For 4 & 5 year classroom - Must be 4 years old

and have had a structured preschool experience

1st – 6th Grades (Fall 2024 grade levels)

Cost:

\$20 per child; \$50 maximum per
family

(payable to St. Paul Lutheran
Church)

Registration & Volunteer Forms can be found in the church office!

Can't wait to see you there!