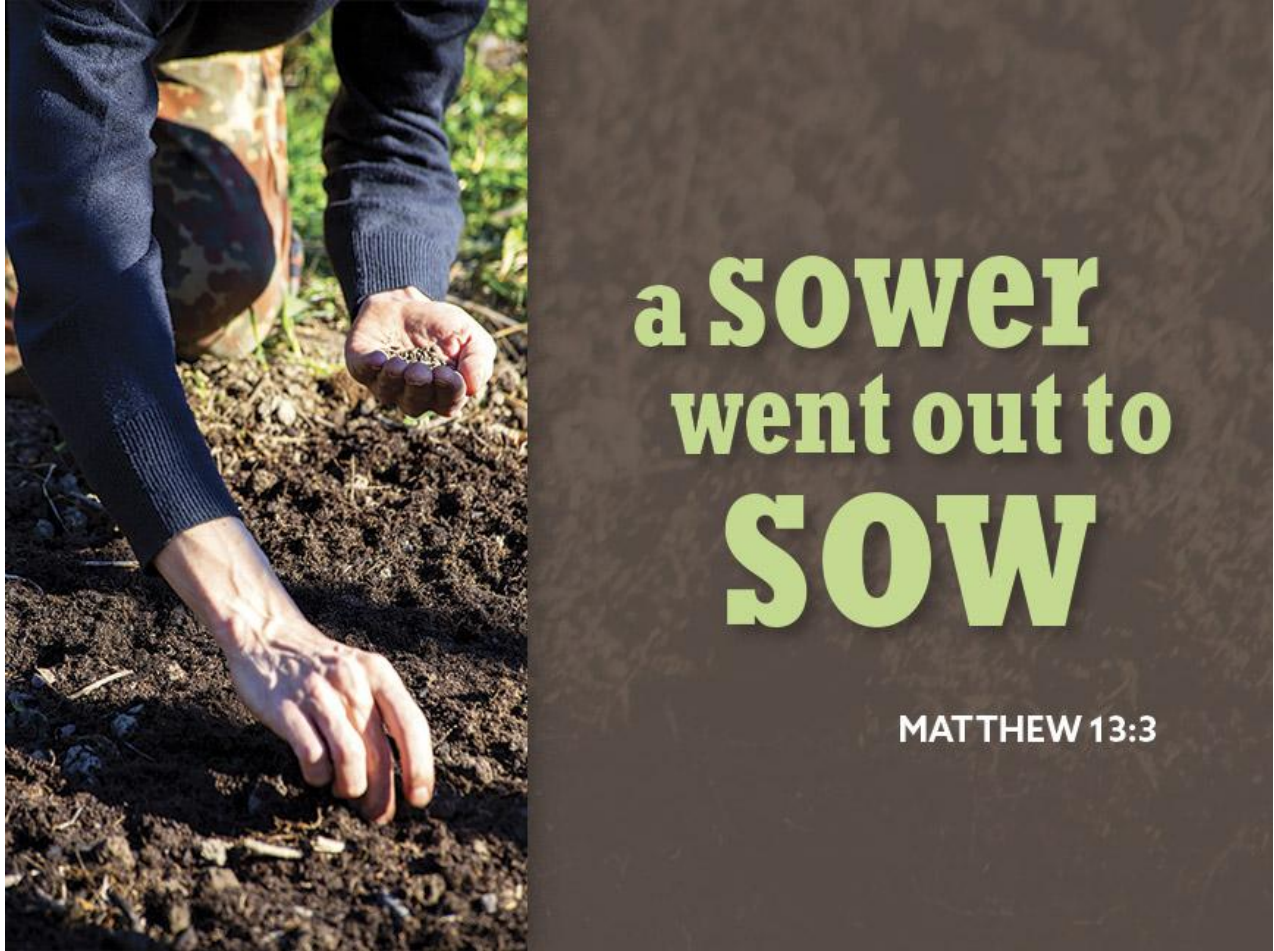


# St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026



# *WELCOME*

To our **Church Family**

*We're Glad You're Here!*



## St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

We are so glad that you chose to worship with us today. If you are visiting with us for the first time, please visit our Welcome Center in the North Narthex. As our way of saying thank you, you will receive a St. Paul's Welcome Bag with a coffee cup and information about our church. You may also want to download our new St. Paul's App and visit our website. Information on both is in the Welcome Bag.

For our young worshipers we have children's packets to play and color with during the service. These are on the white stand near the east entrance to our sanctuary.

### *You are welcome at the table!*

If you have been baptized and believe Christ is present in the Eucharist (Holy Communion), you are welcome to join us at the table. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers and return to your seats using the side aisles. If you do not wish to partake in the Sacrament but would like to receive a blessing, please just cross your hands over your chest when you come forward.

Grape juice and Gluten-free wafers are available on request. Grape juice is in the colored glasses in the center of the communion tray. If you are not able to come forward and would like to receive communion, please inform an usher and the pastor will bring communion to you.

### **Altar Flowers**

The **Altar flowers** were given today by Susan & Paul White In honor of their 58th Anniversary. The **Throne Flowers** were given by Barb & Jim Starrett In honor of their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

### **Introduction**

God's word is like the rain that waters the earth and brings forth vegetation. It is also like the sower who scatters seed indiscriminately. Our lives are like seeds sown in the earth. Even from what appears to be little, dormant, or dead, God promises a harvest. At the Lord's table we are fed with the bread of life, that we may bear fruit in the world.

### **Readings and Psalm**

#### **Isaiah 55:10-13**

*The growth of the word to accomplish God's purpose*

#### **Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13**

*Your paths overflow with plenty. (Ps. 65:11)*

#### **Romans 8:1-11**

*Live according to the Spirit*

#### **Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23**

*The parable of the sower and the seed*

## The Westminster Strike

### Welcome and Announcements

**Prelude**                      Amazing Grace                      arr. Albert Zabel (1935-2017)  
Patty Long, Dick Evert, Kim Oberlin, Heidi Hall, handbells

### Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin to God.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Compassionate God,

**we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

**Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN**              Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty              **ELW 533**

### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## KYRIE

*Refrain*

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

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

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;  
for this holy house, for all who worship and praise,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain*

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;  
that we may live out truth and justice and grace,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain*

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family;  
for life and for love, for our work and our play,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain*

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;  
that you nourish our souls with your body and blood,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain*

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-13

<sup>10</sup> For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven  
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,  
making it bring forth and sprout,  
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,

<sup>11</sup> so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;  
it shall not return to me empty,  
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose  
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

<sup>12</sup> For you shall go out in joy  
and be led back in peace;  
the mountains and the hills before you  
shall burst into song,  
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

<sup>13</sup> Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;  
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle,  
and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial,  
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Second Reading: Romans 8:1-11**

<sup>1</sup> Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup> For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. <sup>3</sup> For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup> so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. <sup>5</sup> For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. <sup>6</sup> To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup> For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed, it cannot, <sup>8</sup> and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

<sup>9</sup> But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. <sup>10</sup> But if Christ is in you, then the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup> If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## ALLELUIA VERSE



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

## GOSPEL: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. <sup>2</sup> Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. <sup>3</sup> And he told them many things in parables, saying: “Listen! A sower went out to sow. <sup>4</sup> And as he sowed, some seeds fell on a path, and the birds came and ate them up. <sup>5</sup> Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. <sup>6</sup> But when the sun rose, they were scorched, and since they had no root, they withered away. <sup>7</sup> Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. <sup>8</sup> Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. <sup>9</sup> If you have ears, hear!”

<sup>18</sup> “Hear, then, the parable of the sower. <sup>19</sup> When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. <sup>20</sup> As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, <sup>21</sup> yet such a person has no root but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. <sup>22</sup> As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of this age and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. <sup>23</sup> But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

The gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

*Rev. Mark Kreemer*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**     God of the Fertile Fields

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**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 INTERCESSION**

Trusting in God's steadfast love for all God has made, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

*After each petition the following response is given:*

God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Grateful for your abundant provision and trusting in your goodness, we cast all our cares upon you, through the abundant grace of Christ Jesus.

**Amen.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**Offertory Anthem** Reflection On a Swedish Folk Tune arr. Anna Laura Page  
Patty Long, Dick Evert, Kim Oberlin, Heidi Hall, handbells

## OFFERTORY



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take  
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of  
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

**Amen.**

# 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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, .....And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

# EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

## LORD'S PRAYER

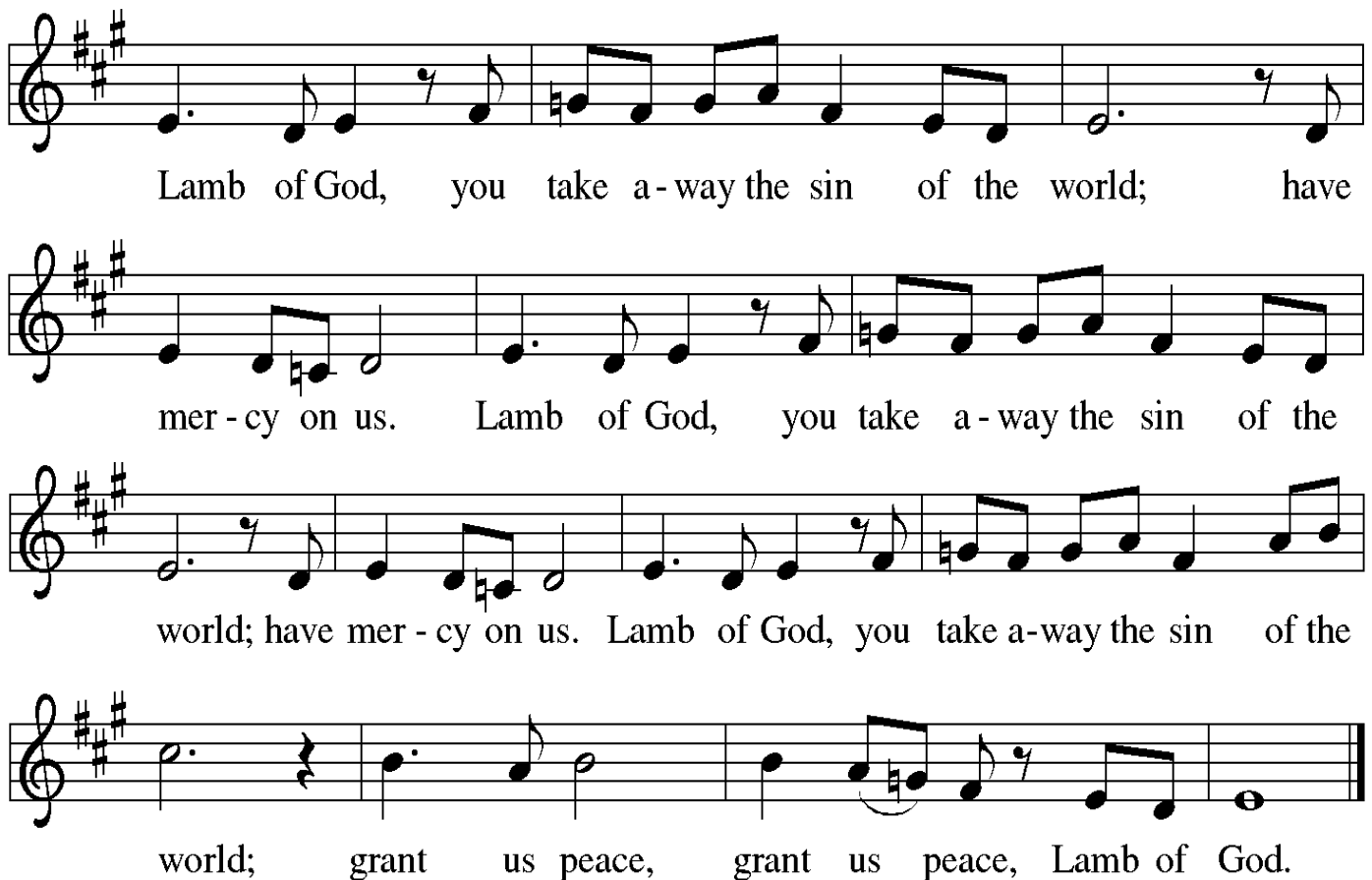
Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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

Heaven has come near.  
Come, share in the feast!

## COMMUNION SONG



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

**Communion**    My Faith Has Found a Resting Place    arr. Cindy Berry (b. 1949)  
                         O Love That Will Not Let Me Go    arr. Berry

## **TABLE BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
Amen.

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. **Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN:**    Sent Forth By God's Blessing    ELW 547

## **BLESSING**

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, † one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.  
**Amen.**

## **Dismissal**

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**                      Rondeau                      Jean-Joseph Mouret (1682-1738)

In our prayers today we will remember

Jan Hawley, Bob Fox, Lynn Williamson, Cindy Lash, Bob & Marlene Rupp, ,  
Judee Reed, Paul Staver, Richard Green, Abbie Deuble, Linda Wentling, Eric &  
Rick Theiss, Maggie Paul, Amy Williams, Judy Hall, Kenneth & Jean Dexter, Anna  
Langenfeld, Karen Daily, Denise Korn.

## Salvation Army's Back-to-School Bash

Beginning **July 12th**, we will be collecting school supplies for the **Salvation Army's Back-to-School Bash**. Please place all donations at the back of the church. Our last collection date will be **July 26th**.



### **Elementary K-3**

Crayola Crayons, 24 pack

Crayola Markers

Elmer's Glue Bottle & Glue Sticks

Pencils #2

Large Pink Erasers

Fiskar Scissors – Rounded Top

Folders with 2 pockets & prongs

Spiral Notebook (wide ruled)

Ruler

Colored Pencils

Pencil Sharpener

### **Intermediate 4-6**

#2 Yellow wooden pencils

Scissors

Crayons, 24 pack

Eraser (pink)

Elmer's Glue & Glue Sticks

Colored Pencils

Plastic folders with pockets and prongs

Composition Notebooks

Notebook Paper

Spiral Notebook

### **Jr. High 7-8**

J#2 Pencils

Pens

Highlighters

Colored Pencils

Elmer glue stick

Scissors

Composition Notebooks

Ruler

Plastic folders with pockets and prongs

Notebook Paper

### **High School 9-12**

#2 Pencils

Box of Markers

Notebook Paper (college ruled)

2-pocket folders

Single Subject Spiral Notebooks

Box of Colored Pencils

Composition Notebooks

Ruler

## Rehearsals for the St. Paul's Steelband

Are you needing some island vibes this summer?

Come join the St. Paul's Steelband as we learn about the music and culture of Trinidad!

We meet on Wednesdays from 6-7pm in the education building. No music experience is required and those of all ages are welcome.



Nervous about your first rehearsal or just curious but can't come to class? See Eleanor before or after service to set up a free demo lesson!

## Church Picnic – Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup> Following Worship



We will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs with an ice cream bar as a special treat.

Please bring a covered dish according to your last name.

- A-F –side dish
- G-N –dessert
- O-Z –salad or appetizer

We will have special music from Ellie playing the steel drum.

After you have plenty to eat, you can join in on the fun outside.

There will be games on the lawn including a corn hole tournament with prizes.

*Note: The Fellowship Committee will be in the kitchen to accept food before church*

## Youth News



We have many youth and young adults that are very active in a variety of areas, and we want to spotlight them in The Bridge. If you know of someone you'd like to feature, please submit the information to the church office: [Officeadmin@stpaulsmassillon.org](mailto:Officeadmin@stpaulsmassillon.org)

## Summer Read & Conversation Opportunity

Thursday Mornings at 10 am Starting in July 9<sup>th</sup>.

Over the past several months, many people have asked an important question: What is a faithful Christian response to the times in which we live? Others have wondered how we can speak with family members, friends, neighbors, and fellow Christians who may see the world very differently than we do.



This summer, I invite those who are interested to read the book *The Separation of Church and Hate* together. The book explores the intersection of faith, politics, culture, and Christian witness in today's world. It raises challenging questions about how followers of Jesus are called to live with both conviction and compassion.

This conversation will not be for everyone, and that is perfectly okay. The goal is not political agreement, nor is it to debate winners and losers. Rather, the hope is to create space for thoughtful reflection, respectful conversation, and faithful listening.

As Christians, we are called to “speak the truth in love” (Ephesians 4:15). That means we can hold differing opinions while still treating one another with dignity, grace, and respect. Our congregation will continue to be a place where questions may be asked honestly and where people are valued as brothers and sisters in Christ, even when perspectives differ.



**Have you checked out our website lately?**

[www.stpaulsmassillon.org](http://www.stpaulsmassillon.org)

Find out upcoming events, the newsletter, calendar, concert information, Worship Bulletins, lectionary notes, livestream the services, history of our church, and much, much more!

## Annual Congregational Meeting August 16th

Please plan to participate in the Annual Congregational Meeting on August 16th following The Worship Service.



## Capital Campaign Report

With joy and gratitude, we continue to celebrate the completion of our new entrance and bathrooms. For the past nine months, these improvements have already been a blessing—offering a warm welcome and greater accessibility to all who enter. Thank you for the generosity and faith that made this possible.

Yet our work of caring for God’s house continues.

As we look ahead, several significant needs have emerged:

- **Parish Hall Window Wells Repair** – Estimated cost: \$169,000  
Addressing these issues is essential to protect the integrity of the building and prevent further damage.
- **Completion of the Heating & Cooling Conversion (Parish Hall)** – Estimated cost: \$150,000  
Finishing this project will ensure a comfortable, efficient, and usable space for ministry year-round.
- **Organ Maintenance and Restoration** – Estimated cost: \$100,000–\$200,000  
Our organ plays a vital role in worship, and necessary maintenance will preserve its voice for future generations.

These are substantial projects, but they are also opportunities—opportunities to care for the spaces where ministry happens, where lives are touched, and where the Gospel is proclaimed.

Through your continued generosity, we can preserve and strengthen this place of welcome, safety, and worship. Together, we are ensuring that our church remains a living witness to God’s grace for generations to come. Thank you for your faithfulness and your partnership in this shared ministry.



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Go to your Google or Apple app store on your smart phone and download the “**My Church**” by **Pushpay**. It is a free download.

Open the app and search for St Paul’s by typing **STPLC APP**. Then click on the St Paul’s logo—that’s it.

## Assisted Hearing Devices Available

Four assisted listening devices are available at the sound system table in the back of the sanctuary at the beginning of worship. Please see Jim Johnson or John Stanko if you need assistance with these devices.



You can also use your smartphone to access the system. Go to your app store and download the **WaveCAST** app. Then connect to the sanctuary Wi-Fi: **Network:** sound media **Password:** Sound127

## Community Social Media Pages Facebook & Instagram, Search “Massillon Lutheran Churches”

### Facebook

“St Paul’s Lutheran Church in Massillon”  
or “Cathedral Concerts at St Paul’s”



## Children’s Activity Bulletins

Crayons and Children’s Activity Bulletins are available at the side entrance. These are a fun way to spread today’s Gospel to our younger ones.

### Children’s Activity Bulletin

July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026

*The Parable of the Sower*

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Word Search Puzzle

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**Let us know you are here.**

Please sign the St. Paul’s Friendship Register at the end of your pew.



## **Thank you to those serving today:**

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	<b>Rev. Mark Kreemer</b>
<b>Director of Music</b>	<b>Dr. Abigail Haake</b>
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	<b>Karl Kalk</b>
<b>Lector</b>	<b>Kathryn Myers</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Craig Maurer</b>
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	<b>David Stoner &amp; Jackie Pritchett</b>
<b>Sacristan</b>	<b>Patty Long</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Jack &amp; Marilyn Norton Karl Kalk, Craig Maurer</b>
<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>Scott Larson, Thomas Haake</b>
<b>Soundboard</b>	<b>Jim Johnson</b>
<b>Video/Live-Stream</b>	<b>John Stanko</b>

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# HYMN OF THE DAY

## God of the Fertile Fields



1 God of the fer - tile fields, sha - per of  
2 We would be stew - ards true, hold - ing in  
3 As grows the hid - den seed to fruit that  
4 God of the coun - try - side, dear to the



earth that yields our dai - ly bread: forth from your  
trust from you all that you give; help us in  
serves our need, so your reign grows. Let all our  
Christ who died to make us one: we pledge our



boun - teous hand come gifts your love has planned,  
love to share, teach us like you to care  
toil be used, no gift of yours a - bused,  
lives a - new in faith - ful love to you.



that all in ev - 'ry land be clothed and fed.  
for peo - ple ev - 'ry - where, that all may live.  
no hum - ble task re - fused your love be - stows.  
Guide all we say and do. Your will be done.

Text: Georgia Harkness, 1891–1974, alt.

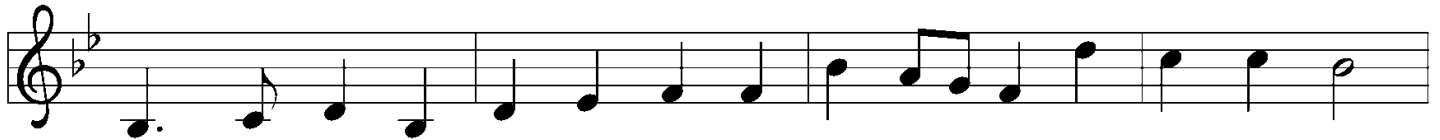
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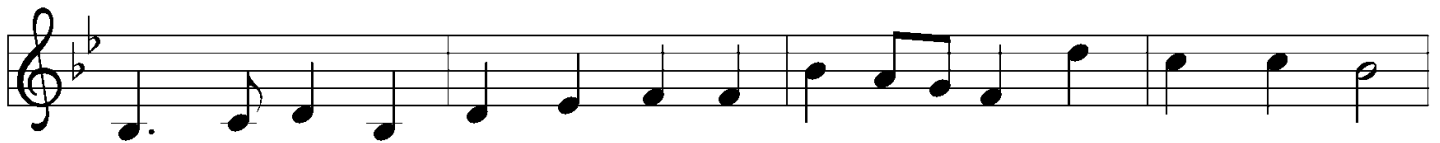
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# Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

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1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty, Zi - on, let me en - ter there,  
2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore thee; come thou al - so un - to me;  
3 Here thy praise is glad - ly chant-ed, here thy seed is du - ly sown;  
4 Thou my faith in - crease and quick-en, let me keep thy gift di - vine;  
5 Speak, O God, and I will hear thee, let thy will be done in - deed;



where my soul in joy - ful du - ty waits for God who an - swers prayer.  
where we find thee and a - dore thee, there a heav'n on earth must be.  
let my soul, where it is plant-ed, bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone,  
how - so - e'er temp - ta - tions thick-en, may thy word still o'er me shine  
may I un - dis - turbed draw near thee while thou dost thy peo - ple feed.



Oh, how bless-ed is this place, filled with so - lace, light, and grace!  
To my heart, oh, en - ter thou, let it be thy tem - ple now!  
so that all I hear may be fruit - ful un - to life in me.  
as my guid-ing star through life, as my com-fort in all strife.  
Here of life the foun - tain flows; here is balm for all our woes.

Text: Benjamin Schmolck, 1672–1737; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.  
Music: UNSER HERRSCHER, Joachim Neander, 1650–1680

# Sent Forth by God's Blessing

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1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,  
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,



the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.  
the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face—



The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed  
our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,



the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.  
em - brac - ing God's chil - dren, the whole hu - man race.



The seed of Christ's teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls  
With your feast you feed us, with your light now



reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.  
lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.



Your grace shall in - cite us, your love shall u - nite us  
Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing



to work for your king - dom and an - swer your call.  
give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

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