

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ JULY 17, 2022



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"Being Transformed By God's Grace To Love And Serve."

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If it is uncomfortable for you to stand where indicated, please feel free to remain seated. The congregation responds where it is bold print.



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

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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 steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God, **we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

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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.**

Hymn of Praise

"Glory to God"

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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray..... **Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

please be seated

First Reading:

Genesis 18:1 - 10a

¹The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. ³He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." ⁶And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." ⁷Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. ⁹They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." ^{10a}Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 15

¹LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may abide upon your holy hill?

²**Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right, who speak the truth from their heart;**

³they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends; they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

⁴**In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the LORD. They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.**

⁵They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent. Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

Second Reading:

Colossians 1:15 - 28

¹⁵[Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation;¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. ²¹And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—²³provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. ²⁴I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Sermon

Jennifer Rehmer

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Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia"

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Gospel

Luke 10:38 - 42

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 10th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord**

³⁸Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to

help me.” ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, “Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴²there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.”

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

please be seated

Sermon

Pastor Stephen Zeller

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Hymn of the Day

“Be Thou My Vision”

#793

please be seated

Service Of Holy Baptism

Kolby Evan Kyle

In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

Sponsors:

We present Kolby Evan Kyle for baptism.

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Kolby baptized into Christ? *I do.*

As you bring Kolby to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with him among God's faithful people,
bring him to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in his hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture him in faith and prayer,
so that he may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Kolby grow in the Christian faith and life? *I do.*

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Kolby in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church? *I do.*

People of God, do you promise to support Kolby and pray for him in his new life in Christ? **We do.**

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the powers of this world that defy God?
I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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**

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.
Amen.

Kolby Evan Kyle, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us pray.....We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Kolby with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.
Amen.

Kolby, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world. Amen

please stand in body or spirit
Prayers of Intercession

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Sharing The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

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Offering

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Offertory

"Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise"

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Offering Prayer

Let us pray.....God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. **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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





Words Of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Hear, O Lord, the prayer you taught us to pray.....**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.**

HOLY COMMUNION

by Stations

All who believe that Jesus is present in the Bread and the Wine
and has the power to forgive are welcome to commune.
Red wine or white grape juice is available.

please be seated

Communion Hymn

"Day By Day"

#790

"Lord, Be Glorified"

#744

"Eat This Bread"

#492

please stand in body or spirit

Post-Communion Blessing

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

Post-Communion Prayer

Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

Blessing

The God of peace, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

"Jesus the Very Thought of You"

#754

Dismissal

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

"GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE"



Welcome: In the spirit of friendship, we welcome all who have come to bow heads and hearts before the Lord in reverence and love. Whoever is a child of God is kin to us.

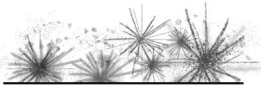
We invite everyone to enjoy coffee, snacks and fellowship before worship in the Gathering Space. Please join us!

In Our Prayers: "Unspoken prayer concerns", Dave Ramel, Joann Brauer, Glen Webb, Jon Beckman and Kyle Luetjen.



PRAY
for those
in need

Esther Schlesselman, Karen Haase (sister-in-law of Gene Beckman), Jackie Ross (sister of Randy Healan), Sharon Stelling, Rebecca Heimsoth (friend of Norma Schlesselman), Gerald Goodson (uncle of Melisa Balke), Shirley Boose (mother of Melisa Balke), Dieter Knowle (brother of Kim Knowle-Zeller), Ronnie Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marvin Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marlin & Ruth Lackas (sister & brother-in-law of Paul Fuelling), Reagan Phillips, Bill Hampton, Alex Stevens (friend of Tina Ives), Jeffery Jones (son of Bonnie Bohling) and Adam Gumbel (son of Jim & Kim Gumbel).



NURSING HOMES

Nursing Home: Vern Dean Bohling: *Ambrose*. Luella Viebrock, Marie Viebrock, Florence VonHolten & Cecelia Wiedemann: *GSCC*. Kathy Hallauer: *Loving Arms*.

Military: Please keep all those who have served our country past and present in your prayers, especially: ENS David M. Gardner (son of Pam Balke), Private Bradyn Hood (grandson of Connie Gerken), MSgt. Jason Ostberg (son-in-law of Suzanne Lutjen) Lt. Col. Ron Poe, Cpt. Joseph Strathman, Sgt. Russell J. Wiedemann (grandson of Cecelia Wiedemann) and Cpt. Wayne Wiedemann (grandson of Cecelia Wiedemann).



With Sympathy: We also pray for those families who have lost loved ones; family and friends of Elroy VonHolten.

Prayers: If you would like your name added or removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office at 668-3537.



Baptismal Grace: Today, Kolby Evan Kyle will be washed clean in the waters of Holy Baptism. We welcome him into the fellowship of faith that we all share through baptismal grace of God. Ethan is the son of Jordon and Emily Kyle and was born on May 10, 2022. Kolby's sponsors are Justin and Lindsey Tinney.



Mid-MO Bible Camp: This year's Bible Camp at Camp Rising Sun at the Lake of the Ozarks State Park begins **TODAY!!** We pray for safety, fun, and God's blessing upon our youth, counselors, and adult leaders for a great week. Pastors Stephen and Kim will be present at the state park for part of this week as well.

"One Stitch At A Time": The Sewing Group will meet on Monday, **July 18th** at 9:00am in the church basement.



Health Care: The Benton County Health Department will be here on Thursday, **July 21st** from 8:00am until 10:00am to help you with your health care needs.

WELCA: The Central States Women of the ELCA will be holding their annual convention (first time in-person since 2019) on Friday evening - Sunday morning, **July 22-24**. The convention will be held at the Doubletree Hotel in Overland Park. The board has worked hard to make this an exciting convention with break-out sessions addressing relevant topics pertinent to today's society. Pastor Stephen is leading one of the sessions on the topic of "Sabbath Rest". Also the key-note speaker for Friday evening is our own Pastor Kim. She will be addressing the theme of the convention "Rejoice in Hope". All women are invited to attend!! It would be wonderful to have some of our younger ladies attending this year. Any questions, see Janice Gerken.



Undies Sunday: Once again, the annual "Undies Sunday" will collect new undergarments for children to be distributed at the clothing drive. Please bring those donations to church during worship the weekends of **July 24th and July 31st**.

Newsletter: The Sunbeam committee will meet on Wednesday, **July 27th** at 3:00pm.



Vacation Bible School: Mark your calendars for a Rocky Railway Adventure at this year's VBS, where we will climb aboard our very own train to experience how *Jesus' power pulls us through*. VBS will be on **August 1st – 5th**, from 6:00-8:30 pm. Invite a friend to what will surely be an awesome adventure! Please register all participants using the link on the church's Facebook page.



Back-To-School Sale: July is the month of all things clothing, thanks to the work of the Church Alliance! Their annual Back-to-School Clothing Sale will be Saturday, **August 6th**, here at St. Paul's. Donations of gently-used clothing (especially clothing for children and youth) will be accepted in the basement this month. Donations can be dropped off at St. Paul's basement on Tuesday's - Friday's from 9:00am until 12:00pm.

Casting Crowns: This contemporary gospel group will be at the Missouri State Fair on Tuesday, **August 16th**. The tickets are \$30.00 each. If you are interested in joining a group please RSVP to Melisa Balke before July 24th. For more information check out the information on the bulletin board or contact Melisa Balke.



Circle: The Esther Circle will **not** meet during the months of July and August.

Sunday School Teachers: Part of our work in nurturing young families and raising disciples is teaching our children and youth the Christian faith. We are fortunate to be able to do that through our Sunday School program. Can you help our Sunday School ministry by being a teacher this year? Teachers will rotate throughout the year so that you aren't teaching every week, but we need your help to do so! If you're interested or have questions please speak with Pastor Stephen or someone on the Parish Education committee. Thank you!



Float Work: Pleating/fluffing of flowers will be held in the church basement the remainder of the month of July on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays beginning at 5:00 p.m. See you there!!



Combine Float: There are **43 days** until the Cole Camp Fair! We at St. Paul's have a lot of work ahead of us to complete our float, but with everyone pitching in, we can get it done. Thankfully we have plenty of people to cut, count, pleat, and fluff! But the construction of the float needs "all hands-on deck"! What we need right now is a vehicle over which we can build our "combine" - i.e. a gator or a ranger - which obviously will be needed until after the fair is over. And we need manpower for the framing of our "combine", particularly welders. We are building a combine to honor the hard work of our farmers, because they are the best of show! "Corey Combine" (a character in a John Deere children's book) will be the model for the float. See Jake Jackson or Justin Tinney if you can help in any way with the construction.

~ * ~ **IN OUR COMMUNITY** ~ * ~

Ice Cream Social: Please come join us for some food, fun, fellowship, and fireworks at Mt. Hulda Lutheran Church in Cole Camp. Mt. Hulda will be hosting an ice cream social **today** from 6:00pm - 8:30pm. Serving will start at 6:00pm, the menu will include hotdogs, chips, cake & ice cream, and drinks. Entertainment will begin at approximately 7:00pm and will include skits, singing, instrumentalists, and a pie auction. At dusk, weather permitting, we will be having a fireworks display. Proceeds from this event will be used to purchase an AED (automatic external defibrillator) for the church. We look forward to seeing everyone so please make plans to attend. It will be a great social gathering for neighbors and friends!



THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sunday, July 17:	10:00am	Worship Holy Communion by Stations Baptism of Kolby Kyle Mid-MO Bible Camp Begins
Monday, July 18:	9:00am	Sewing
	5:00pm	Float Work
Tuesday, July 19:	5:00pm	Float Work
Thursday, July 21:	8:00am	BCHD
	5:00pm	Float Work
Friday, July 22:		WELCA Convention Begins
Saturday, July 23:	5:30pm	Casual Worship Service
Sunday, July 24:	10:00am	Worship Holy Communion by Stations Undies Sunday



~ * ~ Coming Events ~ * ~

July 17 - July 21	Mid-MO Bible Camp
July 22 - July 24	WELCA Annual Convention
July 23, 24, 30 & 31	Undies Sunday
August 1 -5	Vacation Bible School
August 6	Back-To-School Clothing Sale

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Ministers	.....The Whole Congregation
Presiding Minister	.....Pastor Stephen Zeller
Organist	.....Lois Viebrock
Pianist	.....Jeannette VonHolten
Altar Guild	.....Melisa Balke & Joyce Schlesselmann
Ushers	.....Kelly Viebrock, Assistant Head Usher
	.....Jim Gumbel, Mark Oelrichs, Justin Tinney & Bruce Wienberg



Sixth Sunday after Pentecost ~ July 17, 2022

Assisting Minister	.....Melisa Balke
Communion Assistant	.....Luther League
Children's Sermon	.....Jennifer Rehmer
Reader	.....Bob Farrington
Acolytes	.....Kaelyn Keith & Bradyn Rehmer
Flowers	.....Carolyn Eickhoff



Seventh Sunday after Pentecost ~ July 24, 2022

Assisting Minister	.....Tom Oelrichs
Communion Assistant	.....Trisha Goosen & Stephanie Randall
Children's Sermon	.....Joyce Schlesselmann
Reader	.....Brian Randall
Acolytes	.....Ethan Goosen & Khloe Viebrock
Flowers	.....