

**ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:**

*"Be faithfully obedient to the living Christ in making disciples of all people."*

**The True Tradition of the Church Is the Ministry of the Gospel of Christ Jesus, Her Savior** The true tradition of the Church is the Gospel, which is the preaching and administration of Christ Jesus. Other traditions, although not commanded by God, may serve and support that sacred tradition of the Gospel. But the Church dare not "[reject] the commandment of God" in order to establish or hold to "the tradition of men" (Mark 7:8-9). Sinful people attempt to draw near to the Lord "with their mouth" and to honor Him "with their lips," while their hearts are far removed from Him (Is. 29:13). Yet, He is "the Holy One of Israel," who brings about salvation by His cross. Therefore, "the wisdom of their wise men shall perish," but "the deaf shall hear" and "the eyes of the blind shall see" (Is. 29:14-19). This mystery of Christ is profound, for He is the husband of the Church, and He is her Savior. Not because of any works that she has done, but solely for the sake of His great love, He "gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word" (Eph. 5:25-26).

**Thanks to those who Served Today**

**Elder:** Gary McCall  
**Ushers:** Dave Seieroe, Mona Pithan, Bruce Mohr  
**Organist:** Lynette Thies  
**Screen:** Audrey Gust  
**Altar Care:** Tanis Watke, Leah Schwery  
**Altar Flowers:** Dar Mohr  
**Finance:** Dave Seieroe, Linda Seieroe  
**Acolytes:** Hannah Peitsch

**Next Sunday Acolytes:**

**Those Serving in September**

**Elder:** Steve Gust  
**Ushers:** Steve Gust, Andy Kuhlman  
**Organist:** Lynette Thies  
**Screen:** Audrey Gust  
**Altar Care:** Joan Neddermeyer  
**Altar Flowers:** Teresa Mordhorst  
**Finance:** John Thies, Harvey Thies

**ABOUT THE SERVICE**

**WELCOME:** We welcome you to St Paul's! It is a joy to have you here to worship with us. In Jesus Christ our Risen Savior we have reason for hope and joy and so we gather together to receive His good gifts and offer Him our prayers and praises. May God bless us all as we worship together in His house and grow as His children!

**USHERING AFTER SERVICE:** After the service, please usher yourself out after pastor has got to the back of the church.

**STANDING:** Although it is proper to sit and stand at certain times during the Divine Service, please feel free to sit when needed.

**WEEKLY CALENDAR:**

Sun: 10:30 a.m. – Divine Service  
 Tues: Pastor in Mapleton  
 Wed: 11:00 a.m. – Bible Class  
 6:00 p.m. – Catechism Orientation  
 Fri: Pastors Family Day  
 Sun: 9:30 a.m. – Bible Class  
 10:30 a.m. – Divine Service w/Holy Communion

	General Fund	Missions	Special Mission
Projected for the Year	\$161,744.17	\$6,000.00	\$3,000.00
As of 6/30/2024	\$90,095.87	\$1,820.00	\$2,220.00
Still Needed	\$71,648.30	\$4,180.00	\$780.00

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(^ indicates worshipers stand)

Prelude  
 Ringing of the Bell

**Hymn..... #563**  
 vs. 1-4, 6 "Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness"

**^Invocation..... p.184**  
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**^Introit..... Sheet**  
**^Kyrie..... p.186**  
**^Gloria in Excelsis..... p.187**  
**^Salutation and Collect..... p.189**  
**Readings..... Sheet**  
**Old:** Isaiah 29:11-19  
**Epistle:** Ephesians 5:22-33  
**Gospel:** Mark 7:1-13

**Apostles' Creed..... p.192**  
**Hymn..... #589**  
 "Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens"

**Sermon "Rules of Game"**  
 Mark 7:1-13

**Offering**  
**^Offertory..... p.192**  
**^Prayer of the Church..... p.193**  
**^Lord's Prayer..... p.196**  
**^Benediction..... p.202**  
**^Hymn..... #575**  
 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

**CURRENT BIBLE CLASSES:**

- Wednesday Morning Bible Class (Meets in the LYF Room- 11am).

**ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**COMMUNITY & OTHER INFORMATION**

**SPECIAL MISSIONS OFFERING:** This year our special mission is Lutheran Braille Workers. Our goal is \$3,000. For this year's special mission, we have an anonymous donor that is willing to match \$1 to \$1 for the first \$1500.

**RALLY SUNDAY:** Sunday School classes will start on September 15 at 9:30 a.m.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** The Board of Education is looking for volunteers for Sunday School teachers/helpers. There is a sign-up sheet on the back table. Please put your name and phone number down and one of the Board of Ed will contact you.

**CATECHISM:** Catechism students and parents there will be a catechism information meeting on Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

**USHERS:** We are looking for anyone that would like to help with ushering. Please let the office or elder know.

**SUPPORT OUR CATECHISM FAMILIES:** We need volunteers to provide a simple meal every Wednesday for our Catechism students from 5:30-6:00 pm. Sign-up sheet is on the back table. Catechism starts September 4.

**"THY STRONG WORD":** Thy Strong Word is a 5 min. daily devotional message given by LC-MS pastors of the Denison area and sponsored by area congregations including St. Paul's. It is aired at 6:25 a.m., Mon.-Sat. on KDSN, FM107.1

**WATERING CHURCH FLOWERS:** We are looking for some volunteers to help water the outside church flowers for next year. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church for your name and phone #. The schedule will be by week and you can sign up for as many weeks that you would like. If you have any question, you can call Deanna.

**JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GATHERING:** The 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade Junior Youth Gathering will take place October 19-20 at the Sheraton in West Des Moines. Topic: Confession & Absolution, Theme: The Great Exchange, Bible Verse: Psalm 51.

**SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GATHERING:** The Senior Youth Gathering at Camp Okoboji will take place October 5-6 Theme: One In Christ; Bible Verse: Galatians 3:28 Cost: \$85 - October 5-6 - includes one night lodging, three meals, all programming and activities -or- \$115 - October 4-6 - includes two nights' lodging, four meals, all programming and activities.

*St. Pauls Lutheran Church—LCMS*

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**Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 25, 2024**



Mark 7:1-13

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