

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

6 pm Saturday; 7:45 & 10 am Sunday



The Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

23/24 October 2021

God Declares Us Righteous Unsheathing His Word Against All Evil: “*Let there be light,’ and there was light*” (Gen. 1:1—2:3). The Father speaks, and it is so. His Word accomplishes what it says. He created all things out of nothing through His Son by the power of the Holy Spirit. The Father’s creative Word became flesh in Jesus Christ, so that He might restore fallen creation and save fallen man. To the nobleman whose son was deathly ill, Jesus says, “*Go; your son will live*” (John 4:46–54). And in the very hour Jesus spoke, the nobleman’s son was made well. The Word of Christ still accomplishes what it says. In baptism, absolution, and the Lord’s Supper, He declares His life-giving forgiveness to you, and it is so. This saving Word of God is the sword of the Spirit by which you are able to fight off all the onslaughts of the devil (Eph. 6:10–17). “*Therefore take up the whole armor of God that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.*”

HOLY COMMUNION for our Guests and Visitors

Today the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood is given for us Christians to eat and to drink. At St. Paul this Sacrament is given to those baptized Christians who have been examined and absolved and publicly confess the faith professed at this altar. All guests who are members of sister congregations of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and desire to receive the Body and Blood of Christ are asked to speak with the Pastor prior to communing.

DIVINE SERVICE

Prelude	Aus tiefer not	J. Pachelbel
Processional Hymn	<i>Thy Strong Word</i>	578
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Service of the Word

Introit *Ps. 119:1, 38-40; Antiphon: Liturgical Text*



The whole world is | in your power;*

O Lord, King Almighty, no one can gainsay you.

For you have made | heaven and earth;*

you are | Lord of all!

Blessèd are those whose way is | blameless,*

who walk in the law | of the LORD!

Confirm to your servant your | promise,*

that you | may be feared.

Turn away the reproach | that I dread,*
for your just de- | crees are good.
Behold, I long for your | precepts;*
in your righteousness | give me life!
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
The whole world is | in your power;*
O Lord, King Almighty, no one can | gainsay you.
For you have made | heaven and earth;*
you are | Lord of all!

Kyrie & Gloria in Excelsis

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

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O Lord, keep Your household, the Church, in continual godliness that through Your protection she may be free from all adversities and devoutly given to serve You in good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 1:1-2:3

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. And God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, "Let there be lights in the

expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so. And God made the two great lights--the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night--and the stars. And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, "Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens." So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds--livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so. And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 90:1–2

Lord, you have been our | dwelling place*
in all genera- | tions.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed
the earth | and the world,*
from everlasting to everlasting | you are God.

Epistle Reading**Ephesians 6:10–17**

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

The Alleluia & Verse

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Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount | Zion,
which cannot be moved, but abides for | ever.

Alleluias repeated

Ps. 125:1

Holy Gospel Reading**John 4:46–54**

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 4th chapter.
C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

So he came again to Cana in Galilee, where he had made the water wine. And at Capernaum there was an official whose son was ill. When this man heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went to him and asked him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. So Jesus said to him, “Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe.” The official said to him, “Sir, come down before my child dies.” Jesus said to him, “Go; your son will live.” The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and went on his way. As he was going down, his servants met him and told him that his son was recovering. So he asked them the hour when he began to get better, and they said to him, “Yesterday at the seventh

hour the fever left him.” The father knew that was the hour when Jesus had said to him, “Your son will live.” And he himself believed, and all his household. This was now the second sign that Jesus did when he had come from Judea to Galilee.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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Announcements for Trinity 21

This Week at St. Paul's...

Sun.	Divine Services – 7:45/10:00 Bible Class – 9:00am Sunday School – 9:00am
Mon.	Pastor Ball's Day Off Matins – 8:20am
Tues.	Matins – 8:20am Bell Choir – 7:00pm Elders – 7:00pm

Wed.	Divine Service – 8:20am Catechism – 4:30pm Bible Class – 7:00pm Walther League – 7:00pm
Thurs.	Matins – 8:20am Choir – 7:00pm
Fri.	No School – Office Closed Vicar Campbell's Day Off
Sat.	Confession – 5:00pm Divine Service – 6:00pm

Hymn of the Day – The hymn of the day for the Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity is *From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee* (LSB 607). It was written by Martin Luther in the year 1523 while he was busy revising the Latin Mass. It was during this time that Luther was writing to other poets and theologians advocating for the use of vernacular hymns in the mass, of which *From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee* is an example. The hymn itself is a paraphrase of Psalm 130. It originally had only four stanzas, with each stanza summarizing two verses of the Psalm. But Luther later expanded the second stanza. It was sung at many funerals, including Luther's, and at many points in the church year. It was one of Luther's favorite hymns that he had written.

The opening stanza, paraphrasing Psalm 130, expresses the great anguish that we feel in the midst of our own sin. It confesses that, if the Lord were to keep track and count our iniquities, we could not stand before him. Stanzas two and three shine through with rich, Reformation themes. The anguish that we feel because of our sin can only be done away with by God's mercy. We must rest not on our own works but on the mercies and righteousness of God, which Scripture clearly shows us. Stanza 4 confesses that, even though our weeping may tarry through the night, we never doubt that God will deliver us from every evil of body and soul. Stanza five expresses the main thrust of the hymn. God's favor will never leave us. He is the Good Shepherd, who will deliver us from all sin and sorrow.

Sausage Supper UPDATE – The committee has decided to host a CARRYOUT ONLY SAUSAGE SUPPER this year. As a result, there will be a few changes to our process but we still need A LOT of help to prepare and host this event. Please go to <https://signup.com/go/thRgeyP> to register, no later than Friday, October 29th. Note that a few jobs have changed, so please check if you have already registered to help. You can

contact any of the following with questions or assistance; Church office (jmertz@stpaulhamel.org), Paula Kipp (supergrandma2613@gmail.com), or Marc Behrhorst (behrhorst6@gmail.com). If you know of those who don't have internet access, please encourage them to simply call the church office for assistance. Thank you in advance for your time and generosity. – The Sausage Supper Committee

Sausage Supper Meat Orders – The church will be selling pork, liver and blood sausage, along with backbones and ribs at a cost of \$4.00 per pound. Meat orders can be placed in advance by simply contacting the church office (633-2209), Dennis & Mary Klaustermeier (488-7473), or Shirley Lueker (633-2497). Meat orders can be picked up on Saturday, November 13 from 9:00-Noon or on Sunday, November 14 during the time of the carry-out hours of 11:30-5:30pm. Meat will also be available for purchase during the carry-out hours.

Apple Butter – The LWML would like to thank family, friends, and the youth group who helped cook apple butter. The apple butter will be available to purchase on Sunday mornings between church services in the church basement or during the week in the church office. The cost is \$5.00 per half pint or \$10.00 per pint. The proceeds will go to help with the support of our missionaries Pr. Sharp and Pr. Fritsche.

Walther League Fall Fest – TONIGHT – Sunday, October 24 – Walther League (grades 7-12 from Worden, Hamel, Prairietown, and Staunton) will hold its 4th Sunday meeting in October at a special time: 4pm to 9pm on Sunday, October 24 at Trinity-Worden's Parish Hall. We plan to have a bonfire, hotdogs, bobbing for apples, snap dragon, etc. We also meet each Wednesday from 7 to 9:30pm.

LWML Sewing – We will be sewing blankets October 27, 28 and 29 from 9:00-3:00 in the church basement. Please bring scissors and a sack lunch. We will have a good time!

Ladies Aid Birthday Party – will take place on Wednesday, November 3 at Noon in the church basement. All Ladies Aid members should bring a side dish to share. Dessert will be furnished. Please wear the color blue. We will be celebrating the following birthdays - Carolyn Detchman 70, Beverly Renken 80, Nancy Engelke 85, Vi Baumann 90 and Thelma Wuehler 95. We look forward to celebrating God's great gift of life together with you all!

40 Days for Life...CLOSING RALLY – Sunday, October 31, 2021
2:00-3:00 PM at Hope Clinic for Women – 1602 21st St. Granite City, IL
62040....Keynote Speaker: Rev. Michael Salemink, Executive Director for
Lutherans for Life.

Shut-in of the Month – Please help us remember those who are unable to worship with us here in church. The St. Paul shut-in of the month for October is Lillian Schmidt. Her address is: Lillian Schmidt, Riverside Rehab & Healthcare, 3490 Humbert Road, Alton, IL 62002. Please send her a card, a note, or have your kids color a picture for her. The St. Paul shut-ins love to get mail!

Food Pantry – In September the pantry served 17 families. This included 35 adults and 29 children with no new families. Right now the pantry is low on corn and green beans, canned fruit, sugar, flour, syrup, tomatoes, baked beans, pie filling (for Thanksgiving), evaporated milk, coffee, rice, shampoo, and laundry and dish detergent. Thank you very much for your continuing support. It is much appreciated!

Sausage Supper – Trinity, Worden – Sunday, October 31, 2021 – Carry Outs only – \$12.00 – serving Noon-6:00pm – Liver, Pork and Blood Sausage, Ribs and Backbones sold at Parish Hall Sunday beginning at Noon.

Metro-East Lutheran High School – is happy to announce its Night of Knights Annual Auction will be an in-person event again this year. The auction will be held on Friday, November 5, at the Gateway Convention Center in Collinsville. All are invited to join us! Donations are currently being accepted for auction items. All donations can be dropped off at the school office. Thank you for your support of what is our biggest fundraiser of the year.

Open House – Metro-East Lutheran High School invites you to an Open House on Sunday, November 7, from 1 p.m.-3 p.m. Come find out more about our school community, take a tour of our campus, meet our teachers, visit with our administrators and get answers to your questions about everything from academics to extracurriculars to tuition assistance. For more information, call the school office at 618-656-0043 or email admissions@melhs.org.

Reformation Hymn Festival – Join us at Good Shepherd Collinsville in the sanctuary on Sunday, October 31, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. as our choir and instrumentalists lead us in a Reformation Hymn Festival. Hear and sing special arrangements of A Mighty Fortress, Lord Keep us Steadfast and more. Duration will be approximately 50 minutes.

Converts to Lutheranism Series – Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week we'll be hearing stories from guests who are adult converts to Lutheranism. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUO, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

Genesis 1:1 – “In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.” Many studies report that atheism is on the rise in our culture. The appeal of atheism is in the denial of a Creator. If the world just happens to exist – and if we are just accidents that arose out of a long process of random, directionless evolution – then we get to make our own rules, and nobody has any right to tell us otherwise. Since there is indeed a Creator, though, then obviously He knows best, and we try our best to follow His commands. Christians know this Creator very well, and we have seen not only His power and commands but also His grace and mercy in His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Next Weekend – Reformation (October 30/31, 2021)

First Reading: Revelation 14:6-7

Epistle: Romans 3:19-28

Holy Gospel: John 8:31-36

Hymns: 656, 555, 617, 260 (TLH), 655

Serving next Weekend – Trinity 21 (October 23/24, 2021)

- 6:00pm –** Celebrant – Pr. Weedon
 Assisting – Vicar Campbell, Elder
 Elder – Kurt Johnson
 Organist – Kantor Janet Muth
 Acolyte – Thomas Liston
 Cantor – JW Case
- 7:45am –** Celebrant – Pastor Weedon
 Assisting – Pastor Ball, Vicar Campbell
 Elder – Scott Wagner
 Organist – Kantor Janet Muth
 Acolyte – Samuel Bowers
 Cantor – Cervi Family
- 10:00am –** Celebrant – Pastor Weedon
 Assisting – Pastor Ball, Vicar Campbell
 Elder – Kelly Krausz
 Organist – Kantor Janet Muth
 Acolyte – Ganyn Krausz
 Cantor – Schnare Family

Serving next Weekend – Reformation (October 30/31, 2021)

- 6:00pm –** Celebrant – Pr. Ball
 Assisting – Pr. Gleason, Vicar Campbell
 Elder – Dan Jones
 Organist – Kantor Janet Muth
 Acolyte – Austin Imhoff, Isiah Estrada, Riley Stipcak
 Cantor – Raven Stipcak
- 7:45am –** Celebrant – Pastor Weedon
 Assisting – Pastor Ball, Vicar Campbell
 Elder – Kurt Johnson
 Organist – Kantor Janet Muth
 Acolyte – Wyatt Goeckner, Bryce Goeckner, Henry Reiseck
 Cantor – Adult Choir/Bell Choir
- 10:00am –** Celebrant – Pastor Weedon
 Assisting – Pastor Ball, Vicar Campbell
 Elder – Mike Schwarz
 Organist – Kantor Janet Muth
 Acolyte – Mathias Askins, Ronan Askins, Elijah Ball
 Cantor – Adult Choir/Bell Choir

IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- For the spread of the Holy Gospel
- For the Holy Church throughout the World, For our Synod
- For our country, that we might be at peace and live in harmony
- For our families as we seek to live together in holy love and peace
- For those who live alone
- For all doctors, nurses and medical personnel
- For first responders in our communities
- For the sick, the suffering, the dying of Covid-19

Healing and Comfort for: **PAUL BOSCH**, recovering from shoulder surgery; **MELVIN SCHWEIZER**, father of Julie Johnson, health difficulties; **JOHANNA (JOHNSON) BIERMANN**, for strength during her pregnancy; **CATHY BRIGHT**, recovering from surgery; **KAREN BEST**, sister of Dale & Shirley Lueker, preparing for surgery; **PASTOR GLEASON**, health concerns; **DELMAR ALTEVOGT**, health concerns; **CANDY ESCH**, cancer; **DAVE SCHMIDT**, uncle of Elsa Gerth, COVID; **JIM WRIGHT**, friend of Larry Madorin, throat cancer; **MICHELLE VAN FOSSEN**, friend and co-worker of Matt Bowers, recovering from Stage 3 Melanoma, now diagnosed with breast cancer; **TAMMY RIEPSHOFF**, teacher at SPECLC, undergoing cancer treatments; **MILLIE ERNST**, recovering from knee replacement surgery; **KATHY WIEMERS**, sister of Sharon Braasch & John Meinzen, recovering from breast cancer surgery; **MOLLY MCCALLA**, health issues; **KURT PRENZLER**, recovering from back surgery; **NORMA JEAN HARTLIEB**, sister-in-law of Lois Sander, health concerns; **TOM MARTIN**, health issues; **KATIE SCHWARZ**, recovering from thyroid cancer surgery; **CONNIE MADORIN**, tendon surgery rehab; **TINA SAWALL**, niece of Lou and Pat Hellmann, treatments for cancer; **JEFF HEEPKE**, friend of Matt Bowers, undergoing treatment for cancer and his family's comfort; **MIKE PASHIA**, friend of Larry Madorin, cancer; **CHRISTIAN CORTRIGHT**, Kendall's nephew, brain tumor; **DOROTHY BRAASCH**, mother of Dave, declining health & back pain; **DORENE LANE**, friend of Dave DeVries, spiritual and health issues; **STEVE SCHWEIZER**, brother of Julie Johnson, cancer diagnosis; **EMILY KIEHL**, niece of Cindy Gleason, vision problems; **KIM TOBIN**, niece of Dave DeVries, drug issues; **TOMIKO JUEDEMANN**, mother of Linda Behrhorst, cancer treatments; **KAY GROTEFENDT**, friend of Paula Kipp, cancer free, recovering from surgery & treatments; **THOMAS SEXTON**, grandchild of Keith and Judy (Sievers) Loemker, health issues; **TINA THORLEY**, former St. Paul member and student, health issues; **STRENGTH FOR ALL PREGNANT MOTHERS**

OUR FAMILIES PRAY – TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

All: In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. THE APOSTLES' CREED is confessed by all.

THE PSALM is prayed: Mon-Tues-Wed-Fri (21st Sunday after Trinity) – Ps. 8
Thurs (St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles) – Ps. 43

CATECHISM LEARN-BY-HEART:

Catechism Lesson: 2nd Article of Apostles' Creed – Redemption

And 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.

What does this mean? I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as he is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.

Bible Verse:

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

HYMN: Mon-Tues-Wed-Fri (21st Sunday after Trinity) – 607

Thurs (St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles) – 856

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYERS FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Mon-Tue-Wed-Fri (21st Sunday after Trinity) – O Lord, keep Your household, the Church, in continual godliness that through Your protection she may be free from all adversities and devoutly given to serve You in good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Thurs (St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles) – Almighty God, You chose Your servants Simon and Jude to be numbered among the glorious company of the apostles. As they were faithful and zealous in their mission, so may we with ardent devotion make known the love and mercy of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**