

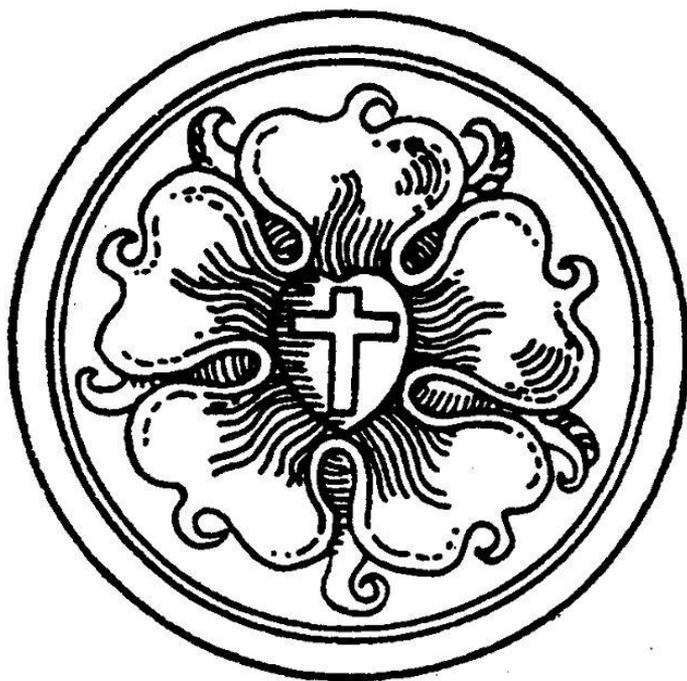
ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



*The Festival of the Reformation
(Observed)*

24/25/26 October 2020

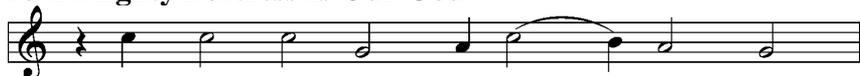
Jesus the Son of God Has Set Us Free from Sin and Death by His Grace: “Wisdom is justified by her deeds” (Matt. 11:19), and the true Wisdom of God, Christ Jesus the incarnate Son, justifies us by His deeds. He prepares His way by the preaching of repentance, but He has suffered the violence of the Law and voluntarily handed Himself over to violent men, that we might eat and drink with Him in His Kingdom and “remain in the house forever” (John 8:35). For He is “a friend of tax collectors and sinners” (Matt. 11:19), and He has rescued us by His grace from the slavery of sin and death. By the proclamation of His eternal Gospel “to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people” (Rev. 14:6), “the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law” (Rom. 3:21), “that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus” (Rom. 3:26). And by hearing the Gospel of Christ Jesus, “whom God put forward as a propitiation by His blood, to be received by faith” (Rom. 3:25), “you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free” (John 8:31–38).



The Divine Service

Prelude: Ein feste Burg by J. Walther

656 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1 A might - y for - tress is our God,
 2 With might of ours can naught be done,
 3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill,
 4 The Word they still shall let re - main



A trust - y shield and weap - on;
 Soon were our loss ef - fect ed;
 All ea - ger to de - vour us,
 Nor an - y thanks have for it;



He helps us free from ev - 'ry need
 But for us fights the val - iant One,
 We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;
 He's by our side up - on the plain



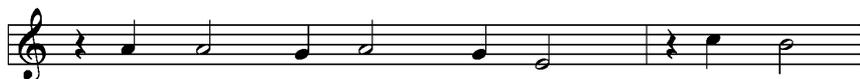
That hath us now o'er - tak - en.
 Whom God Him - self e - lect ed.
 They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.
 With His good gifts and Spir - it.



The old e - vil foe Now means
 Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus
 This world's prince may still Scowl fierce
 And take they our life, Goods, fame,



dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might
 Christ it is, Of Sab - a - oth Lord,
 as he will, He can harm us none.
 child, and wife, Though these all be gone,



Are his dread arms in fight; On earth
 And there's none oth - er God; He holds
 He's judged; the deed is done; One lit -
 Our vic - t'ry has been won; The King -



is not his e - qual.
 the field for - ev - er.
 tle word can fell him.
 dom ours re - main eth.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Ps. 34:1–2, 11, 22; antiphon: Ps. 119:46



I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | O Lord,*
and shall not be | put to shame.

I will bless the LORD at | all times;*
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast | in the LORD;*
let the humble hear | and be glad.

Come, O children, lis- | ten to me;*
I will teach you the fear | of the LORD.

The LORD redeems the life of his | servants;*
none of those who take refuge in him will | be condemned.

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.

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | O Lord,*

and shall not be | put to shame.

Kyrie



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis



Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir - it.
P Let us pray.

P Almighty and gracious Lord pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

First Reading

Revelation 14:6-7

Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the

springs of water.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 48:1a, 12–14a

Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised*
in the city | of our God!

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her | towers,*
consider well her ramparts, go through her | citadels,
that you may tell the next gener- | ation*
that this is God, our God forever and | ever.

Epistle Reading

Romans 3:19–28

Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God’s righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

St. Luke 12:32



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Fear not little flock,

For it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

Alleluias Repeated

Holy Gospel Reading

St. John 8:31-36

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 8th chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free’?” Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

555 Salvation unto Us Has Come



1 Sal - va - tion un - to us has come By God's free grace and fa - vor;
 2 What God did in His Law de - mand And none to Him could ren - der
 3 It was a false, mis - lead - ing dream That God His Law had giv - en
 4 From sin our flesh could not ab - stain, Sin held its sway un - ceas - ing;



Good works can - not a - vert our doom, They help and save us nev - er.
 Caused wrath and woe on ev - 'ry hand For man, the vile of - fend - er.
 That sin - ners could them - selves re - deem And by their works gain heav - en.
 The task was use - less and in vain, Our guilt was e'er in - creas - ing.



Faith looks to Je - sus Christ a - lone, Who did for all the
 Our flesh has not those pure de - sires The spir - it of the
 The Law is but a mir - ror bright To bring the in - bred
 None can re - move sin's poi - soned dart Or pu - ri - fy our



world a - tone; He is our one Re - deem - er.
 Law re - quires, And lost is our con - di - tion.
 sin to light That lurks with - in our na - ture.
 guile - ful heart— So deep is our cor - rup - tion.

5 Men and Boys

Yet as the Law must be fulfilled Or we must die despairing, Christ came and has God's anger stilled, Our human nature sharing. He has for us the Law obeyed And thus the Father's vengeance stayed Which over us impended.

6 Women and Girls

Since Christ has full atonement made And brought to us salvation, Each Christian therefore may be glad And build on this foundation. Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead, Your death is now my life indeed, For You have paid my ransom.

7 Men and Boys

Let me not doubt, but truly see Your Word cannot be broken; Your call rings out, "Come unto Me!" No falsehood have You spoken. Baptized into Your precious name, My faith cannot be put to shame, and I shall never perish.

8 Women and Girls

The Law reveals the guilt of sin And makes us conscience-stricken; But then the Gospel enters in The sinful soul to quicken. Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live; The Law no peace can ever give, No comfort and no blessing.

9 Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone And rests in Him unceasing; And by its fruits true faith is known, With love and hope increasing. For faith alone can justify; Works serve our neighbor and supply The proof that faith is living.

10 All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise To Father, Son, and Spirit, The God who saved us by His grace; All glory to His merit. O triune God in heav'n above, You have revealed Your saving love; Your blessèd name we hallow.

Sermon

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 Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Prayer of the Church

Anthem

Ave Verum Corpus by W. Mozart

Ave verum corpus,
Natum de Maria virgine;
Vere passum immolatum
In crucis pro homine.
Cuius latus perforatum
Unda fluxit et sanguine.
Esto nobis praegustatum
In mortis examine.

Hail, true body,
Born of the virgin Mary;
Who has truly suffered, slaughtered
On the Cross for humanity.
Whose side was pierced,
Pouring out water and blood.
Be a foretaste for us
During our ordeal of death.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bles-sed is He, bles - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

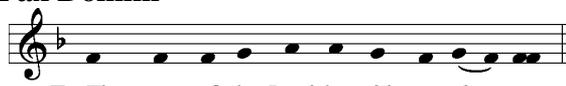
Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

Agnus Dei



C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that

tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the

world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

The Distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ

A Prayer before receiving the Sacrament

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

A Prayer after receiving the Sacrament

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the Holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal, through Jesus Christ, My Lord. Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de-part in peace ac-

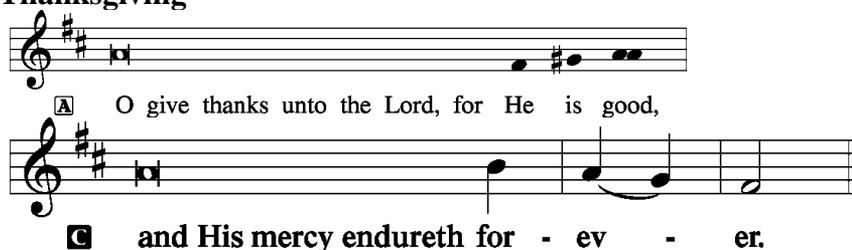
cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre-pared be-fore the face of all people,



a light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the glo-ry of Thy
 peo-ple Is - ra-el. Glo-ry be to the Father and
 to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ev-er shall be, world without end. A-men.

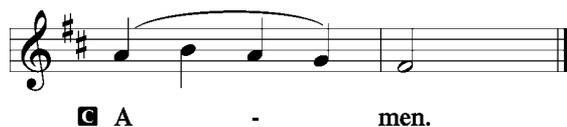
Thanksgiving



A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

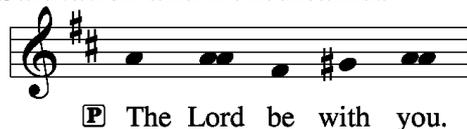
A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Salutation and Benedicamus



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



A Bless we the Lord.

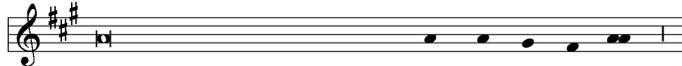


C Thanks be to God.

Benediction



P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

655 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And bring to naught all He has done.
we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
strife And lead us out of death to life.

Postlude: Erhalt uns, Herr by Dieterich Buxtehude

Announcements for the Festival of the Reformation

The Festival of the Reformation – We are observing the Festival of the Reformation this weekend. Let us give thanks for the Word of God rightly taught and preached among us, and for the righteousness we receive through faith alone for the sake of Jesus Christ apart from the works of the Law.

The Festival of St. Simon & St. Jude is Wednesday – The Divine Service will be at 8:20am. If you would like to attend (and haven't already told Pastor Ball about chapel attendance) send him an email or text.

Altar Flowers – are given in loving memory of Adam Behrhorst from Marc, Linda and Jack.

LWML Sewing Days – LWML will be sewing blankets in the church basement Monday and Tuesday, October 26 & 27, from 9:00am-3:00pm. All ladies are welcome. Bring scissors and a sack lunch and we will have a good time! Questions – call Lois at 633-2430.

40 Days For Life – From September 23 through November 1, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood 317 Salem Place Fairview Heights, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. All CDC COVID-19 requirements will be observed at the site. If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: Christy@coalitionforlifestl.com or you may visit www.coalitionforlifestl.com and sign up on our Vigil Calendar.

Family Bible Study Books – are available on the table in the narthex. If you didn't get one, pick one up and put it to good use at home. Parents can use them in place of Sunday School and tailor them to smaller children.

Wednesday Night Bible Study - 1 Peter – St. Peter writes to Christians who are enduring trials for the sake of the name of Jesus. It will be good for us to hear the Word of the Lord and study it together. We are live and in person in the Church on Wednesdays at 7:00pm, or you can join in on Zoom.

St. Paul Spirit Wear – You can purchase Church and School Spirit wear at this time. They make great Christmas gifts if you are looking ahead. All gear will have the logo embroidered on it in white stitch, except for t-shirts will have the logo printed in black.

Email orders to Heather Goeckner - h_goeckner@yahoo.com or drop off paper copies (available on the table in the narthex) to Joanie in the office by November 6th. Call or text Heather at 314-709-9121 if you have any questions.

MELHS Trunk-Or-Treat – The Student Council at Metro East Lutheran High School is sponsoring a Trunk-or-Treat from 6-8 p.m. on Wednesday, October 28 in the MELHS parking lot. You and your family are invited to attend. As an added bonus this year, the MELHS Drama Department will have a Haunted Drive as you leave the parking lot. Social distancing guidelines will be followed.

Sausage Supper – Today, Sunday, October 25 at Trinity Worden – Curbside Carry Out Only - \$12.00 serving from 12:00-6:00. Liver, Pork and Blood Sausage, Ribs and Backbones sold at Parish Hall beginning at Noon on Sunday, October 25.

Open House – Metro-East Lutheran High School invites you to an OPEN HOUSE on Sunday, November 1st from 1:00-3:00 in the afternoon at Lutheran High. Come find out more about this dynamic ministry and take a tour, visit with faculty and administration, get information on financial assistance and scholarships, and get additional questions answered. This is an in-person event and masks will be required to enter the building and tour the facilities. For more information or to RSVP please contact the school office at 618-656-0043.

Journeys to Confessional Lutheranism – 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 about the journeys to confessional Lutheranism from former Atheists, Mormons, Roman Catholics, Evangelicals, Calvinists and liberal Lutherans. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUE, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

John 8:36 – “So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.” Today we celebrate Reformation Day! Luther is rightly remembered as a champion of the Gospel, but he also called himself “the apostle of good works.” For only in being set free by the Gospel can we do good works. Jesus has set us free, and His blood covers over our sins. We stand before God as His beloved children, and we are invited to live our lives to His glory for the good of His kingdom.

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: *EUGENE JOHNSON*, Kirk's father, recovering from surgery; *BILL HUELSMAN*, Sonya Woods father, positive with COVID-19; *BECCA GEU*, sister-in-law of Darcy (Huckleberry) Geu, on life support from complications of adrenal gland cancer; *RICKEY MILLER*, Alhambra Care Center; *DORENE LANE*, friend of Dave DeVries, spiritual and health issues; *CAROL CASE*, JW's mother, hospitalized with pneumonia; *CLARA WEHREND*, recovering from broken hip surgery; *STEVE SCHWEIZER*, brother of Julie Johnson, cancer diagnosis; *ROSALEE COOK*, mother of Diane Schnare, recovering from broken hip surgery; *KEITH QUADE*, son-in-law of Dave DeVries, recovering from COVID and health issues with mold; *SIDNEE SCHWARZ*, ulcerative colitis; *NORMAN MICNHEIMER*, Neil's father, health issues; *TIM DILLON*, grandson of Dave DeVries, severe headaches from falls; *EMILY KIEHL*, niece of Cindy Gleason, vision problems; *SID PRESIDENT TIMOTHY SCHARR*, recovering from surgery; *BARBARALYNN DEVRIES*, niece of Dave DeVries, rehab for leg amputation and health issues; *MARY GRAFF*, friend of Dave DeVries, cancer treatments; *KIM TOBIN*, niece of Dave DeVries, drug issues; *TOMIKO JUEDEMANN*, mother of Linda Behrhorst, cancer treatments; *DALE GROTEFENDT*, friend of Paula Kipp, taking treatments for brain cancer; *KAY GROTEFENDT*, friend of Paula Kipp, recovering from surgery; *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***

St. Paul Lutheran Elderly Care List – Since all the nursing, independent/assisted live homes are closed to visitors please consider sending the dear members of our congregation a note or card. For those parents looking for something to occupy their children’s time have them draw or color a picture to send, with a Bible passage, picture or word of encouragement. What an easy way to bring someone joy and put a smile on their face. Following is a list of the St. Paul members who reside at a care facility.

Alhambra Care Center – Alhambra, Illinois 62001

- Rickey Miller – 417 E. Main Street
- Eldon Schmidt – 417 East Main Street

Eden Village – Glen Carbon, Illinois 62034

- Clara Wehrend – Care Center – 400 South Station Road – Room 513
- Glen & Thelma Wuehler – 300 South Station Rd. – Apt. 8202
- Marlene Hellmann – 407 B Eden Gardens

Meridian Village – Glen Carbon, Illinois 62034

- Kathy Breen – Apt. 402 – 27 Auerbach Place
- Lynette Spudich – Apt. 422 – 27 Auerbach Place

Edwardsville Nursing & Rehabilitation – Edwardsville, IL 62025

- Ellen Buhrmann – 401 St. Mary Drive

Glenwood – Staunton, Illinois 62088

- Ruth Ernst – Apt. 27 – 18192 Renken Road
- Donna Hellinger – Apt. 51 – 18192 Renken Road
- Ruby Hering – Apt. 32 – 18192 Renken Road

Rosewood Care Center – Alton, Illinois 62002

- Lillian Schmidt – 3490 Humbert Road – Room 615