THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S July 14-20

Sunday

9:00am Worship Service

10:30am Adult Bible Study (Meeting Room) 10:30am Bible Basics (Education Building)

Monday Judges 18 (Daily Bible Reading)

12:30pm Prayer Shawl

Tuesday Judges 19 (Daily Bible Reading)

10:30am Leave for St. Matthew's

2:00pm Sunrise Retirement Home Worship

6:00pm Grief Share

Wednesday Judges 20 (Daily Bible Reading)

9:30am Bible Study

7:00pm Revelation Bible Study

Thursday Judges 21 (Daily Bible Reading)

6:30pm Ladies Summer Bible Study

7:00pm Men's Fire & Fellowship

Friday Ruth 1 (Daily Bible Reading)

Saturday Ruth 2 (Daily Bible Reading)

7:00am Men's Bible Study

8:30am-11:00am Food Pantry

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"Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it!" Luke 11:28

8th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2024

SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament Reading Amos

Amos 7:7-15 *p.977* Ephesians 1:3-14 *p.1241*

Epistle Reading Holy Gospel Reading

Mark 6:14-29 p.1070

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God.

Baptism - God's Blessings to Leila Grace & Maeve Maxine who are baptized at our worship this morning. We pray that they will grow in faith in Jesus Christ & live to serve Him.

SERVING THIS WEEK

Elder – Rob Lyke
Acolyte – Logan Stine
Ushers – Rich & Ruth Treichel
Music – Paul Szymanski & Song Leaders
Altar Guild – Pauline Griffin & Amy Najewski
Tech Team – Scott Schulz, Mitch Troester & Bill Miller
Counters for the weekend – Ruth Treichel & Don Blume
Sacred Grounds – Brian Smith & Marilyn Micetich

2024 6-Month Contribution Statement went out in the mail this week. Should you have any questions, please contact Nancy Shugan at 708-516-6708.

Bible Basics Class - Today we will study God's covenant with us in the 10 Commandments. It's not all law, it's Gospel, too! Come and meet together after you've enjoyed some time of fellowship after the worship service. We meet in the Education Building.

Daily Bible Reading - Last week we read about a Bible strongman, Samson, and this week we will finish the book of Judges and read about a female hero of the faith, Ruth. It's amazing how much we learn and grow by reading a chapter a day. This week's readings are listed on the back of this bulletin. Go to our webpage for a link to Pastor T's commentary each day.

Board Game Night - July 16th from 7-9pm. Enjoy a relaxed evening and play some games with friends or meet some new people. Bring your favorite game if you have one, but we will have plenty here if you don't. Snacks will be provided.

Support the 2024 Alaska Mission Trip and never leave home! Order popcorn online and support the 2024 Alaska Mission Team. Starting Friday, July 19th through July 22nd, you can order your favorite made-to-order popcorn at our online store and it will be shipped directly to your home. You can order individual bags or variety bundles of your favorite popcorn flavors. All proceeds will go to the 2024 Alaska Mission Trip. Visit https://popup.doublegood.com/s/69xpm16g to place your order.

Men: You are invited to join other men this **Thursday, July 18**th @ **7:00 P.M.** for Fellowship and Fire as we get together to relax, celebrate our victories, and support each other around a fire. You only need to bring your favorite outdoor chair and your favorite campfire consumables (beverage, snacks, etc.). We will gather behind the Education Building – just look for the fire

Alaska Mission Trip - There is still room for you to join us this summer on either the 7 day or the 10-day team, leaving on either July 24 or July 26 and returning on August 4, as we go to Alaska for work projects. If interested in going, please call Scott Schulz at 847-334-3500.

Quarterly Mission Focus for July, August and September is St. Paul's Scholarship Fund. The Scholarship fund provides tuition assistance to members who are enrolled in synodical schools and pursuing full-time church work and also to families of members' children who are attending Lutheran Elementary Schools. Please support the work of the Scholarship Fund with your prayers and your offerings.

Support our Troops -Sponsored by Ladies Aid- Don't forget to pick up a few items for our troops during your next shopping trip (a list can be found on the bulletin board

above the military table). Please place your items in the bin beneath the table. Some type of correspondence no matter what, is always appreciated by our men and women in the military. There are note cards, coloring sheets, etc. on the table to help you (please do not date them). You can also support our troops by making a monetary donation by writing Support the Troops on the "other" line on your offering envelope.

Take A Book - Leave A Book - Share a Book - If you have a book around the house that you finished reading and think others would enjoy, bring it to the corner Lending Library (located in the narthex). Place the book in the black container, and we will put a bookmark in it and put it in a slot. There is no signing out of the books. If you want to read a book in the Lending Library, help yourself. If you want to pass the book on to someone else, feel free to do so. If you want to return the book to the Lending Library, deposit it in the black container.

A Note from Elaine Schmeckpeper - Well, I finally made it home! Thank you to St Paul congregation for all their love, care and prayers through these last two surgeries and hospital stays. Your words of encouragement and prayers are what saw me through these low parts of my illness's. I truly appreciate my church family. Love you all.

IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Sharon Hart, Lorrie Fitzpatrick, Janice Pikalek, Diane Troester, Peggy Smutny, Tammy Bosco, Elaine Schmeckpeper, Steve Siezega

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| Current | \$8,852 | \$7,448.77 |
| Building Fund | \$577 | \$570 |
| Mission | \$327 | \$145 |

Discretionary Fund-\$475; Scholarship Fund-\$525; St. Matthews-\$50; Prison Ministry-Lori Wilbert-\$130; St Paul AK Mission Trip-\$150; Sacred Grounds-\$38; Food Pantry-\$50; Voice of Care-\$29; VBS-\$60; National Youth Gathering-\$50

MARY'S CORNER

Remember when you say "It's impossible." "God says all things are possible." (Luke 18) through Him. Keep your faith, pray and never give up.