

**THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S
SEPTEMBER 7- 13**

Sunday	Ezekiel 37-39(Chronological Daily Bible Reading)
9:00am	Worship Service
10:30am	Adult Bible Study – Meeting Room
10:30am	Sunday School/Confirmation – Education Building
Monday	Revelation 7 (Daily Bible Reading)
	Ezekiel 40-42 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)
12:30pm	Prayer Shawl
6:00pm	Stephen Ministry Meeting
7:00pm	Men's Bible Study
Tuesday	Revelation 8 (Daily Bible Reading)
	Ezekiel 43-45 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)
Noon	Ladies Aid
2:00pm	Sunrise Service
6:00pm	Grief Share
Wednesday	Revelation 9 (Daily Bible Reading)
	Ezekiel 46-48 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)
9:30am	Bible Study – Provoking Proverbs
7:00pm	Bible Study – Topic to be determined
Thursday	Revelation 10 (Daily Bible Reading)
	Daniel 1-3 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)
8:30am	SSHS – Fellowship Hall/Education Building
9:00am	Quilting
7:00pm	Council Meeting
Friday	Revelation 11 (Daily Bible Reading)
	Daniel 4-6 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)
Noon	4-H Meeting – Fellowship Hall
Saturday	Revelation 12 (Daily Bible Reading)
	Daniel 7-9 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)
7:00am	Men's Bible Study
8:30am	Food Pantry



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

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST RALLY DAY SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

Our 9:00am Service is from LSB, Divine Setting 3, page 184

Hymn of Invocation	#864	“Shepherd of Tender Youth”
Hymn of the Day	#865	“Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain”
Distribution Hymn	#688	“Come, Follow Me,” the Savior Spake”
	#619	“Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior”
Closing Song	#707	“Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways”

SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament Reading Deuteronomy 30:15–20 p219

Epistle Reading Philemon 1-21 p1273

Holy Gospel Reading Luke 14:25–35 p1111

Altar Flowers are given in thanks and praise to God.

SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Elder – George Kraus

Acolyte – Sky Habenicht

Ushers – Randy & Kathy Dahlman

Organist – Pam Reinke

Tech Team – Scott Schulz, Bill Miller & Don Smith

Altar Guild – Judy Johnson & Angie Lyke

Counters – Joan Mohler & Dennis Schmeckpeper

Sacred Grounds – Brian Smith & Marilyn Micetich

Sunday School returns today. Join us from 10:30-11:30 a.m. each Sunday in the PreK room. All children age 3 to Grade 6 are welcome! *We Need YOU!* Substitute teachers are needed for Sunday School. If you can volunteer once every month or two to lead a small group of children in a Bible lesson, please contact Kate at homeschoolingmom@aol.com or Jayne at jvandervelde@mac.com.

Confirmation Classes starts today - Classes are for our young people grades 7 & 8, and open to members and others who are interested. Talk to Pastor Troester or Pastor Larry for more information.

Ladies Aid - Women in Mission will be meeting for pizza and pop on **Tuesday, September 9th** at noon in the narthex.

Stephen Minister Trainee Commissioning – We are called to reach out and care for those in need. **Next Sunday, September 14th** we will be commissioning our new Stephen Ministry Trainees. So far, there are three (3) persons who would like to be trained. If you feel called to be a lay caregiver who can meet weekly to listen to someone who is hurting and to care and pray with them, then consider becoming a Stephen Minister and join our upcoming training. There is a sign up on the info table for those of you who are interested. For more information, please talk with Pastor Troester, Dottie Hagestad or Sheila O'Neil.

College Corner - We will once again be reaching out to our college students by mailing out a small monthly package, offering weekly Bible verse texts, and remembering our students in our pre-worship slides and weekly corporate prayers. **Our first adoption mailing event will be held on Sunday, September 14th.** We also request that you intentionally keep that student in your prayers for the month. **If you have any questions**, please speak with either Stacey Schmeckpeper or Kathy Johnson. Thank you.

Healing Service - James 5 calls us to pray: for problems and praise, for ourselves and others. **On Wednesday, September 17th at 7:00pm**, come join us for a service of healing and prayer. This is a time for us to come together in prayer, anoint the sick with oil (James 5:13-15), and lift up each other to God. On our YouTube page, you can find a link to our June 25 healing service if you would like to see what that entails. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Troester or Pastor Larry.

Last Sunday was Make Noise for Mission Sunday and we collected \$316.31 for the St. Paul's Scholarship Fund. We sure did make a lot of noise!

Support our Troops – Stop! Take a break from shopping as there are no deployed chaplains at this time; so, no care packages are being mailed. Hope to resume this ministry in the late fall.

St. Paul Food Pantry It's been our mission since we first started, to help provide food for this in our community who are in need. Over the years we have feed many mouths, even through the time of the pandemic, and the smiles on the faces have shown us how much it's appreciated. We are in need of new Volunteers to spread out the work for this ministry. If you would like to pitch in, talk with Donna Brunell (708-250-7232), sign up on the Information Table, or talk with a current volunteer. It's a joy serving Christ by serving others!

Jack & Sue Fleming are humbled by all the cards, prayers and telephone calls coming from our St. Paul Church family. We would like to thank you all for their support that the threat of colon cancer, which was holding up Jack's prostate cancer treatment, is now gone due, I'm sure, in no small part to their prayers.

Tammy Bosco would like to thank everyone for the beautiful cards in memory of her mother. God bless each and every one of you.

IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Peggy Smutny, Tammy Bosco,
Marlene Steinhauer, Patti Tucker,
Diane Hattendorf, Jack Fleming, Mary
Schmidtke

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TOGETHER BEING CHURCH

Weekly	Needs	Receiving
Current	\$8,852	\$6,713.39
Building Fund	\$577	\$450
Mission	\$327	\$910
Endowment-\$12,100; Discretionary Fund-\$250; Scholarship Fund-\$300; St. Matthews-\$70; Troops Care Packages-\$10; Youth Ministries-\$20; St Paul Alaska Mission Trip-\$180; Sacred Grounds-\$46; Food Pantry-\$25; Voice of Care-\$50; National Youth Gathering-\$25		

MARY'S CORNER

As we enter September you may have noticed, as I have, less pretty birds singing and flying around. I thought they are leaving a little early and this maybe a sign of an early hard winter. I hope I am wrong. It amazes me how God made birds to know when to fly south and other animals aware to start to prepare for winter. My mom taught me to prepare for winter by stocking my pantry. My two sons think this funny but they know if they need anything mom has it.