

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

Sunday

9:00am **Worship Service**
10:30am Adult Bible Study

Monday

9:00am **Nehemiah 8 (Daily Bible Reading)**
Vacation Bible School
10:00am Ladies Summer Bible Study (Quilting Room – Ed Bldg)
No Prayer Shawl
8:00pm Men's Bible Study

Tuesday

9:00am **Nehemiah 9 (Daily Bible Reading)**
Vacation Bible School
6:00pm Grief Share

Wednesday

9:00am **Nehemiah 10 (Daily Bible Reading)**
Vacation Bible School
No 9:30am Myth or Faith Bible Study
7:00pm Myth or Faith Bible Study

Thursday

9:00am **Nehemiah 11 (Daily Bible Reading)**
Vacation Bible School
7:00pm Men's Fire & Fellowship

Friday

9:00am **Nehemiah 12 (Daily Bible Reading)**
Vacation Bible School

Saturday

7:00am **Nehemiah 13 (Daily Bible Reading)**
Men's Bible Study



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

3rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2026

SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament Reading Exodus 19:2-8 p76

Second Reading Romans 5:6-15 p1198

Holy Gospel Reading Matthew 9:35-10:8 p1035

Altar Flowers are given in thanks and praise to God and in honor of Mitch & Lauren Troester's 1st Wedding Anniversary and Dennis & Elaine Schmeckpeper's 58th Wedding Anniversary.

SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Elder – Megan Rudzinski

Acolyte – Sammy Golf

Ushers – Rich & Ruth Treichel

Pianist – Carol Schoeling

Praise Team – Jim McEnroe, Rob Lyke, Carollee Junge,

Kathy & Don Smith and Matt Schulz

Tech Team – Ian Troester, Mitch Troester, Scott Schulz & Jack Fleming

Altar Guild – Amy Najewski & Doris Kent

Counters – Ruth Treichel & Don Blume

Sacred Grounds – Dottie Hagestad & Yvonne Blume

2nd Qtr. Focus Mission - St Paul Alaska Mission Trip - The 2026 Alaska Mission Trip will be St. Paul's 12th mission trip to Alaska in July. This year, we will be performing "hammer and nail" projects around Copper Center and, something new, a youth sports camp along with Vacation Bible School. **Contributions** to the Alaska Mission Trip from anyone defray the costs of air transportation, ground transportation, meals, and supplies. Please keep our Alaska Mission Team in your prayers.

Vacation Bible School starts tomorrow Monday, June 15th starting at 9am - Noon -- There is still time to Register - You can register at <https://myvbs.org/vbs-2026-4649>. You are always welcome to come any day and join the kids, or offer your help.

Hello Ladies! The summer ladies Bible Study continues to meet on Mondays at 10am. This week we will meet in the Quilting Room that is located in the Education Building.

Fellowship and Fire - St. Paul Men, you are "warmly" invited to come out and join other men **Thursday, June 18th at 7:00pm**. Bring your favorite lawn chair and your favorite campfire consumables (beverage, snacks, etc.). You will find us behind the St. Paul Education wing – just look for the fire. Bring a friend.

Color Guard – Veterans, we would like you to honor you for your service to our country and ask you to serve as part of our Color Guard on **Sunday, July 5th**, at our 9:00am service. If you would like to participate, contact Carol Schoeling at 815-469-5576 or contact the church office.

Food Pantry – Here is a chance to help with supplies for those in need in our neighborhood who have children at School District 162 through August 1st. The supplies needed are: Individual Snacks, Clorox Cleanup Wipes, Baby Wipes, Paper Towels, Facial Tissues, Hand Sanitizer, Hand Soap, Ziploc Bags (Gallon/Quart), Pencils, Black Dry Erase Markers, Loose Leaf Paper, Index Cards, Highlighters, Washable Markers, 24 pack of Crayola Crayons and Elmer Glue Sticks. Please place these items in the Food Pantry bin in the Narthex. Thank you for your continued support.

Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty (LCRL) – From 13 stars to 50, our country's flag reflects the growth of our country. However, Religious Liberty remains a constant. You can be a Champion for Religious Liberty, see www.LCRLFREEDOM.org/champions for more information from our Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod in Washington DC.

Support Our Troops - Please remember to keep writing our troops letting them know how much you appreciate all they do to protect and Serve our Country. Please place all finished notes and letters in the done basket on the top of the Military table. While you are shopping it would be greatly appreciated if you would pick up individually wrapped snack items for our troops and put them in the bin under the military table. Thank you!

Generosity – Romans 5:8 – “But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” God did not wait for mankind to make the first move. He did not wait for Adam and Even to come looking for Him — He went and found them. And while we were still sinners, still enemies of God, still set against Him, God looked on us with kindness and generosity, and so loved us that He sent His Son Jesus to suffer, die and rise for us. We now seek to grow up into His image as loving, generous and kind sons and daughters of our Heavenly Father.

Friendly reminder – Any member who wishes to borrow tables and chair from the Church may do so. However, please let the office know that you are borrowing them and when you will be returning them. Thank you.

IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Laraine Jennings, Sharon Hart, Diane Hattendorf, Family of Sue Heda

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TOGETHER BEING CHURCH

Weekly	Needs	Receiving
Current	\$10,652.42	\$7,936.04
Building Fund	\$1,086.54	\$420
Mission	\$1,886.06	\$130

Discretionary Fund-\$280; St Matthews-\$60; St Paul Alaska Mission Trip-\$225; Sacred Grounds-\$12; Food Pantry-\$50; VBS-\$100; Quilting Supplies-\$100;LCC-\$20; National Youth Gathering-\$25; Alaska Mission Trip Payments-\$1506.10

MARY'S CORNER

I would like to share this beautiful poem from one of my favorite writers:

Strangers Are Friends We Haven't Met Yet

God knows no strangers, He loves us all,
The poor, the rich, the great, the small.
He is a friend who is always there
To share our troubles and lessen our care.
No one is a stranger in God's sight,
For God is love, and in His Light
May we, too try in a small way
So make new friends from day to day
So pass no stranger with an unseeing eye,
For God may be sending a new friend by.
by Helen Steiner Rice