



**It is not the will of My Father who is in heaven
that one of these little ones should perish**

Matthew 18:14

✠ St. Paul's Lutheran Church ✠
Kenesaw, NE

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Sunday School 9:00am / Bible Class 9:30am
Divine Service 10:00am

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 6, 2020

As We Gather

As in the writings of the prophets, Christ makes no distinction between the events at hand and those far off; for the eternal God has no time. Before God all things are happening in the great *now*. Christ coming in His kingdom points to the day when God began His judgment on Jerusalem. That was the dawn of the final day which will finally bring Jesus back in all His glory. Until that final day, we must be diligent to hold the words of our Lord close to our hearts, forsaking the world, recognizing the value of our souls, and taking up our cross and following Jesus.

Divine Service, *Setting Four* p. 203

Opening Hymn p. 827 "Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling"

Confession and Absolution p. 203

Psalm 32:1-7

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

I acknowledged my sin to You,
and I did not cover my iniquity;

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"
and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Therefore let everyone who is godly
offer prayer to You at a time when You may be found;

surely in the rush of great waters,
they shall not reach him.

You are a hiding place for me;

You preserve me from trouble;

You surround me with shouts of deliverance.

**GLORY BE TO THE FATHER AND TO THE SON AND TO THE
HOLY SPIRIT; AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW, AND
WILL BE FOREVER. AMEN.**

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Old Testament Ezekiel 33:7-9

So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from My mouth, you shall give them warning from Me. If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.

Gradual

Ps. 34:9, 19

All: Fear the LORD, you His saints, for those who fear Him lack nothing! Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

Epistle Romans 13:1-10

Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out

God's wrath on the wrongdoer. Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. For because of this you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Alleluia p. 205

Verse

Matt. 5:3

All: Alleluia. Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel Matthew 16:21-28

From that time Jesus began to show His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to You." But He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind Me, Satan! You are a hindrance to Me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

Then Jesus told His disciples, "If anyone would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul? For the Son of Man is going to come with His angels in the glory of His Father, and then He will repay each person according to what he has done. Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom."

Nicene Creed p. 206

Hymn of the Day p. 819 "Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good"

Sermon "What Will It Profit a Man?" (Matthew 16:24-28)

Prayer of the Church

Remembering Our Offering *(Please be seated as the Table is prepared)*



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Parents are welcome to bring their children to the altar for a blessing

Communion Hymn p. 642 "O Living Bread from Heaven"

Nunc Dimitis *Song of Simeon* p. 211

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Closing Hymn p. 947 "All Glory Be to God on High"



St. Paul's Mission Calendar

Today – 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Sun. 9:30 AM ☩ Communion Worship

Mon. *Labor Day*

Tues. 7:00 PM Church Council Meeting

Wed. 10 AM - 2 PM OGT Sort & Pack Day

8:00 PM Fellowship League

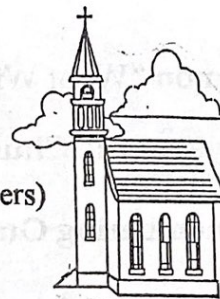
Fri. *Cry Out America! (Day of Prayer & Repentance)*

Sat. *National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children*

Church Council Meeting: Tuesday, Sept. 8th at 7:00 PM. Mark your calendars and plan to attend.

Sept. 9 (Wed.) Fellowship League 8:00 PM - Fellowship Hall
Couples and individuals are welcome to join St. Paul's Fellowship League the 2nd Wednesdays at 8 p.m. A Bible Study, movie or a topic of special interest is led by Pastor Duffy. This mission focused group is waiting for YOU to discover and join!

Sept. 13 Fall Schedule Begins



Christian Education Sunday (installation of teachers)

9:00 AM Sunday School

9:30 AM "Jesus Code" Discussion

10:00 AM ✠Worship Service ✠ (Communion 1st & 3rd Sunday)

Join us as we begin a new year of instruction and the study of God's Word in Bible stories and in-depth study of the scriptures.

The **Adult Bible Class** will continue with "*The Jesus Code, 52 Scripture Questions Every Believer Should Answer*" by O.S. Hawkins" # 42 – "*Do you believe this?*" John 11:26. Copies of the book are available for purchase for \$5 contact Debbie Rasberry.

Midweek begins Wed., Sept. 16th. **2:15 PM – 3:45 PM** (*please note earlier start and dismissal time*). Students Grade 1- Grade 6 meet after school for Bible Stories, singing and snacks during the school year.

Confirmation Classes also begin on Sept. 16th at 7 PM. 7th and 8th Graders meet with Pastor Duffy for instruction of Lutheran Catechism and church history.

Sept. 21 Monday Morning Bible Study 9:00 AM Fellowship Hall

Join us for coffee (occasional goodies) and fellowship as we begin a new study entitled, "***Death, Heaven, Resurrection, and the New Creation.***" Humanity was not created to die. We were meant to live with God in the Garden and in our fallen world death is an unfortunate part of life. But Jesus conquered death. This Bible study will work through what the physical body has to do with life and death, but also how we are newly created through the resurrection after death. Pastor will need to know the number. If you are interested, please use the sign-up sheet in the church entryway. Hope to see you on Sept. 21st!

Sept. 14 October Newsletter Deadline

(Mon.) Items for the October newsletter are due. Please place any lists, events, etc. on the desk in the workroom or my mailbox.

Newsletters placed in mailboxes Sunday, Sept 27th. Thanks for your help to keep the congregation informed.

**CRY OUT AMERICA - A NATIONWIDE CALL FOR
PRAYER and REPENTANCE Patriot Day 9/11**

On Sept. 11, 2020, we will observe Patriot Day by calling thousands of people across the nation to pray for America and to cry out to God for repentance in the spirit of Acts 3:19. "Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord."

www.CryOutAmerica.us

Remember the Unborn Aborted Babies - Sat., Sept. 12th at 9 AM,
Parkview Cemetery, 12th & Elm St., Hastings, Site of the Knights of
Columbus Memorial for the Unborn Babies. All are invited to come
pray with us. All are invited to walk/run with us. Guest Speaker Lt.
Gov. Mike Foley. This event is in conjunction with the National Day
of Memorial for Unborn Aborted Babies held Sept. 12 across the
United States. Sponsored by South Central Nebraska RIGHT to LIFE and Life Runners,
Hastings South Central Nebraska Chapter. For more info call Connie Consbruck 402-751-
2368, Amanda Frazier 785-643-5289, Sydney Svehla 402-217-5656

You're invited. . .

LWML Hastings Zone Fall Rally – Sun., Sept 27, 2020

St. Paul's Kenesaw Fellowship Hall

Registration: 1:30 PM (FEE: \$ 5) Rally Begins 2PM

Theme: "Believing is Seeing" based on Luke 2:29-32

Highlights of the Sept. 19, 2020 Virtual Convention will be shared.

In-gatherings: Used Eyeglasses; New socks and underwear for
adults or children (both male and female).

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU AT THE RALLY!!

LWML NE South District Convention September 19, 2020

"2020 Vision for All"

Be a part of history - our first ever virtual convention! On Saturday,
Sept. 19th watch at home in small groups or alone. Opening worship
service and ceremony at 9 a.m. Download prerecorded videos of the
Bible Study and speakers. Results of the election of officers and
mission grants at 11:30 a.m. More information is available on the
website www.lwmlnesouth.org and the fall edition of the Echo.

Please remember these people in your prayers -
Pastor Paul Duffy and family

Birthdays:

Sept. 6	Jake Brunk	9	Jennifer Kurpgeweit
	Karen Greigo	10	Ryder Ferguson
7	Michael Duffy		Eva Wiese
	LaDonna Kimle		

In the Service: Austin Applegate, Alec Applegate, Trevor Stickels, Julian Tucker, Hannah Panwitz, David and Danielle (Burr) Brauner, Darren Woodside

Missionaries: Justin and Jordan Logston, Belize
Rev. Peter Haugen & family, Macau, China

Others: Pray for those in our church family that have suffered injuries, illnesses or deaths. Rejoice with those celebrating special events. Let Pastor know if there are any special requests.

Thank YOU: *The cards and greetings we received for our 50th anniversary were very much appreciated. Our sincere thanks to all who remembered us and especially to our family for the beautiful flower arrangement. Jack and Gloria Hoban*

Our Expression of Love

Sunday, August 30, 2020

Attendance 90

Current Envelope

\$607.00

Current Plate

178.00

Total

\$785.00



About the Cover: During New Testament times, children were viewed as a burden, unable to provide an economic benefit to society. To our Lord, these little ones are precious beyond value. Their Father in heaven looks down upon them with great care and protection, and He calls His people to do the same. Indeed, Jesus has died and risen for these little ones, who are dependent upon Him for life and salvation.