

*Sixth Sunday after
Pentecost*



July 19, 2020

*Welcome to worship hosted by:
St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Rev. Steve Biegner
Parkside Lutheran Church, Rev. Jeremiah Smith
Zion Lutheran Church, Rev. Julius Carroll*

*Host Church this Week: Community of Good Neighbors
(formerly Resurrection), Pastor Miranda Hammer*

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*Future services will be recorded and aired on YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV.
MeTV will broadcast Sunday Services at 10:00 a.m. on the following channels:
For DirecTV: Ch. 67; For Cable, Fios, and Dish: Ch. 5; For "Rabbit Ears": Ch. 67-1*

Brief order for Confession and Forgiveness

P In this season, we worship the Holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sins, whose fire burns in our hearts and lives still today.

C **Amen**

P Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin together. God of mercy,

C we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another; we forgot to love as we have been loved. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. Many times, we store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, for all that we've messed up, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross. So rejoice in this good news: you are brought back to the Father who created you, forgiven by the Savior who died for you, and poured out over again by the Holy Spirit who walks with you in the name of the Father, † Son and Holy Spirit and all God's people said:

C **Amen**

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

1 Oh, for a thou - sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem - er's praise,
2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim,
3 The name of Je - sus charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease,
4 He speaks, and lis - t'ning to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive;

the glo - ries of my God and king, the tri - umphs of his grace!
to spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of your name.
sings mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, brings life and health and peace.
the mourn - ful, bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.

5 Look unto him, your Savior own,
O fallen human race!
Look and be saved through faith alone,
be justified by grace!

6 To God all glory, praise, and love
be now and ever giv'n
by saints below and saints above,
the church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

Children's Time

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 13th Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

In Matthew's gospel, both Jesus and his disciples "sow the seed" of God's word by proclaiming the good news that "the kingdom of heaven is near." In a memorable parable, Jesus explains why this good news produces different results in those who hear.

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon



This Is My Father's World




1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-t'ning ears all
2 This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car-ols raise; the
3 This is my Fa-ther's world; oh, let me not for-get that,



na-ture sings, and round me rings the mu-sic of the spheres.
morn-ing light, the lil-y white, de-clare their mak-er's praise.
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul-er yet.



This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
This is my Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the
This is my Fa-ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The



rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won-ders wrought.
rus-tling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev-'ry-where.
Lord is king, let heav-en ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

Youth Group Time

Apostles' Creed

P Let's join to proclaim our faith in the Apostles' Creed:

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

Benediction

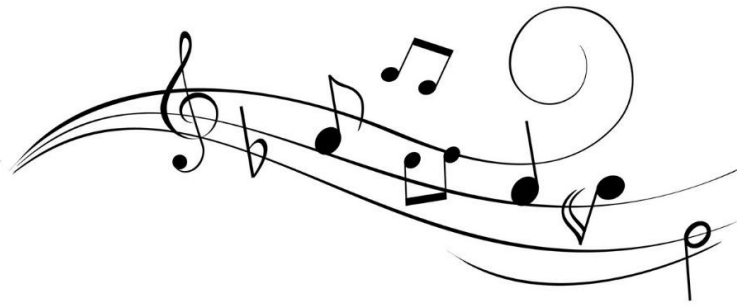
P And now as you go on your way, may the Lord go with you. May he go before you to show you the way, behind you to encourage you, beside you to be your friend, above you to watch over you, and within you to give you peace. Go today celebrating in the name of the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, and all God's children said...

C Amen.

Sharing the Peace and Sending

P Go in peace, remember the poor, and serve the Lord.

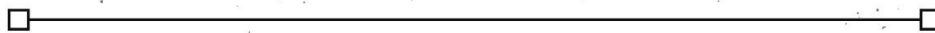
C Thanks be to God.



ST PAUL'S PRESENTS



MUSICAL DEVOTIONS



AUGUST 5TH AND 19TH • 12 PM

AUGUST 12TH AND 26TH • 7 PM

ST. PAUL'S SANCTUARY

(AUGUST 5TH AND 12TH WILL BE EASTER THEMED MUSIC)



This time will be used to gather for prayer, reflection and rest while enjoying the music you might have missed over the past few months. The secondary purpose is that these services will help the ReOpen Team do some dress rehearsals for fall weekend gatherings.

Due to state regulations, St. Paul's will need to space people at appropriate distances.

Only so many spaces are available for each event.

Please contact St. Paul's office at 716-835-0407 to reserve your seat.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's Happening This Week at St. Paul's: July 19-26, 2020

TODAY: 10:00 am: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV
10:30 am: Zoom Meeting: Baptism of Chase Daniel Klee (Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/950766486>, Meeting ID: 950766486)

Tuesday: 6:00 pm: Burrito Project

Saturday: 9:00 am-1:00 pm: Tiger's Den Food Pantry Open

Sunday: 10:00 am: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV
10:30 am: Holy Communion followed by Coffee Half-Hour (Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/950766486>, Meeting ID: 950766486)

Attendance last week: Via YouTube, Facebook, or MeTV: 200+ Offering: \$4,228.00

Prayer List: In our congregational family: (* indicates new names or changes added this week)

Marion Alexander: Tennyson Court, #127 in Memory Care Unit (check in at desk to enter Unit), Williamsville, NY 14221

Betty Arbogast: Weinberg Dosberg Campus, #200, Getzville, NY 14068

Claire Franke: Elderwood, 225 Bennett Road, #223, Cheektowaga, NY 14227

John Schunak: 193 E. Pinelake Court, Williamsville, NY 14221

Dolores Shearer: 10 St. Charles Court, Williamsville, NY 14221

Alison Silsby: 4360 Peet Street, Middleport, NY 14105

Mary Elizabeth Stewart: 69 Washington Highway, Amherst, NY 14226

Prayer List: In our and extended family: Barbara Williams (Mary Jo Williams' mother-in-law); Joanne Askew (Pastor Steve's mother); the family of Louise Duethorn; Thomas Maier; the family of Susan Mumma at the loss of her mother

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

All meetings at St. Paul's have been canceled until further notice.

The Daily Bread Food Truck, the Burrito Project, and the Tiger's Den Food Pantry will continue to operate. If you would like to volunteer, please call the office: 716-835-0407.

2020 Annual Report: The St. Paul's Annual Report, which would have been presented to the congregation in June, is now available. If you would like a copy of the report, please call the office and the report will be mailed to you.

Tigers Den Food Pantry: The Food pantry is open to anyone in need in zip code 14226 or by referral. The July Pantry hours are: Thursday 7/30 from 3:00 pm to 6:30 pm; and Saturday 7/25 from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm.

The Upper Room for July-August 2020 and The Word in Season for July, August, September 2020: If you normally take one of these devotional booklets, please let the office know and we will mail the current booklet to you.

Message from St. Paul's Finance Committee

With COVID-19 upon us, we are dealing with unprecedented amounts of uncertainty. News is fast developing and every day brings a new change to our lives like we never imagined.

We are writing this letter to remind you that St. Paul's still needs your ongoing financial support. For those who have had their employment altered or eliminated, our prayers and support are with you. We are writing this letter for those who can still provide, as a friendly reminder that your weekly offerings continue to be a very important source of income to support not only St. Paul's ongoing expenses, but our ministry activities. Please prayerfully send your gifts via mail to the church office, or it is easy to set up on-line giving use the following link. If you need any assistance please give the office a call.

<https://stpaulseggertsville.org/online-giving/>

We sincerely hope you and your loved ones are staying safe and healthy. Together in Christ, we are strong, and if we all do our part, we'll get through these difficult times. Don't forget to laugh every now and then, and go wash your hands!

The Finance Committee

ST. PAUL'S FIRST RESPONDERS AND FRONT-LINE HEALTH CARE WORKERS

Please remember all of these dedicated people in your prayers:

Ashish Bhatia

Kris DiPasquale

Stephen DiPasquale

Chad and Danielle Israel

Ryan Jones

Amber Krol

Jennifer Leary

Lisa Magin

Amber Mata

Ian Miller

Jill Pogodzinski

Thomas Quatroche

Michael Richardson

John Rodriguez

Michael Ruckdaschel

Kaetlyn Simpson

Angela Stark

Ira Striejewske

Ben Vilonen

Rick Vilonen

Mary Jo Williams

Patrick Wisniewski

Pam Wunderlin

Robert Zielinski

Parkside Lutheran Church Announcements - shared bulletin July 19th, 2020

*At Parkside we are rediscovering the radical love of Jesus -
Gathering All, Serving All, Caring for All*

2 Wallace Ave Buffalo, NY 14214 (corner of Wallace & Depew)
(716)836-1361 parksidelutheran@gmail.com

Parkside Lutheran for Social Justice: Our congregation has a group of folks committed to working for justice for all. At this time, they are especially focused on Racial Justice. **Each month they will share a resource, and share a time for discussion (look in our weekly emails for details).** All are encouraged to sign the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's Anti-Racism Pledge found here: <https://www.elca.org/racialjusticepledge>.

This Month's Definition: **Racism:** an ideology and institution that reflects the racial worldview in which humans are divided into racial groups and in which races are arranged in a hierarchy where some races are considered innately superior to others. Racism is the effect of domination of certain racial groups by other racial groups, historically the domination of people of color by white/European peoples. Note: people of color may hold prejudices and discriminate against white people, but they often lack the social and institutional power that transforms their discrimination into racism.

This Month's **Recommended Resource:** *White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism* by Robin DiAngelo. **Have a suggested resource or question about this new initiative?** Contact Pastor Jeremiah or Alison Smith alisonmsmith07@gmail.com.

Prayer Tree:

Congregation: Prayers for quick healing for Lina and prayers for strength & courage for Annie, Dan, and Lucy; Marlene & Andrew ; Onda Simmons, family & friends, as we mourn the passing of Hazel Dodson; Joan; Yohe family; prayers for health for Melanie's son Nick, and for her son Paul and his family (Paul is in the navy and exposed to covid19) ; Ruth; Joyce & Roman S; Pam; Janet Stout; Becky & Vince; Eileen & Ken Moser; Ron Arnold; Norra Carroll

Friends & Family: Pray for Jody Malesky, Prayers of strength & healing for Lysander Pope, Jameson (Joan's Grandson); Jim C. (Cheryl Kinsman's brother in law); Kristin & Christopher & for their family to remain well; Don & Sue & Kevin & Catherine; Placido; Alina & Bella; Alex; Veronica & Logan; Adam; Mewith & Deen; Deej; Ed; Deb & Ed, Sr.; Alan; Gia, Nancy & Christopher; Celeste; Lisa T.; Georgianna; Amy; Martha S; Roger Moore; Solomon & kids; Pastor J's Grandma; Catherine (sister of Gigi & Jeff Jankowski); Bobby Amann; John Gettes; Baby Carson; Victims of coronavirus, health workers, and those who are most vulnerable at this time; We pray for racial justice and for the safety of protestors and peacekeepers. We pray for the injured, including Martin Gugino. We offer our prayers for the church, the world & all people in need.

 Parkside Lutheran is putting together a **Care Call Team**. We are looking for volunteers to call members of the congregation once a month to check in. Please contact Pastor Jeremiah if you can help.

Worship on TV or Online, plus *Zoom* Summer Break information

Wednesday evenings 8pm - we meet with Pastor Jeremiah on *Zoom* * for bible study or other discussion (bible study is on break for the summer months, but look in the weekly email for more info about upcoming Social Justice Discussions)

Sundays at 10am - Please watch our recorded services on Facebook, YouTube, or TV (info below) . Please note that our interactive “coffee hour” on *Zoom* * at 10:45am is on break for the summer months)

Join *Zoom* Meetings on your computer or smartphone:

<https://zoom.us/j/7168361361?pwd=b3pxamRnN09UbGNuVXg2MUhOMlJtUT09>

Meeting ID: 716 836 1361

You can also simply join by telephone: dial by your location : +1 929 205 6099 US (New York) Meeting ID: 716 836 1361

Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/ab2v1ql9Ui>

For folks new to *Zoom* check out our weekly e-newsletter for tutorial link, or watch one of the many *Zoom* tutorials on YouTube.

There are 3 ways to watch the recorded Service at 10am on Sundays:

- 1) Parkside’s Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/ParksideLutheranBuffalo/>
- 2) YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCoLpmPx1ZT35RLffcdVoRJA>
- 3) Watch on your TV: Station METV - channel 5 on Cable, Fios & Dish or channel 67 on DirecTV

North Buffalo Food Pantry - Hours are Saturday 9am-1pm - enter on Depew side of building. Donations can be dropped off at the Pantry during regular Pantry hours or call the office to arrange drop off.



“**Parkside Saturday**” at the Food Pantry - every 3rd Saturday 9am-1pm. We are all set for Saturday, July 18th, but if you’d like to help in the future, please contact the office. We wear masks, gloves, and observe safe social distance.

Blessing Box - You are welcome to take what you need & encouraged to leave what you can! (Nonperishable foods & other essential supplies). **Thank you to good neighbors who help keep the Blessing Box stocked!** The Blessing Box (Red box that looks like a “little library”) is located on the Depew side of PLC.

Online Vacation Bible School, God’s Good Creation” is happening now!

It’s not too late to join in the fun! Contact Pastor Jeremiah or the church office to join.

[#godsgoodcreation2020](https://www.lutheranyouthwny.org/), <https://www.lutheranyouthwny.org/>. There are short and fun weekly online lessons, creative challenges and an optional service project “Count Your Blessings”.

If you need a SPARK Kids Story Bible, or a Count our Blessings Box, let us know and we’ll get one to you (free or free will donation).

For more Parkside LC happenings, please see our weekly emails or Facebook page.

Sign up for our weekly email on our website [parksidelutheran.org](https://www.parksidelutheran.org)

Like us on Facebook! <https://facebook.com/ParksideLutheranBuffalo/>

We are also on Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/parksidelutheran>

Please join us in welcoming Pastor Miranda Hammer at Community of Good Neighbors (formerly Resurrection Church). Pastor Miranda encourages her community to continue to support her ministry, and follow along on Facebook, Instagram, or Cgnbuffalo.com.

We would like to express our gratitude to the following individuals who have been gifting their services to help bring you the Sunday MeTV productions:

Musician/Videographer:

Michael Hooker

Soloist:

Theresa Kosmowski

Video and Editing:

Nick Stroczkowski, Brothers and Sisters Film Production Company

Sound:

Andrew Gruszka, The Record DJ Co.

DJs/MCs, SOUND & LIGHTING



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