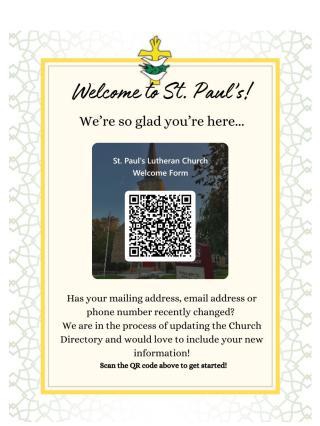
18th Saturday after Pentecost



October 11, 2025 5:00 pm St. Paul's Amherst Campus Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church Amherst Campus 18th Saturday after Pentecost October 11, 2025

Musician: Adam Schmidt



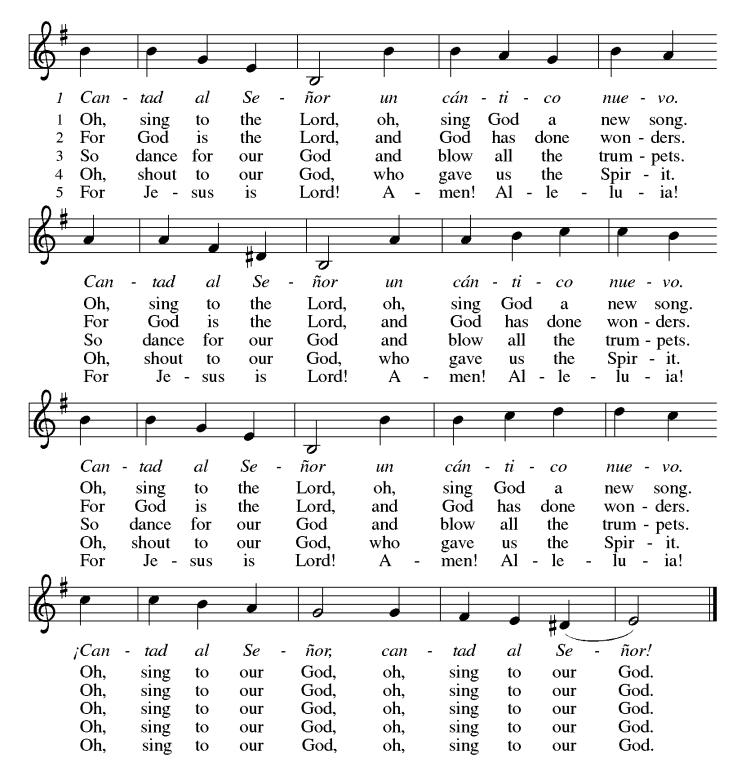


Confession and Forgiveness

- P Blessed be God, the Holy Trinity + the giver of all good, the source of all joy. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
- God of all, You have given us all that we need and you ask that we share your abundance. We confess that we have not responded to your call to be open channels of your grace. We clench our fists when you ask for open hands; we close our minds when you ask for grace toward our neighbors. Open our hearts to live in the abundance of your creation; loosen our grip and restore our souls, that we may freely give and receive. Amen.
- P Beloved in Christ, God makes all things new. In the name of Christ, + you are forgiven. Your hearts are unlocked; your grasping is unbound. You are free to live as flowing streams of God's abundant grace.
- C Amen.

Oh, Sing to the Lord

Cantad al Señor



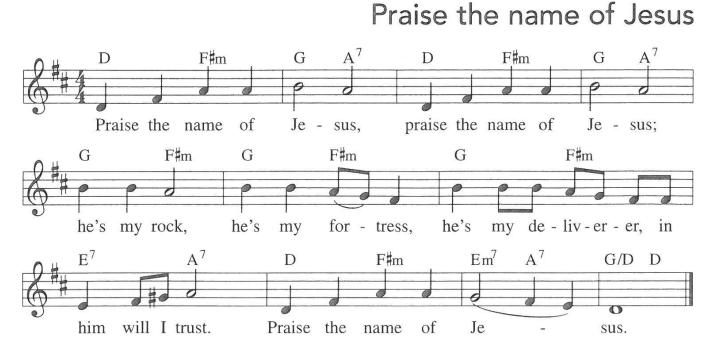
Apostolic Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you

Prayer of the Day

- P God of all, you bless us with the capacity for gratitude and awe. Open us to the wonders of your creation, and make us grateful for every good gift of your hand. Give us glad and generous hearts so that we may be stewards of your mercy and healing in the world.
- C Amen.

Praise Hymn: W&P 117



Text and music: Roy Hicks Jr.

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First Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Though Paul is chained as a prisoner, the word of God is never shackled or confined. Timothy is encouraged to proclaim that word of freedom in an honest and upright life as well as in his teaching and preaching.

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful—he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

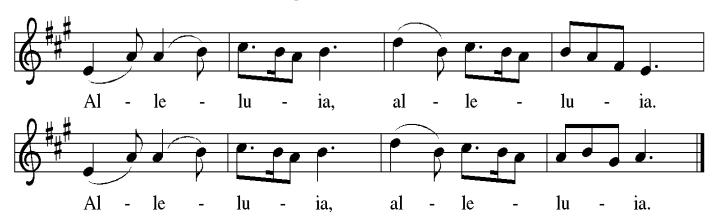
- A This is the Word of the Lord
- C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 111 (read responsively)

- A Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
- C Great are your works, O LORD, pondered by all who delight in them.
- A Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever.
- C You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion.
- A You give food to those who fear you, remembering forever your covenant.
- C You have shown your people the power of your works in giving them the lands of the nations.
- A The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; all of your precepts are sure.
- C They stand fast forever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.
- A You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant forever; holy and awesome is your name.
- C The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who practice this have a good understanding. God's praise endures forever.
- A This is the Word of the Lord
- C Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia



Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.

- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 17th Chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Jesus' mission includes making people clean again. Unexpectedly, a Samaritan healed of leprosy becomes a model for those who would praise and worship God and give thanks for God's mercy.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at — Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Hymn: ELW 453

Baptized and Set Free



Text: Cathy Skogen-Soldner, b. 1956

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Apostle's Creed

- P With the whole church, let us confess our faith together:
- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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

- P Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation. (Please be seated.)
 - Gracious God, you lead your people to faith. Remind the church that your word flows into the world. By your Spirit, teach the church to share the word of God for the sake of the world. God of grace,
- C receive our prayer.
- P Creating God, you provided cleansing and healing waters for Naaman. Water the earth's lands in parched places. Restore clean water to all communities, and guide the work of all who advocate for safe and abundant water supplies. God of grace,
- C receive our prayer.
- P Righteous One, you bring justice and wholeness throughout the world, and your righteousness endures forever. By your spirit, guide leaders of all nations and lands to right relationship with you and with one another. God of grace,
- C receive our prayer.
- P Merciful God, you know the needs of your people. Show mercy to those suffering in the world. Comfort those in need of your healing, especially the people on our Prayer Lists and Prayer Chain, and those we name before you now, either silently or aloud. God of grace,
- C receive our prayer.

- Life-giving God, you free us by your word. Help us, by your Spirit, to be P transformed to live your word of freedom honestly and uprightly in our teaching, preaching, and serving. God of grace,
- \mathbf{C} receive our prayer.
- P Holy God, thank you for the witness of those who have died in faith. Guide us to trust in the baptismal promise of resurrection in Christ. God of grace,
- \mathbf{C} receive our prayer.
- P We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- \mathbf{C} Amen.



Ways to Give to St. Paul's:

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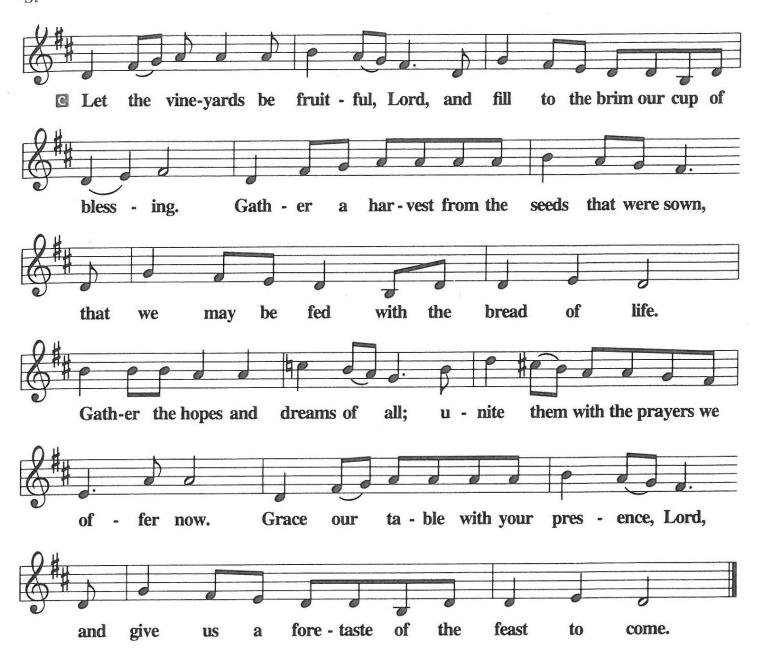
- **In-Person Worship:** Continue to put your envelopes and cash in the plate
- Giving by Mail: Please mail your donations payable to St. Paul's, 4007 Main Street, Eggertsville, NY 14226
- Online: The St. Paul's website contains a link to Online Giving. The website is: https://stpaulseggertsville.com/online-giving/

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Offering Prayer

- P Let us pray.
- C God of life, you have blessed us with every good gift. Through our offerings today and in our planned giving, open us to share all that we have been given and to love the world in Jesus' name. Amen



Dialogue and Preface

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give God thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right and proper that we should at all times and in all places, offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and speak their unending hymn:

Sanctus (spoken)

C Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution

- P In the night in which he was handed over, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.
 - Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord's Prayer

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:
- 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

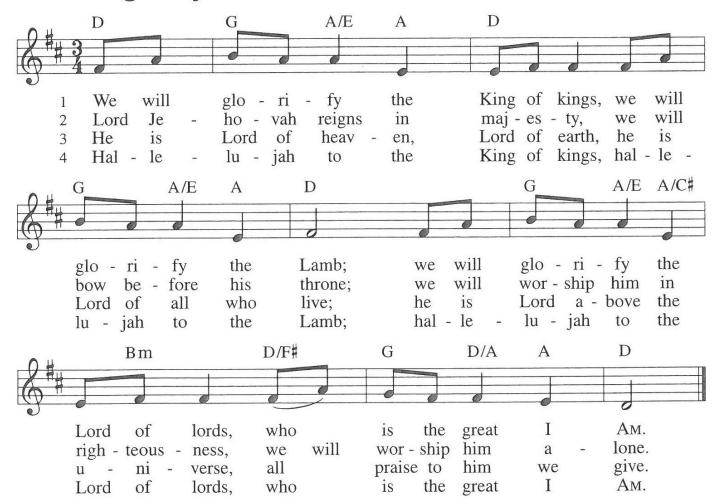
Holy Communion at St. Paul's: celebrated every time we gather, and is open to all. Please approach by the center aisle, receive the bread and the wine, and return to your seat via the side aisle. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available. Simply request it from the Assisting Minister holding the wine. Children are welcome! Those who receive elsewhere may receive here. Children who do not yet receive may come for a blessing. If you have difficulty walking, communion will be brought to you at your seat.

Communion Hymn: WOV Page 39



Distribution Hymn: W&P 154

We will glorify



Communion Blessing

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

Prayer After Communion

- P Abundant God, You have nourished us with life, love, and grace. Fill us to the brim with your care, that we may go into the world with open arms and open hearts to share your peace with the world.
- C Amen.

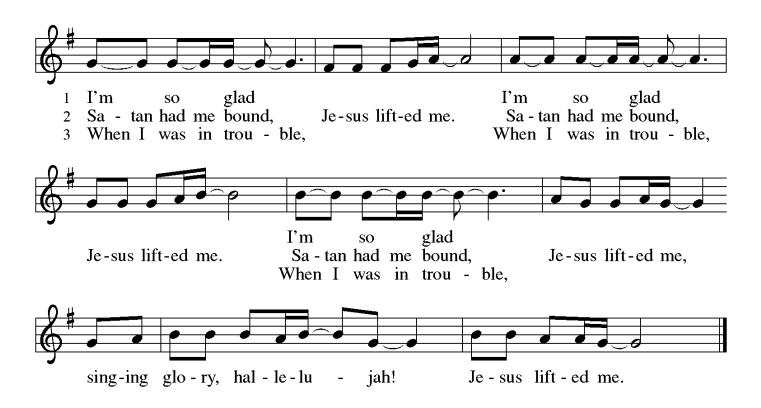
Benediction

P And now as you go on your way, may our Lord Jesus 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

Closing Hymn: WOV 673

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me



Text: African American spiritual

Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual

Dismissal

- P Go in peace to serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's Happening This Week at St. Paul's: October 12-19, 2025

Unless otherwise noted, all activities will take place at the Eggertsville Campus

Sunday: 9:00-9:45 am: NO Adult Forum today: read Chapter 3 for next week

9:30 am-1:30 pm: Western New York Church at AC

10:00 am: Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV

10:00 am: Worship, Communion, Sunday School, and Middle School Sunday School

1:00 pm: Ray of Hope at AC

Monday: Church Office Closed

4:15 pm: Daily Bread Food Truck Meal Share 5:30-9:30 pm: Straight Pepper Diet Meeting at AC

Tuesday: 10:00 am: Bible Study

5:00-6:30 pm: We Can No Longer Blame Others (NA)

7:00 pm: Lutheran Chorale

7:00 pm: Church Council Meeting (zoom)

Wednesday: 12:00 pm: New Beginnings Meeting

6:30-8:30 pm: Ray of Hope Prayer Group at AC

8:00 pm: AA Meeting

Thursday: 3:00-6:30 pm: Tiger's Den Food Pantry Open

Friday: No Events Planned

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Prayer List: In our congregational and extended family: David Wieczorek; Mary Bashore; Joyce Chace; Elaine Masman; Pastor Ray Clifton; Lavon Amos; Cindy Milazzo Schwartz; David Schunak; Kate Kopasz and Lynda LoTempio (Phyllis Campbell's nieces); Sylvia McLaughlin; Sue Epstein

Prayer List: Shut-Ins (* indicates new names or changes added this week)

Neal DeLeo: Greenfield Manor, #D127, 5958 Broadway, Lancaster, NY 14086

John Hornung: Brothers of Mercy, 10570 Bergtold Road, Clarence, NY 14031

Jan Isaacs: 6 Bush Gardens, Three Rod Road, Alden, NY 14004

Joan Maefs: Solstice, 6363 Transit Road, #136, East Amherst, NY 14051

Elaine Masman: Heathwood Assisted Living, 815 Hopkins, Room 251, Williamsville, NY 14221

Dorothy Menth: Elderwood at Basset Park, 245 Bassett Road, #54, Williamsville, NY 14221

Wilma Nantka: Fredonia Place, 201 Reist Street, #238, Williamsville, NY 14221

Charles Scofield: Fredonia Place, 201 Reist Street, #228, Williamsville, NY 14221

Ira Striejewske: 48 Cornell Avenue, Eggertsville, NY 14226

David Wolf: Solstice, 6363 Transit Road, #244, East Amherst, NY 14051

PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

In-Person Worship: St. Paul's has two in-person worship services: Saturday evening at 5:00 pm at the Amherst Campus, 5125 Main Street, Williamsville, 14221, and Sunday morning at 10:00 am at the Eggertsville Campus, 4007 Main Street, Eggertsville, 14226. The Sunday 10:00 am worship service is also livestreamed on St. Paul's YouTube page.

Church Unleashed: If you cannot join us for in-person worship, please continue to worship with us as Church Unleashed on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am on WBBZ, YouTube, or Facebook.

Prayer Team Ministry: Once a week you will receive an email with a list of people to pray for and specific requests for that person. We ask that you commit to praying for the names on the email. If you'd like to join us, please contact Cody at: Cody@stpaulseggertsville.com

Daily Bread Food Truck: The 2025 Monday Meal Share is underway each Monday from 4:15-5:15 pm. If you are interested in volunteering or donating, contact the office at 716-835-0407 or dailybread4007@gmail.com.

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tigers Den Food Pantry: The Food Pantry is open to anyone in need in zip code 14226, is associated with St. Paul's Amherst Campus, or by referral. The remaining pantry hours for October are: Thursdays 10/16 and 10/30 from 3:00-6:30 pm; and Saturday 10/25 from 9:00 am-12:30 pm. Donations for October: spaghetti sauce and crushed or canned tomatoes.



The Burrito Project could use your help. They are asking for donations of new winters hats, scarves, and socks. Donations can be dropped off in the collection bin in the church vestibule.

In preparation for All Saints Weekend, we will once again write the names of those who have died in the previous year on clouds. Beginning next weekend and the following weekend, please take time to add the name of someone who died last year by writing their name on a cloud. The clouds will be placed for all to see on All Saints weekend.





We invite you to pray and to journey with us as we discover the generosity of God and how we respond.

What is possible for us to do in response to God's lavish generosity? God's gifts come to particular people, in particular places, in particular times.

Because we are made in God's image, we, too, uniquely embody God's steadfast abundance, love, and mercy.

We are equipped to be generous where we are.

Drawn more deeply into the body of Christ, we are reminded of our belovedness, and we can respond with generosity, love, and service on behalf of our neighbors.



We are working on printing new directories for our members, but before we can do that, please take a minute to update the information we currently have on file. On the announcements boards at both campuses are printouts of the information we have. Please let us know if any of your information needs to be updated. Once all of the updates are made, new Church Directories will be printed for you to pick up at church. Thank you for your cooperation.



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