

October 12, 2025

**Healing and Anointing Worship
Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost
ELW setting 8**

**St. Paul Lutheran Church
9844 SW Greenville Road
Greenville, Michigan**



WORSHIP PLAN FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2025



HEALING RITE

What we believe and teach “The church is a hospital for sinners,” says Martin Luther. We hope and pray that you will come for healing for any concerns of body, mind and spirit that you bring with you this day.

The Service of Healing may be used in a variety of circumstances in the church's ministry of care. Those who sense the need for God's healing in any aspect of their lives may receive the gifts of prayer accompanied by anointing with oil. These signs, first given in baptism, tell us again that we are sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked forever with the cross of Christ, who is health and salvation for the whole world.

In its ministry of healing, the church does not replace the gifts of God that come through the scientific community, nor does it promise a cure. The church offers and celebrates gifts such as these: God's presence with strength and comfort in time of suffering, God's promise of wholeness and peace, and God's love embodied in the community of faith.

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG ELW #864

PRAISE MY SOUL, THE GOD OF HEAVEN



- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;
- 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.
sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.
All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,
Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been
Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do
Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.

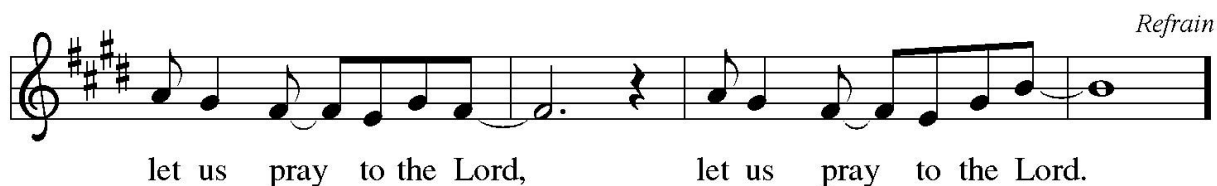
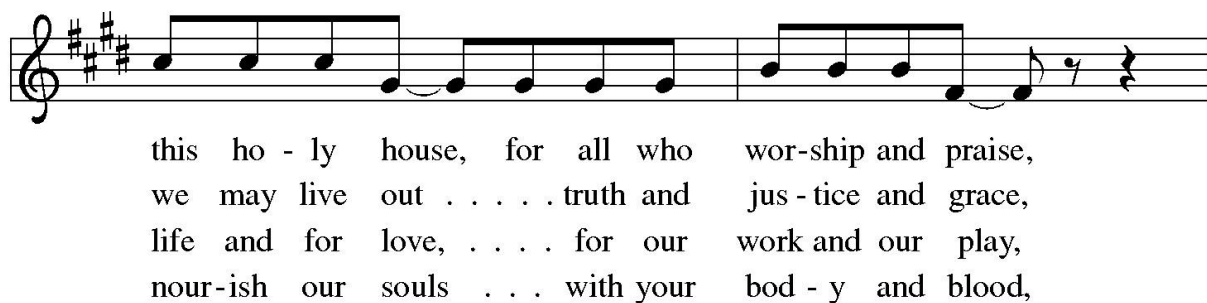
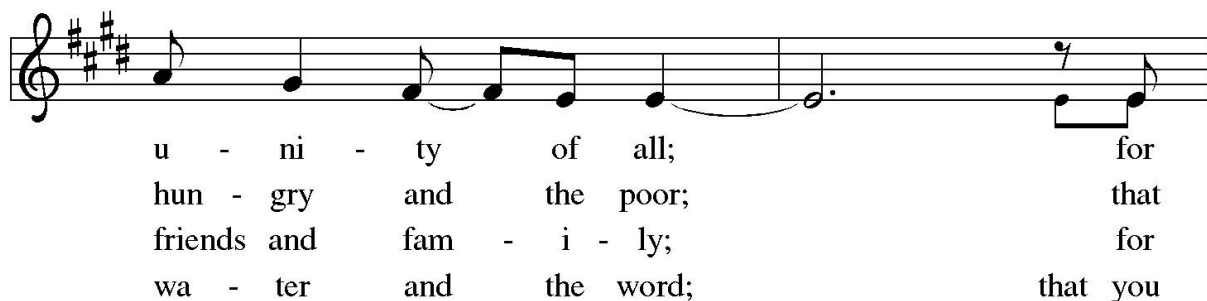
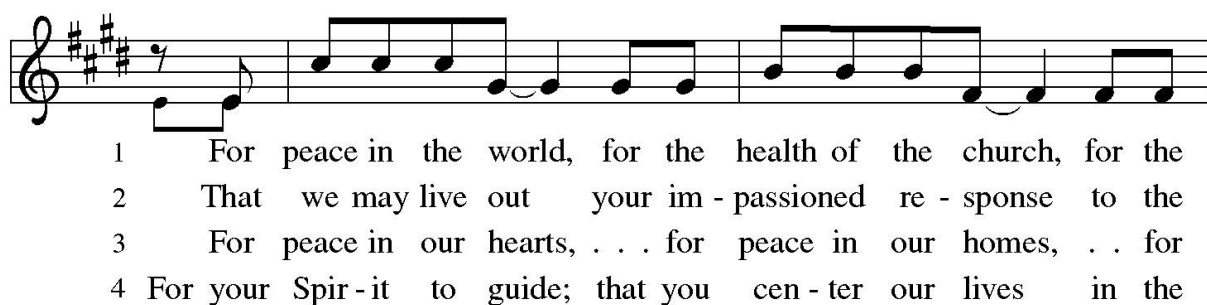
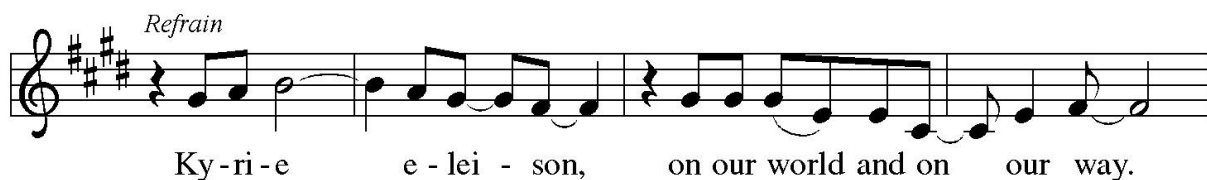


join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
if with his love he be - friend you.
Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you. (hands out)

KYRIE



CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain

This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the

Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be

peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

Refrain

hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of

vic - t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -

le - lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the

Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, bring us healing, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING – 2 KINGS 5:1-3, 7-15C

A reading from Second Kings.

5 Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. ² Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "If only my Lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease."

⁷ When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

⁸ But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹ So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. ¹⁰ Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." ¹¹ But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease!"

¹² Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³ But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" ¹⁴ So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. ¹⁵ Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel; please accept a present from your servant."

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 111

¹ Praise the Lord!
I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

² **Great are the works of the Lord,
studied by all who delight in them.**

³ Full of honor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.

⁴ **He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;
the Lord is gracious and merciful.**

⁵ He provides food for those who fear him;
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

⁶ **He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the heritage of the nations.**

⁷ The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy.

⁸ **They are established forever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

⁹ He sent redemption to his people;
He has commanded his covenant forever.
Holy and awesome is his name.

¹⁰ **The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever.**

SECOND READING *2 Timothy 2:8-15*

A reading from Second Timothy.

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, ⁹ for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰ 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. ¹¹ The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; ¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; ¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful—he cannot deny himself.

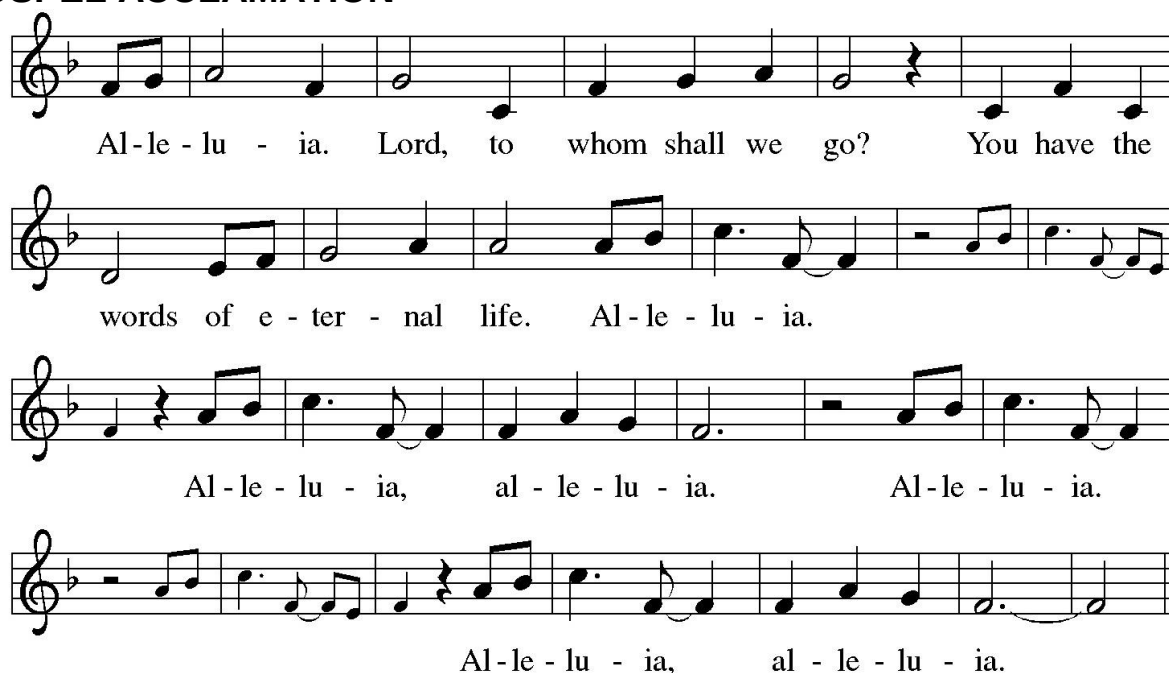
¹⁴ Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord^[b] that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. ¹⁵ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL LUKE 17:11-19

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?" ¹⁸ Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON



HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #453 BAPTIZED AND SET FREE



1 We are peo - ple cre - at - ed, cho - sen by God.
 2 We are fed and we're nour - ished, filled and re - freshed.
 3 We are nour - ished by wa - ter, all liv - ing things,
 4 Now with praise and thanks - giv - ing, we join the song.



Then we're washed, ev - er gent - ly, in mer - cy and love.
 Then our hun - ger re - turns and a - gain we are blessed.
 and by life that the Spir - it a - bun - dant - ly brings.
 All are wel - come! We gath - er to sing loud and strong.



Sin has pow - er no more. Je - sus o - pened the door
 For what - ev - er the need, God is great - er in - deed:
 As we jour - ney toward home, may your pres - ence be known:
 Not en - slaved, but set free! From now on, all will be



to a foun - tain bring - ing heal - ing, and whole - ness and more.
 end - less o - cean, al - ways deep - er than all of our need.
 pre - cious riv - er, ev - er - flow - ing, now car - ry us home.
 one in Je - sus, one in wa - ter, bap - tized and set free!



CREEDAL HYMN

(SUNG TO THE TUNE OF THE DOXOLOGY) ELW #884

**Praise God in whose strong arms we dwell,
Praise God in Christ, who makes us well,
Praise Holy Spirit, healing dove,
O God of Hope, O God of Love.**

PRAYERS

Creator God, we are in need of your healing. Our minds, bodies and spirits are troubled. You said to Israel, "I am your healer," and Israel was restored. (pregnant pause)

O Christ, your earthly ministry touched the lives of people. You healed the sick. You raised the dead, we give thanks for all agencies that provide healthcare, we pray for social ministry organizations that carry on your healing ministry in our day. (pregnant pause)

Spirit of life, you give us faith and wisdom to trust you and love others. Help us to care for our bodies and minds. Strengthen for all service all those who are in the healing arts and sciences. (pregnant pause)

We lift prayers for body, mind and spirit healing this day especially for these who are gathered as well as for those that we name aloud including..... (pregnant pause)

Hear our prayers. Faithful God, and renew us by your spirit, that we may joyfully love and serve you and one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

HYMN ELW #612 HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL VERSE 1

**Healer of our ev'ry ill,
Light of each tomorrow,
Give us peace beyond our fear,
And hope beyond our sorrow.**

**You who know our fears and sadness,
Grace us with your peace and gladness;
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts.**

LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING

Sisters and brothers,
I invite you to come and receive a sign of healing and wholeness in the
name of our triune God.

Those who wish to receive the laying on of hands and anointing may come
forward.

Pastor Nan will mark your forehead with a cross using unscented anointing
oil. Then she will lay a hand on your shoulder or head and offer a short
prayer.

FINAL BLESSING

After all have returned to their places, the assembly stands.

Let us pray.

Living God, through the laying on of hands and anointing grant our brothers
and sisters comfort in their suffering. When they are afraid, give them
courage. When afflicted, give them patience. When dejected, give them
hope. And when alone, assure them of the support of your holy people. We
ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE (ELW p. 128)

The healing peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you. (*hands out*)

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

OFFERING

After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands. Bread, wine, money, and other gifts may be brought forward.

OFFERING SONG ELW #693 COME, YE THANKFUL PEOPLE, COME

- 1 Come, ye thankful people, come;
 raise the song of harvest home.
 All be safely gathered in
 ere the winter storms begin.
 God, our maker, doth provide
 for our wants to be supplied.
 Come to God's own temple, come,
 raise the song of harvest home.**

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. (pause)

Lord of the harvest,
We return to you a portion of what you have given to us.
Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches,
But on you, who richly provides for us.
Multiply what we have gathered
To bless all who are suffering and in need,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



GREAT THANKSGIVING

AND THE TABLE WILL BE WIDE, BY JAN RICHARDSON

And the table will be wide.

And the welcome will be wide.

And the arms will open wide to gather us in.

And our hearts will open wide to receive.

And we will come as children who trust there is enough.

And we will come unhindered and free.

And our aching will be met with bread.

And our sorrow will be met with wine.

And we will open our hands to the feast without shame.

And we will turn toward each other without fear.

And we will give up our appetite for despair.

And we will taste and know of delight.

And we will become bread for a hungry world.

And we will become drink for those who thirst.

And the blessed will become the blessing.

And everywhere will be the feast.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed,
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

**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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them.
Come to this meal of mercy.

COMMUNION (ELW p. 134)

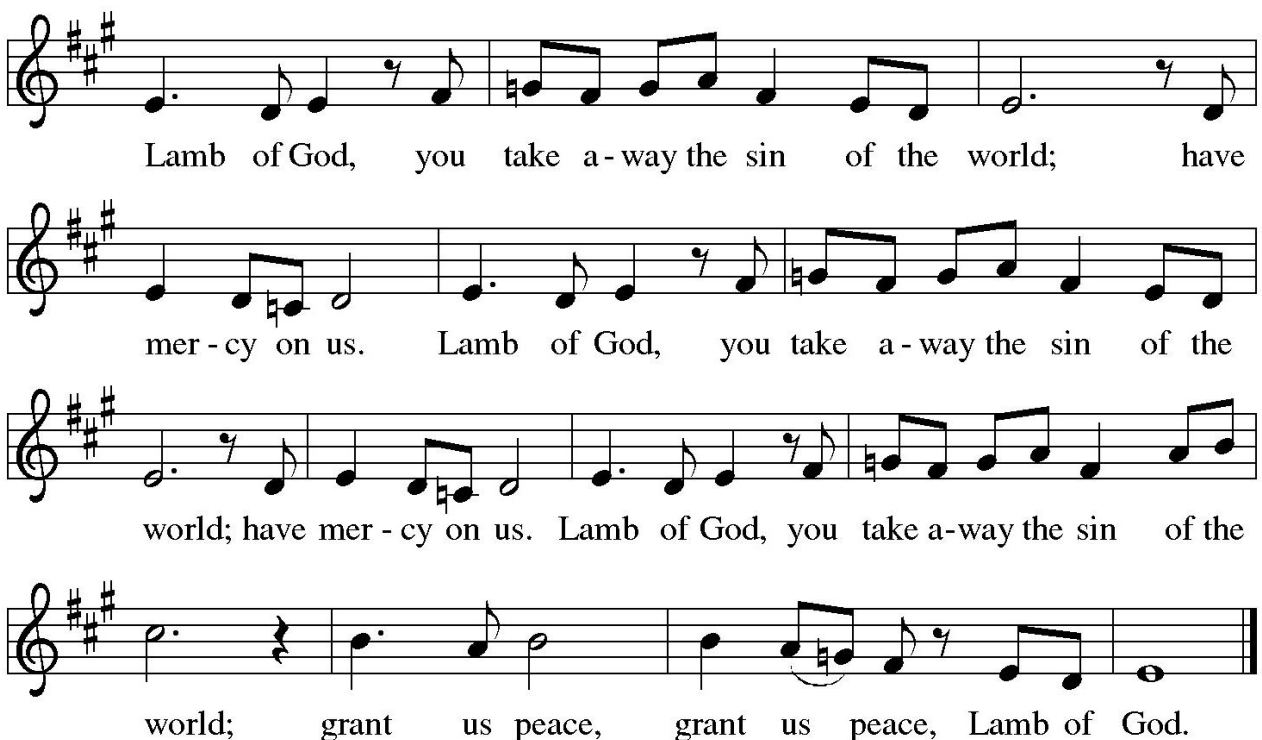
**** *We will be walking today as we receive Holy Communion.*

Before coming to God's table, please take a moment to confess your sin to God, trusting that indeed God will forgive you.

If it is too difficult to come to the Table, please let an usher know. Pastor will happily bring it to you in your seat.

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say
The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond
Amen.*

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

COMMUNION HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION

(BB refers to the blue binder underneath your chair)

BB #1097 BLESS THE LORD, O MY SOUL

Chorus

Bless the lord, o my soul, o my soul,
Worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, o my soul.
I'll worship your holy name.

Verse 1

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning;
It's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes.
chorus

Verse 2

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger,
Your name is great and your heart is kind;
For all your goodness I will keep on singing,
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.
chorus

Verse 3

And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come;
Still my soul sings your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.
Chorus

BB #29 IN CHRIST ALONE, MY HOPE IS FOUND

Lyrics

In Christ alone, my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live, I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

FINAL TABLE BLESSING

SONG AFTER COMMUNION (ELW p. 135)

BB#19 GIVE THANKS

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks, because he's given
Jesus Christ, his Son.**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks, because he's given
Jesus Christ, his Son.**

**And now let the weak say 'I am strong',
let the poor say 'I am rich',
because of what the Lord has done for us;
and now let the weak say 'I am strong',
let the poor say 'I am rich',
because of what the Lord has done for us.
Give thanks...**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. (pause)

O God,
through this meal you have strengthened us
and appointed us to be your servants.
Send us to do good and to share our possessions
with all in need.
We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GOOD NEWS

BLESSING

May the God of all consolation bless you in every way,
restore you to health, and fill your heart with peace.

Almighty God, Creator, ✠ Redeemer, and
Sanctifier bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG *ELW #858 PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY*



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing
3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;
4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.
sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.
All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,
Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been
Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do
Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
if with his love he be - friend you.
Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.
Thanks be to God.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



***VOTE TODAY – for the time(s) of
Christmas Eve Worship GREEN PAPER ****PUT your
completed SLIP IN THE BASKET***



***ORDER ROSES FOR
ALL SAINTS' DAY
(MELON COLORED PIECE OF PAPER)***

***BASKETS at the back round table where the annual reports
are available***

Shalom

SPIRITUALITY AND PURPOSE IN LATER LIFE

This curriculum is a series that provides a space and a structure for exploring the challenges and rewards of aging with a spiritual context.

The Path Ahead will meet on the following dates.

Oct. 12 Shifting the Lens from doing to being

Oct. 19 For the love of it. Passion and purpose

Oct. 26 Discerning the path ahead

We'll have videos and material provided that will enhance these topics.

Sundays from 5:00-7:00 at St. Paul Lutheran in Greenville.

Beverages and snacks included.



ST. PAUL HEALING PRAYER LIST

Carol Rasmussen, **Dennis** Dombkowski, **Jere** Schlaben, **Joanne** Bryer, **Father Jim** Wyse, **Janet** Horst, **Jilayne** Thorington, **Karen** Hopkins, **Larry** Ross, **Linda** Hansen, **Kay** McCreedy, **Lois** Davis, **Lucille** Petersen, **Ray** Jensen, **Shirley** Sly, **Pastor John** Autio.

****If you want to have someone added, please email the main office, leave a voicemail on the main church phone number or text Pastor Nan*

MILITARY

Brian Blomstrom, **Chris** Miller, **Hanah** MacMillen, **JD** Johansen, **Marcus** Roy, **Ryan** Treynor, **Steve** Kowalewicz, **Troy** Thornburg, **Tyler** Markum, **Vaughn** Misner, **Victor** Rivera, **Vinnie** Baza.

PRAYER CHAIN FOR ST. PAUL

If you would like to join the prayer chain, please contact Lynn Cooper at 616-754-5579.



GAEFM The Greenville Area Ecumenical Food Mission that operates out of our St. Paul building is solely reliant on community donations and volunteer workers. You can help by purchasing and donating items from the list below:

Canned fruits and vegetables

Cereal

Pancake mix and syrup

Saltine crackers

Toilet paper and personal care items

Pasta, rice,

Packaged potatoes or meal helpers

Canned beans (all varieties)

-This Week-

- Sunday Oct 12th** Worship 9:30AM
HEALING AND ANOINTING WORSHIP
LAST DAY TO SUBMIT INFO ON GREEN SHEETS
FOR CHRISTMAS EVE
PLEASE START WEARING NAME TAGS
ROSE ORDERS FOR ALL SAINTS' – MELON PAPERS
Aging Path Class 5 pm with Shirley
COUNCIL PACKETS ARE READY FOR PICKUP
- Monday Oct 13th** Al-Anon 7PM
Sabbath – Pastor Nan
- Tuesday Oct 14th** Food Pantry 10-12
Bell Practice 6 PM
- Wednesday Oct 15th** Bible/Book Study 2 – 3 pm
Food Pantry 5:30-7:30PM
Sabbath - Mark
- Thursday Oct 16th** Council 5 pm
- Friday Oct 17th** Shalom ZOOM 1:30 PM qS7rfD.
- Saturday Oct 18th**
- Sunday Oct 19th** **WORSHIP 9:30AM**
CONGREGATION ANNUAL MEETING AFTER WORSHIP
ALL SAINTS' DAY ROSE- LAST DAY TO ORDER****
Aging Path Class 7 pm

OCTOBER SERVING CALENDAR

St Paul Service Calendar October 2025 Date	Assisting	Proclaimer	Sound	Lead Usher	Nursery	Cou
Oct. 5	Alicia D	Amy S	Lee H	Curt B	Donny M	Jo
Oct. 12	Janet	Barb B	Diane	John C	Shirley H	Joh
Oct. 19	Dorinda K	Connie T	Lee H	Bob K	Amy S	Shir
Oct. 26	Connie	Connie	Paul R	Kevand S	Linda E	Kev