

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost June 23, 2024

Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation! Now we are in the storm, the boat almost swamped; but Jesus is here now, and when we call him, he will calm the storm. Even the wind and waves listen to him as they would to their creator. We also listen to him and are called to believe in the power of God's word in him, a power greater than all that we fear.



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Please quietly reflect and prepare for worship during the music.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father, and of the ⊕ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the \mp Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The prelude's purpose is to prepare your heart, your hands, and your mind for worship. The Lord is worthy of our preparation and the prelude provides us a time to do just that.

Washed in water and marked with the cross, the baptized children of God are united with Christ, and through him, with other believers, we confess our sins and return to our baptism. In forgiveness God raises us up again.

The paraments, which are the hangings on the altar, pulpit, and lecturn, are green for ordinary time.
For growth and discipleship.

GATHERING HYMN

#775 Jesus, Priceless Treasure

Hence, all fears and sad



The Hymns proclaim the Gospel in song, We sing a variety of hymns to help us tell God's story.



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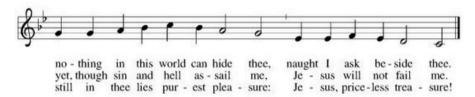
tru - est friend to me: ah, how long I've pant - ed, and my heart has can-not reach me here. Though the earth be shak - ing, ev - 'ry heart be Je - sus, en - ters in. God, who dear-ly loves us, from all tri - al

the Lord of glad -



faint - ed, thirst - ing, Lord, for thee! Thine I am, O spot - less Lamb; quak - ing, Je - sus calms my fear. Light-nings flash and thun - ders crash; saves us, gives sweet peace with - in.

I have borne this world - ly scorn;



Text: Johann Franck, 1618–1677; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: JESU, MEINE FREUDE, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

GREETING

During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.

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.

The Apostolic Greeting is given by the Pastor using the words of the Apostle Paul in 2 Cor 13:13. In this greeting the assembly is rooted in the Triune life of God.³

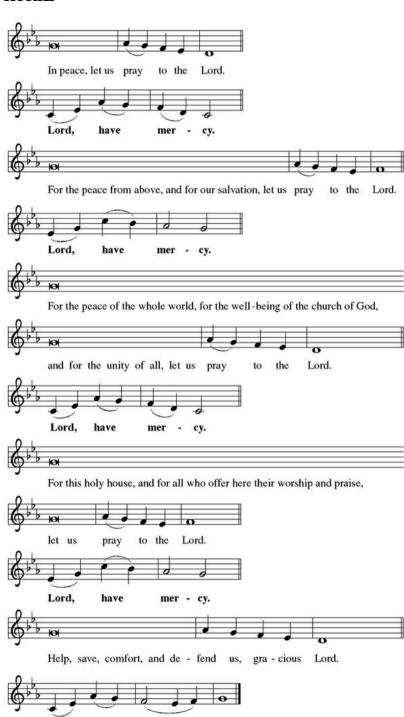
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CANTICLE OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

WORD

lacksquare God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING Job 38: 1-11

The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:

"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding.

Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone

when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

"Or who shut in the sea with doorsawhen it burst out from the womb?—

when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?''
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

The prayer of the day is typically a prayer focused around the scripture texts for the day.

The Word part of our liturgy, is where we hear "the living voice of the Gospel." We experience this in the Biblical readings, a sermon based around these readings, and the hymn of the day.

PSALM 107: 1-3, 23-32



Give thanks to the Lord, for the | Lord is good, for God's mercy en- | dures forever.

Let the redeemed of the | Lord proclaim that God redeemed them from the hand | of the foe,

gathering them in | from the lands;

from the east and from the west, from the north and | from the south.

Some went down to the | sea in ships, plying their trade | in deep waters. R

They beheld the works | of the Lord, God's wonderful works | in the deep.

Then God spoke, and a stormy | wind arose, which tossed high the waves | of the sea.

They mounted up to the heavens and descended | to the depths;

their souls melted away | in their peril.

They staggered and | reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of | no avail.

Then in their trouble they cried | to the Lord, and you delivered them from | their distress.

You stilled the storm | to a whisper and silenced the waves | of the sea. R

Then were they glad when | it grew calm, when you guided them to the harbor | they desired.

Let them give thanks to you, Lord, for your | steadfast love

and your wonderful works | for all people. Let them exalt you in the assembly | of the people;

in the council of the elders, let them sing | hallelujah! **R**

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 6: 1-13

As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

GOSPEL Mark 4: 35 -41

The holy gospel according to Mark. Glory to you, O Lord.

When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!"

Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN SERMON SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

#756 Eternal Father, Strong to Save



Text: William Whiting, 1825–1878, alt. Music: MELITA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Living together in hope and trust, let us confess our faith together. I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

As Lutheran Christians we have three creeds to articulate our faith. The Apostles', Nicene, and Athanasian Creeds.
Through the Apostles' Creed we confess our faith in the triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

A brief silence.

Merciful God, recieve our prayer.

[...]

Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

PEACE

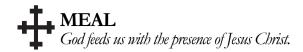
The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ. The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The congregation is invited to share a sign of God's peace with one another The assembly sits.

The prayers of intercession are prepared in advance by writers from across the Church based around the scripture for a given week.

The passing of the peace is traditionally part of the liturgy, so that anyone in the gathered assembly may have a time to be reconciled to one another before sharing the meal.



OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

OFFERTORY

Andante by Cesar Franck

The assembly stands.

OFFERTORY HYMN



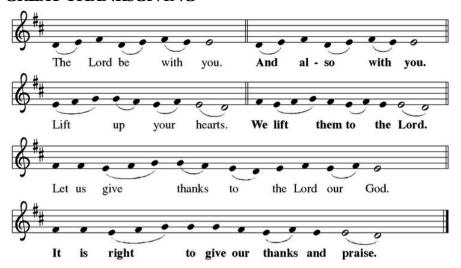
A musical offering is given to God in our worship as the gifts of the assembly are collected.
This is a reminder of God's abundance. We offer back to God just a small portion of what God has given us, so that the mission of God can be done.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray together.

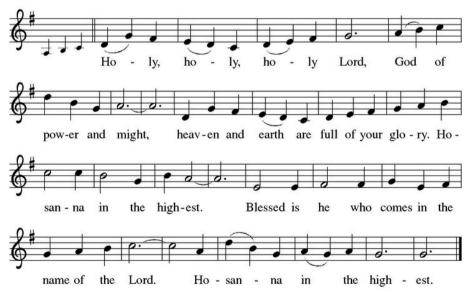
Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, [...] And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. [...] be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

In the meal part of our liturgy we prepare to come to Christ's table. In the Great Thanksgiving we focus on being thankful for all God has done and for all God has given to us. In the Eucharistic Prayer, we ask God to send the Holy Spirit to this meal and we ask that Christ will fulfill his promise to be in the bread and wine.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

COMMUNION

This is the Lord's table. Jesus is the host. We are Christ's guests. Jesus welcomes everyone to come, to eat and be nourished, fed and forgiven. Visitors and children are welcome to receive communion. Those who do not receive communion are welcomed forward to receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available. The pastor and communion assistant will come to the pews of those unable to come forward.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

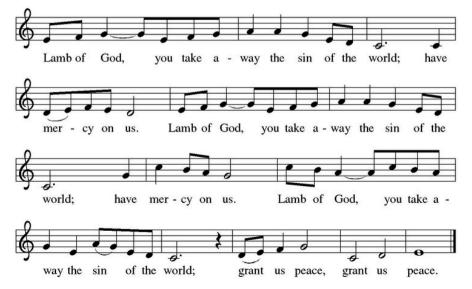
The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Each person may respond: Amen.

The assembly is seated.

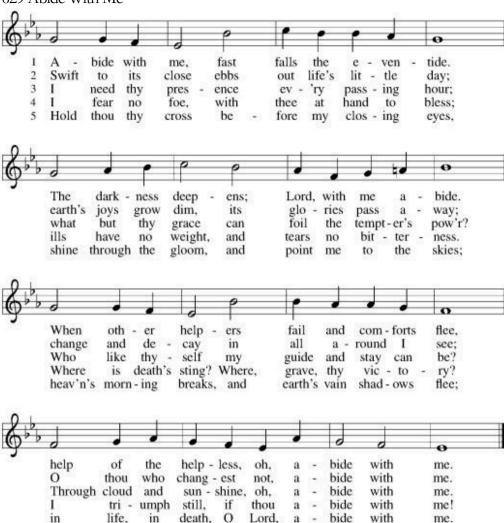




The Lamb of God is a title for Jesus that appears in John 1:29. It is here that we are reminded that our Lord is present and we are to behold his glory.

COMMUNION HYMN

#629 Abide With Me



Text: Henry F. Lyte, 1793-1847

Music: EVENTIDE, William H. Monk, 1823-1889

The assembly stands.

TABLE BLESSING

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



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and to serve the world in Jesus' name.

Amen.



BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ₱ give you peace.

Amen.

Our final part of our liturgy is the sending, We are sent out into the world reminded of God's mission and strengthened by the presence of Christ and one another through the power of the Holy Spirit.

SENDING HYMN

#773 Precious Lord, Take My Hand (In ELW, Red Hymnal in pew)

DISMISSAL

The assembly is sent into mission.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God!
POSTLUDE

Altar Flowers are Presented to the Glory of God

If you would like to make a recognition through the altar flowers, please stop by the credenza under the TV monitor in the atrium. Sign-up for the days(s) you would like to request, pick-up an envelope and form in the lower box and turn in your request form(s) which should indicate your announcement for the bulletin, and payment (\$40) at least one week in advance. If you have any questions, please speak to a staff person.

Growing Thru Grief

Offers grief support to those grieving the loss of a loved one. Meetings are at 4-6PM, all are welcome.

June Schedule

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June 25	"Using Humor to Adapt to Loss" with Margaret Albert"
July 2	"How to Increase Your Self-Compassion," with Dan Room
July 9	"Anger," with Bill Dahl
July 16	"Holding Hearts," with Joan Eastman
July 30	"Some Points I've Learned About Grief," with Joyce Rea

PASTA for PARKTOWN!

Help Stock St. Paul's Shelf at Parktown Food Hub!

Donate boxes of dry pasta to the bin beneath the bulletin board in the Atrium. These boxes are given to hungry families at the Parktown area by the Food Hub. The Women's Connection Group is leading this initiative and it is accomplished through your generosity.

Working Adult Group

Upcoming events for our working adult group, contact Megan Cunningham for details:

July: Duke Lemur Center Tour, July 27th at 10AM August: Picnic at Lake Crabtree, August 17th at 12PM

Shirts from the Youth Group

The youth group will be showing off our beautiful stained glass each day while in New Orleans. Check out the bulletin board in the atrium to see our colorful shirts. Each Sunday until July 7th we will available in the atrium to take your order. We have 6 colors that are available in adult small to adult 3XL. Each shirt is \$20 with proceeds going to our fun in New Orleans. Any questions can be sent to <u>youth@stpaulsdurham.org</u>

July Newsletter

Due to the July 4 holiday, we will vary the July issue of Cross Connections. Articles and information will be due on Monday, July 1 for the issue. "Holy folders," will come together to assemble the newsletters for the post office on Friday, July 5. You are welcome to submit anything earlier to get away from the holidays.

Summer Worship

We will have two services at 8:30 and 11 AM

During July and August, we will be using the Now the Fest and Celebration booklets.

Diapers

We are in need of size 3, 4, and 5 diapers for the Afghan Refugee family supported by St. Paul's. If you can help, please place diapers in the bin outside the sanctuary. Thank you for your generosity!

In Need of Nursery Caregiver

We are in need of a nursery caregiver! If you would like to volunteer at the 8:30 or 11 AM services, please contact Pastor Scott.

In Need of An Honorable St. Paul's Bus Driver

Contact Larry Hawley at 919-972-9344 to schedule a training session!

Urban Ministries Durham (UMD) Food Prep

We volunteer our services on every 3rd Sunday of the month, 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM. Next date is **July 20.** During the shift you will prep for the dinner meal and help serve lunch Volunteers must be 13 years old, wear closed toed shoes, and shirts that cover armpits. Hairnets and aprons provided – you can bring a hat and apron as well. Urban Ministries is located at 410 Liberty St, Durham NC 27701.

Contact Amanda Anderson at andersona1129@gmail.coim for questions.

Sign-up online: http://bit.ly/UMD_signup

Dropped Stich

Our Prayer Shawl ministry meets on the 4th Friday of the Month at 1 PM in the atrium.

Tongue and Thimble

Our quilting group creates small quilts which are distributed to nurseries at local hospitals for critical patients. They meet downstairs in the Fiber Arts/ Music room in Genesis Hall on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month from 10 AM to 12 PM

Sign-up Genius Links

Please consider volunteering to assist in worship. Click the link to sign-up.

Sunday Worship: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0944a4a72fa5f58-sunday1#/

Available Opportunities: lector, worship assistant, altar guild, communion assistant, and usher.

Please consider contributing to our morning devotions.

Devotions: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044eabad28a3fd0-daily1

Send devotions to vicar@stpaulsdurham.org

From the Preschool

It's that time of year to re-link your VIC Card to the pre-school! Linked VIC Cards allow the preschool to received a percentage of your sales from Harris Teeter. Our number is **3049** and can be linked at any Harris Teeter or online. Friends and family may link too!

The preschools is hiring for the new school year! The position if for an assistant teacher in the two year old class. The class meets on weekday mornings and the school year runs from September to May. There is also Summer camp. We have teacher workdays, professional development, and trainings through-out the year. We are looking for someone who loves working with children and enjoys spending time both inside and outside. If you know of someone who may be interested, please have them email: preschool@stpaulsdurham.org

Our prayers of sympathy to the family and friends of Chene Drummond, a close friend of Bill and Barbara Dahl who died on May 13. Continue to keep the family, including the husband Jim Drummond and children Christine and Brian in your prayers.

PRAYER LIST

Prayers of the Church (Members)

Jan Franzen, Janet Ravert, Joyce Veazy, Phyllis and Larry Jenkins, Bob and Ellie DeVries, Mary Bader, John Friedrich, Tom Kraska, Pat Caspter, Karl and Otti Freundt, Larry Grovenstein, Anne Snyder, Fran Whitfield, Pat Cashwell, Susan Esposito, Dick Clandaniel

Prayers of the Church (Friends)

Kay Matthews and Robert Meissner (Tony Perotte's Mother and Uncle), Diane Johnson (Penni Perotte's friend), Tim and Sue Williams (Friends of the Foremans), Sara Russell (Sister of Anna Snyder), Sayge Linsay (Grnason of Alta Lindsay), Susan Roberts (friend of Kathy Anderson), MJ Chevalier (Sister of Macy Brown), Roketta Hudgins (Mother of Greg Hudgins), Gay Reed (Friend of Robin Winfree), Jacki, Stevens, and daughter (Friends of Joan Pepper), Zach Maier (Cousin of Kathy Anderson), Eric Tabert (nephew of Deb Tabert), Armenia and Artsakh (Friends of Judy Schlegel), William and Barbara Wilson (Parents of Bill Wilson), Linda Leslie (Mother of Sean Slane), Paul DeVries (Brother of Bob DeVries), Gini Rinkus (Friend of the Dominicks), Elaine Williamson (Sister-in-Law of Hudgins), Paul (Son-in-Law of Jan Hunley, Richard Dominick (Brother of Ted Dominick), Burr Hasselbeck and Ruth Parker (Aunt of Pat Casper), Ashley Collins (Niece of Deb Tabert), Holly Cashwell (Pat Cashwell), Patrick Howell (Friend of Waughs), George and Pat Rose (Friends of Debbie Fulbright), John and Connie Heinz, Gregory and Colleen Davidson, Richard and Claudia Steele (Friends of Dean and Marcia Redman), Kirk Temple (Brother-in-Law of Deb Tabert), Debra Jetton (Sister of Bill Wilson), Penny Wagner (Niece of Marcia Wilson), Lynn Hladak (Grandmother to Kayden and Hunter Hinshaw), Cole Cashwell (Grandson of Pat Cashwell), Twila Dahl (Sister-in-Isaw of Bill and Martha Dahl), Dirk Davis (By Debbie Fulbright), Scott Duncan (Stepfather of Bill Elkin), Lindsay Marchell-Holman (Family of Deb Tabert), Dave and Missy Pepper (Brother and Family of Joan Pepper), Chuck Johnson and Family (Husband and Family of Leslie Johnson), Keith and Vernice Knudsen (Father and Mother of Ken Knudsen), Sara (Sister of Marlene Coulter, Olga Niktin (By Patrick Chappel), Joan Mayfield (Aunt of Pat Casper), Vera Wiggins and tony Jeeter (By Amy Elkin), Dog Barger (Brother-in-Law of Marlene Coulter), Wini Robison (Aunt of Megan Cunningham), Leigh Stock

"The Mission of St. Paul's Lutheran Church as a part of the family of God is to share God in Christ with the World by equipping one another through worship, learning, witness, service and support."

Congregation Council

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Welcome to St. Paul's

In celebrating God's beauty and strength created through diversity, we welcome, value, and include all of God's children regardless of race, culture, age, sexual orientation, gender expression, ability, appearance, or citizenship. St. Paul's is committed to racial equality.

Admission to the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is by invitation of our Lord, presented through the Church to those who are baptized. If you are unable to receive Holy Communion at the altar, please notify an usher to receive communion at your seat. All are welcome at the table for a blessing. We use red wine and bread at communion, and offer grape juice and gluten-free wafers. Inform your server at the rail if you desire either.

Distribution of the Cumminion Elements take place as follows:

Exit the pew to the side aisles. Empty cups are obtained from the trays located by the front exit. Proceed to the altar. Persons on the right side (lectern side) proceed to the back of the altar rail and fill forward towards the front. The left side (pulpit side) proceed to the front of the altar rail and fill towards the back. After communing, depart down the center aisle to your seat. Please place your cup in one of the baskets.

St. Paul's Live Stream Policy

- 1.St. Paul's Lutheran Church live streams the 11:00 AM service every Sunday. The service is posted to Vimeo and Facebook. In addition, special services may be live streamed.
- 2. The 8:30 AM service is not live streamed and is available for attendance by those who do not wish to be recorded. For live streamed services there will be a "No Video Zone" designated in the Narthex.
- 3. It is recommended that all livestream services include a disclaimer about the service being recorded, posted on a visible location at the entrance of the sanctuary and written in the bulletin.
- 4. Children must have a signed waiver from their parent or guardian before being recorded.
- 5. We will not share personal or identifying information while a service is being live streamed, this includes during announcement, prayer requests, or the sermon.

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