

"Lord, Teach us to pray"

JULY 27TH, 2025 THE 7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST / PROPER 12C 9AM SERVICE

SAINT PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

4660 West 94th Street, Oak Lawn, Illinois 60453

(708) 423-1040

Guest Pastor: Vicar Mike Kampenga

www.stpauloaklawn.org

Director of Music: Jeff Kiel

+ Service of Prayer + Preaching + (page 260)

Opening Hymn Sit "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

1 My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness; No merit of my own I claim But wholly lean on Jesus' name. Refrain

ref On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; In ev'ry high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil. Refrain 3 His oath, His covenant and blood Support me in the raging flood; When ev'ry earthly prop gives way,

He then is all my hope and stay. Refrain

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found,
Clothed in His righteousness alone,
Redeemed to stand before His throne!
Refrain

Text: Public domain

Opening Versicles (Stand)

- **L** This is the day which the Lord has made;
- C let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- **I** From the rising of the sun to its setting.
- the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- L Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- L Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
- Teach me Your paths.
- L Sanctify us in Your truth.
- Your Word is truth.
- **L** From the rising of the sun to its setting.
- C the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- 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.

Readings from Holy Scripture 4

Old Testament (Sit)

Genesis 18: 17-33

¹⁷The LORD said, "Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do, ¹⁸seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? ¹⁹For I have chosen him, that he may command his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice, so that the LORD may bring to Abraham what he

LSB 260

#575

has promised him." ²⁰Then the LORD said, "Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great and their sin is very grave, ²¹I will go down to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me. And if not, I will know."

Abraham Intercedes for Sodom

²²So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the LORD. ²³Then Abraham drew near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will you then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵Far be it from you to do such a thing, to put the righteous to death with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" ²⁶And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake."

²⁷Abraham answered and said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. ²⁸Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking. Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." ²⁹Again he spoke to him and said, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." ³⁰Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." ³¹He said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." ³²Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it." ³³And the Lord went his way, when he had finished speaking to Abraham, and Abraham returned to his place.

I This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Colossians 2: 6-19

Alive in Christ

⁶Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

⁸See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. ¹¹In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, ¹²having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, ¹⁴by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Let No One Disqualify You

¹⁶Therefore let no one pass judgment on you in questions of food and drink, or with regard to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath. ¹⁷These are a shadow of the things to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. ¹⁸Let no one disqualify you, insisting on asceticism and worship of angels, going on

in detail about visions, puffed up without reason by his sensuous mind, ¹⁹ and not holding fast to the Head, from whom the whole body, nourished and knit together through its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth that is from God.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel

Luke 11: 1-13

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eleventh chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

The Lord's Prayer

¹Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." ²And he said to them, "When you pray, say:

"Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

³Give us each day our daily bread,

⁴and forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.

And lead us not into temptation."

⁵And he said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves, ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; ⁷and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything'? ⁹I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. ⁹And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. ¹¹What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; ¹²or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

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

Responsory (Stand)

LSB 263

- **L** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- **L** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
- Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

The Ten Commandments (Stand)

You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

+ Confession of Faith +

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Lord's Prayer

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.

(Sit)

Sermon Hymn: "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

 Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise,
 The glories of my God and King,
 The triumphs of His grace! (verses 1,5,6 & 7 only) #528

Look unto Him, ye nations; own Your God, ye fallen race. Look and be saved through faith alone, Be justified by grace. See all your sins on Jesus laid;
 The Lamb of God was slain.
 His soul was once an off'ring made
 For ev'ry soul of man.

7 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: Public domain

Sermon: "Lord, Teach us to Pray"

Announcements

Sharing of God's Peace

Offering—may be left in the offering plates near the doors as you leave. Offerings may also be dropped off at the office or mailed, and on-line giving is available to everyone on our website at www.stpauloaklawn.org. For information about regular electronic giving, please call the church office.

Prayer

- **L** In peace *let us pray to the Lord*:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, *let us pray to the Lord:*
- C Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, *let us pray to the Lord:*
- C Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, *let us* pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, *let us pray to the Lord*:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- **L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

- L Let us pray.
- O Lord, let Your merciful ears be attentive to the prayers of Your servants, and by Your Word and Spirit teach us how to pray that our petitions may be pleasing before You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Collect for the Word

LSB 265

L Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Morning Prayer

LSB 266

I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Blessing

LSB 267

- L Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.
- **I** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the → Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
- C Amen.

Closing Hymn

"Built on the Rock" (verses 1-3 & 5 only)

#645

- Built on the Rock the Church shall stand Even when steeples are falling. Crumbled have spires in ev'ry land; Bells still are chiming and calling, Calling the young and old to rest, But above all the souls distressed, Longing for rest everlasting.
- Surely in temples made with hands God, the Most High, is not dwelling; High above earth His temple stands, All earthly temples excelling.

- Yet He who dwells in heav'n above Chooses to live with us in love, Making our bodies His temple.
- We are God's house of living stones, Built for His own habitation. He through baptismal grace us owns Heirs of His wondrous salvation. Were we but two His name to tell, Yet He would deign with us to dwell With all His grace and His favor.

Grant, then, O God, Your will be done, 5 That, when the church bells are ringing, Many in saving faith may come Where Christ His message is bringing:

"I know My own; My own know Me. You, not the world, My face shall see. My peace I leave with you. Amen." Text: Public domain

Postlude

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS & THANKS

Guest Pastor: Vicar Mike Kampenga

Vocalist: Sue Marcinkowski

Organist: Jeff Kiel

Lector: Melissa Cardinal Altar Care: Cheryl Horan

Elder on Duty: David Witkosky

Unless otherwise indicated, Scripture quotations are from the ESV* Bible (The Holy Bible, English Standard Version*), copyright @ 2001 by Crossway, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved. Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2023 Concordia Publishing House.

Announcements:

7/27 Sunday

- Bible Class - 10:30am

Bible Class will continue this morning in the Timothy Room, following the service. Grab something to eat & drink – then please join us!

Flowers on the altar are given by Sue Browne in loving memory of her husband, Dave Browne.

Visitation and Funeral Services for Phyllis Hicks, mother of our members Glen Hicks and Barbara Prendergast will be held, MONDAY, July 28th at Tews-Ryan Funeral Home: 18230 Dixie Hwy, Homewood, IL 60430. Visitation will be from 9am to 11:30am. Funeral Service to follow at 11:30am. Please see: https://www.tews-ryanfh.com/ for more details.

The Sign-up Sheet for our fun-filled, action-packed Parking Lot Party on SATURDAY, August 23rd, is posted on the counter area, just outside the Church Office, for those interested in volunteering to help out. -We appreciate your support!

The Luther South High School Class of 1970 will have their Reunion on SATURDAY, September 13th at Coach's Corner in Willow Springs. For further details, please contact Sandra (Gates) Pauly at 630-975-7606. Please pass the word along to family or friends you may know from this class. -Thank you.

Service Video, Bulletin, and Newsletter can be found on our website, www.stpauloaklawn.org. For more info., please contact the church office.

Remembering our homebound friends is a caring ministry of St. Paul meant to help us stay in touch with our members who aren't able to be with us for worship. Please remember them in your prayers. You may also like to send a note or a card. This week our homebound friend is Donald Nordstrom, 18013 Davids Lane, Orland Park, IL 60467.

7-27-2025 Please let the church office know when your need for our congregational prayers is over. (708) 423-1040

These people *urgently* need our prayers

Sandy Barry
George Oberg
Elaine Lebron
Barbara Prendergast
Sarah Weber
Betty Larson
Bobbie Austin
Karen (Leise) Bidus

Please also pray for these members of our St. Paul family

Betty Beegle Vic & Marty Both Jan Briede **Delphine Cherry Doris Cyga** Jennifer Garcia **Arthur Gerth** Amanda Greene June Hagberg **Kevin Hickey** Roy Hodgeman Herta Iversen Graham Jackson Janice Janiszewski Flora Jones Robert Kaczmarek Ron Klingensmith **Betty Kruckow** Jan Leise Ingrid Lesko Gloria Meyer Carol Miller Warren Miller **Dorothy Pavella** Rich & Jan Przybycien Rosa Richardson
Lori (Freeze) Safstrom
Dawn Schumann
Kurt Seehofer
Beverly Sellers
Norma Silinski
Carol Small
Melva Smith
Delores Stegemann
Bill Volk
Susan E Volk

Please pray for these friends and family of our members:

Wayne Volk

Lisa Anglin Barbara Apt Devon Abt Carrie Aspan **Lance Barrientos** Cathy Becker Sue Berg LeRoy Bitner **Henry Bonder Sharon Bryant** Selma Carmichel Frank Coglinase **Judy Collins** Mike Cyganiewicz Steve Czerniejewski John Darge Dana DeAngelis **Rudy DeAngelis** Bridget & Nick DeAngelo **Shirley Demyres** George Dodaro, Sr.

Tom Domogal

Shirley Fairchild Justin & Ashley Fasel Diane Fauser **Emily Feehan** Tristan Ferry Gloria Folsom **David Franzone** Tom Groh Jerry Gross **Ted Gross** Donald Hakanson Shawn Harland Charley Heitz Amanda Hermansen Ann Herold Elaine Hoffstetter **Doreen Holford** Carl Hoppe Vern Howe Louise Hrynkow

Elaine Hoffstetter
Doreen Holford
Carl Hoppe
Vern Howe
Louise Hrynkow
Kyle Hughes
Rich Huscher
Ray Jackson
Marissa Jiminez
Dana Kahn
Monica Kato
Debby Kehrli
Jimmy Kennedy, Jr.
Julie King
Debbie Kleeman
Herb Kleeman
Zech Kleeman
Neil Koning

Evelyn & Ron Konieski Christopher Kosary Jerome "Jerry" Kreten

Dorothy Kroll

The Lamberth Family

Robert Lee

Margaret Lundgreen Bob Marcinkowski Adrian Martinez

Iris McCoy

Carol Jean& Tim McPhillips

Audrey Metes Carol Milazzo Marie Miller Daniel Musser

Roberta & Carlos Owens

Pam Palhegyi Patricia Paulsen Jorene Pierzga Sandy Plath Jackie Plichta Barb Potter Guillermo Ramirez

Raquel Rameriz
Kimberly Rooney
Sophia Salus
Elmo Schultz
Rhonda Scott
Allyson Seehofer
Linda Shuman
Al Silinski
Kim Skelton
Sarah Skelton
Janet Trierweiler
Bernadette & Rich Trusk

Jose Urena Vicki Warren Michael Watkins

Gene Wawrzynikowski Cindy (Joens) Wendel Katherine Zeleny Jean & Al Zirbel

We pray for the families of-

David Purdy

Ellen Lysen, mother of former member and teacher, Kim Seils. She died on Thursday, July 17th. Phyllis Hicks, mother of Glen Hicks & Barbara Prendergast. She died on Friday, July 18th.

Parking Lot Party

St. Paul Lutheran Church Saturday August 23, 2025

1:00pm - 4:00pm

Hot Dogs, Chips & a Drink



BINGO!

Bouncy House with Slide



Police Dept



Fire Dept

All at no charge! Fun For All!

4660 W. 94th st. (708) 423-1040

Non-Perishable donations for the Food Pantry are appreciated.

Food Pantry Donations Appreciated

- Breakfast: cold cereal, instant oatmeal, old fashioned oats, pancake mix & syrup
- Vegetables canned: beets, mixed vegetables, corn, beans, carrots, tomatoes
- Beans canned: pork 'n beans, chili beans, kidney, garbanzo, pinto, black
- Fruit canned: 15 oz fruit cocktail, peaches, pears
- Meal-in-a-can: Spaghettios, Chef Boyardee ravioli, chili, stew)
- Soup for dinner: 18.8 oz Progresso, Chunky chicken, beef
- Soup for lunch: 10.5 oz chicken noodle, beef vegetable, cream of chicken/mushroom
- Meat canned: tuna, salmon, Spam, sardines
- Pasta sauce: 24 oz
- Pasta: 16 oz rotini, farfalle, penne, spaghetti
- Meal-in-a-box: Hamburger Helper, Suddenly Salad
- Carb side dish: rice w/ sauce, pasta w/ sauce, boxed potato-scalloped /au gratin / instant mashed, stuffing
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Ramen noodles: Nissin/Maruchan
- Cup noodles: Nissin/Maruchan
- Peanut butter: creamy, crunchy
- Jelly: 30 oz grape, strawberry
- Snacks: cookies, granola/breakfast bars
- Crackers:
- Paper products: kleenex



What a friend we have in Jesus! What a gift to teach our children that that Jesus loves them unconditionally. Jesus will be their friend forever.

St. Paul Lutheran Church will be starting Sunday School on September 14, 2025. We would love to see your children's smiling faces, (even the grumpy ones). We will work to put a smile on their face!!

The Bible says, 'Let the little children come to me, do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these' Matthew 19:14.

Please consider sending your children 3 to 10 years of age to St. Paul for Sunday School. September 14, 2025 from 10:30am to 11:15am. While your children are learning about Jesus and his love, there is an adult Bible Study, grab a refreshment and join us.

St. Paul Lutheran Church 4660 W. 94th Street Oak lawn, IL 60453 (708) 423-1040 www.stpauloaklawn.org