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TUNE IN TO "THE LUTHERAN HOUR" TODAY

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler ~ "Unhindered"

Dr. Jeff Gibbs and podcaster Jessica Bordeleau join Dr. Michael Zeigler to talk about St. Paul's harrowing journey to Rome. (Acts 27 & 28)

Sundays on: KSUM - 11 am • WCCO - 6 am • KBEW - 8:30 am

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS with today's order of service and LSB Large Print Hymnals are available on the ushers' cabinets (or ask an usher for assistance). Please return the LSB Hymnals to the ushers' cabinets or an usher after the service.

THIS MONTH'S BIBLE REFERENCES are in loving memory of Roger Sanders, whose birthday was July 30th, sponsored by Sue, Rhonda, Brent, Stephanie, Eric, Nick and Ella. **Now accepting sponsors.** Months available in 2025: Jan., Feb., Apr., July, and Nov. 2025. Cost is \$40, payable to St. Paul Lutheran Church. Contact the church office at splfairmont.org or 238-9491, ext. 101.

OUR SUNDAY BROADCAST at 10:00 a.m. over KSUM is sponsored by Lowell Spee & Bonnie Taplin in memory of Lowell's father, Norman Spee, whose birthday was July 24th. **Sponsors needed!** Contact the church office to reserve a broadcast date at splcoffice@splfairmont.org or 238-9491, ext. 101. **2024 dates are:** Aug. 18; Nov. 24. The cost is \$40, payable to LWML.

THE LORD'S SUPPER is being celebrated in our service today. In love, we ask anyone who is not a communicant member in good standing of an LCMS congregation to speak with the pastor before attending the Lord's Supper. <u>Attendance/communion registration forms</u> are available in the pews. Complete the Member or Visitor side of the form and put it in the collection plate when it is passed by you. <u>Check the box next to your name if you are communing</u>.

IN OUR PRAYERS: ill—LaVon Rippentrop, Richard Wolner, Sharon Bassett, Eunice Ziemann, Duane Petrowiak (Eileen Boesch's father), Linda Bicknase, Marianne Hagen, Steph Johnson (daughter-in-law of Richard & Shirley Johnson), Esther Lund, Helen Lueck, Larissa Hagen & Angela Leiding (Dennis & Marianne Hagen's daughters), Gerald Meyer; recovering—Kenneth Matthews, Gregg Lemke, Roger Fritz; having/recovering from surgery—Dolores Baarts; in hospice—Roger Lueck; Esther Lund as she celebrates her 85th birthday on July 21st; thanksgiving for the birth of a son, Oliver Benjamin, to Ben & Kirsten Rosol; our area law enforcement, firefighters and first responders; those serving our country in the military—Dalton Hurn, Jared Wedel, Duane Cox (grandson of Larry Krenz), and Zane Holmen (Pastor Holmen's nephew).

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Confession and Absolution — Page 184

Hymn of Invocation: Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us LSB 711

Stand

Invocation, Confession and Absolution: Page 184

Service of the Word — Page 186

Introit: Psalm 145:7-11; antiphon: Psalm 145:16



P: You open | your hand;*

you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

Sing to the LORD with thanks- | giving;* make melody to our God | on the lyre!

C: He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain | for the earth;* he makes grass grow | on the hills.

P: He gives to the | beasts their food,* and to the young ravens | that cry.

C: His delight is not in the strength | of the horse,* nor his pleasure in the legs | of a man,

P: but the LORD takes pleasure in those who | fear him,* in those who hope in his | steadfast love.

All: Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

P: You open | your hand;*

you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

Kyrie: Page 186

Gloria in Excelsis: Page 187

Salutation and Collect of the Day: Page 189

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

"Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!" declares the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: "You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD.

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

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

Psalm: Psalm 23



P The Lord is my | shepherd;*

I | shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green | pastures.*

He leads me beside still | waters.

C He re- | stores my soul.*

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his | name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are | with me;*

your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.

P You prepare a table before me in the presence of my | enemies;* you anoint my head with oil; my cup | overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,* and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for- | ever.

All: Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Epistle: Ephesians 2:11-22

Remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia: Page 190

Holy Gospel: John 6:1-15s

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 6th chapter.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord. (sung)

After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated.

So also the fish, as much as they wanted. And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!"

Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to Thee, O Christ. (sung)

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Hymn of the Day: The Church's One Foundation LSB 644

Sermon: "When Jesus Feeds Us, We Shall Not Want" (John 15:1-15)

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THE LUTHERAN HOUR ON KSUM

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Names and locality will be addressed on each Sunday program

Memorials encouraged

Send to: Lutheran Hour KSUM Broadcast, Box 621, Fairmont, MN 56031 Sponsor: Fairmont Area Zone

- **ST. PAUL LUTHERAN SCHOOL IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS** for a part-time secretary/administrative assistant and a part-time paraprofessional. Candidates must be able to pass a background check and maintain strict confidentiality. Interested parties may contact Elaine Lieder at principal@splfairmont.org or send resume to her attention at St. Paul Lutheran School, 201 Oxford St., Fairmont, MN 56031.
- **ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH** is seeking an office administrator. This would be a full-time position (35-40 hours) with benefits. Benefits include: 100% of health, vision and dental paid for employee, and 50% paid for spouse and dependents, retirement, life, and disability, two weeks vacation after first year. Please mail or drop off resume to SPL Church, 211 Budd St., Fairmont, MN 56031 or email to Irosburg@splfairmont.org.
- **WE ARE IN NEED OF HELP** with baking pies and working at the fairstand. Please go to the fairstand Facebook page to use Sign-up Genius, or give Greg or Nancy Gellert a call at 507-238-2190 and they can get you signed up. Thank you!
- **A BIG SPECIAL THANK YOU** to the 2nd graders for all precious birthday wishes. It's so fun to read each one of them. *Judi Sundholm*
- **A SPECIAL THANK YOU** to Corey & Erin Simpson, Gary Krumholz, and Dave & Elaine Hurn for the use of their pontoons and a beautiful night on the lake!
- **WE KNOW YOUR FAVORITE COLOR IS SPL RED!** Here is the link to order the latest shirts to wear when working at the fair! Offering the option of a t-shirt, tank top, or sweatshirt. To order, go to https://dstrophiesmn.com/spl-fair-food-stand/. You can also find the link on the SPL website (www.splfairmont.org—then "Church" and "SPL Fairstand").
- **"BUT NOW IN CHRIST JESUS YOU WHO ONCE WERE FAR OFF** have been brought near by the blood of Christ." (Ephesians 2:13) What all of mankind's efforts, works, and scheming could not do, the blood of Christ did: we have peace with God, and we are brought near to the Father. This life-giving sacrifice of Christ sets the pattern for the sacrifices we are called to make for others in our vocations in home, church, and society.

WHEN SUBMITTING CHURCH ENDOWMENT PROPOSALS, please get preliminary approval from the appropriate Board before getting estimates or submitting the proposal. Thank you, *Board of Deacons*

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEWS:

Welcome to Celebrate the Savior VBS, where children look into God's Holy Word and discover that Jesus gives us joy of eternal life with Him. Our loving God has given us so much to celebrate—family, friends, and especially forgiveness through faith in Jesus, our Savior. VBS will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Fairmont, July 22-25 for Pre-K through 5th grade. There will be suppers held Monday-Thursday night for all family members from 5:00-6:00 p.m. Please attend and help us make Jesus known. VBS will start at 6:00 p.m. with an opening. Then the sessions will start for crafts, story telling, Bible challenge and games. The children will also engage in a snack time which will help make Jesus known better. There will be a closing every night in the chapel from 7:40 to 8:00 p.m. You may pick your children up in the chapel. On Thursday, there will be a closing program from 7:40 to 8:15 p.m., and the whole family is invited to see what the children have learned. To register, please go to www.VBSmate.com/ImmanuelFairmont/29642. We also need student volunteers grades 5 and up, as well as a few adult helpers. You may also register on the VBSmate site. Any questions, please contact Jacki Niss at 507-236-5535.

Help wanted for VBS July 22-25! We are in need of helpers for the registration table from 5:00-6:15 p.m. Even if you are only available one or two nights, please volunteer to help. We are also looking for volunteers to help with making and serving the meal that is for the families and children at VBS. Helpers would be needed from about 4:30-6:15 p.m. each night. If you are able to help, please contact Kathy Gratz at 507-236-3429. Thanks for volunteering!

MINUTES from the Council of Deacons meeting are available today at the Welcome Center.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP provide financial aid for families that need assistance with the tuition cost of attending St. Paul Lutheran School, please consider making a donation to the Anna Keck Student Aid Fund. Any amount would be gladly received and appreciated.

LISTENING OPPORTUNITIES: Broadcast Sunday mornings on KSUM — Issues, Etc., 9:00 a.m.; St. Paul Lutheran Church weekly church services, 10:00 a.m.; The Lutheran Hour, 11:00 a.m. Issues, Etc. is also available on demand anytime that is convenient for you at www.issuesetc.org.

MLHS NEWS:

Summer Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday. **Phone:** 507-436-5249.

Launch Day for the 2024-2025 school year at MLHS will be held on Wednesday, August 7th from 3:00-7:00 p.m. School pictures will be taken that day. Final student registration will be held. All students and parents should attend.

This is Most Certainly Brew Gourmet Coffee is available at MLHS or in the SPL church office. For more information, call MLHS.

Our Faithful Servants: August 2024

You may also view the volunteer schedules on our website at www.splfairmont.org

Altar Guild

August 3-4	
	Kristi Behrens, Renee Benschoter, Kathy Wedel
	Sara Utermarck, Jodi Hackett
•	Jan Bremer, Kathy Eyerly, Barb Matthees, Sandy Kopeschka
	Sara Utermarck, Jodi Hackett

Ushers

<u>YEAR-ROUND</u>: Saturdays, 5:30 p.m.—Dan Maday, Lee Stewart. <u>AUGUST</u>: Sundays, 9:00 a.m.—Bruce Peymann, Merle Boesch, Doug Closs, Chuck Schaefer, Chuck Schrader, Don Wohlrabe, Jeff Zarling, Rob True, Larry Behrens, Justin Jobe, Ben Rosol, Dale Ruschy, Matt Singleton, Ryan Singleton, Jacob Singleton.

Worship Service Assistants

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Sat., August 3, 5:30 p.m	Matthew Northwick, Chuck Northwick
Sun., August 4, 9:00 a.m.	Josh Laven, Merle Boesch
Sat., August 10, 5:30 p.m.	Rob True, Larry Behrens
Sun., August 11, 9:00 a.m.	Justin Jobe, Jamie Tordsen
Sat., August 17, 5:30 p.m.	Jim Harley, Jeff Eversman
Sun., August 18, 9:00 a.m.	Merle Boesch
Sat., August 24, 5:30 p.m.	Jon Eversman, Dave Kumm
Sun., August 25, 9:00 a.m.	
Sat., August 31, 5:30 p.m.	Matthew Northwick, Chuck Northwick
Sun., September 1, 9:00 a.m.	Merle Boesch, Justin Jobe

Sunday Greeters

August 4	Rob & Ruth True, Linda Feely
•	Bonnie Taplin, Lowell Spee, Connie Garrison
	Nathan & Amy Anders, Dawn Waterbury
	Dennis & Marianne Hagen, Pat Hall

Fun Bags

Refill bags anytime during the week after Sunday listed below

1st Sunday/Mo	Sarah Becker	2nd Sunday/Mo	April Tordsen
3rd Sunday/Mo	Chris Engelby	4th Sunday/Mo	Angela Preuss
5th Sunday/Mo	Joan Abel o	or Lisa Rosburg (Schoo	ol Year); Ruth Engelby (Summer)

Attendance Cards/Pencils

Refill cards & sharpen pencils at least monthly (or as needed)
Deb Eversman and Amy Anders ~ Subs: Ruth Engelby, Richard Schultz





A Miracle Dinner

Matthew 14:15-21 is a Bible story about a special dinner. Below is a poem about that story.

Complete the poem by filling in the blanks with the correct pairs of words.

then true late lunch rest began faces done bunch quest men you ate ran spaces ton Jesus was tired and went to find So away from the crowd he started his It came to an end before it The crowd followed Jesus; they walked and they _____ His boat pulled ashore and he looked at their – five thousand men, plus families filled all open _____. And so Jesus spoke and he taught until . The disciples told him it was time they all _____. Jesus said, "Yes, that is certainly and feeding this crowd is now up to _____." Feeding five thousand! It could not be _____! What would they do? They'd need a whole _____! But then a young boy came and offered his _______ five loaves and two fish to feed this big ______. Jesus gave thanks and blessed it and ______ it fed all the women, the children and

Innch/bunch, then/men

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer for This Week

Pray and confess out loud as much from the order of meditation and prayer as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the catechism and Hymn of the Week.

INVOCATION: "In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." Let all say, "AMEN!"

CONFESS the Apostles' Creed PRAY the Psalm of the Week: Psalm 23 **READ** from Small Catechism—The Creed: First Article—(Pre+) I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. What does this mean? (1st+) I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land. animals, and all I have. (2nd+) He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

READ from God's Word:

Mon.......Acts 18:1-11, 23-28 Tues......Acts 19:1-22 WedActs 21:15-36 Thurs.....Acts 21:37—22:16

Fri...... Acts 22:17-29 Sat Jeremiah 23:1-6

SunJohn 6:1-15

THE COLLECT OF THE WEEK

Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

DAILY THEMES FOR PRAYER Pray for...

S: the joy of the resurrection among us; true and godly worship throughout the world; and the faithful preaching and hearing of God's Word.

M: faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; your calling and daily work; the unemployed; the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for government; and for peace.

T: deliverance against temptation; the addicted and despairing; the tortured and oppressed; and those struggling with besetting sins.

W: marriage and family, living together under the grace of Christ according to the Word of God; those adults who must rear their children alone; and godly schools, especially St. Paul Lutheran and Martin Luther.

Th: the church and her pastors; for missionaries; fruitful and salutary use of the blessed sacrament of the Lord's body and blood.

F: the preaching of the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ; its spread throughout the whole world and our community; the persecuted.

S: faithfulness to the end; the dying; the revival of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; receptive hearts for worship and study on the Lord's Day.

OUR PRAYERS at St. Paul's (see bulletin). PRAY the Lord's Prayer.

<u>PRAY</u> Luther's Morning or Evening Prayer from the Small Catechism.

SPEAK OR SING the Hymn of the Week: LSB 644

The Church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ, her Lord; She is His new creation By water and the Word.

From heav'n He came and sought her

To be His holy bride;

With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE:

Last Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Svc: 48 Last Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Svc: 152 Amount Needed Monthly for Budget....\$110,229.83 Amount Needed Weekly for Budget......\$25,437.65 June 30, 2024 Deficit\$122,695.91 Children's Noisy Offering (Last weekend).....\$6.66

MEMORIALS: Arlene Range—\$15.00, Church Endowment Fund; \$405.00, SPL School. Terry Rippentrop—\$25.00, Undesignated (General Fund). Gary Mohlenkamp—\$50.00, School Endowment Fund.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PART OF GOD'S KINGDOM

(Subject to change)

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Worship Service broadcast on KSUM

10:15 a.m. ABC

Monday: Pastors' Day Off

Church Office Closed (Vac.)

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday: 9:00 a.m. Messenger Deadline

Friday: 3:00 p.m. LMHCC

Saturday: 12:00 p.m. Worship Service on Local Cable Access Channel 12

5:30 p.m. Worship Service

Next Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Worship Service broadcast on KSUM

10:15 a.m. ABC

6:30 p.m. High School Youth, Fellowship Room