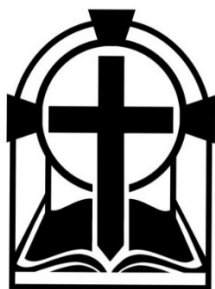




*He Has Done All Things Well*  
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 8, 2024



St. Paul Lutheran Church  
Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod  
Columbus, Indiana

## Welcome to St. Paul!

We are glad that you have come to God's house to be fed and strengthened by His holy Word. The order of service for today is printed on the **insert** in this bulletin. Guests, we extend a special welcome to you this morning. We are privileged to have you as our guest today and encourage you to worship with us again soon.

**The Family Quiet Room and Restroom** are located outside the doors of the sanctuary and to the left. In the Family Quiet Room, you can hear and see the service. **Assisted hearing devices** are available for the service. Please contact an usher.

Do you need prayer support? Please call Bonnie England at **812-447-7895** to activate our **Prayer Chain**. Your fellow church members will pray for you.

**Our Communion Practice:** We invite and encourage those who have been instructed, confirmed, and confess the faith of this congregation and other congregations of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod to receive the Sacrament. Communicants at this altar acknowledge their sins, believe that the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, and desire the Spirit's help to turn from their sins.

Those who are not communing are invited to come forward and receive a blessing by placing their arms across their chest.

If you have questions regarding our Communion teaching and practice, please speak to a pastor.

**Communion Preparation:** To prepare for the Lord's Supper, you may wish to pray the prayer on the inside cover of the hymnal or review the Christian Questions and Answers on pages 329-330.

### Today's Christian Education Opportunities

First Steps of Faith (Infants and Toddlers with a parent) meets in the conference room

Sunday School classes for ages three-sixth grade

Confirmation Instruction (grades 7-8) led by Pastor Patterson

Sr. High Youth in the Youth Room led by Mrs. Probst

*Life Together* Book Study led by Deaconess Fickenscher meets in the Quiet Room or sanctuary

*Signs, Symbols, and their Meaning* led by Pastor Bauman meets in the fellowship room

### Serving Today

Organist: Kantor Dan Mau

Acolytes: 8 AM Service Kinze Fischer

10:45 AM Service Jesse Wofford

## Church Calendar

Today	Harvest Mission Sunday <b>8:00 AM Divine Service</b> 9:10 AM Fellowship 9:30 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Radio Service WYGS 91.1 FM <b>10:45 AM Divine Service—English and Spanish</b> Noon Lunch 12:15 PM Spanish Bible Study 12:15 PM Confirmation Class 12:30 PM Jr. Handchimes 1:15 PM Jr. Handbells 1:45 PM Choristers 7:00 PM Lutheran Hour WYGS 91.1 FM
Monday	October Newsletter Deadline 10:00 AM Homeschool Religion Class 10:00 AM Moms in the Word 11:00 AM Small Group Handbells 6:00 PM Stewardship Board Meeting 7:00 PM Council Meeting
Wednesday	9:00 AM Bible Study <b>10:15 AM Matins Service</b> 6:00 PM Bible Study 6:00 PM Sr. Handbells 7:00 PM Sr. Choir
Friday-Friday	9/20 Pastor Bauman attending Conference and Vacation
Next Sunday	<i>Fort Wayne Seminary Door Offering</i> <b>8:00 AM Divine Service</b> 9:10 AM Fellowship 9:30 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Radio Service WYGS 91.1 FM <b>10:45 AM Divine Service—English and Spanish</b> Noon Lunch 12:15 PM Spanish Bible Study 12:15 PM Confirmation Class 12:30 PM Jr. Handchimes 1:15 PM Jr. Handbells 1:45 PM Choristers 7:00 PM Lutheran Hour WYGS 91.1 FM

### IN THE GATHERING SPACE...

- + September Newsletter, also online at [stpaulcolumbus.org](http://stpaulcolumbus.org)
- + October-December *Portals of Prayer*
- + New edition of *Lutheran Women's Quarterly*

# Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

## Prelude

*Praeludium in C, BuxWV 138—D. Buxtehude*

## Welcome and Announcements

*Please sign the Record of Fellowship*

## Ringling of the Bell

## Opening Hymn

*Sr. Choir sings stanza three*

**797 stanzas 1-4**

## Confession of Sins

*please stand* page 151

## Kyrie

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## Hymn of Praise

*Glory to God in the Highest*

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## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**G** (*sung*) **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray. O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** (*spoken*) **Amen.**

*please be seated*

## Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 35:4-7a

Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you."

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

## Choral Psalm

*What Shall I Render to the Lord?—J. Cool; Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19a*

## Epistle Reading

James 2:1-10, 14-18

[James writes:] My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, "You sit here in a good place," while you say to the poor man, "You stand over there," or, "Sit down at my feet," have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which He has promised to those who love Him? But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called?

If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

## Alleluia and Verse

*please stand and sing*

**G** **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel

Mark 7:31-37

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

**G** **(sung) Glory to You, O Lord.**

Then [Jesus] returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. And they brought to Him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged Him to lay His hand on him. And taking him aside from the crowd privately, He put His fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. And looking up to heaven, He sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more He charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** **(sung) Praise to You, O Christ.**

*please be seated*

## Little Sermon

### Hymn of the Day

**841**

### Sermon

*He Has Done All Things Well*

Mark 7:31-37

### Apostles Creed

*please stand* page 159

### Prayer of the Church

### Offering

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### Service of the Sacrament

*please stand* pages 160-163

### Distribution

**524, 551, 839, 853, 690**

*Visitors: Please read the Communion statement on the inside front cover of the bulletin.*

### Post-Communion Canticle

*Thank the Lord*

*please stand* page 164

### Closing Liturgy

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### Closing Hymn

**797 stanza 5**

### Postlude

*Allegro Maestoso*, from Organ Sonata No. 2 in C minor—F. Mendelssohn

# New Bible Studies Begin Today

**Small Group Discussion Class** led by Deaconess Fickenscher will study *Life Together*, a book by Dietrich Bonhoeffer.

The study will explore our calling as the body of Christ. Depending on class size, the class will either meet in the Quiet Room or the Choir area of the sanctuary.

**Fellowship Room Study** led by Pastor Bauman will be on *Signs, Symbols, and their Meaning*. This study will explore the symbolism in our worship space, the Scriptural foundation, and what we learn by what we see when we gather for the Divine Service.

# He Has Done All Things Well

## Mark 7:31-37

Jesus does all things during His earthly m\_\_\_\_\_, p\_\_\_\_\_ the Gospel and  
h\_\_\_\_\_ the sick.

Jesus does all things well all the way to the c\_\_\_\_\_.

How has Jesus done all things well for you?

Jesus has done all things well and will continue to do all things well for all e\_\_\_\_\_. (Isaiah 35:4-7a)

**Next Sunday's Readings** *Isaiah 50:4-10; James 3:1-12; Mark 9:14-29*

**LIVING THE SERMON...** As you listen to the sermon today, consider how you can join with the crowd in our Gospel reading and declare: "He has done all things well." What has Jesus done well for you? What is Jesus currently doing well for you? What will Jesus do well for you in the future? Since Jesus does all things well, consider how you can tell others about Him who does all things well now and forever.

**PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH...** Give thanks for Jesus who has done all things well. Continue to pray for the spread of the Gospel here and throughout the world so that others would be brought to confess faith in Jesus as Savior. Pray to Jesus the Great Physician for the sick and all who are in need.

**MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK...** *Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!"* Mark 9:24

## Extending Christ's Love

**Total Pledges and Gifts: \$3,324,679** from 204 households. Of this amount, 187 church member households pledged or gave \$3,224,184 (average pledge/gift of \$17,242) and 17 non-member households pledged or gave \$100,495 (average pledge/gift of \$5,911). **Thanks for your generosity!** Pray that God will use our gifts and pledges to extend His love through our Christian Education Center.

**Estate Pledge:** On August 30<sup>th</sup>, we were informed that a donor who wishes to remain anonymous is offering a **\$1 million** estate pledge. This is in addition to the pledges and gifts listed above. This pledge, along with all other pledges, gifts, and income sources has put the project within reach. The Lord provides!

**Budget Blueprint:** Based on income projections, the Finance Committee will be presenting the proposed budget for Extending Christ's Love at tomorrow evening's Council meeting which begins at 7 PM. *You are invited to attend the Council meeting.* After the budget is approved, the Building Committee and architect will begin to design the Christian Education Center based on the project budget. There will be regular updates from the Building Committee, and the congregation will be given the opportunity for feedback and suggestions on the building design.

**Offering Envelopes** for Extending Christ's Love are in the basket on the table by the front entrance. Please take as many envelopes as you need for making contributions.





St. Paul  
Lutheran Church

# Harvest Fest

SEPTEMBER 22ND | 4PM

Schroer Ranch  
9846 E. 50 N. COLUMBUS

Games, hayrides,  
hymn sing & more

**SUPPER SERVED AT 5:30 PM**

PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE.  
HAMBURGERS, HOTDOGS, DRINKS,  
AND TABLE SERVICE PROVIDED.

**IN OUR PRAYERS... Sick and Recovering:** Ray Hall (Back surgery tomorrow), Skip Taylor, Barbara Hughes, Dianne Hartke, Jessica Kegeris, Jan Sherbundy, Marvin Boggs, Jesse Gonsior, Bob Runge, Kay Newton, Kathy Hoover, Jill Scheidt, Karen Hendershot, Debbie Schroer, Jill Hoeltke, Gloria Schultz, Pam Jenkins, Pastor Jeffrey Geisler (Tim and Janice Scheidt's friend), Andy England (Eric and Linda Scheidt's nephew), Maxie Hotz (Jim Hinds' sister), Doug Baumann (Haak's friend), Terry Moore (Willie Hoover's aunt), Maureen Veyssets (Jim Cleary's niece), Dianne Hargraves (Carolyn Schuette's sister), Daniel Meier (Lewis' friend), Kyra Groves (Amy Yeley's friend), Theresa Gannon (Jim Cleary's sister), Deb Harlan (Mary Scheidt's mother), Annie Walton (Holly Wischmeier's co-worker's daughter), Beth Schultz (Gloria Schultz's daughter-in-law), Jill Many (Cindy Hendershot's daughter), Dylan Eaken (South Decatur student), Marcell Williams (Bridges' friend's mother), William Leitshuh (Cleary's friend), Julie Phillips (Bonnie Nolting's sister), Connie Ball (Jan Voelz's friend), Lisa Benes (Kruger's friend), Kyle Huckaby (Koester's friend), Erica Gretzinger (Jennifer Dougherty's cousin), Naomi Gillespie (Haak's great-niece), Rick Sapper (Cleary's brother-in-law), Lucy Boyd (Hinds' neighbor); **Active Military:** Garrett McGaha, Noah Hoeltke and Michael Mullins (friend of the Sperry's)

**THE FLOWERS IN CHURCH...** are given to the glory of God in honor of the new Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Wofford, who were united in marriage yesterday.

**SUNDAY LUNCH MENUS...** Please sign-up in the gathering space to prepare a lunch. Here are the upcoming menus:

Today: Meatball Subs

Next Sunday, September 15: Chicken Wraps

September 22: Walking Tacos

September 29: Fiesta Day

**SIGN-UP TO SERVE IN THE GATHERING SPACE...**

+ Fellowship Hour Hosts

+ Sunday Lunches

**HARVEST MISSION...** is **today** every **second and fourth Sunday** of the month through October. This mission allows you to extend Christ's Love in two ways: to share extra produce from your garden with your church family and to share in the bounty of others, and to make a donation for these items if you are so inclined. Donations collected will go to St. Paul's Food Pantry to

help pay for milk, eggs, meats, etc. If you have any questions, or would like to help with this mission, please contact Nora Cleary at 812-343-9142.

**KIDS MUSIC CONCERT...** St. Peter's, Columbus invites you to a concert featuring Southern Indiana Taiko Junior Thunder and Philharmonic Youth Orchestra Ensemble **this afternoon** at 3:30 PM.

**MOMS IN THE WORD...** All mothers and children are invited to Moms in the Word **tomorrow, September 9<sup>th</sup>** at 10 AM in the nursery. Join us for a children's devotional and fellowship.

**OCTOBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE...** is **tomorrow, September 9<sup>th</sup>**.

**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING...** is **tomorrow, September 9<sup>th</sup>** at 7 PM. You are invited to attend as the Finance Committee will be presenting their Budget Blueprint for the Extending Christ's Love campaign.

**PASTOR BAUMAN AT CONFERENCE AND VACATION...** Pastor and Michelle Bauman will be attending the Lutherans for Life Conference in Bristol, Connecticut, this Saturday followed by some vacation time. He will be out of the office from this Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> to September 20<sup>th</sup>. If you need pastoral care during this time, please contact Pastor Patterson or Pastor Fickenscher.

**EMANUEL, DUDLEYTOWN GRAB AND GO COOKOUT...** is **this Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>** from 4-7 PM. There are two meal options: tenderloin sandwich or pork burger. Freewill donations. All meals must be pre-ordered by Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 9 PM. For information on how to pre-order your meal, please see the flyer posted in the gathering space.

**SEMINARY DOOR OFFERING...** The St. Paul LWML will be collecting a door offering **next Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>**. This special collection, taken after both services, will support our Fort Wayne seminarians and their families with food and other necessary resources. Please prayerfully consider supporting this mission outreach.

**INSTALLATION INVITATION...** You are invited to attend the commissioning and installation service of Deaconess Melissa Pflug **next Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>** at 3 PM at Faith Lutheran in Madison. Deaconess Pflug will be serving as a missionary in the Eurasia region. A reception will follow the service.

**WALK TO END ALZHEIMERS...** is **next Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>** at Mill Race Park. The event begins at 12:30 PM with opening ceremonies at 1:15 PM at the Amphitheatre. The walk route is one mile. For more information or to support the cause, please contact Chelsey Warren at 812-344-0410 or chels.warren88@gmail.com.

**ANNIVERSARY INVITATION...** First Presbyterian Church of Columbus invites you to their Community Celebration in commemoration of the congregation's 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary **next Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>** from 2-4 PM at Donner Park Shelter House.

**EARLY CHILDHOOD MINISTRY CHILDREN SINGING AND OPEN HOUSE...** The children attending our early childhood ministry will join our Sunday School children (first grade and younger) to sing on **Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>** at the 10:45 AM service.

Following the 10:45 AM service, you are invited to attend an Open House at our early childhood ministry where you can tour the classrooms, meet the staff, and view student crafts and projects.

Communion at the 10:45 AM Service: Holy Communion will be offered after the 10:45 AM service on September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Parking: Due to the higher attendance, please consider parking up the hill if you are able to walk further to church.

**ALL ANGELS SERVICE OF SONG...** St. Michael and All Angels is a festival day commemorated on **September 29<sup>th</sup>** since the fifth century. The purpose of this celebration was to remember, teach, and celebrate the work of the angels. Since St. Michael and All Angels falls on Sunday this year, we will have a Service of Song on September 29<sup>th</sup> featuring our choirs and special instrumentation as we celebrate through Word and song, the ministry of God's holy angels.

### **The Response of God's People** **Last Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup>**

Divine Service Attendance: **351**; Communion: **263**

Sunday School Attendance: **184**

Offering: **\$17,391.02** Needed Weekly: \$15,397

Extending Christ's Love: \$3,723

Additional Gifts: \$300 Music Fund; \$13 Helping Hands; \$2 Preschool

## **St. Paul Lutheran Church and Early Childhood Ministry**

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*Reaching out with Christ's Love to Serve and Grow*