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1 Kings 17:13-14

Always Enough

25th Sunday after Pentecost

November 10, 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)
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
Concordia Counseling Presentation led by Deaconess Michelle Downey
Signs, Symbols, and their Meaning led by Pastor Bauman resumes next Sunday

Serving Today

Organist: Kantor Dan Mau
Acolytes: 8 AM Service Addy Arnholt
10:45 AM Service Ridge Koester

Church Calendar

Pastor Patterson on vacation tomorrow-next Sunday

Today	8:00 AM Divine Service 9:10 AM Fellowship 9:30 AM Recognition of New Members 9:30 AM Sunday School Recognition of New Members Concordia Counseling Presentation 9:30 AM Radio Service WYGS 91.1 FM 10:45 AM Divine Service—English and Spanish 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	Veterans Day <i>December Newsletter Deadline</i> <i>Annual Meeting Report Deadline</i> 9:30 AM Homeschool Religion Class 10:00 AM Small Group Handbells 6:00 PM Finance Committee 7:00 PM Council Meeting
Tuesday	6:00 PM Church Reserved
Wednesday	9:00 AM Bible Study 10:15 AM Matins Service 6:00 PM Bible Study 6:00 PM Sr. Handbells 7:00 PM Sr. Choir 7:00 PM Board of Education Meeting
Saturday	8:00 AM Fall Clean Up Day
Next Sunday	Baking for the Building 8:00 AM Divine Service 9:10 AM Fellowship 9:30 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Radio Service WYGS 91.1 FM 10:45 AM Divine Service—English and Spanish Noon KfC Event Noon Lunch 12:15 PM Spanish Bible Study 12:15 PM Confirmation Class 7:00 PM Lutheran Hour WYGS 91.1 FM

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTERS... are available in the gathering space or the church website: stpaulcolumbus.org.

25th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

*O Jesus, King Most Wonderful—K. Stewart
If You But Trust in God to Guide You—J. Behnke*

Welcome and Announcements

Reception of New Members—8 AM Service: Kip and Angie Rupprecht
Deaconess Michelle Downey—Concordia Counseling Center

Please sign the Record of Fellowship

Ringing of the Bell

Opening Hymn

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Confession of Sins

please stand page 151

Kyrie

pages 152-153

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.

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

P Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Grant us so firmly to believe in Your Son Jesus that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C (*spoken*) **Amen.**

please be seated

Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 17:8-16

Then the word of the LORD came to [Elijah], "Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink." And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." And she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die." And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the LORD the God of Israel, 'The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the Lord sends rain upon the earth.'" And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD that He spoke by Elijah.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 9:24-28

For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer Himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not His own, for then He would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, He has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for Him.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse

please stand and sing

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

Holy Gospel

Mark 12:38-44

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

☞ (sung) Glory to You, O Lord.

In His teaching [Jesus] said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

And He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. And He called His disciples to Him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

☞ (sung) Praise to You, O Christ.

please be seated

Little Sermon

Hymn of the Day

719

Sermon

Always Enough

1 Kings 17:8-16

Apostles Creed

please stand page 159

Prayer of the Church

Offering

725

Service of the Sacrament

please stand pages 160-163

Distribution

Hymns: 738, 703 stanzas 1-4, 726, 724

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

703 stanza 5

Postlude

Wer nun den lieben Gott lässt walten, BWV 642—J. S. Bach

A door offering will be received for Concordia Counseling which will be matched dollar-for-dollar.

*You may also mail your donation to Concordia Counseling, 504 North Walnut Street, Seymour, Indiana 47274
or make a donation online at concordiacounseling.org.*

Please join us for Sunday School today!

We will begin by recognizing our newest members:

Brent, Kim and Ruth Chandler

Gabriel and Moises Perez

Kip and Angie Rupprecht

Bob and Cindy Hendershot

Shirley Riehn

Abbi Wofford

This will be followed by a presentation by Deaconess Michelle Downey from Concordia Counseling

Always Enough

1 Kings 17:8-16

Our Theme: God promises to always care for and provide for our every need of body and soul. With Jesus there is "Always Enough."

What are some things that you NEVER want to run out of? Think of examples.

The widow of Zarephath was reluctant to help Elijah because she was a _____ that she would run out of
f_____.

The widow who gave her last two coins to the Temple Offering Box was t_____ in God to take care of her.

How do our logic and reason (and fear) get in the way of trusting God to provide for our every need?

Example of God's abundant provision: When the Hebrew people were hungry in the desert, God gave them
m_____ and q_____ to eat. When they were thirsty, He gave them water from a
r_____.

We are c_____ when we trust in God.

The Old Testament sacrifices were never enough to free us from sin. Only the sacrifice of J_____ satisfies
the debt we owe God for our sin.

We can trust that in every circumstance - in Jesus - there is "Always Enough!"

Next Sunday's Readings Daniel 12:1-3; Hebrews 10:11-25; Mark 13:1-13

LIVING THE SERMON... God provides ALL that we need! There is always enough – for both body and soul. We are free of fear to be abundant in our care for people in need around us – free and empowered by the Spirit to give ourselves in service of God's kingdom. Ponder your abundance. Trust in God's provision. Be content in your circumstances. Serve one another in His love!

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH... Lord, be merciful to the needy, especially to fellow Christians. Grant that Your Spirit would be active and abundant through us in our caring for others. Move us to love as You have first loved us.

MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK... *But the one who endures to the end will be saved.* Mark 13:13

Baking for the Building

Please plan to participate in our Baking for the Building fundraiser **next Sunday, November 17th**. For a number of years every November, we had a congregational bake sale, *Desserts for Dora*, to help pay down the Dora Fischer "loan". We are bringing back this fundraiser with a new name. Donations of baked goods of all types are needed and then plan to go home with some delicious delights for a freewill donation.

Here's how it works: Bring your baked goods to the fellowship room **this Saturday, November 16th** from 8-11 AM or **next Sunday, November 17th** from 7-8 AM. Tables will be set up for placement of donated items. A card will be completed describing the baked good.

Next Sunday, November 17th between services and after second service, all baked goods are available for a freewill donation. Come to church next Sunday ready to take home some delectable delights!



Upcoming Youth Events

KfC (Kids for Christ—fifth graders and younger) meets **next Sunday, November 17th** after second service-1:15 PM for lunch and activities. Please RSVP by this Wednesday, November 13th to Rachel Fohne by text or phone at 812-343-3786 or by email rnolting@alumni.iu.edu if your child(ren) plans to attend.

Our December all Youth and Family Event is Christmas Family Fun Night on **Sunday, December 15th**. Christmas caroling to our shut-ins is at 3 PM with supper, activities, and gingerbread house decorating beginning at 5 PM.

SPY (high schoolers) and C4Life (sixth-eighth grade) have a number of events coming up:

Sunday, November 24: Youth will eat supper with their families at 5 PM and then provide childcare during the Annual Meeting at 6 PM.

Sunday, December 1st: Youth will enjoy pizza after second service and then make the dough for the gingerbread houses. Parents are also welcome to serve. Pick-up is at 2 PM.

Sunday, December 15th: Christmas Family Fun Night—Join us at 3 PM as we spread the joy of Jesus' birth to our shut-ins by Christmas caroling. At 5 PM, we will enjoy supper, activities, and gingerbread house decorating. All youth will be able to decorate their own gingerbread house.

Sunday, December 22nd: Youth in grades 7-12 will have their annual Christmas party in the education building during the Sunday School hour.

Friends are always welcome at all our youth events!

Our Annual Meeting is November 24th

Our Annual Meeting is **Sunday, November 24th** at 6 PM and we want you there! We will celebrate the mission and ministry the Lord has given to us as we review reports from boards, committees, and staff, ratify officers, and adopt the 2025 budget. Anyone can attend and all confirmed members 18 years and older can vote.

Please plan to come at 5 PM and enjoy a pitch-in supper. Meat and drinks will be provided. Please bring a dish to share.

Non-perishable Food Drive: You are invited to bring non-perishable food items to the Annual Meeting to help restock our food pantry. Please drop off your food donations in the conference room.



IN OUR PRAYERS... Sick and Recovering: Lynn Hoeltke, Evelyn Pence, Joe Arnholt, Darlene Bower, Paul Meier, Betty Fox, Nancy Lipka, Dianne Hartke, Jan Sherbundy, Jesse Gonsior, Bob Runge, Kay Newton, Kathy Hoover, Jill Scheidt, Karen Hendershot, Debbie Schroer, Jill Hoeltke, Gloria Schultz, Pam Jenkins, Jon Owens (Mark and Anne's son), Bub Wright (Owens' neighbor), Cora Waterman (Mark Wint's mother), Jim Baute (Jeff Booher's uncle), Denise Smith (Jennifer Seifer's friend), Connie Colgate (Emily Linke's grandmother), Cassie Murray (Jason and Laurie Schroer's friend), Maria Mears (Gail Jones' sister), Glenn Strietelmeier (Don Schroer's uncle), 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), 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), Marcell Williams (Bridges' friend's mother), William Leitshuh (Cleary's friend), Julie Phillips (Bonnie Nolting's sister), Connie Ball (Jan Voelz'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, Evan Rickus, Michael Mullins (Sperry's friend), Sam Studler (Kalli's friend), Ty Chamberlain (Taffy Schroer's relative)

WE WELCOME... Kip and Angie Rupprecht into our family of faith at the 8 AM service today. May God bless them as they worship and serve with us. Please plan to attend fellowship hour and Sunday School as we recognize the Rupprechts and all who have joined our congregation since May.

SUNDAY LUNCH MENUS...

Today: Chicken Nuggets

Next Sunday, November 17: Spaghetti and Meatballs

November 24: Coney Dogs

December 1: Pizza – Gingerbread Dough Making Day

THE LUTHERAN WITNESS... is the official periodical of our Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod which contains uplifting articles, devotionals, Bible studies, and news.

Annual subscription is \$25. If you would like to receive the Lutheran Witness, please make checks payable to St. Paul and use the Lutheran Witness envelope in your offering box. The deadline to begin or renew a subscription is **today**.

PASTOR PATTERSON... is on vacation **tomorrow-next Sunday, November 17th**. If you need pastoral care this week, please contact Pastor Fickenscher or Pastor Bauman.

ANNUAL REPORTS DEADLINE... The deadline for all reports to be included in the Annual Meeting packet is **tomorrow, November 11th**. Reports can be submitted by email to Mackenzie Wint at secretary@stpaulcolumbus.org. The packets will be available for pickup beginning on Sunday, November 17th.

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE... is **tomorrow, November 11th**.

FALL CLEAN UP DAY... We will clean the church, education building, and grounds **this Saturday, November 16th** beginning at 8 AM. Please bring rakes, trimmers, and window cleaners. Please come as many hands make light work! Bad weather date is Saturday, November 23rd at 8 AM.

CONCERT NEXT SUNDAY... St. Peter's, Columbus invites you to a concert featuring the Chanterelle String Quartet from Indiana University **next Sunday, November 17th** at 3:30 PM. The concert will feature folk songs and hymns by American composers.

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE... On **Wednesday, November 27th** at 7 PM we will gather to give thanks to the Lord for all His blessings. Before you gather with your family on Thanksgiving, please take time to gather with your forever family of faith to give thanks. Holy Communion will be celebrated. The theme of the service is *A Bountiful Harvest* based on 2 Corinthians 9:6-15.

GINGERBREAD HOUSE DONATIONS... Every year we are blessed to have a great turnout for our Christmas Family Fun Night. If you would like to donate ingredients for the gingerbread houses. please sign upon the sheet posted in the gathering space. All items should be brought to church by **Sunday, December 1st**.

GINGERBREAD HOUSE BAKING AND ASSEMBLY...

We need many servants to help us make and bake the gingerbread house pieces **Monday and Tuesday, December 2nd and 3rd** beginning at 8:30 AM each morning. Come one day or two, come for all or some of the morning. Any help you can give is greatly appreciated! The houses will be assembled on **Wednesday, December 11th** beginning at 10 AM.

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT... St. John's, White Creek invites women of all ages to Advent by Candlelight on **Sunday, December 1st** at 2 PM. The theme is *All Things Work Out for Good* focusing on the women in the lineage of Jesus. Suggested donation is \$3. Dress is holiday attire. For more information or to attend, please contact Jean Voelker at 812-216-1489.

MILITARY CARE PACKAGES... During November, the St. Paul LWML will be collecting items for Military Care Packages to send to service members. The following items are desired: travel size grooming products (bar soap, shampoo, body wash, deodorant), and single-serve snacks like granola bars, cookies, chips (in boxes or cans to survive travel), individually packaged crackers with cheese or peanut butter, and STURDY homemade cookies (packaged four to a Ziplock bag). Look for a

donation tote in the gathering space beginning the first Sunday in November. If you have any questions, please contact Sally Haak at 812-579-9065.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE... Our children are beginning to prepare for the Children's Christmas Service on **Sunday, December 22nd**. Speaking parts for children in first-sixth grades will be assigned the week of November 17th. If your child will not be participating, please email Pastor Bauman by **next Sunday, November 17th**.

THANKS TO... all who participated in the "Stock the Box" campaign for Just Friends. Your generosity is appreciated. Thanks also to all who joined us for euchre and game night on Friday and to the LWML for hosting the event.

The Response of God's People

Last Sunday, November 3rd

Divine Service Attendance: **392**; Communion: **291**

Sunday School Attendance: **199**

Offering: **\$16,465.25** Needed Weekly: \$15,397

Extending Christ's Love: \$37,715.92

Designated Gift: \$10,000; Lutheran Witness: \$25

St. Paul Lutheran Church and Early Childhood Ministry

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