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St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church
Wilton, WI

4th Sunday after Pentecost

July 7, 2019

**Inviting People to
Journey with Christ's Family
in Spreading God's Love and Mercy**

God is the source of our nourishment. Our Lord's invitation to "take and eat . . . take and drink" is a repeated one. In the holy eucharist, in the word read and proclaimed, in the assembly of the people of God, the dominion of God has come near. Rejoice! Your name is written in heaven.

Gathering*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God**
Prelude.....A time for silent reflection
Welcome and Announcements

***Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☐ one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor,
let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

God of mercy,

**we confess that we have sinned against you,
against one another,
and against the earth entrusted to our care.**

**We are worried and distracted by many things,
and we fail to love you above all else.**

**We store up treasures for ourselves
and turn away from our neighbors in need.**

**Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen.

When we were laid low by sin and guilt,

God made us alive together with Christ,
forgiving us ☐ all our trespasses
by taking our sins to the cross.
For freedom Christ has set us free:
Rejoice in this good news!
Amen.

*Gathering Hymn “Lord, You Give the Great Commission” **ELW #579**

GREETING

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.

***KYRIE**

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above,
and for our salvation,
Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world,
for the well-being of the Church of God,
and for the unity of all,
Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house,
and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

*Canticle of Praise “This is the Feast”

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We are planning to participate with other Wilton-Norwalk area churches on Saturday, July 13, from 9:00 AM—11:00 AM at the Tomah Recreation Park. We will gather at the church at 8:15 a.m., and travel in vans for a 2-hour shift, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. All are welcome!

July 14 Service

—St. Paul’s has received an invitation to worship with Peace Lutheran in Tomah. They have scheduled a World Hunger Worship Service, simulation activity, and picnic (meal provided) in Tomah’s Winnebago Park, on Sunday, July 14. This is the Sunday after VBS, so the hope is that several of the VBS children will attend and sing some VBS songs.

The Council has agreed to accept this invitation. This will be a joint worship service with Peace, St. Paul’s, and United Methodist of Norwalk . The folks at Peace would like some idea of how many will be attending the picnic. Please let Nalani know if you anticipate you will be at the picnic. This is only an opportunity to give some feedback to the picnic planners. Come either way and please do make every effort to attend the 9:00 service.

You may now contact Pastor Cathleen on a landline, #608-435-0097. This telephone itself is a “Caption Call”. This means a written display of what you are saying is displayed for Pastor to read, and continue the conversation. Be patient, it takes a few seconds for your side of the conversation to be displayed.

In case of emergency, contact Pastor Cathleen, via text, 608-865-1074, or Dan Buchholz 608-435-6126 or 608-487-6525.

To activate the prayer chain, please contact Nalani (608-387-2311)

Office Hours: Wednesday, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF JULY 7—JULY 14

July 7-11	Vacation Bible School	5:30 PM— 8:00 PM
July 13	Feed My Starving Children Tomah Recreation Park	9:00 AM—11:00 AM
July 14	Worship at Winnebago Park, Tomah	9:00 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

—Florence Krause, Dick and Marilyn Krause and family would like to give a sincere thank you to our family at St. Paul's for the continued prayers, cards and well wishes. A special thank you to Pastor Cathleen for her many visits and also everyone that came to her uplifting party at Rolling Hills. We have not seen her glow like that in a long time. God is good. Blessings to all.

—St. Paul's will be responsible for a VBS meal on Monday, July 8. A sign-up sheet is located in the narthex. Please stop after service and volunteer to bring a food item. Thank you!!

—Wilton Wood Turtle Days will soon be upon us so we need to begin planning for the "Turtle Sundae" booth. Would you be willing to take the lead and organize the event? If so, please contact Bud Osteboe, Chair of the Social Ministry Committee. You will not need to reinvent the wheel, but we need an individual to be in charge.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

The Tomah Community will host a Feed My Starving Children Mobile Food Pack on July 12-13. This is the fifth time FMSC has come to Tomah. The success of hosting the Mobile Food Pack depends on two things: donations before the event and volunteers during the event.

During the two days of the pack, about 500 volunteers will be needed (100 for each two-hour shift). Volunteer registration will begin the first week of June.

Approximately \$80.00 will feed one child for a year. If you would like to make a donation make your check payable to "Feed My Starving Children" and write "Tomah Area MobilePack Event #1907-085AU" in the memo line of your check.

*Prayer of the Day

**O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

WORD.....*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.**

FIRST READING

Those who returned from the exile found that the hopes for the glorious restoration of Judah were not completely fulfilled. For these disappointed people, the prophet envisions salvation in the image of a nursing woman. Mother Jerusalem and a mothering God remind the community how they are sustained and supported.

A Reading from Isaiah 66:10-14

¹⁰Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,
all you who love her;

rejoice with her in joy,

all you who mourn over her—

¹¹that you may nurse and be satisfied
from her consoling breast;

that you may drink deeply with delight
from her glorious bosom.

¹²For thus says the LORD:

I will extend prosperity to her like a river,

and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing
stream;

and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm,
and dandled on her knees.

¹³As a mother comforts her child,
so I will comfort you;

you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

¹⁴You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;

your bodies shall flourish like the grass;
and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is
with his servants,
and his indignation is against his enemies.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 66:1-9

¹Be joyful in God, all you lands;
be joyful, all the earth.

²**Sing the glory of God's name;
sing the glory of God's praise.**

³Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.

⁴**the earth bows down before you,
sings to you, sings out your name."**

⁵Come now and see the works of God,
how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.

⁶**God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went
through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in God**

⁷Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations;
let no rebels exalt themselves.

⁸**Bless our God, you peoples;
let the sound of praise be heard.**

⁹Our God has kept us among the living
and has not allowed our feet to slip

SECOND READING

In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one another in "the family of faith."

A reading from Galatians 6:7-16

**you have welcomed us into your presence,
nourished us with words of mercy,
and fed us at your table.**

**Amid the cares of this life,
strengthen us to love you with all our heart,
serve our neighbors with a willing spirit,
and honor the earth you have made;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

SENDING.....*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.**

Benediction

Sending Hymn "We walk, We love, We do" Insert

Dismissal:

P: Go in peace. Christ is sending you. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THOSE SERVING TODAY

Ministers: All God's People, Pastor: Cathleen Morris, Organist: Nalani Bever, Greeters: Joel and Lori Arndt, Reader: Dan Buchholz, Altar: Nalani and Greg Bever, Communion Server: Dan Buchholz, Ushers: Jerome Von Haden, Leonard Arndt, Greg Bever, Steve Brandau, Sr.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Katie Wallace, Shirley Meranti, Lorayne Denter, Ed Bauer, Helen and Evan Summerfield, Linda Bauer, Lois Schultz, Linda Finnigan, Stuart Thayer, Becky Smith, Ian Hefner, Florence Krause, Judy Bever, Barb Brown, Eleanor Spohn, Louie Voltz, Tammy Roscovious.

IN THE MILITARY

Jacob Picha, Todd Nofsinger, Dylan Dougherty, Robert Cale

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let's give thanks to our Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Words of Institution

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

P: God invites you to this table of bounty.

Come, the banquet is ready.

Distribution

Everyone who believes in Jesus is welcome at Christ's table.

“Lamb of God”

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***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

O God, in this holy communion

⁷Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

¹¹See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! ¹²It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. ¹⁴May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! ¹⁶As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Gospel Acclamation

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GOSPEL READING

Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.

A reading from Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few;

therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' ⁶And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

¹⁶"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

¹⁷The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" ¹⁸He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

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

Sermon

*Hymn "Here I Am, Lord"

ELW #574

Apostles' Creed

**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.**

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** (Let us pray. Have mercy O God.)

***PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us show signs of Christ's peace.

MEAL.....*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.**

OFFERING

*Offertory Hymn

"Create in Me"

ELW #186

*Offertory Prayer

**Blessed are you, O God,
for the greening earth given for all,
for the talents we are given to share,
and for this bread and wine.
Transform us to be the body of Christ,
that, feasting on this food and drink,
our lives may reflect your generosity;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**