



Seventh Sunday after Pentecost  
*Christians are Planted by the Word*

# St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church | *Jordan, Minnesota*

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*July 12, 2026*

## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

Welcome and thank you for joining us for worship today! In our service we gather before our almighty and saving God to offer him our worship and praise. We also assemble to hear God's holy and powerful word and celebrate his life-giving sacraments. Through these means, God strengthens our faith and walks us ever closer to our eternal home with him.

## **TODAY'S THEME**

Planting seed by hand can be extraordinary. In your hand, the seed looks lifeless and insignificant. You put the seed into the soil, and suddenly, all by itself, the seed germinates and sprouts and reaches to the sun. Except when it doesn't! Plant multiple seeds, and often only some will grow. The Bible describes Christians as planted by the Word. Why do some people grow in faith, and not others? What makes Christians different? The Bible describes the supernatural process by which God calls people to faith through the gospel. He promises that his Word always accomplishes his purpose. It is powerful all on its own, without our help. As we grow in faith, we give God thanks for the miracle of his work in our lives.

**Pastor**.....Jeremy Glowicki

## **Acknowledgments**

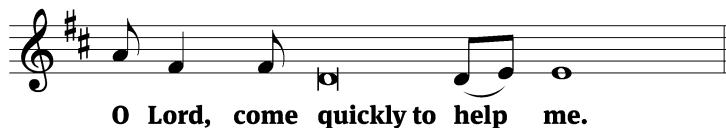
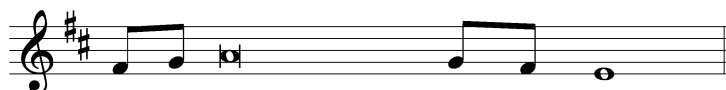
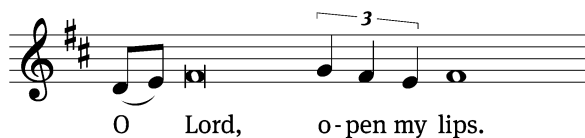
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Stand

**Opening Sentences**

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# Come, O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord

*Refrain* Cantor/choir first time; assembly repeats, then sings after each verse



Come, O come, let us sing to the Lord,



let us shout with joy to our sav - ing Rock;



come, en - ter in with our songs of praise,



come, en - ter in with thanks - giv - ing.



1 You are a great and a won - drous God,

2 Come, let us wor - ship and, bow - ing low,



cup - ping in your hands all the depths of earth.  
kneel be - fore the One who has made us all.



You made the hills and the moun - tains high,  
You are the God whom we call our own,



you made the seas and the dry land.  
we are the flock that you shep - herd.

*Refrain*

## Psalm 63

### Refrain



In the morn-ing I will sing, I will  
sing glad songs to you, I will sing glad songs of praise to  
you. I will sing glad songs of praise to you.

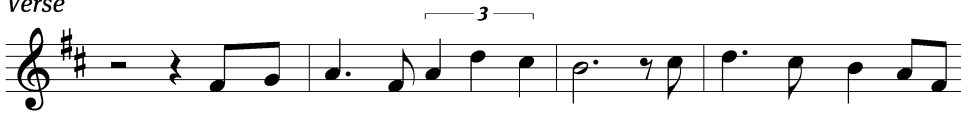
### Verse



1 O God, you are my God; for you I long; for  
you my soul is thirst-ing. My bod-y pines for you like a  
dry, wea-ry land with-out wa-ter. So I gaze on you in the  
sanc-tu-ary to see your strength and your glo-ry.

*Refrain*

Verse



2 For your love is bet-ter than life, my lips will speak your



praise. So I will bless you all my life, in your



name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a



ban-quet, my mouth shall praise you with joy.

Verse



3 On my bed I re-mem-ber you. On you I



muse through the night, for you have been my help; in the



shad-ow of your wings I re-joice. My soul clings to



you; your right hand holds me fast.

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## First Reading

Isaiah 55:6–11

*God's Word produces the fruit that God desires.*

Seek the LORD while he may be found! Call on him while he is near! Let the wicked man abandon his way. Let an evil man abandon his thoughts. Let him turn to the LORD, and he will show him mercy. Let him turn to our God, because he will abundantly pardon. Certainly my plans are not your plans, and your ways are not my ways, declares the LORD. Just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so my ways are higher than your ways, and my plans are higher than your plans. Just as the rain and the snow come down from the sky and do not return there unless they first water the earth, make it give birth, and cause it to sprout, so that it gives seed to the sower and bread to the eater, in the same way my word that goes out from my mouth will not return to me empty. Rather, it will accomplish whatever I please, and it will succeed in the purpose for which I sent it.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

1 Corinthians 3:5–11

*We sow the seed of God's Word, but only he can make it grow.*

What then is Apollos? And what is Paul? They are ministers through whom you believed, and each served as the Lord gave him his role. I planted, Apollos watered, but God was causing the growth. So then, neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but it is God who causes the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters are united, and each will receive his own reward according to his own labor. For God is the one whom we serve as coworkers, and you are God's field, God's building. In keeping with the grace of God given to me, as a wise master builder, I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. But let each person be careful how he builds on it. In fact, no one can lay any other foundation than the one that has been laid, which is Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Stand

## Gospel

Matthew 13:1–9,18–23

*Jesus pictures ministry as a planter scattering seed.*

That same day Jesus left the house and was sitting by the sea. A large crowd gathered around him. So he stepped into a boat and sat down, while all the people stood on the shore. He told them many things in parables, saying: “Listen, a sower went out to sow. As he sowed, some seed fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it. Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil. Immediately the seed sprang up, because the soil was not deep. But when the sun rose, the seed was scorched. Because it had no root, it withered away. Other seed fell among thorns. The thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell on good ground and produced grain: some one hundred times, some sixty, and some thirty times more than was sown. Whoever has ears to hear, let him hear.” “So listen carefully to the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the Evil One comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is the seed that was sown along the path. The seed that was sown on rocky ground is the person who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, yet he is not deeply rooted and does not endure. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, he immediately falls away. The seed that was sown among the thorns is the one who hears the word, but the worry of this world and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, and it produces no fruit. But the seed that was sown on the good ground is the one who continues to hear and understand the word. Indeed he continues to produce fruit: some a hundred, some sixty, and some thirty times more than was sown.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be Seated*

**644 Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast**

CW 644

**Sermon**

*Stand*

# You Are God; We Praise You

*Refrain* Cantor/choir first time; assembly repeats, then sings after each verse



You are God; we praise you. You are Lord; we ac - claim you. To



you, O Fa - ther ho - ly, all cre - a - tion of - fers praise.



praise, all cre - a - tion of - fers praise, all cre - a - tion of - fers praise.



- 1 With the an - gels in heav - en, **we praise you, we praise you!**
- 2 Cre - a - tor of all things, **we praise you, we praise you!**
- 3 O — Christ, King of glo - ry, **we praise you, we praise you!**



With the cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim, **we praise you, we praise you!**  
O — Je - sus Christ, the Son of God, **we praise you, we praise you!**  
You be - came a man to set us free; **we praise you, we praise you!**



With a - pos - tles and proph - ets, **we praise you, we praise you!**  
O — Spir - it, most ho - ly, **we praise you, we praise you!**  
You have ris - en to free us; **we praise you, we praise you!**



With the mar-tyrs and your ho-ly Church, **we sing in end-less praise!**  
To the Trin - i - ty most bless - ed, **we sing in end-less praise!**  
And with all your saints in glo - ry, **we sing in end-less praise!**

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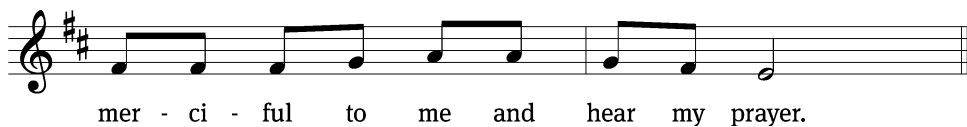
Be seated

## Offering

During the offering, please fill out the Friendship Register in the pew and pass it down to those sitting next to you.

Stand

## Lord, Have Mercy



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## **Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, since you have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger. And in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Benedicamus**

Let us praise the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Blessing



The Lord bless and keep you.



**A - men.**



The Lord's face ev - er shine up - on you.



**A - men.**



The Lord grant you peace for all your days.



**A - men.**

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*Be Seated*

**981 In This Place Your Word Is Planted**

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## *News & Notes*

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### **Radio Broadcast**

The radio broadcast is sponsored by Gerard and Alicia Newton in celebration of their 18<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. Thank you!

### **Schram Winery Outing**

Today at 2 pm is the winery outing. When you arrive at the winery, find our group where we will socialize for the afternoon. There are lots of drink options available including non-alcoholic and lots of food options for a meal or a snack. The winery is located at 8785 Airport Rd, Waconia, MN 55387

### **Roots Fair Cleanup**

Roots members and their families are invited to help clean up the Scott County Fair on July 24<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6 am. Meet in the parking lot in front of the Fair Offices.

### **Church Biking Outing**

Please note that the date for the biking adventure to Lake Minnetonka Regional Trail has been changed from August 9<sup>th</sup> to August 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **Reflections Women's Bible Study**

Reflections Bible Study meets this Tuesday, July 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the Fireside Room.

### **Theology on Tap**

Theology on Tap is this Thursday, July 16<sup>th</sup>. We meet at 6:30 pm at Mana Brewing in Shakopee.

### **Thank You**

Thank you to our Meals on Wheels drivers for June. Your service to our community is greatly appreciated!

# BIKING *Adventure*



— RIDING THE SCENIC —

## LAKE MINNETONKA REGIONAL TRAIL

AUGUST

16

2:00 PM

📍 ROUTE:  
VICTORIA TO EXCELSIOR

12 *Mile*  
ROUND TRIP



*Scenic Views. Fresh Air. Good Times.*



BREWERY



ICE CREAM SHOP



SHOPPING



PIER AT EXCELSIOR

== *Let's Ride!*  ==

# JULY 2026

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 6 pm Woven	2 9:00 am Senior Fellowship - Feed Mill	3	4
5 Worship 9 am Communion Bible Study 10:15 am	6 7 pm Worship	7	8	9	10	11
12 Worship 9 am <b>Fellowship Sunday</b> Bible Study 10:15 am <b>Winery Outing</b> <b>2 pm</b>	13 7 pm Worship	14 7 pm Reflections Bible Study	15	16 Theology on Tap 6:30 pm	17	18
19 Worship 9 am Communion Bible Study 10:15 am	20 7 pm Worship	21 Oak Terrace 9:45 am	22	23	24 <b>Fair Clean-up</b> <b>6:00 am</b>	25
26 Worship 9 am Bible Study 10:15 am	27 7 pm Worship	28	29	30	31	

## SERVING THE LORD

		Acolytes	Ushers	Media Booth	Organist
7/12	9 am	Carson Kalal	4	Cooper Kalal	-
7/19	9 am	Leah Bertrang	1	Ryan Bertrang	Lois Zander
7/26	9 am	(Need Volunteer)	2	(Need Volunteer)	Noah Helke

July Altar Guild	July Cleaners
Dianne Jabs/Lynn Sorenson	-
July Counters	Service Group 2 Leader
Norma Bendzick/Connie Jabs	Craig and Melanie Sparby
August Altar Guild	
Donna Breeggemann/Janet Robling	

Attendance	
Sunday	56
Monday	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>64</b>

Gifts To Our Lord		
	Received	Needed
Current	\$2595	\$3834
Online Giving	\$2742	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5337</b>	<b>\$3834</b>



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