



# St Paul Ev. Lutheran Church Blue Point

6/28/2020

4th Sunday of Pentecost

## Confession and Absolution

### 852 O God of Mercy, God of Might

*LSB 852*

- 1 O God of mercy, God of might,  
In love and pity infinite,  
Teach us, as ever in Thy sight,  
To live our lives in Thee.
- 2 And Thou, who cam'st on earth to die  
That our lost world might live thereby,  
O hear us; for to Thee we cry,  
In hope, O Lord, to Thee.
- 3 Teach us the lesson Thou hast taught:  
To feel for those Thy blood hath bought,  
That ev'ry word and deed and thought  
May work a work for Thee.
- 4 All are redeemed, both far and wide,  
Since Thou, O Lord, for all hast died.  
Grant us the will and grace provide  
To love them all in Thee!
- 5 In sickness, sorrow, want, or care,  
May we each other's burdens share;  
May we, where help is needed, there  
Give help as unto Thee!
- 6 And may Thy Holy Spirit move  
All those who live to live in love

Till Thou shalt greet in heav'n above  
All those who live in Thee.

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*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their  
Baptism.*

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and  
confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the  
name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Kneel/Stand*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

P O almighty God, merciful Father,  
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins  
and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and  
justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment.  
But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of  
them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the  
sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of  
Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and  
merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

*Stand*

Service of the Word

**Psalm**

*Psalm 119:153–160 (antiphon: v. 154)*

<sup>153</sup>Look on my affliction and de- | liver me,\*  
for I do not for- | get your law.

<sup>154</sup>Plead my cause and re- | deem me;\*  
give me life according to your | promise!

<sup>155</sup>Salvation is far from the | wicked,\*  
for they do not seek your | statutes.

<sup>156</sup>Great is your mercy, | O LORD;\*  
give me life according | to your rules.

<sup>157</sup>Many are my persecutors and my adver- | saries,\*  
but I do not swerve from your testi- | monies.

<sup>158</sup>I look at the faithless | with disgust,\*  
because they do not keep | your commands.

<sup>159</sup>Consider how I love your | precepts! \*  
Give me life according to your | steadfast love.

<sup>160</sup>The sum of your | word is truth,\*  
and every one of your righteous rules endures for- | ever.

**Kyrie**

*LSB 186*

C **Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**Gloria in Excelsis**

*LSB 187*

P Glory be to God on High,

**C and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.  
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee.  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great  
glory.**

**O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon  
us.**

**Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our  
prayer.**

**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have  
mercy upon us.**

**For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.**

**Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C And with thy spirit.**

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the working of Your Holy Spirit, grant that we may gladly hear Your Word proclaimed among us and follow its directing; 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 28:5–9*

<sup>5</sup>Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to Hananiah the prophet in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD, <sup>6</sup>and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD make the words that you have

prophesied come true, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. <sup>7</sup>Yet hear now this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. <sup>8</sup>The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. <sup>9</sup>As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes to pass, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual

*Rom. 11:33, 36*

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowl- | edge of God!

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How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable | his ways!

For from him and through him and to him are | all things.\*

To him be glory forever. | Amen.

## Epistle

*Romans 7:1–13*

<sup>1</sup>Or do you not know, brothers—for I am speaking to those who know the law—that the law is binding on a person only as long as he lives? <sup>2</sup>Thus a married woman is bound by law to her husband while he lives, but if her husband dies she is released from the law of marriage. <sup>3</sup>Accordingly, she will be called an adulteress if she lives with another man while her husband is alive. But if her husband dies, she is free from that law, and if she marries another man she is not an adulteress.

<sup>4</sup>Likewise, my brothers, you also have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to him who has been raised from the dead, in order that we may bear fruit for God. <sup>5</sup>For while we were living in the flesh, our sinful passions, aroused by the law, were at work in our members to bear fruit for death. <sup>6</sup>But now we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve not under the old written code but in the new life of the Spirit.

<sup>7</sup>What then shall we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, "You shall not covet."<sup>8</sup>But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. Apart from the law, sin lies dead.<sup>9</sup>I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died.<sup>10</sup>The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me.<sup>11</sup>For sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me and through it killed me.<sup>12</sup>So the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.

<sup>13</sup>Did that which is good, then, bring death to me? By no means! It was sin, producing death in me through what is good, in order that sin might be shown to be sin, and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## **Alleluia and Verse**

C **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## **Holy Gospel**

*Matthew 10:34-42*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>34</sup>[Jesus said:] "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

<sup>35</sup>For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law.<sup>36</sup>And a person's enemies will be those of his own household.

<sup>37</sup>Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.<sup>38</sup>And whoever does not take his cross and follow me

is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup>Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

<sup>40</sup>“Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. <sup>41</sup>The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person’s reward. <sup>42</sup>And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

## **Creed**

### **Apostles' Creed**

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge the living and the  
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**



**661 The Son of God Goes Forth to War***LSB 661*

- 1 The Son of God goes forth to war  
A kingly crown to gain.  
His blood-red banner streams afar;  
Who follows in His train?  
Who best can drink His cup of woe,  
Triumphant over pain,  
Who patient bears his cross below—  
He follows in His train.
  
- 2 The martyr first, whose eagle eye  
Could pierce beyond the grave,  
Who saw his master in the sky  
And called on Him to save.  
Like Him, with pardon on His tongue  
In midst of mortal pain,  
He prayed for those who did the wrong—  
Who follows in his train?
  
- 3 A glorious band, the chosen few,  
On whom the Spirit came,  
Twelve valiant saints—their hope they knew  
And mocked the cross and flame.  
They met the tyrant's brandished steel,  
The lion's gory mane;  
They bowed their necks their death to feel—  
Who follows in their train?
  
- 4 A noble army, men and boys,  
The matron and the maid,  
Around the Savior's throne rejoice,  
In robes of light arrayed.  
They climbed the steep ascent of heav'n  
Through peril, toil, and pain.

O God, to us may grace be giv'n  
To follow in their train!

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## Sermon

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C **Amen.**

## *Stand*

## Offertory

*LSB 192*

C **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

**Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.**

**Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

## Prayer of the Church

## Service of the Sacrament

## Preface

*LSB 194*

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

C **It is meet and right so to do.**

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father,

everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## **Sanctus**

*LSB 195*

**C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in  
the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

*LSB 196*

**P** 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.

**C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## **The Words of Our Lord**

*LSB 197*

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

**P** In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed

for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

## **Pax Domini**

*LSB 197*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

## **Agnus Dei**

*LSB 198*

C **O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.**

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.**

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.**

*Sit*

## **Distribution**

### **623 Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray**

*LSB 623*

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray  
That we may feast on You today;  
Beneath these forms of bread and wine  
Enrich us with Your grace divine.
- 2 Give us, who share this wondrous food,  
Your body broken and Your blood,  
The grateful peace of sins forgiv'n,  
The certain joys of heirs of heav'n.
- 3 By faith Your Word has made us bold  
To seize the gift of love retold;  
All that You are we here receive,  
And all we are to You we give.

4 One bread, one cup, one body, we,  
Rejoicing in our unity,  
Proclaim Your love until You come  
To bring Your scattered loved ones home.

5 Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray:  
O keep us steadfast till that day  
When each will be Your welcomed guest  
In heaven's high and holy feast.

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### **634 The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord**

*LSB 634*

1 The death of Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
We celebrate with one accord;  
It is our comfort in distress,  
Our heart's sweet joy and happiness.

2 He blotted out with His own blood  
The judgment that against us stood;  
For us He full atonement made,  
And all our debt He fully paid.

3 That this forever true shall be  
He gives a solemn guarantee:  
In this His holy Supper here  
We taste His love so sweet, so near.

4 His Word proclaims and we believe  
That in this Supper we receive  
His very body, as He said,  
His very blood for sinners shed.

5 We dare not ask how this can be,  
But simply hold the mystery  
And trust this word where life begins:  
"Given and shed for all your sins."

6 They who this word do not believe  
This food unworthily receive,  
Salvation here will never find—  
May we this warning keep in mind!

7 But blest is each believing guest  
Who in these promises finds rest;  
For Jesus shall in love remain  
With all who here His grace obtain.

8 Help us sincerely to believe  
That we may worthily receive  
Your Supper and in You find rest.  
Amen! They who believe are blest.

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**865 Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain**

*LSB 865*

1 Lord, help us ever to retain  
The Catechism's doctrine plain  
As Luther taught the Word of truth  
In simple style to tender youth.

2 Help us Your holy Law to learn,  
To mourn our sin and from it turn  
In faith to You and to Your Son  
And Holy Spirit, Three in One.

3 Hear us, dear Father, when we pray  
For needed help from day to day  
That as Your children we may live,  
Whom You baptized and so received.

4 Lord, when we fall or go astray,  
Absolve and lift us up, we pray;

And through the Sacrament increase  
Our faith till we depart in peace.

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*Stand*

## **Nunc Dimittis**

*LSB 199*

**C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

## **Thanksgiving**

*LSB 200*

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**C and His mercy endureth forever.**

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## **Salutation and Benedicamus**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C And with thy spirit.**

A Bless we the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## **Benediction**

*LSB 202*

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and T give you peace.

C **Amen, amen, amen.**

## **685 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus**

*LSB 685*

- 1 Let us ever walk with Jesus,  
Follow His example pure,  
Through a world that would deceive us  
And to sin our spirits lure.  
Onward in His footsteps treading,  
Pilgrims here, our home above,  
Full of faith and hope and love,  
Let us do the Father's bidding.  
Faithful Lord, with me abide;  
I shall follow where You guide.
- 2 Let us suffer here with Jesus  
And with patience bear our cross.  
Joy will follow all our sadness;  
Where He is, there is no loss.  
Though today we sow no laughter,  
We shall reap celestial joy;  
All discomforts that annoy  
Shall give way to mirth hereafter.  
Jesus, here I share Your woe;  
Help me there Your joy to know.
- 3 Let us gladly die with Jesus.  
Since by death He conquered death,  
He will free us from destruction,  
Give to us immortal breath.



Let us mortify all passion  
That would lead us into sin;  
And the grave that shuts us in  
Shall but prove the gate to heaven.  
Jesus, here with You I die,  
There to live with You on high.

4 Let us also live with Jesus.  
He has risen from the dead  
That to life we may awaken.  
Jesus, You are now our head.  
We are Your own living members;  
Where You live, there we shall be  
In Your presence constantly,  
Living there with You forever.  
Jesus, let me faithful be,  
Life eternal grant to me.

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**Wednesday Bible Class** will be meeting in person on Wednesday, June 24th at 10 AM. All are welcome! We are studying 1 Samuel. This week we will continue the study on 1 Samuel 24-25. If you would like to join on Zoom, please let the pastor know and he will send you an invite.

**LYF is continuing** to meet on Wednesday evenings at 7 PM for an hour of bible study. We will be meeting in person this week.

**Please make sure** to make reservations each week for services so that we can plan. We will be doing this for some time.

**Elders will be meeting** on Wednesday, July 1st, at 8:15 PM to discuss the current plans for worship, bible study, etc, and will announce any changes to the congregation. **Calendars will be** in the mailboxes on Thursday evening at the time of Service.

**Church Council** will be meeting on **Monday, July 6 at 8 PM.** Members of the council please let us know if you cannot make this meeting. We will be preparing for the Voter's Meeting which will take place on **Sunday, July 12th at 1:30 PM.**

**Jonah Fish Fry, July 17, 2020, 4:30-7:30 PM, at St Paul Lutheran Church,** 3.5 miles south of Montrose. Drive-thru only! Fish, baked beans, slaw, and cookies. Adults \$9, Child \$4.

**Shirley Wachtel** would like to thank Pastor Speers and the entire congregation for their prayers, cards, and well wishes during her surgeries and recovery. Thanks to All! Shirley Wachtel

**Prayers-**For Stephen Heimgartner who is undergoing testing; For the family of Lillian Heimgartner who was called to her eternal rest; For Clara Klitzing who is in the hospital for testing; For Blake Mathias, who has been ill; Karen Vollmer, daughter of Shirley Wachtel, whose cancer has returned; For Gary and Lynn Wachtel, as they celebrated their 51st anniversary Sunday; Thanksgiving to God for fathers; For those enduring riots, injustice, throughout the country; Health, Safety, and good state and national leadership...

**This Week at St Paul**

Sunday: Divine Service 9:30 and 11 AM	1 Thessalonians 4-5
Monday:	2 Thessalonians 1-3
Tuesday: Divine Service 7 PM	1 Timothy 1-2
Wednesday: 1 Samuel Bible Study 10 AM (Internet)	
LYF Bible study 7 PM	
Elders 8:15 PM	1 Timothy 3-4
Thursday: Greek study 10 AM (Internet)	
Divine Service 7 PM	1 Timothy 5-6
Friday:	2 Timothy 1-2
Saturday:	2 Timothy 3-4

## **In preparation for Proper 8 – June 28, 2020**

Have you ever told a child, "Don't step in that puddle?" What did the child do?

We all want forbidden things. Knowing that something is forbidden makes us want it all the more. This applies even – especially – to what we would be better off without. So perverse is fallen human nature that it does not even recognize what is good for it! What is the solution? Rules may restrain the body, but they do not change the heart.

Even God's own commandments can backfire. In one of his letters, St. Paul recalled that God said in the Ten Commandments, "You shall not covet." But sin, he went on, "seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of coveteousness . . . when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died. The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me" (Romans 7:7-10).

Sometimes people think that rules and regulations can make people good and upright. They might also figure that any Law from God will move people along toward being good and upright. But it turns out that the God's Law finally shows people their sins and rebellion against Him. And as Paul noted, it can even make us worse!

God's Law itself is not the trouble. His commands are holy and righteous and good. The problem lies within us. No wonder Paul ended up this chapter of Romans saying, "Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?"

Suddenly, Paul answered his own question. He wrote: "Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Romans 7:24-25).

The only deliverance people can have from the Law's condemnation is through Christ. By His life, death, and resurrection, Jesus brings blessing. Find out more on Sunday, from our church service.

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