

## ANNOUNCEMENTS, Continued...

### **SUMMER WITH SOLOMON:** Spend a summer with Solomon!!



Starting Monday you can go to our church app on your mobile device or visit our church website ([www.stpauldale.com](http://www.stpauldale.com)) to find a wonderful series of podcast devotions drawn from Solomon's Book of Proverbs. This series of 21 devotions is suitable for a wide range of ages--use them personally or with your family to grow in your walk with Jesus!

**TIMBERRATTLERS OUTING:** We thank Carol Magolski for getting information about a TimberRattlers outing together for us-- See more info and sign-up in the entryway (Date: Fri, Aug 3rd; Cost: \$9; 7:05 pm game; fireworks afterwards; need final count by July 15--Thank you!)

## **THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL**

<b>TODAY (June 17) FATHER'S DAY WORSHIP</b> .....	9:00 am
<b>MON (June 18) WORSHIP</b> .....	6:30 pm
<b>THURS (June 21) Teen Bible Class</b> .....	7:00 pm
<b>NEXT SUN (June 24) WORSHIP (HC)</b> .....	9:00 am
<b>NEXT MONDAY (June 25) WORSHIP (HC)</b> .....	6:30 pm

## **OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE**

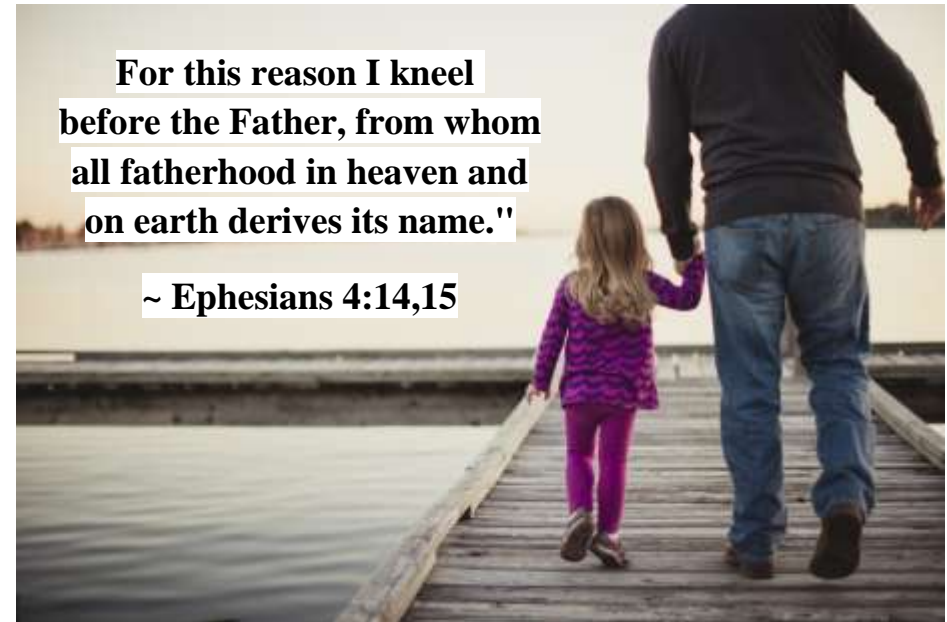
June 10,11 Plate Offerings	\$5,423.00
Weekly Electronic Offerings	<u>159.00</u>
Total Offerings this past week =	\$5,582.00

OFFERINGS YTD (23 wks) \$55,510.96  
 AMOUNT NEEDED YTD = \$52,762.00  
 YTD SURPLUS = \$2,748.96  
 AMOUNT NEEDED EACH WEEK: \$2,294.00

**IN WORSHIP**  
 Sun, June 10 - 56  
 Mon, June 11 - 10  
**Total: 66**



**THANK YOU:** We thank Edgar & Marcella Bartelt for their generous donation to the General Fund in thanksgiving to God for their 65th Wedding Anniversary. His rich grace knows no measure. God bless and keep this married couple!



**For this reason I kneel  
 before the Father, from whom  
 all fatherhood in heaven and  
 on earth derives its name."**

**~ Ephesians 4:14,15**

# Father's Day

**SUNDAY, JUNE 17, 2018**

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**FATHER'S DAY**

**June 17, 2018**

**TODAY'S WORSHIP**



Welcome to all children of the Father, and especially fathers on Father's Day!

So are you a good \_\_\_\_\_? (Fill in the blank: dad, parent, student, Christian, etc)

The opening words of confession and forgiveness drawn from the Book of Job will help you open up to the Father for ways you fall short of what he calls you to be. Repent like Job in "dust and ashes" (Job 42:6) for all the ways you thought you knew better than him and then messed up. And then sing to him in praise and thanks for his forgiveness and healing that comes your way through his Word today. The opening hymn leads us to praise our Father in heaven who is the source of every good thing in creation, in industry, in our schools, and most importantly, our salvation in Jesus his Son!

**OPENING HYMN: "Earth and All Stars" [TUNE: #247]**

**Earth and all stars, loud rushing planets,  
sing to the Lord a new song!  
O victory, loud shouting army,  
sing to the Lord a new song!  
He has done marvelous things.  
I, too, will praise him with a new song!**

**Hail, wind, and rain, loud blowing snowstorms,  
sing to the Lord a new song!  
Flowers and trees, loud rustling leaves,  
sing to the Lord a new song!  
He has done marvelous things.  
I, too, will praise him with a new song!**

**THE MESSAGE TODAY:** Based on John 3:16

**"WHAT IS YOUR FATHER LIKE?"**

*After the message, please rise to confess our faith according to Martin Luther's Explanation to the First Article*



**LUTHER'S EXPLANATION TO THE FIRST ARTICLE OF THE APOSTLES' CREED:**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.** *What does this mean?* I believe that God created me and all that exists, and He gave me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my mind and all my abilities. And I believe that God still preserves me by richly and daily providing clothing and shoes, food and drink, property and home, spouse and children, land, cattle, and all that I own, and all that I need to keep my body and life. God also defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this God does only because He is my good and merciful Father in heaven, and not because I have earned or deserved it. For all this I ought to thank and praise, to serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true!

**THE OFFERING AND PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER, page 20 in the front of the hymnal.**

**HYMN: #500 "For Christian Homes, O Lord, We Pray"**

**PRAYER AND BLESSING, page 25**

**CLOSING HYMN: #505 "Love Is the Gracious Gift"**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

If you see the following members today, please wish them a **"Happy Birthday"** – **June 17<sup>th</sup>**–Jean Smith, June Magadanz; **June 21<sup>st</sup>**–Janette Laabs; **June 23<sup>rd</sup>**–June Luebke, Marie Thiel.

**PSALM OF THE DAY:** Psalm 2, page 65 (*Sing in Unison*)

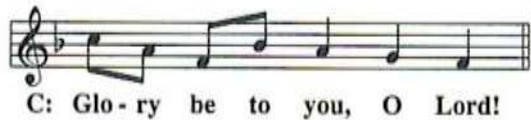
**SECOND LESSON: JAMES 1:16-17** - Don't be deceived, my dear brothers and sisters. <sup>17</sup>Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

**VERSE OF THE DAY:** Alleluia. *"God our Savior wants all to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth."* Alleluia.  
(1 Timothy 2:3,4)



**THE GOSPEL LESSON: MATTHEW 11:25-30**

*After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:*



**MATTHEW 11:25-30** - At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. <sup>26</sup>Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do. <sup>27</sup>"All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. <sup>28</sup>"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

*After the Gospel, the congregation sings:*



**HYMN OF THE DAY: #391** "*God Loved the World So That He Gave*"

Trumpet and pipes, loud clashing cymbals,  
sing to the Lord a new song!  
Harp, lute, and lyre, loud humming cellos,  
sing to the Lord a new song!  
He has done marvelous things.  
I, too, will praise him with a new song!

Engines and steel, loud pounding hammers,  
sing to the Lord a new song!  
Limestone and beams, loud building workers,  
sing to the Lord a new song!  
He has done marvelous things.  
I, too, will praise him with a new song!

Classrooms and labs, loud boiling test tubes,  
sing to the Lord a new song!  
Athlete and band, loud cheering people,  
sing to the Lord a new song!  
He has done marvelous things.  
I, too, will praise him with a new song!

Knowledge and truth, loud sounding wisdom,  
sing to the Lord a new song!  
Daughter and son, loud praying members,  
sing to the Lord a new song!  
He has done marvelous things.  
I, too, will praise him with a new song!

Children of God, dying and rising,  
sing to the Lord a new song!  
Heaven and earth, hosts everlasting,  
sing to the Lord a new song!  
He has done marvelous things.  
I, too, will praise him with a new song!



## RESPONSIVE WORDS OF PRAISE AND PRAYER

*Based on select verses from the Book of Job*

**Pastor:** Oh God, Father of us all. By your creative power we live and move and have our being.

**Congregation:** Your hands shaped and made me. You molded me like clay.

**P:** You gave me life and showed me kindness.

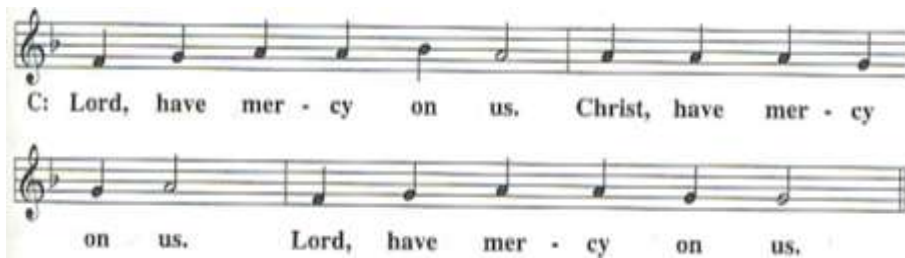
**C:** With kindness you watch over me.

**P:** To God belong wisdom and power; counsel and understanding are his.

**C:** Blessed is the man whom the LORD corrects. For he wounds, but he also binds up; he injures, but his hands also heal.

**P:** How can a mortal be righteous before God? Who can oppose him? None can answer him one time out of a thousand. Therefore I despise myself and repent in dust and ashes:

**C:** Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



**P:** "As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him. He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities." ~ *Ps.103:13,10*  
As a called servant of Christ, and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

**SING: #239:1** "Glory Be to God the Father"

**Glory be to God the Father,  
Glory be to God the Son,  
Glory be to God the Spirit,  
Great Jehovah, Three in One!  
Glory, Glory  
While eternal ages run!**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** (*Spoken by Pastor*) O God, the strength of all who trust in you, mercifully hear our prayers. Be gracious to us in our weakness and give us strength to keep your commandments in all we say and do; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## THE WORD

**FIRST LESSON: ISAIAH 64:1-9** - Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains would tremble before you! <sup>2</sup>As when fire sets twigs ablaze and causes water to boil, come down to make your name known to your enemies and cause the nations to quake before you! <sup>3</sup>For when you did awesome things that we did not expect, you came down, and the mountains trembled before you. <sup>4</sup>Since ancient times no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who acts on behalf of those who wait for him. <sup>5</sup>You come to the help of those who gladly do right, who remember your ways. But when we continued to sin against them, you were angry. How then can we be saved? <sup>6</sup>All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags; we all shrivel up like a leaf, and like the wind our sins sweep us away. <sup>7</sup>No one calls on your name or strives to lay hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us and have given us over to our sins. <sup>8</sup>Yet you, LORD, are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand. <sup>9</sup>Do not be angry beyond measure, LORD; do not remember our sins forever. Oh, look on us, we pray, for we are all your people.