

Our Prayer List

Current Concerns & Prayers of Thanksgiving

Chris & Art Steiber – Connie Moulis – hospitalized
40th wedding anniversary Al Manteuffel – hospitalized

Long Term Health Needs

Natasha Loretitsch Patricia Walker-Bill

Homebound

Margaret Kuhlmann Don Storck
Irma Pope Jeanette Till
Connie Moulis Pam Rodway
Mike Hammon Carol Messer
Gary Bayer Edwin & Margaret Horvath
Al Manteuffel Maureen Walsh
Henry Miller Dennis Walker

Military

Paul Bowdich Brandon Newton
Trevor Guilmette Tirzah VanDamme
Alex Keppler Jason Zuniga
Brooke Keppler Gabrielle Zuniga

Friends of SPRO

Priscilla Bennett (health concerns), friend of Chris Schultz
Marie Bennett (health concerns), family of Chris Schultz
Anne Gabriel (stage 4 cancer), friend of Anne Sagan
David I. (cancer), family of Scott Manteuffel
Linda Anderson (cancer), cousin of Mark & Barbara Costakes
Matt Mackinder (MS), Marshall's brother
Bill Merte (arm nerve damage), friend of Mike Rasmussen
Janie Nelson (health concerns), Tim Woodward's mother
Tom Noonan (cancer), friend of Chris Schultz
Marlene Olsen (healing), mother of Mark Olsen
Daniel Tharpe (care), grandson of Bob & Denise Rutledge
Barbara (health concerns), family friend of Jeff Lehman
Griffin Wilson (accident), brother of Lily Wilson
Melanie Marrah (health concerns), great-granddaughter of Hugh
& Rita Machus, niece of Kevin Machus
Ron Pflieger (hospice care), former member

Stewardship

Matthew 13:45–46 – “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.” Indeed, Jesus redeemed us, purchased us back from sin and death, with all that He had. We belong to Him now. Our generosity ought to imitate the out-sized generosity of Jesus.

Everything we have belongs to God—so, we live all in.
All In with our time, talents & treasures – now & into the future

To set up or change your online donations, please visit our website: stpaulroyaloak.org or use our QR Code below. If you need assistance, please contact the church office. office@stpaulroyaloak.org.

Weekly Contribution average needed based on approved 2025/26 budget = \$13,700

Weekly Contributions Received 7/12 = \$12,040

Weekly Contributions Received 7/19 = \$7,436



SPRO Stewards

	Today	August 2 nd
Pastor	Rev. Richard Hillenbrand	Rev. Christian Jones
Elders	Brian Hermann, Chuck Brewer, Tony Valdes	Mike Babycz
Ushers	Mike Boyd, Rich Ohngren, Dave Hemming, Brett Hansen	Chuck Brewer, Steve Snell, Roger Pierce, Chay Smith
Reader	David Newton	John Aufdemberge
AV	Sam Francik, Jim West	Steven Carpenter, Matthew Schleusener
Altar Guild	Brian Charlton	Nicole Kowalski
Counters	Ben Schultz, Rick Thomas	Ben Schultz, Carol Zimnie



St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

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July 26, 2026

9th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30AM

Serve. Support. Share.

Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church! We are glad you are worshiping with us as God comes to us through His Word to bring new life in Christ. If you have questions or would like more information, please speak with an elder, usher, or pastor. Guests are invited to complete an attendance card in the pew and place it in the offering plate.

Minister of Music Greg Paul
Church Office Manager Sue Francik
Principal Chris Francik
School Office Manager Julie Hansen

Order of Service

PRELUDE		
“All Who Believe and Are Baptized“		LSB 601
INVOCATION		
Holy Baptism ~	Nolan Matthew Mendez	
	Danielle Mikayla Hutchens	
CONFESSION / ABSOLUTION		LSB 203
SERVICE OF THE WORD		LSB 204
HYMN OF PRAISE/SALUTATION/COLLECT		
OLD TESTAMENT READING	Deuteronomy 7:6-9	
EPISTLE READING	Romans 8:28-39	
GOSPEL	Matthew 13:44-52	
“All Depends on Our Possessing”		LSB 732 vs. 1-4
SERMON	“Parables of the Kingdom” -- Matthew 13:44-50	
“Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us”		LSB 851 vs. 1-2
OFFERING		
ANNOUNCEMENTS		
PRAYERS		
SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT		LSB 208
DISTRIBUTION		
“Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior”		LSB 619
“I Love Your Kingdom, Lord“		LSB 651
“When Peace, like a River”		LSB 763
COLLECT / BENEDICTION		LSB 212
“Arise, My Soul, Arise”		Kevin Twit

Noteworthy

Please help us welcome our new 4-Year-Old Preschool Teacher - Clare Hanosh! Clare has her Associate's degree in Early Childhood Education from Oakland Community College. She is currently in the process of completing her Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education. She has worked with children ranging from ages 8 weeks to 4 years & is so excited to join the St Paul family to provide a safe, nurturing and engaging environment where children feel loved, supported, and encouraged to explore & grow. WELCOME CLARE!

THANK YOU to all our VBS volunteers! We had a WONDERFUL WEEK going on a Tropical Trek and sharing Jesus with our community. We could not have done it without our amazing coordinators and helpers. Thank you also to those who donated food and supplies!

Diaper Drive for Care Net Berkley/Detroit. We are sponsoring a diaper drive for our local Care Net to assist families struggling to provide day-to-day care for their children. Please bring diapers to church and place them in the baskets in our Welcome Center from now-August 2nd. Please – no discounted diapers from a dollar store. They especially need larger sized diapers – sizes 4, 5 & 6. Thank you for supporting families in our local community!

Special Time of Prayer Please join us each Sunday morning for a time to pray for both our church & school. We will have the sanctuary open at 8:15am and a special prayer guide will be available in the narthex.

Can’t Join Us in Person? Worship with us via livestream on our YouTube channel at stpaulroyaloak.org/live. Bulletins are also available on our website at stpaulroyaloak.org/ebulletin.

Marking Your Attendance: Online worshipers may record attendance at stpaulroyaloak.org/attendance. In person, members may sign in at one of the two kiosks in the narthex using their phone number. Ushers can assist. If your number does not work, please submit an attendance card with updated information. Visitors are invited to complete a card at the kiosks or in the pews and place in offering baskets.

Sanctuary Exits: Two exits are located at the front of the sanctuary, to the right and left of the organ pipes. In an emergency, please use the nearest exit. If you have questions, an elder/usher will be happy to assist.

Lost & Found: We have a lost & found box in the coat room. If you are missing an item, please take a look.

Happening This Week

<u>Sunday, July 26</u>	
8:15am	Time of Prayer – sanctuary
8:30am	Bible Study
9:30am	Worship – C
<u>Monday, July 27</u>	
9am	Trustees
9am	Food Pantry
<u>Wednesday, July 29</u>	
6pm	Garden Club
<u>Thursday, July 30</u>	
8am	Men’s Breakfast
<u>Sunday, August 2</u>	
8:15am	Time of Prayer – sanctuary
8:30am	Bible Study
9:30am	Worship – C

Save The Dates

Now-Aug 2 nd	Diaper drive supporting Care Net of Detroit/Berkley
August 25 th	1 st Day of School
September 4-7 th	Arts, Beats & Eats
September 10 th	Funny Together Tour

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