

Our Prayer List

Current Concerns & Prayers of Thanksgiving

Mike Hammon – passed away Liz Lopez – cancer treatments

Long Term Health Needs

Natasha Loretitsch Patricia Walker-Bill

Homebound

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

Military

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

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
 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), family of the Machus
 Ron Pflieger (hospice care), former member
 Ruth Brownfield (health concerns), niece of Miranda Lorence
 Judy Roessler, former member, passed away
 Dale Miller (health concerns), family of the Carpenters

Stewardship

Matthew 16:26 – “For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul?” He who dies with the most toy...is dead. But the one who trusts in the Lord, even though he dies, yet shall he live. We live out our trust in the Lord by faithfully fulfilling the roles God has given us to play in home, church and society as loving, generous people. Those who don't know the Lord are afraid to be generous because they think that what they give away is lost to them. But we who know the Lord know that the things of this world become true blessings when they are used for God's kingdom.

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 2026/27 budget = \$14,500

Weekly Contributions Received 8/16 = \$9,032

Weekly Contributions Received 8/23 = \$8,169



SPRO Stewards

	Today	September 6 th
Pastor	Rev. Christian Jones	Rev. Evan Gaertner
Elders	Brian Hermann, Tony Valdes	Tony Valdes, Chuck Brewer
Ushers	Steve Snell, Roger Pierce, Chay Smith, David Owens	Brian Charlton, Mike Boyd, Zack Lorence, Erik Olsen
Reader	Jeff Szerdi	LeeAnne Millinger
AV	Sam Francik, Matthew Schleusener	Steven Carpenter, Jim West
Altar Guild	Nicole Kowalski	Meredith Sanislo, Amie Szerdi
Counters	Randy Walker, Kathy Eifert, Chris Francik	Andre Sanislo, Amie Szerdi



St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

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August 30, 2026

14th 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	
“With the Lord Begin Your Task“	LSB 869
INVOCATION	
CONFESSION / ABSOLUTION	LSB 203
SERVICE OF THE WORD	LSB 204
PSALM 37:3-7	
KYRIE/HYMN OF PRAISE/SALUTATION/COLLECT	
OLD TESTAMENT READING	Jeremiah 15:15-21
EPISTLE READING	Romans 12:9-21
GOSPEL	Matthew 16:21-28
NICENE CREED	LSB 206
“Come Follow Me,” the Savior Spake	LSB 688
SERMON	
“We Give Thee But Thine Own”	LSB 781 vs. 1-2
OFFERING	
ANNOUNCEMENTS	
PRAYERS	
SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ***	LSB 208
DISTRIBUTION	
“What Is This Bread”	LSB 629
“Jesus, Lead Thou On“	LSB 718
“Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”	LSB 685
NUNC DIMITTIS / COLLECT / BENEDICTION	LSB 211-212
"Blessed Be Your Name”	Beth Redman and Matt Redman

Noteworthy

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, Sept. 9th~ 10am! Our Vestry VP, Steven Carpenter, will be leading Brews, News, & Views during our normal Wednesday morning bible class time. Please join us to hear updates, give feedback & discuss future weekly bible class options.

Arts, Beats & Eats is NEXT WEEKEND and **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** Please plan to help this year with this event in our community. **SIGN UP is in the Welcome Center.** We need help in all 3 areas – parking, recycling and beverage booth. Questions? Reach out to Steven Carpenter or Tony Valdes.

Food Pantry Urgent Needs! Please bring in meat (canned or pouches of tuna, chicken, etc.), peanut butter, canned fruit and spaghetti sauce. Thank you for helping us keep our food pantry well stocked!

Funny Together Tour is coming to St Paul! We will be hosting the FUNNY TOGETHER tour Thursday, Sept 10th at 7pm! This is a great way to get the community into our church for a fun event! Sign up and information is online at the QR code under Save the Dates (next page). There is also information in our Welcome Center.

The Church office will be closed Friday, September 4th & Monday September 7th due to Arts, Beats & Eats and the Labor Day holiday.

The September Masthead and Oct-Dec Portals of Prayer are available in the Welcome Center.

Ladies of St. Paul- You are cordially invited to attend Historic Trinity Ladies Bible Study. The group meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month starting Sept. 10th, 10:30am–12pm. More details & sign up info is in the Welcome Center.

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: If you are worshipping online, please 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.

Happening This Week

Sunday, August 30
8:15am Time of Prayer – sanctuary
8:30am Bible Study
9:30am Worship – C

Monday, August 31
9am Trustees

Wednesday, September 2
8:30am Chapel
6pm Garden Club

Thursday, September 4
8:30am Men’s Breakfast

Friday, September 4
Arts, Beats & Eats – church office closed

Saturday, September 5
Arts, Beats & Eats

Sunday, September 6
8:15am Time of Prayer – sanctuary
8:30am Bible Study
9:30am Worship – C

Save the Dates:
September 9th 10am – Brews, News & Views
September 10th – Funny Together Tour -> QR code



We believe that...

***Holy Communion is a Sacrament since it was instituted by Christ Himself. We are well prepared to partake of Holy Communion when we repent of our sins & have faith in these words, “Given & shed for you for the remission of sins.”

We receive the bread & wine as the true body & blood of our Lord Jesus Christ when, as repentant, true believers we partake of Holy Communion. St. Paul Lutheran Church practices close communion. Confirmed members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are welcome to commune with us. If you are not a confirmed member of our church or one of our sister congregations, we welcome you forward for a blessing (indicated by crossed arms). Please reach out to an elder with any questions or concerns.

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