

LITURGIST

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SERVICE NOTES

Order of Service

Hymns

Psalm

8:00 a.m.

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9:45 a.m./6:30 p.m.

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HOLY COMMUNION Holy Communion is celebrated in the 8:00 a.m. (CC) service today and in the 9:45 a.m. (CC) and 6:30 p.m. (IC) services next weekend. Members should register by card; visitors, please speak with one of our pastors before planning to participate. For preparation for Holy Communion, please see page 156 in the front of *Christian Worship*.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Last Week: 455

Last Year: 526

SERMON TEXT: Genesis 18:20-32

THEME: KEEP PRAYING!

- 1) Rely on God's saving Grace 2) Remember to submit to God's perfect will

ALTAR FLOWERS The altar flowers are given with thanksgiving to God for the 50th birthday of Lorie Rux on August 2nd.

HOSPITALIZED Covenant/Cooper: Ruth Fein.

BAPTISM William John Nichols III, infant son of Kayla Nichols, will become a child of God and heir of eternal life by the washing of Holy Baptism in the early service this weekend. May our gracious God keep William in his baptismal grace all the days of his life. Thanks be to God!

VBS VBS will be held from 9:00 a.m. until noon at the Parish Center this week. If you did not get the chance to register your children for VBS, just come a little early tomorrow morning.

ARBOR DAY Our second *Arbor Day* for 2010 will take place Saturday, August 14th, from 8:00 a.m. until noon at both the church and the school.

Our Thank-Offerings	ST. PAUL'S MINISTRY	SYNOD MINISTRY	PIF
Weekly Budget Offering 7/25/10			
Budget YTD Offerings YTD			
% YTD Budget	94%	92%	90%

This week at St. Paul's

August 2nd- August 6th
Monday, August 2nd

9:00 a.m. – Noon

6:30 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 3rd

7:00 p.m.

8:00 p.m.

Vacation Bible School

Worship Service

Board of Elders

Boards of Ed/Ev/Stw/Tr

Church Council

First Lesson/Sermon Text

Genesis 18:20-32

[20] Then the Lord said, "The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is so great and their sin so grievous [21] that I will go down and see if what they have done is as bad as the outcry that has reached me. If not, I will know." [22] The men turned away and went toward Sodom, but Abraham remained standing before the Lord. [23] Then Abraham approached him and said: Will you sweep away the righteous with the wicked? [24] What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous people in it? [25] Far be it from you to do such a thing--to kill the righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and the wicked alike. Far be it from you! Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?" [26] The Lord said, "If I find fifty righteous people in the city of Sodom, I will spare the whole place for their sake." [27] Then Abraham spoke up again: "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, though I am nothing but dust and ashes, [28] what if the number of the righteous is five less than fifty? Will you destroy the whole city because of five people?" "If I find forty-five there," he said, "I will not destroy it." [29] Once again he spoke to him, "What if only forty are found there?" He said, "For the sake of forty, I will not do it." [30] Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak. What if only thirty can be found there?" He answered, "I will not do it if I find thirty there." [31] Abraham said, "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, what if only twenty can be found there?" He said, "For the sake of twenty, I will not destroy it." [32] Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak just once more. What if only ten can be found there?" He answered, "For the sake of ten, I will not destroy it."

Second Lesson

Colossians 2:6-15

[6] So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, [7] rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. [8] See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ. [9] For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, [10] and you have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority. [11] In him you were also circumcised, in the putting off of the sinful nature, not with a circumcision done by the hands of men but with the circumcision done by Christ, [12] having been buried with him in baptism and raised with him through your faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. [13] When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, [14] having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross. [15] And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

Gospel Lesson

Luke 11:1-13

[1] One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples." [2] He said to them, "When you pray, say: 'Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. [3] Give us each day our daily bread. [4] Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation.' [5] Then he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and he goes to him at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, [6] because a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have nothing to set before him.' [7] "Then the one inside answers, 'Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children are with me in bed. I can't get up and give you anything.' [8] I tell you, though he will not get up and give him the bread because he is his friend, yet because of the man's boldness he will get up and give him as much as he needs. [9] "So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. [10] For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. [11] "Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? [12] Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? [13] If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"