

AUGUST 15, 2010

PENTECOST TWELVE

LITURGIST/PREACHER

Pastor William Brassow

ORGANIST

Mrs. Patricia Johnson

SERVICE NOTES

8:00 a.m.

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

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HOLY COMMUNION Holy Communion is celebrated in the 8:00 a.m. service (IC) today, and next weekend in the 9:45 a.m. (IC) and 6:30 p.m. (IC) services. 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: 539 Last Year: 574

SERMON TEXT: Luke 12:35-40

THEME: Our Savior Prepares Us for Judgment Day

- 1) **By warning us of Judgment Day**
- 2) **By saving us for Judgment Day**

Our Thank- Offerings	ST. PAUL'S MINISTRY	SYNOD MINISTRY	PIF
Weekly Budget Offering 8/8/10			
Budget YTD Offerings YTD			
% YTD Budget	95%	92%	91%

* includes memorial gifts of \$4,500 for St. Paul's Ministry and \$500 for Synodical Ministry

This week at St. Paul's

Monday, August 16th 11:00 a.m. Mommy & Me at Roethke Park
6:30 p.m. Worship Service

Thursday, August 19th 12:00 noon Cornerstone deadline!

Friday, August 20th 8:00 a.m. – Noon Faculty Meeting

Sunday, August 22nd 9:00 a.m. – Noon SPL Registration
Monday, August 23rd 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. at the Parish Center

ALTAR FLOWERS The altar flowers are from the August 14th wedding of Sarah and Tyler Marquez.

BAPTISMS Last Sunday after the late service, Evelina Gloria Loose and Briseis Marie Mendez, daughters of Amy Kolhoff, became children of God through the washing of Holy Baptism. May our gracious God keep these little ones in their baptismal grace all the days of their lives. *"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."*

ONE IN CHRIST Sarah Schmiede and Tyler Marquez were united in marriage in a service conducted at our church on Saturday. May God richly bless their life together, and may they always reflect their love for him in their love for one another!

SCHOOL REGISTRATION It is that time of year again! Parents, please note that registration for the new school year will be next Sunday, August 22nd, from 9:00 a.m.-12 noon and on Monday, August 23rd, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. We ask that parents come to the school to register during these hours; if you are unable to register those days, please contact the office to make other arrangements.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION The new Sunday School year will begin on Sunday, Sept. 12th at 9:15 a.m. at the Parish Center. Your children age 3 years through 6th grade are invited and encouraged to attend. A registration form, due August 22nd, was included in the August issue of *The Cornerstone*. Additional forms can be picked up at the office.

CORNERSTONE DEADLINE The deadline for submitting articles or other information for the September issue of *The Cornerstone* is this Thursday, August 18th, at 12:00 noon. You can email the information to spl123@ameritech.net or drop the information off at the Parish Center office.

INVITATION The Central Michigan Chapter of WELS Kingdom Workers is hosting a Loon's baseball game fundraiser for the Pregnancy Counseling Center and the other local ministries they support. The game is on Sept 4th at 7:05pm and your \$30 ticket includes the game plus an all you can eat dinner buffet. Since Kingdom Workers is picking up the tab for the event, most if not all of your \$30 will go to the ministry of your choice. For information, call Michael Florida at (989-895-5889.)

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR AUGUST 15, 2010

First Lesson

Genesis 15:1-6

[1] After this, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision: "Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward." [2] But Abram said, "O Sovereign Lord, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?" [3] And Abram said, "You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir." [4] Then the word of the Lord came to him: "This man will not be your heir, but a son coming from your own body will be your heir." [5] He took him outside and said, "Look up at the heavens and count the stars--if indeed you can count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." [6] Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

Second Lesson

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

[1] Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. [2] This is what the ancients were commended for. [3] By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's ... [8] By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. [9] By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. [10] For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God. [11] By faith Abraham, even though he was past age--and Sarah herself was barren--was enabled to become a father because he considered him faithful who had made the promise. [12] And so from this one man, and he as good as dead, came descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sand on the seashore. [13] All these people were still living by faith when they died.

They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance. And they admitted that they were aliens and strangers on earth. [14] People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own. [15] If they had been thinking of the country they had left, they would have had opportunity to return. [16] Instead, they were longing for a better country--a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.

Gospel Lesson/Sermon Text

Luke 12:32-40

[32] "Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. [33] Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will not be exhausted, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. [34] For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. [35] *"Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning, [36] like men waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks they can immediately open the door for him. [37] It will be good for those servants whose master finds them watching when he comes. I tell you the truth, he will dress himself to serve, will have them recline at the table and will come and wait on them. [38] It will be good for those servants whose master finds them ready, even if he comes in the second or third watch of the night. [39] But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. [40] You also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him."*