

AUGUST 22, 2010

PENTECOST THIRTEEN

LITURGIST

Pastor William Brassow

PREACHER

Pastor Carl Otto

ORGANIST

Mrs. Laurel Proeber

SERVICE NOTES

Order of Service

Hymns

Psalm

8:00 a.m.

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HOLY COMMUNION Holy Communion is celebrated in the 9:45 a.m. (IC) and 6:30 p.m. (IC) services this weekend. There will be no communion next weekend, as is our custom on the fifth Sunday of the month. 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: 482

Last Year: 506

SERMON TEXT: HEBREWS 12:9-13

THEME: HOW SUFFERING WORKS

CHANCEL FLOWERS The chancel flowers this weekend are given with thanksgiving to God for the 37th wedding anniversaries of Gregg and Kristine Iles (8/18) and Scott and Maree Brechtelsbauer (8/25).

SCHOOL REGISTRATION Registration for the new school year is this Sunday, August 22nd, from 9:00 a.m.-12 noon and Monday, August 23rd, from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

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. The registration forms are due today!

MOMMY & ME Please note that we will be going to the new Splash Pad near the YMCA tomorrow morning instead of to Sanford Lake.

FYI Recently St. Paul's authorized the professional cleaning of the pew seats and carpeting in church. You may have noticed the difference and improvement. There were some difficult areas which either couldn't be removed entirely, or took a great deal of attention. As a gentle reminder, please consider the following: toys or clothing with glitter, loose or leaking bottles or drink cups and sticky candy and food can leave permanent residue behind. Working together, we can all help to keep the appearance of our sanctuary clean and tidy. Thank you in advance for your consideration!

This week at St. Paul's

Monday, Aug. 23rd

11:00 a.m.

Mommy & Me (Saginaw Splash Pad)

6:30 p.m.

Worship Service (IC)

6:30-8:00 p.m.

SPL Registration at the Parish Center

Thursday, Aug. 26th

9:30 a.m.

Cornerstone Staff

Our Thank- Offerings	ST. PAUL'S MINISTRY	SYNOD MINISTRY	PIF
Weekly Budget Offering 8/15/10			
Budget YTD Offerings YTD			
% YTD Budget	95%	93%	90%

First Lesson

Jeremiah 23:23-29

[23] "Am I only a God nearby," declares the Lord, "and not a God far away? [24] Can anyone hide in secret places so that I cannot see him?" declares the Lord. "Do not I fill heaven and earth?" declares the Lord. [25] "I have heard what the prophets say who prophesy lies in my name. They say, 'I had a dream! I had a dream!' [26] How long will this continue in the hearts of these lying prophets, who prophesy the delusions of their own minds? [27] They think the dreams they tell one another will make my people forget my name, just as their fathers forgot my name through Baal worship. [28] Let the prophet who has a dream tell his dream, but let the one who has my word speak it faithfully. For what has straw to do with grain?" declares the Lord. [29] "Is not my word like fire," declares the Lord, "and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?"

Second Lesson/Sermon Text

Hebrews 12:1-13

[1] Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. [2] Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. [3] Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. [4] In your struggle against sin, you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. [5] And you have forgotten that word of encouragement that addresses you as sons: "My son, do not make light of the Lord's discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you, [6] because the Lord disciplines those he loves, and he punishes everyone he accepts as a son." [7] Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as sons. For what son is not disciplined by his father? [8] If you are not disciplined (and everyone undergoes discipline), then you are illegitimate children and not true sons. [9] *Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of our spirits and live!* [10] *Our fathers disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, that we may share in his holiness.* [11] *No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.* [12] *Therefore, strengthen your feeble arms and weak knees.* [13] *"Make level paths for your feet," so that the lame may not be disabled, but rather healed.*

Gospel Lesson

Luke 12:49-53

[49] "I have come to bring fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! [50] But I have a baptism to undergo, and how distressed I am until it is completed! [51] Do you think I came to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but division. [52] From now on there will be five in one family divided against each other, three against two and two against three. [53] They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."