

AUGUST 8, 2010

PENTECOST ELEVEN

LITURGIST

Pastor Carl Otto

PREACHER

Pastor William Brassow

ORGANIST

Mrs. Janna Needham

SERVICE NOTES

Order of Service

Hymns

Psalm

Anthem

8:00 a.m.

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

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VBS students

HOLY COMMUNION Holy Communion is celebrated in the 9:45 a.m. (CC) and 6:30 p.m. (IC) services this weekend, and in the 8:00 a.m. service (IC) next Sunday. 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: 504

Last Year: 599

SERMON TEXT: Ecclesiastes 2:17-26

THEME: The Hand of God Alone Gives Satisfaction in Life

- 1) From the hand of God alone comes daily enjoyment
- 2) From the hand of God alone will come eternal treasure

ALTAR FLOWERS The altar flowers are given with thanksgiving to God for the 30th wedding anniversary of Randy and Ruth Berger on August 9th.

GIFTS AND MEMORIALS \$90 to St. Paul's Ministry with thanksgiving to God for the 90th birthday of Warren Tripp on August 6th; \$500 to Synodical Ministry and \$4,500 to St. Paul's Ministry in loving memory of George Schmiede.

HOSPITALIZED St. Mary's: Linda Pyorala.

BAPTISMS In the 9:45 a.m. service, Isabella Dee Kolhoff, daughter of Amy Kolhoff, and in the Monday evening service, Ashlee Michel Bleke, daughter of James and Barbara (Vasey) Bleke, will become children of God and heirs of eternal life through the washing of Holy Baptism. May our gracious God keep them in their baptismal grace all the days of their lives. Thanks be to God!

ARBOR DAY Our second *Arbor Day* for 2010 is this Saturday, August 14th, from 8:00 a.m. until noon at both the church and the school. We're looking forward to having lots of volunteers!

VBS A special thank you to all who helped with our VBS this year. We had an average of 70 students each day, 10 of whom were unchurched.

This week at St. Paul's

Monday, August 9th

11:00 a.m.

Mommy & Me (Spray Park in Midland)

6:30 p.m.

Worship Service (IC)

Wednesday, August 11th

9 a.m.-12/1-4 p.m.

Faculty Meetings

Saturday, August 14th

8:00 a.m. – Noon

Arbor Day at church and school

2:00 p.m.

Schmiede/ Marquez Wedding

| Our Thank-Offerings | ST. PAUL'S MINISTRY | SYNOD MINISTRY | PIF |
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| Weekly Budget Offering 8/1/10 | | | |
| Budget YTD Offerings YTD | | | |
| % YTD Budget | 94% | 92% | 91% |

First Lesson/Sermon Text

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:17-26

[2] "Meaningless! Meaningless!" says the Teacher. "Utterly meaningless! Everything is meaningless." ... [17] *So I hated life, because the work that is done under the sun was grievous to me. All of it is meaningless, a chasing after the wind. [18] I hated all the things I had toiled for under the sun, because I must leave them to the one who comes after me. [19] And who knows whether he will be a wise man or a fool? Yet he will have control over all the work into which I have poured my effort and skill under the sun. This too is meaningless. [20] So my heart began to despair over all my toilsome labor under the sun. [21] For a man may do his work with wisdom, knowledge and skill, and then he must leave all he owns to someone who has not worked for it. This too is meaningless and a great misfortune. [22] What does a man get for all the toil and anxious striving with which he labors under the sun? [23] All his days his work is pain and grief; even at night his mind does not rest. This too is meaningless. [24] A man can do nothing better than to eat and drink and find satisfaction in his work. This too, I see, is from the hand of God, [25] for without him, who can eat or find enjoyment? [26] To the man who pleases him, God gives wisdom, knowledge and happiness, but to the sinner he gives the task of gathering and storing up wealth to hand it over to the one who pleases God. This too is meaningless, a chasing after the wind.*

Second Lesson

Colossians 3:1-11

[1] Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. [2] Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. [3] For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. [4] When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. [5] Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. [6] Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. [7] You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. [8] But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. [9] Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices [10] and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. [11] Here there is no Greek or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

Gospel Lesson

Luke 12:13-21

[13] Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." [14] Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?" [15] Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." [16] And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man produced a good crop. [17] He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.' [18] "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. [19] And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of good things laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry." ' [20] "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?' [21] "This is how it will be with anyone who stores up things for himself but is not rich toward God."