



St. Paul Lutheran Church

St. Michael and All Angels — November 13, 2022





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Welcome Guests...

We are honored to have you with us here at St. Paul in Clintonville!

- **Guest Book:** Please sign our guest book near the doors to the worship area.
- **Restrooms:** If you need them, there are bathrooms just to the sides of the main entrance doors.
- **Children:** We are grateful and glad that they are here! If you feel the need to, you can take them to the parent's room or to the back gathering area. Let us know if there are other ways we can help you focus on the Word.
- **Changing Table:** If needed these are in the parent's room and downstairs restrooms.
- **Communion:** guests, please talk with our pastor before coming up for communion so that we can talk about what we believe about it first.

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St. Michael and All Angels

Traditionally St. Michael and All Angels is a minor festival in the church year that is celebrated earlier in the year. As these last weeks of the church year focus on the later days of the church, this seems like a fitting topic and a good reminder. Throughout Scripture we hear of angels. These created beings are active and present in this world, and thanks be to God that he sends them to protect us! The Lord's angels serve and praise Him. Take heart, God is still active in these end times! He is still actively protecting His people and His Church through the angel legions.

Vision

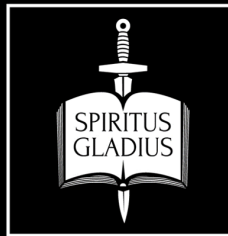
Our passion for the Gospel will make us the chosen place of worship in our community.

Mission

We will share the life giving and inerrant Word of God as written in the Bible.

Core Values

We will proclaim the law and the gospel so that all may have eternal life.



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The Bible translation used in today's service is NIV 11.

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—Special Setting—

Hymn

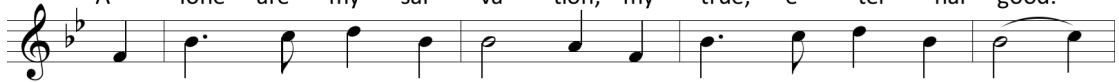
If God Himself Be For Me



If God him - self be for me, I may a host de - fy;
This I be - lieve, yes rath - er, of this I make my boast,
I build on this foun - da - tion: That Je - sus and his blood



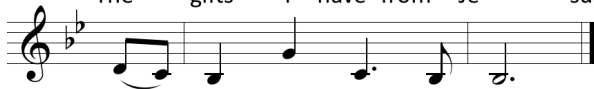
For when I pray, be - fore me my foes, con - found - ed, fly.
That God is my dear Fa - ther, my friend who loves me most,
A - lone are my sal - va - tion, my true, e - ter - nal good.



If Christ, my head and mas - ter, be - friend me from a - bove,
And that, what - e'er be - tide me, my Sav - ior is at hand
With - out him all that pleas - es is val - ue - less on earth;



What foe or what dis - as - ter can drive me from his love?
Through storm - y seas to guide me and bring me safe to land,
The gifts I have from Je - sus a - lone have price - less worth,



Can drive me from his love?
And bring me safe to land.
A - lone have price - less worth.

Invocation *Call to Worship*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Group: Amen

Confession of sins

Dear friends,

let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins,
asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.

For faithless worrying and selfish pride,

For sins of habit and sins of choice,

For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,

You should cast me away from your presence forever.

O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

silence for reflection

Declaration of Grace *through Christ*

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father
and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Hymn

If God Himself Be For Me

**No sin can now condemn me
Or set my hope aside;
Now hell no more can claim me,
Its fury I deride.
No sentence now reproves me,
No guilt destroys my peace;
For Christ, my Savior, loves me
And shields me with His grace,
And shields me with His grace.**

**My heart for joy is springing
And can no more be sad,
'Tis full of joy and singing,
Sees only sunshine glad.
The sun that cheers my spirit
Is Jesus Christ, my King;
The heav'n I shall inherit
Makes me rejoice and sing,
Makes me rejoice and sing.**

Lord Have Mercy *Kyrie Eleison*

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

Christ, have mercy.

For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

Amen.

Glory Be to God *hymn 621*

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven



1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; to his feet your
2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his peo - ple
3 Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble
4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; you be - hold him



trib - ute bring. Ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
in dis - tress. Praise him, still the same as ev - er,
frame he knows. In his hand he gent - ly bears us,
face to face. Sun and moon, bow down be - fore him;



ev - er - more his prais - es sing; Al - le - lu - ia,
slow to chide, and swift to bless, Al - le - lu - ia,
res - cues us from all our foes; Al - le - lu - ia,
all who dwell in time and space, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! praise the ev - er - last - ing King!
al - le - lu - ia! glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness!
al - le - lu - ia! wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows!
al - le - lu - ia! praise with us the God of grace!

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of angels and mortals. Mercifully grant that as your holy angels always serve and worship you in heaven, so by your direction they may help and defend us here on earth; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

First Reading *2 Kings 6:8-17*

⁸Now the king of Aram was at war with Israel. After conferring with his officers, he said, “I will set up my camp in such and such a place.”

⁹The man of God sent word to the king of Israel: “Beware of passing that place, because the Arameans are going down there.” ¹⁰So the king of Israel checked on the place indicated by the man of God. Time and again Elisha warned the king, so that he was on his guard in such places.

¹¹This enraged the king of Aram. He summoned his officers and demanded of them, “Tell me! Which of us is on the side of the king of Israel?”

¹²“None of us, my lord the king,” said one of his officers, “but Elisha, the prophet who is in Israel, tells the king of Israel the very words you speak in your bedroom.”

¹³“Go, find out where he is,” the king ordered, “so I can send men and capture him.” The report came back: “He is in Dothan.” ¹⁴Then he sent horses and chariots and a strong force there. They went by night and surrounded the city.

¹⁵When the servant of the man of God got up and went out early the next morning, an army with horses and chariots had surrounded the city. “Oh no, my lord! What shall we do?” the servant asked.

¹⁶“Don’t be afraid,” the prophet answered. “Those who are with us are more than those who are with them.”

¹⁷And Elisha prayed, “Open his eyes, LORD, so that he may see.” Then the LORD opened the servant’s eyes, and he looked and saw the hills full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



Psalm 91 sung in unison

Refrain

He who dwells in the Most High will
rest in the shadow of th'Al - mighty - y.

Psalm tone

He who dwells in the shelter of the / Most High
will rest in the shadow of the Al- / mighty.

I will say / of the LORD,

“He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in / whom I trust.”

Surely he will save you from the / fowler’s snare
and from the deadly / pestilence.

He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find / refuge;
his faithfulness will be your shield and / rampart.

Refrain

You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that / flies by day,
nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at / midday.
A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at / your right hand,
but it will not come / near you.

Refrain

If you make the Most High your dwelling—even the LORD, who is my / refuge—
then no harm will befall you, no disaster will come / near your tent.

For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in / all your ways;
they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot
a- / gainst a stone.

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,**

**as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen.**

Second Reading *Revelation 12:7–12*

⁷Then war broke out in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. ⁸But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven. ⁹The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.

¹⁰Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say:



“Now have come the salvation and the power
and the kingdom of our God,
and the authority of his Messiah.
For the accuser of our brothers and sisters,
who accuses them before our God day and night,
has been hurled down.

¹¹They triumphed over him
by the blood of the Lamb
and by the word of their testimony;
they did not love their lives so much
as to shrink from death.

¹²Therefore rejoice, you heavens
and you who dwell in them!
But woe to the earth and the sea,
because the devil has gone down to you!
He is filled with fury,
because he knows that his time is short.”

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



Gospel Acclamation *Psalm 103:20*

Alleluia.
Praise the Lord, you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding.
Alleluia.

Gospel Reading *Luke 10:17-20*

¹⁷The seventy-two returned with joy and said, “Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name.”

¹⁸He replied, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.

²⁰However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn 500 stanzas 1-7

Lord God, to You We Give All Praise



1 Lord God, to you we give all praise, with grate - ful
2 They shine with light and heav'n - ly grace and con - stant -
3 They nev - er rest nor sleep as we; their whole de -
4 The an - cient drag - on is their foe; his en - vy
5 As he of old de - ceived the world and in - to
6 A roar - ing li - on, round he goes, no halt nor
7 But watch - ful is the an - gel band that fol - lows



hearts our voic - es raise that an - gel hosts you did cre -
ly be - hold your face. They heed your voice, they know it
light is but to be with you, Lord Je - sus, and to
and his wrath they know. It al - ways is his aim and
sin and death has hurled, so now he sub - tly lies in
rest he ev - er knows; he seeks the Chris - tians to de -
Christ on ev - 'ry hand to guard his peo - ple where they



ate a - round your glo - rious throne to wait.
well; in god - ly wis - dom they ex - cel.
keep your lit - tle flock, your lambs and sheep.
pride your Chris - tian peo - ple to di - vide.
wait to un - der - mine both Church and state.
vour and slay them by his dread - ful pow'r.
go and break the coun - sel of the foe.

Sermon *Revelation 12:7-12*

Your God Has Ultimate Authority

Hymn 500 stanza 8

Lord God, to You We Give All Praise



8 O Lord, a - wak - en songs of praise for an - gel
hosts that guard our days; teach us to serve you and a -
dore as an - gels do for - ev - er - more.

Confession of Faith *Apostles' Creed*

The Apostles' Creed is a brief statement of gospel truths taught by the apostles.

This creed was created to teach and unite Christians in the truth of God's Word.

The Apostles' Creed can be found on page 197 of the hymnal.

Offering

Our offering is our reaction to God's Word. Do not feel obligated to give here, we are just thankful you are here. Your offerings here support the ministry here at this church, along with the mission work of our larger synod.

Prayer of the Church *for Veteran's Day*

Everlasting Protector and Defender, at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918 the guns of World War I went silent. To celebrate this armistice a holiday was made of this date. But, the world soon learned that the War to end all Wars did not. A series of wars followed with increased efficiency in killing. Thus the holiday was changed to honor everyone who has served in our nation's Armed Forces. We now call it Veterans Day.

We thank you, Lord, for our military veterans.

**Through them you have provided us with blessings
that people around the world envy.**

Lord of the Nations, we come before you with remembering hearts. We think of the many long rows of crosses marking the graves of those who died in service to our country.

We recognize that war and its weapons are not what you planned for this creation. We deplore the rebellion against you that brought this misery into our world. We confess that at times we, too, have joined in fighting against you and your ways.

God of our Fathers, in compassion for us you sent your Son into this world to establish peace between the holy triune God and the human race.

We thank you for the peace that we have with you because Jesus of Nazareth paid the price for all sin and rebellion. We especially rejoice to know that our guilt has been covered with that ransom price.

God of Grace and Glory, the pages of history reveal the undeserved mercy that you have shown to our land. Through centuries of wars, and threats of wars, you have preserved our nation. Our flag still flies high as a symbol of freedom and a beacon of hope to many.

We know this is not the result of our moral courage or our military might. It is your hand that has preserved us. It is your faithfulness that has shielded us.

You have granted to our nation sons and daughters who were willing to step forward in defense of our country. Whether draftee or volunteer, they did not fail to fall in for duty, nor did they desert their post. Some of them returned to us with broken bodies, others with wounded emotions. Some came back to us in caskets, and some lie buried far from their homeland.

Lord, we thank you for these people. We ask you to remind us of the debt we owe to them. We ask you to help us cherish the freedoms their sacrifices enable us to enjoy.

We also say a special prayer for the family and loved ones of those who have served or are serving.

Use us and others to bless and support them. In their times of uncertainty, grant them the peace that this world cannot give.

God and Savior, many of the fallen were serving in your army while they wore the uniform of our Armed Forces, and they named you as their ultimate Commander in Chief. We thank you for never forsaking them. **We thank you for delivering them from fields of combat to the pastures of the blessed.**

Be with our nation as it walks into the future. Correct, inspire, and guide it. **Lord God, please bless America.**
Amen

Hymn 770

God of Grace and God of Glory



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
 2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient Church's sto - ry,
 sail his ways. From the fears that long have bound us
 your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion



bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom,
 free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom,
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,



grant us cour - age for the fac - ing of this
 grant us cour - age for the liv - ing of these
 grant us cour - age lest we miss your king - dom's
 grant us cour - age, serv - ing you whom we a -



hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
 dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

Thanksgiving

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart, that being strengthened and comforted by your Holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

Amen.

Hymn 499

Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken



1 Christ, the Lord of hosts, un - shak - en by the dev - il's
 2 Mi - chael fought the heav'n - ly bat - tle, god - ly an - gels
 3 Long on earth the bat - tle ra - ges, since the ser - pent's
 4 Je - sus came, this word ful - fill - ing, tram - pled Sa - tan,
 5 Swift as light - ning falls the ty - rant from his heav'n - ly
 6 Je - sus, send your an - gel le - gions when the foe would



seeth - ing rage, thwarts the plan of Sa - tan's min - ions,
 by his side; warred a - gainst the an - cient ser - pent,
 first de - ceit twist - ed God's com - mand to Ad - am,
 death de - fied; bore the brunt of our temp - ta - tion,
 perch on high, as the word of Je - sus' vic - t'ry
 us en - slave. Hold us fast when sin as - saults us;



wins the strife from age to age; con - quers sin and
 foiled the beast, so full of pride, cast him earth - bound

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanks for joining us this morning!

Welcome, we are glad you joined us this morning! After the service, relax and enjoy some snacks. **Kids** can grab a snack and head downstairs for Sunday School! **Teens and adults**, we will gather back in the worship for a Bible Study.

Thank You to our Veterans

This past Friday our nation marked Veteran's Day. To those who have served or who are serving, thank you! And to those carrying the burden of a loved one serving, you all are in our prayers.



Sisters In Christ Advent Tea:

Sunday, December 4th @12:30pm
Join us for an afternoon of food, fellowship, and devotion. Please sign up outside of Pastor's office and specify if you are willing to bring anything. Sugar Bush, Belle Plaine, and Shawano have also been invited.

Book Club *Connecting Sinai to Calvary*

Don't miss out on the next Book club gatherings. We'll see you **THIS TUESDAY**, November 15th and Tuesday November 29th at 6:30pm!

Forward in Christ Magazines *by the church mailboxes*

The latest editions of the Forward in Christ magazines are available by the church mailboxes. Please take and share these great resources!

Advent Meals *Help Needed*

Like in years past, we would love to share a meal before the Wednesday night services. To do this, we need your help. If you are willing to help bring food for these light suppers, please let us know on the sign up sheet by Pastor's office. This will help us coordinate everyone's effort. It will be up to those who sign up to decide what to bring so you can play to your cooking/ordering strengths.

What a Blessing!!!

We were told by the WELS Extension Fund (who we have our mortgage with) that an anonymous donor has graciously offered our church a matching opportunity. The anonymous donor will match your donations for paying off the mortgage from now until the end of the year, up to a total of \$20,000.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. PAUL

November 15 Tuesday

Book Club @6:30pm

November 16 Wednesday

Open Office @10am-12 noon

Catechism Class @ 5:30pm

November 20 Sunday

Worship Service @9am

Sunday School @10:15am

Bible Study @10:15am

November 23 Wednesday

Open Office @10am-12 noon

Thanksgiving Eve Service @6:30pm

November 26 Saturday

Men's Breakfast Bible Study @6am

Christmas Decorating @10am-12 noon

November 27 Sunday

Worship Service @9am

Sunday School @10:15am

Bible Study @10:15am

November 29 Tuesday

Catechism Class @ 5:30pm

Book Club @6:30pm

Big Events

**Thanksgiving Eve
Worship Service**
November 23rd

**Advent Midweek
Services**
*starting Wednesday,
November 30th*

~THE LORD WILING~

<p>Sunday, November 6th Attendance: 80 Offered: \$5,094.00 General Fund: \$3,372.00</p> <p>Mortgage Matching Total: \$15,081.52 given <i>so far from our congregation before matching</i></p>	<p><i>Snacks this week</i> Nancy F Amanda R</p> <p><i>Ushers this week</i> Dave S Chad D Steve S</p>	<p><i>Snacks next week</i> Ann L Linda M</p> <p><i>Ushers next week</i> Todd T Aaron W Greg M Dustin L</p>	<p><i>Communion Help:</i> November: Aaron Warnke</p> <p><i>Communion Clean Up</i> Lizzie B 11/20 Jeannie S 11/20 Crystal R 12/4 Joan M 12/4</p>
<p>Shut In Visitors</p>	<p>November: Angie Boughton</p>	<p>December: Gansters</p>	