

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

11:00am

July 5, 2026



I Struggle with Sin, Yet Rest in The Lord

AS WE GATHER

Paul is talking to himself in today's Epistle, for although he knows what's right, he finds it virtually impossible to do. That's because he (and all of us) have this sickness called sin, for which we ourselves have no antidote. Worse, it keeps producing evil symptoms in our thoughts, words, and deeds. As a result, we are both sick in spirit and tired from struggling. Zechariah foresaw the solution; we can see his prophecy fulfilled as Jesus entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, there to die for us and rise victorious. In the Gospel, our Lord thanks our heavenly Father for revealing to us that He is indeed the One we need to overcome our sickness of sin. Indeed, thanks to our Savior, as David penned in the psalm, that when people call out to Him, God hears their cry and saves them.

PRELUDE

WELCOME – Pastor Christopher Fairbairn

RINGING OF THE BELL

What A Day That Will Be

Verse 1

There is coming a day
 When no heartaches shall come.
 No more clouds in the sky,
 No more tears to dim the eye.
 All is peace forevermore
 On that happy golden shore.
 What a day, glorious day, that will be!

Chorus

What a day that will be
 When my Jesus I shall see,
 When I look upon His face
 The One who saved me by His grace.
 When He takes me by the hand
 And leads me to the Promised Land;
 What a day, glorious day, that will be!

Verse 2

There'll be no sorrow there,
 No more burdens to bear,
 No more sickness, no more pain,
 No more parting over there.

And forever I will be
 With the One who died for me.
 What a day, glorious day, that will be!

Chorus

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 The One who saved me by His grace.
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INVOCATION

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

People: Amen!

OPENING SENTENCES *Zechariah 9:9*

Pastor: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

People: Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

Pastor: Behold, your king is coming to you;

People: righteous and having salvation is He.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Matthew 11:28; Romans 7:21, 24*

Pastor: By ourselves, we are not righteous and cannot free ourselves; our only hope is to be given Christ's righteousness and thereby be saved. Let us therefore confess our sins to God, our heavenly Father.

Pastor: Merciful God,

People: I confess to You and in the presence of my brothers and sisters that I daily sin much and deserve nothing but punishment. Not only am I by nature sinful and unclean, but also with St. Paul, "I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?"

Pastor: Jesus said, "Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." He offers full and free pardon for all your sins and even your sinful condition. By His death and resurrection, He provides rest, not only from physical turmoil and emotional stress; in Him, we find rest for the soul! As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Lord Jesus, whose yoke is easy and burden light, who has promised that we will find rest for our souls,

People: when we are weary, strengthen our resolve; when disheartened, lift our spirits; and when opposed on all sides, surround us with Your strong love,

Pastor: for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

✠ WORD ✠

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Zechariah 9:9–12* (Through the prophet, **the Lord promises an end to spiritual warfare.**)

The Coming King of Zion

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

Behold, your king is coming to you;

righteous and having salvation is he,

humble and mounted on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰ I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall speak peace to the nations;

his rule shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹ As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

¹² Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;

today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *Romans 7:14–25a* (Unable to stop sinning, Paul finds deliverance only in Jesus Christ.)

Reader: ¹⁴ We know that the law is spiritual,

People: *but I am unspiritual, sold as a slave to sin.*

Reader: ¹⁵ I do not understand what I do.

People: *For what I want to do I do not do, but I hate to do.*

Reader: ¹⁶ And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good.

People: ¹⁷ *As it is, it is no longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me.*

Reader: ¹⁸ For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature.

People: *For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out.*

Reader: ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want to do,

People: *but the evil I do not want to do – this I keep on doing.*

Reader: ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it,

People: *but it is sin living in me that does it.*

Reader: ²¹ So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me.

People: ²² *For in my inner being I delight in God's law;*

Reader: ²³ but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me.

People: *What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death?*

ALL: *Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord!*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please Stand

VERSE *Matthew 11:28*

Reader: Alleluia. Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden,

People: **and I will give you rest. Alleluia.**



HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 11:25–30* (Jesus invites His hearers to come to Him for true rest.)

²⁵ At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶ yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸ Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**



THE APOSTLES CREED / We Believe

In this time of desperation
When all we know is doubt and fear,
There is only one foundation:
We believe, We believe.

In this broken generation
When all is dark, You help us see.
There is only one salvation;
We believe, We believe.

Chorus
We believe in God the Father.
We believe in Jesus Christ.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,

And He's given us new life.

We believe in the crucifixion.
We believe that He conquered death.
We believe in the resurrection,
And He's coming back again. We believe.

Verse 2

So, let our faith be more than anthems,
Greater than the songs we sing,
In our weakness and temptations
We believe, We believe!

Chorus

We believe in God the Father.
 We believe in Jesus Christ.
 We believe in the Holy Spirit,
 And He's given us new life.

We believe in the crucifixion.
 We believe that He conquered death.
 We believe in the resurrection,
 And He's coming back again,

Bridge

Let the lost be found, and the dead be
 raised;
 in the here and now let love invade.
 Let the church live loud! Our God will
 save.

We believe! We believe!

And the gates of hell will not prevail,
 for the pow'r of God has torn the veil.
 Now we know Your love will never fail.
 We believe! We believe!

Chorus

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 We believe in Jesus Christ.
 We believe in the Holy Spirit,
 And He's given us new life.

We believe in the crucifixion.
 We believe that He conquered death.
 We believe in the resurrection,
 And He's coming back, He's coming
 back again!

We believe, We believe!

MESSAGE – Pastor Christopher Fairbairn

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ and everyone in their circumstances. Zechariah promised that the coming One would “speak peace to the nations.” Lord over all, move the leaders of the world’s nations to seek and find common ground so that peace breaks out across borders and displaced persons are able to return to their homes. Protect and guide armed forces deployed abroad and all who keep the peace within their nations and communities. We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,

People: and there find rest for our souls.

Pastor: Psalm 145 proclaims that “Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,” O God, but we also give You thanks for this temporal nation and the blessings You have so graciously bestowed on us through it. Here we have found prosperity and peace; here we may respond to Your love and offer You our thanks and praise. In Your mercy, continue to use the powers that be in this

world to give us the freedom we enjoy. We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,

People: and there find rest for our souls.

Pastor: David looked for the day when "one generation shall commend Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts." Guide, protect, and direct the Church's leaders, heavenly Father, so that many people hear of Your ancient promises, the deliverance of Your people from Egypt, Your Son's entry into history as one of us, and His sacrifice for our sins and victorious resurrection, opening heaven to all who call on You in faith. We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,

People: and there find rest for our souls.

Pastor: Paul confessed, "I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate." O Holy Spirit, hear the cries of those trapped in their various addictions, burdened with criminal records, and mired in societies of fear and terror. Surround them with faith-based organizations and compassionate counselors so that they find strength and opportunity to turn their lives around, praising You for gracious deliverance. We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,

People: and there find rest for our souls.

Pastor: Jesus invited, "Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Listen to the prayers of those near and dear to us with problems of health or finances or mourning loved ones or failed relationships. Use medical professionals, trained advisers, and loving neighbors, so that they look forward to the blessings You have in mind for them in Your wisdom and mercy. We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,

People: and there find rest for our souls.

Pastor: Into Your hands we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

If you brought your offering today, you are welcome to leave it in the offering box you will find at the back of the church. **Thank you.**

We invite our guests and members to fill out our Friendship Card during worship, which is found on the back of the pew. Please leave your card at the end of the pew near the center aisle as you leave.

Stand

Offertory



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

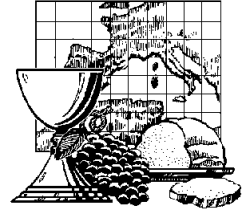
People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.



THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Please see our communion policy stated on the inside front cover.

THE DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION WINE: For those who may not be able to take regular wine, we offer non-alcoholic wine, which is the light-colored wine in the center of the communion tray.

++ We offer **Gluten-free** wafers upon request. ++

What An Awesome God

Verse 1

God is great
give Him all the praise
Hallelujah Name above all Names

Fire in His eyes
healing in His veins
Everywhere His glory on display

Take a look at those stars
He can name them all
Before His throne every knee falls

The demons have to run
the angels have to praise
Even the wind and waves obey

Chorus 1

Our God is an awesome God
He reigns from heaven above
With wisdom power and love
Our God is an awesome God (2X)

Verse 2

And even when I ran
He didn't run away
He came and put death back in its place

Friday on a cross
broken for my shame
Sunday morning rose up from that grave

Take a look at those scars
on His hands and feet
He saved our souls for eternity

Worthy is the Lamb
glory to the King
Oh let all the saints and the angels sing

Chorus
Our God is an awesome God
He reigns from heaven above
With wisdom power and love
Our God is an awesome God (2X)

Verse 3
Eyes on the sky
there will be a day
He will come and wipe our tears away

No more fear
no more pain
No more sorrow sin or shame

The King is coming back again
A reign of love that will never end
For everything You've done
and everything You do
And everything You are
I'll sing to You

Chorus
Our God is an awesome God
He reigns from heaven above
With wisdom power and love
Our God is an awesome God (2X)

Tag
Our God is an awesome God
Our God what an awesome God

Song of the Saints

This we believe that we have a Father
Creator who was and who is and will be
Who sent us His Son and poured out His
Spirit
With power to heal resurrect and redeem
The song of the saints forever will be

Chorus
Glory to God the Father
Glory to Christ the Risen One
All hail the King
With Heaven sing hallelujah

Verse 2
This we believe that we have a Savior
Jesus the Christ for our sin crucified

Yes we believe that on the third morning
Gone was the stone for He rose back to
life
Forever He reigns let His praise fill the
skies

Chorus
Glory to God the Father
Glory to Christ the Risen One
All hail the King
With Heaven sing hallelujah

Amen, Amen
Amen, Hallelujah

Bridge 1

We believe in the saving gospel
 We believe in the living word
 We believe in the Holy Spirit
 Moving in His holy church

We believe in the King of Heaven
 We believe that Jesus is coming again
 Hallelujah amen

We believe in the blood that washes
 We believe in the cross that saves
 We believe that the curse is broken
 Buried in that borrowed grave

We believe in the resurrection
 We believe that Jesus is coming again

Hallelujah amen
 Hallelujah

Chorus

Glory to God the Father
 Glory to Christ the Risen One
 All hail the King
 With Heaven sing hallelujah

Amen, Amen
 Amen, Hallelujah (2X)

Verse 3

This we believe our King is returning
 And He will wipe every tear from our eyes
 Our crowns at His feet His throne at the center
 The song of the saints forever will rise ...
 Amen

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament,

People: and we implore You that, rested and refreshed, we leave to serve You with all that we are and have, and bring Your invitation of rest to all whom we meet;

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you with rest and keep you in His care.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and invigorate you for service in His name.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace today
and always.

People: Amen.

THE INVITATIONS

Unashamed

Verse 1

Three brothers in a fire,
Willing to die for their faith.
But You were with them in the fire,
And they walked out the next day.
And Daniel met a lion
Because he chose to pray.
But You shut the mouth of that lion
And he walked out the next day.

Pre-Chorus

(So) What's gonna be said of me
When it's all said and done?
Will I stand for my beliefs?
Will I turn around and run?
Well, let the whole world hear me say

Chorus

I'm unashamed
Of the gospel of Jesus Christ,
And the truth that changed my life,
For the Name above all Names.

I'm unashamed
And I will live my faith out loud,
Take a stand and stand my ground
For the One who took my shame.
I'm unashamed

Verse 2

I don't answer to the crowd,
I answer to a King.
So, the louder they shout,
Oh the louder I sing, yeah.

Pre-Chorus

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Bridge

At the name of Jesus,
Ev'ry knee will bow.
And ev'ry tongue confess,
So let it start right now.

Before You come back, Lord,
Before the rocks cry out.
I will lift my praise,
Let it start right now.

Chorus

I'm unashamed
Of the gospel of Jesus Christ,

And the truth that changed my life,
For the Name above all Names.
I'm unashamed
And I will live my faith out loud,

Take a stand and stand my ground
For the One who took my shame.
I'm unashamed (2X)



Need some PRAYER? Anyone who desires special private prayer with a pastor or a Stephen Minister may do so by coming forward after service to one of the front pews.

Our Vision — a place to come for comfort, support, answers, opportunities to serve, and to strengthen a salvation relationship with Jesus



WHERE WE SERVE

Preacher / Officiant
Music Director

Pastor Christopher Fairbairn
Paul Ventimiglia

Family Life

Jeanette Koch

Elder

Bob McGuigan

Ushers

Mark Baumgarten
Patrick Baker

Greeter

Krauter Family

Counters

Katie Helmick
Carole Crete

Welcome Center

Patrick Baker

Tech Team

Shibu George

Altar Society

Nancy Berg
Michael Huskey
Elyse Huskey

Acolyte

Luke Donaldson

Praise Team

Kurt Menhart
Hannah Hughes
Sarah Hughes
Chris Englert
Linda Johnson
Alexandra Vago (Bass Gtr)

Remember Our Homebound

Joyce Carr
1066 Washington Circle
Northville, MI 48167

Bible Study and Small Group Opportunities

SUNDAYS: Join us for Bible study and fellowship @ 9:45am in the church Parish Hall.

SATURDAYS: Men's Bible Study – Every 1st and 3rd Saturday @ 9:00am – Parish Hall

Attendance Last week: 6.28.2026– Attendance – 8:30am –112 + 11:00am – 73 = 185

Received week of 6.28.2026 for **Church** (Envelopes + loose plate)- **\$19,362.50** total includes online giving
School - \$0



Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers

One vase in honor of my wife Pat's birthday from Bob McGuigan.

One vase in honor of our 60th wedding anniversary from Dennis and Kathy Verseman.

Please arrange to pick up your flowers after the 11 am service.

5	JUL, SUN	● 8:30 – 9:30am	Worship with Communion
		● 9:45 – 10:45am	Sunday School & Youth Bible Study
		● 7 – 9pm	Adult pick up basketball - check notes for availability school gym
6	JUL, MON	● 5 – 6pm	Board of Social Ministry Ladies Lounge
		● 6 – 7pm	Board of Elders parish hall
		● 6 – 7pm	Board of Trustees classroom #3
7	JUL, TUE	● All day	Jane Dough Baking Co. -Kitchen Rental
		● 5 – 8pm	Family of God Dinner
		● 6:30 – 7:30pm	School Board Mtg. Room 2
8	JUL, WED	● All day	Jane Dough Baking Co. -Kitchen Rental
		● 5:30 – 7pm	Board of Evangelism - Parish Hall
		● 7 – 9pm	Northville Swim Club (NSC) Room #3
9	JUL, THU	● All day	Jane Dough Baking Co. -Kitchen Rental
		● 4:30 – 5:30pm	Choir Practice
		● 5:45 – 7pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal - church
10	JUL, FRI	● All day	APPALACHIAN SERVANT EVENT (Day 1/14)
		● 7 – 9pm	AA Mtg. church parish hall
		● 9 – 11:30pm	Yuta Basketball Rental gym
11	JUL, SAT	● All day	APPALACHIAN SERVANT EVENT (Day 2/14)
		● All day	Men's Bible Study Parish Hall

St. Paul Endowment Fund News It is amazing to think that the St. Paul Endowment Fund began in 2011 with a single gift of just **\$1,000**. Through God's blessings and the generosity of our congregation, the Fund has continued to grow and support meaningful ministry opportunities.

As of **June 19, 2026**, the Endowment Fund balance stands at **\$110,879.42**. Even after making grant distributions this year, the Fund has continued to grow, ensuring that it will continue to provide lasting support for the ministries of St. Paul for generations to come.

We are now in our **fifth year of awarding grants**. Since the program began, the Endowment Fund has awarded more than **\$19,285** in grants to support ministry, outreach, education, and facility improvements.

Grants Awarded in the First Half of 2026 (\$2450 in remaining grant dollars for 2026, application window opens in October)

- Bible Quizzing – **\$500**
- Mission Trip – **\$1,500**
- LWML Convention – **\$1,000**

Previous Endowment Fund Grants Have Supported:

- National Youth Gathering (Texas)
- Belize Mission Trip
- Protect Young Eyes Technology Event
- Handbell Choir Storage Cases
- New Church Website
- Science & Chemistry Learning Materials
- Christmas Decorations
- Church Roof
- Church Administration Office Construction
- VBS T-Shirts
- Church Sign Refurbishment
- Marketing & Ministry Materials

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Endowment Fund over the years. Every gift—large or small—is an investment in the future of St. Paul. Your generosity continues to make a lasting impact by supporting ministries that strengthen our church, serve our community, and share Christ's love with others.

Please continue to keep the Endowment Fund in your prayers and consider making a gift as you are able. Together, we are building a legacy of faithful stewardship that will bless St. Paul for generations to come.

Regards,
Vicki Filipiak

At the LWML Convention at the end of June, new Mission Grants in the amount of \$281,250 were approved for the 2026-2028 Biennium. The first grant approved is called “CTSFW Food Co-op Purchase Food for Seminary Students – Concordia Theological Seminary Fort Wayne” in the amount of \$15,000. The CTSFW Food Co-op provides up to 85 percent of student families’ monthly grocery needs at no cost to them. This is a tremendous blessing for families operating on a student budget. Operating as an actual cooperative, each family volunteers monthly to receive points used to purchase grocery items. The Co-op spends approximately \$7,000 a month on fresh produce, eggs, milk, cheese, ground beef, and other grocery items to fill the shelves. The Co-op has taken away the concern for the men and women who answered God’s call to serve Him and you. The month of July is also one of the four months that MITES are collected. Look for the large MITE box in the narthex this month. Thank you for your generous support of MITES over the years.

Salem’s Annual God & Country song celebration with Pastor Rene Kaufman will take place Sunday July 5th at 2:30pm. Location is Whalen Lake in Hartland. All are welcome to attend a 1:00pm chapel service with a potluck meal following. You may want to bring a chair for the outdoor song event. Any questions please call Sue Mai at 248-349-7660. This is a special event as we celebrate the 250 years of our nation’s Independence.



“To Emily Edick: The St. Paul aftercare students want to thank you for all the great games and toys you donated to our collection. We appreciate your generosity and have enjoyed everything you donated. May God richly bless you!”

On Sunday, July 26th, AWPC is hosting an exciting event - *The Praise In The Park* Benefit Concert at Shiawassee Park in Farmington, featuring popular national Christian Rock Group **SANCTUS REAL**. We're looking for a couple volunteers to sit behind our SPL Marketing Sponsorship display table, during the event hours of 4:00 - 7:00 pm, to hand out church and school promo materials and answer questions.

Anyone interested in helping at this fun event please contact Claudia Williamson at Claudia.Williamson@comcast.net

The FAMILY OF GOD meal on Wednesday, June 17th, went very well. Chris and Jeff Henning did the shopping for us. Mark Potter prepared his 'famous' pulled pork barbeque for us. Michelle Benson prepared her 'famous' coleslaw dressing. Rachel and Matthew George helped Barbara with all the rest of the ingredients for our menu: Pulled Pork on buns, green beans, coleslaw, potato chips, bananas, brownies, and beverages. Nancy Berg cut up two watermelons for us for a beautiful presentation. Our brownie bakers were: Alison Babic, Anne Burgess, Karen Frusti, Gretchen Hasse, Megan Kutz, and Sue Poole. Curtis Kalina, Doug and Nancy Berg, Barbara and Will Hoffmeier took the meal down and served about 75 people, with 120 meals for the record. It was very much appreciated and they are so grateful to us for coming to their mission. ***Our designated fund is getting a little low so if you would like to participate in this ministry by paying for our groceries, please write a check to "St Paul's Lutheran Church" and on the MEMO line put "Family of God Meals."*** Thank you all for your support.



Barbara was contacted by the pastors of FOG (Family of God) that they didn't have anyone come to serve a meal on Tuesday, June 30th. She was going down for a Board of Directors meeting anyway that evening, so she offered to help. They wanted to learn how to prepare the chicken pasta salad that Sue Poole coordinates for our summer menus on the first Tuesday of the month. Barbara purchased the groceries out of our FOG designated account, and prepped some things ahead of time, then had the local volunteers in the kitchen

prepare the 8 casseroles to serve. Pastor Nick, Pastor Alex, Deacon Paul, Susan Hill (Pastor Jim's wife), and Michelle enjoyed the process and got the meal out in an hour. They ended up getting a notebook with our menus and shopping lists so if they need to do the meal themselves, it's a possibility. The stove at the facility was removed six months ago for safety reasons and it will take thousands of dollars to replace with all the fire regulations so it's 'on hold.' They depend on their Church Partners to provide the meals but need additional support. ***Please keep the mission in your prayers and if you could make a donation, mail a check to: Family of God, Inc. P.O. Box 801 Mount Clemens, MI 48043.***



Wild Card Bible Quizzing Tournament

This FREE Bible Quizzing tournament will be hosted at **St. Paul Church**. There is **no age limit**. Join us **Saturday, September 12, 2026 @ 12PM-5PM!** The material will be 8 random chapters from the Gospel of John (randomly selected 1 week before the tournament). No prior knowledge of the material is required. All ages welcome on teams of 3 people each.

For info or to register, visit biblequizzing.azurewebsites.net/Tournaments or talk to Jake Fairbairn <jakecfairbairn@gmail.com>, (248) 231-9684>.