

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 14, 2025



Rescuing the Wanderers

AS WE GATHER

The charge against Jesus was always the same—He keeps the wrong company. But Jesus has come for sinners, and if you are not a sinner, He does not have anything for you. To emphasize why He has come, our Lord tells the stories of ninety-nine sheep left behind to find one who is lost and a woman who rejoices over finding one lost coin. You are that lost sheep and lost coin for whom Christ has come and in whom heaven rejoices.

True to our broken nature, we all wander away from our Shepherd's provision, wrongly assuming we can find our own way. We all stand in need of rescue! Thank the Shepherd for coming to your rescue. His death and resurrection are proof that He never gives up on us! He pursues His wanderers. Finding us and claiming us, He carries us home. And that's exactly where He gathers us today: at home in His presence so that He, our Shepherd, can fill us, His sheep, with His love and mercy.

WELCOME – Pastor Christopher Fairbairn

RINGING OF THE BELL

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy



1 Bap-tized in - to Your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, here You take me To be hence-forth Your
 3 My faith - ful God, You fail me nev - er; Your prom - ise sure - ly
 4 All that I am and love most dear-ly— Re - ceive it all, O



Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,
 child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, here You make me
 will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er
 Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;



A - mong Your saints, Your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and
 The fruit of all Your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,
 If words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I
 Help me Your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I



dead to sin, Your Spir - it now shall live with - in.
 com - fort me When threat-'ning clouds a - round I see.
 come de - filed; For - give, lift up, re - store Your child.
 am or own Serve an - y will but Yours a - lone.

INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: You shall love the Lord your God

Women: *with all your heart.*

Pastor: You shall love the Lord your God.

People: *with all your soul.*

Pastor: You shall love the Lord your God.

Men: *with all your strength*

Pastor: You shall love the Lord your God.

People: with all your mind.

Pastor: You shall love the Lord your God

People: and your neighbor as yourself. *Luke 10:27, adapted*

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,

People: for His steadfast love endures forever.

CONFESSION OF OUR SINS and FORGIVENESS

Pastor: As sheep who have wandered from the Shepherd, we all have turned from the Lord in our disobedience to His commands.

People: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

Pastor: Confident in the pursuit of our Shepherd, Jesus, for those who wander from Him, let us confess our sins to God our Father. Together, we pray:

People: Good Shepherd, we are Your wandering people. We need You. We need Your love. We need Your forgiveness. We need Your pursuit of us all. Guide us back into the fold of Your care that we be cleansed of our sins. Create in us hearts to worship You in truth and follow Your Word, which alone gives us life. Amen.

Pastor: In the mercy of almighty God, we are redeemed by Jesus Christ. In Him, our Good Shepherd, who laid down His life for us all, we are fully and freely forgiven. Receive this forgiveness today as you, like wandering sheep, are drawn back into His rescuing mercy. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis



- C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
 2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!
 O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
 You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
 Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
 In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray. Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Ezekiel 34:11–24 (The Lord promises to rescue His sheep and to set up a shepherd who will lead them to eternal life.)*

¹¹ "For this is what the Sovereign Lord says: I myself will search and find my sheep. ¹² I will be like a shepherd looking for his scattered flock. I will find my sheep and rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on that dark and cloudy day. ¹³ I will bring them back home to their own land of Israel from among the peoples and nations. I will feed them on the mountains of Israel and by the rivers and in all the places where people live. ¹⁴ Yes, I will give them good pastureland on the high hills of Israel. There they will lie down in pleasant places and feed in the lush pastures of the hills. ¹⁵ I myself will tend my sheep and give them a place to lie down in peace, says the Sovereign Lord. ¹⁶ I will search for my lost ones who strayed away, and I will bring them safely home again. I will bandage the injured and strengthen the weak. But I will destroy those who are fat and powerful. I will feed them, yes—feed them justice!

¹⁷ "And as for you, my flock, this is what the Sovereign Lord says to his people: I will judge between one animal of the flock and another, separating the sheep from the goats. ¹⁸ Isn't it enough for you to keep the best of the pastures for yourselves? Must you also trample down the rest? Isn't it enough for you to drink clear water for yourselves? Must you also muddy the rest with your feet? ¹⁹ Why must my flock eat what you have trampled down and drink water you have fouled?

²⁰ "Therefore, this is what the Sovereign Lord says: I will surely judge between the fat sheep and the scrawny sheep. ²¹ For you fat sheep pushed and butted and crowded my sick and hungry flock until you scattered them to distant lands. ²² So I will rescue my flock, and they will no longer be abused. I will judge between one animal of the flock and another. ²³ And I will set over them one shepherd, my servant David. He will feed them and be a shepherd to them. ²⁴ And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David will be a prince among my people. I, the Lord, have spoken!

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

FIRST READING 1 Timothy 1:12-17 *(The letters to Timothy are called the Pastoral Epistles because they contain advice especially intended for leaders in the church. Here the mercy shown to Paul, who once persecuted the church, is cited as evidence that even the most unworthy may become witnesses to the grace of God.)*

Reader: ¹² I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength to do his work. He considered me trustworthy and appointed me to serve him, ¹³ even though I used to blaspheme the name of Christ. In my insolence, I persecuted his people. But God had mercy on me because I did it in ignorance and unbelief. ¹⁴ Oh, how generous and gracious our Lord was! He filled me with the faith and love that come from Christ Jesus.
¹⁵ This is a trustworthy saying, and everyone should accept it:
 "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners"

People: —and I am the worst of them all. ¹⁶ But God had mercy on me so that Christ Jesus could use me as a prime example of his great patience with even the worst sinners.

Reader: Then others will realize that they, too, can believe in him and receive eternal life. ¹⁷ All honor and glory to God forever and ever! He is the eternal King, the unseen one who never dies; he alone is God. Amen.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 15:1-10 *(Jesus tells two stories that suggest a curious connection between the lost being found and sinners repenting. God takes the initiative to find sinners, each of whom is so precious to God that his or her recovery brings joy in heaven..)*

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. ² But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them."

³ Then Jesus told them this parable: ⁴ "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? ⁵ And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders ⁶ and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.' ⁷ I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

The Parable of the Lost Coin

⁸ "Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Doesn't she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.' ¹⁰ In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.



THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

633 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

- 1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing
Praise to our victorious King,
Who has washed us in the tide
Flowing from His pierced side.
Alleluia!
- 2 Praise we Him, whose love divine
Gives His sacred blood for wine,
Gives His body for the feast—
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.
Alleluia!
- 3 Where the paschal blood is poured,
Death's dread angel sheathes the sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Alleluia!
- 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
Paschal victim, paschal bread;
With sincerity and love
Eat we manna from above.
Alleluia!

MESSAGE – Pastor Christopher Fairbairn

- 6 Now no more can death appall,
Now no more the grave enthrall;
You have opened paradise,
And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: The Lord says through His prophet: "I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak." Confident in the care of our faithful Shepherd, let us bring our thanksgivings, requests, and intercessions before our Father's throne of grace.

Faithful Shepherd, You are so good to us. Even when we stray from Your presence through disobedience to Your commands, You bring us back into Your presence through the good news that we have received in this time of worship.

People: Grant that we treasure all we possess in the Gospel of Christ.

Pastor: Guiding Shepherd, You lead us with Your mercy that we may dwell in Your presence forever. Salvation is found solely in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Enable us to bring the good news of His life, death, and resurrection to all souls for whom He offered His life.

People: Enable us to open our lips and declare Your wonders to the world.

Pastor: Loving Shepherd, You care for all You have made, for all the world is Yours. Grant that those who are broken in heart, mind, and spirit find refreshment in Your presence. Open our eyes to the needs of our neighbors, for in them we see You.

People: Give us hearts to serve others with the mercy You give to us all.

Pastor: Healing Shepherd, You bind up the wounds of those who suffer in both soul and body. [*Today we lift up before You . . .*] Whatever the need and whatever the circumstance, draw Your sheep into the fold of Your care that they receive the healing You desire for them.

People: Open our eyes to see Your healing hand at work.

Pastor: As sheep who trust in their faithful Shepherd, we bring these prayers, along with all the unspoken prayers of our hearts, before You.

People: In Jesus' name we pray. 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.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

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.

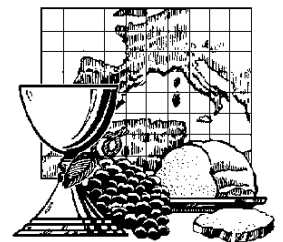
People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

THE 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.

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. ++

The Lamb

- 1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice?
Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price! Refrain

ref Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

- 2 The Lamb, the Lamb,
One perfect final offering.
The Lamb, the Lamb,
Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.
Refrain

- 4 He sighs, He dies,
He takes my sin and wretchedness.
He lives, forgives,
He gives me His own righteousness.
Refrain

- 3 The Lamb, the Lamb,
As wayward sheep their shepherd kill
So still, His will
On our behalf the Law to fill.
Refrain

- 5 He rose, He rose,
My heart with thanks now overflows.
His song prolong
Till ev'ry heart to Him belong.
Refrain

We Praise You, O God

1 We praise You, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor;
2 We wor - ship You, God of our fa - thers, we bless You;
3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer



In grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
Through tri - al and tem - pest our guide You have been.
And glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.



We lay it be - fore You, we kneel and a - dore You;
When per - ils o'er - take us, You will not for - sake us,
With You, Lord, be - side us, Your strong arm will guide us.



We bless Your ho - ly name, glad prais - es we sing.
And with Your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.
To You, our great Re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

Salvation unto Us Has Come

- 1 Salvation unto us has come
By God's free grace and favor;
Good works cannot avert our doom,
They help and save us never.
Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone,
Who did for all the world atone;
He is our one Redeemer.
- 2 What God did in His Law demand
And none to Him could render
Caused wrath and woe on ev'ry hand
For man, the vile offender.
Our flesh has not those pure desires
The spirit of the Law requires,
And lost is our condition.
- 3 It was a false, misleading dream
That God His Law had given
That sinners could themselves redeem
And by their works gain heaven.
The Law is but a mirror bright
To bring the inbred sin to light
That lurks within our nature.
- 4 From sin our flesh could not abstain,
Sin held its sway unceasing;
The task was useless and in vain,
Our guilt was e'er increasing.
None can remove sin's poisoned dart
Or purify our guileful heart—
So deep is our corruption.
- 5 Yet as the Law must be fulfilled
Or we must die despairing,
Christ came and has God's anger stilled,
Our human nature sharing.
He has for us the Law obeyed
And thus the Father's vengeance stayed
Which over us impended.
- 6 Since Christ has full atonement made
And brought to us salvation,
Each Christian therefore may be glad
And build on this foundation.
Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead,
Your death is now my life indeed,
For You have paid my ransom.
- 7 Let me not doubt, but truly see
Your Word cannot be broken;
Your call rings out, "Come unto Me!"
No falsehood have You spoken.
Baptized into Your precious name,
My faith cannot be put to shame,
And I shall never perish.
- 8 The Law reveals the guilt of sin
And makes us conscience-stricken;
But then the Gospel enters in
The sinful soul to quicken.
Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live;
The Law no peace can ever give,
No comfort and no blessing.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray. Merciful Father, Your own dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, rose victorious over death and the grave. He has accomplished salvation for us and brought us from being no people to being Your people. Bring to completion all that He began, that our sorrows be turned to joy and we be strengthened in faith and live in confident hope of the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

THE INVITATIONS**Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing**

1 Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing,
Fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us each, Your love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us; O refresh us,
Trav'ling through this wilderness.

2 Thanks we give and adoration
For Your Gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of Your salvation
In our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful
To Your truth may we be found.



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	Pastor Christopher Fairbairn
Officiant	Pastor Jim Frusti
Minister of Music	Paul Ventimiglia
Family Life Director	Jeanette Koch
Elder	Tom Poole
Greeter	Kreucher Family
Welcome Center	Tim Haubenstricker
Ushers	Jerry Krause Ron Breuhan Marty Jenter Mike Huskey Elyse Huskey
Altar Society	Jan Paver Lisa Fairbairn
Tech Team	Corey Kovocho
Coffee Hour	OPEN

Bible Study and Small Group Opportunities

WEDNESDAYS: Women's Bible Study- Wednesdays @ 9:30am in the church Parish Hall.

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: 9.7.2025– Attendance – 10am - 112

Received week of 9.7.2025- for Church (Envelopes + loose plate)- **\$15,464** total includes online giving School - **\$3,533.38**

Altar Flowers

One vase in honor of their 15th wedding anniversary and in memory of Ted Edmond's birthday on the 18th from Rich and Cher Johnson.

One vase in memory of her mother, Patricia Delleree, from Charleen Hill

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

Remember Our Shut-Ins

Marlene Shoebridge
303 Pennell
Northville, MI 48167

14	SEP, SUN	● 8:30 – 9:30am	Worship w/Communion
		● 9:45 – 10:45am	Sunday School & Youth Bible Study
		● 11am – 12pm	Worship
		● 7 – 9pm	Adult pick up basketball school gym
16	SEP, TUE	● 10am – 2pm	School Hot Lunch - Kitchen
		● 5:45 – 6:45pm	Little League BQ Practice - Parish Hall
		● 6:30 – 7:30pm	Stephen Ministry Meeting room #5
		● 7 – 8pm	JV/Varsity BQ Practice - Parish Hall
17	SEP, WED	● 9:30 – 10:30am	Ladies Bible Study -Church Parish Hall
		● 5 – 9pm	Family of God Mission Dinner Kitchen 2-5pm 7354 Whittaker St
18	SEP, THU	● All day	Jane Dough Baking Co. School Kitchen
		● 10am – 2pm	School Hot Lunch - Kitchen
		● 4:30 – 5:30pm	Choir Practice
		● 5:45 – 7pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal - church
19	SEP, FRI	● All day	Jane Dough Baking Co. School Kitchen
		● 7 – 9pm	AA Mtg. church parish hall
20	SEP, SAT	● All day	Men's Bible Study Parish Hall
		● All day	Jane Dough Baking Co. School Kitchen

Be part of the St. Paul group in support of AWPC at the Fall Banquet



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A Story of Life and Hope



Thursday, October 23, 2025 | 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Italian American Banquet Center
39200 Five Mile Road
Livonia, Michigan 48154

Featuring Keynote Speaker
Rebekah Hagan

Rebekah's powerful story of reversing a chemical abortion and choosing life for her son is a testament to courage and redemption.

St. Paul has 3 tables reserved so we can sit together. The tickets are \$50 until October 1. If you reserve through McGuigans you can avoid the service charge and we will add you to our list. We are ready to take reservations. If you are paying by check, write the check out to Pat McGuigan (not AWPC) for \$50 per ticket or pay cash and your meal choice of either chicken or vegetarian. Questions contact Bob @ 734-751-3018 or Pat @ 734-718-8597.



The Board of Social Ministry will be sending Care Packages to college students again this year. Please submit your students name and address to ckoch2rn@gmail.com by September 29th. Any questions contact Charleen Hill – 248-982-3330.

Another MOST eyeglass mission trip is currently being planned for April of 2026. More details will be coming soon, but we are establishing an email contact list for anyone who would like to be kept informed about the mission as we go forward. This is not only for people considering going on the trip but also for anyone who might want to be involved with supporting the team from home in other ways. There is no commitment so if you would like to be on the contact list, please forward your email address to Chris Burgess at chris.burgess917@gmail.com.

We have an exciting opportunity to help fund the 2026 MOST eyeglass mission trip. Some very generous members of our St. Paul family have offered the rental of their 2 bedroom 2 bath condo at the Sands of Kahana Resort in Maui, Hawaii over Thanksgiving week (Nov 21-28). The rent will be donated in support of our April mission trip. The condo sleeps 6 and would be a wonderful way to spend a family Thanksgiving holiday in beautiful Hawaii! Here is the Sands of Kahana website: <https://www.sandsofkahanaresort.com>. For more information, please contact Barbara Hoffmeier bhoffmeier3@gmail.com.

September 2 was our last summer meal at Family of God for 2025. In October we serve our hot tamale casserole which is a favorite. Our cold Cheesy Pasta Casserole makers were Bill & Janet Kovalak, Julia Smith (also driver), Pat McGuigan (also server), Gretchen Hasse, Claudia Williamson (also server), Cindi Gliesman, Kathy Verseman and Mary Lou Jaussi. We took over 100 buttered (which we used from the refrigerator) rolls that Anne Burgess and Missy Kruecher supplied, all of them were gone! Katy Baetz-Matthews supplied 3 big bags of chips, we really watched our serving size and we ran out, so we need to bump up our quantity next summer. They love their chips. Beth & Chuck Hempel cut up 3 watermelons which they loved it, the pan was empty but it served everyone that wanted some. Our beverages Chocolate & White Milk and 2 gallons of drinks Marti Gilchrist purchased for us and a case of water by Michele Benson. We received an abundance of dessert which was nice to give an extra cookie if asked for, we had a few left over that we brought to rally day. Our dessert suppliers were Michele Benson, Carolyn Nieuwkoop, Missy Kruecher, Janise Faeber and Dean Siskonen (the Hershey kisses man). Marcy loaded up our paper products, think they shrunk the size of our Gordon Food Bags, it was overflowing and Jeanette helped in Margo's absence to be our kitchen organizer. Pat was excited to see her young helper, she found out his name is Brandon, nice young man and so willing to serve. We discovered his dad was there as well. We served 104 plus meals that night. We had a great night and the drive back and forth was very pleasant, Julia does a nice job getting us down and back, thank you Jesus. We also thank Jesus for all of you that help us. We appreciate your support and so does the community at Family of God. May God Bless all of you.



SAVE THE DATE
DETROIT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE
BOOTS ON THE GROUND
5th ANNUAL FALL SERVICE DAY



WHEN: September 27 9 am – 12 pm

WHERE: 19370 Greenfield, Detroit 48235

WHAT: Outside clean up, possible painting & whatever needs to be done.

BRING: Rakes, clippers, trimmers, etc., and very important work gloves

Every little bit helps even if you can't stay for the whole 3 hours

ANY QUESTIONS: Contact Pat McGuigan (734) 718-8597 or
 pking1252@gmail.com

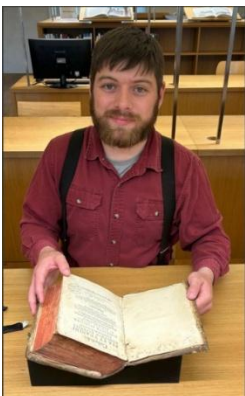
Also: Last year we realized how refreshing a donut and beverage break was mid morning so you might want to bring a lawn chair or camping stool.



“Many hands make light work”

As we all head back from a beautiful summer and think about school and all the activities that start up with fall, let's remember this month's Women in Christ mission grant entitled Gospel Building for a Child's Future (Hands of Mercy) for \$14,500. This grant supports the students of Lutheran congregations which are supported by an expanded Hands of Mercy training center at Yambio, South Sudan. The grant enables the students to gain Bible literacy through using My First Catechism and includes workbooks and children's Bibles. The classrooms will be fitted for children's safety and improved learning environments and will have wooden desks and white boards. The Women in Christ graciously thank you for helping us fulfill our mission grants over the years.

WELCOME COLIN NASH



If you would like to write to our new adopted seminary student you can send mail and other encouragement to: 6333 North Rosebury, apt 2E Clayton, Mo 63105
 Or email him at: nashcolin549@gmail.com

BUY-A-BRICK FUNDRAISER



**You can choose Memorial
or Honorium brick
to support the new church sign.
Cost of each brick will be
\$125.00 (\$6 extra for symbol)
We will be laying the brick garden in
front of the new sign.
More information to follow**



St. Paul Bible Quizzing - Kids & Adult Volunteers Needed!

This year we'll be learning Paul's letters of 1&2 Corinthians. Kids in 2nd-12th grade are welcome to join. Membership at St. Paul is not required. All experience levels welcome (no prior Bible knowledge required!). Practices will be in the church Parish Hall on Tuesdays @ 6:45PM (2nd-6th grade) or @ 7PM (7th-12th grade), starting August 26. Competitions are 2nd Saturdays from October to March.

Adult volunteers are also needed! No knowledge of the material or Bible Quizzing rules is required. We just need lots of helpers who are good with kids to help at 1 practice each week and monthly competitions!

Interested in quizzing or volunteering? Talk to Jake Fairbairn
<jakecfairbairn@gmail.com, (248) 231-9684>.



Sunday School - Sunday School classes for children in grades PreK – 6th grade begin on Sunday, September 14, 2025, and are held from 9:45 a.m. – 10:50 a.m. in Room 5 in the school. If you have any questions about Sunday School class, please see Mrs. Goodman - (248) 662-7580. If you have any questions about praise music for children at St. Paul church, please see Mrs. Huggins – (248) 787-4080. Confirmation class is for those in grades 7 – 8 and is held in Room 3 in the school starting at 10:00 a.m. If you have any questions, please see Jeanette Koch or Pastor Chris. The High School Sunday Morning Class (grades 9-12) will begin meeting (in our new room #13 located in the lower level of the school.) next Sunday September 21 @9:45am. Come check out our new space!
