

# St. Paul Lutheran Church of Catonsville

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A SOWER WENT OUT TO SOW...

The 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
July 16, 2023



If you are a guest with us today, we extend a special welcome in the name of Jesus! If you have questions or prayer requests or want to get in touch with us, please sign the guest book in the lobby (or use this QR code) or email or call.



**Children's Bulletins** are available in the lobby.

**Service Live-streamed In The Learning Center** Turn right when you leave the sanctuary and follow the hall around to The Learning Center if you need a break during the service.

**Prelude:** Please use the prelude as a time for quiet prayer and meditation before worship.

**Prayer before Worship:** *Give me joy, dear Jesus, as I prepare to worship you today. Make me understand what my life would be like without you so that I long to hear about your grace and compassion. Help me participate in a way that honors you and builds up all who worship with me, and let their worship strengthen and encourage my faith. Amen.*

### **For Those Who Desire to Receive the Lord's Supper**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at St. Paul in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. (Non-alcoholic wine is available in the center of the communion trays.)

**Guest Organist:** Thank you to Diane Jaeger for playing for today's service.

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# The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

## July 16, 2023

**Prelude: Fairest Lord Jesus**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Diane Jaeger, Guest Organist

**David Hegarty (b. 1945)**

Paul Manz (1919-2009)

### 686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

LSB 686



1 Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to  
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer, Hith - er by Thy  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con -  
4 Oh, that day when freed from sin - ning, I shall see Thy



sing Thy grace; Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,  
help I've come; And I hope, by Thy good plea - sure,  
strained to be; Let that grace now like a fet - ter  
love - ly face; Clothed then in the blood - washed lin - en,



Call for songs of loud - est praise. While the hope of end - less  
Safe - ly to ar - rive at home. Je - sus sought me when a  
Bind my wan - d'ring heart to Thee: Prone to wan - der, Lord, I  
How I'll sing Thy won - drous grace! Come, my Lord, no long - er



glo - ry Fills my heart with joy and love, Teach me  
strang - er, Wan - d'ring from the fold of God; He, to  
feel it; Prone to leave the God I love. Here's my  
tar - ry; Take my ran - som'd soul a - way; Send Thine



ev - er to a - dore Thee; May I still Thy good - ness prove.  
res - cue me from dan - ger, In - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.  
heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts a - bove.  
an - gels soon to car - ry Me to realms of end - less day.

# Confession and Absolution

## Invocation

*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**

## Exhortation

*Hebrews 10:22; Psalm 124:8; Psalm 32:5*

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
C **who made heaven and earth.**
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

## *Kneel/Sit*

### Confession of Sins

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,  
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

## Absolution

*[John 20:19–23]*

- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**

## *Stand*

## Service of the Word

### Kyrie

*Mark 10:47*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

# Gloria

LSB 946



1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,  
△ 3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Of heav'n - ly joy and earth - ly peace we sing.  
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.  
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,  
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,  
Who with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - mighty - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.  
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.  
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

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## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

C **Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Sit

## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 55:10–13*

<sup>10</sup>“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven  
and do not return there but water the earth,  
making it bring forth and sprout,  
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,  
<sup>11</sup>so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;  
it shall not return to me empty,  
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,  
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.  
<sup>12</sup>“For you shall go out in joy  
and be led forth in peace;  
the mountains and the hills before you  
shall break forth into singing,  
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.  
<sup>13</sup>Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;  
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;  
and it shall make a name for the LORD,  
an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm (*sung responsively*)

*Psalm 65:5-8; antiphon: v. 5*

<sup>5</sup>By awesome deeds you answer us with righteousness,  
O God of our sal- | vation,\*  
**the hope of all the ends of the earth  
and of the | farthest seas;**  
<sup>6</sup>the one who by his strength established the | mountains,\*  
being girded | with might;  
<sup>7</sup>**who stills the roaring of the seas,  
the roaring | of their waves,\***  
the tumult of the | peoples,  
<sup>8</sup>so that those who dwell at the ends of the earth are in awe | at your signs.\*  
**You make the going out of the morning and the evening to | shout for joy.**  
**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.**

<sup>5</sup>By awesome deeds you answer us with righteousness,  
O God of our sal- | vation,\*  
**the hope of all the ends of the earth**  
**and of the | farthest seas;**

## Epistle

*Romans 8:12–17*

<sup>12</sup>So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh.  
<sup>13</sup>For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup>The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

## Stand Alleluia



☐ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



☐ These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



☐ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 13:1–9, 18–23*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. <sup>2</sup>And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. <sup>3</sup>And he told them many things in parables, saying: “A sower went out to sow. <sup>4</sup>And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. <sup>5</sup>Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, <sup>6</sup>but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. <sup>7</sup>Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. <sup>8</sup>Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. <sup>9</sup>He who has ears, let him hear. . . .

<sup>18</sup>“Hear then the parable of the sower: <sup>19</sup>When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path. <sup>20</sup>As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, <sup>21</sup>yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away. <sup>22</sup>As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. <sup>23</sup>As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*Sit*



# 577 Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast

LSB 577



1 Al - might - y God, Your Word is cast Like  
2 Let not the sly sa - tan - ic foe This  
3 Let not the world's de - ceit - ful cares The  
4 So when the pre - cious seed is sown, Life -



seed in - to the ground; Now let the dew of  
ho - ly seed re - move, But give it root in  
ris - ing plant de - stroy, But let it yield a  
giv - ing grace be - stow That all whose souls the



heav'n de - scend And righ - teous fruits a - bound.  
ev - 'ry heart To bring forth fruits of love.  
hun - dred - fold The fruits of peace and joy.  
truth re - ceive Its sav - ing pow'r may know.

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## Sermon

### Stand

### Nicene Creed

**C I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life T of the world to come. Amen.**

## **Prayer of the Church**

### **Offering**

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## Offertory

LSB 956

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.

Text: Psalm 51:10-12

Tune: Johann Georg Winer, 1583-1651, adapt.

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## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]*

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san - na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

### **Lord's Prayer**

**C 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 Our Lord**

**P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."**

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### **Pax Domini**

**P The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
C Amen.**

# Agnus Dei

John 1:29

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,

Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Sit



Solo: Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent

LSB 621

JB Jaeger, soloist

894 For the Fruits of His Creation

LSB 894

1 For the fruits of His cre - a - tion, Thanks be to God.  
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.  
3 For the har-vests of the Spir - it, Thanks be to God.



For His gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, Thanks be to God. For the  
 In the help we give our neigh-bor, God's will is done. In our  
 For the good we all in - her - it, Thanks be to God. For the



plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, Si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,  
 world - wide task of car - ing For the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,  
 won - ders that as - tound us, For the truths that still con - found us,



Fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, Thanks be to God.  
 In the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.  
 Most of all, that love has found us, Thanks be to God.

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## 921 On What Has Now Been Sown

LSB 921



1 On what has now been sown Thy bless - ing, Lord, be - stow;  
 2 To Thee our wants are known, From Thee are all our pow'rs;  
 3 O grant that each of us, Now met be - fore Thee here,



The pow'r is Thine a - lone To make it sprout and grow. Do Thou  
 Ac - cept what is Thine own And par - don what is ours. Our prais -  
 May meet to - geth - er thus When Thou and Thine ap - pear And fol -



in grace the har - vest raise, And Thou a - lone shalt have the praise!  
 es, Lord, and prayers re - ceive, And to Thy Word a bless - ing give.  
 low Thee to heav'n, our home. E'en so, a - men, Lord Je - sus, come!

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Stand  
Post Communion Blessing

Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29–32

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;  
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.



## Post-Communion Collect

- A Let us pray. . . .  
C **Amen.**

## Benedicamus

*Psalm 103:1*

- A Let us bless the Lord.  
C **Thanks be to God.**

## Benediction

- P 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 T give you peace.  
C **Amen.**



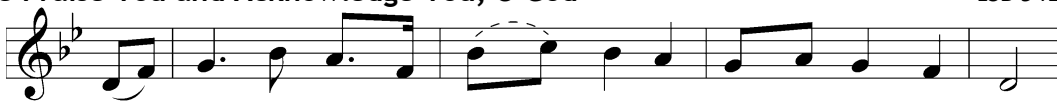
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941 We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God

LSB 941



1 We praise You and ac - knowl - edge You, O God, to be the Lord,  
 2 The band of the a - pos - tles in glo - ry sing Your praise;  
 3 You, Christ, are King of glo - ry, the ev - er - last - ing Son,  
 4 You sit in splen - did glo - ry, en - throned at God's right hand,



The Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing, by all the earth a - dored.  
 The fel - low - ship of proph - ets their death - less voic - es raise.  
 Yet You, with bound - less love, sought to res - cue ev - 'ry - one:  
 Up - hold - ing earth and heav - en by forc - es You com - mand.



To You all an - gel pow - ers cry a - loud, the heav - ens sing,  
 The mar - tyrs of Your king - dom, a great and no - ble throng,  
 You laid a - side Your glo - ry, were born of vir - gin's womb,  
 We know that You will come as our Judge that fi - nal day,



The cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim their prais - es to You bring:  
 Sing with the ho - ly Church through - out all the world this song:  
 Were cru - ci - fied for us and were placed in - to a tomb;  
 So help Your ser - vants You have re - deemed by blood, we pray;



“O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
 “O all - ma - jes - tic Fa - ther, Your true and on - ly Son,  
 Then by Your res - ur - rec - tion You won for us re - prieve—  
 May we with saints be num - bered where prais - es nev - er end,



Your maj - es - ty and glo - ry fill the heav - ens and the earth!”  
 And Ho - ly Spir - it, Com - fort - er— for - ev - er Three in One!”  
 You o - pened heav - en's king - dom to all who would be - lieve.  
 In glo - ry ev - er - last - ing. A - men, O Lord, a - men!

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**Postlude:** Ceremonial March

David Hegarty (b. 1945)

Diane Jaeger, Guest Organist

## News & Notes

### Altar Flowers

Flowers on the altar today are given by Jeffrey Hemmeter in celebration of his and Marcella's 19<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

### Summer Sunday Morning Bible Studies

Sunday morning Bible class meets in the fellowship hall every Sunday at 8:45 a.m. Each week will feature one stand-alone class. There will be a table set up with children's activities if you would like to attend and yet supervise your child during the Sunday School hour. Upcoming topics and teachers:

July 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Good Seed, Bad Seed and More - Lessons for the Day	Kevin Dungey
July 30 <sup>th</sup>	Deborah	Bill Oldhouser
August 6 <sup>th</sup>	Digital Missionaries	guest – Simon Seow

### Mission Trip

The dates for the mission trip to Western Kentucky are scheduled for the week of September 3<sup>rd</sup> through the 8<sup>th</sup>. There are four spots remaining on the team. If you are able to join the trip, please contact Pastor Alms ASAP. They will be available to the first 4 people who ask. You do not need to be a member of St. Paul to join the mission trip.

### Newsletter Deadline

Articles for the August newsletter are due on July 24<sup>th</sup>, email them to [dana.stigdon@splscatonsville.org](mailto:dana.stigdon@splscatonsville.org).

### Serving at St. Paul

	This week	Next week
<b>Cantor</b>	JB Jaeger	Jim Baeder
<b>Reader</b>		Suzanne Giguere
<b>Usher</b>	Brian Erwin	Cameron Jones
<b>Usher</b>	Jay Barringer	Chris Meyer
<b>Greeter</b>	Pat Wesselman	Melissa Sunstrom

**Daily Readings:** *Jul 16:* Judg 16:4–30, Gal 4:12–31; *Jul 17:* 1 Sam 1:1–20, Gal 5:1–26; *Jul 18:* 1 Sam 1:21–2:17, Gal 6:1–18; *Jul 19:* 1 Sam 2:18–36, Acts 15:22–41; *Jul 20:* 1 Sam 3:1–21, Acts 16:1–22; *Jul 21:* 1 Sam 4:1–22, Acts 16:23–40; *Jul 22:* 1 Sam 5:1–6:3, 10–16, Acts 18:1–11, 23–28.

# Prayer List

## CHURCH MEMBERS

Paula Staudinger (home, in hospice care)  
David Nguyen (back issues)  
Anna Keener (broken arm)  
Joyce Waibel (knee pain)  
Debbie Frech (cancer, chemotherapy treatments)  
John Gay (cancer)  
Lindsey Gay (pain management)  
Bruce Staudinger (strength and grace as Paula's full time caregiver)  
Marilyn Haberl (scleroderma)



## SHUT-INS

Mildred Klein, Betty Blackburn, and Janet Conklin.

## FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Don Whipps, husband of a volunteer ESL teacher (lung cancer) 7/23  
Nancy Reider, mother of Pam Peigols (prayers for quick recovery following recent bowel surgery)  
Ron and Kathy, daughter and son-in-law of the Kyne's (Covid) 7/9  
Tyler Stevenson, Erwin family member (pray for Tyler's bone marrow functions to improve and increase in numbers and for recovery from mononucleosis) 6/25  
Walt O'Reilly, husband of Renata (cancer) 6/4

## A Prayer for Our Synod in Convention, Meeting July 29 - Aug 3:

Heavenly Father, pour out the blessing of Your Holy Spirit on all delegates and church leaders who will assemble this summer in Your name. Give wisdom to those who propose, deliberate, and decide for the work and welfare of our Synod. Guard all who speak and all who listen. Give us courage to do with integrity what we promise. Bless our plans and actions and grant success.

Only let our manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ. Lead us to stand firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, not frightened in anything by our opponents.

Grant that, for the sake of Christ, we may be counted worthy not only to believe in Him and His cross, but also bear our crosses and suffer for His sake. For He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen

Prayer is a gift and privilege for Christians. To add people to the prayer list printed in the bulletin, please email [pastoralms@stpaulcatonsville.org](mailto:pastoralms@stpaulcatonsville.org) or [dana.stigdon@splscatonsville.org](mailto:dana.stigdon@splscatonsville.org) or call the church office at 410-747-1897.