



July 18, 2021

**Eighth Sunday after
Pentecost**

At Home Devotions
St. Paul's Lutheran
Church
Closter, New Jersey

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

- 1. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto Me and rest;
Lay down, O weary one, lay down Your head upon My breast."
I came to Jesus as I was, So weary, worn, and sad;
I found in Him a resting place, And He has made me glad.**
- 2. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
The living water, thirsty one; Stoop down and drink and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank Of that life giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, And now I live in Him.**
- 3. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;
Look unto Me, your morn shall rise, And all your day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found In Him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk Till trav'ling days are done.**

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889

Pastor Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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.**

I Will Rely on Him

by Tom Hokanson

1. When I am hurried, when I am worried,
Jesus, My Shepherd, cares.
Through ev'ry sorrow, today and tomorrow,
Jesus, My Shepherd, cares.
2. When I'm in danger or meet a stranger,
Jesus keeps watch o'er me.
In second chances and tough circumstances,
Jesus keeps watch o'er me.

REFRAIN

**I will rely on Him in troubles great or small.
Jesus, Good Shepherd, loves you and me.
For us He gave His all**

3. When I need a shoulder, as I grow older,
My Shepherd leads me on.
Among other voices, when making choices,
My Shepherd leads me on. *REFRAIN*

4. When I am hurried, when I am worried,
I will rely on Him.
Through ev'ry sorrow, today and tomorrow,
I will rely on Him.
I will rely, I will rely, I will rely on Him.

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IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We remember our nation and many nations, as terrorism remains a threat, and service in Afghanistan continues to be a danger. We pray for the safety of both soldiers and civilians in Afghanistan, and around the world. We pray for peace in the Mideast. We pray for God's help and protection for persecuted Christians throughout the world. We pray for victims of natural disasters throughout the world. We pray for victims of violence (and their loved ones) around the world. We pray for our nation and world as we continue in care in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

We pray for our church leaders and their loved ones, and our sister churches and their outreach: Rev. Matthew Harrison, our Synod President; Rev. Dr. Tony Steinbronn, our District President; our newly elected District President, Rev. Stephen Gewecke, and the African Immigrant congregations and missions. We pray for Rev. Dan Fenco and the Camino De Fe mission, Rev. Matt and Nyssa Lytikainen and Mile Square Church in Hoboken, Rev. Matthew Hass (pastor of Village Lutheran Church in Lanoka Harbor, NJ), and Naomi Vogt (serving as a teacher in Shanghai). We pray for Rev. Bob and Kristi Roegner, missionaries in Israel. We pray for the Comfort Dog Ministry at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Old Bridge. We pray for Lutheran Hour Ministries. We pray for St. Paul's families. We pray for St. Paul's youth and their parents. We pray for St. Paul's Sunday School. We pray for St. Paul's Bible Studies. We pray for those suffering from addiction.

We pray for those serving in the military: Capt. John Beddoe, Capt. Mark Buckman, Maj. Jake Butz, Cmdr. Jeff Dermody, Brian Grotz, Rolly Jarmin, Capt. Timothy Kuppler, Cmdr. Jeffrey Morin, T. Sgt. Ruth Presto, 2nd Lt. Matthew Rojas, Laura Scott, Capt. Rance Thompson, 2nd Lt. John Trainor, Lt. David West and Shane Wojnar, serving with the Armed Forces (and all who serve in the Armed Forces).

We pray for our college and graduate students: Arianna Cavalli, Valerie Costeniuc, Sam del Corral, Lauren Graesser, Megan Hamlett, Alison Keil, Casey and Courtney Luikert, Giulia Nicolai, Brianna Ross, Emily Sposa, and James Steindl.

We pray for help, healing and God's loving care in the lives of our loved ones: Ron Cavalli, Bette Eifert, Jenna Forbes, Janet Holsten, Christopher Huss, June Kuhn, Lois Lake, Doris Lange, Pastor Ed Lazarchak, Fran Lelkendey, Ruth McReynolds, Michael Pierro, George Ross, Gloria Rubner, Richard Ruhl, Irma Schmuck, and Anna Zulli

NEWS AND NOTICES

ST. PAUL'S MISSION OF THE MONTH is Lutheran Social Ministries.

ST. PAUL'S SEMI-ANNUAL ELECTION was held on May 11, 2021. There are still a few vacancies. People are needed to assist in Social Action/Christian Fellowship. And help is needed in Christian Education—especially as we look forward to opening up our Sunday School programs in the Fall. Please prayerfully consider ways in which you might serve.

THE 2021 FLOWER CHART is in the Narthex. You can sign up there or complete the form and mail it back to St. Paul's or email Lisa Bujas, Altar Guild, (LBujas@aol.com) to order online. Be sure to specify date and dedication.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

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| Sunday, July 18 | 10:00 AM – Worship Service |
| | 10:15 AM – Online Devotions |
| Tuesday, July 20 | 7:30 PM --- Council Meeting on Zoom |
| | 8:00 PM – Al Anon |
| Wednesday, July 21 | 1:00 PM -- Bible Study at Ann Cavalli's house |