

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN
CHURCH AND SCHOOL**

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Welcome!

We are glad you are worshipping today!

Fellowship: Refreshments available in the Gathering Hall Sundays 9am-10:45am.

Holy Communion: Celebrated during all Worship Services on the first, third & fifth weekends each month.

Parents With Children: Children's bulletins & Busy Bags are available. There is a quiet room in the back of church.

We Care Cards: Everyone attending is asked to complete a card found in the pew rack and collected during worship.

Volunteers (Acolytes, Live-stream & PowerPoint help): Sign-up at tinyurl.com/SPLsignups.

Traditional Worship

*Saturday 5pm

Sunday 8am | Sunday 11am (Outdoor)

Monday 6:30pm

Contemporary Worship

*Sunday 9:30am

*Live-streamed at:

splgraffton.org/church/livestream &
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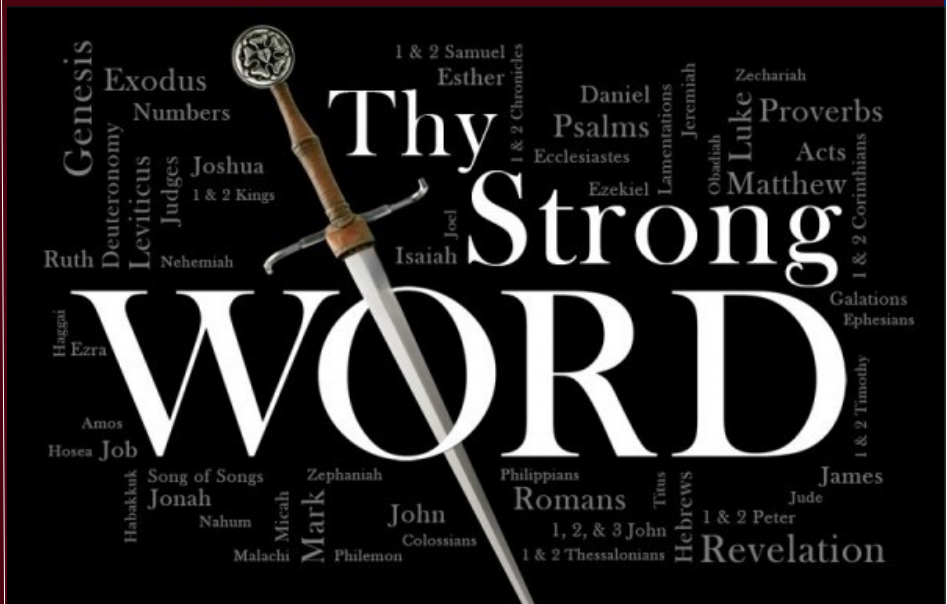
Servant Leaders:

Pastor: Luke Anderson
Pastor: Jacob Schultz
Pastor of Care Ministry: Timothy Maschke
Pastor Emeritus: Larry Prah
Pastor Emeritus: John Suelflow
Pastor Emeritus: Kenton Wendorf
Principal: Michael Yurk
Director of Music: Valerie Bremer
DCE: Tracy Krueger

**EQUIPPING
Every Generation
to Live Rooted
in JESUS**



**EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
July 14, 2024**



AS WE GATHER...In today's Old Testament Reading, the prophet Amos, though previously a herdsman and dresser of sycamore figs, must speak, for the Lord has called him. His word of judgment is only part of the message; in other places, he calls people to choose the Lord and live and also announces a great reversal. It is dangerous being a prophet, as John the Baptist learned in the Holy Gospel. But we know the end of the story: before creation, we were destined to salvation, as we read in the Epistle. Whatever we face, our faith tells us to listen to what the Lord has to say before paying attention to any other voice. "He will speak peace to His people" (*Psalm 85:8*).

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

LIGHTING OF CANDLES and RINGING OF THE BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS (*Offerings may be placed in collection box near the exits. We Care Cards collected during sermon hymn.*)

HYMN “Thy Strong Word”

LSB 578, St. 1-4

INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

BAPTISM (5pm) *Warren Milo Zentner*

PSALM RESPONSE

Psalms 85:1–7

Pastor: LORD, You were favorable to Your land; You restored the fortunes of Jacob.

People: You forgave the iniquity of Your people; You covered all their sin.

Pastor: You withdrew all Your wrath; You turned from Your hot anger.

People: Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away Your indignation toward us!

Pastor: Will You be angry with us forever? Will You prolong Your anger to all generations?

People: Will You not revive us again, that Your people may rejoice in You?

Pastor: Show us Your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us Your salvation.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the LORD,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: If You, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

People: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

People: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

HYMN “Thy Strong Word”

LSB 578, St. 5 & 6

SALUTATION and PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. O Lord, You gave such faith to Your prophets that they listened and boldly spoke what they heard You say to them. Confident of Your salvation, grant that we hear what You have to say now and that we speak words of conviction, comfort, and peace in a world that desperately needs them; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Amos 7:7–15 Amos boldly speaks for the Lord against Amaziah and Jeroboam. (Holy Bible p. 977)*

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *Ephesians 1:3–14 God made our salvation certain before the creation of the world. (Holy Bible p. 1241)*

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE *Matthew 5:10*

Pastor: Alleluia. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,

People: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL *Mark 6:14–29 Herodias gets John the Baptist's head. (Holy Bible p. 1070)*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.

People: (sung) Glory to You, O Lord.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: *(sung)* **Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON HYMN "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

LSB 656

SERMON "Thy Strong Word," by Pastor Anderson based on Amos 7 and Mark 6.

APOSTLES' CREED *(see screens or back cover of LSB)*

OFFERTORY HYMN "Almighty God, Your Word is Cast"

LSB 577

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *(see screens)*

LORD'S PRAYER *(see screens or back cover of LSB)*

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

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.

CLOSING HYMN "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

LSB 660

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CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE–9:30am

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC "Praise"

WELCOME *(Offerings may be placed in collection box near the exits. We Care Cards collected during opening song.)*

INVOCATION

OPENING SONG "Every Hour," "Honey in the Rock"

CONFESSION and WORD OF FORGIVENESS

SONG OF PRAISE "Gratitude"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

WORD OF GOD *Amos 7:7–15 (Holy Bible p. 977)*

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS / LORD'S PRAYER

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BLESSING

CLOSING SONG "Praise"

July 14, 2024
OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE–11am

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME (*Offerings may be placed in collection boxes on the sidewalk.*)

INVOCATION

OPENING SONG “Your Words”

1 Let me hear Your words above all other voices
Above all the distractions in this world
Let me hear Your words above all other voices
Above all the distractions in this world

Pre-Chorus

For Your words bring life, and Your voice speaks promises
Lord Your love offers more than anything else in this world

Chorus:

Your words give us life that's never ending
Your words bring us love that never fails
Ev'rything else will fade away, but what will remain are Your words

2 That I speak Your words more than ours more than ever
Let us share Your love with all the world **Chorus**

Bridge

The grass will wither and the flowers will fall
But the word of our God will last forever
The grass will wither and the flowers will fall
But the word of our God will last forever

Chorus

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CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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People: (spoken) Glory to You, O Lord.

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People: (spoken) Praise to You, O Christ.

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.

HYMN “Thy Strong Word”

LSB 578, St. 1-3, 5

1 Thy strong word did cleave the darkness;
At Thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank Thee,
While Thine ordered seasons run.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

3 Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous;
Bright with Thine own holiness,
Glorious now, we press toward glory,
And our lives our hopes confess.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

2 Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness,
Dark as night and deep as death,
Broke the light of Thy salvation,
Breathed Thine own life-breathing breath.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory,
Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
Throats that shout the hope that fills us,
Mouths to speak Thy holy name.
Alleluia, alleluia!
May the light which Thou dost send
Fill our songs with alleluias, Alleluias without end!

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SERMON “Thy Strong Word,” by Pastor Anderson based on Amos 7 and Mark 6.

PRAYERS (*The pastor will end each prayer with “Lord, in Your mercy,” and the congregation will respond, “hear our prayer.”*)

LORD’S PRAYER

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

LSB 656, St. 1, 3-4

1 A mighty fortress is our God,
A trusty shield and weapon;
He helps us free from ev’ry need
That hath us now o’ertaken.
The old evil foe
Now means deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might
Are his dread arms in fight;
On earth is not his equal.

3 Though devils all the world should fill,
All eager to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill;
They shall not overpower us.
This world’s prince may still
Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none.
He’s judged; the deed is done;
One little word can fell him.

4 The Word they still shall let remain
Nor any thanks have for it;
He’s by our side upon the plain
With His good gifts and Spirit.
And take they our life,
Goods, fame, child, and wife,
Though these all be gone,
Our vict’ry has been won;
The Kingdom ours remaineth.

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**PASTOR WENDORF’S WEEKLY DEVOTION
PRAY FOR ME**

We have not ceased to pray for you.
Colossians 1:9

When asked to pray for someone in a very difficult situation, what do you pray? This can be especially true with a long term illness or when a tragedy strikes. God’s Word gives us great guidance. Looking at these words for Colossians 1:11: “May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.” These words beautifully encapsulate our thoughts for those who are facing trials. Note how they point to the promise of our eternal inheritance one day, when all the challenges and trials of life will be over. What a great petition to keep in mind when you are asked to “Pray for me.”

*You are welcome to contact Pastor Wendorf to share your thoughts regarding his weekly devotions:
pastor.wendorf@splgraffton.org*

MINISTRY EXPANSION BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE

Our ministry expansion program continues to move forward. In the month of June, the Building Committee reported the following progress:

- Completed final construction drawings and specifications
- Submitted plans and specifications to the State of Wisconsin for review
- Received State of Wisconsin approval on footing & foundation drawings
- Finalized utility easement with Providence Place for underground sanitary sewer extension
- Included complete facility update of the fire alarm system based on Village fire department feedback
- Received sign-off from the Village of Grafton on Plan Commission and Village Board approval conditions
- Continued contractor bidding and confirming required budget

In addition, the Finance Committee has remained focused on finalizing the external loan request. They have also been working with those interested in promissory notes. If you are still interested in a promissory note, please reach out to Jason Hasenstein (920) 226-0743 jason.hasenstein@splgraffton.org or Jean Steinke (262) 377-4659 jean.steinke@splgraffton.org.

Please continue to visit the Every Generation Faithful Together website for more information splgraffton.org/faithfultogether

SUNDAY MORNING RELIGIOUS ED HOUR

9:30am–Family Life Center

July 14 + 21

Unpacking Decision Theology
Rev. Dr. Randall Ferguson

July 28

Luke 5:1-11: Christian Leadership Tests
Dr. Jim Pingel

ST. PAUL ADULT SENIOR MINISTRY EVENT

The St. Paul Adult Senior Ministry Group is hosting a trip on the Edelweiss for a 90 minute boat tour of Port Washington on **Thursday, July 18, leaving for Port at 1:15pm from Providence with the boat leaving at 2pm.** The Port Washington Historical Society will accompany guests on the tour and provide a narrated tour throughout the duration of the cruise. There will be a cash bar available as well as light concession snacks for purchase. We have 12 tickets available, so if you are interested be sure to sign up right away!

Cost: \$32/person cash.

SUMMER BIBLE CLASS AT PROVIDENCE PLACE

**Wednesdays, July 17– August 14
6:30-7:30pm**

Topic: The Book of Daniel
Led by: Pastor Prahl



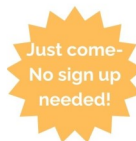
Rooted Women

Summer of Service

Monday, July 15 6:30pm

at Ozaukee Nonprofit Center

2360 Dakota Drive Grafton



Join us for a devotion & help organize the Baby Bank which provides baby supplies to needed families in Ozaukee County

Ladies, meet at Ozaukee Nonprofit Center at 2360 Dakota Drive, Grafton. Please wear comfortable clothes. we will be organizing the baby bank storage area. We hope to see you there!

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPERS NEEDED!



Sunday school for children ages 3 through 5th grade will be starting up again in September. In order to make Sunday school a success we are looking for volunteers to help with teaching, assisting, and check-in/out. To sign up to help check this link: tinyurl.com/SSvolunteers24. For more information contact Tracy Krueger at tracy.krueger@splgraffton.org.

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN

The LWML will begin collecting items for **Layette, Hygiene, and School Kits**. As you begin Spring cleaning and attend yard sales look for items you may donate for the LAYETTES. Items may not be new, but should be in good repair. A complete listing of items needed for each Kit may be found in the carport entryway.

Please contact Dorothy Monson at 262-375-1223 with any questions.

This Project will be completed in the Fall.

Music: Ms. Valerie Bremer / Greg Batiansila **Altar Guild:** Sharon Hawkins & Maribeth Witkowski
Leader: Rev. Timothy Maschke **Sermon:** Rev. Luke Anderson

SERVICE	ELDERS	HEAD USHERS
Sat., 5pm	Brad Dorn	Jo Wolf
Sun., 8am	Michael Young	Ron Kuta
Sun., 9:30am	Stu Natale	Tim Hallett
Sun., 11am	Mark Papcke	Mark Papcke
Mon., 6:30pm	Randy Klotka	

PRAYER REQUESTS

Strength and Healing: *Karen Boatman* (friend of Richard and Carolyn Wohlers); *Cheryl Boesch*; *Jason Boesch* (son of Cheryl Boesch); *Donna Cripean*; *Jean Dorman* (niece of Norma Prah); *Tracy Ernst*; *Bob Fleischman* (godson of Darlene Sukowski); *Cheryl Hafemann*; *Cindy Hilgendorf* (sister of Gail Goetter); *Timothy & Mary Kohlwey*; *Ann L.* (friend of Catherine Kiener); *Kelsey Lauer* (friend of Renae Frisque); *Peter Levihn*; *Ted Otto*; *Mandy Powers* (niece of Dan & Sue Hueppchen); *Marilyn Van Der Puy* (mother of Jenna Bagley); *Lisa* (niece of Jan Moegenburg); *Wendy Zetting*

Long Term Illness / Treatment: *Samuel Becker* (grandson of Lucille Becker); *Patricia Biedenbender* (grandmother of Nick & Abby Biedenbender); *Jim & Sharon Caulfield* (parents/in-law's of Alison & Steve Eckert); *Christine Capstran* (daughter of Lyle & Terry Sperber); *Heidi Feucht* (friend of Stephanie Steinert); *Dan Haupt* (son of Frank & Bernice Haupt); *Paul Imig* (Civil Engineer for our Ministry Expansion project); *Daniel Kekic* (nephew of Paulette Rammel); *Mary Lou Mercer*; *Tom Miller*; *Andy Panasa* (friend of Dennis Kranz); *Patrick Swan* (friend of Liz Dehmel); *Joy* (friend of Bev Schinker)

Anniversaries: *Mark and Bev Brueggemann* - 54th wedding anniversary (July 11);
Tim and Martha D'Agostino - 33rd wedding anniversary

Death: *Rhoda Wobeck* (mother of Martha Witt, grandmother of Rachel Nelsen)

Rehab: *Annette Mentzel*, Lasata

Surgery: *Deanna Gerhke*

FLOWERS, GIFTS & MEMORIALS

Flowers next to the pulpit are given to the Glory of God for the 33rd wedding anniversary of *Tim and Martha D'Agostino*.

A **Gift** has been given in the honor of *David Eberhardt's* 80th birthday.

Memorials have been given to the Glory of God to the Every Generation Faithful Together Ministry Expansion Fund in memory of *Rev. Arthur A. Oswald*.

CHURCH RECORDS

Baptism: *Warren Milo Zentner*, born April 16, 2024, son to Tanner and Sophia (nee Kegley) Zentner will be baptized during the 5pm service on Saturday, July 13, 2024.

WAYS TO GIVE AT ST. PAUL—Visit splgraffton.org/church and Look for the Give Now! Button.

- **Plate:** Offerings may be placed in a collection box near the exits.
- **Mail/Drop-Off:** 701 Washington Street, Grafton, WI 53024. Office hours are Monday—Friday, 8am to 4pm.
- **VancoOnline Electronic Giving:** Visit splgraffton.org/church/giving (then click Online Giving).
- **Vanco Mobile App:** Vanco Mobile is a mobile giving app that enables you to make one-time or recurring gifts from your smartphone. Visit the Apple App Store or Google Play and search for "Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement" to download the app.
- **Text-to-Give:** Text the dollar amount you wish to contribute to 855.927.0750 (example: 25 for \$25). You will be sent a registration link. After registering, you will receive a text verification and an emailed receipt. For future giving, text the amount you wish to give, and text "repeat" to make it a recurring donation.
- **Text-to-Give directly to the Every Generation Faithful Together Ministry Expansion Fund:** Text the dollar amount you wish to contribute followed by the letters EGFT, to 855.927.0750. For example, text "25 EGFT" to contribute \$25. You will be sent a registration link. After registering, you will receive a text verification and an emailed receipt. For future giving, text the amount you wish to give, and text "repeat" to make it a recurring donation. Every contribution sent to this number will go directly to the Every Generation Faithful Together fund.

Thank you for supporting St. Paul. If you have questions, contact St. Paul Finance Office at 262- 377-4659.

IN THE GATHERING HALL THIS WEEKEND: HEARTS OF MERCY & COMPASSION

Don't miss this opportunity to learn more about the Hearts of Mercy & Compassion ministry and discover how you can be a part of bringing God's love and mercy to others through this wonderful ministry. Stop by our display in the Gathering Hall. And don't forget to **sign the heart for Doris Schulteis, who is celebrating her 100th birthday on July 28.**



THE RESTART—END OF SUMMER PARTY

Join us for The Restart End of Summer Party on **Sunday, August 11; 5-7pm** at Immanuel Lutheran in Brookfield (13445 Hampton Rd, Brookfield, WI 53005).

This is a district-wide event for all 6th-12th grade youth, so it will be the perfect opportunity to meet friends from all over Southern Wisconsin. There will be inflatables, nacho bar, nine square, gaga ball, service project, games, and worship. This is a free event for congregations to attend with their youth groups! Please sign up by Sunday, July 28 if you want to attend

[tinyurl.com/MSYAug24](https://www.tinyurl.com/MSYAug24). We are also looking for adults who are willing to drive to and from the event. We will meet at St. Paul upper parking lot at 4:25pm the day of the event to carpool.

You can also donate the following items for the service project we will work on at the event

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3SGE21ZW633SL?ref=wl_share



SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE FOR BENEDICTION LUTHERAN

Let's help the students of Benediction Lutheran have a successful school year by providing backpacks filled with brand-new school supplies! From now through August 11 we are collecting these items to help 150 students:

Backpacks / Crayons / Markers (washable) / Dry Erase Markers (low odor) / Scissors / No. 2 Pencils / Pencil Pouches / Pocket Folders / Erasers (large pink) / Spiral Notebooks (college & wide ruled) / Rulers (12" with inches/cm) / Loose Leaf Paper Packs (college & wide ruled) / Highlighters (various colors) / Pens (blue, black, red) / 3-Ring Binders (various sizes)

Through Sunday, August 11, drop items off at the bins in the Welcome Center.
Thank you for your support and generosity!



RIGHT NOW MEDIA

Sign up at: <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/en/join/splcas>

MONEYWISE BY ADAM TARNOW

Practical Steps for Biblical Financial Stewardship. Our culture has a bad relationship with money. Debt is common, many live paycheck to paycheck, and some of us would rather ignore our bank statements than face our financial reality. But there is hope. This six-session series, made in partnership with MoneyWise, a ministry of Watermark Community Church in Dallas, TX, covers basic financial stewardship—everything from creating a spending plan to paying off your debt to planning your investments. God's wisdom will not only help you find solutions for your financial struggles but will transform your heart as you begin to see your finances his way.

GOSPELER BY WILLIE ROBERTSON

Turning Darkness into Light One Conversation at a Time: When Jesus commissioned his disciples to go and make disciples, he invited all his followers—including us—to join his work in the world. As followers of Christ, we have the best news that everyone needs. But are we sharing it? In this six-session series, author and businessman Willie Robertson encourages us to embrace our identity as "gospelers," ready and able to share the good news of Jesus. We don't need to preach to share the gospel; we simply need to have meaningful conversations.