



WELCOME HOME

St. Paul's Lutheran Church LCMS

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Worship with Preaching & Communion

Sundays 8:00 and 10:30 AM

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Bible Classes 9:10 AM

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Wednesdays 6:30 PM

Office Hours

Monday - Friday

9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

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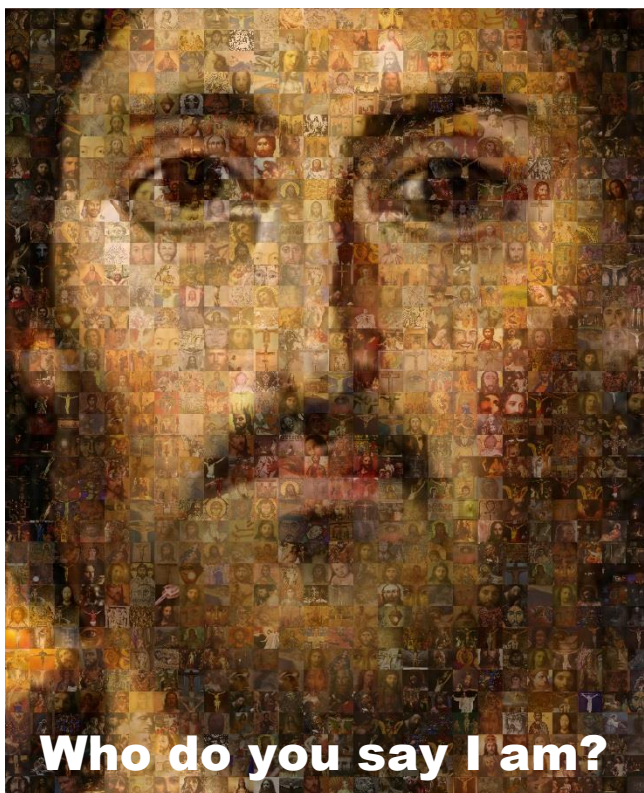
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Sunday, March 8, 2015

Third Sunday in Lent

St. Paul's

Lutheran Church

10:30 am Worship Service

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St. Paul's Lutheran



St. Paul's Lutheran Church – March 8, 2015 10:30 am

† Welcome Home in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ! God knows and loves us and calls us to know and love Him. He calls us through worship, praise, prayer, and His gifts of Baptism and Communion. Our worship today follows the order in today's program.

† If you are a visitor and have not received the unique Lutheran teaching on the Lord's Supper, please see the Pastor before communing.

Prelude – Please take a few moments for quiet Reflection, Meditation, and Prayer.

Pastor's Moment

Call to Worship – “To Be God's People” *St. Paul's Choir*

Please stand

Entrance Song of Worship – LSB #425 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

C: Amen.

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.

Silence for reflection of God's Word and for self-examination.

P: 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 deserve 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.

P: Upon this your confession, I , by virtue of my office, as a called servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you 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 † Son and of the Holy Spirit,

C: Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

PSALM 22:23-31 The congregation responds with the bold sections.

You who fear the LORD, praise Him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify Him,
and stand in awe of Him, all you offspring of Israel!

For He has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted, and He has not hidden His face from him,
but has heard, when he cried to Him.

From you comes my praise in the great congregation;
my vows I will perform before those who fear Him.

The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD!
May your hearts live forever!

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,
and all the families of the nations shall worship before You.

For kingship belongs to the LORD,
and He rules over the nations.

All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship;
before Him shall bow all who go down to the dust, even the one who could not keep himself alive.

Posterity shall serve Him;
it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;

they shall come and proclaim His righteousness to a people yet unborn,
that He has done it.

(sung) **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

KYRIE *(sung)*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *(sung)* **And with thy spirit.**

P: *Let us pray.....*

C: *(sung)* **Amen**

Please be seated

1ST READING – GENESIS 17:1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before Me, and be blameless, that I may make my covenant between Me and you, and may multiply you greatly.” Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, “Behold, My covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. And I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.”

And God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE LESSON – ROMANS 5:1-11

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through Him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—but God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by His blood, much more shall we be saved by Him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by His life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Holy Gospel

HOLY GOSPEL – ST. MARK 8:27-38

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 8th chapter.

C: (sung) Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

And Jesus went on with His disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way He asked His disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they told Him, “John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets.” And He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered Him, “You are the Christ.” And He strictly charged them to tell no one about Him. And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. And He said this plainly. And Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him. But turning and seeing His disciples,

He rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." And calling the crowd to Him with His disciples, He said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give in return for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and of My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."

P: Here endeth the reading of the Holy Gospel.

C: *(sung)* **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

NICENE CREED

**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 **†** of the world to come. Amen.

SERMON

Reflective Song of Worship – *“You are my All in All”*

You are my strength when I am weak
You are the treasure that I seek
You are my all in all
I'm seeking You like a precious jewel
Lord, to give up I'd be a fool
You are my all in all

(Refrain) Jesus, Lamb of God
Holy is Your name
Jesus, Lamb of God
Holy is Your name

Taking my cross my sin my shame
Raising again I praise Your name
You are my all in all
When I fall down You pick me up
When I run dry You fill my cup
You are my all in all. (Refrain 2 times)

You are my strength when I am weak
You are the treasure that I seek
You are my all in all
When I fall down You pick me up
When I run dry You fill my cup
You are my all in all. (Refrain)

OFFERING

“Footprints of Jesus” St. Paul’s Choir

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH - *Please stand*

(response: **“Hear our prayers”**)

Please be seated

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: (sung) And with thy spirit.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: (sung) We lift them up unto to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God

C: (sung) It is meet and right so to do.

Pastor: *Preface of the Day.*

It is truly good, right, and salutary.....evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS (sung)

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;

heav’n and earth are full of Thy glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, blessed is He,

blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

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 OUR LORD - *Pastor*

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 **†** 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 **†** 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.

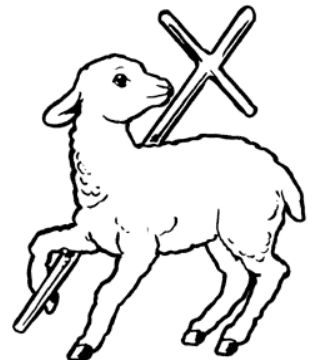
C: (sung) **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI (sung)

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.



Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Prayers for Worship (front of Lutheran Service Book) before communing you might pray:

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

“Breathe” “Let Us Break Bread Together” – St. Paul’s Choir

Please stand

NUNC DIMITTIS *(sung)*

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THANKSGIVING

P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C: and His mercy endureth forever.

P: *Let us pray.....*

C: Amen


SALUTATION & BENEDICTION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit.

P: Bless we the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and  give you peace.

C: Amen, Amen, Amen.

Sending Song of Worship – LSB #837 “Lift High the Cross”

Announcements & Dismissal

Postlude



Remember in your Prayers

SHUT-INS: *Pat Gardiner*

MEMBERS:

Health Concerns: *Chicchina Bailey, Elin Cramer, John Fuchs, Melva Fuchs, Sally Gheen, Carletta Cyrus Parmes, Kathy Lewis, Lucy Price and Kathe Vachalek, Barbara Gheen*

Serious Health Concerns: *Dale Bittner*

SPECIAL REQUESTS

The family of Jim Barry at his passing on Feb. 21, 2015

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF CONGREGATION

Donovan Gheen, Fred and Sally's young grandson with cancer.
Harry Maxey, Bob Maxey's father, diagnosed with Parkinson's
Helena Stover, Paul Mehrkam's mother, for the loss of her husband
Tammy Nichols, Dianne Nichols daughter-in-law, recovery
Aunt Edna, Dianne Nichols, serious health concerns
Debbie Schoenbauer, Alan & Marianne Hunters friend, serious health concerns
Robbie Hutchinson, Kelly Gray's friend, heart attack
Austin Knarr, Gene Bostwick's nephew, health concerns/chron's disease
Madeline, Health concerns
Rebecca Athenason, Dianne Nichols daughter, serious illness
Alan Burch, friend of Karin Beall & former pre-school parent, cancer
Wee Davis, friend of Alan Hunter, brain cancer
Alma Stowers, Stephen Stowers Great Grandma, Breast Cancer
Johanna Fortney, daughter of Elin Cramer, cancer
Joe Fuchs, son of John Fuchs, bone cancer
Edward DeMarr, nephew of Lucy Price, brain tumor
For safety of all our **military personnel** & for their families.

Last Week's Stewardship

Finances as of 3-1-2015

Expansion Fund received
\$

Balance to date:

\$125,669.16

Land Mortgage

Balance: \$59,522.15

Weekly Finances needed to pay expenses:

Budget: **\$2,462.00**

Offering: \$

Sun. March 1: closed

8:00 am:

10:30 am:

Wed. March 4: 15

Serving the Lord this week:

Acolyte 10:30 am

Dylan

Organist:

Gayle Gepert

Ushers:

Bob Beverage,

John Bowling,

Tony Ching,

Tony Gray,

Alan Hunter,

Mark Lewis,

Andrew Maack,

Gary Wollin

Nursery Staff:

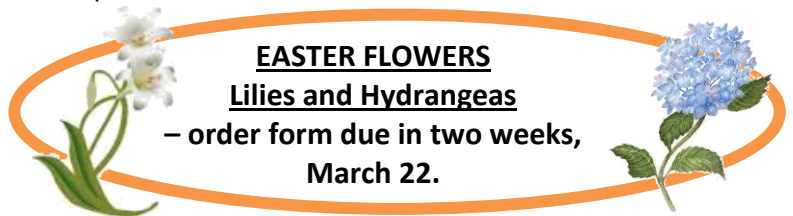
Announcements

TODAY, SUNDAY MARCH 8th

PANCAKE BRUNCH – Immediately following the 10:30 am service we will have a Pancake brunch. Please plan to come back or stay for some much needed fellowship with your brothers and sisters of St. Paul's. It'll be great to catch up with everyone!

Adult Bible Study – Out on a Limb is cancelled for today, March 8th. Class will resume on March 15.

Captive Free will be leading our **Lenten Service Wednesday, March 11** at 6:30 pm



Join us for a special Divine Worship service, **Sunday, March 15**
The Feast of St. Patrick.

Wednesday Nights

Lenten Services – 6:30 pm

Confirmation Class – following Lenten Svc.

Choir Practice – following services

Bible Study - Living Beyond Yourself, Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit by Beth Moore. Led by Kelly Gray.

Building Committee Meeting – Tuesday, March 10 at 6:30 pm

Church Council Meeting – Thursday, March 12 at 6:30 pm

Sunday School and Thrivent Yard Sale – Saturday, March 21 7:30 am – 2:30 pm. Sign up to help with setup and sales, form on Bulletin board.

Holy Week starts on Sunday, March 29 with Palm Sunday.

Blanket and Coat Drive – Please donate new or gently used blankets and coats. Drop them off at St. Paul's. Contact Kelly Gray 301.290.1264 Or Diane Nichols 301.472.1912