

+++THE GUIDE +++
ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH-STRASBURG ILLINOIS

March 17, 2024

Fifth Sunday in Lent

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Greeter	Dean Schultz		

THIS WEEK WITH THE LORD

SUN.	8:30 AM	Worship Service-Choir Sings
	9:30 AM	SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S. College
	5:30 PM	Worship Service @ Grace
TUE.	9:00 AM	Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
WED.	8:00 AM	Guide/Bulletin
	8:30 AM	Chair Yoga
	10:30 AM	Lent Service @ Grace
	6:30 PM	Lent Service @ St. Paul's
	7:00-8:00PM	WDS
SUN.	8:30 AM	Palm Sunday Communion Service
	9:30 AM	SS, Alph, W.L.S., H.S., College+
	5:30 PM	Worship Service @ Grace

Mar 10 8:30: 103 Year Ago: 108 Sunday School: 36

Welcome Dear ones, welcome to worship as we gather in Jesus' name as one family in God's embrace. Amen. *If you are a visitor, we invite you to worship with us again and to please sign our guestbook.*

Easter Service Join us for Easter Sunday, March 31. Communion Service at 8:30AM with breakfast in the social hall at 9:30AM. There will be an Egg Hunt for ages 0-6th grade at 10:00AM.

Sunday School Class We are beginning a new study in Dee Dee's Sunday School Class (grades 4-8). The book is entitled **My Journey in Faith** and has 30 lessons. Each lesson has a Bible story, and then we discuss how it relates to the kids' lives today. All children (ages 3 and up) in our congregation are encouraged to attend Sunday School.

Easter Breakfast Donations We are asking for food donations for the upcoming Easter Breakfast at St. Paul's on Sunday, March 31st. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Your help is appreciated and we look forward to enjoying fellowship as we celebrate our risen Saviour!

Palm Sunday Palm Sunday, March 24, the children are welcome to participate in the procession of palms at the beginning of the service. Please bring your children to the choir room off the narthex at 8:25 AM to get lined up. The children will return to their seats after the procession.

Council Meeting The next Council Meeting will be April 1st at 6:30pm.

FOR THE LORD'S WORK

CURRENT OFFERINGS	\$ TO MEET YEARLY BUDGET	\$ RECEIVED	\$ DIFFERENCE
Mar 10	\$ 3,750.00	\$1,935.00	\$-1,815.00
year-to-date	\$ 27,500.00	\$33,428.00	\$ 5,928.00
<u>Synod-Offerings</u>			
Mar 10	\$ 481.00	\$1,324.00	\$ 843.00
year-to-date	\$ 4,810.00	\$5,024.00	\$ 214.00
TRINITY GOAL-\$10,000		Total to Date	\$2,315.00
Building \$410 Sem. Student \$25			

Mar 6 \$544.00 (Lent)
Mar 10 \$3,150.00

03/26 9:00 AM Bible Study
 03/20 8:30 AM Chair Yoga
 2:30 PM Social Hall Communion
 6:30-7:30 PM WDS
 03/28 8:30 AM Blanket Making
 10:30 AM Maundy Thursday @ Grace
 6:30 PM Maundy Thursday @ St Paul
 03/29 10:30AM Good Friday Service @ Grace
 6:30 PM Good Friday Service @ St. Paul

Sympathy Please keep the family of Melba Storm in your thoughts and prayers. Melba passed away Friday, March 8, 2024. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church with Rev. Kene Whybrew officiating. Burial was in Cochran Grove Cemetery, Windsor, IL.

Would you like to provide WDS treats one week? The Weekday School children and helpers enjoy snacks or cookies provided monthly by the Education team. If you would be interested in providing treats one week during March or April, please contact Karen Kull, 217.549.3141. Thank you.

Shoe Boxes We are collecting clothing items for the month of March for the shoe box. We need shirts, pants, skirts, etc. in sizes 2 to 18. Thank you for all the donations of soap and wash cloths.

Save The Date! Friday, May 10, 2024 Trinity Lutheran School invites you to join us for our 9th annual formal banquet and live auction! The event will be held on Friday, May 10 at the Stewardson Community Building beginning at 6 p.m. A portion of the proceeds will go towards gym improvements. Tickets go on sale Sunday, March 24. Join us for an evening of fun, fellowship, and fundraising!

Congratulations To Jonathan Schultz and Madison Orr, who were married on Saturday, February 17, 2024, by Pastor Brown at Trinity Lutheran Church in Hersher, IL. Parents of the couple are Gary & Johnna Schultz and Bill & Sherri Orr. God's blessings to the new couple

Baptism Melissa June McCoy, daughter of Matthew & Ellen McCoy was baptized at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Arlington, VA on February 25, 2024. Sponsors are Eli Dollarhide, Emily Cole, and Paul and Julie Maness. Grandparents are Travis and Laura Dollarhide. God's blessings to June and her parents.



ANNIVERSARIES

19-John & Lisa Cress

BIRTHDAYS

- 17-Don Telgmann;
Theron* Newell; Weslyn Long;
Suttyn Wallin
- 18-Merle Ragan; Steph Petri;
Jesse Williams
- 19-Claire Hortenstein; Karen Wirth
- 20-Bob Sporleder
- 21-Madilyn Rincker
- 22-Grayson Gilbert

HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK

Todd Daniels, Amanda Doehring, Brandon & Jessica Doehring, Darin Doehring, Don & Linda Doehring, Virginia Vogel, Allison & Bryan Vonderheide, Gina & Travis Vonderheide, Sheryl & Rick Vonderheide, Tanya Walker, Doug Walker

Recorded Services

Website: stpaul-strasburg.com

YouTube: St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Strasburg Illinois

Facebook: St. Paul's Lutheran Church

PRAYER

- Dianna Gibson Anna Schlechte
- Nick Hanfland Kendall Fulk
- Frances York Wayne Wirth
- Robert Pfeiffer
- Margaret Swank

LIMITED MOBILITY

- Mary Rincker-Villas of
Hollybrook
- Rose Schlechte- StoneBridge
- Robert Stremming
- Noma Huddleston - Lakeland
Healthcare Center
- Imogene Lading – Villas of
Holly Brook
- Bill Orr
- Rosemary Sporleder-
Brookstone Mattoon
- Mildred Rincker – Heartland,
Neoga
- Doris Stremming – Lutheran
Care Center
- Margaret Swank – Willowbrook
Effingham

FRIENDS & FAMILY
(non-members)

- Zona Doty (Health)
- Walker Warden (cancer)
- Christie Dust (Howard & Kay's
daughter) (Primary
Progressive Multiple Sclerosis)
- Laikyn Bauer (Digeorge
syndrome)
- Matt Durbin
- Ivan Crutcher (cancer, Karen
Rentfro's uncle)

Adopted Seminary Students
2022-23

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5th Sunday in Lent – Setting Two

Hymn of Invocation

Christ Sits at God's Right Hand

LSB 564

- 1 Christ sits at God's right hand, His saving work complete,
To reign till ev'ry foe will lie Beneath His feet—
All that the Father planned, The Son sought to fulfill,
When first He said, "Lord, here am I To do Your will."
- 2 Christ was that priest God swore, Uniquely First and Last,
Who would in righteousness and love Be unsurpassed:
"A priest forevermore," An oath God would not break,
"A priest within the order of Melchizedek."
- 3 Christ's altar was the tree, Where on the world's behalf
He shed a blood, unlike the blood Of goat or calf,
To seal God's guarantee Of grace that cannot fail;
With blood He entered for our good Behind the veil.
- 4 What costly sacrifice To cover human sin!
Who but Christ Jesus had the right To enter in?
His blood, that sprinkled price, So we might be assured
That our inheritance in light Has been secured.
- 5 Then let us now draw near, Washed in that precious flood
And enter the Most Holy Place By Jesus' blood.
From hearts that are sincere, Let tongues our hope profess,
And trust anew God's faithful grace That we confess.
- D 6 All praise to Christ we bring, Our Lord who intercedes,
Our great High Priest enthroned above Who knows our needs;
And to the Father sing Our songs of thankful praise,
Who with the Spirit reigns in love For endless days.

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P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**

Introit

Psalm 116:1–4, 8; antiphon: Psalm 43:1

Kyrie

LSB 168

- P In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C **Amen.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31:31–34

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Hebrews 5:1–10

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Choir Sings “We Would See Jesus” Coutney

Verse (Lent)

LSB 173

C **Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and abounding in steadfast love.**

Holy Gospel

Mark 10:32–45

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

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

The Gospel Is Read

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Children’s Message

- 1 My song is love unknown, My Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown That they might lovely be.
Oh, who am I That for my sake My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
- 2 He came from His blest throne Salvation to bestow;
But men made strange, and none The longed-for Christ would know.
But, oh, my friend, My friend indeed, Who at my need His life did spend!
- 3 Sometimes they strew His way And His sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day Hosannas to their King.
Then "Crucify!" Is all their breath, And for His death They thirst and cry.
- 4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries! Yet they at these Themselves displease And 'gainst Him rise.
- 5 They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save, The Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful He To suff'ring goes That He His foes From thence might free.
- 6 In life no house, no home My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb But what a stranger gave.
What may I say? Heav'n was His home But mine the tomb Wherein He lay.
- 7 Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine!
Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like Thine.
This is my friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could gladly spend!

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Sermon "A Ransom For Many" Mark 10:35-45

Apostles' Creed

- C 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.**

Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
Heavenly Father, pour out Your Holy Spirit and write Your Word on our hearts, that we may know You as the God who forgives our iniquities and remembers our sins no more. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- P** Heavenly Father, bless and sustain Matthew, our Synod president; Michael, our district president; Nathan, our circuit visitor; and me, who like all flesh are beset with weakness. Grant that we would deal with Your people gently, and keep us faithful to proclaim Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- P** Heavenly Father, Your Son came not to be served but to serve. Help us not lord our authority over one another, but humbly serve one another in our homes, communities and congregation as Christ has so humbly served us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- P** Heavenly Father, look with mercy on all earthly authorities. Guard them from the temptation to wield earthly power improperly. Lead them to serve faithfully according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, as Your only begotten Son learned obedience through what He suffered, we pray that You would instruct, bless and relieve Your servants _____ whom we lift up before You today. Sustain them as they walk the way of the cross with Your Son, that they may know the fullness of His eternal salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Offertory

LSB 176

C **What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?**

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.

**I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

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.**

Benediction

LSB 183

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.**

Recessional Hymn

Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus

LSB 529

- 1 Since our great High Priest, Christ Jesus, Bears the name above all names,
Reigning Son of God, surpassing Other titles, pow'rs and claims—
Since to heav'n our Lord has passed, Let us hold our witness fast!
- 2 Since we have a priest who suffered, Knowing weakness, tears, and pain,
Who like us was tried and tempted, Unlike us, without a stain—
Since He shared our lowly place, Let us boldly seek His grace.
- 3 Sacrifice and suff'ring over, Now He sits at God's right hand,
Crowned with praise, no more an outcast, His preeminence long-planned;
Such a great High Priest we have, Strong to help, supreme to save.
- 4 Love's example, hope's attraction, Faith's beginning and its end,
Pioneer of our salvation, Mighty advocate and friend;
Jesus, high in glory raised, Our ascended Lord be praised!

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Next Sunday's Readings – Zechariah 9:9-12, Philippians 2:5-11, John 12:20-43

This Week's Memory Verse – Mark 10:45 "For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

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