

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

**March 27, 2022**

**Fourth Sunday in Lent**

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**THIS WEEK WITH THE LORD**

- SUN. 8:30 AM Communion Service
- 9:30 AM Sunday School-Alpha, W.L.S., College Plus, High School
- MON. 8-12 PM Pastor Whybrew's Office hours @ St. Paul's
- TUE. 9:00 AM Morning Bible Study
- WED. 8:00 AM **Guide/Bulletin** deadline
- 8:30 AM Chair Yoga
- 10:30 AM Lenten Service @ Grace
- 6:30 PM Lenten Service @ St. Paul's
- 7:00 PM WDS
- THUR. 6:30 PM Adult Instruction & Refresher class @ Grace
- SUN. 8-10 AM LYF Pancake Breakfast
- 8:30 AM Worship Service
- 9:30 AM Sunday School, Alpha, W.L.S., College Plus, High School

**March 20 8:30: 139 Year Ago: 146 Sunday School: 39**

**Welcome** Wherever we have been, whatever we have done, our all-loving heavenly Father welcomes us into his arms. Let us worship. *If you are a visitor, we invite you to worship with us again and to please sign our guestbook.*

**Lenten Midweek Services** Lenten Midweek Series—A Lenten Journey with Joseph—Michael W. Henrichs  
**March 30 - Lenten Midweek 5: Chased by a Dirty Conscience, Genesis 42:6-24; Luke 23:1-25**  
**April 6 - Lenten Midweek 6: God Does Have a Plan, Genesis 45:1-15; Luke 23:26-47**

**LYF** Join us for a LYF Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at St. Paul's. We will be serving a delicious meal of pancakes, smoked sausage and scrambled eggs from 8-10AM. Dine in and carry out! We appreciate your continued support!

**LYF** Will be going to Elevate Trampoline Park in Champaign on Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. All jumpers must sign a waiver. Participants under the age of 18 must have waiver signed by their parent or legal guardian. Members are allowed to invite a friend.

**High School Sunday School Class** The Board of Education would like to thank all the adult members of our congregation who have been teaching the high school Sunday School class in 2022. Doreen Whybrew taught in January and February and Stephanie Tracy taught in March. Johnna Schultz and Susan Hanfland will teach in April and Johnna will teach again in May. Sarah Luce has the class the first Sunday of every month. We invite and encourage all high school youth to attend and continue their Christian education.

## FOR THE LORD'S WORK

CURRENT OFFERINGS	\$ TO MEET YEARLY BUDGET	\$ RECEIVED	\$ DIFFERENCE
March 20	\$ 3,782.00	\$2,681.00	\$ -1,101.00
year-to-date	\$ 45,384.00	\$40,696.00	\$ -4,688.00
<b><u>Synod-Offerings</u></b>			
March 20	\$ 385.00	\$ 1,508.00	\$1,123.00
year-to-date	\$ 4,620.00	\$8,717.00	\$ 4,097.00
<b>TRINITY GOAL-\$10,000</b>		Total to Date	\$3,090.00
Building \$400 Seminary Student \$25 Trinity \$350			
Lutheran Comfort Dogs \$100 Bell Tower \$125			
		<b>Lent Service March 23</b>	<b>\$663.00</b>
		<b>March 20</b>	<b>\$ 4,526.00</b>
4/4	8-12 PM Pastor Whybrew's Office hours @ St. Paul's		
4/5	9:00 AM Morning Bible Study		
4/6	8:30 AM Chair Yoga		
	10:30 AM Lenten Service @ Grace		
	6:30 PM Lenten Service @ St. Paul's		
	7:00 PM WDS		
4/7	1:30 PM Ladies Aid-Hostess-Connie Wirth		
	6:30 PM Adult Instruction & Refresher class @ Grace		

**VBS** Please save the date for St. Paul's & Grace Vacation Bible School which has been set for June 20-24.

**Camp CILCA scholarships for St. Paul's youth** St. Paul's BOE is offering to pay for ½ the cost of any 2022 Camp CILCA summer camp for any youth member of our congregation. Camp CILCA (Central Illinois Lutheran Camp Association) is operated under the Central Illinois District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The camp sits on 225 acres of woodland and open fields just north of Springfield, Ill. Various 1, 2, 3 or 5-night camps are available. A copy of the full schedule is available in the youth Sunday School classrooms as well as on [www.cilca.org](http://www.cilca.org). If you are interested in this opportunity or have questions, please contact Karen Kull at 217-549-3141. Camp CILCA also offers an early bird discount. Registrations paid in full by March 31 will receive a 10% discount. All camp registration is to be submitted online, however, if you have any difficulty, contact the CILCA office for assistance. Phone 217.487.7497. [WWW.CILCA.ORG](http://WWW.CILCA.ORG)

**Mites Offering** The mites offering will be April 3, 2022.

**LYF** LYF cards are restocked! Check out our selection in the nursery/choir room at St. Paul's. Birthday, anniversary, Easter, confirmation, graduation, baptism, sympathy, and more!

**St. Paul's Cemetery** Mowing season is coming soon and the St. Paul's cemetery committee would like for people to clean up their Christmas decorations, wreaths, blankets, flowers, etc. Thanks for your understanding.

**WDS Welcomes two new students** Two new students have joined the Wednesday evening weekday school program. Pierce Boyer is in 1<sup>st</sup> grade and the son of Trisha Keith of Strasburg. Xoey Hoedebecke is in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and the daughter of Whitney Kalber and step-father Jericho Williams of Strasburg. Welcome Pierce and Xoey!



### **ANNIVERSARIES**

31-Steve & Jill Layton  
2- Robert & Yvonne Pfeiffer

### **BIRTHDAYS**

27-Deanna Foelsing; Tasha Pieper  
28-Darrell Cress  
29-Natalie Hayes; Nick Oller;  
Doris Supan; Mary Tabbert  
31-Callie Clifton; Jenna Layton;  
Marlene Wirth; Stacey\* Rincker

### **HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK**

Troy & Carol Salazar, Bob & Ronda Schlechte, Rosemary Schlechte, Gerry & Dawn Schlechte, Whitney Schlechte, Cassie Schultheis, Dean Schultz, Gary & Johnna Schultz, Alex Shadwell, Brian & Lisa Shelton, Ashley Sherrill,

### **Recorded Services**

**Website:** [stpaul-strasburg.com](http://stpaul-strasburg.com)

**YouTube:** St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
Strasburg Illinois

**Facebook:** St. Paul's Lutheran Church

### **Seminary Student**

Alexander Goodwin  
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### **HEALING**

Jackie Stodden	Diane Paraiso
Melba Storm	Anna Schlechte
Ken Hagan	Nick Hanfland
Mary Rincker	Carolyn Stremming
Wayne Wirth	Norma Huddleston
Frances York	

### **LIMITED MOBILITY**

Robert Stremming-Heartland Senior Living  
Betty Stremming-Heartland Senior Living  
Noma Huddleston - Lakeland Healthcare Center  
Imogene Lading - Villas of Holly Brook  
Bill Orr  
Rosemary Sporleder-Brookstone Mattoon  
Mildred Rincker - Heartland, Neoga  
Doris Stremming - Villas of Holly Brook

### **FRIENDS & FAMILY** **(non-members)**

Pat Williams(bypass surgery Wilma Spannagel's daughter)  
Lori Cannon (Chris Kramer cousin-cancer)  
Tammy Gebben (cancer-friend of Scott & Lori Pieper)  
Christie Dust (Howard & Kay Dust daughter in-law)  
Laikyn Bauer (Digeorge syndrome)  
Erica Stollard (cancer)  
Matt Durbin  
Diana Vonderheide (Joe & Linda Oakley' daughter)  
Ivan Crutcher (cancer, Karen Rentfro's uncle)  
Karl Zalman (cancer)  
Bryan Mowry (Laurie Wirth's brother, health)  
Caralea (Moffett) Smith (cancer, undergoing treatments)  
Austin Miller, (leukemia, Dennis & Nitelle Lading's gson.)

**Save The Date** Trinity Lutheran School invites you to join us for our 7<sup>th</sup> annual formal banquet and live auction! The event will be held on Friday, May 13, 2022 at the Stewardson Community Center. A portion of the proceeds will go toward new playground equipment for the school. Tickets will go on sale Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. Join us for an evening of fun, fellowship, and fundraising! 6:00 Cocktails, 7:00 Dinner, 8:00 Live Auction, 9:00 Fellowship! The hog roast and silent auction will again be held in the fall.

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent  
Liturgy – Setting Four

**Hymn of Invocation**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

LSB 686

- 1 Come, Thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.  
While the hope of endless glory Fills my heart with joy and love,  
Teach me ever to adore Thee; May I still Thy goodness prove.
- 2 Here I raise my Ebenezer, Hither by Thy help I've come;  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wand'ring from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.
- 3 Oh, to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be;  
Let that grace now like a fetter Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee:  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; Prone to leave the God I love.  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.
- 4 Oh, that day when freed from sinning, I shall see Thy lovely face;  
Clothed then in the blood-washed linen, How I'll sing Thy wondrous grace!  
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry; Take my ransom'd soul away;  
Send Thine angels soon to carry Me to realms of endless day.

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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

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

C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, 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.

**C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 51:2–6; antiphon: v. 1*

### **Kyrie**

*LSB 204*

**C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

### **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; 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**

Isaiah 12:1–6

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

2 Corinthians 5:16–21

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Verse

C **These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

## Holy Gospel

*Luke 15:1–3, 11b–32*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth 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.**

## 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 of the world to come. Amen.**

## Hymn of the Day      God Loved the World So That He Gave

LSB 571

- 1    God loved the world so that He gave His only Son the lost to save,  
    That all who would in Him believe Should everlasting life receive.
  - 2    Christ Jesus is the ground of faith, Who was made flesh and suffered death;  
    All then who trust in Him alone Are built on this chief cornerstone.
  - 3    God would not have the sinner die; His Son with saving grace is nigh;  
    His Spirit in the Word declares How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.
  - 4    Be of good cheer, for God's own Son Forgives all sins which you have done;  
    And, justified by Jesus' blood, Your Baptism grants the highest good.
  - 5    If you are sick, if death is near, This truth your troubled heart can cheer:  
    Christ Jesus saves your soul from death; That is the firmest ground of faith.
- D 6    Glory to God the Father, Son, And Holy Spirit, Three in One!  
    To You, O blessed Trinity, Be praise now and eternally!

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## Sermon    2 Corinthians 5:16-21 "A New Creation"

### Prayer of the Church

#### Preface

LSB 208

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**

*LSB 208*

- C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly 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.

At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many.

As we eat and drink His body and blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

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**



## **Pax Domini**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

## **Agnus Dei**

*LSB 210*

C **1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## **Distribution**

**Distribution Hymn** Christ, the Life of All the Living

LSB 420

**Distribution Hymn** Not All the Blood of Beasts

LSB 431

## **Nunc Dimittis**

*LSB 211*

C **1 O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace:  
A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.**

**2 All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.**

## **Post-Communion Collect**

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

## **Benedicamus**

LSB 212

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.**

## **Recessional Hymn**      Children of the Heavenly Father

LSB 725

1 Children of the heav'nly Father Safely in His bosom gather;  
Nestling bird nor star in heaven Such a refuge e'er was given.

2 God His own doth tend and nourish; In His holy courts they flourish.  
From all evil things He spares them; In His mighty arms He bears them.

3 Neither life nor death shall ever From the Lord His children sever;  
Unto them His grace He showeth, And their sorrows all He knoweth.

4 Though He giveth or He taketh, God His children ne'er forsaketh;  
His the loving purpose solely To preserve them pure and holy.

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