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ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH-STRASBURG ILLINOIS

April 16, 2023

Second Sunday of Easter

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Accompanist	Sheryl Vonderheide	Prayer Chain	217-821-3038
Greeters	Jim & Phyliss Weiss		

THIS WEEK WITH THE LORD

SUN.	8:30 AM	Worship Service
	9:30 AM	Hayden Rensner speaks @ Grace
	12:00 PM	LYF-Ice Skating
	4:00 PM	Post Prom Meeting
TUE.	9:00 AM	Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal Cancelled
WED.	8:00 AM	Guide/Bulletin
	8:30 AM	Chair Yoga
	6:30-7:30 PM	WDS
SUN.	8:00-10 AM	LYF Breakfast
	8:30 AM	Communion Service
	7:00 PM	Confirmation Questioning

April 9 8:30: 230 Year Ago: 152 Sunday School:

Welcome Happy Easter! Indeed, the season lasts 50 days. Welcome as we continue celebrating our risen Lord. If you are *a visitor*, we invite you to worship with us again and to please sign our guestbook.

LYF Join us for a LYF Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 23rd at St.Paul's. We will be serving a delicious meal of pancakes, smoked sausage and scrambled eggs from 8-10 AM. Dine in and carry out! We appreciate your continued support!

LLA of Strasburg The Ladies Aid is hosting the Spring Joy Shop, April 18. Our "In gathering" this year is Love Packages Ministries. They collect certain material such as Bibles, Christian Books, Sunday School supplies, etc. and send them throughout the world. A complete list can be found in the leaflets "**You Are Wasting That**" located in the narthex. If you have any material you would like to donate, please leave in the box located in the narthex by **April 16, 2023**. Thank you for any and all donations. Thank you LLA

The Family Life Center The Family Life Center of Shelbyville is having a walk/run on the Dacey Trail on Saturday, April 29 at 9:00. If you would like to participate, want more information or donate to the Life Center contact Patsy Lenz. The Family Life Center serves clients in Shelby County and surrounding areas with spiritual and physical help. They hope to soon offer ultrasounds to expectant mothers.

FOR THE LORD'S WORK

<u>CURRENT OFFERINGS</u>	<u>\$ TO MEET YEARLY BUDGET</u>	<u>\$ RECEIVED</u>	<u>\$ DIFFERENCE</u>
April 9	\$ 3,578.00	\$6,028.00	\$ 2,450.00
year-to-date	\$ 50,092.00	\$48,799.00	\$ -1,293.00
<u>Synod-Offerings</u>			
April 9	\$ 481.00	\$ 450.00	\$ -31.00
year-to-date	\$ 6,734.00	\$10,894.50	\$ 4,160.50
TRINITY GOAL-\$10,000		Total to Date	\$3,465.00
Building \$425 Sem. Student \$20 Cemetery \$100 LYF \$25 Bell Tower \$50			
Lutheran Hour \$100			

April 5	\$785.00	(ACH)
April 6	\$924.00	(Maundy Thurs.)
April 7	\$555.00	(Good Fri.)
April 8	\$408.00	(Vigil)
April 9	\$4,526.00	(Easter)

4/25 9:00 AM Bible Study
 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal
 4/26 8:30 AM Chair Yoga
 2:30 PM Social Hall Communion
 6:30-7:30 PM WDS
 4/27 8:30 AM Blanket Making

April Sunday School Class Changes

April 16 – No Sunday School classes at St. Paul. Everyone (adults & children) are invited to a joint Sunday School class at Grace Fellowship Hall at 9:30 a.m. or immediately following St. Paul's 8:30 a.m. worship service. Hayden Rensner will be making a presentation about her mission work. Hayden has been serving the LCMS in the Czech Republic for the past year.

April 23 – LYF Breakfast 8-10 a.m. in the Social Hall. Adult Sunday School classes will not meet. Children will have normal classes.

April 30 – Voters Meeting following worship service. Adult Sunday School classes will not meet. High School and children will have normal classes.

Save the Date St. Paul's and Grace dual parish churches will offer Vacation Bible School the week of June 19-23, from 9-11:30 a.m. The theme for this year is "God's Living Water-Covered in Jesus' Grace."

May Newsletter Please have your May newsletter articles into the church secretary by Tuesday, April 18th. Thank you!

Thank you Thank you to everyone who helped with the Easter breakfast. It was great! Thanks to those who worked, made food, and came to enjoy the food and fellowship. We appreciate the donations given for the Christmas shoe box project. We were blessed with \$307.

Confirmation Confirmation Sunday is April 30th. The Oral Exam, public profession of faith prepared for by long and careful instruction, will be at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 23rd. Those being confirmed are: Amelia Batson, daughter of Johanna Batson, Kendra Hayes, daughter of Kenny & Sara Hayes, Holden Ashmore, son of Chris & Jennifer Ashmore, Zachary Shelton, son of Brian & Lisa Shelton, Wyatt Wetherell, son of Luke & Lauren Wetherell, and Kennedy Kull, daughter of Mark & Rhonda Kull.



ANNIVERSARIES

17-Doug & Amy Stremming
18-Jake & Megan Ray
19-August* & Doris Supan

BIRTHDAYS

17-Alicia Kessler
19-Rosemarie* Manhart
21-Carol Polk
22-Wanda Kessler; Matt Tabbert

HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK

Linda & Theron Newell, Joe & Linda
Oakley, Mac & Lois Ogle, Barb Ohnesorge,
Dylan & Amelia Ohnesorge, Brittani &
Nick Oller, Dusty & Claudia Rincker, Gary
Rincker, Jim & Sharon Rincker, Mary
Rincker

Recorded Services

Website: stpaul-strasburg.com

YouTube: St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Strasburg Illinois

Facebook: St. Paul's Lutheran Church

LIMITED MOBILITY

Rose Schlechte- Villas of Hollybrook
Robert 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 – Lutheran Care
Center
Melba Storm- Heartland Senior Living

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

Pastor Gary Fortkamp
Nancy Slifer
Gayle Klitzing(panc cancer Gary &
Roger Kull Cousin)
Randy Doty
Pat Williams (bypass surgery)
Laikyn Bauer (Digeorge syndrome)
Matt Durbin
Ivan Crutcher (cancer, Karen Rentfro's
uncle)
Caralea (Moffett) Smith (cancer,
undergoing treatments)

Adopted Seminary Students 2022-23

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PRAYER

Diane Paraiso	Melba Storm
Anna Schlechte	Nick Hanfland
Frances York	Kendall Fulk
Mary Rincker	Norma Huddleston
Wayne Wirth	Marlene Wirth
Dave Polk	Dianna Gibson
Robert Pfeiffer	

Hymn of Invocation These Things Did Thomas Count as Real Tune LSB 805

- 1 These things did Thomas count as real: The warmth of blood, the chill of steel,
The grain of wood, the heft of stone, The last frail twitch of flesh and bone.
- 2 The vision of his skeptic mind Was keen enough to make him blind
To any unexpected act Too large for his small world of fact.
- 3 His reasoned certainties denied That one could live when one had died,
Until his fingers read like braille The markings of the spear and nail.
- 4 May we, O God, by grace believe And thus the risen Christ receive,
Whose raw imprinted palms reached out And beckoned Thomas from his doubt.

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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 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 on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O 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 deserved 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 and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Introit

Psalm 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3

C **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

LSB 186

C **Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

C **Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

First Reading

Acts 5:29–42

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

1 Peter 1:3–9

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia

LSB 190

C **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Holy Gospel

John 20:19–31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

The Gospel is Read

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

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.**

The Children's Message – Children up to Grade 6 are encouraged to come forward

Hymn of the Day

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

LSB 465

- 1 Now all the vault of heav'n resounds In praise of love that still abounds:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!
Repeat their song of glory here: "Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 Eternal is the gift He brings, Therefore our heart with rapture sings:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Now still He comes to give us life
And by His presence stills all strife. Christ has triumphed! He is living!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love; Set heart and will on things above
That we conquer through Your triumph; Grant grace sufficient for life's day
That by our lives we truly say: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- D 4 Adoring praises now we bring And with the heav'nly blessed sing:
"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!" Be to the Father and our Lord,
To Spirit blest, most holy God, All the glory, never ending!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Sermon John 20:19-31 "My Lord and My God"

Offertory

LSB 192

- C **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

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.

Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

Benedicamus

LSB 202

A Bless we the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction

LSB 202

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 T give you peace.

C **Amen, amen, amen.**

Recessional Hymn

Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go

LSB 920

- 1 Forth in the peace of Christ we go; Christ to the world with joy we bring;
Christ in our minds, Christ on our lips, Christ in our hearts, the world's true king.
- 2 King of our hearts, Christ makes us kings; Kingship with Him His servants gain;
With Christ the Servant-Lord of all, Christ's world we serve to share Christ's reign.
- 3 Priests of the world, Christ sends us forth This world of time to consecrate,
This world of sin by grace to heal, Christ's world in Christ to re-create.
- 4 Christ's are our lips, His Word we speak; Prophets are we whose deeds proclaim
Christ's truth in love that we may be Christ in the world, to spread Christ's name.
- 5 We are the Church; Christ bids us show That in His Church all nations find
Their hearth and home where Christ restores True peace, true love to all mankind.

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Readings for Next Week – Acts 2:14a, 36-41, 1 Peter 1:17-25, Luke 24:13-35

This Week's Memory Verse: John 20:29 "Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."