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ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH-STRASBURG ILLINOIS

April 20, 2025

Easter-The Resurrection of our Lord

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THIS WEEK WITH THE LORD

SUN.	8:30 AM Communion Service-Choir
	9:30 AM Continental Breakfast
	10:00 AM Easter egg hunt
	10:30 AM Worship Service @ Grace
	5:30 Worship Service @ Grace
TUE.	9:00 AM Morning Bible Study
WED.	8:30 AM Chair Yoga
	2:30 PM Social Hall Communion
	6:30-8PM WDS
	7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal
THURS.	8:30 AM Blanket making
SAT.	5:00 PM Confirmation Oral Exam
SUN.	8:30 AM Communion Service-Confirmation
	9:30 AM Voter's Meeting
	9:30 AM SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S. College+
	10:30 Worship Service @ Grace
	5:30 PM Worship Service @ Grace

April 13 8:30: 128 Year Ago: 138 Sunday School: 17

Welcome Easter Sunday.. "The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation" (Psalm 118:14, NRSV). *If you are a visitor, we invite you to worship with us again and to please sign our guestbook.*

Easter Sunday Celebrate the Risen Savior! Communion Service at 8:30AM followed by continental breakfast at 9:30AM in the social hall. There will be an egg hunt for ages 0-6th grade at 10 AM in the backyard. All are welcome!!

Family Life Center The Family Life Center, formerly living alternatives of Shelbyville will have a 5K run and a prayer walk on Saturday, April 26 in Forest Park, Shelbyville, IL. If you are interested in joining either of these activities or sponsoring a walker contact Patsy Lenz or Family Life Center online for more information.

The Lutheran Ladies Aid of Strasburg are collecting items for St. John's Effingham Food Pantry. A box with a list of items needed will be in the narthex through May 4th. All donations would be appreciated

FOR THE LORD'S WORK

CURRENT OFFERINGS	\$ TO MEET YEARLY BUDGET	\$ RECEIVED	\$ DIFFERENCE
Apr 13	\$ 3,971.00	\$ 4,405.00	\$ -170.00
year-to-date	\$ 55,565.00	\$ 52,074.00	\$ -3,925.00
<u>Synod-Offerings</u>			
Apr 13	\$ 481.00	\$ 1,132.00	\$ 244.00
year-to-date	\$ 7,215.00	\$ 9,765.00	\$ 1,899.00
TRINITY GOAL-\$10,000			Total to Date \$3,255.00
Building \$360 Trinity \$130 Organ Maint. \$130 Rachael Comfort Dog \$200			

Apr 9 \$ 562.00 (Lent)
Apr 13 \$ 5,795.00

4/29 9:00 AM Morning Bible Study
4/30 8:30 AM Chair Yoga
6:30-8 PM WDS
5/1 1:30 PM Ladies Aid

SHOE BOXES: We are collecting clothes for the shoe boxes in the month of April. Any clothes from size 2 to 18. Thank you for all the donations for the boxes.

Confirmation Questioning The Oral Exam, public profession of faith prepared for by long and careful instruction will be Saturday, April 26th at 5:00PM.

Confirmation Sunday Confirmation Sunday is April 27, 2025. Those being confirmed are: Lorelei McCormick, daughter of Heath & Autumn McCormick, Bryce Rincker, son of Mike & Laurie Rincker and Noah Vonderheide, son of Bryan & Allison Vonderheide. God's Blessings Lorelei, Bryce and Noah.

Congratulations Congratulations to Nick and Brittani Oller on the birth of their daughter, Hazel Jean Oller. Hazel was born on Sunday, April 13, 2025. She weighed 8lbs and was 20 ½ inches long. Grandparents are Chris & Karla Tabbert, Pam Tomaszewski and Tim Oller. God's Blessings to Hazel and her family.

Walking for St. Paul's We have received two suggestions for the \$250 gift card through Thrivent for the 5000+ miles our members walked. The suggestions are: Donate to a Food Bank or purchase a Portable Pickle Ball Net. Please let Jim Weiss or the church secretary no which one you would like the gift card to be used for.

Voter's Meeting The voter's meeting will be after church on Sunday, April 27th. The Agenda and Minutes are available in the narthex.

Thank you I would like to thank the Lutheran Ladies Aid for the card and gift. It is very much appreciated. Dwight Lading



ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

21-Carol Polk
22-Wanda Kessler; Matt Tabbert
23-Courtney Koch; Rosalyn Reel
24- Kelsey White; Rosemary Sporleder
25- Marvail Allen
26-Kurt Storm; Kathy Eckstein

HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK

Shelby & Brandon Beltz, Ron & Carolyn Boldt,
Alecia & Colton Booher, Brendon & Renea*
Bowers, Adrienne & Cody Bushue, Danielle
Wirth, Darrell & Laurie Wirth, Dennis & Kenna
Wirth, Gary Wirth, Kevin & Allison Wirth, Ron
& Karen Wirth

CALL DAY 2025 for St. Paul's Adopted Students

Both seminaries of The Lutheran Church Missouri
Synod are preparing for their annual assignment and
call services.

Adopted Seminarian Hunter Kinnison is a 2nd year
student at Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft.
Wayne, IN, and he will receive a vicarage
assignment for his 3rd year of study. The Vicarage
Internship Assignment Service is Monday, April 28 at
7 p.m. The service will be livestreamed on CTSFW's
Call Day (ctsfw.edu/callday) and You Tube pages.
After the service at Fort Wayne, full lists of
assignments and calls, along with photos of students
and placement map will be posted
at ctsfw.edu/callday.

Adopted Seminarian Micah Brown is a student at
Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO, and will be
receiving a pastoral assignment. The Assignment of
Calls Service will be Wednesday, April 30 at 7 p.m.
The service will be livestreamed at csl.edu/live as
well as on the seminary's Facebook and YouTube
pages. For more details and a complete listing of
assignments and calls following the services at St.
Louis, visit csl.edu/call-day

PRAYER

Dianna Gibson	Anna Schlechte
Nick Hanfland	Kendall Fulk
Frances York	Wayne Wirth
Robert Pfeiffer	Ronda Schlechte
Margaret Swank	Nick Oller
Beulah Ulmer	Clay Tabbert
Karla Tabbert	Mark Richards
Cathryn Stremming	

LIMITED MOBILITY

Rose Schlechte- StoneBridge
Robert Stremming
Imogene Lading – Villas of Holly Brook
Bill Orr
Rosemary Sporleder-Brookstone
Mattoon
Mildred Rincker – Heartland, Neoga
Doris Stremming – Willowbrook,
Effingham
Margaret Swank – Willowbrook
Effingham

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

Ken Daily (Karen Pfeiffer's father)
stroke
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 2024-25

4TH Year Student

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Hunter Kinnison (Wife Naomi)

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2024-25 Vicar assignment at Concordia

Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, IN

**Joshua Gerken (Wife Rachel, son
Callan)**

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The Resurrection of Our Lord – Setting Three

P He is Risen!

C **He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!**

P Because He is Risen!

C **I will Rise with Him!**

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

LSB 461

- 1 I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head.
- 2 He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save;
He lives all-glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high.
- 3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to plead for me above;
He lives my hungry soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
- 4 He lives to grant me rich supply; He lives to guide me with His eye;
He lives to comfort me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's complaint.
- 5 He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears;
He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

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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

Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17–18; antiphon: v. 1b

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 the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C ***Amen.***

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 65:17–25

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:19–26

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Choir Sings "Christ is Risen, Alleluia!" (Albrecht/Althouse)

Alleluia

LSB 190

C ***Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.***

Holy Gospel

Luke 24:1–12

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth 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.***

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.

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 1 Corinthians 15:19–26 "In Christ Shall all be Made Alive"

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

Preface

LSB 194

- P The Lord be with you.
 C **And with thy spirit.**
 P Lift up your hearts.
 C **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
 P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
 C **It is meet and right so to do.**

- P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, 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 195

- C ***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

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.**

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

Pax Domini

LSB 197

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C ***Amen.***

Agnus Dei

LSB 198

- C ***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.

Distribution

I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

LSB 618

- 1 I come, O Savior, to Thy table, For weak and weary is my soul;
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able To satisfy and make me whole: Refrain
- ref Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good!
- 2 Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning That sinners may salvation see
Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning; So I, a sinner, come to Thee. Refrain
- 3 Unworthy though I am, O Savior, Because I have a sinful heart,
Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never, For Thou my faithful shepherd art: Refrain
- 4 Weary am I and heavy laden; With sin my soul is sore oppressed;
Receive me graciously and gladden My heart, for I am now Thy guest. Refrain
- 5 What higher gift can we inherit? It is faith's bond and solid base;
It is the strength of heart and spirit, The covenant of hope and grace. Refrain
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Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia

LSB 463

- 1 Christ the Lord is ris'n today; Alleluia! Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia!
Offer praise with love replete, Alleluia! At the paschal victim's feet. Alleluia!
- 2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia! Sinless in the sinner's stead. Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia! Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!
- 3 Hail, the victim undefiled, Alleluia! God and sinners reconciled, Alleluia!
When contending death and life, Alleluia! Met in strange and awesome strife.
Alleluia!
- 4 Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia! All your grateful homage pay; Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia! Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!
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Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won

LSB 490

- 1 Jesus lives! The vict'ry's won! Death no longer can appall me;
Jesus lives! Death's reign is done! From the grave will Christ recall me.
Brighter scenes will then commence; This shall be my confidence.
- 2 Jesus lives! To Him the throne High above all things is given.
I shall go where He is gone, Live and reign with Him in heaven.
God is faithful; doubtings, hence! This shall be my confidence.
- 3 Jesus lives! For me He died, Hence will I, to Jesus living,
Pure in heart and act abide, Praise to Him and glory giving.
All I need God will dispense; This shall be my confidence.
- 4 Jesus lives! I know full well Nothing me from Him shall sever.
Neither death nor pow'rs of hell Part me now from Christ forever.
God will be my sure defense; This shall be my confidence.
- 5 Jesus lives! And now is death But the gate of life immortal;
This shall calm my trembling breath When I pass its gloomy portal.
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense: Jesus is my confidence!

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Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

LSB 469

- 1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n today!" Saints on earth and angels say;
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply.
- 2 Love's redeeming work is done, Fought the fight, the battle won;
Lo! Our Sun's eclipse is o'er; Lo! He sets in blood no more.
- 3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ hath burst the gates of hell.
Death in vain forbids His rise; Christ has opened paradise.
- 4 Lives again our glorious King! Where, O death, is now thy sting?
Once He died our souls to save; Where thy victory, O grave?

5 Soar we now where Christ has led; Foll'wing our exalted Head.
Made like Him, like Him we rise; Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n! Praise to Thee by both be giv'n!
Thee we greet triumphant now: Hail, the resurrection, Thou!

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Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

C ***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

LSB 200

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

C ***and His mercy endureth forever.***

P 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.***

P The Lord be with you.

C ***And with thy spirit.***

Benedicamus

LSB 202

P 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.***

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

LSB 474

- 1 Alleluia! Jesus is risen!
Trumpets resounding in glorious light!
Splendor, the Lamb, Heaven forever!
Oh, what a miracle God has in sight! Refrain
- ref Jesus is risen and we shall arise: Give God the glory! Alleluia!
- 2 Walking the way, Christ in the center
Telling the story to open our eyes;
Breaking our bread, Giving us glory:
Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. Refrain
- 3 Jesus the vine, We are the branches;
Life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;
Heaven to earth, Christ to the people,
Gift of the future now flowing to me. Refrain
- 4 Weeping, be gone; Sorrow, be silent:
Death put asunder, and Easter is bright.
Cherubim sing: "O grave, be open!"
Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. Refrain
- 5 City of God, Easter forever,
Golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,
River of life, Saints and archangels,
Sing with creation to God the I AM! Refrain

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Next Week's Readings – Acts 5 12-20, Revelation 1:4-18, John 19-31

This Week's Memory Verse -1 Corinthians 15:19-26 "But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep."

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