

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

April 30, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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THIS WEEK WITH THE LORD

SUN.	8:30 AM	Worship Service-Confirmation	Sunday-Choir sings
	9:30 AM	SS, H.S.	
	9:30AM	Voter's meeting	
TUE.	9:00 AM	Bible Study	
WED.	8:00 AM	Guide/Bulletin	
	8:30 AM	Chair Yoga	
	6:30-7:30 PM	WDS- WDS Picnic	
THURS.	1:30 PM	Ladies Aid-Hostess	Cinda & Tammy
SUN.	8:30 AM	Worship Service	
	9:30 AM	SS, Alpha, W.L.S., H.S.	College+

April 23 8:30: 134 Year Ago: 135 Sunday School:

Welcome With the psalmist we proclaim, "You prepare a table before me ... my cup overflows" (Psalm 23:5, NRSV). Welcome to worship as we praise and thank the Lord our Shepherd. *If you are a visitor, we invite you to worship with us again and to please sign our guestbook.*

Vacation I will be on vacation April 30-May 7th. Mike Pfeiffer will be answering e-mails, and doing the bulletin in my absence. Sue

Recent notes from Rev. Gordon Alex in Kenya March 27: Lenten greetings to you and your family. I hope you and all the brethren are doing well. We also thank God this far, even though I request for prayers for my son Epiphany who was hospitalized two days ago complaining of stomach pain and rising temperature. Today, he has shown good sign of improvement. During this holy week, I'll be doing many home visits and preaching in different congregations. Pass my regards and blessings.

St. Paul's wired \$1260 to Rev. Gordon Alex the week of April 17 and receipt of the funds was confirmed.

April 22: Greetings of Jesus victory to you all. Am touched with the love from St Paul's congregation. I received cash donation which has really supported me with my son Epiphany who was hospitalized. He's discharged and steadily recovering. This donation came at a time when I've also planned for the children's catechetical club ceremony from Monday next week. I was in a great fix, but now I've hope of success. Many blessings to everyone. I am indebted to preach and serve these children for the glory of God. Kindly pass my warm post. Easter regards to the brethren in Jesus' name. Blessings.

FOR THE LORD'S WORK

<u>CURRENT OFFERINGS</u>	<u>\$ TO MEET YEARLY BUDGET</u>	<u>\$ RECEIVED</u>	<u>\$ DIFFERENCE</u>
April 23	\$ 3,578.00	\$2,734.50	\$ -843.50
year-to-date	\$ 57,248.00	\$54,616.46	\$ -2,631.54
<u>Synod-Offerings</u>			
April 23	\$ 481.00	\$ 385.00	\$ -96.00
year-to-date	\$ 7,696.00	\$11,799.50	\$ 4,103.50
TRINITY GOAL-\$10,000		Total to Date	\$3,745.00
Building \$455 Sem. Student \$305 Cemetery \$10 Trinity \$130 Bell Tower \$150			
LYF \$125 Cradle Roll \$200 Sunday School \$75 Ladies Aid \$10			
		April 20	\$1,960.00 (ACH)
		April 23	\$2,619.50

5/9 9:00 AM Bible Study
 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal
 5/10 8:30 AM Chair Yoga
 2:30 PM Social Hall Communion
 6:30 PM LYF bowling-meet @ Trinity
 5/11 8:30 AM Blanket making

April Sunday School Class Changes

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."

Confirmation Those being confirmed today are: 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. God's blessing to all the confirmands.

Voter's Meeting There will be a voter's meeting this morning following the church service. There are copies of the Agenda in the Narthex. Just a reminder that under the new constitution, 18 and older members of the congregation are considered voting members.

Seminary Student News Second-year student Micah Brown and wife Jen are anxiously awaiting Call Day in St. Louis on April 26 for Micah's Vicarage Assignment. Find more information about Call Day and how to listen live at

<https://www.csl.edu/event/call-day-2023/>. All calls for service are to churches or ministries within The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS). We pray for Micah's placement on Call Day and that he and Jen thrive in their new environment during his year of vicarage which will begin in August.

First-year student Joshua Gerken and wife Rachel are finishing the closing and moving process on their home in Fort Wayne and have big news to announce. They are expecting their first child, a baby boy in October of 2023! We pray for Rachel and the baby's health as they move forward. We pray for Joshua and his fellow classmates to finish the year strong.

April Newsletters from our adopted seminary students have recently been received and are posted on church bulletin boards and will be included in the May Messenger. Both Micah and Joshua enjoy receiving cards, notes, words of encouragement and prayers from members of St. Paul's.



ANNIVERSARIES

30- Chris & Sue Bowers;
Alan* & Courtney Koch
5- Jason* & Angela Edwards

BIRTHDAYS

30-Richard Stremming;
Donna Rincker; Troy Salazar Jr.
2-Troy Salazar
3-Claire Logue; Caroline Polk
4-Jocelyn Schultz
6-Rick* Vonderheide;
Jacob Schultz; Gene Lankow;
Maxwell Bowers

HOUSEHOLDS OF THE WEEK

Donna Pfeiffer, Michael Pfeiffer, Bob & Yvonne Pfeiffer, Jeremy Pieper, Kathy Pieper, Richard Reel, Rich & Keri Reel, Dean & Karen Rentfro

Recorded Services

Website: stpaul-strasburg.com

YouTube: St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Strasburg Illinois

Facebook: St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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	

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)**

Christie Dust (Howard & Kay's daughter) (Primary Progressive Multiple Sclerosis)
Pastor Gary Fortkamp
Nancy Slifer
Gayle Klitzing(panc cancer Gary & Roger Kull Cousin)
Randy Doty
Pat Williams (Health issues)
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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Hymn of Invocation

Thine Forever, God of Love

LSB 687

- 1 Thine forever, God of love! Hear us from Thy throne above;
Thine forever may we be Here and in eternity!
- 2 Thine forever! Oh, how blest They who find in Thee their rest!
Savior, guardian, heav'nly friend, O defend us to the end!
- 3 Thine forever, Lord of Life! Shield us through our earthly strife.
Thou, the life, the truth, the way, Guide us to the realms of day.
- 4 Thine forever! Shepherd, keep These Thy frail and trembling sheep;
Safe alone beneath Thy care, Let us all Thy goodness share.
- 5 Thine forever! Thou our guide, All our wants by Thee supplied,
All our sins by Thee forgiv'n; Lead us, Lord, from earth to heav'n.

Text: Mary F. Maude, 1819–1913 Text: Public domain

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 95:1–3, 6–7a; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b

Kyrie

LSB 204

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

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204

C **1 To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**2 To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—**

**3 For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.**

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through

the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

First Reading

Acts 2:42–47

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

1 Peter 2:19–25

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Choir Sings

“The New 23rd”

Alleluia and Verse

C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

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

C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Holy Gospel

John 10:1–10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, 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.**

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.

Hymn of the Day

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

LSB 709

- 1 The King of love my shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am His And He is mine forever.
- 2 Where streams of living water flow, My ransomed soul He leadeth
And, where the verdant pastures grow, With food celestial feedeth.
- 3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love He sought me
And on His shoulder gently laid And home rejoicing brought me.
- 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear Lord, beside me,
Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.
- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth;
And, oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever!

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821-77 Text: Public domain

Sermon John 10:1-10 "An Abundant Life"

Confirmation

The pastor addresses the catechumens.

- P Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles: "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." You have been baptized and catechized in the Christian faith according to our Lord's bidding. Jesus said, "Whoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My Father who is in

heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven." Lift up your hearts, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I now ask you in the name of the Lord.

P Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?

R **Yes, I do.**

P Do you renounce the devil?

R **Yes, I renounce him.**

P Do you renounce all his works?

R **Yes, I renounce them.**

P Do you renounce all his ways?

R **Yes, I renounce them.**

P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

R **Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord?

R **Yes, I believe 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.**

P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

R **Yes, 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.**

P Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God?

R **I do.**

P Do you confess the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from the Scriptures, as you have learned to know it from the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?

R **I do.**

P Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?

R **I do, by the grace of God.**

P Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?

R **I do, by the grace of God.**

P Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?

R **I do, by the grace of God.**

P We rejoice with thankful hearts that you have been baptized and have received the teaching of the Lord. You have confessed the faith and been absolved of your sins. As you continue to hear the Lord's Word and receive His blessed Sacrament, He who has begun a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

The catechumens kneel to receive the confirmation blessing. The pastor places his hands on the head of each catechumen and makes the sign of the cross on the forehead while saying:

P *[Name],* the almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life everlasting.

R **Amen.**

The pastor may read a text of Holy Scripture as a remembrance of confirmation. After all the catechumens have received the blessing, one or both of the following collects are prayed.

P Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for Your great goodness in bringing these Your sons and daughters to the knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and enabling them both with the heart to believe and with the mouth to confess His saving name. Grant that, bringing forth the fruits of faith, they may continue steadfast and victorious to the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; 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 Almighty and most merciful Father, in the waters of Holy Baptism You have united Your children in the suffering and death of Your Son Jesus Christ, cleansing them by

His blood. Renew in them the gift of Your Holy Spirit, that they may live in daily contrition and repentance with a faith that ever clings to their Savior. Deliver them from the power of Satan and preserve them from false and dangerous doctrines, that they may remain faithful in hearing Christ's Word and receiving His body and blood. By the Lord's Supper strengthen them to believe that no one can make satisfaction for sin but Christ alone. Enable them to find joy and comfort only in Him, learning from this Sacrament to love You and their neighbor and to bear the cross with patience and joy until the day of the resurrection of their bodies to life immortal; 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 Peace T be with you.

C **Amen.**

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.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

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 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

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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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!

Text: Christian Fürchtegott Gellert, 1715–69; tr. Frances E. Cox, 1812–97, alt. Text: Public domain

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

LSB 549

- 1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.
- 2 Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God, Who from His altar call;
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod And crown Him Lord of all.
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod And crown Him Lord of all.
- 3 Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.
- 4 Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line, Whom David Lord did call,
The God incarnate, man divine, And crown Him Lord of all.
The God incarnate, man divine, And crown Him Lord of all.
- 5 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget The wormwood and the gall,
Go, spread your trophies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.
Go, spread your trophies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.
- 6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all.
To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all.

- 7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all.

Text (sts. 1–5): Edward Perronet, 1726–92, alt.; (sts. 6–7): A Selection of Hymns, 1787, London, alt. Text: Public domain

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 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

LSB 770

- 1 What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
 What a privilege to carry Ev'rything to God in prayer!
 Oh, what peace we often forfeit; Oh, what needless pain we bear—
 All because we do not carry Ev'rything to God in prayer!

- 2 Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
 We should never be discouraged—Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share?
 Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness—Take it to the Lord in prayer.

- 3 Are we weak and heavy laden, Cumbered with a load of care?
 Precious Savior, still our refuge—Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a solace there.

Text: Joseph M. Scriven, 1819–86 Text: Public domain

Readings for Next Week – Acts 6:1-9;; 7:2a, 51-60, 1 Peter 2:2-10, John 14:1-14

This Week's Memory Verse -John 10:9 " I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture."

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