

**St. Paul Lutheran Church**  
**February 21, 2021**  
**8:15 and 10:45 am**

**Prelude:**

**8:15 am - "Give Me a Clean Heart" – arr. John Helgen**

**10:45 am – "Lord, Who Throughout These 40 Days" – arr. Kathleen Wissinger  
(Jubilate Bells)**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
(Pause for reflection)

Most merciful God,

**We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.**

For by Grace you have been saved. Out of great mercy, Jesus Christ was sent to die for your sins on the cross. As he lives victorious from the grave, I declare to you that your sins are forgiven.

**Gathering Hymn # 599: Lord Jesus, Think on Me**

*Sung by cantor. Sanctuary worshippers may follow and hum along with the text.*

Lord Jesus, think on me,  
 and purge away my sin;  
 from selfish passions set me free  
 and make me pure within.

Lord Jesus, think on me,  
 nor let me go astray;  
 through darkness and perplexity  
 point out your chosen way.

Lord Jesus, think on me,  
 that, when the flood is past,  
 I may the eternal brightness see  
 and share your joy at last.

Text: Synesius of Cyrene, 375-430; tr. Allen W. Chatfield, 1808-1896, alt.

## Apostolic Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## Kyrie (sung by cantor)



1, 3	Ky - ri - e	e - lei - son.	Ky - ri - e	e - lei - son.
2	Chris - te	e - lei - son.	Chris - te	e - lei - son.
1, 3	Lord, . . .	have mer - cy.	Lord, . . . .	have mer - cy.
2	Christ, . . .	have mer - cy.	Christ, . . . .	have mer - cy.



Ky - ri - e	e - lei	-	i - son.
Chris - te	e - lei	-	i - son.
Lord, . . .	have mer	-	cy.
Christ, . . .	have mer	-	cy.

Music: Russian Orthodox traditional

## Prayer of the Day

Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## Reading

### Genesis 2:18-25

*God repeatedly declares things as good after they have been created. In this passage, however, we stumble upon the first thing that is not good in all of creation, namely, that Adam is alone. The first problem in the Bible is human loneliness.*

<sup>18</sup>Then the Lord GOD said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." <sup>19</sup>So out of the ground the Lord GOD formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup>The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. <sup>21</sup>So the Lord GOD caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. <sup>22</sup>And the rib that the Lord GOD had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. <sup>23</sup>Then the man said,  
"This at last is bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
this one shall be called Woman,  
for out of Man this one was taken."

<sup>24</sup>Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. <sup>25</sup>And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 25:1-10

<sup>1</sup>To you, O LORD,  
I lift up my soul.

<sup>2</sup>**My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

<sup>3</sup>Let none who look to you be put to shame;  
rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

<sup>4</sup>**Show me your ways, O LORD,  
and teach me your paths.**

<sup>5</sup>Lead me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

<sup>6</sup>**Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,  
for they are from everlasting.**

<sup>7</sup>Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;  
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your  
goodness, O LORD.

<sup>8</sup>**You are gracious and upright, O LORD;  
therefore you teach sinners in your way.**

<sup>9</sup>You lead the lowly in justice  
and teach the lowly your way.

<sup>10</sup>All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness  
to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

## Gospel Acclamation *(sung by cantor)*



We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind—



slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in - clined.

Text: Gracia Grindal, based on Joel 2:13  
Music: KAS DZIEDAJA, Latvian folk tune

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## Gospel

Mark 1:9-15

*Before the gospel is read:*

The holy gospel according to Mark .... **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the conclusion of the reading:*

The gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Children's Message (10:45)

Deacon Emily Myallis

## Sermon

Rev. Rob Myallis

**Solo: *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* – setting, Raymond H. Haan**

I want Jesus to walk with me;

I want Jesus to walk with me;

all along my pilgrim journey,

I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me;

in my trials, Lord, walk with me;

when my head is bowed in sorrow,

I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I am dying, Lord, walk with me;

when I am dying, Lord, walk with me;

when I am on my bed of sorrow,

O Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

## Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **Prayers of Intercession**

## **Announcements and Offering**

### **Offering Prayer**

Faithful God,  
you walk beside us in desert places, and you meet us in our hunger  
with bread from heaven. Accompany us in this meal, that we may  
pass over from death to life with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**

### **Offering Response**

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,  
 and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.  
 Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,  
 and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.  
 Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, O  
 Lord, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.  
 Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,  
 and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

Text: Psalm 51:10-12  
 Music: CREATE IN ME, anonymous

## Blessing

### Sending Hymn #618: Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

*Sung by cantor. Sanctuary worshippers may follow and hum along with the text.*

Guide me ever, great Redeemer,  
pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but you are mighty;  
hold me with your pow'rful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
feed me now and evermore,  
feed me now and evermore.

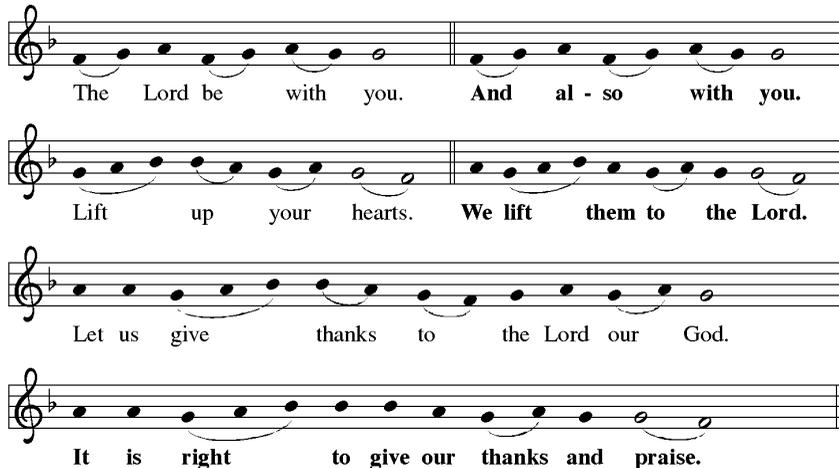
When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
bid my anxious fears subside;  
death of death and hell's destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs and praises, songs and praises,  
I will raise forevermore,  
I will raise forevermore.

Text: William Williams, 1717-1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722-1796, alt.

## Peace and Sending

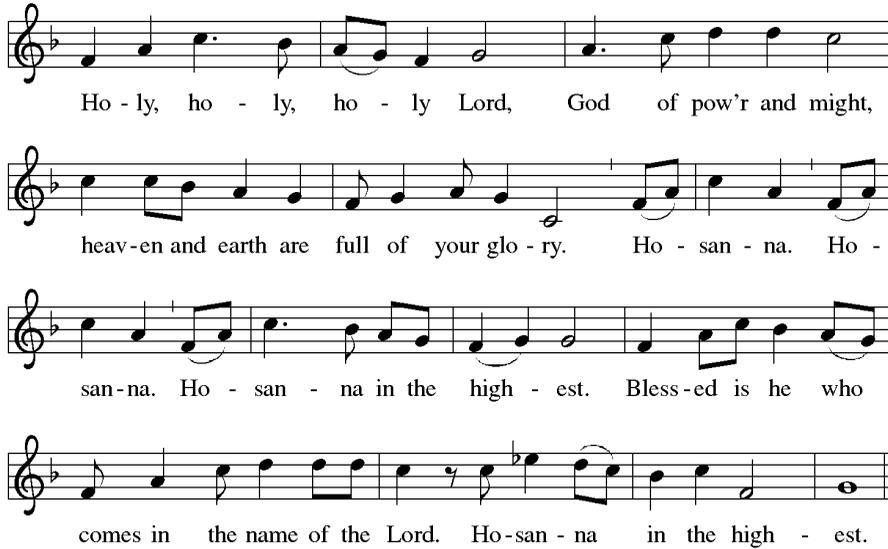
The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**  
Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. **And al - so with you.**  
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## Words of Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed... Do this in remembrance of me.  
As we do this, we proclaim the great mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

## Lord's Prayer

**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.**

## Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## Distribution

### Musicians

Don Drenner, cantor (8:15)

Linda Vance, cantor (10:45)

Susan Cardwell, handbell ensemble leader

Pam Drenner, keyboards

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**Holden Evening Prayer:** Each Wednesday in Lent we will hold a Holden Evening Prayer service at 7 PM in the sanctuary. Sign-ups are not needed.

**Christian Service Box:** The Mission & Outreach Committee is reinstating the Christian Service Box as we slowly return to the sanctuary. Funds collected will be donated to Lutheran World Relief. LWR works with Lutherans and partners around the world to end poverty, injustice, and

human suffering. They provide aid in emergencies to people in need, regardless of race, religion, or nationality. The collection box is in the narthex or you can mail a check to the church, designating the funds for the Christian Service Box. This campaign will run until April 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Personal Care Kits:** This year our congregation will be collecting personal care kits for Lutheran World Relief as our Lenten service project.

**Items for each kit:**

1 bath towel (light-med weight, approx. 27"x52", dark color)

2 bath-size bars of soap in the original wrapper (4-5 oz)

1 adult-size toothbrush in original packaging

1 wide-toothed comb (remove packaging)

1 metal nail clipper (remove packaging)

Wrap all items in the bath towel and secure with ribbon. Kits can be dropped off at the church from March 10-21. Drive thru drop off will be on March 14 & 21 from 9:30-11am in the back parking lot of St. Paul. Contact Phyllis Frankhouser 717-626-4200 or Nancy Weiss 717-626-0994 with questions.

The current **Grief small groups** conclude this week. If you are interested in participating in the next six-week session beginning April 11th, please contact Pastor Marty ([pr.sheaffer@stpauilititz.net](mailto:pr.sheaffer@stpauilititz.net)).

**Splash Families** (parents who are expecting through the toddler years) are invited to connect for coffee and conversation over Zoom on Sunday, February 28th at 3:00 p.m. Contact Deacon Emily or Pastor Rob for joining information.

**Lent 2021: Create in Me a Clean Heart - a journey toward wholeness.** Copies of our **One Church + One Book + One Heart** devotional are still available from church. Each Sunday, we are uplifting one piece of wholeness as we journey toward the One who makes hearts whole - Jesus! May your Lenten Season be blessed with devotion, prayer, and connection.

**TODAY: Winter Fun Day @ Camp Kirchenwald!** ALL AGES are invited to our local, Lutheran camp anytime between 1:00-6:00pm for Winter activities such as hiking, sledding, games & more! Warm up with cocoa & cookies in the lodge. Free!

**Calling all 4th Graders:** your Faith Step-Stone is next - becoming an acolyte! Join our acolyte training on Sunday, February 28th at 1:00pm in the Sanctuary. RSVP to Deacon Emily.

**Calling Bakers & Buyers:** March 8-12 is National Lutheran Schools Week. St. Paul church wants to send a big Thank You to the St. Paul CELC for being a Lutheran School that blesses so many

children/families. . If you can donate some goodies (healthy or treats - baked or bought) so the teachers have treats everyday March 8-12, please email Deacon Emily or sign-up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60BoE48ABAD2CA6FA7-celc> We will celebrate the CELC at church on Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup>

## EASTER FLOWER ORDER FORM

If you wish to order Easter flowers to be placed in the sanctuary for Easter, please complete the order form and return it with your payment to the church no later than Monday, March 15: (Make checks payable to St. Paul).

Given by: (please print name)

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate the number of flowers ordered :

\_\_\_\_\_ Daffodils - \$5.50 each

\_\_\_\_\_ Lily - \$7.50 each

\_\_\_\_\_ Muscari (Blue Bells) - \$2.50 each

\_\_\_\_\_ Tulips - \$5.50 each

In Memory of:

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In Honor of:

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\_\_\_\_\_ To the Glory of God

Total remitted with order form: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

