



March 17, 2024 8:15 am

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Bold print indicates congregational responses

Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church!

We are glad you're here and pray you experience God's presence in worship today. For those visiting, please fill out a *visitor card* located in the pews and place it in the offering plate or hand to a worship leader.

Blessings to you and we hope you join us again.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

"Wondrous Love"

arr. Mary Ann Fritz

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We worship in the name in which we baptize, in the name of the Father, ✚ the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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. **Amen.**

***GATHERING HYMN**

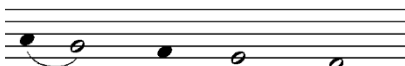
#338 "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

***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.**

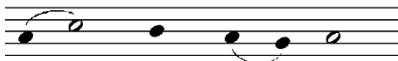
***KYRIE**

Assisting Minister or Cantor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



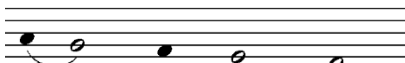
All: Lord, have mer - cy.

Assisting Minister or Cantor: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



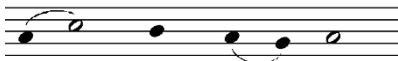
All: Lord, have mer - cy.

Assisting Minister or Cantor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



All: Lord, have mer - cy.

Assisting Minister or Cantor: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



All: Lord, have mer - cy.

Assisting Minister or Cantor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



All: A - men.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The reading is found on page 918 in the Old Testament of the pew Bibles.

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt — a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

PSALM 22:1-10

¹My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?

²**O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night, but find no rest.**

³Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

⁴**In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.**

⁵To you they cried, and were saved; in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.

⁶**But I am a worm, and not human; scorned by others, and despised by the people.**

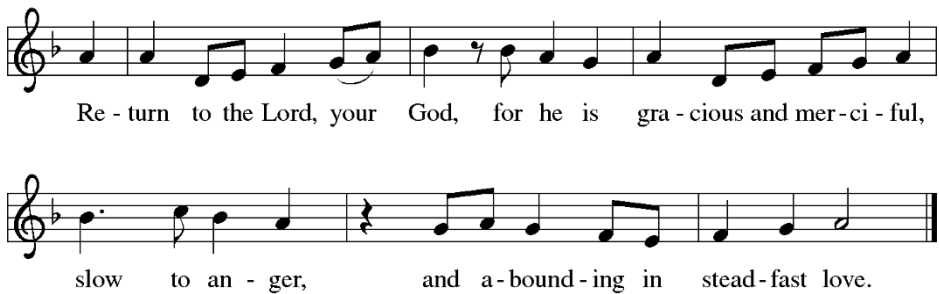
⁷All who see me mock at me; they make mouths at me, they shake their heads;

⁸**"Commit your cause to the LORD; let him deliver — let him rescue the one in whom he delights!"**

⁹Yet it was you who took me from the womb; you kept me safe on my mother's breast.

¹⁰**On you I was cast from my birth, and since my mother bore me you have been my God.**

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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Mark 15:25-34

The reading is found on page 72 in the New Testament of the pew Bibles.

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

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Deacon Emily Myallis

SERMON

Rev. Robert J. Myallis

*HYMN OF THE DAY

#785 "When Peace Like a River"

v. 1 - 3

*THE 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.

**The word "catholic" in the creed means universal or world-wide. If you have any questions, the pastors are happy to discuss.*

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION RESPONSE



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

*PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS



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Weekly news can also be found on our website: stpaulsitiz.net

Office Hours:

- Monday - Friday, 9:00 am – 1 pm

***OFFERING SONG**

“Create in Me a Clean Heart”

Musical notation for the offering song. It consists of four staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Merciful God,

we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us –

our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love.

Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*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.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff has a double bar line after the first phrase. The second staff also has a double bar line after the first phrase. The third and fourth staves end with a final double bar line.

... We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
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.

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*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed... ..Do this in remembrance of me.
For as often 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



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mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

All baptized Christians who recognize the Lord's forgiveness and presence in Holy Communion are invited to receive the bread and wine. During the distribution, you are invited to come forward as directed by the ushers. Take a cup from the trays, and kneel or stand at the altar railing to receive the Bread and Wine. The first chalice is wine and the second chalice is grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Those who do not commune may come to the altar for a blessing, indicating so by crossing your arms. As the ministers give the bread and cup to you, they say these words: The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.** If you are interested in being baptized or learning more about baptism and Holy Communion please contact the pastoral staff at St. Paul. Those that would like to receive prayer, please remain at the altar.

COMMUNION MUSIC

#481 "Come to the Table"



Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

“Jesus, Remember Me”

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

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***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin as a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***BLESSING**

***SENDING HYMN**

#666 “What Wondrous Love”

v. 1, 2 & 4

***SENDING**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

“Mosso Moderato”

H. Gotze

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The Altar Flowers are given by Kathy Ross and family in memory of Margaret Strakosch, her Irish Mom.

The Communion Bread is given to the glory of God by Karen Healy.

Worship Volunteers - 8:15 am / 10:45 am

Acolyte – Pat Lamb / Ryder Troxell

Assisting Minister – Bob Richardson / Jim Millhouse

Cantor – Katy Clair / Kate Martin

Communion Assistants – Deacon Emily Myallis, Mary Ann Seitz, Joanne Strunck /

Deacon Emily Myallis, Susan Long

Host(s) – Pat Lamb / Hazel & Mark Nestleroth, Beth Lynch

Lector – Karen Healy / Kathy Ross

Lights and Sound – John Moffitt / Nathan Hoffer

Coffee Hosts – Rick & LuAnn Hain

Altar Guild

Set-Up 8:15 – Marty & Dave Althouse

In between Clean & Set-Up – Mary Ann Seitz

Clean-Up after 10:45 – Charles Family

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