



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
ROOTED AND GROWING

Baptism of Jetsen Jenerou Yenser

April 14, 2023 10:45 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

CENTERING MUSIC

"Sing We Alleluia"
St. Paul Choir

Jay Althouse

*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.**

Let us together confess our sins.

Jesus, you died on the cross for us and for the world. Forgive us for our sins against you and against our neighbor, in thought, word, and deed.

Jesus is risen. Sin and death have been defeated. Your sins are forgiven!

Jesus, we have not followed you as we ought. Give us strength to follow you.

Jesus is risen. Sin and death have been defeated. Your sins are forgiven!

Forgive us for doubting your defeat of death. Give us faith. Fill our hearts with the joy and power of your resurrection.

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*GATHERING SONG

#522 "As We Gather at Your Table"

***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.**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of 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

1 John 3:1-7

The reading is found on page 321 in the New Testament of the pew Bibles.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

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

PSALM 4

¹Answer me when I call, O God of my right! You gave me room when I was in distress.

Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer.

²How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame? How long will you love vain words, and seek after lies?

³But know that the LORD has set apart the faithful for himself; the LORD hears when I call to him.

⁴When you are disturbed, do not sin; ponder it on your beds, and be silent.

⁵Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD.

⁶There are many who say, "O that we might see some good! Let the light of your face shine on us, O LORD!"

⁷You have put gladness in my heart more than when their grain and wine abound.

⁸I will both lie down and sleep in peace; for you alone, O LORD, make me lie down in safety.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

***GOSPEL**

Luke 24:36b-48

The reading is found on page 121 in the New Testament of the pew Bibles.

The holy gospel according to Luke. **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**

#456 "Baptized in Water"

+ SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM +

We are washed, forgiven, and claimed as God's children forever

INTRODUCTION

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. The power of sin is put to death in this holy flood, and we are raised with Jesus Christ to new life. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and sent out in mission for the world.

PRESENTATION

The presiding minister addresses parents, Lauren and Brandon Yenser:

Trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child, Jetsen Jenerou Yenser, baptized?

Response: I do.

As you present Jetsen for Holy Baptism, you are entrusted with gifts and responsibilities:

- to bring him to services in God's house
- to teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Apostles' Creed and the Ten Commandments
- to provide him with the Holy Bible and instruction about it
- to remind him of his Baptism and bring him to the Lord's Supper
- to nurture him in faith, love, and compassion

Do you promise to help Jetsen grow in the Christian faith and life?

Response: I do, with the help of God.

The presiding minister addresses the congregation:

People of God, do you promise to support Jetsen and to pray for his new life in Christ?

Response: We do.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The presiding minister addresses the parents:

P: I ask you to reject sin, profess your faith in Christ, and confess, together with your sisters and brothers, the faith of the Church.

Do you renounce the devil, and all the forces that defy God?

Response: I do renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response: I do renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you away from God?

Response: I do renounce them.

The presiding minister addresses the congregation:

P: With the whole church in heaven and earth, let us confess our faith.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**Response: 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.**

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**Response: 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 BAPTISM

THANKSGIVING

Standing at the font, the presiding minister begins the thanksgiving:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us give thanks and praise.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, holy God. You are the creator of the waters of the earth. You are the river of life. You led your people through the river Jordan and called them to life in covenant. Your Son was baptized in the river Jordan to begin his mission among us. Send your Holy Spirit into this water and into the baptized. Create us all anew that we may serve this needy world; for we trust in the name of Jesus, your Son, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen**

BAPTISM

Water is poured on the candidate's head, as the presiding minister says:

Beloved child of God, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

Child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **C: Amen**

PRESENTATION OF BAPTISMAL GARMENT

“For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.”
(*Galatians 3:27*)

PRESENTATION OF A CANDLE

“Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.” (*Matthew 5:16*)

WELCOME

Through baptism Jetsen has been received into the household of God, entrusted with the good news of Jesus Christ, and strengthened to serve by the Holy and life-giving Spirit.

The Congregation offers a word of welcome:

C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and as a fellow disciple.

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Each portion of the prayers concludes with these or similar words:
... Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

***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**

“We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise”



We bring the sac - ri - fice of praise in - to the house of the Lord.



We bring the sac - ri - fice of praise in - to the house of the Lord. And we



of - fer up to You the sac - ri - fic - es of thanks - giv - ing. And we



of - fer up to You the sac - ri - fic - es of joy.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Risen One,

you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

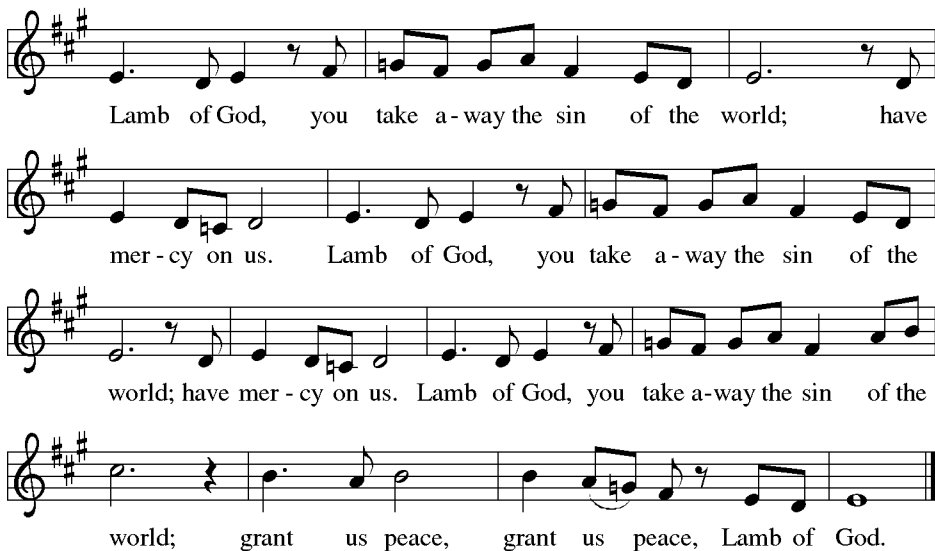
*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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



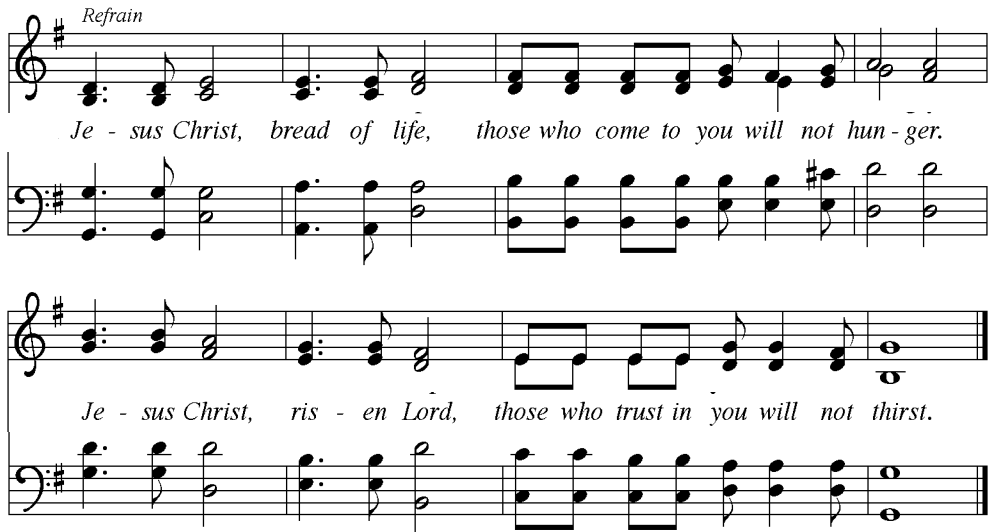
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

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 #472 "Jesus Christ, Bread of Life" Refrain-All, Verses-Choir

Refrain



Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.

Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

*BLESSING

***SENDING HYMN**

#674 "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!



Refrain
Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

***SENDING**

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**
You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.
Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

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Kathy Ross, Margaret Strausser, Susan Long

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Lector – Jim Watkins / Kristen Oberholtzer

Lights and Sound – John Moffit / Nathan Hoffer

Altar Guild

Set-Up 8:15 – Nancy Weiss

In between Clean & Set-Up – Tami Ruckel

Clean-Up after 10:45 – Hovan Family

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