



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
ROOTED AND GROWING

Baptism of Cooper David Spadaro

April 21, 2024 10:45 am

An * indicates to please stand if you are able

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.

GATHERING MUSIC

"Indescribable"

Praise Band

WELCOME

*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. We have sinned 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, you showed the way of compassion and truth. We have not followed you as we ought. Give us strength.

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

Jesus, you arose from the grave. We have too often lived in fear. Fill our hearts with joy!

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

*GATHERING SONG #369 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!"

v. 1 - 2

***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**

O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

READING

1 John 3:16-24

The reading is found on page 321-322 in the New Testament of the pew Bibles.

¹⁶We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us — and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

²³And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

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

PSALM 23 (please read in unison)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters.

He restores my soul;

He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil; For You are with me;

Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;

I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Amen.

***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**

John 10:11-18

The reading is found on page 137-138 in the New Testament of the pew Bibles.

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

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Deacon Emily Myallis

SERMON

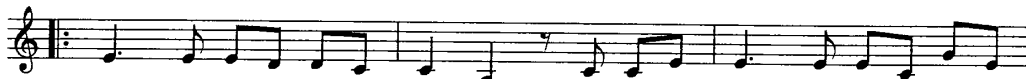
Rev. Robert J. Myallis

*SONG OF THE DAY

“Yet Not I But Christ in Me”



1. What gift of
- (2. The night is)
- (3. No fate I)
- (4. With ev - 'ry)



grace is Je - sus, my Re - deem - er. There is no more for heav - en now to
 dark, but I am not for - sak - en, for by my side the Sav - iour, he will
 dread, I know I am for - giv - en, the fu - ture sure, the price, it has been
 breath I long to fol - low Je - sus, for he has said that he will bring me



give. He is my joy, my right - eous - ness and free - dom, my stead - fast
 stay. I lab - our on in weak - ness and re - joic - ing, for in my
 paid. For Je - sus bled and suf - fered for my par - don, and he was
 home. And day by day I know he will re - new me un - til I



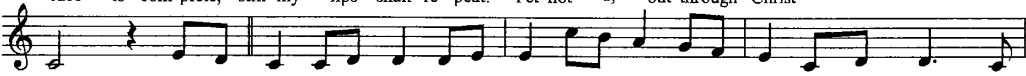
love, my deep and bound - less peace. To this I hold: my hope is on - ly
 need, his pow - er is dis - played. To this I hold: my Shep - herd will de -
 raised to o - ver - throw the grave. To this I hold: my sin has been de -
 stand with joy be - fore the throne. To this I hold: my hope is on - ly



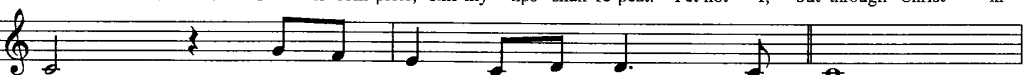
Je - sus. For my life is whol - ly bound to his. Oh how
 - fend - me. Through the deep - est val - ley he will lead. Oh the
 - feat - ed. Je - sus now, and ev - er, is my plea. Oh the
 Je - sus. All the glo - ry ev - er - more to him. When the



strange and di - vine, I can sing: all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
 night has been won, and I shall o - ver - come! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
 chains are re - leased, I can sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
 race is com - plete, still my lips shall re - peat: Yet not I, but through Christ in



me. When the race is com - plete, still my lips shall re - peat: Yet not I, but through Christ in



me. Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

+ 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 sponsors, Matt and Chelsea Gorlaski, present the candidate for Baptism:

Sponsors: We present Cooper David Spadaro for baptism.

The presiding minister addresses parents, Thomas and Casey Spadaro:

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

Response: We do.

As you present Cooper 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 Cooper grow in the Christian faith and life?

Response: We do, with the help of God.

The presiding minister addresses the sponsors:

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Cooper in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Response: We do, with the help of God.

The presiding minister addresses the congregation:

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

Response: We do.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The presiding minister addresses the parents and sponsors:

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 Cooper 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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Hard copies of the Weekly Announcements can be found in the Narthex.

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.

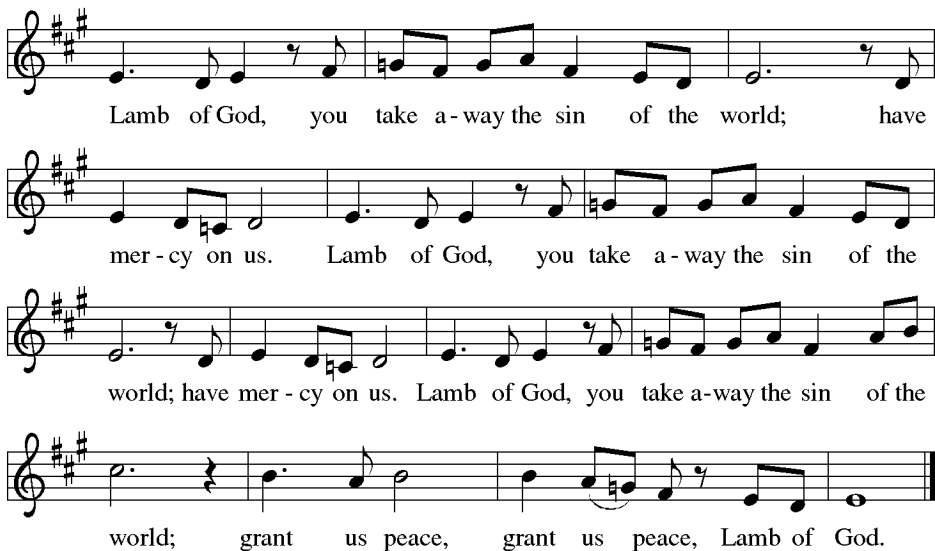
*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

#780 "Shepherd Me, O God"

Refrain-All, Cantor-Praise Band

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a tempo marking 'All'. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, followed by a dotted quarter note G4, a quarter note F#4, a quarter note E4, and a quarter note D4. The second staff continues the melody with a quarter note C4, a quarter note B3, a quarter note A3, a quarter note G3, a quarter note F#3, a quarter note E3, a quarter note D3, and a final whole note G2. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -
yond my fears, from death in - to life.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**

*BLESSING

*SENDING SONG

"Your Grace Is Enough"

Verse 1

Great is Your faithfulness O God
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart

Pre-Chorus

So remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise O God

Chorus 1

Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me

Chorus 2

Your grace is enough
Heaven reaches out to us
Your grace is enough for me
God I sing Your grace is enough
I'm covered in Your love
Your grace is enough for me for me

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

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

Acolyte – Pat Lamb / Susanna Myallis

Assisting Minister – Joanne Strunck / Vicar Kimberly Todd

Cantor – Jane Brye

Coffee Host – Kathy Ross

Communion Assistants – Tami Ruckel, Kevin Martzall, Connie Buck /
Todd Harpel, Nicholas Todd, Beth Hoffer

Host – Pat Lamb / Lee Anne and Craig Wagaman, Will Cressman

Lector – Karen Healy / Beth Hoffer

Lights and Sound – Melissa Lamb / Jim Lynch

Altar Guild

Set-Up 8:15 – Barbara Weaver

In between Clean & Set-Up – Michelle Mumma

Clean-Up after 10:45 – Marie and Will Cressman

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