

You shall rejoice in all the good
that the Lord your God
has given to you.

Deuteronomy 26:11, ESV



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First Sunday in Lent..... March 6, 2022

During the season of Lent, the Christian returns to the wilderness and meditates upon his journey to the cross and open tomb of Jesus Christ. Since he is united to Christ through the waters of Holy Baptism, this journey involves the Christian's own death and resurrection, dying and rising with Christ in the Sacrament (Rom 6:3-4). This faith and life therefore also include deliverance from sin, death, and the devil. Finally, it means daily repentance - daily turning from sin to faith in Jesus and receiving His forgiveness.

There is a Cry Room available for use during our worship service. It is located just outside the sanctuary.

Children Leaving the Sanctuary: This is a matter of caring concern for your child, or the young child that you are responsible for, age 13 or younger. The Board of Lay Ministry asks that if your child needs to leave the sanctuary during the

worship service, you as a parent or responsible adult will need to escort them to and from the sanctuary. Thank you

The Lord's Supper is a very special privilege God gives to His people. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because the Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive this sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder.

OUR OFFERINGS TO THE LORD FROM HIS BLESSINGS TO US

Offerings remind us of the blessings God has given us and are an opportunity to thank Him for what He has done in our lives. Please place your offerings in our Offering Box located in front of the water fountains in the narthex of the church. You may also choose “e-tithing” by having a weekly deposit to St Paul’s from your bank account. If you have questions on e-tithing, please contact the Church Office.

Opening Hymn 656 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and**

justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Adult Choir O Dearest Jesus

O Dearest Jesus, What law hast Thou broken
That such sharp sentence should on Thee be spoken?
Of what great crime hast Thou to make confession,
What dark transgression?

O wondrous Love, whose depth no heart hath sounded,
That brought Thee here, by foes and thieves surrounded!
All worldly pleasures, heedless, I was trying
Whilst Thou wert dying.

I'll think upon Thy mercy without ceasing,
That earth's vain joys to me no more be pleasing;
To do Thy will shall be my sole endeavor
Henceforth forever.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit

Psalm 91:9-13, 15-16

P When he calls to Me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;

C **I will rescue him and honor him.**

P With long life I will satisfy him

C **and show him My salvation.**

P Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—

C the Most High, who is my refuge—

P no evil shall be allowed to befall you,

C no plague come near your tent.

P For He will command His angels concerning you

C to guard you in all your ways.

P On their hands they will bear you up,

C lest you strike your foot against a stone.

P You will tread on the lion and the adder;

C the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P When he calls to Me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;

C I will rescue him and honor him.

P With long life I will satisfy him

and show him My salvation.



C Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



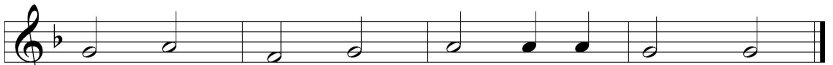
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Kyrie

LSB 186



C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray.

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 26:1–11

¹“When you come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it, ²you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the LORD your God will choose, to make His name to dwell there. ³And you shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, ‘I declare today to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our fathers to give us.’ ⁴Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the LORD your God.

⁵“And you shall make response before the LORD your God, ‘A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. ⁶And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor. ⁷Then we cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers, and the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸And the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders. ⁹And He brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O LORD, have given me.’ And you shall set it down before the LORD your God and worship before the LORD your God. ¹¹And you shall rejoice in all the good that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house, you, and the Levite, and the sojourner who is among you.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Hebrews 12:2

P O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

C **the founder and perfecter of our faith,**

P who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross,
despising the shame,

C **and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**

Epistle

Romans 10:8b–13

“The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in Him will not be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing His riches on all who call on Him. ¹³For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Luke 4:1–13

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourth chapter.



☐ Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

¹Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness ²for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And He ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, He was hungry. ³The devil said to Him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread.” ⁴And Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone.’” ⁵And the devil took Him up and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, ⁶and said to Him, “To you I will give all this

authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. ⁷If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours."

⁸And Jesus answered him, "It is written,

"You shall worship the Lord your God,
and Him only shall you serve."

⁹And he took Him to Jerusalem and set Him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to Him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰for it is written,

"He will command His angels concerning you,
to guard you,"

¹¹and

"On their hands they will bear you up,
lest you strike your foot against a stone."

¹²And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ¹³And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from Him until an opportune time.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise be to Thee, 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 T everlasting. Amen.

Hymn 435 Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain

Sermon Text

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Sermon "And So It Begins"

I. Israel remembers _____: "The Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor" (v 6).

II. Israel reconfirms _____: "Then we cried to the Lord, the God of our fathers, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression" (v 7).

III. Israel retells _____: "The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. . . . He brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey" (vv 8, 9).

Hymn 668 Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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 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.**

Recognition of Joe Ervin for 40 years of service as head usher.

Benedicamus

LSB 202

A Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and T give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Hymn 659 Lord of Our Life

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CHRISTIAN MEN - AWAKE! If you're at least 18 years of age, wake up on Wednesday morning every other week and join in a Bible Study at the Bremen Hospital cafeteria conference room at 6:30 A.M.. Enter the cafeteria area entrance on the south side patio to the left of the main entrance portico (presently the covid testing drive-thru). The cafeteria has an excellent breakfast menu and we enjoy our study with discussion and fellowship until 7:30 A.M. Bible study is a means of strengthening our understanding of God's plan for us and strengthening our faith, which we all can use in the daily challenges we face. Bring your Bible and join us as we study, eat and fellowship! The dates we will meet in 2022 are as follows:

1/12, 1/26, 2/9, 2/23, 3/9, 3/23, 4/6, 4/20, 5/4, 5/18, 6/1, 6/15, 6/29, 7/13, 7/27, 8/10, 8/24, 9/7, 9/21, 10/5, 10/19, 11/2, 11/16, 11/30, 12/14, 12/28

If you have questions, please contact Dave Burcham or Tom Coxe.

Greeters are needed! There is a sign-up list on the “Check It Out” board. We ask the greeters to meet the people outside at the overhang, weather permitting.

PLEASE REMEMBER that the time to “spring forward” is almost here! Daylight savings begins at 2:00 am on Sunday, March 13th. Make sure you **change your clocks** 1 hour ahead so we don’t miss you on Sunday morning!

Calendar of Events

TODAY:	March 6, 2022
Sunday School & Bible Classes.....	8:30 am
Worship Service.....	9:30 am
8 th Grade Confirmation	after Church
6 th Grade Confirmation.....	12:00 pm
Adult Basketball in the Gym.....	3:00 pm
Bell Choir Practice.....	5:00 pm
Adult Choir Practice.....	6:00 pm
TUES:	
School Pictures.....	Morning
Prayer Circle.....	7:00 pm
WED:	
Men’s Bible Study.....	6:30 am
Day School Chapel.....	11:00 am
Lenten Meal.....	6:00 pm
Lenten Service.....	7:00 pm
THURS:	
Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study.....	9:30 am
Preschool Chapel.....	9:30 am
Fri:	
Hope Ministries Dinner.....	4:30 pm
NEXT SUNDAY:	March 13, 2022
Sunday School & Bible Classes.....	8:30 am

Worship Service with Communion.....	9:30 am
8 th Grade Confirmation	after Church
6 th Grade Confirmation.....	12:00 pm
Bell Choir Practice.....	5:00 pm
Adult Choir Practice.....	6:00 pm

Midweek Lenten Dessert Sign-up List is on the “Check It Out” board by the school secretary’s office. We need your help, please!!

" What is the LCMS Foundation? What services does it provide to LCMS Christians and LCMS congregations? Come and find out as we talk about "Born for Blessing" on Sunday, April 3, 2022 at a luncheon meeting after worship services here at St. Paul's. Please RSVP to the Church Office if you are attending. See Jim Tinkey, Lori Haug, Mel Schutz or Brian Denk with any questions."

Sunday School Offerings for the Spring Quarter March 6-May 22, 2022
Pre-K -Grade 2

This class will be learning about Jesus’ ministry and the Acts of the Apostles. The class meets in the Nazareth Room and is taught by Wendy Coxey

Grade 3-5

They are studying about the events leading up to the passion of Christ and then studying Jesus Death and Resurrection. This class meets in the 4-5 grade classroom and is taught by Jeanette Rettinger

Grades 6-8

This class meets in the 6-8 grade Classroom and will continue with the study of 1st and 2nd Peter. This class meets in the 6-8 grade classroom and taught by Barb Middaugh.

High School

Meeting in the Principals office Todd Haug will continue teaching our High School Youth

Adult Class Bethany Room

Pastor Wonnacott will be studying the book of Ephesians.

The Board of Christian Education Thanks all of the teachers that have given of themselves to teach this last quarter.

Adult Basketball – Sunday dates for basketball are scheduled for March 6th & 20th from 3 to 5 pm.

Camp Lutherhaven's Women's Retreat has been rescheduled for March 25-27, 2022. Come out to Camp for the whole weekend or just Saturday to connect with other women, grow in faith, and have some fun! Check out www.lutherhaven.org for more details and to register.

LWML, Monday, April 11 at 7:00 pm: Taste of Passover Seder Foods. All are invited to this special time to remember and experience what our Lord has done for us. We will need a count for food preparation so **please** indicate a number of those attending on the forms available near the offering box in the Narthex.

Budget info: Operating budget fund balance as of March 3, 2022: \$108,100 This amount represents over 7 weeks of normal day-to-day expenses of the Church and School ministries.

Special offerings for the School roof – Replacement of the school roof was approved by the voters at the special voters' meeting on February 27th. We have \$36,00 available in special funds to be used but an additional \$18,000 is needed to complete the project. If anyone feels lead to donate, we ask that you please put it in a separate envelope marked **School Roof**. Thank you.

Cookies or Cakes are needed for the Hope Ministries meal on March 11th. There is a sign-up list on the "Check It Out" board. Sorry for the short notice; any questions please contact Pastor Wonnacott.

Euchre Party is on March 18th from 7-9ish. Join us in the Bethany Room and bring a friend and a snack to share! Be prepared to have FUN!!!!

From Joe Ervin - After 40 years as head usher of St. Paul's, I have decided to leave the position. I would like to thank all ushers present and past who have helped me and hope you will continue to help Joe Hughes as he has now replaced me as head usher.

Voters' Assembly Minutes – Copies of the minutes from the Sunday, February 27 Special Voters' Assembly meeting are available on the table in the narthex. If the supply has run out and you desire a copy for yourself, please contact Ken Eichinger. If you prefer an electronic copy, email Ken at keneichinger@gmail.com.

Registration for Summer Camp at Camp Lutherhaven is now open! Remember to register early if you have a special date in mind because the weeks fill up fast. Please check out the Youth Board for more information.

Do you know any young man who would make a great pastor? How about someone who would be a great Lutheran school teacher, deaconess or DCE? Jesus gives His church people who work full time in service to the Gospel. He told us to pray for such workers. The LCMS continues to pray, and has begun *Set Apart to Serve (SAS)*, an intentional effort to encourage young people to consider church work as their career. Your opinion can help improve *SAS*. Please fill out a brief survey at lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey by March 15, and let us know how you think *SAS* can be beneficial to your congregation. Thank you.

School Corner

We are preparing the Preschool through 8th grade Open House on **March 15th, 5:00-7:00 pm!** We need volunteers to help decorate, set up, and manage the event. If you would like to help, please contact Heidi Wildauer or Jennifer Harman.

All current and prospective student families are invited to the Open House. The theme is "**Camp on Solid Ground at St. Paul's**", referencing the Bible verse "Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells." Psalm 26:8. We will have refreshments and games, with a chance to meet our staff and find out more about St. Paul's. Please advertise to your

family and friends! Enrollment is always open, Preschool through 8th grade!

We also have twelve students from the 5th-8th grades participating in the Lutheran School Math Competition at Valparaiso University on March 8th. Last year our team placed 3rd! Good luck to our students!

We have a new opportunity for you to support our school: you can earn money for our school when you get gas or purchase items at Casey's. Download the Casey's App, create an account, sign up for "**Cash for Classrooms**", and select Saint Paul's Lutheran School. Thank you always for your support! **To God be all the glory!**

Mark Wildauer

Youth News

For Middle School Youth (Grades 6-8): The Youth Board is hosting a **Lock In here at St. Paul's on Friday/Saturday, March 18th-19th from 7 pm until 7 am.** All sorts of fun activities are being planned. Please see the Youth bulletin board for more details and to confirm attendance on the sign-up sheet.

Contact Andy Wildauer at (801) 707-3399 with any questions regarding Youth events.

Wednesday Service, March 9, 2022 - Witnesses to Christ - Mary, the sister of Lazarus and Martha

Lenten meal at 6:00

Lenten Service at 7:00

Servants for Today's Worship

Pastor: Rev. Neil Wonnacott

Organist: Anita Eichinger

Ushers: Joe Hughes & Bruce Schmidt

Acolyte: Giovanni Mejia
Elder: Mike Gumz

Servants for Next Sunday Worship March 13, 2022

Pastor: Rev. Neil Wonnacott
Organist: Anita Eichinger
Ushers: Joe Ervin & Wayne Spicher
Acolyte: Gavin Hundt
Elder: Terry Miller
Communion Assistant: Rod Schroeder