

PRAYER LITANY

Pastor: Send out your light and your truth: let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.

Congregation: Why must I walk about mournfully because of the oppression of the enemy?

Pastor: I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy: and I will praise you with the harp, O God my God.

Congregation: Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

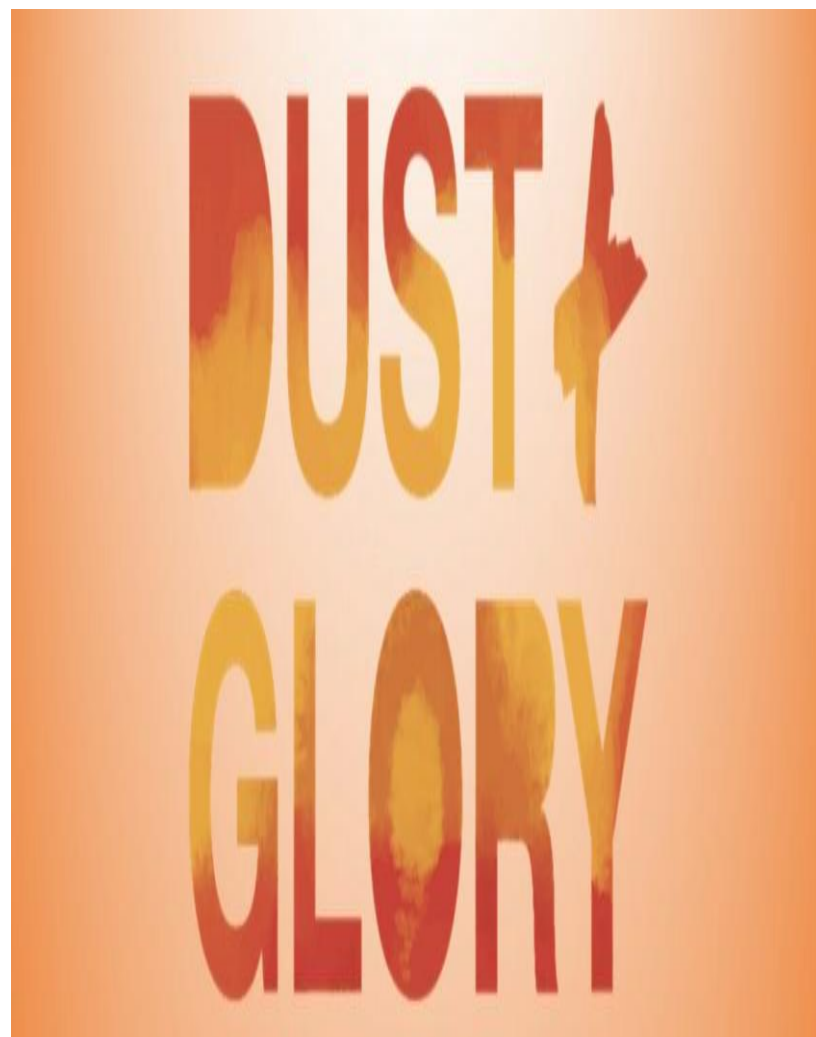
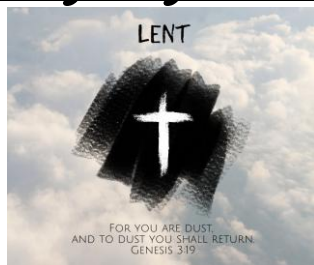
Pastor: We deserve condemnation, and you offer us the hope of salvation from the cross that begins today. O Lord, help us to see more clearly the hope in your sacrifice and help us to be diligent in sharing your grace. Amen

The Lord's Prayer

The Benediction

A moment in silence for reflection

Music



St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church
Lenten Service
March 25th, 2026

**ST PAUL EVANGELICAL
LUTHERAN CHURCH LENTEN
WORSHIP SERVICE
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Opening Music

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor: Save me O God by your name and vindicate me by your might. Hear my prayer, O God: give ear to the words of my mouth.

Congregation: For insolent people have risen against me, ruthless people seek my life; they do not set God before them.

Pastor: But surely God is my helper; the Lord is the upholder of my life. He will repay my enemies for their evil. In your Faithfulness, put an end to them.

Congregation: With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you; I will give thanks to your name, O Lord for it is good. For he has delivered me from every trouble, and my eye has looked in triumph on my enemies.

Invocation (Unison)

God of sacrifice, the vision you give us this day is that the world will rise against us. Guide us through the darkness into the certainty of your light, so wherever we

stand, we will know that you are the savior of the world and diligently proclaim your hope of salvation. Amen

HYMN "On Eagle's Wings" (vs. 1 & 2) #787

LESSON – Matthew 10:5-20

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel. As you go, proclaim this message: 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.'⁸ Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy,^[a] drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give. "Do not get any gold or silver or copper to take with you in your belts—no bag for the journey or extra shirt or sandals or a staff, for the worker is worth his keep. Whatever town or village you enter, search there for some worthy person and stay at their house until you leave. As you enter the home, give it your greeting. If the home is deserving, let your peace rest on it; if it is not, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, leave that home or town and shake the dust off your feet. Truly I tell you, it will be more bearable for Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town. "I am sending you out like sheep among wolves. Therefore be as shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves. Be on your guard; you will be handed over to the local councils and be flogged in the synagogues. On my account you will be brought before governors and kings as witnesses to them and to the Gentiles. But when they arrest you, do not worry about what to say or how to say it. At that time you will be given what to say,²⁰ for it will not be you speaking, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

Lenten Message "Dust and Glory" Pastor John

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