



# St. Paul's

## LUTHERAN CHURCH



May 3, 2026 | The Fifth Sunday of the Easter Season

## **Welcome to honored guests and St. Paul's family alike!**

In our service we gather before our almighty God to offer him our worship and praise. We also gather to be strengthened through the study of God's holy and powerful Word, and through the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

**Restrooms and a drinking fountain** are located on the right in the hallway outside the sanctuary.

We have **personal hearing devices**. If you need one, please let an usher know before the service.

Our worship is designed for your whole family. Find children's busy bags, a book that teaches young children about worship, children's bulletins, and children's worship note sheets on the cart near the central sanctuary doors.

God loves the sound of children in worship, and so do we! If you need to step out of worship for a moment, we have a **family room** located through the door in the back of the fellowship hall. The facility includes a TV, a window, and speakers so that you can still follow along with the worship service.

If you do not have a church home, we would love to talk with you about how we can serve you with the Gospel and make here your home!

*Today's worship begins on page 4*

*Our Easter worship series* | **What difference does it make?**

Life is full of either/or moments. Some of them are of little long-term consequence. I will have either the chicken or the fish. Some of them matter more. I will accept the new job offer or keep my current job. One either/or moment is life-changing for every human being. Either Jesus is still dead, or Jesus rose from the dead. If Christ has not been raised, we are still in our sin.

But Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! It makes all the difference! He lives! The season of Easter is a 50-day celebration of that fact.

*Today's worship theme* | **He lives to be the only Way to heaven**

Without the resurrection of Jesus, I would have to wonder if he wasn't just a human being. If my last view of him is a criminal crucified on a cross, he would look like someone to be rejected. He couldn't even help himself, much less anyone else!

But he lives, and it makes a difference. He is the only way to heaven. This gospel message is the most inclusive message in the world. The benefits of the resurrection of Jesus are meant for every man, woman, and child who has ever lived.

*Our prayer before worship* | **for following the Way, the Truth, and the Life**

Risen and living Lord, accept our alleluias and increase our joy in knowing that you have risen from the grave! Comfort us with the assurance that our sins are forgiven and eternal life is sure. May the message of Easter lead us to tell the true good news of this season. Make our faith burn brightly as we face each day in the light of your glorious resurrection. Amen.

# Like the Golden Sun Ascending

CW 470

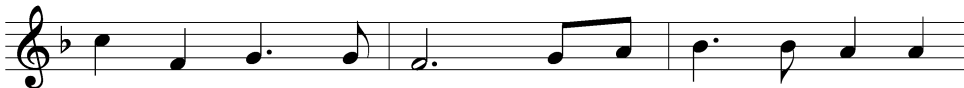
*Jesus rose to bring light to the world, victory to the lost, life to the dead, and everlasting joy to the world!*



1 Like the gold - en sun as - cend - ing, break - ing through the  
2 Thanks to you, O Christ vic - to - rious! Thanks to you, O  
3 You have died for my trans - gres - sion, all my sins on  
4 For the joy your ad - vent gave me, for your gos - pel's



gloom of night, on the earth its glo - ry spend - ing so that  
Lord of life! Death has now no pow - er o'er us, you have  
you were laid. You have won for me sal - va - tion, on the  
great re - ward, for your bap - tism which has saved me, for your



dark - ness takes to flight, thus my Je - sus from the  
con - quered in the strife. Thanks be - cause you did a -  
cross my debt was paid. From the grave I shall a -  
sup - per and your Word; for your death, the bit - ter



grave and death's dis - mal, dread - ful cave rose tri -  
rise and have o - pened par - a - dise! None can  
rise and shall meet you in the skies. Death it -  
scorn, for your res - ur - rec - tion morn: Lord, I



um - phant Eas - ter morn - ing at the ear - ly pur - ple dawn - ing.  
ful - ly sing the glo - ry of the res - ur - rec - tion sto - ry.  
self is tran - si - to - ry; I shall lift my head in glo - ry.  
thank you and ex - tol you, and in heav'n I shall be - hold you.

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P(astor) | In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C(ongregation) | Amen.

## Confession

P | If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**C | If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

P | Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**C | Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

P | Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C | Amen.**

## Lord, Have Mercy

P | In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C | Lord, have mercy.**

P | For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C | Lord, have mercy.**

P | 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.

**C | Lord, have mercy.**

P | For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C | Lord, have mercy.**

P | Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C | Amen.**

## Glory to God in the Highest

Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther. We

wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your

glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his

peo - ple on earth. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly

Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on

us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer.

The musical score is written on ten staves. The first staff is an instrumental introduction. The second staff begins the vocal line with the lyrics 'Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on earth.' The third staff continues with 'Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther. We'. The fourth staff has 'wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your'. The fifth staff has 'glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his'. The sixth staff has 'peo - ple on earth. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly'. The seventh staff has 'Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you'. The eighth staff has 'take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on'. The ninth staff has 'us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the'. The tenth staff has 'Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer.' The key signature changes from one flat (B-flat) to two flats (B-flat and E-flat) after the sixth staff.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on  
earth. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the  
Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,  
with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.  
Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on earth.  
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God.

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## Prayer of the Day

**P** | The Lord be with you.

**C** | **And also with you.**

**P** | Let us pray: O God, you form the minds of your faithful people into a single will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that among the many changes of this world, our hearts may ever yearn for the lasting joys of heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** | **Amen.**

## First Reading

Acts 4:8-12

St. Peter explains that Jesus is the only person in whom salvation is found.

<sup>8</sup>Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders of Israel, <sup>9</sup>if we are being questioned today for a kind act that was done for the lame man, as to how this man has been healed, <sup>10</sup>let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead! By him this man stands before you healed. <sup>11</sup>This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you builders, which has become the cornerstone.

<sup>12</sup>“There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to people by which we must be saved.”

P | The Word of the Lord.

C | Thanks be to God.

## 118C Festival Alleluia

Psalm 118C

### Refrain



Al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! (The) *Fine*

### Verses



The LORD is my strength and my song;



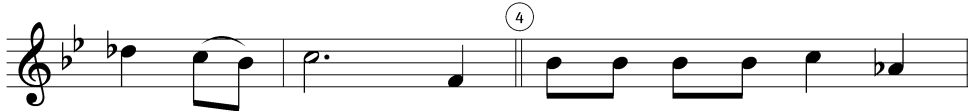
he has be-come my sal - va - tion. The LORD's right hand is



raised. The LORD's right hand per-forms val-iant - ly!



I will not die, but I will live and will pro-claim what the



LORD has done. I thank you that you've an-swered

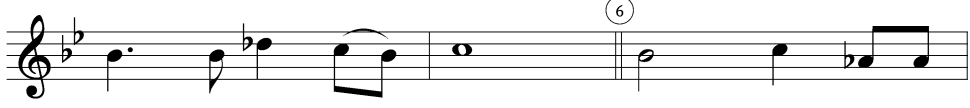


me and have be-come my sal - va - tion. *Refrain*

*Verses*



The stone that the build - ers re - ject - ed has be -



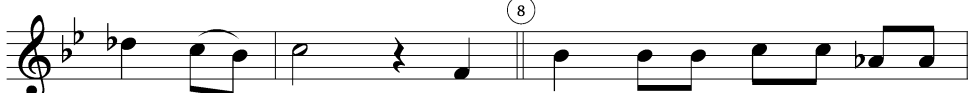
come the cor - ner - stone; this came from the



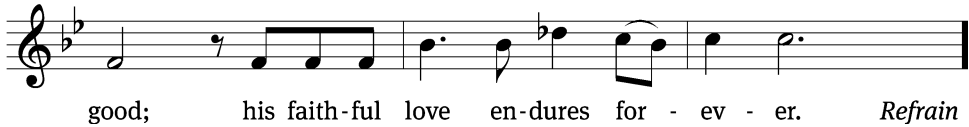
LORD; it is won-drous in our sight. This is the



day that the LORD has made; let us re-joice and be



glad in it. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is



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## Second Reading

1 Peter 2:4–10

People trip over the claim that Jesus is the only way to heaven, but on that truth, Christ builds his Church.

### Living Stones

<sup>4</sup>As you come to him, the Living Stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious, <sup>5</sup>you also, like living stones, are being built as a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, in order to bring spiritual sacrifices that are acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup>For it says in Scripture:

See, I lay a stone in Zion,  
a chosen and precious cornerstone,  
and the one who believes in him will certainly not be put to shame.

<sup>7</sup>Therefore, for you who believe, this is an honor. But for those who do not believe:

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,  
<sup>8</sup>and,

a stone over which they stumble  
and a rock over which they fall.

Because they continue to disobey the word, they stumble over it. And that is the consequence appointed for them.

<sup>9</sup>But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, the people who are God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. <sup>10</sup>At one time you were not a people, but now you are the people of God. At one time you were not shown mercy, but now you have been shown mercy.

P | The Word of the Lord.

C | **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

John 14:6

P | Alleluia! I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. Alleluia!

## Gospel

John 14:1–11

*Jesus teaches that the only way to draw near to God the Father is through God the Son, Jesus Christ.*

### Jesus Shows Love by Bringing Peace

<sup>1</sup>“Do not let your heart be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>In my Father's house are many mansions. If it were not so, I would have told you. I am going to prepare a place for you. <sup>3</sup>And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and take you to be with me, so that you may also be where I am. <sup>4</sup>You know where I am going, and you know the way.”

<sup>5</sup>“Lord, we don't know where you are going,” Thomas replied, “so how can we know the way?”

<sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, “I am the Way and the Truth and the Life. No one comes to the Father, except through me. <sup>7</sup>If you know me, you would also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

<sup>8</sup>“Lord,” said Philip, “show us the Father, and that is enough for us.”

<sup>9</sup>“Have I been with you so long,” Jesus answered, “and you still do not know me, Philip? The one who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?”

<sup>10</sup>“Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I am telling you I am not speaking on my own, but the Father who remains in me is doing his works. <sup>11</sup>“Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father is in me. Or else believe because of the works themselves.

P | The Gospel of the Lord.

C | **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

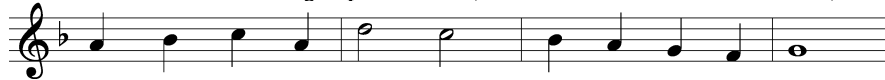
# Welcome, Happy Morning

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We welcome Easter's happy morning because it proclaims that Jesus is the Way we now walk in victory!



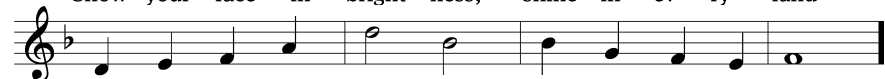
1 "Wel - come, hap - py morn - ing!" age to age shall say;  
2 Mak - er and Re - deem - er, life and health of all,  
3 Source of all things liv - ing, you came down to die,  
4 Free the souls long pris - oned, bound with Sa - tan's chain;



"Hell to - day is van - quished; heav'n is won to - day!"  
God from heav'n be - hold - ing hu - man na - ture's fall,  
plumbed the depths of hell to raise us up on high.  
all that now is fall - en raise to life a - gain.



Lo, the dead is liv - ing, God for - ev - er - more!  
of the Fa - ther's God - head you, the on - ly Son,  
Come, then, true and faith - ful, come, ful - fill your word;  
Show your face in bright - ness; shine in ev - 'ry land



Him, their true Cre - a - tor, all his works a - dore.  
man - kind to de - liv - er man - hood did put on.  
this is your third morn - ing— rise, O bur - ied Lord.  
as in E - den's gar - den when the world be - gan.

*Refrain: "Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say;  
"Hell today is vanquished; heav'n is won today!"*

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## Sermon

1 Peter 2:4-10

### The Only Way Is a Rocky Road

Questions to consider during the sermon:

- 1) What problems appear on this rocky road?
- 2) Describe the only way we can bring acceptable spiritual sacrifices.
- 3) For which reason(s) connected to Peter are these stones on this rocky road?
- 4) A/D – Our status determines whether we stand or stumble.
- 5) How does the word “once” change everything on this rocky road?
- 6) Who is on this rocky road that could use my encouragement today?

## Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

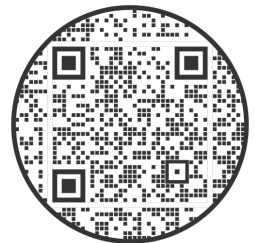
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Offering

*To our honored guests: We're happy that you're with us to hear about God's love for you today! Our offering is not a debt we owe God but a way that we return to God a portion of what he generously gave to us. Our motivation, then, is not obligation but love for God. Our offerings are how St. Paul's funds our Gospel mission work. As our honored guests, please do not feel obligated to contribute.*

*If you would like to support our Gospel ministry with an offering, you have options! Place your offering in **the offering plate** in our gathering space as you leave worship today, **mail an offering** to our church anytime, or go to **stpauls.edu** or **scan this QR** code to give an offering online.*



## Prayer of the Church

P | Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

**C | Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.**

P | Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

**C | Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.**

P | Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

**C | Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.**

P | Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

**C | Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.**

P | Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

**C | Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.**

P | Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

**C | Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.**

P | Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

*Silent prayer*

P | We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

**C | Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.**

P | Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

**C | Amen.**

# Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled

CW 809

Because Jesus is the Way, Truth, and Life, our hearts can be at peace through faith in him.

*Refrain*



Do not let your hearts be trou-bled; have faith in God and faith in

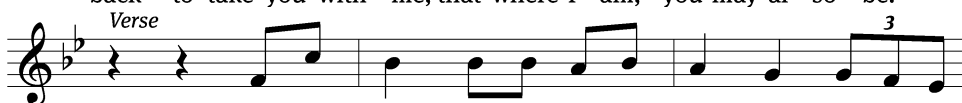


me. I will go forth to pre-pare a place for you; then I'll come



back to take you with me, that where I am, you may al - so be.

*Verse*



1 In God's house there are man - y plac - es for you to



dwell in peace and safe - ty. You know the way to where I'll lead



you; if you are lost, I will show the way.

*Verse*



2 I am the way, the truth, and the life; on - ly through



me can you know what I know. If you knew me, you would



know the Fa - ther; if you see me, you see your God.

*Verse*

3 The words I speak are not on - ly of my-self; it is your  
 God who lives with - in me. If you be - lieve that your  
*Refrain*  
 God and I are one, I will pro - vide when you call my name.

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P | Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
 C | **Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

C | **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## Blessing

P | The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.  
 C | **Amen.**

# Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

CW 920

*The Cornerstone on whom we are built is a sanctuary to raise his praise for all the gifts of his goodness.*



1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ, our head and  
2 To this tem - ple, where we call you, come, O Lord of  
3 Grant, we pray, to all your faith - ful all the gifts they  
4 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, praise and hon - or



cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,  
hosts, and stay; come with all your lov - ing - kind - ness,  
ask to gain; what they gain from you for - ev - er  
to the Son, praise and hon - or to the Spir - it,



bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's  
hear your peo - ple as they pray; and your full - est  
with the bless - ed to re - tain; and here - af - ter  
ev - er three and ev - er one: one in might and



help for - ev - er and our con - fi - dence a - lone.  
ben - e - dic - tion speak with - in these walls to - day.  
in your glo - ry ev - er - more with you to reign.  
one in glo - ry while un - end - ing a - ges run!

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**Will you  
share the  
hope that  
you have?**



## 2026 Taste of Missions



Saturday, June 13, 2026, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm | Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon, Wis.

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*Reaching every neighbor, every nation*

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Register today for Taste of Missions, a celebration of gospel outreach and the commissioning of new home and world missionaries. The event begins with a special worship service, where we'll joyfully send these missionaries to share Christ's love around the globe.

Following the service, enjoy ethnic cuisine from mission fields, connect with fellow attendees, and hear firsthand accounts from missionaries about their work. Explore mission displays, participate in interactive activities, and ask questions during a panel discussion for deeper insights into the joys and challenges of mission work. The worship service is free and open to all. Registration will be \$15 per person for those who wish to receive food tickets. Children 13 and under attend for free. If you can't attend in person, tune into the livestream and join us virtually!

*This service will also include the commissioning of Miss Cindy Lentz to be Women's Ministry Coordinator in east Asia.*

## + Ministry Notes +

### **Our good day in God's house continues after worship, too.**

Our after-worship adult Bible Class time is a great time for good Christian encouragement as we **grow** in the Word together and take time to pray for one another. Today we will finish the Examples in Exodus study with Pastor Tim in the Fellowship Hall. Since there will be NO Sunday School today, the children are welcome to join with the Exodus study. Following that study we will have our Amnesia Sunday potluck and games!

### **What's the Plan for Our Next Sunday AM Bible Study?**

God doesn't want our planning to be panicked. Come to a special two-week Sunday morning adult Bible study series as God teaches us how **Promise-filled Purpose Prevents Panicked Planning!**

### **MLC Day**

On **May 6, 2026** we have a synod-wide goal of raising \$150,000 to provide matching funds for the Congregational Partner Grant Program. If you are not able to give financially, we ask members to pray and share (#MLCDAY2026) so that others can learn about this day.

### **A Bittersweet Sendoff**

In a short time, Miss Cindy Lendt will be leaving us to begin her work in east Asia as the Women's Ministry Coordinator there. We will have a **special farewell for Miss Lendt** the morning of **May 24<sup>th</sup>** followed by a potluck lunch. Please join us to wish her well and send her off with the Lord's blessings.

### **Forward in Christ & Meditations**

Our synod produces many printed materials that are useful for building up our devotional lives. Two of those are in the gathering area on a regular basis. *Forward in Christ* is a monthly magazine that shares news, seasonal devotions, and studies. *Meditations* is a daily devotional booklet that is sent out quarterly, following the readings used in the service that Sunday. Both are available free of charge to anyone that can use them!

### **Together News, Devotions, and Resources**

There are also many electronic resources that range from Bible reading plans and daily devotions, to notes and news, and various other ministry resources to help support members and congregations. Subscriptions and downloads available at [wels.net/subscribe](http://wels.net/subscribe).

## Help Support Our Youth

A small group of young people from St. Paul's will be heading to Bowling Green, OH this summer for the WELS International Youth Rally. Please support them with your prayers for safe travels and a great time networking with thousands of other WELS young people! If you are also able to support them financially, you can write in "Youth Rally" on your envelope or in the note section of your online donation.

## Did You Know...?

St. Paul's has several funds and ministries available for helping our members. The following give a brief description of the purposes for those special funds.

*Capital Fund* | for major repairs and replacements around the church/school campus

*Helping Hands* | helps local people in need (mostly church & school families)

*MAP* | provides professional counseling services with a referral from Pastor James

*Synod Scholarship* | provides tuition assistance for members attending Luther Prep, Michigan Lutheran Seminary, Martin Luther College\*, Wisconsin Lutheran College, Bethany Lutheran College, and Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary.

*Keyboard & Organ Fund* | for major repairs and replacements of our church organ as well as purchasing, maintaining, and tuning the church and school pianos.

*Technology Fund* | for purchasing and improving the technology tools of our faculty and staff as well as providing the hardware and software that allow for our services to be livestreamed and projected.

If you would like to give toward one of these, please indicate it along with your gift.

If you are interested in learning more about any of these, please speak with our pastors.

\*MLC provides a matching grant each year, doubling the financial impact of those gifts.

## Our Christian Stewardship of God's Gifts

Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found faithful. – 1 Cor. 4:2

*preacher* | **Tim Rosenow**  
*accompanist* | **Cindy Lendt**  
*ushers* | **T. Leinberger and B. Salzmann**

*presiding minister* | **James Saatkamp**  
*worship streaming tech* | **Tony Moore**  
*flowers* | **Happy May birthdays!**

*last Sunday's worship attendance* | 175

*freewill offering* | \$3,346

## Let's pray this week!

*birthdays* | **Vicki Balza** (5-3); **Traci Hoeltke** (5-3); **Mary Renner** (5-4); **Alexia Folds** (5-6 – 11 years old!)

*anniversaries* | (none this week)

*homebound members* | **Dave Brandt, Leon and Barbara Johnson, Susan Rammel, Kathy Saracione, Josephine Throo, and Paula Vitolo**

*health* | **Tom Colwell** (home hospice care); **Sharon Cummons** (recovering in assisted living); **Kay-Lynn Johnston** (recovering from surgery); **Rick Robinson** (recovering at Diamond Ridge); **Barbara Sadler, Kathy Babcock** (Barbara's daughter), and **Kathy's daughters** (genetic health issues); **Nancy Scruton** (recovery)

## Serving in worship next week

*Streaming* | Bill Hartman

*Ushers* | Dan Cerney and Gary Warren

### This Week | May 3<sup>rd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>

**TODAY** – Amnesia Sunday

**WED** – Isaiah Bible study 10:00 AM

**FRI** – Morning chapel 8:30 AM; PreK Mothers' Day Event 11:00 AM

**SAT** – Women's Growth Group 10:00 AM

### Upcoming Events

**May 11** – Kingsway Birthday Celebration 1:00 PM

**May 12** – Council of Ministry 5:15 PM

**May 15** – Piano & Band Recital

**May 19** – VPK Graduation 6:00 PM

**May 20** – Kindergarten Graduation 6:00 PM

**May 21** – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation 6:00 PM

**May 22** – Last Day of School; Closing Chapel 8:30 AM

**May 24** – Miss Lendt Farewell



### **Our congregation**

St. Paul's Lutheran Church is a family. As a family, we **gather** together around God's Word in church and in Bible classes. We have a school where children can **grow** in their relationship with our Heavenly Father and where we can **go** to share the love of Jesus with them.

If you would like to learn more about our church family or our church, school, and preschool can serve you, please speak with our pastor, principal, preschool director, faculty, or one of our members.

### **Our Synod**

St. Paul's belongs to the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS), congregations united in faith and in desire to serve everyone we can with the truth of God's saving Word. To learn more, visit [wels.net](http://wels.net) or ask a pastor.

### **Our worship**

We gather for worship Sundays at 9:30 am and for children's and adult Bible study about ten minutes after worship.



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