

Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship today. In our service we gather before Jesus our Savior to offer him our worship and praise. We also gather to strengthen ourselves through the study of God’s holy and powerful word. Also,

- † Restrooms are down the hall and to the right from the back of church.
- † We love families! Your children are welcome in our service! Thanks for bringing them to hear about Jesus! If you would like, there are children’s bulletins with crayons in the back of church and a cry room in the back of the sanctuary.
- † Please fill out the Friendship Registers located at the end of each row.
- † If you want to review or share today’s service, you can find it on our website.
- † For upcoming events and activities, “like” us on our Facebook page.

Please come again and worship with us very soon!

TODAY’S THEME:
SPIRIT-WROUGHT REPENTANCE

Worship Participants

Liturgist.....Pastor Brian Adams
Preacher..... Pastor Jacob Hoff
Organist Mrs. Miriam Schaeewe

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

SERVICE OF THE WORD

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THE OPENING HYMN “Today Your Mercy Calls Us”
Christian Worship #339



1 To - day your mer - cy calls us To wash a -
 2 To - day your gate is o - pen, And all who
 3 To - day our Fa - ther calls us; His Ho - ly
 4 O all - em - brac - ing Mer - cy, O ev - er



way our sin. How - ev - er great our tres - pass,
 en - ter in Shall find a Fa - ther’s wel - come
 Spir - it waits. His bless - ed an - gels gath - er
 o - pen Door, What should we do with - out you



What - ev - er we have been, How - ev - er long from
 And par - don for their sin. The past shall be for -
 A - round the heav’n - ly gates. No ques - tion will be
 When heart and eye run o’er? When all things seem a -



mer - cy Our hearts have turned a - way, Your pre - cious
 got - ten, A pres - ent joy be giv’n, A fu - ture
 asked us How of - ten we have come; Al - though we
 gainst us, To drive us to de - spair, We know one



blood can wash us And make us clean to - day.
 grace be prom - ised: A glo - rious crown in heav’n.
 oft have wan - dered, It is our Fa - ther’s home.
 gate is o - pen, One ear will hear our prayer.

Please Stand



THE INVOCATION

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

P: God, our heavenly Father has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

The song of praise is omitted during Lent.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, look with favor on your humble servants and stretch you the right hand of your power to defend us against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Please be Seated

THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON Numbers 16:23-40

Then the Lord said to Moses, ²⁴ “Say to the assembly, ‘Move away from the tents of Korah, Dathan and Abiram.’”

²⁵ Moses got up and went to Dathan and Abiram, and the elders of Israel followed him. ²⁶ He warned the assembly, “Move back from the tents of these wicked men! Do not touch anything belonging to them, or you will be swept away because of all their sins.” ²⁷ So they moved away from the tents of Korah, Dathan and Abiram. Dathan and Abiram had come out and were standing with their wives, children and little ones at the entrances to their tents.

²⁸ Then Moses said, “This is how you will know that the Lord has sent me to do all these things and that it was not my idea: ²⁹ If these men die a natural death and suffer the fate of all mankind, then the Lord has not sent me. ³⁰ But if the Lord brings about something totally new, and the earth opens its mouth and swallows them, with everything that belongs to them, and they go down alive into the realm of the dead, then you will know that these men have treated the Lord with contempt.”

³¹ As soon as he finished saying all this, the ground under them split apart ³² and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them and their households, and all those associated with Korah, together with their possessions. ³³ They went down alive into the realm of the dead, with everything they owned; the earth closed over them, and they perished and were gone from the community. ³⁴ At their cries, all the Israelites around them fled, shouting, “The earth is going to swallow us too!”

³⁵ And fire came out from the Lord and consumed the 250 men who were offering the incense.

³⁶The Lord said to Moses, ³⁷“Tell Eleazar son of Aaron, the priest, to remove the censers from the charred remains and scatter the coals some distance away, for the censers are holy— ³⁸the censers of the men who sinned at the cost of their lives. Hammer the censers into sheets to overlay the altar, for they were presented before the Lord and have become holy. Let them be a sign to the Israelites.”

³⁹So Eleazar the priest collected the bronze censers brought by those who had been burned to death, and he had them hammered out to overlay the altar, ⁴⁰as the Lord directed him through Moses. This was to remind the Israelites that no one except a descendant of Aaron should come to burn incense before the Lord, or he would become like Korah and his followers.

THE PSALM OF THE DAY.....Psalm 38

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Refrain



Be mer - ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Psalm tone



O LORD, do not rebuke me in your anger*
or discipline me in your wrath.

For your arrows have pierced me,*
and your hand has come down upon me.

My guilt has overwhelmed me*
like a burden too heavy to bear.

Refrain

Psalm continues on next page

All my longings lie open before you, O LORD;*
my sighing is not hidden from you.

I wait for you, O LORD;*
you will answer, O Lord my God.

Come quickly to help me,*
O Lord my Savior.

**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.**

Refrain



Be mer - ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Psalm tone



THE SECOND LESSON..... 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

For I do not want you to be ignorant of the fact, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud and that they all passed through the sea. ²They were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. ³They all ate the same spiritual food ⁴and drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them; their bodies were scattered in the wilderness.

⁶Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did. ⁷Do not be idolaters, as some of them were; as it is written: “The people sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in revelry.” ⁸We should not

commit sexual immorality, as some of them did—and in one day twenty-three thousand of them died.⁹ We should not test Christ, as some of them did—and were killed by snakes. ¹⁰ And do not grumble, as some of them did—and were killed by the destroying angel.

¹¹These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the culmination of the ages has come. ¹²So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! ¹³No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. (*John 3:14,15*)

SENIOR CHOIR ANTHEM (8:00 AM ONLY) “He Became A Lamb”

by Mary Kay Beall

*He became a lamb, He became a lamb,
When the Father needed a sacrifice,
He sent His Son and He became a lamb.*

*Scarred, bruised, suff'ring for sins not His own,
for sins not His own.
Scarred, bruised, willing to give up His heavenly throne.*

*God so loved the world, God so loved the world
that He sent his only begotten son
to pay the price, a lamb, a lamb.*

Please Stand

THE GOSPEL LESSON..... Luke 13:1-9

Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. ²Jesus answered, “Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way? ³I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. ⁴Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them—do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? ⁵I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish.”

⁶Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree growing in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it but did not find any. ⁷So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, ‘For three years now I’ve been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven’t found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?’

⁸“‘Sir,’ the man replied, ‘leave it alone for one more year, and I’ll dig around it and fertilize it. ⁹If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.’”

Please be Seated



THE HYMN OF THE DAY.....“Lord, to You I Make Confession”

Christian Worship #302

Please Stand



1 Lord, to you I make con - fes - sion: I have
 2 Yet, though con - science' voice ap - pall me, Fa - ther,
 3 For your Son has suf - fered for me, Giv'n him -
 4 Lord, on you I cast my bur - den— Sink it



sinned and gone a - stray; I have mul - ti - plied
 I will seek your face. Though your child I dare
 self to res - cue me, Died to save me and
 in the depths be - low! Let me know your gra -



trans - gres - sion, Cho - sen for my - self my way.
 not call me, Yet re - ceive me to your grace.
 re - store me, Rec - on - ciled and set me free.
 cious par - don; Wash me, make me white as snow.



Led by you to see my er - rors,
 Do not for my sins for - sake me;
 Je - sus' cross a - lone can van - quish
 Let your Spir - it leave me nev - er;



Lord, I trem - ble at your ter - rors.
 Do not let your wrath o'er - take me.
 These dark fears and soothe this an - guish.
 Make me on - ly yours for - ev - er.

THE SERMON Luke 13:1-9

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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 everlasting. Amen.

Please be Seated

THANKSGIVING

THE OFFERING

(We invite you to sign our Friendship Registers in each pew during the offering.)

THE OFFERING PRAYER

Please Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

P: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE BLESSING

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.



Please be Seated



CLOSING HYMN **“As Surely As I Live, God Said”**
Christian Worship #308



1 “As sure - ly as I live,” God said, “I
 2 To us, there - fore, Christ gave com - mand: “Go
 3 “All those whose sins you thus re - mit I
 4 “What you will bind, that bound shall be; What
 5 The words which ab - so - lu - tion give Are



would not have the sin - ner dead, But
 forth and preach in ev - 'ry land; Be -
 tru - ly par - don and ac - quit, And
 you will loose, that shall be free; Un -
 his who died that we might live; The



that he turn from er - ror's ways, Re -
 stow on all my par - d'ning grace Who -
 those whose sins you do re - tain Con -
 to my Church the keys are giv'n To
 min - is - ter whom Christ has sent Is



pent, and live through end - less days.”
 will re - pent of sin - ful ways.
 demned and guilt - y shall re - main.
 op'n and close the gates of heav'n.”
 but his hum - ble in - stru - ment.

6 When ministers lay on their hands,
 Absolved by Christ the sinner stands;
 He who by grace the Word believes
 Forgiveness, sure and sweet, receives.

7 Praise God the Father and the Son
 And Holy Spirit, Three in One,
 As was, is now, and so shall be
 Forever and eternally!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS: This weekend's altar flowers are given by Joe & Kay Gregorich in honor of Samantha Roddy's 30th birthday and eternal life.

RETURNED CALL: Last week Jennifer Wolfgramm was led by God to return the call to teach 1st Grade here at St. Paul's. The next call meeting will be Sunday, April 7th at 11:30 AM. We encourage all voting members to attend.



MIDWEEK LENT 2019: In the gospel accounts of Jesus' passion, there are several striking three-word phrases, such as "Love one another," "Watch and pray," and "It is finished." This Lenten season, we will look at these phrases. We hope that we can once again see the rich meaning and purpose of God's Word, even in the smallest pieces of dialogue. The schedule for these midweek services are below.

- Ash Wednesday – March 6 – "Love One Another" (Pastor Hoff)
- Midweek Lent 2 – March 13 – "Is It I" (Pastor Unnasch)
- Midweek Lent 3 – March 20 – "Watch and Pray" (Pastor Gaertner)
- Midweek Lent 4 – March 27 – "What is Truth?" (Pastor Adams)
- Midweek Lent 5 – April 3 – "I Am He" (Pastor Unnasch)
- Midweek Lent 6 – April 10 – "Take Him Away" (Pastor Marshall)

The times of the services are 3:30 and 6:30 pm. Please come join us.

LWMS DOOR COLLECTION: We collected \$392.00 in our door collection for Lutheran Women's Missionary Society. Thank you for your support!

UPCOMING FELLOWSHIP EVENTS: In order to encourage everyone getting to know each other, there are a couple of upcoming activities. Below is a brief schedule of those activities. Please join us. All are welcome!

- April 21st – Easter breakfast
- May 5th – Breakfast between the services
- June 2nd – Recognition of High School Graduates
- June 9th – Church Picnic
- July 10th – Campfire Picnic (VBC)

USHERS: We have several open spots on our usher crews. Please consider serving your congregation in this way. If you are able to help, please contact Kyle Brightsman at (414) 335-2906 or kgb5217@gmail.com.

ALL INVITED TO ROLLER SKATE! St. Paul's congregation is invited by the Milwaukee District of Lutheran Girl Pioneers to its annual roller skating party at Incredi-Roll, 10928 W. Oklahoma Ave., Milwaukee, on Tuesday, March 26 from 6-8p.m. This is a private event for Girl Pioneers, their families, friends and congregations. Everyone is invited! The cost is \$5.50 per person which includes skate rental. Please round up your friends and join us for a fun evening of roller skating!

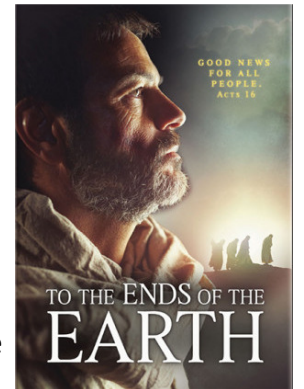
"TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH" BIBLE STUDY: In the sequence of *Road to Emmaus*, *Come Follow Me*, and *My Son My Savior* is the fourth and final movie from WELS, titled "*To the Ends of the Earth*." The movie follows Paul's remarkable visit to the city of Philippi, recorded in Acts 16. It shows how the Apostle Paul connected with people from all walks of life, demonstrating that the good news of Jesus is indeed for all people—to the very ends of the earth.

Jesus was God's answer of love for people of every culture or background. The message of Jesus is a power that changes even the most unlikely hearts. It gives truth to the seeker, hope to the hopeless, and freedom to the oppressed. God sends messengers to share the life-changing story of Jesus to the ends of the earth.

During this study, we will be watching the movie divided into six parts. They are:

1. The Call of God (Paul)
2. The Gospel Goes to Foreign Cultures (Timothy)
3. The Seeker Discovers Truth (Lydia)
4. The Oppressed is Set Free (Slave girl)
5. The Hopeless Gains Faith (Jailer)
6. The Believers Gather in Joy (Philippi church)

Copies will be made available to anyone as well. Please come and join us on Sunday mornings at 9:15am. Anyone is welcome to join us.



PRESCHOOL POWER HOUR: Join us at Power Hour two Thursdays a month! Open to children ages 0-4 with their caregivers. Meet us in the church narthex from 10:45-11:45 AM on the following dates: March 28th, April 11th & 25th and May 9th & 23rd.

SAVE THE DATE: Next year's Vacation Bible Camp will be held July 8-12, 2019. Registration will take place later in spring.

WLHS DINNER AUCTION: Everyone is invited to Wisconsin Lutheran High School for the annual dinner auction on Saturday, April 6, at 5:00 p.m. Under the theme "Prepare for Trumpets," the gym will be transformed into an elegant dinner venue and will include silent and verbal auction, raffles, and more! Reserve a table of 10 or single tickets at www.wlhs.org/auction. For auction information, sponsorship opportunities, or to donate an auction item contact Heidi Witz at 414-453-4567, ext. 2004 or planner@wlhs.org.

WLHS SACRED CHORAL CONCERT: The WLHS Spring Sacred Choral Concert will be held Saturday, April 13, at 7:00 p.m. in the WLHS auditorium. The concert will feature WLHS choirs and instrumentals. Admission is free, and a freewill offering will be taken during the concert.

WLHS WORK DAYS: Do you have yard work or spring cleaning that needs to get done such as watering, planting flowers, laying mulch, washing windows, etc.? Consider hiring hard-working members of WLHS student council for a day or a few hours for a free-will donation. All money raised will go to WLHS' mission project to support ministry in Ethiopia. The work days will be held on any Saturday or Sunday from April 13-May 19. To request a team, please contact Claire Albrecht at 262-751-2153 or albrechtcl19@wlhs.org with your name, address, phone number, the work you need accomplished, and the day(s) this work could be completed.

VOLUNTEERS

GREETERS FOR THIS WEEK (March 24 & 25)

8:00 AM – Donn & Denise Johnson
10:30 AM – Roberto & Kendra Matus; Mara & Caleb
6:30 PM – {sign up to be a greeter!}

GREETERS FOR MIDWEEK LENT (March 27)

3:30 PM – Don & Marge Gebert
6:30 PM – Larry & Lucille Ellenberger

GREETERS FOR NEXT WEEK (March 31 & April 1)

8:00 AM – Steve & Theresa Mess
10:30 AM – Carl & Carolyn Streeter; Eli & Sam
6:30 PM – Beverly Garves

USHERS FOR MIDWEEK LENT (March 27)

3:30 PM – 7th & 8th Grade Students
6:30 PM – TEAM #3 – Reed Goede, Bob Duchesneau

USHERS FOR MARCH

8:00 AM – TEAM #3 – Donn Johnson, John Migacz, Todd Grunze, Frank Krajewski
10:30 AM – TEAM #7 – David Brightsman, Kyle Brightsman, Luke Raduenz, Randy Raduenz
6:30 PM – TEAM #9 – Terry Plant, John Kiesow

ALTAR GUILD

March 20-26 – TEAM #3 – Jane Koplein, Carol Willms, Connie Myer
March 27-Apr 2 – TEAM #4 – Marge Gebert, Marilyn Krueger, Renate Nazimek

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

March 24: Set-up – Tony Tripoli & Connie Myer, Clean-up – Andy & Chris Backus
March 31: Set-up – Pete & Sherry Kosovich, Clean-up – Larry & Marion Klug

THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 24

Worship Service 8:00 AM
NO Public School Confirmation Class (Spring Break)
Adult Bible Study/Sunday School..... 9:15 AM
Worship Service 10:30 AM

Monday, March 25

NO SCHOOL – Spring Break
Worship Service 6:30 PM

Tuesday, March 26

NO SCHOOL – Spring Break

Wednesday, March 27

NO SCHOOL – Spring Break

Midweek Lenten Worship..... 3:30 PM

Midweek Lenten Worship..... 6:30 PM

Thursday, March 28

NO SCHOOL – Spring Break

Preschool Power Hour 10:45 AM

Friday, March 29

NO SCHOOL – Spring Break

Sunday, March 31

Worship Service 8:00 AM

Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/PSCIC..... 9:15 AM

Worship Service 10:30 AM

Statistics – Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 AM – 126, Communed – 106

10:30 AM – 153, Communed – 97

6:30 PM – 50, Communed – 38

Total Attendance – 329

Total Communed – 241

Midweek Lent 3:30 PM – 146, 6:30 PM – 53

Sunday Bible Class – 24