
ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
FRANKLIN, WISCONSIN



March 8 & 9, 2026

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.
- † Our congregation stands at various times throughout the service. If your mobility is limited, please do not feel that you have to stand. You are welcome to remain seated!
- † We love families! Your children are welcome in our service. Thanks for bringing them to hear about Jesus! If a quieter space would be helpful, we invite you to use our cry room located on the east side of the sanctuary, at any time.
- † Please fill out the Friendship Registers located at the end of each row, or electronically by using the QR code on the back of this bulletin.
- † If you want to review or share today’s service, you can find it on our website and our Facebook page.
- † For upcoming events and activities, “like” us on our Facebook page.

Please come again and worship with us very soon!

Worship Participants

Liturgist and PreacherPastor Brian Adams
Organist Ms. Heather Schmidt

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

SERVICE OF THE WORD

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THE OPENING HYMN "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Christian Worship (21) #708



1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to
2 Hith - er - to thy love has blessed me, thou hast drawn me
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con -



sing thy grace; streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,
to this place; and I know thy hand will lead me
strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a fet - ter,



call for songs of loud-est praise. Teach me some me - lo-dious
safe - ly home by thy good grace. Je - sus sought me when a
bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee: prone to wan - der, Lord, I



son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise his
stran - ger, wan - d'ring from the fold of God; he, to
feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my



name, I'm fixed up - on it, name of God's re - deem-ing love.
res - cue me from dan - ger, bought me with his pre-cious blood.
heart, O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

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.**

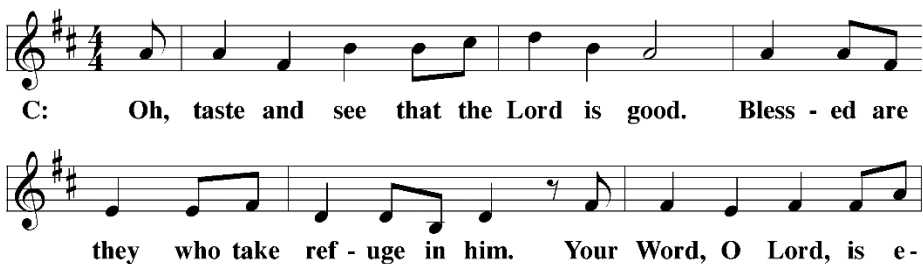
P: God, our heavenly Father has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

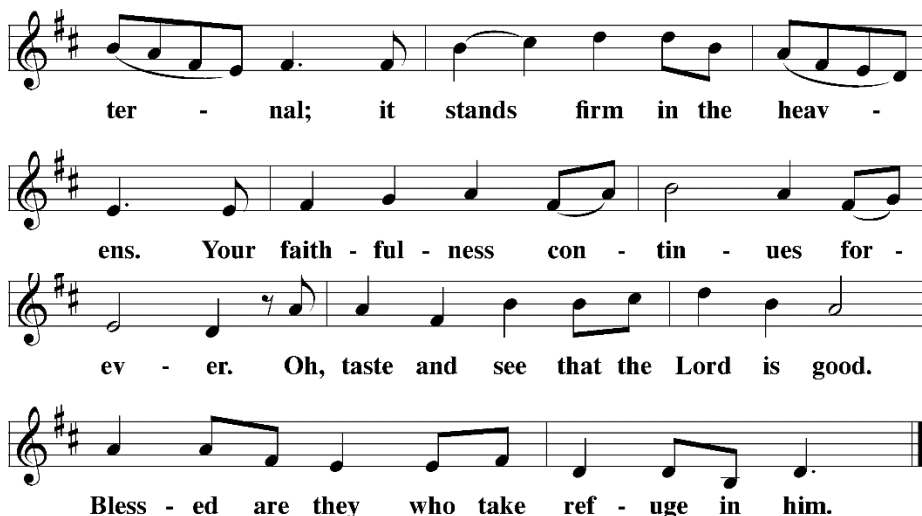
P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE



The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the hymn, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -



ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -
 ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -
 ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
 Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

Please be Seated

THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON **Exodus 17:1-7**

In his grace, God gives undeserving people water from a stone.

¹The whole Israelite community set out from the Desert of Sin, traveling from place to place as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²So they quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink."

Moses replied, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you put the LORD to the test?”

³But the people were thirsty for water there, and they grumbled against Moses. They said, “Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to make us and our children and livestock die of thirst?”

⁴Then Moses cried out to the LORD, “What am I to do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me.”

⁵The LORD answered Moses, “Go out in front of the people. Take with you some of the elders of Israel and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink.” So Moses did this in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷And he called the place Massah and Meribah because the Israelites quarreled and because they tested the LORD saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”

THE PSALM OF THE DAY **Psalm 143**

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Refrain



Lord, let your mer-cy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Psalm tone



O LORD, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy;*
in your faithfulness and righteousness come to my relief.

Do not bring your servant into judgment,*
for no one living is righteous before you.

My spirit grows faint within me;*
my heart within me is dismayed.

Psalm continues on next page

Refrain

Lord, let your mer-cy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Psalm tone

Answer me quickly, O LORD;*
do not hide your face from me.

Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love,*
for I have put my trust in you.

Teach me to do your will, for you are my God;*
may your good Spirit lead me on level ground.

**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

THE SECOND LESSON.....Romans 5:1-8

God's love is poured into my heart like living water.

¹Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. ³Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

⁶You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Jesus answered, “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst.”

Please Stand

THE GOSPEL LESSON..... John 4:5-26

Jesus calls a Samaritan woman to faith, providing living water for her thirsty soul.

⁵So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob’s well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon.

⁷When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, “Will you give me a drink?” ⁸(His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)

⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, “You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?” (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.)

¹⁰Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water.”

¹¹“Sir,” the woman said, “you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? ¹²Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his livestock?”

¹³Jesus answered, “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”

¹⁵The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water so that I won’t get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water.”

¹⁶He told her, “Go, call your husband and come back.”

¹⁷“I have no husband,” she replied.

Jesus said to her, “You are right when you say you have no husband. ¹⁸The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true.”

¹⁹“Sir,” the woman said, “I can see that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem.”

²¹“Woman,” Jesus replied, “believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²²You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. ²⁴God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.”

²⁵The woman said, “I know that Messiah” (called Christ) “is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us.”

²⁶Then Jesus declared, “I, the one speaking to you—I am he.”



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be Seated

THE LORD
will PROTECT your
COMING and GOING
both NOW and FOREVER

THE HYMN OF THE DAY....."I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

Christian Worship (21) #703



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light.



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."
the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."
Look un - to me; your morn shall rise and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav - ling days are done.

THE SERMON John 4:5-26

Please Stand

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.

Please be Seated

CONGREGATION HYMN "Preserve Your Word, O Savior"

Christian Worship (21) #874



- 1 Pre - serve your Word, O Sav - ior, to us this lat - ter
- 2 Pre - serve your Word and preach - ing, the truth that makes us
- 3 Pre - serve in wave and tem - pest your storm-tossed lit - tle

Hymn continues on next page



day, and let your king - dom flour - ish; en - large your
 whole, the mir - ror of your glo - ry, the pow'r that
 flock; as - sailed by wind and weath - er, may it en -



Church, we pray. O keep our faith from fail - ing, keep
 saves the soul. Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, this
 dure each shock. Come take the helm, our pi - lot, and



hope's bright star a - glow; let noth - ing turn us
 spring of heav'n - ly grace, sus - tain us while here
 set the course a - right; then we will reach the



from you while wan-d'ring here be - low.
 liv - ing un - til we see your face.
 har - bor in your e - ter - nal light.

Please Stand

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.



C: A - men.

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.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

Please be Seated

CLOSING HYMN "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

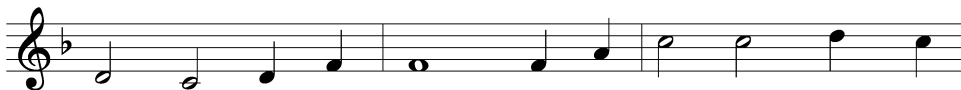
Christian Worship (21) #517



1 Praise the one who breaks the dark - ness with a lib - er -
2 Praise the one who blessed the chil - dren with a strong, yet
3 Let us praise the Word in - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; praise the one who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing
gen - tle, word; praise the one who drove out de - mons with the
in our place; Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious that we



blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the one who preached the
pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the one who brings cool
may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



gos - pel, heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, calm - ing
wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand; from this
glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done; let us

Hymn continues on next page



storms and feed-ing thou-sands with the Fa - ther's word of peace.
well comes liv - ing wa - ter, quench-ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
praise the true Re - deem - er, praise the one who makes us one.



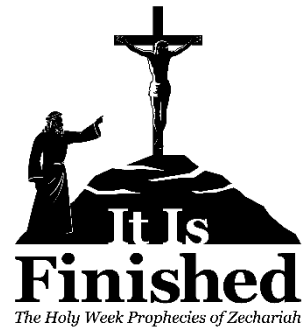
ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFIRMATION – SAVE THE DATE: Confirmation will take place on Sunday, May 17th at **10:30 AM**. This will be a separate service, following our regular worship at 9:00 AM.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Have you thought of a Bible study with other women? A small group gathers for fellowship and study of God's word bi-weekly on Tuesdays. A new study begins on the book of James. Please consider joining us on Tuesday March 31, April 14, 28 and May 12. Contact the following for questions or to sign up. Jean Terek (414-704-0311) or Lucy Ellenberger (414-759-1032)

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR UPDATE: The 2026 St. Paul's School Scholastic Book Fair Joy has finished, with an amazing shout out for literacy! A huge Thank You to this year's incredible volunteers who kept the fair available all week; Erin Quandt-Knapinski, James Knapinski, Jessica Hartman, Antonia Kopaczewski, Natalie Bird, Melissa Goff, Kevin and Debbie Swanson, Kee Chan, Jennifer Koenig, Jackie & Troy Nemitz, Sara Guse, Gary Tosic and Sandi Adelman. A warm thank you to all the students who brought in coins to raise funds for more books! The teacher selected books will refresh their classroom libraries. There were poster winners galore, too! The St. Paul's library benefited directly from the book fair with a wide variety of new books added. Plus, there were amazing donations of new hard cover books from the Amann and Karol families, too! A special Thank You goes to the St. Paul's seventh and eighth graders! The students' hard work of setting up and tearing down the fair was so greatly appreciated! The hands of many made short work of an enormous task. The generosity of everyone who stopped in to visit, volunteered, made a purchase, rounded up their purchase total, made positive comments about their own book fair memories, or donated coins are to be commended! The St. Paul's family celebrating literacy and its lasting legacy on our students, makes us all winners!

MIDWEEK LENT 2026 – IT IS FINISHED: Jesus came to keep all of God’s commandments perfectly and to fulfill all the promises about the Savior contained in the Old Testament so that he could triumphantly say about his redemptive work for our salvation, “It is finished!” From Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday, this Lenten series will take us through ten of Zechariah’s prophecies, particularly as they relate to the events of Jesus’ Holy Week passion, death, and resurrection, and what Jesus’ fulfillment of those prophecies means for God’s people—now and in eternity. Please join us for worship on Wednesdays at 3:30pm & 6:30pm:



February 18 – “Return to Me” – Zechariah 1:1-6 (Pastor Adams)

February 25 – “Look at the One Who Was Pierced” – Zechariah 12:10-13 (Pastor Jeremiah Gumm, St. Lucas)

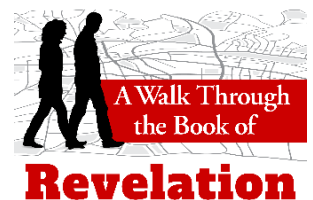
March 4 – “What’s He Worth to You?” - Zechariah 11:7-13 (Pastor Pete Unnasch, St. Lucas)

March 11 – “Scattered Sheep” – Zechariah 13:7-9 (Pastor Erich Westphal, Centennial)

March 18 – “The Truth, the Whole Truth, and Nothing but the Truth” – Zechariah 8:14-17 (Pastor David Meyer, St. John’s, Oak Creek)

March 25 – “The Kingly Priest” – Zechariah 6:9-13 (Pastor Brad Taylor, Zion, South Milwaukee)

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS: The book of Revelation is one of the most fascinating—and often most misunderstood—books in the Bible. Many begin studying it only to feel confused or overwhelmed by its vivid and complex visions. What if you could take a guided tour through its pages to better understand and appreciate its meaning and message? Join us Sundays at 8:00 a.m. for **“A Walk Through the Book of Revelation.”** Together, we’ll explore John’s visions, uncover key insights, and discover the hope and truth revealed in this remarkable book. We look forward to seeing you there!



VIKING EXPLORERS CAMPS – REGISTRATION NOW OPEN: Looking for a fun, enriching, and Christ-centered summer opportunity for your child? Wisconsin Lutheran High School’s Viking Explorers Camps provide grade school students with the chance to discover new interests, build skills, and form lasting friendships in a positive Christian environment. Camps include a wide variety of options such as sports, art, theater, music, robotics, and more—there is truly something for every interest and energy level. To explore camp offerings and register, visit wlhs.org/explorers. Space is limited, so we encourage you to sign up soon. We look forward to welcoming your child to campus this summer!

THE WISCONSIN LUTHERAN JUNIOR CHOIR FESTIVAL 2026, “PROCLAIM HIS WONDERS!”: Join us on Friday, March 13 at 6:30 p.m., at Wisconsin Lutheran High School in the auditorium. We are excited to welcome more than 150 students from nine conference schools to join the WLHS A Cappella Choir in presenting a sacred music concert based on Psalm 118:17. Admission is free and open to the public. We invite families, friends, and congregations to come celebrate this evening of music, faith, and fellowship.

LUTHER PREP SACRED SPRING CONCERT: The Luther Preparatory School Sacred Spring Concert is Sunday, March 15th at 2:00 PM in the Luther Prep Gymnasium. All are invited to attend!

LUTHER PREP MUSICAL: Luther Prep presents *The Wizard of Oz*, March 13-15 at 7:00 PM. We're off to see the wizard! This beloved tale, in which a Kansas farm girl travels over the rainbow to discover the magical power of home, has entertained audiences for generations. Tickets can be purchased by visiting www.ticketsource.com/lutherprep or by calling their office weekdays at (920) 261-4352, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

SERVING AT ST. PAUL’S THIS WEEK

USHERS FOR MARCH

- 9:00 AM** TEAM #3 – Donn Johnson, Randy LaPorte, John Migacz, Todd Grunze,
Frank Krajewski, Adrian Boldt
A/V – Noelle & Declan Young
- 6:30 PM** TEAM #5 – Terry Plant, John Kiesow

USHERS FOR MIDWEEK LENT (MARCH 11)

3:30 PM 7th & 8th Graders

6:30 PM TEAM #1 – Bob Hille, Brandon Wirtz, Larry Stujenske, Craig Gebert,
Pete Kosovich
A/V – Gary Boldt

ALTAR GUILD

March 4-10: TEAM #1 – Beverly Garves, Sherry Kosovich

March 11-17: TEAM #1 – Beverly Garves, Sherry Kosovich

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

March 8: Set-up – Don Druml & Connie Myer, Clean-up – Beverly Garves

March 15: Set-up – Jerry & Alyce Lehtinen, Clean-up – Kevin & Debbie Swanson

THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 8

Adult Bible Class 8:00 AM
Worship Service..... 9:00 AM

Monday, March 9

Public School Confirmation Class 5:00 PM
Worship Service..... 6:30 PM

Tuesday, March 10

PTO Meeting..... 6:30 PM
Church Council..... 6:30 PM

Wednesday, March 11

Midweek Lent Worship Service..... 3:30 PM
Board of Elders 5:30 PM
Midweek Lent Worship Service..... 6:30 PM

Friday, March 13

Half Day of School 12:00 PM Dismissal

Sunday, March 15

Adult Bible Class8:00 AM
Worship Service with Communion.....9:00 AM

Statistics – Last Week

Attendance:

9:00 AM – 143, Communed – 112

6:30 PM – 34, Communed – 29

Total Attendance – 177

Total Communed – 141

Sunday YouTube Views – 36

Midweek Lent 3:30 PM – 79, 6:30 PM – 16

Midweek Lent YouTube Views – 22

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"Reaching out to the people of the world through Worship and Education by Living and Sharing the Gospel of Christ."

To our visitors ~ We welcome you in the name of Jesus, the Son of God and our Savior, who died on the cross and was raised in victory on Easter Sunday by the power of God the Father. We are happy to have you here today, and we invite you to come again. We are members of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS), a group of Christians bound together by a common confession of faith. We would be happy to share our faith with you.

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Our staff is ready to serve you. If you have questions, are ill, have spiritual needs, or are interested in church membership or our school, please feel free to contact the Pastor or the Principal.

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