ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

FEBRUARY 4, 2018

But they that wait upon the LORD

shall

renew their strength;

they shall

mount up with wings as

EAGLES;

run, and not be weary;

and they shall

walk, and not faint.

Isaiah 40:31

WELCOME TO ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH TO KNOW AND SERVE CHRIST BY REACHING OUT IN LOVE TO ALL

Welcome Guests! We are so glad to have you worship with us today. Worship is by the people, and we would like everyone to participate; therefore, the service is located in this booklet. Hymns marked LBW are from the green *Lutheran Book of Worship*; and hymns marked WOV are from the small blue book *With One Voice*.

To create a worship environment where everyone can see and hear, we ask you to be sensitive to those around you and keep noise and movement to a minimum. Children are always welcome at worship. However, sometimes they disagree. Should the need arise, a nursery for children up to three years is provided.

Children's Church Is held during both services on the second and fourth Sunday of each month. This is a unique optional worship opportunity for children ages 3 through third grade to explore Sunday's Gospel and other Bible stories through song, story and crafts. Children will be in Room G (across from Fellowship Hall). Please pick them up there following the service. Older students are always welcome to join us to give our little ones a hand.

The flowers under the cross are placed by Cathy and Ron Fazekas in honor of Oliver's baptism.

Today we welcome through baptism Oliver James Ardo, born July 17, 2017 to Eric and Suzanne Ardo. Sponsors are Carolyn and Paul Benner. Proud grandparents are Cathy and Ron Fazekas.

Keep In Your Prayers

Sam Norris Kellen Kolozvary Jaina & Chesley Cormack Kelly Gray Robyn Spencer Debbi Gonzales
Bill & Mary Pitman Anna Burch Audrey Parker Linda Merryman Terri Randoff Emma Conrad
Karen Spreng Gene Nuzzo Amy Norris Chris Skrok Nancy Forestieri Ken Green Marlene Smith Amy Williams Dillon Cap Shelley Krisko
Mary Kushman Nancy Goette Trudi Shook-Bassett Dorothy Shenk Wilma Andrus Amy Myers
Bob Ferreri Brittany Johnson Minna Mortenson The family of Tiffany Salay in the loss of her father

In Military Service

Stephen Krutko Josh Reichlin Ricky Henley Jacob Major Jordan Taylor Jay McLaughlin Marcus Harold Ryan Sumner Christopher Neumann Ben Campbell Sarah Raber

ORDER OF WORSHIP THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY FEBRUARY 4, 2018 11:00 A.M.

GATHERING SONGS

Come Into His Presence

Come into His presence
With thanksgiving in your heart
And give Him praise,
And give Him praise.
Come into His presence
With thanksgiving in your heart,
Your voices raise,
Your voices raise,
Give glory and honor
And power unto Him
Jesus, the name above all names.

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Jesus, the name above all names.

I Worship you, Almighty God

I worship You Almighty God
There is none like You
I worship You O Prince of Peace
That is what I want to do
I give You praise
For You are my righteousness
I worship You Almighty God
There is none like You

Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in His wonderful face, And the things of earth will grow strangely dim In the light of His glory and grace.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

You Are My All in All





P: In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid. Purify and unify the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may more perfectly love you and more worthily magnify your holy Name, through Christ our Lord. C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Please kneel if you are able)

Silence for reflection and self-examination

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P: People of God, look to the Son given to heal you and set you free because God loved the world so much. Your sins are forgiven in Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

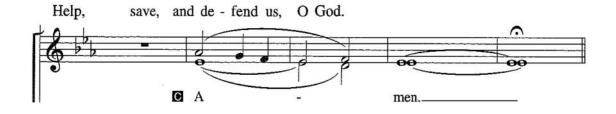
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Kyrie

In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

Refrain Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, div. Lord, have mer - cy, mer - cy on us all.

1. For the reign and for peace through-out of God, the world, for the 2. For your peo - ple here who have come to give yóu praise, for the Refrain to the Lord: u - ni - ty all, let us pray of to the Lord: strength to Refrain let us pray live your word,



Glory to God





THE SALUTATION

A: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

Summary

The Judeans in exile have a good reason to be hopeful: the one who will bring them to freedom is the God who created the world, the God who subdues the rulers of the earth and gives strength to those who are weary.

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 40:21-31

²¹Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

²²It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in;
 ²³who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.

²⁴Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

²⁵To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One.
²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these?
He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.

²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? ²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. ³⁰Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; ³¹but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Psalm 147:1-11, 20c

¹Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God! How pleasant it is to honor God with praise!

²The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem, and gathers the ex-iles of Israel. ³The LORD heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. ⁴The LORD counts the number of the stars and calls them all by their names. ⁵Great is our LORD and mighty in power; there is no limit to God's wisdom. ⁶The Lord lifts up the lowly, but casts the wicked to the ground. ⁷Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make music upon the harp to our God, ⁸who covers the heavens with clouds and prepares rain for the earth, making grass to grow upon the mountains. God provides food for the cattle and for the young ravens when they cry. ¹⁰God is not impressed by the might of a horse, and has no pleasure in the speed of a runner, ¹¹but finds pleasure in those who fear the LORD, in those who await God's steadfast love. ^{20c}Hallelujah!

Summary

God entrusted Paul with the responsibility of bringing the gospel to diverse people. Hence the focus of Paul's ministry is not his own rights or privileges as an apostle but the privilege of serving God by freely sharing the good news of Christ with others.

THE SECOND LESSON

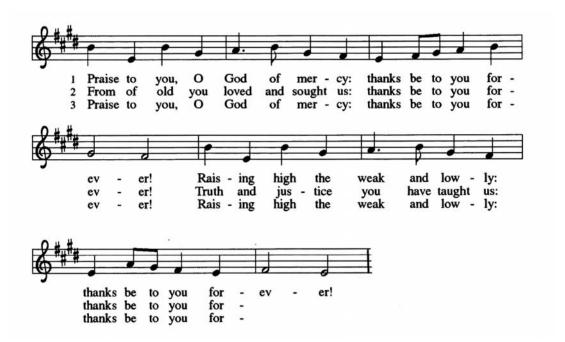
1 Corinthians 9:16-23

¹⁶If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! ¹⁷For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. ¹⁸What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

¹⁹For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. ²⁰To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. ²¹To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. ²²To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. ²³I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Verse 1 only



Summary

Everywhere Jesus goes, many people expect him to set them free from oppression. Everywhere he goes, he heals them and sets them free. Disease, devils, and death are running for their lives. The forces that diminish human life are rendered powerless by Jesus.

THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 1:29-39

²⁹As soon as [Jesus and the disciples] left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³²That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not

permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

³⁵In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." ³⁸He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for

that is what I came out to do." ³⁹And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Pastor Tom Henderson

SERMON HYMN Abide with Me LBW 272

WE RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P: Lord in your mercy, C: Hear our prayer.

BAPTISM Oliver James Ardo LBW page 121

SHARING THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

We invite you to greet one another with "The Peace of the Lord". If there is someone you don't know, take a moment and introduce yourself.

Please sign the Fellowship Register found at the center aisle end of the pews and then pass it to other end. When everyone has signed, please return it to the center.

GATHERING OF OUR OFFERINGS

Our financial gifts are offered as our response to what God has given us and a reminder that we are caretakers of the world he created. Our members support our church. Visitors are our guests and are not expected to give an offering, but please complete the fellowship register with your name and address.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Light Dawns on a Weary World Worship Team



OFFERTORY

We Are an Offering



OFFERING PRAYER

- P: Dear God,
- C: Giver of every good and perfect gift, we thank you for the daily blessings of life. For food and family, for friends and neighbors, for the gift of life itself, we give you thanks. Bless these offerings that they may be used wisely in your service. For Jesus' sake. Amen.

WE SHARE THE LORD'S SUPPER

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.

- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.
- P: It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

- P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."
- P: With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:
- C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

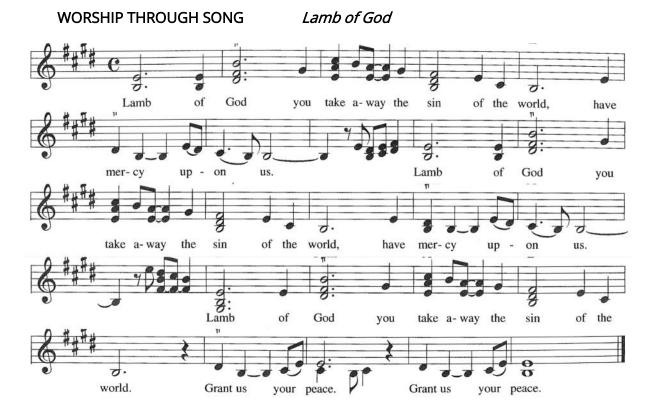
- P: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.
- C: Come, Holy Spirit.
- P: With your holy ones of all times and places, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

We invite you to join hands to pray)

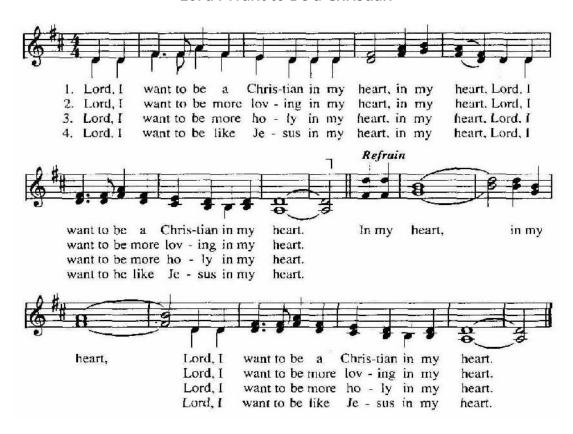
COMING TO THE SUPPER

We believe Jesus gave us this sacrament for forgiveness and new life and believe He is present with us in the bread and wine. Confessing this faith and trusting in His grace, we welcome you to the table. If you wish to commune, please come forward to the altar by way of the center aisle at the direction of the ushers and return by way of the side aisle. Grape juice, gluten-free wafers and traditional wafers are available. Indicate to the communion assistant your preference. Children who have not received communion instruction are invited to come forward with their parents for a blessing.





Lord I Want to Be a Christian



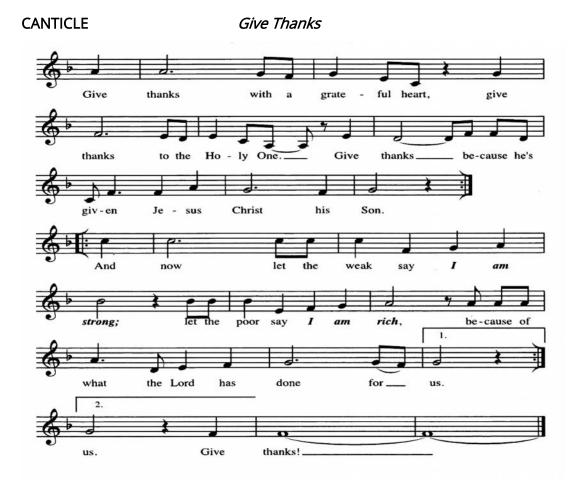
WE PREPARE TO GO OUT INTO THE WORLD

THE COMMUNION BLESSING

(Please Stand)

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C: Amen.



THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- P: Almighty God,
- C: you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive Him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

- P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
 - The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
- C: Amen.

A: Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.C: Thanks be to God.

POST SERVICE MUSIC Worship Team

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICES		
	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
ORGANIST	Dale Hukill	Dale Hukill
LITURGIST	Lynnette Ozanich	Dean Firing
LECTOR	Kara Krywyj	Bonnie Sears
SERVERS	Tracy Krug	Lynne Morella
	Jennifer Hinton	Thelma Brunett
USHERS	Randy Hamilton Team	Tim Riggle Team
COUNTERS	Denny Batig	Diane Barrett
	Rae Batig	Lois Wolfe
GREETERS	Tracy Hamilton	Jan Sultan
	Tim English	Randy Genther
	Laurie English	Sharon Genther
ALTAR GUILD	Jennifer Hinton	Diane Barrett
	Ginny Anderson	Barb Daniels
SOUND TECH	Aaron Ozanich	Phillip Sultan

ANNOUNCEMENTS In keeping with a worship environment, please turn all cell phones off Church Street Ministries –February Socks

Sheep and Goats — February EEC Scholarship Program

Mark your calendar—Tetelestai will be returning to St. Paul March 2, 3 and 4. Come to see the story of where the Christ child's journey ends and where all HOPE begins. More details later. There will be a reception after each performance. We need volunteers to bake cookies. Please start baking now and freeze them for when needed. Freezer space is available in room F.

2018 FLOWER CHART IS UP—The new flower chart is up on the bulletin board across from the office. Please sign up!

SOUP SUPPERS BEGIN FEBRUARY 14TH-There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board next to the Flower Chart. Please sign up to bring soup, Chili, or dessert. Please note: **New this year**....Soups and chili will need to be already warmed up in a crock pot ready for self service.

NEW DISPLAYS IN THE ARCHIVE CASES– There are new displays of our historical record keeping practices. Please stop by to take a look at what is was like when everything had to be done by hand!

ARKPD Fundraiser Dinner-Saturday, February 24th, 5-7:30pm at the Berea Masonic Temple. Contact Lisa Cormack @ 440-829-0317 or e-mail lisacormack2014@gmail.com. Ticket sales at door only. \$12 each or 2 for \$20, kids 5-12 \$5, 4 and under free. Pasta dinner, basket raffles, 50/50 raffle. Funds will go to the transplant fund for Jaina and Chesley.

WOMEN'S RETREAT—FEARLESS FAITH— May 18-20 at Camp McPherson (21880 Shadley Valley Rd, Danville OH). The retreat will begin at 7pm on Friday and conclude on Sunday at 1pm. The theme is Fearless Faith, based on over 300 verses in scripture where God urges us to not be afraid. If you would like a brochure mailed, please contact Pastor Deborah Michaels (440-281-5337) of Cheryl Baker (440-821-4852).

Sermon Notes

Children's Coloring Page





A musical portrayal of the Trial, Execution & Resurrection of Jesus the Messiah. Script and Lyrics by Joel Nagy - Music by Russ Nagy.

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Friday, March 2 at 8:00 pm Saturday, March 3 at 8:00 pm Sunday, March 4 at 2:00 pm

FREE Admission-Donations Accepted

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY 4-11, 2018

Sunday, February 4

8:30 & 11 Worship

9:15 a.m. Recorders, SS

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

Confirmation, K

Ladies, H

12:00 p.m. Private party, FH

3:00 p.m. Aristocrat visit

5:30 p.m. Ringers for Jesus

6:30 p.m. Youth Jam

8:00 p.m. AA, FH

Monday, February 5

7:00 p.m. Solo Squares, FH

Tuesday, February 6

5:00 p.m. Kiwanis, FH

CPC, P

<u>Thursday, February 8</u>

5:00 p.m. Guide Dogs, FH

6:00 p.m. Celebration

6:30 p.m. GA, K

7:00 p.m. Faithful Ringers

Friday, February 9

7:00 p.m. Solo Squares, FH

Saturday, February 10

9:00 a.m. Set-up, FH

8:00 p.m. AA, S

Next Sunday, February 11

9:30 a.m. BP, O

10:00 a.m. Bluegrass Service

11:00 a.m. Pancake Brunch

8:00 p.m. AA, FH

A-K —Letter Classrooms

P —Parlor

YR —Youth Room

FH —Fellowship Hall

MR —Music Room

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES 8:30 AND 11:00 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES AT 9:45 A.M.

OFFICE HOURS MONDAY—FRIDAY, 9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.

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