



Baptism of Our Lord— January 10, 2021

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Worship Service LIVE—9:25 a.m.

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We, the people of St. Paul's, are a community for spiritual health, centered in Christ.

We challenge ourselves to share and live Christ's love
within the congregation, within the community and to the larger world.

VIRTUALLY SERVING TODAY

Minister.....Pastor Phil Beck
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President—Trisha Valcarcel
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

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*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

C: **Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Faithful God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

C: God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world.

Amen.

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The Peace of Christ be with you

C: **And also with you.**

GATHERING HYMN.....Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized.....ELW 304

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1 Christ, when for us you were baptized,
God's Spirit on you came,
as peaceful as a dove, and yet
as urgent as a flame,
as urgent as a flame.

4 Baptize us with your Spirit, Lord;
your cross on us be signed,
that likewise in God's service we
may perfect freedom find,
may perfect freedom find.

**GREETING (ELW, p. 147)*

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

KYRIE (ELW, p. 147)

L: In peace let us pray to the Lord
C: **Lord, have mercy**
L: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
C: **Lord, have mercy**
L: 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.**
L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
C: **Lord, have mercy.**
L: Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord.
C: **Amen.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE: (ELW pg. 148)*

L: Glory to God in the highest and peace to God's people on earth!

Sung by Cantor:

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY:*

Holy God, creator of light and giver of goodness, your voice moves over the waters. Immerse us in your grace, and transform us by your Spirit, that we may follow after your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Genesis 1:1-5

L: *The Word of the Lord*
C: **Thanks be to God**

PSALM 29

¹Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
²Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name;
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God
of glory thunders;
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
⁴The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice;
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
⁶the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

⁷The voice of the LORD
bursts forth in lightning flashes.
⁸The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
⁹The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe
and strips the forests bare.
**And in the temple of the LORD all are crying,
"Glory!"**
¹⁰The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;
**the LORD sits enthroned as king
forevermore.**
¹¹O LORD, give strength to your people;
give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace.

SECOND READING: Acts 19:1-7

L: The Word of the Lord
C: **Thanks be to God**

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Sung by Cantor
Cantor: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.
*The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the First Chapter

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**
*THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMONPastor Phil Beck

HYMN OF THE DAY.....Crashing Waters at Creation.....ELW 455

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| 1 Crashing waters at creation,
ordered by the Spirit's breath,
first to witness day's beginning
from the brightness of night's death: | 4 Living water, never ending,
quench the thirst and flood the soul.
Wellspring, source of life eternal,
drench our dryness, make us whole. |
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***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

C: *I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

***OFFERTORY HYMN: Sung by Cantor**

***OFFERTORY PRAYER:**

O God, receive these gifts as you receive us: like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide. Nourish us anew in your tender care, and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with this same love, through Jesus Christ, our saving grace. **Amen.**

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

P: ... Lord, in your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

P: Gathered into One with the Holy Spirit, we now pray as Jesus taught us...

C: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

***BENEDICTION:**

P: Mothering God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life. **Amen**

SENDING HYMN.....God, Whose Almighty Word.....ELW 673

Text: John Marriott, 1780-1825, alt.

1 God, whose almighty word
 chaos and darkness heard
 and took their flight:
 hear us, we humbly pray,
 and where the gospel day
 sheds not its glorious ray,
 let there be light.

4 Holy and blessed three,
 glorious Trinity,
 Wisdom, Love, Might:
 boundless as ocean's tide,
 rolling in fullest pride,
 through the earth, far and wide,
 let there be light.

**DISMISSAL*

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

(Please remain seated until dismissed by an usher)

Staff

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PRAYER LIST

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 Audrey McDougall, *Member*
 Erica Hoff, *Daughter of Betty Walker*
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*******The Prayer List is being updated for the new year.*******

If you have a loved one you would like to remain on the prayer list, please notify the office.



+Admiral Lisa Franchetti, U.S. Navy, niece to Linwood Snider
 +Zachary Williams, U.S. Airforce, grandson of Jim & Dottie Titmas
 +U.S. Navy Corpsman Matthew Kasik, grandson of Sam Purswell
 +Dan Beck, 1st Lt., U.S. Army, son of Pastor Phil & Susan Beck
 +Nick Parker, U.S. Marines, grandson of Peggy and Ed Chaney
 +Carlin Rabie, U.S. Navy, Son-in-law of Marcia & Raj Gupta
 +1st LT Patrick Campion, US Army, son of Michelle and Michael Harrod

*Do you have need for prayer?
 Do you know someone else who has need for prayer?
 If so, please know that we have a prayer team at St. Paul's that is ready to help.
 Simply contact the Church Office.
 All requests are confidential.*

****Please remember all the names on our prayer list, and especially those that are bold. They have a specific current need for Christian love and support.**

*******IMPORTANT REMINDER*******

Please remember, it is imperative that you completely fill out the **PINK** sign in sheets located on the bulletin board in the Church and on the table inside the door in the Parish Hall if you are entering either building at a time other than a scheduled meeting or service. **Please** remember to check in with the Office **before** entering the Church building or the Parish Hall.

OFFERINGS

We are so blessed and grateful for your continued offerings during these unprecedented times. It is only with your support we can maintain the everyday activities of the church and our work in the community.

Please consider mailing your offering to the church or if you have access to the website, there is an online giving option as well.

<https://www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org/give/>

Please Note: We are not currently making a deposit each week due to the limited number of checks being sent into the office on a weekly basis.

Typically we have been making a deposit mid-month and prior to the end of the month.



Preparing for 2021, if you are currently utilizing your giving envelopes and would like to receive them again in the new year, please contact the office so that we can make arrangements for pick up. If you attend church on Sunday they will be available in the overflow area for pick up.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:

Current Fund Weekly Need: TBD

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need:\$360.00

Actual/Electronic Income

January 3, 2021 :

Weekly Contributions: \$5,377.29

Property Loan Fund: \$585.00

ATTENDANCE:

January 3, 2021 In-person: 25

Virtually: 21

This Week at St Paul's

Sunday, January 10th

Worship (Livestream)

9:25am

Baptism of Our Lord

Monday, January 11th

Finance

7pm

Tuesday, January 12th

Council

7pm

Thursday, January 14th

Gathered at the Table Livestream

Noon

Sunday January 17th

Worship (Livestream)

9:25am

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Would you like to schedule a date to sponsor Altar flowers?
Please contact Patty Rimel through the Parish Office if
you would like to arrange a date to offer flowers.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING JANUARY 31, 2021 After the service

You can attend virtually or in-person. Meeting details will be available in the weekly email. If you do not receive the emails please contact the office for link.

*Please plan to participate and be a part of the decisions
being made for the new year.*



Blood Drive at St Paul's



**American
Red Cross**

February 12th 10:30am to 4pm in the Parish Hall

Able to volunteer to help donors check in?

Please contact the office.

Able to donate blood?

Consider signing up early through our website and Facebook page.

GVCS Food Bank

Donations for Glade Valley Food Bank are always accepted!

Items of need are soup, cereal, canned fruit, crackers,
shampoo/conditioner and toilet paper.

Please bring them to the donation bin on the side of Town Hall



We are looking for volunteers to help shovel snow around the church buildings if necessary. We do have a snowblower for the majority of it. It will mostly be cleaning around the doors and the ramp at the parish hall. If interested you can email or text Russ at 301-646-3306 or mrussamy@gmail.com. Thanks.

