



Third Sunday After Epiphany— January 24, 2021

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

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
Lector.....Marie Purswell
Organist.....Jeff Gentry

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS

President—Trisha Valcarcel
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Treasurer—Amy Mildenstein
Secretary—Patty Rimel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

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*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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..... *Jesus Calls Us, O'er the Tumult*ELW 696

1 Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult
of our life's wild, restless sea,
day by day his clear voice sounding,
saying, "Christian, follow me":

5 Jesus calls us! By your mercy,
Savior, may we hear your call,
give our hearts to your obedience,
serve and love you best of all.

**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:*

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

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

PSALM 62

⁵For God alone I wait in silence;
truly, my hope is in God.

⁶God alone is my rock and my salvation,
my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.

⁷In God is my deliverance and my honor;
God is my strong rock and my refuge.

⁸Put your trust in God always, O people,
pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge.

⁹Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath;
those of low estate cannot be trusted.
Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath.

¹⁰Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride;

though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

¹¹God has spoken once, twice have I heard it,
that power belongs to God.

¹²Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord,
for you repay all according to their deeds.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

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.....*Will You Come and Follow Me*.....ELW 798

1 "Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me?

5 Lord, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you and you in me.

.Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

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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.....We are Marching in the Light.....ELW 866

1 We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, (marching, we are marching,
marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, (marching, we are marching,
marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.

4 We are singing in the light of God,
we are singing in the light of God.
We are singing in the light of God,
we are singing in the light of God.

We are singing, (singing, we are singing, singing,)
we are singing in the light of God.
We are singing, (singing, we are singing, singing,)
we are singing in the light of God.

**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

Ellen Hatgi, *Member*

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Erica Hoff, *Daughter of Betty Walker*

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The Foster Family, *Friends of the Ports*

Libbianna LeDuff, *Family of Hope Donati*

Sharon Crayton, *Friend of Betsy Galliher*

Betsy Galliher, *Member*

*******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.



The envelopes for 2021 are available and can be picked up in the parish hall or during church service. Please email the church office or call the office @ 301-845-4600 to make arrangements. If you have chosen to use our online giving option and do not wish to receive the envelopes please advise the parish office at your earliest convenience.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:

Current Fund Weekly Need: TBD

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need:\$360.00

Actual/Electronic Income
January 10, 2021 :

Weekly Contributions: \$2,105.48

Property Loan Fund: \$ 450.00

ATTENDANCE:

January 17, 2021

In-person: 30

Virtually: 21

This Week at St Paul's

Sunday, January 24th

Worship (Livestream) 9:25am

Monday, January 25th

Worship & Arts 7pm

Tuesday, January 26th

Executive Council 7pm

Thursday, January 28th

Gathered at the Table Noon

Sunday January 31st

Worship (Livestream) 9:25am

Annual Congregational Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of the January birthdays of Lillian Foucart, Kathleen Foucart Walker and Lee McCloskey
Given by Candy Foucart***

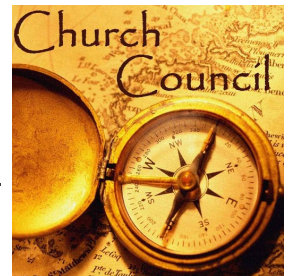


Would you like to schedule a date to sponsor Altar flowers?
Please contact Patty Rimel through the Parish Office if
you would like to arrange a date to offer flowers.

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.