



Sunday of the Passion/Palm— March 28, 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.....Phil Smith
Organist.....Jeff Gentry

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

Places of the Passion

Palm Sunday: Bethphage

Please wave your palms when we respond "Hosanna" or "Amen"

*Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives,
Then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and
Immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me."*

Matthew 21:1-2

*Invocation and Call to Worship

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

C **Amen.**

P Let us ever walk with Jesus.

C **To see the depths of his love.**

P To behold the gift of his forgiveness!

C **To gaze upon the heights of his grace.**

P To marvel at the magnitude of his mercy.

C **We walk with Jesus as he rides a donkey.**

P He begins in Bethphage and makes his way to Jerusalem.

C **He does it for us and for our salvation!**

P Faithful Lord, with me abide.

C **I shall follow where you guide!**

*HYMN.....*All Glory Laud and Honor*.....ELW 344

1 You are the king of Israel
and David's royal Son,
now in the Lord's name coming,
our King and Blessed One.
Refrain

5 Their praises you accepted;
accept the prayers we bring,
great author of all goodness,
O good and gracious King.
Refrain

Refrain

All glory, laud, and honor
to you, redeemer, king,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.

Confession and Forgiveness

P Merciful and mighty Father, you know us well. We are quick to speak of faith, but slow to live it out. We shout “hosanna” as Jesus approaches, as did the people of Jerusalem, but we do not want him coming too close to us, not close enough to really see—

C **Our greed and our grasping.**

P Our pride and our pretense.

C **Our envy and our strife.**

P Our hard hearts and lackluster prayers.

C **Our willful disobedience and ongoing sin.**

P Our harsh words and condemning judgments.

C **Our backbiting and badmouthing.**

P Our lame excuses.

C **Our fickle faith. Lord, have mercy! Christ, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!**

(Please silently reflect on the fact that though our sin is great, Christ’s love is greater.)

P Hear the good news! Jesus walked to places of rejection, suffering, torment and death—for you. Jesus was determined to go to Gethsemane, Gabbatha and Golgotha—for you. That’s why Jesus forgives you completely and loves you eternally. Faithful Lord, with me abide!

C **I shall follow where you guide!**

Prayer of the Day

Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in hand, gathered to greet your Son when he came into the City of David, grant that we may hail him as our King and walk with him in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Anthem.....*The Holy City by Stephen Adams*.....Stephen King

Old Testament Reading ... Zechariah 9:9-10

Epistle Reading ... Philippians 2:5-11

*Gospel Reading ... Matthew 21:1-11

Sermon.....Pastor Phil Beck

*HYMN.....*Ride on, ride on in majesty*ELW 346

1 Ride on, ride on in majesty!

Hear all the tribes hosanna cry;

O Savior meek, your road pursue,

with palms and scattered garments strewed.

4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!

in lowly pomp ride on to die,

bow your meek head to mortal pain,

then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!

***Prayers**

P Onward in Christ's footsteps treading, pilgrims here, our home above. Full of faith and hope and love, let us do the Father's bidding. And so we pray: Lord Jesus, you are the King of Zechariah's vision, and on this Palm Sunday, we worship, honor, and bless you, saying—

C Hosanna in the highest!

P Lord Jesus, no other king would show up to conquer his enemies, humbly riding on the foal of a donkey. No other king would break the power of death and rob the grave by the brokenness of the cross. No other king could defeat evil and tyranny by shedding his blood. That's why we say—

C Hosanna in the highest!

P Lord Jesus, no other king would come not to be served, but to serve and give his life as a ransom for many—a group of rebels and sinners like us. No other king would come so humbly, so lovingly, so kindly. That's why we shout it out—

C Hosanna in the highest!

P Lord Jesus, you are our King, the King of glory, the King of kings and the Lord of lords. You are our Monarch of mercy, our Governor of grace and our the Prince of Peace. Great is our rejoicing, for you have come to us, righteous and victorious, loving and sovereign. That's why we celebrate—

C Hosanna in the highest!

P Lord Jesus, by the riches of your grace, continue to free us from sin, selfishness and worthless idols. By the power of the Gospel, enable us to live with hope and as agents of redemption until the Day you return to finish making all things new.

C Jesus, let me faithful be, life eternal grant to me. Amen.

***Lord's Prayer**

***Benediction**

Jesus invites us to walk with him to Bethphage and then into Jerusalem, places of great suffering and places of great love! We will walk with Jesus all the way to the empty tomb—and resurrection victory!

C Let us ever walk with Jesus.

***HYMN.....Go to Dark GethsemaneELW 347**

1 Go to dark Gethsemane,
all who feel the tempter's pow'r;
your Redeemer's conflict see.
Watch with him one bitter hour;
turn not from his griefs away;
learn from Jesus Christ to pray.

2 Follow to the judgment hall,
view the Lord of life arraigned;
oh, the wormwood and the gall!
Oh, the pangs his soul sustained!
Shun not suff'ring, shame, or loss;
learn from him to bear the cross.

***Please Stand as you are able**

PRAYER LIST

Ellen Hatgi, *Member*
Katrina Pank, *Member*
 Tommy Sorge, *Nephew of Marie Purswell*
 Marion Forrest, *Friend of the Ports*
 Rick Fischler, *Friend of the Ports*
 The Stuck Family, *Friends of Amy Mildenstein*
 Milton & Dolores Denn, *Members*
 Heather & Lexi Anderson, *Family of Merle & Kelly Anderson*
 Karen White, *Friend of Tammy Snurr*
 Audrey McDougall, *Member*
 Erica Hoff, *Daughter of Betty Walker*
Sharyl Mildenstein, *Family of Russ & Amy Mildenstein*
 Robb Port, *Member*
 Joe Collins, *Cousin of Joann Valainis*
 Dr. Heather DeVincentis, *Friend of Sue and Lin Snyder*
 The Wynne Family, *Friends of Sue Snyder*
Libbianna LeDuff, *Family of Hope Donati*
Sharon Crayton, *Friend of Betsy Galliher*
Betsy Galliher, *Member*
Ronald Zeimen, *Father of Amy Mildenstein*
 Zeller Family, *Members*
Florence Schell, *Member*
Thelma Powell, *Member*
The John Paciello Family, *Friends of Dianne and Robb Port*
Eva Berthold, *Family of Pastor Phil and Sue Beck*
Evy Davis, *FEC Family*



+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*******

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*******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/>

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:

Current Fund Weekly Need: \$3,825.00

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need:\$360.00

Actual/Electronic Income
March 14, 2021:

Weekly Contributions: \$2,254.05
Property Loan Fund: \$ 380.00

ATTENDANCE:

March 21, 2021
In-person: 29
Virtually: 25

Mid Week March 17, 2021
In-person: 9
Virtually: 17

This Week at St Paul's

<u>Sunday, March 28th</u>	
Worship (Livestream)	9:25am
<i>Sunday of the Passion</i>	
<u>Monday, March 29th</u>	
FEC	8am-4pm
<u>Wednesday, March 31st</u>	
Lenten Service	7:00pm
<u>Thursday, April 1st</u>	
<i>Maundy Thursday, Service</i>	7:00pm
<u>Friday, April 2nd</u>	
<i>Good Friday, Service</i>	7:00pm
<u>Saturday April 3rd</u>	
<i>Resurrection of Our Lord, Vigil of Easter</i>	
Easter Egg Hunt	3pm-5pm
<u>Sunday April 4th</u>	
<i>Easter</i>	
Outdoor Worship	8:00am
Worship (Livestream)	9:25am

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Easter Egg Hunt is back!!

The youth are excitedly planning the 2021 Easter Egg Hunt for Saturday, April 3rd from 3pm to 5pm. It won't be like years past, but they have created a rotation of stations, including the HUNT, that will allow everyone to have fun and stay safe. Bring a basket to collect your goodies as family groups visit each activity. The full event will be held outdoors, so check in on Facebook and our website if there are changes due to weather. Walk up to check in at the Fulton Avenue driveway to get started with the fun, all are welcome and we hope to see you all there!



Calling St. Paul's members:

the youth need your help to pull off the best Easter Egg Hunt. They have dreamed up 10 stations for kids to rotate through but need some assistance in running each post the day of the Hunt. There are some pre-Hunt tasks that need some help with as well. If you are able to assist the day of the Hunt, April 3rd from 3pm to 5pm or with set up prior to the event, please contact Belinda via email or 240-315-5030.

Are you interested and want to learn more about Stewardship and how to develop a comprehensive year-round generosity plan for St. Paul's? Then consider this training opportunity. The sessions will be held virtually one Saturday a month from April to September. The first session starts on April 24th from 9 AM to 11:30 AM. You can do the training on your computer, laptop or cell phone in the comfort of your own home.

I'm ready to hop in the boat, will you consider coming along in the boat with me?

Contact me through the Parish Office and we'll get you started!

Sheila Kahler

GVCS Food Bank

Donations for Glade Valley Food Bank are always accepted!

Items of need are: Jello and pudding mixes, box crackers, medium size ketchup, hamburger helper, black tea bags, hot chocolate mixes, coffee, tissues and bar soap. Please bring them to the donation bin on the side of Town Hall



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