

Palm Sunday Service—March 24, 2024 ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

Worship Service LIVE—9:00 a.m.

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Through Christ, we joyfully feed the body, mind, and spirit of all.

SERVING TODAY

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Acolyte	

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Guided to Humility

Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you. James 4:10

Processional Hymn

All Glory, Laud and Honor

ELW 344

Refrain

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

- 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*
- 2 The company of angels are praising you on high; creation and all mortals in chorus make reply. *Refrain*

- 3 The multitude of pilgrims with palms before you went; our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present. *Refrain*
- 4 To you, before your passion, they sang their hymns of praise. To you, now high exalted, our melody we raise. *Refrain*

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, 760-821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866,

Invocation and Call to Worship

- P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory?
- C The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!
- P Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory?
- C The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory!
- P Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
- C Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Confession and Forgiveness

- P Let us confess our sins to God and ask his forgiveness.
- C Almighty God, we are called to humble ourselves and to serve one another in love, but instead, we become puffed up with pride. We look on others as less important than ourselves. We do not humble ourselves before your Word, and we do not walk in the way of love. Have mercy on us, and forgive us.
- P God has had mercy on us. He sent his Son to be our Savior. Jesus humbled himself, and on the cross, he suffered in our place the penalty of death that we deserved for our sins. For his sake God forgives us. I announce to you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Behold our King has come, righteous and humble, bringing salvation to us!

Prayer of the Day

Lord Jesus, you are the King of glory, yet you entered Jerusalem in humble majesty, to bring to us salvation. During this Holy Week, as we follow your final path to the cross, lead us in humility and meekness. Help us to put the needs of others ahead of our own and to walk in love, forgiving one another as we have been forgiven. Jesus, humble King, we hail you as our Lord and Savior. You are the King of glory. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

ELW 325

- I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me; all along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.
- 2 In my trials, Lord, walk with me; in my trials, Lord, walk with me; when my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

Text: African American spiritual

Old Testament Reading ... Zechariah 9:9-12 Epistle Reading ... James 4:7-10 Gospel Reading ... Mark 11:1-10 3 When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; when my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

Sermon

- I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest; lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast." I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad; I found in him a resting-place, and he has made me glad.
- 2 I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give the living water, thirsty one; stoop down and drink and live." I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream; my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.
- I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 "I am this dark world's light;
 look unto me, your morn shall rise,
 and all your day be bright."
 I looked to Jesus, and I found
 in him my star, my sun;
 and in that light of life I'll walk
 till trav'ling days are done.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889

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.

Offering

Prayers

- P Jesus, King of glory, you entered Jerusalem in humility and meekness. You did not come to fight armies and set up an earthly kingdom. You came to bring salvation, to suffer and die on the cross as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world. Jesus, humble King,
- C Set your cross before us to guide us in humility.
- P Jesus, King of glory, during this Holy Week we will follow you as you take up your path to the cross. We will receive the gift of your body and your blood in your holy Supper. We will follow you to Gethsemane, and watch with you through your betrayal, arrest and condemnation. We will see with eyes of faith your humble death and victorious resurrection. Jesus, humble King,
- C Set your cross before us to guide us in humility.

- P Jesus, King of glory, lead us to walk in your steps, in humility and love. Teach us to put others first, as you put our needs ahead of your own. We want to follow you, our King, and to pattern our lives after your life. Jesus, humble King,
- C Set your cross before us to guide us in humility.
- P Jesus, King of glory, look with mercy on those who are suffering in pain, illness or grief, especially those we name in our hearts and out loud. Lead us to help and serve them in love and to bring to them the hope and comfort found in your Word. Jesus, humble King,
- C Set your cross before us to guide us in humility.
- P Jesus, King of glory, you humbled yourself, obedient to your heavenly Father, even to the point of death on a cross. On the third day after your death, you were raised in exalted glory, as we by faith will one day be raised, to live in your presence forever. Jesus, humble King,
- C Set your cross before us to guide us in humility. Amen.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (ELW, p.152)

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 our thanks and praise.

*The Preface:

P: "It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:"

*(ELW, p. 153) Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*Words of Institution:

- P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in 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 in remembrance of me. For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
- C: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again. Amen

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

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.

All are welcome at Christ's Table, come as you are. The Table is set, the feast is prepared, come and eat.

*P: May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

*Post Communion Prayer:

O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**.

The Blessing

- P Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you;
- C Righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
- P The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spir it be with you all.
- C Amen.

Closing Hymn

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

ELW 346

- Ride on, ride on in majesty!Hear all the tribes hosanna cry;O Savior meek, your road pursue,with palms and scattered garments strewed.
- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty!In lowly pomp ride on to die.O Christ, your triumphs now begin o'er captive death and conquered sin.
- 3 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 The hosts of angels in the sky
 look down with sad and wond'ring eyes
 to see the approaching sacrifice.
- 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!

Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791-1868, alt.

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Mark Holloway, Husband of Kate Stottlemyer
Hank Holiday, Friend and neighbor of Kate Stottlemyer
Marion Lawrence, Cousin of Kate Stottlemyer
The Jones Family, Close family friends of Joann Valainis
Gil Eiker, Husband of Rebecca Eiker
Doug Ashbrook, Family Friend of Pastor Phil
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Doug Burkholder, Friend of Betsy Galliher
Heather Anderson, Member
Bert Fiske, Friend of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider
Audrey Hillman, Friend of Pastor Phil
Dottie Titmas, Member

How our Prayer List Works:

You may call into the Parish Office (301-845-4600) or email the Office Administrator (officeadministrator@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org). When a prayer list request is added, the request will stay on the list for three consecutive weeks. First week it will be noted in **Super Bold**, the second week it will be noted in **Bold**, and then the third week it will be noted in regular text. Then the request will be removed from the prayer list unless you specifically ask for your request to remain on the prayer list until otherwise noted by you. The power of prayer is amazing! "For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." **Matthew 18:20**

PRAYERS

FOR OUR MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES

- † 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, Captain., U.S. Army, son of Pastor Phil & Susan Beck
- † Carlin Rabie, U.S. Navy, Son-in-law of Marcia & Raj Gupta
- † Eric Fong Sam, U.S. Army, friend of Mary Ann Ferguson
- † Leo Tanja, U.S. Airforce, nephew of Mary Ann Ferguson's sister in law
- † Jaiden Pastick, U.S. Airforce, Guam, close friend and former Girl Scout of Kay Wachter's

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.

Comments from the Cloud of Witnesses

We read the passion according to St. Mark in the midst of the community on this day so that the story of Jesus' suffering and death will be a place where all our individual and communal stories of pain, loss, suffering, and death during the past year can find some meaning. For we are confronted each day with the tragedies of human suffering that seem to challenge the truth of God's love and providential care for us. The Christian response to human suffering is not finally a philosophically reasoned series of answers, but an invitation to the kenosis, the self-emptying, of Jesus. The Marcan passion narrative bids us to enter into Jesus' struggle to accept in faith the reality of suffering in human life. God created us as human beings that we might have life and have it in abundance. In the self-emptying of Jesus' passion, death and sin are conquered because they are taken into the mystery of God and transformed into new life. Today let us allow our experience of suffering to flow into the mystery of the cup of Christ's passion. Come to the table of the cross, and share in the victory of Christ by drinking new life greater than all the forces of suffering and death. —Thomas McGonigle, O.P.

[Thomas McGonigle, O.P., in Homilies for the Christian People, ed. Gail Ramshaw (New York: Pueblo, 1989), 252.]



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: \$3,145.00

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need: \$360.00

Electronic/Mail-ins Income March 10, 2024:

Weekly Contributions: \$**

Property Loan Fund: \$**

Total: \$**

In Worship Offerings

Weekly Contributions: \$2,160.00

Property Loan Fund: \$**

Total: \$**

ATTENDANCE:

March 17, 2024

In person: 42

Virtual: 20

March 13, 2024

In person: **
Virtual: **

This Week at St Paul's Holy Week

Sunday, March 24th

Worship (Livestream) 9:00am

Palm Sunday

Monday, March 25th

FEC 8am-5pm Girl Scouts 6:00pm

Tuesday, March 26th

FHC 8am-5pm

Wednesday, March 27th

FEC 8am-5pm Soup and Sandwich 6:00pm Healing Service 7:00pm

Stripping of the Altar

Thursday, March 28th

FHS 9am-3pm

Maundy Thursday @ Bethel 7:00pm

Friday, March 29th

Good Friday Worship 7:00pm

Saturday, March 30th

Easter Egg Hunt 3:00pm

Sunday, March 31st

Easter Sunday

Worship (Livestream) 9:00am

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*****IMPORTANT****

For those without Facebook please tune into our YouTube channel for live streams of last week's mid week and Sunday services

https://studio.youtube.com/video/KVDw46sjjrk/edit, https://studio.youtube.com/video/u0 Please look for future notices regarding live streaming and YouTube videos a St. Paul's Official YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6I9JEpgsI



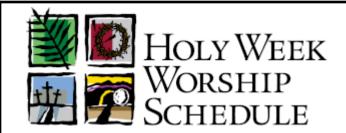
TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO ORDER YOUR LILY!

Help us decorate for Easter by Purchasing an Easter Lily. They are available for \$12.00 each.

Sign up using the signup sheet on the side bulletin board or call the Parish Office to purchase with a check or cash.

*Please don't forget to designate your dedication.

Remember, you don't have to throw these beautiful lilies away; they can be planted in your garden for next year's blooming!



Wednesday - St Paul's 7pm (Soup and sandwich at 6pm) (A service of Healing and stripping of the altar)

Maundy Thursday - 7pm at Bethel with a meal beforehand.

Good Friday - Noon at Bethel and 7pm at St. Paul's

Easter Sunday – 8am Breakfast and 9am worship at St. Paul's, 11:15am at Bethel

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Our last Wednesday mid week service during our Lenten journey is this week. Come join us in the **Parish Hall** at 6:00pm for soup, sandwiches and fellowship.

Our Healing Service will begin at 7:00pm to include stripping of the altar.



The joyous Easter Season is quickly approaching.

Would you like to schedule a date to sponsor Altar flowers?

The sign up sheet is hanging on the bulletin board at the side door or you can call the Parish Office!



Donations for Glade Valley Food Bank are always accepted!

UPDATED ITEMS OF NEED ARE:

Baked Beans, Pancake Mix, Mac 'n' Cheese, Hamburger Helper and Boxed Crackers.

Please bring them to the donation bin on the side of Town Hall or you can put them in the basket by the side door and we will get them to the food bank for you.



The Year Round
Stocking Stuffer
Project.

It's March!
We need *Craft Kits and Small Dolls*.

There is a box wrapped with Christmas paper in the overflow area where you can drop off your donations. You always have the option for a financial donation as well. Please see Kay for more details.

Don't' forget to sign up for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt! You can use the sign up sheets in church, contact Lauren McCloskey or use the QR code below and join the fun!





ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Peg and Orley Bourland Educational Assistance Fund

is awarded on a year-round basis through Glade Valley Community Services and The Community Foundation of Frederick.

Its purpose is to provide need-based funds for post-secondary education in trade or technical fields (such as Cosmetology, Nursing, Fitness, HVAC, Culinary, Mechanical, Computer, Construction, etc.) to help with expenses such as trade tools, tuition, testing, tutoring, supplies, etc.

Please see the flyer on the bulletin boards and weekly email for more information including application info.



It's almost that time of year St. Pauls!

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL!

May 18, 2024

How are you going to share your talent? We have something for everyone!

We will need volunteers to set up and clean up, to be runners for different booths, to help with plants, to help with the hot dogs, chips and water, to help with the Welcome Table, the Yard Sale and of course we are calling all Bakers to the ovens!

There may even be a need for **DUNK TANK VOLUNTEERS....**

Let's make Strawberry Festival 2024 our best one yet! We can't do that without you, so start thinking now how you are going share your talent!

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