



Easter Sunday Service—March 31, 2024
ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

Worship Service LIVE—7:00 p.m.

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

SERVING TODAY

Minister.....Pastor Phil Beck
Lector.....Trish Valcarcel
Organist.....Jeff Gentry
Ushers.....Sheila Kahler and Roxanne Smith
Acolyte.....Camden Plog, Annabelle Bush

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS

President—Patty Rimel
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Easter Sunday: Guided to new Life

We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. Romans 6:4

Processional Hymn

Crown Him with Many Crowns

ELW 855

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| 1 Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns
all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king
through all eternity. | 4 Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing,
who died and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die. |
| 3 Crown him the Lord of love--
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bend their burning eyes
at mysteries so bright. | 5 Crown him the Lord of years,
the potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail
throughout eternity. |

Invocation and Call to Worship

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Christ is risen!

C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P The apostle Paul writes, "In fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

C **For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.**

P We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.

C **For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality.**

P When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: 'Death is swallowed up in victory.'

C **'O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?'**

P The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

C **But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."**

P Christ is risen!

C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Confession and Forgiveness

P Let us confess our sins to God and ask for his forgiveness.

C **Almighty God, in Christ Jesus we have been raised to new life, but we often turn back to our old ways. We follow our own selfish desires instead of walking in the ways of our Lord. We listen to the temptations of the world instead of gladly hearing your Word. Have mercy on us, and forgive us. Lead us by your Spirit to walk in newness of life.**

P Jesus suffered and died on the cross to take away our sins. He was raised in triumph over death. In him we have forgiveness and life. I announce to you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

C **Lord Jesus, set your cross before us and lead us to walk in newness of life.**

Prayer of the Day

Jesus our Savior, risen Lord, we rejoice in the victory over sin, death and Satan that you have won for us through your death and resurrection. In baptism we were buried with you and raised to walk in newness of life. We look forward with joy to your return on the Last Day, when we will be raised in glory as you were raised. Until that great day, lead us to grow in faith through the study of your Word and to reflect the light of your love to the people we meet each day. Make us bold witnesses for you so that, in the power of the Holy Spirit, others will come to know and worship you as Lord. Mighty, conquering Savior, hear our prayer and accept our praise. Amen.

- 1 Awake, my heart, with gladness,
see what today is done;
now, after gloom and sadness,
comes forth the glorious sun.
My Savior there was laid
where our bed must be made
when, as on wings in flight,
we soar to realms of light.
- 2 Now hell, its prince, the devil,
of all their pow'r are shorn;
now I am safe from evil,
and sin I laugh to scorn.
For Christ again is free;
in glorious victory
he who is strong to save
has triumphed o'er the grave.

- 4 Now I will cling forever,
to Christ, my Savior true;
my Lord will leave me never,
whate'er he passes through.
He rends death's iron chain;
he breaks through sin and pain;
he shatters hell's grim thrall;
I follow him through all.
- 5 Christ brings me to the portal
that leads to bliss untold,
whereon this rhyme immortal
is found in script of gold:
"Who there my cross has shared
finds here a crown prepared;
who there with me has died
shall here be glorified."

Old Testament Reading ... Isaiah 35:1-8

Epistle Reading ... Romans 6:1-4

Gospel Reading ... Matthew 28:1-10

Sermon

- 1 I know that my Redeemer lives!
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead; he
lives, my ever-living head!
- 2 He lives triumphant from the grave;
he lives eternally to save;
he lives exalted, throned above;
he lives to rule his church in love.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath;
he lives, and I shall conquer death;
he lives my mansion to prepare;
he lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to his name!
He lives, my Savior, still the same;
what joy this blest assurance gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

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

Anthem.....Risen Indeed (Allen Pate).....Choir

Prayers

P Lord and Savior, you laid down your life on the cross as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world. You were raised to life in triumph over sin, death and Satan, and your victory is our victory. Crucified and risen Lord,

C Lead us to walk in newness of life.

P Lord and Savior, in Baptism we are buried with you, united to you in your death and raised up to walk in newness of life. We live now as children of light, created anew to walk in your ways. Crucified and risen Lord,

C Lead us to walk in newness of life.

P Lord and Savior, by God's grace through faith, we have been raised to new life in the power of your resurrection. Lead us to follow closely in your footsteps. Help us to walk in love as you did, and to live with kindness and compassion toward others. Give us opportunities to share the good news of salvation so that others will come to rejoice in your resurrection. Crucified and risen Lord,

C Lead us to walk in newness of life.

P Lord and Savior, we pray for those who are struggling with pain, illness, grief or anxiety, those we name before you now [*mention known names of the sick, injured, grieving and anxious*] and those we name in our hearts. Comfort them with healing and hope and the promise of eternal life in your presence. As we walk in newness of life, lead us to help and serve them in love. Crucified and risen Lord,

C Lead us to walk in newness of life.

P Lord and Savior, you have conquered death, and you have promised, "Because I live, you also will live" (John 14:19). In you we have new life now and the hope of eternal life. When you return on the Last Day, we will be raised bodily from death as you were raised to live in your presence forever. Crucified and risen Lord,

C Lead us to walk in newness of life. 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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with the angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn."

***Holy, Holy, Holy (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

Lord's Prayer

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.

Post Communion Prayer

P: God of abundance,

C: with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

The Blessing

P We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death,

C In order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

P Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

C Amen.

Sending Hymn

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

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| 1 Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia! | 3 But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia! |
| 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia! | 4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!
praise him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! |

**Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
He is risen indeed!**



Easter Lily DEDICATIONS

- Erica Wendt** *In memory of husband*
- Kate Stottlemyer** *In memory of loved ones*
- Mary Ann Ferguson** *In memory of our parents*
- Betsy Galliher** *In honor of Ellie and Peter*
- The Plog Family** *In memory of Misti Green and Jackie Doten*
- Phil Smith** *In memory of loved ones*
- Roxanne and Brian Smith** *In Memory of Jeanne and Ben Smith*
- Bill and Barbara Cartwright** *In memory of Mary and Michael DeCrow
In memory of Joe and Alma Wells*
- Hope Donati** *In memory of my parents, Ronald and Iris Coleman, my brother,
Kevin Coleman and my sister-in-law Christi Donati*
- Pastor Phil and Sue** *In memory of loved ones*
- Susan Hayes** *In memory of John Shearin and the light he brought to the world
and in thanksgiving for Shea and Hayes Partington who make life
a little sweeter*
- Dottie and Jim Titmas** *In memory of Jack, Judy and Ann*

PRAYER LIST

Joe Collins, *Cousin of Joann Valainis*

Mark Holloway, *Husband of Kate Stottlemeyer*

Hank Holiday, *Friend and neighbor of Kate Stottlemeyer*

Marion Lawrence, *Cousin of Kate Stottlemeyer*

The Jones Family, *Close family friends of Joann Valainis*

Gil Eiker, *Husband of Rebecca Eiker*

Doug Ashbrook, *Family Friend of Pastor Phil*

Roger Stottlemeyer, *Uncle of Kate Stottlemeyer*

Family of Sharon Kahler, *mother of Sheila and Rodney Kahler, members*

Jeff Gentry, *Organist*

Lin Snider, *Member*

Sue Snyder, *Member*

Shannon Smith, *Friend of the Mildenstein Family*

Bob Schmidt, *brother of Dottie Titmas*

Marea Palmer, *Niece of Marcia Gupta*

Parker Bazarewski, *extended family of Ed Chaney*

Joseph Matthew Moschella, *dear friends of the Plowman Family*

Michael Wachter, *Son of Gary and Kay Wachter*

Lillian Foucart, *Member*

Jan and Sam Urick, *Cousins of Candy Foucart*

Betsy Galliher, *Member*

Eileen Trihoulis, *Sister of Merle Anderson*

Gary Wachter, *Member*

The Family of Ursula Wandel, *Sister of Regina Baker*

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*

Florence Schell, *Member*

Jim Decker, *Friend of Pastor Phil*

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

Perhaps most curious in Mark's account is the "young man" at the tomb, dressed in a white robe, speaking to the women. The "young man" was part of the story of Jesus' arrest in Gethsemane, dressed then only in a *sinclon*, Mark says, a strip of linen cloth used for wrapping corpses in preparation for burial. When someone tried to seize him, he fled away naked, leaving the garment behind. Now he appears at the tomb, dressed, a witness to Jesus' resurrection. Mark's earliest readers could scarcely have missed noticing how much he was like them, for most of them had been dressed in burial attire on a night before the day of Easter, and had appeared next morning dressed in a white garment, bearing witness to the resurrection of Jesus. In between they had been stripped of the old garment, baptized, crucified with Christ, born again, and raised to a new life. What got buried forever on that morning was themselves, their old selves. They were on their way to where they would be the body of Christ in the world. Their beloved Jesus would clothe himself in them, and say to those who came to dispose of the corpses, "She is not here, she is risen."
—Frederick A. Niedner, Jr.

[Frederick A. Niedner, Jr., *Homilies for the Christian People*, ed. Gail Ramshaw (New York: Pueblo, 1989), 263-264.]



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 17, 2024:

Weekly Contributions: \$1,090.86
Property Loan Fund: \$ 180.00
Total: \$1,270.86

In Worship Offerings

Weekly Contributions: \$1,592.53
Property Loan Fund: \$ 550.00
Total: \$2,142.53

ATTENDANCE:

March 24, 2024

In person: 80
Virtual: 28

March 27, 2024

In person: **
Virtual: **

This Week at St Paul's Holy Week

Sunday, March 31st

Breakfast 8:00am
Worship (Livestream) 9:00am

Easter Sunday

Monday, April 1st

Cub Scouts 7:15pm

Tuesday, April 2nd

FHS 9am-3pm
Executive Council 7:00pm

Thursday, April 4th

FHS 9am-3pm
Cub Scouts 5:30pm
Yard Sale Set Up 7:45pm

Friday, April 5th

Yard Sale (Parish Hall) 8am-5pm

Saturday, April 6th

Yard Sale (Parish Hall) 8am-5pm

Sunday, April 7th

Worship (Livestream) 9:00am
Ministry Sunday 10:00am

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://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XOYW29SI8XI>,

Please look for future notices regarding live streaming and YouTube videos at
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REMINDER: Parish Office Closed Easter Monday



*The Altar Flowers are given
to the glory of God
and in celebration of Easter
by Brian and Roxanne Smith*



*The
Word
of God*

Would you like to bring voice to
God's word in our weekly
worship while preparing people
to hear the gospel and the sermon?

If you are called to share the word and would like to be a lector, please see Ellen Bucheimer after Worship or feel free to give her a call at 301-514-9871.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



*It's time again!
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.*

Strawberry Festival is quickly approaching!

*Please come on **Ministry Sunday, April 7th**, after
worship to brainstorm and continue preparations!*

Please also see the April Epistle for more details!

We encourage anyone and everyone who feels called to help in any way to make our 2024 Strawberry Festival amazing and successful to join us!

Hope to see you there!

Please think about sharing the gifts God has given you to make our Strawberry Festival the best it can be.

Sign up sheets and meeting dates will be available. I will be very happy to talk to you about ideas and any questions you may have. ***We need your help!***

God's blessing always, Marcia Gupta



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. Please see the bulletin for more details.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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!*



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