

Our Lenten Journey will be a series entitled "Words That Last Forever" which we will follow each Wednesday during Lent, Holy Week, and Easter Sunday.

Holy Week

Wednesday - A blended Choir Service entitled "Not My Will, But Yours" @ Bethel 7:00PM

Maundy Thursday - 7:00PM at St. Paul's

Good Friday - Noon at Bethel and 7:00PM at St. Paul's

Easter Vigil—Saturday, 7:00pm

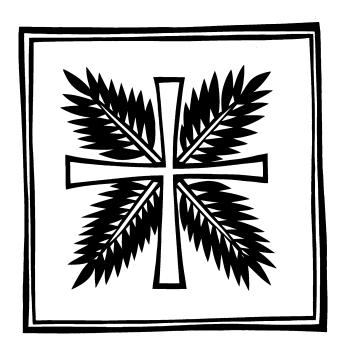
Easter Sunday - 9AM Worship at St. Paul's, 11:15AM Worship at Bethel

SERVING TODAY

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April 13, 2025 Palm Sunday

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

Worship Service—9:00 a.m.



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

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

This is the time we QUIET our HEARTS for WORSHIP.

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BLESSING OF THE PALMS

- P Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C Hosanna to the Son of David.
- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.
 - Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

Processional Gospel – Luke 19:28-40

⁸ After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹ When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.' ³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸ saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" ³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰ He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

THANKSGIVING

The members of the congregation raise their branches.

ALL ARE WELCOME! Bring Family and Friends Saturday, April 19th, 3:00PM to 5:00PM Woodsboro Evangelical Lutheran Church 101 S Main St., Woodsboro, MD 21798 Ask Roxanne for more details!





The Year Round Stocking Stuffer Project!
In April we need Bottles of Bubbles,
Small Coloring Books and
Small Dolls for Babies!!
Feel free to give monetary donations to
Kay Wachter as well!

LAGER FOR LENT ON APRIL 11TH.

Join us Friday's during Lent @5:00pm for fellowship and conversation.

This coming Friday, we will meet at the Diner in Walkersville.





Mark your Calendars!

Please join us Saturday, April 19th, 2025 from 3:00pm-5:00pm for an Easter Egg Hunt, Games, Kona Ice and amazing fellowship!
See the weekly emails and bulletin boards for more information.

Hope to see you there!

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*****IMPORTANT****

For those without Facebook please tune into our YouTube channel for live streams of last week's service. Video link https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kAVjYz5fEH8, March 9, 2025

Please look for future notices regarding live streaming and YouTube videos at

St. Paul's Official YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6I9JEpgsBUXlow117 -Q



There will be no altar flowers during Lent, but please feel free to sign up for Easter and after!



Donations for *Glade Valley Food Bank* are always accepted!

UPDATED ITEMS OF NEED ARE:

Cereal, Hamburger Helper, Macaroni and Cheese, Canned Fruit and Peanut butter

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!

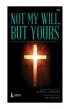
Help us decorate for Easter by purchasing an Easter Lily.



They are available for \$13.00 each. TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO ORDER!

Sign up using the sign up 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. HELP our Geraldine Hills, who manages the Thrift Shop at St. Paul's, rebuild after a devastating house fire. She has LOST EVERYTHING.
Please consider generously donating to her GoFundMe page.
https://gofund.me/acbd07ce



"Not my will, but Yours."

These solemn words have echoed through the ages as Jesus embraced the will of Almighty God on the night before His crucifixion. Beginning shortly

after the "hosannas" of Palm Sunday and concluding just before the "alleluias" of Easter Sunday, this brief Holy Week work, from composer Lloyd Larson, retells the last hours of our Lord's earthly journey to remind us that Christ chose to walk the painful path of a criminal's execution for our redemption.

Please join us Wednesday, April 16th as the combined choirs from St. Paul's and Bethel perform this Cantata @ 7:00pm at Bethel.



Please note:

There will no soup and sandwich during Holy Week.

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

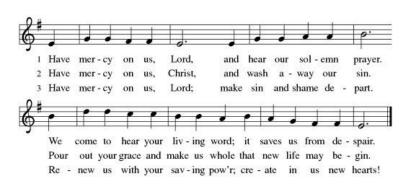
The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you. (Please share God's peace with those around you.)

THE GREETING

- 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 (p. 203)



*PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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C Amen.

Psalm 31

⁹ Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble;

my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

¹⁰ For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing;

my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.

¹¹ I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my acquaintances;

when they see me in the street they avoid me.

¹² Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind;

I am as useless as a broken pot.

¹³ For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around;

they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

¹⁴ But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD.

I have said, "You are my God.

15 My times are in your hand;

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those

who persecute me.

16 Let your face shine upon your servant;

save me in your steadfast love."

THE EPISTLE LESSON – Philippians 2:5-11

⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷ but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸ he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death — even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God also highly exalted himand gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL AND SERMON

The Passion of Our Lord

Luke 22 and 23 (varying verses)

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/

This Week at St Paul's

Sunday, April 13th
Worship (Livestream) 9:00am
Palm Sunday

Monday, April 14th

 FEC
 8am-5pm

 Worship & Arts
 10:00am

 Girl Scouts
 6:00pm

 FEC Open House
 6:00pm

Tuesday, April 15th

FHS 10am-3pm Congregational Life 6:00pm Council 7:00pm

Wednesday, April 16th

FEC 8am-5pm Cantata @ Bethel 7:00pm

Thursday, April 17th

Frederick Children's Choir 9:30am
FHS 10am-3pm
Choir Rehearsal TBD 10:00am
Cub Scouts Parish Hall 5:30pm
Maundy Thursday Service 7:00pm

Friday, April 18th Good Friday

Bethel 12:00pm
Twenhafel Funeral 3:00pm
Lager for Lent 5:00pm
Good Friday Service 7:00pm

Saturday, April 19th

Easter Vigil 7:00pm

Sunday, April 20th

Easter

Worship (Livestream) 9:00am

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:

Current Fund Weekly Need: \$3,110.00

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need: \$350.00

Electronic/Mail-ins Income March 23, 2025

Weekly Contributions: \$ 310.30 Property Loan Fund: \$ 20.00 Total: \$ 330.30

In Worship Offerings

Weekly Contributions: \$3,006.00 Property Loan Fund: \$ 210.00

Total: \$3,216.00

Electronic/Mail-ins Income March 30, 2025

Weekly Contributions: \$ 505.91 Property Loan Fund: \$ 105.00 Total: \$ 610.91

In Worship Offerings

Weekly Contributions: \$1,419.00 Property Loan Fund: \$ 750.00 Total: \$2,169.00

ATTENDANCE:

April 6, 2025

In person: 41 Virtual: 12

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Joe Collins, Cousin of Joann Valainis Mark Holloway, Husband of Kate Stottlemyer Roger Stottlemyer, *Uncle of Kate Stottlemyer* Sue Snyder, Member Bert Fiske, Friend of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider Joseph Matthew Moschella, Friend of the Plowmans Keith Harris, friend of the Plowman Family Jack Lotwick, Friend of Robb and Dianne Port Bob Schmidt. Brother of Dottie Titmas Cindi, John and Deirdre MacKenzie, friends of St. Paul's Parker Bazarewski, Extended family of Ed Chaney Joanne and Dudley Cate, Family friends of Ed Chaney Patty Plitt, Cousin of Ed Chaney Tom Waters, Member Regina Baker, Member Heather Anderson, Member Leanne Colwell, friend of Sue Snider Geraldine Hills, friend of St. Paul's The family of Elise Caffee, friends of Katie Walker Charlie Snow, Friend of Sue Snider Family and friends of Kathi Armitage, classmate of Kate Stottlemver

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!

Family of Mark Rimel, member, husband of Patty Rimel

"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

Do you or someone you know have need for prayer? team at St. Paul's that is ready to help. Simply contact Merle Anderson at 301-845-2317. All requests are confidential.

†Aaron Martz, U.S. Navy, Grandson of

Ken Martz

**Please remember all the names on our love and support.

- P: We affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

... Lord, in your mercy, C: Hear our prayer.

OFFERING Please place your gift in the offering plate, mail to the church office or consider online givina.

*OFFERTORY HYMN LET THE VINEYARDS BE FRUITFUL (ELW 184)

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING, MEAL (sung, p. 152)

- 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.

If so, please know that we have a prayer

prayer list, and especially those that are bold. They have specific current need for Christian

*THE PREFACE:

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:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (p. 153)

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (ELW p. 153)

P Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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 for the 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 for the remembrance of me.

- P With this bread and cup, we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:
- C Christ has died.
 - Christ is risen.
 - Christ will come again.
- P O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.
- C Come, Holy Spirit.
- P Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.
- C Come, Holy Spirit.
- P With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.
- C Amen.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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

HOLY COMMUNION: (ELW p. 154)

P Return to God with all your heart. Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert.

LAMB OF GOD

POST COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN Christ, the Life of All the Living No. 339

*DISMISSAL

MARKED WITH THE CROSS OF CHRIST, GO FORTH TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD THANKS BE TO GOD.

Announcement regarding livestreaming of the worship services:

St. Paul's intends to continue offering online worship services to share the Gospel through Facebook and Youtube. With the inclusion of in-person attendance during the service, we need to inform you that your presence may be captured in the recording and broadcast through St. Paul's social media platforms. Your comfort and privacy are of utmost importance, if you prefer not to have your image broadcast please contact the office by phone or email or inform the usher as you arrive. The office will keep a list of those wishing NOT to appear in the recording and convey that information to the Media and Technology Ministry. From sundaysandseasons.com | Copyright © 2025 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved | License # SAS103410, Used with permission under ONE LICENSE #736745-A. All rights reserved CCLI Copyright © 2025 License 21412874, Streaming 21412867 All rights reserved