

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Strawberry Festival Is quickly approaching!
Saturday, May 17th!!



We encourage anyone and everyone who feels called to help in any way to make our 2025 Strawberry Festival amazing and successful to join us!

Please think about sharing the gifts God has given you to make our Festival the best it can be. Sign up sheets are in the church. Please see Marcia Gupta about any ideas or questions you may have.

We need your help! Hope to See you there!



We've got a wonderful opportunity to serve our church community coming up. We're planning a cleanup day on **Saturday, May 3rd @ 9:00am**, and we'd love to have your help. We'll be working together to spruce up the church inside and out. Think of it as a chance to fellowship and make our church a brighter, more welcoming place. Hope to see you there!

SERVING TODAY

Minister.....Pastor Phil Beck
Lector.....Phil Smith and Gary Wachter
Organist.....Jeff Gentry
Ushers.....Nancy Cochran and Kay Wachter
Acolyte.....Camden Plog & Annabelle Bush

Staff

Minister:202-497-0584 (pastor@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org).....Pastor Phil Beck
Office Admin:301-845-4600 (officeadministrator@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org).....Joann Valainis
Music CoordinatorJeff Gentry
Flower Coordinator.....Patty Rimel
Administration/PurchasingEd Chaney
SextonLarry Beard
Stephen Ministry.....Linda Yopp
Property Coordinator.....
Financial Secretary.....Troy Keeney



Easter Sunday Service
April 20, 2025

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

Worship Service—9:00 a.m.

Church Phone: 301-845-4600 E-mail: info@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org

Web Site: <http://www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org>



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

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS

President—Sheila Kahler
Vice-President—Lauren McCloskey
Treasurer—Patty Rimel
Secretary—Kate Stottlemeyer

***Stand as you are able**

Words That Last Forever!

ALLELUIA!

Opening Hymn

With words that last forever you speak in richest grace,
Lord Jesus Christ, my Savior, upon your cross disgraced.

With open ears I listen, with open mind believe,
With open heart embrace you: I, Lord, your words receive.

“Forgiveness” granted sinners, and “Paradise, today!”
“Behold your son, your mother!” to family you say.

The air is split with anguish in your “Forsaken” cry,
As “Thirsty,” work “Accomplished,” in “Father’s hands” you die.

Pray, sanctify the silence with which I contemplate
Your boundless love for sinners, your sacrifice so great,

Till at the tomb I waken to your new word for me:
These words, not last, but lasting, shall ring eternally!

P Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.
C **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
P The word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to
us who are being saved, it is the power of God.
C **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
P He sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from
destruction.
C **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
P “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know
the truth, and the truth will make you free.”
C **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
P “The word that goes forth from my mouth shall not return to me empty,”
says the Lord. “It shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in
the thing for which I sent it.”
C **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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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://youtu.be/w7TE1pdVDGQ> , April 13, 2025

Please look for future notices regarding live streaming and YouTube videos at
St. Paul’s Official YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6I9JEpgsBUXlow1I7-Q>

Thank You...

Dear St. Paul's Family,

In this time of sorrow, our hearts have been deeply comforted by the love, prayers, and unwavering support you have shown us. Losing Mark has been an incredibly difficult journey, but the kindness and care from our St. Paul's family have been a light in this dark time.

Your prayers have sustained us, your kind words have lifted us, and your presence has reminded us that we are not alone. The meals, visits, and thoughtful gestures have all been blessings that truly reflect Christ’s love in action.

Thank you for surrounding us with your compassion and for walking beside us during this time of grief. Your fellowship has been a source of strength and peace, and we are profoundly grateful for each of you.

*With heartfelt appreciation,
Patty Rimel and Family*

The Altar Flowers are given to
the glory of God and
in celebration of Easter
by Betsy Galliher



The Parish Office will be
CLOSED

**Friday, April 18 &
Monday, April 21,
2025**



**NOISY CHANGE CHALLENGE
BEGINS APRIL 27TH
BRING THE CHANGE!**



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



Erica Wendt, *In memory of husband*
Kate Stottlemeyer, *In memory of loved ones*
Phil Smith, *In memory of loved ones*
Roxanne and Brian Smith, *In memory of Jeanne and Ben Smith*
In memory of Louis and Jim Smith
Bill and Barbara Cartwright, *In memory of Mary and Michael DeCrow*
In memory of Joe and Alma Wells
Susan Hayes, *In celebration of my children and in gratitude for my sisters in Christ*
Dottie and Jim Titmas, *In memory of loved ones*
Hope Donati, *In memory Ronald and Iris Coleman, and other loved ones*
Julio Valcarcel, Sr., *In memory of Nina*
Connie Chesnik and family, *In memory of Ronald and Brandon Chesnik*
Doug Campagnoli, *In memory of loved ones from the Campagnoli family*
Patty Rimel, *In memory of Mark Rimel*

Prayer of the Day

Almighty Father, through the glorious resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, from the dead, you have opened the way to eternal life. Alleluia! Grant us, we pray, lives of living alleluias that will proclaim your praise through service, action and overflowing love. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Anthem – *The Lord Is Risen Today!* by Lloyd Larson Choir
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First Reading *Exodus 15:1-11*

Psalm: Psalm 118

P On this day the Lord acted; let us rejoice and be glad in it!
C **On this day the Lord has done Such a deed of glorious might!**
P Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!
C **Oh, rejoice with gladsome song: It is wondrous in our sight!**
P Let the people of God and all who gather to worship him proclaim, “His steadfast love endures forever!”
C **Lo, the once-rejected one Has become the cornerstone!**
P Listen to the glad shouts of victory in the tents of God’s people: “The Lord’s mighty power has done it! His power has brought us victory—his mighty power in battle!”
C **On this day the Lord has done Such a deed of glorious might!**
P I shall not die but live, and recount the deeds of the Lord. He punished me sorely, but did not deliver me to death.
C **Oh, rejoice with gladsome song: It is wondrous in our sight!**
P I praise you, Lord, because you heard me; you have become my salvation!
C **Lo, the once-rejected one Has become the cornerstone!**

Second Reading *1 Corinthians 15:1-11*

Hymn

Our Savior speaks! Rejoice!
He triumphed o’er the grave!
Let alleluias greet his voice,
Proclaim his pow’r to save.

Holy Gospel

John 20:1-18

Hymn

To those once cloaked in fear
Our Savior speaks anew.
Words of the risen Christ we hear:
“My peace I leave with you!”

Sermon,

“ALLELUIA”
“Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified.
He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place
where he lay.” —Matthew 28:5-6

Hymn of the Day

Now let the glorious news be heard,
The triumph of the living Word. Alleluia! Alleluia!
No more forsaken, see him stand,
Delivered by the Father’s hand. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

His holy thirst and thorn-crowned brow
Are left behind in triumph now. Alleluia! Alleluia!
The King has opened wide our eyes
To view our home in paradise. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

“Father, forgive them,” he had prayed,
By whom our debt is fully paid. Alleluia! Alleluia!
His words have made his people one:
“Behold your mother ... see your son.” Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Where death’s dread silence reigned before
Christ shouts triumphant evermore. Alleluia! Alleluia!
“Heaven and earth shall pass away,
But my sure words shall last for aye.” Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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 20th
Worship (Livestream) 9:00am
Easter Sunday

Monday, April 21st
Parish Office Closed

Thursday, April 24th
Cub Scouts Parish Hall 5:30pm
Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm

Sunday, April 27th
Worship (Livestream) 9:00am
2nd Sunday of Easter
Faith Formation 10:00am

LAST WEEK’S OFFERINGS:

Current Fund Weekly Need: \$3,110.00
Property Renovation Loan Fund Need: \$350.00

Electronic/Mail-ins Income April 6, 2025

Weekly Contributions: \$1,193.91
Property Loan Fund: \$ 280.00
Total: \$1,473.91

Electronic/Mail-ins Income March 23, 2025

Weekly Contributions: \$ 869.39
Property Loan Fund: \$ 270.00
Total: \$1,139.39

In Worship Offerings

Weekly Contributions: \$6,997.00
Property Loan Fund: \$ 0.00
Total: \$6,997.00

ATTENDANCE:
April 13, 2025

In person: 50
Virtual: 18

PRAYER LIST

Joe Collins, *Cousin of Joann Valainis*
 Mark Holloway, *Husband of Kate Stottlemeyer*
 Roger Stottlemeyer, *Uncle of Kate Stottlemeyer*
 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 Stottlemeyer
 Family of Mark Rimel, *member, husband of Patty Rimel*
Family of Dolly Easterday, *Aunt of Kay Wachter*

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
 +Aaron Martz, U.S. Navy, Grandson of
Ken Martz

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

****Please remember all the names on our
prayer list, and especially those that are bold.
They have specific current need for Christian
love and support.**

Apostles' Creed

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 The grave is open. Christ Jesus lives and reigns on high, nevermore to die. With his glorious resurrection from the dead we are all assured of the promise of eternal life. Thus, with greatest joy, let us ask our loving Lord:

C **Alleluia! Hear our prayer, O risen Christ.**

P That the church, Christ's living body, would so rejoice in the echoed "YES" of God that it might spread the Good News throughout the world, let us ask our loving Lord:

C **Alleluia! Hear our prayer, O risen Christ.**

P That justice and peace might prevail throughout the world, giving new life to those who live dead lives because of poverty, hunger, tyranny or war, let us ask our loving Lord:

C **Alleluia! Hear our prayer, O risen Christ.**

P That God's people, living in resurrection power, might work to fill the needs of the needy, let us ask our loving Lord:

C **Alleluia! Hear our prayer, O risen Christ.**

P That life on earth may find purpose in the resurrection of Christ, and that life eternal, beyond the bonds of death, may open wide to welcome all who trust in Jesus Christ, let us ask our loving Lord:

C **Alleluia! Hear our prayer, O risen Christ. 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.

Benediction

P May the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you his peace. The saving work of your Lord is finished—forever finished. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

Our Savior speaks; may we
Give heed to ev’ry word,
And grace be given faithfully
To trust what we have heard.

***DISMISSAL**

**GO IN PEACE, CHRIST IS RISEN!.
ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!**