

## Second Sunday of Easter—April 27, 2025 Easter Service of Lessons and Hymns

## 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.

## **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS**

President—Patty Rimel Vice-President—Sheila Kahler Treasurer—Bill Cartwright Secretary—Kate Stottlemyer

## SERVING TODAY

| Minister | Pastor Phil Beck             |
|----------|------------------------------|
| Lector   | Barb Cartwright              |
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|          | Camden Plog & Annabelle Bush |

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| Financial Secretary   | Troy Keeney   |
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#### Announcements

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Candles Lit**

**Church Bells Rung** 

GATHERING HYMN...... Jesus Christ is Risen Today v.1-4 ELW #365

#### GREETING

- P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen. C: Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!
- P: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:
- C: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **PRAYER of the DAY**

- P: Let us pray together:
- C: O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded ands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### **THE FIRST LESSON**John 1:1-5, 14, 29-34

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.<sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God.<sup>3</sup> All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being <sup>4</sup> in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overtake it.<sup>14</sup> And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.<sup>29</sup> The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!<sup>30</sup> This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' <sup>31</sup> I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." <sup>32</sup> And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup> I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>34</sup> And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One.

## Are you called to serve?



If you would like to serve St. Paul's congregation by creating a welcoming environment and setting the tone for their worship experience, please consider joining our Usher team. We would love to have you share in this ministry. To sign up, contact Kate Stottlemyer through the Parish Office.



# Spring is here!

Time to clear out and declutter! We will be taking donations for our Yard Sale beginning May 12th! Stay tuned for more details!



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

ALL ARE WELCOME! Bring Family and Friends Tuesday, May 6th 3:00PM to 5:00PM Woodsboro Evangelical Lutheran Church 101 S Main St., Woodsboro, MD 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!

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

#### \*\*UPDATED ITEMS OF NEED ARE:\*\*

cereal, boxed crackers, tuna, spaghetti sauce 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!



Community Services

HYMN..... I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light v.1-3 ELW #815

## THE SECOND LESSON Luke 9:28-36

<sup>28</sup> Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup> And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. <sup>30</sup> Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. <sup>31</sup> They appeared in glory and were speaking about his exodus, which he was about to fulfill in Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup> Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep, but as they awoke they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup> Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us set up three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah," not realizing what he was saying . <sup>34</sup> While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup> Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" <sup>36</sup> When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

HYMN How Good Lord to Be Here v. 1,2,4,5 ELW #315

#### THE THIRD LESSON Matthew 21:1-10

<sup>1</sup> When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup> saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup> If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediate-ly." <sup>4</sup> This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet:

<sup>5</sup> "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." <sup>6</sup> The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; <sup>7</sup> they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup> A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup> The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" <sup>10</sup> When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?"

HYMN...... All Glory, Laud, and Honor v 1,2,4,5 ELW #344

### THE FOURTH LESSON Luke 22:14-20

<sup>14</sup> When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. <sup>15</sup> He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer, <sup>16</sup> for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." <sup>17</sup> Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves, <sup>18</sup> for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." <sup>19</sup> Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." <sup>20</sup> And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.

HYMN ...... What Feast of Love v. 1-3 ELW #487

### THE FIFTH LESSON John 19:16b-24

So they took Jesus, <sup>17</sup> and carrying the cross by himself he went out to what is called the Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. <sup>18</sup> There they crucified him and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them. <sup>19</sup> Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." <sup>20</sup> Many of the Jews read this inscription because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. <sup>21</sup> Then the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but, 'This man said, I am King of the Jews.' " <sup>22</sup> Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written." <sup>23</sup> When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one for each soldier. They also took his tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top. <sup>24</sup> So they said to one another, "Let us not tear it but cast lots for it to see who will get it."

HYMN ..... Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross v. 1-4 ELW #335

### THE SIXTH LESSON Mark 16:1-8

<sup>1</sup> When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup> And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup> They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" <sup>4</sup> When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. <sup>5</sup> As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Our 59th Annual Strawberry Festival will be on May 17th from 9am-1pm! The Clock is ticking and our success depends on you!

Please join us TODAY after worship to discuss details! We want to hear from you!

There's something for everyone, from setting up, to clean up and everything in between!

Please use the sign up sheets in the church or see Marcia Gupta, or contact her through the Parish Office.

Consider lending your time and talents to one of the options below:

Welcome Tent \* Roasted Nuts \* Quilt Tent \* Set Up \* Food Tent \* Take Down \* Bake Table \* Runners \* Plant Sale \* Yard Sale \*

**Strawberry Shortcake Tent** 

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## \*\*\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\*\*\*

For those without Facebook please tune into our YouTube channel for live streams of last week's service. Video link <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kAVjYz5fEH8</u>, April 20, 2025.

Please look for future notices regarding live streaming and YouTube videos at St. Paul's Official YouTube channel: <u>https://www.youtube.com/@saintpaulslutheranchurchof7880</u>

Church

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Charlotte Jones birthday! by Gary & Kay Wachter.



Day



## The time of change... It starts TODAY!

## Noisy change that is!

Start gathering all those coins laying around and bring them to church! From April 27th through May 18th we will be collecting loose coin offerings to take to the Synod Assembly at the end of May. *Bring on the change!*  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!

## THE SIXTH LESSON Mark 16:1-8 cont'd

sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup> But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. <sup>7</sup> But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." <sup>8</sup> So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

HYMN..... Christ has Arisen, Alleluia v. 1,2,4,5 ELW #364

## THE SEVENTH LESSON

John 20:11-18

<sup>11</sup> But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, <sup>12</sup> and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. <sup>13</sup> They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." <sup>14</sup> When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup> Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." <sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup> Jesus said to her, "Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' " <sup>18</sup> Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and she told them that he had said these things to her.

### HYMN..... Alleluia! Jesus is Risen v 1,2,4,5 ELW #377

## THE EIGHTH LESSON John 20:19-23

<sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

HYMN...... Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart v. 1-4 ELW #800

#### THE NINTH LESSON Luke 24:44-50

<sup>44</sup> Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." <sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup> and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day <sup>47</sup> and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup> And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised, so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." <sup>50</sup> Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. <sup>51</sup> While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. <sup>52</sup> And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, <sup>53</sup> and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

#### HYMN..... Jesus Shall Reign v. 1,2,4,5 ELW #434

#### **PRAYERS of the PEOPLE**

- P: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
- P: Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy
- C: Hear our prayer.
- P: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy

#### C: Hear our prayer.

P: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your hon or and glory. Lord, in your mercy

#### C: Hear our prayer.

P: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, I n your mercy

#### C: Hear our prayer.

P: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give hem courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray for and for those we name aloud or in our hearts. pause Lord, in your mercy

#### C: Hear our prayer.

#### This Week at St Paul's

| Sunday, April 27th<br>Worship (Livestream)<br>Second Sunday of Easter<br>Faith Formation | 9:00am<br>10:00am  |
|--|--------------------|
| Monday, April 28th<br>FEC<br>Girl Scouts   | 8am-5pm<br>6:00pm  |
| <u>Tuesday, April 29th</u><br>FHS  | 10am-3pm           |
| Wednesday, April 30th<br>FEC   | 8am-5pm            |
| <u>Thursday, May 1st</u><br>FHS<br>Cub Scouts Parish Hall                                | 10am-3pm<br>5:30pm |
| <u>Saturday, May3rd</u><br>Property Clean Up   | 9:00am             |
| Sunday, May 4th<br>Worship (Livestream)<br>Third Sunday of Easter                        | 9:00am             |
| Faith Formation<br>Ministry Sunday   | 10:00am<br>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 13, 2025

Weekly Contributions: \$ 965.26 Property Loan Fund: \$ 255.00 Total: \$1,220.26

#### In Worship Offerings

Weekly Contributions: \$2,173.00 Property Loan Fund: \$550.00 Total: \$2,723.00

| ATTENDANCE:    | ATTENDANCE:    | ATTENDANCE:    |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| April 18, 2025 | April 19, 2025 | April 20, 2025 |
| In person: 24  | In person: 26  | In person: 80  |
| Virtual: 7     | Virtual: 7     | Virtual: 22    |

## **PRAYERS** FOR OUR MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES

†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.

# 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. <u>https://www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org/give/</u> P: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy

## Hear our prayer.

- Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us to pray...
- C: Hear our prayer.

## OFFERING

**C**:

P:

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

## \*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)

## \*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.

### 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
- P: Let us pray: Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.
- C: Amen.

### BLESSING

- P: The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do his will, working in us that which is well pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, + and the Holy Spirit, be among us, and remain with us always.
- C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN..... Christ the Lord is Risen Today, Alleluia v. 1-4 ELW #369

### SENDING

- P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
- C: Alleluia! Christ is Risen, indeed!
- P: Go in peace. Tell the good news. C: Thanks be to God.



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 Snvder 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 Regina Baker, Member Heather Anderson, Member Leanne Colwell, friend of Sue Snider Geraldine Hills, friend of St. Paul's Charlie Snow. Friend of Sue Snider Family of Mark Rimel, member, husband of Patty Rimel Family of Dolly Easterday. Aunt of Kay Wachter *Kira Wynne*, *Friend of Sue Snyder* 

### 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**