

# EASTER DAY: THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

8:30 am

April 20, 2025



Resurrection Confidence!

## AS WE GATHER

Jesus compels us to ponder the unthinkable, the amazing—to embrace a cataclysmic event that destroys death and literally makes all things new. Resurrection! Christ’s brutal coronation and crucifixion ensures that the entire cosmos, the heavens and the earth, are renewed—in resurrection! Chills soar through our souls at the very thought of it all. In confident faith we are bold to confess that king Jesus unleashes His incomparable reign, crushing the evil aggression of principalities, authorities, and even Satan himself. Unrelenting shouts and songs of alleluia shape the church today because of resurrection. Setting aside all timidity, fear, and anxiety, the church acclaim “Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!” Resurrection confidence in Jesus unites our speech and our song on this day, as we await—with the same confidence—our own day of resurrection, with all the saints in glory.

## PRESERVICE MUSIC

**WELCOME — Pastor Christopher Fairbairn**

## RINGING OF THE BELL

## PROCESSIONAL

## An Easter Call to Praise

St Paul's Choral Ensemble

*(Please stand and turn to follow the Cross as it enters the church)*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

## 457 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 But the pains which He en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



Our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Praise e - ter - nal as His love; Al - le - lu - ia!



Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Now a - bove the sky He's king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Praise Him, all ye heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

**EASTER PROCLAMATION**

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Pastor: The stone has been rolled away! Alleluia!

**People: The crucified is risen! Alleluia!**

Pastor: Christ has conquered death by the cross!

**People: He has come out of the tomb!**

Pastor: Christ has risen and will not die again!

**People: Death has been swallowed up in victory!**

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made!

**People: We will rejoice and be glad in it!**

Pastor: Come awake, come awake. Christ is risen!

**ALL: (loudly) He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**This Joyful Eastertide**

1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide A - way with sin and  
3 My flesh in hope shall rest And for a sea - son

sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied,  
slum - ber Till trump from east to west

Has sprung to life this mor - row:  
Shall wake the dead in num - ber:

*Refrain*  
Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three-day pris - on,

Our faith had been in vain: But now has Christ a - ris - en, a -

ris - en, a - ris - en; But now has Christ a - ris - en!

## Confession and Absolution

Pastor: Let us confess our sins before God our Father, and Christ, our risen King!

**People: Resurrected Lord and Savior, we confess before You that our Easter faith is meager; we have not acted decisively in sharing Your love. Our forgiveness for others is tepid. We fail to be gracious in conflict and forget that all believers belong to You—the crucified and risen Lord. Although we are undeserving, You have crowned us with resurrection certainty by Your life-changing grace and mercy. Death is destroyed. Easter life flourishes, now and forever!**

Pastor: Christ has died. We, too, shall die. Christ has risen. We, too, shall rise, because we are more than conquerors in and through Christ Jesus. Our eternal confidence and unwavering faith are in Him alone! Therefore as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, our Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit. We claim this through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

**GRADUAL***adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ has risen from the dead!

**People: God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor!**

Pastor: He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands!

**People: He has put all things under His feet! Alleluia!**

*Please Sit***Epistle***1 Corinthians 15:19–26**(Christ Jesus will destroy death itself.)*

Reader: <sup>19</sup> And if our hope in Christ is only for this life, we are more to be pitied than anyone in the world.

<sup>20</sup> But in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead. He is the first of a great harvest of all who have died.

<sup>21</sup> So you see, just as death came into the world through a man, now the resurrection from the dead has begun through another man. <sup>22</sup> Just as everyone dies because we all belong to Adam, everyone who belongs to Christ will be given new life. <sup>23</sup> But there is an order to this resurrection: Christ was raised as the first of the harvest; then all who belong to Christ will be raised when he comes back.

**People: <sup>24</sup> After that the end will come, when he will turn the Kingdom over to God the Father, having destroyed every ruler and authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For Christ must reign until he humbles all his enemies beneath his feet. <sup>26</sup> And the last enemy to be destroyed is death.**

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

**Holy Gospel***Luke 24:1–12*

*(The Lord is crucified, killed, and buried, but His tomb is found empty! Resurrection triumph prevails. Jesus is alive! Believers are perplexed, amazed, yet confident by faith.)*

Reader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord.**

Reader: But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared.<sup>2</sup> And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb,<sup>3</sup> but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.<sup>4</sup> While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel.<sup>5</sup> And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them,

**People: “Why do you seek the living among the dead? <sup>6</sup> He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup> that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise.”**

Reader: <sup>8</sup> And they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup> and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup> Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, <sup>11</sup> but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.

**People: <sup>12</sup> But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.**

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Please Sit*

## Make Me an Instrument of Your Peace

*St Paul's Choral Ensemble*



## 461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com-fort  
 2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -  
 3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to  
 4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; He lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who  
 ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious  
 plead for me a - bove; He lives my hun - gry  
 guide me with His eye; He lives to com - fort



once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.  
 in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.  
 soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.  
 me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.

### Sermon – *Pastor Christopher Fairbairn*

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 Jesus, still the same;  
 Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:  
 I know that my Redeemer lives!

## Prayer of the Church

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. For the creation that surrounds us, that all of God's creatures may sing His praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Thank You, Father, for the new life You give!**

Pastor: For the Church and her witness to the saving Gospel of our risen Lord, that we may share the blessings of new life in Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Thank You, Father, for the new life You give!**

Pastor: For all servant leaders in our homes, workplaces, and communities, that the blessings of Christ's saving work may be made evident in the work we do, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Thank You, Father, for the new life You give!**

Pastor: For St. Paul Lutheran, that our unity in mission and in ministry may bring glory to God and blessings to our community, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Thank You, Father, for the new life You give!**

Pastor: For all who need the healing of our Great Physician, that they may be restored in both soul and body, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Thank You, Father, for the new life You give!**

Pastor: For these prayers and for all the silent prayers of our hearts and minds, that we may boldly approach the throne of grace with the confidence that is ours because of the resurrection, let us pray to the Lord,

**People: Thank You, Father, for the new life You give! Amen.**

### Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts

If you brought your offering today, you are welcome to leave it in the offering box you will find at the back of the church. **Thank you.**

**We invite our guests and members to fill out our Friendship Card** during worship, which is found on the back of the pew. Please leave your card at the end of the pew near the center aisle as you leave.

## Service of the Sacrament

Please see our communion policy stated on the inside front cover.

++ Non-alcoholic wine is in the center of the communion tray **We offer Gluten-free wafers upon request.** ++

### Preface

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

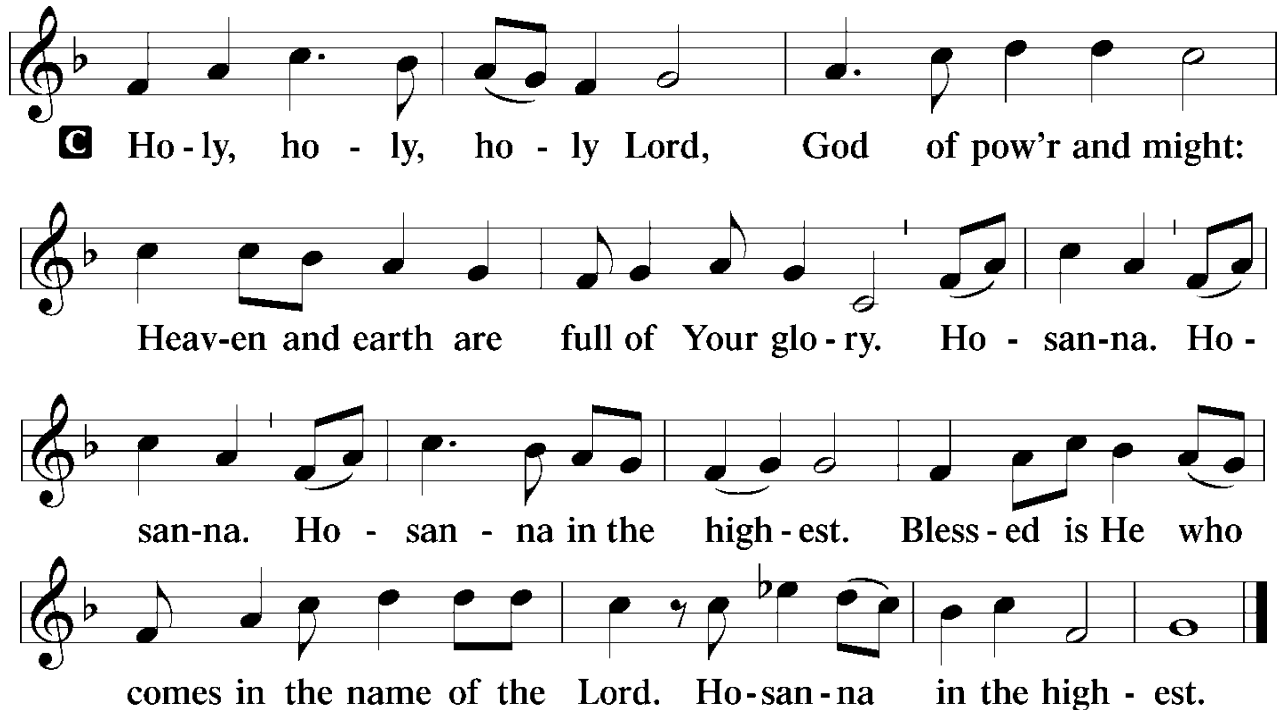
**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for You have revealed to us the all-important message of the Gospel centered on the death and resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ. On this day we praise You for displaying Your power over the grave in Jesus' rising to life, and we eagerly anticipate the rising of all Your saints from the grave at our Savior's return. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
 Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

## The Words of Our Lord

**Pastor:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People:** **And also with you.**

## Agnus Dei

**People:** **Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**  
**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**  
**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

*Sit*

## Distribution

### 475 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing



1 Good Chris-tian friends, re-joice and sing! Now is the tri-umph  
 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; Bring flow'rs of song to  
 3 Praise we in songs of vic-to-ry That love, that life which  
 4 Your name we bless, O ris-en Lord, And sing to-day with



of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:  
 strew His way; Let all the world re-joice and say:  
 can-not die, And sing with hearts up-lift-ed high:  
 one ac-cord The life laid down, the life re-stored:



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

## 467 Awake, My Heart, with Gladness



1 A - wake, my heart, with glad - ness, See what to - day is done;  
 2 The foe in tri - umph shout - ed When Christ lay in the tomb;  
 3 This is a sight that glad - dens—What peace it doth im - part!



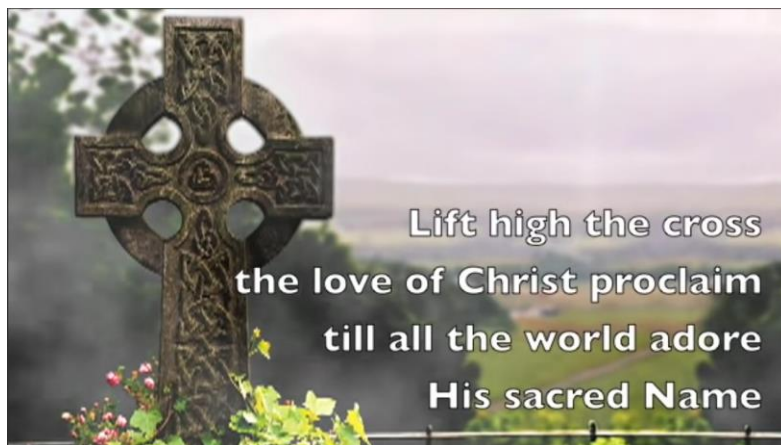
Now, af - ter gloom and sad - ness, Comes forth the glo - rious sun.  
 But lo, he now is rout - ed, His boast is turned to gloom.  
 Now noth - ing ev - er sad - dens The joy with - in my heart.



My Sav - ior there was laid Where our bed must be made  
 For Christ a - gain is free; In glo - rious vic - to - ry  
 No gloom shall ev - er shake, No foe shall ev - er take

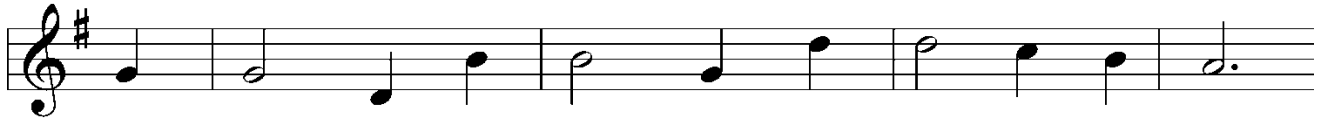


When to the realms of light Our spir - it wings its flight.  
 He who is strong to save Has tri - umphed o'er the grave.  
 The hope which God's own Son In love for me has won.



Lift high the cross  
 the love of Christ proclaim  
 till all the world adore  
 His sacred Name

## 480 He's Risen, He's Risen



1 He's ris - en, He's ris - en, Christ Je - sus, the Lord;  
 2 The foe was tri - um - phant when on Cal - va - ry  
 3 But short was their tri - umph; the Sav - ior a - rose,  
 4 O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;  
 5 Then sing your ho - san - nas and raise your glad voice;



He o - pened death's pris - on, the in - car - nate, true Word.  
 The Lord of cre - a - tion was nailed to the tree.  
 And death, hell, and Sa - tan He van - quished, His foes.  
 Christ rose, and now o - pen is fair E - den's door.  
 Pro - claim the blest tid - ings that all may re - joice.



And earth, sea, and moun - tain their prais - es pro - long.  
 For Je - sus was slain, whom the e - vil ones fear.  
 He lives, yes, He lives, and will nev - er - more die.  
 Re - deemed and for - giv - en, we now are His own.  
 With Fa - ther and Spir - it He ev - er shall reign.



Break forth, hosts of heav - en, in ju - bi - lant song  
 In Sa - tan's do - main did the hosts shout and jeer,  
 The con - quer - ing Lord lifts His ban - ner on high;  
 For all our trans - gres - sions His blood does a - tone;  
 Laud, hon - or, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:

*Stand*

## Post-Communion Canticle

### Thank the Lord



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

## Post-Communion Collect

**Pastor:** Blessed are You, O God of life and salvation, for You have filled our hearts with unending joy in the resurrection of Your Son and our Savior, Jesus Christ. Gathered to remember His sacrifice for us and to receive the benefits of His Passion, You fill us with Your presence and peace through His very body and blood. Without Your gifts, we have nothing. With Your presence among us, we receive all that we need. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:** Amen.

## Benediction

**Pastor:** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**People:** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

## THE INVITATIONS

### 465 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds In  
3 O fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; Set

praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has tri - umphed!  
heart and will on things a - bove That we con - quer

He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and  
through Your tri - umph; Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's

clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry  
day That by our lives we tru - ly

here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"  
say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



**Need some PRAYER?** Anyone who desires special private prayer with a pastor or a Stephen Minister may do so by coming forward after service to one of the front pews.

**Our Vision** — a place to come for comfort, support, answers, opportunities to serve, and to strengthen a salvation relationship with Jesus




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## *Where We Serve*

*Pastor*

*Pastor Christopher Fairbairn*

*Officiant*

*Pastor Jim Frusti*

*Minister of Music*

*Paul Ventimiglia*

*Family Life Director*

*Jeanette Koch*

*Elder*

*Bob McGuigan*

*Reader*

*Jake Fairbairn*

*Guest Musicians*

*Jimmy Smith (Trumpet)*

*John Slitti (Percussion)*

*Guest Vocalist*

*Kurt Menhart*

*St Paul's Choral Ensemble*

*Cheryl Bailey*

*Nancy Berg - Crenshaw*

*Anne Burgess*

*Chris Burgess*

*John Hasse*

*Barbara Hoffmeier*

*Will Hoffmeier*

*Linda Johnson*

*Rich Johnson*

*Chris Englert*

*Sue Roman*

*Welcome Center*

*Kathy Verseman*

*Ushers*

*John Nordbeck*

*Barry Helmick*

*Katie Helmick*

*Carole Crete*

*Paul Kemp*

*Altar Society*

*Nancy Berg  
Kara Patterson  
Kellen Patterson*

*Greeters*

*Austin Family*

*Tech Team*

*Nancy Berg*

*Acolyte*

*Thomas Kutz*

*Counters*

*Jan Greulich  
Frank Newman  
George Foor*

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### **Bible Study and Small Group Opportunities**

SUNDAYS: Join us for bible study and fellowship @ 9:45am in the church Parish Hall.

SATURDAYS: Men's Bible Study – Every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday @ 9:00am – Parish Hall

WEDNESDAYS: Women's Bible Study - Wednesdays @ 9:30 am - Parish Hall

THURSDAYS – Bible Quizzing - practices Thursdays @ 3:30-4:45PM JV/Varsity or  
6:45-8:00PM Little League Practice

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Attendance Last week: 4.13.2025– Attendance – 10am -202

Received week of 4.13.2025- for Church (Envelopes + loose plate)- **\$15,740**total includes online giving  
School - **\$77.90**

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### **Remember Our Shut-Ins**

Ed Fleming  
The Retreat of Northville  
47260 7 Mile Road  
Northville, MI 48167

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### *Altar Flowers*

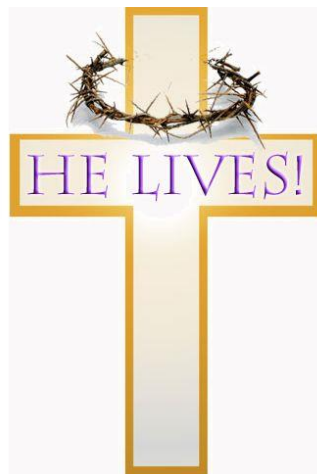
*Flowers in honor of Sherry Manning's birthday from her sister,  
Marlene Shoebriidge.*

*Please arrange to pick up your flowers after the 11 am service*

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20	APR, SUN	● All day	NO SCHOOL -EASTER BREAK (Day 3/4)
		● 8:30 – 9:30am	Worship w/ Communion
		● 9:45 – 10:45am	Sunday School & Youth Bible Study
		● 11am – 12pm	Worship w/ Communion
		● 12:30 – 3:30pm	Drop in volleyball (6th grade and up)
		● 7 – 9pm	Adult pick up basketball school gym
21	APR, MON	● All day	NO SCHOOL -EASTER BREAK (Day 4/4)
		● All day	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
		● 6:30 – 7:30pm	Bd. of Youth and Family Education church office
23	APR, WED	● 9:30 – 11am	Women's Bible Study - Parish Hall
24	APR, THU	● 4:30 – 5:30pm	Choir Practice
		● 5:45 – 7pm	Handbell Practice
25	APR, FRI	● All day	Mario Smash Brothers Tournament - campus wide (Day 1/2)
		● 7 – 9pm	AA Mtg. church parish hall
26	APR, SAT	● All day	Mario Smash Brothers Tournament - campus wide (Day 2/2)





## \$\$\$\$ Endowment Fund News \$\$\$\$

2025 Grant window is now open from April 15<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>; award notifications will be made by the end of June 2025. Grant applications are available in the school office, on our website or via email. (Please email [vickifilipiak@yahoo.com](mailto:vickifilipiak@yahoo.com))

St. Paul's Endowment Fund was blessed with another great year of donations not to mention some good growth from the stock market. Our 2024 year-end balance was **\$96,665.36** which generates **\$4825** in grant dollars available for 2025. We are headed into our fourth year of grants and have been able to give over \$11,500 in total grants. Here is a re-cap of what the Endowment Fund has supported thus far:


- \$1600 St Paul's National Youth Gathering in Texas
- \$450 Belize mission trip
- \$1200 Protect Young Eyes Tech talk 101 event
- \$470 Hand Bell Choir storage cases
- \$3365 Church administration office space construction
- \$2000 Church Roof
- \$450 VBS T-Shirts
- \$500 Bible Quizzers
- \$1000 New Church Website
- \$500 School science experiment/chemistry supplies

Thank you to everyone that has donated and continues to support to our Endowment Fund.

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**CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY ANN ARBOR'S LAST CONCERT** This will be the last opportunity to show our support and encouragement to the faculty and the students who remained as long as they could at the school they dearly loved. **WHAT:** Concordia's Orchestra, Choir and Woodwind Ensemble Concert **WHERE:** The University of Michigan's beautiful, historical Hill Auditorium 825 N. University Avenue, Ann Arbor **WHEN:** Tuesday, April 22 at 7:00 pm **COST:** Free

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 Women in Christ collects MITE boxes four times a year. During April, you have the opportunity to bring in your filled MITE box and take another one home to fill. For April WIC is highlighting the mission grant entitled "Powering the Expansion of Franklin Avenue Mission Mobile Ministries" for \$25,000. Funds raised for this grant will be used to purchase a used transit passenger van for mobile ministry use. The van will enable the Mission to expand service and reach more families with Jesus' love by transporting people to and from the mission and to doctor and service appointments. Thank you for your generous support in the past.

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**MOST (Mission Opportunities Short Term) Ministries** offers many kinds of mission trips for ages 12 and up. Perhaps your family would like to join a team this summer? **EYEGLOSS CLINICS** - Team Number: 2512 - Dates: August 16-23, 2025 - Location: La Paz, Honduras - Estimated Cost: \$3,000 (depending on cost of airfare) **Team members are needed now!** We hope to organize another congregational team in 2026. Any suggestions as to where or when? Contact Barbara Hoffmeier #248.756.3035 or Chris Burgess [chris.burgess917.com](http://chris.burgess917.com) for more information or go to the website for a schedule: [www.mostministries.org](http://www.mostministries.org)



Jesus was the model of a good listener. Much of his ministry was listening to people. By listening to what people had to say, he demonstrated how much he really cared about them. Remember the stories of the woman at the well, Nicodemus, or the disciples on the road to Emmaus. All were times when Jesus showed his care and concern by first listening to people and then giving them what they

needed. St Paul is very fortunate to have great listeners also. Our Stephen Ministers are trained to follow Jesus' model as a listener and caregiver, helping to make this a caring place where members and guests truly feel people care about who they are and how they feel. You can find our Stephen Ministers available to pray with you at the end of each service. Look for them at the front of the church.

We would like to expand our ministry with more Stephen Ministers to serve. If you feel you are being called to be such a listener, please let one of our Stephen Ministers or leaders know. If you would just like to know more about what being a Stephen Minister involves, please let one of us know. We are passionate about our ministry and would love to share our knowledge with you.

**The 2025 Michigan District Junior High Youth Gathering is for youth entering grades 6, 7, 8 and 9 in the fall of 2025**



**Keynote Speaker**  
Rev. Tyler Cronkright



**Worship | Music | Breakouts**  
**Fun | Games | & More!**

**Cost \$125**

**Junior High Gathering**  
August 12-14, 2025 | Frankenmuth, Mich.  
[michigandistrict.org/jrhigh25](https://michigandistrict.org/jrhigh25)

for more info contact [Jeanette.familylife@stpaulnorthville.org](mailto:Jeanette.familylife@stpaulnorthville.org) or  
text 248-974-3323

Ladies you are invited to the Council of Lutheran Women Spring Meeting, Monday, April 28, 2025. Hosted by Faith Lutheran Church, 37635 Dequindre Road, Troy, MI 48083. Registration is 9:15 a.m., Opening Devotions 9:45 a.m., 12:00 Noon - Lunch (Free Will Offering) and 1:00 p.m. - Presentation by Patti Jacques, Executive Director of Gifts for All God's Children. We are asked to register using Eventbrite link by April 22<sup>nd</sup> <https://CLW2025SpringMeeting.eventbrite.com>. You are encouraged to bring items for an ingathering to help those in need throughout our metropolitan area. A complete listing of items can be found on the Council's webpage: [clwmichigan.com](http://clwmichigan.com) and click on the "Opportunities for Participation" tab. If you are planning on attending, please share with Sue Poole, maybe we can ride together.



Altar flowers available - 1 for April 27. Cost per vase is \$15.00. Please contact Anne Burgess [anne.burgess.313@gmail.com](mailto:anne.burgess.313@gmail.com) 734-765-4792

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PRIZES AWARDED  
APRIL 26TH @ NOON-5:00PM  
ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH NORTHVILLE  
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CELL 248-974-3323

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED 6TH GRADE AND OLDER

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