

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

11:00 am
May 8, 2022



This Shadow Changes Everything

AS WE GATHER

Shadows are powerful. Just ask the crowds in Jerusalem mentioned in Acts 5. When Peter walked by them, they brought the sick on mats, hoping that his shadow would fall upon them. It did. And the sick were healed! God's power was working through Peter's shadow to bring restoration in Jesus' name. Because our Savior is risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, His power is at work among us today as well. Even when death casts its gloomy shade over us, we stand in the shadow of Jesus' cross and empty tomb and, therefore, we are assured of His power and His provision forever. As we gather in Jesus' presence for worship today, may He fill us with great joy as we continue to celebrate His resurrection victory and confess Him as our Lord and God!

PRESERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME — Pastor Jim Frusti

RINGING OF THE BELL

Rise Up (Lazarus)

In the dark and all alone
 Growing comfortable
 Are you too scared to move
 And walk out of this tomb
 Buried underneath the lies that you
 believed
 Safe and sound stuck in the ground
 Too lost to be found

You're just asleep
 And it's time to leave

Come on and rise up
 Take a breath you're alive now
 Can't you hear the voice of Jesus
 calling us
 Out from the grave like Lazarus
 You're brand new
 The power of death couldn't hold you
 Can't you hear the voice of Jesus
 calling us
 Out of the grave like Lazarus

Rise up / Rise up / Rise up
 Out from the grave like Lazarus

When he said your name
 The thing that filled your veins
 Was more than blood
 It's the kind of love that washes sin
 away
 Now the door is open wide
 And the stone's been rolled aside
 The old is gone the light has come so

Come on and rise up
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Rise up / Rise up / Rise up
 Out from the grave like Lazarus

Rise up / Rise up / Rise up
 Out from the grave like Lazarus

Bridge

He's calling us to walk out of the dark
 He's giving us new resurrected hearts
 He's calling us to walk out of the dark
 He's giving us new resurrected hearts

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INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalm 91:1–2*

Pastor: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

People: I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

Pastor: Taking refuge in the mercy of the Lord, let us come before Him in prayer.

A moment of silence to reflect on God's Word and to examine our hearts before Him.

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

People: We confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. By the things we have done and by what we have failed to do, we have not honored You as we ought, nor have we served others in love. We deserve to be cast from Your presence forever. Yet in Your great mercy, You sent Your Son to die and rise again for us. Help us to know the power of His resurrection and to share in the joy that His forgiveness brings. Enable us to receive Your mercy and be renewed by Your Spirit that we may honor You as the Lord and God in whom we place our trust. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hears our prayers and answers them for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ. By faith, we stand at His cross and empty

tomb. We find our refuge and sing for joy in the shadow of His wings. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Jesus is Coming Back

Have you ever thought
That the world has kinda lost its way
Crazy as it seems yeah I know it's gonna
be okay
It doesn't scare me it's temporary

There's something better we got
forever
And it won't be long
'Cause we know our help is on the way

(So) keep your head up
Jesus is coming back Jesus is coming
back
Don't you give up
Jesus is coming back Jesus is coming
back

When the world gets complicated
We're gonna keep on celebrating
'Cause we know
That Jesus is coming back Jesus is
coming back

We gotta stay awake
'Cause nobody knows the day or time
The trumpet's gonna blow
And the skies are gonna open wide

He's coming for us just like He told us
It's been a long wait but there's a new
day
And we're gonna sing hallelujah
When the King arrives
Oh you know you gotta

(So) keep your head up
Jesus is coming back Jesus is coming
back
Don't you give up
Jesus is coming back Jesus is coming
back
When the world gets complicated
We're gonna keep on celebrating
'Cause we know

That Jesus is coming back Jesus is
coming back

back

Bridge
Are you ready are you ready
People get ready people get ready

Don't you give up
Jesus is coming back Jesus is coming
back

Are you ready are you ready
People get ready people get ready

When the world gets complicated
We're gonna keep on celebrating
'Cause we know

Are you ready are you ready
People get ready yeah let's get ready

That Jesus is coming back Jesus is
coming back

(So) keep your head up
Jesus is coming back Jesus is coming

(So) keep your head up
Jesus is coming back Jesus is coming
back

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, grant that we who stand in the shadow of the
cross and empty tomb

**People: may join with all other witnesses of the resurrection in boldly sharing
with the world that Jesus is Lord and God;**

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

FIRST READING *Acts 5:12–20*

(The apostles testify publicly as witnesses of Jesus' resurrection.)

Many Signs and Wonders Done

¹² Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. ¹³ None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. ¹⁴ And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, ¹⁵ so that ***they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them.*** ¹⁶ The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed.

The Apostles Arrested and Freed

¹⁷ But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy ¹⁸ they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. ¹⁹ But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, ²⁰ "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**HOLY GOSPEL** *Mark 4:30-32*

(God's Providence and Protection for all Creation)

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

³⁰ And he said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? ³¹ It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, ³² yet when it is sown it grows up

and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.



He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

There Was Jesus

Solo / Kurt Menhart

Every time I try to make it on my own
Every time I try to stand, I start to fall
And all those lonely roads that I have
traveled on - There was Jesus

When the life I built came crashing to
the ground
When the friends I had were nowhere
to be found
I couldn't see it then but I can see it
now
There was Jesus

In the waiting, in the searching
In the healing, in the hurting
Like a blessing buried in the broken
pieces

Every minute, every moment
Where I've been or where I'm going
Even when I didn't know it
Or couldn't see it
There was Jesus

For this man who needs amazing kind
of grace
For forgiveness at a price I couldn't pay

I'm not perfect so I thank God every
day
There was Jesus

In the waiting, in the searching
In the healing, in the hurting
Like a blessing buried in the broken
pieces
Every minute, every moment
Where I've been or where I'm going
Even when I didn't know it
Or couldn't see it - There was Jesus
On the mountains, In the valleys
- There was Jesus
In the shadows, Of the alleys
- There was Jesus

In the fire, in the flood
- There was Jesus
Always is and always was
No, I never walk alone
You're always there

In the waiting, in the searching
In the healing, in the hurting
Like a blessing buried in the broken
pieces
Every minute, every moment
Where I've been or where I'm going
Even when I didn't know it
Or couldn't see it
There was Jesus. There was Jesus
... There was Jesus

Sermon – Pastor Jim Frusti *Shadows of the Unseen Substance*

Yes He Can

Sometimes I wonder is He faithful
Does He see me in my trouble does He
understand
Sometimes I question if He's able
Can He rescue can He save me again
and again
But when I look back

Chorus
Did He move every mountain
Did He part every sea
Yes He did so yes He can
Did He defeat the darkness

Did He deliver me
Yes He did so yes He can
Yes He did so yes He can

Sometimes those voices try to tell me
I'm forgotten and I've fallen too far
from His hands
But I know what kind of God He is
And I'm trusting in His promises
I'm believing and I'm singing
Yes He can

Chorus

Did He move every mountain
 Did He part every sea
 Yes He did so yes He can
 Did He defeat the darkness
 Did He deliver me
 Yes He did so yes He can
 Yes He did so yes He can

Bridge
 'Cause I've seen too much now I can't
 deny
 He's come through every single time
 From the beginning until the end

He did - He will - He can

 Chorus
 Did He move every mountain
 Did He part every sea
 Yes He did so yes He can
 Did He defeat the darkness
 Did He deliver me
 Yes He did so yes He can
 Yes He did so yes He can

 Yes He did yes He can

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.

Gracious God, You are exalted over all things in heaven and on earth. In Your mercy, You shower us with blessings of both body and soul as You care for Your creation. Enable us to see Your hands at work in our midst that, together with all those who share in the power of Your Son's resurrection, we always say of You:

People: You alone are Lord and God!

Pastor: Giver of life, You renew our souls through the power of Your Holy Spirit as we dwell in the shadow of Your wings. As we continue to celebrate the joy of our Savior's Easter victory, grant that Your Church on earth always speaks Your Word with boldness and confidence, that like the first eyewitnesses of Christ's resurrection, we share with all people:

People: You alone are Lord and God!

Pastor: You govern all nations with Your mighty and merciful hand, O Lord. Show forth Your favor to the land in which we live, raising up men and women who will serve as godly leaders among us; blessing those who make, administer, and judge our laws; protecting all those who serve in harm's way for the benefit of others; and helping us always to know and believe:

People: You alone are Lord and God!

Pastor: In Your Son's earthly ministry, people brought to Him all those who were sick and suffering that He might touch and heal them. This ministry of healing continued through His disciples in the earliest church. Even now, we know that Jesus heals, renews, and restores through the Means of Grace He has provided for our benefit. Place Your healing hand upon those for in need, [*especially . . .*]. In the shadow of Your healing presence, we boldly confess:

People: You alone are Lord and God!

Pastor: Prepare the hearts of all those who will receive You at Your Table this day, O Lord. Help us to cast aside all bitterness and pride, laying our burdens down at the foot of Christ's cross. Because He lives in triumph over death and the grave, we experience His life-giving presence as we are gathered in His name to remember His sacrifice. Grant that all who share in His body and blood look upon Him, trust in Him, and always say of Him:

People: You alone are Lord and God!

Pastor: We bring all these prayers before You, gracious Father, in the name of Him who is risen from the dead and reigns with You forever as our Lord and God: Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

If you brought your offering today, you are welcome to leave it in the offering plates you will find at the front and 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.

King of Kings

Verse 1

In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes

To fulfil the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Chorus

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

Verse 2

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross

For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side

Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died

Chorus

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

Verse 3

And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death

And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint

By His blood and in His Name

In His freedom I am free
 For the love of Jesus Christ
 Who has resurrected me

Chorus

Praise the Father
 Praise the Son

Praise the Spirit three in one
 God of Glory
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 Praise forever to the King of kings

Praise forever to the King of kings

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

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.

BENEDICTION

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.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE INVITATIONS

Days of Elijah

These are the days of Elijah
 Declaring the word of the Lord, yeah
 And these are the days of Your servant,
 Moses
 Righteousness being restored

These are the days of great trials
 Of famine and darkness and sword
 Still we are the voice in the desert
 crying
 Prepare ye the way of the Lord!

Behold He comes, riding on the clouds
 Shining like the sun, at the trumpet's
 call
 Lift your voice, (it's) the year of Jubilee
 Out of Zion's hill, salvation comes

And these are the days of Ezekiel
 The dry bones becoming as flesh
 And these are the days of Your servant,
 David
 Rebuilding the temple of praise

And these are the days of the harvest
 The fields are all white in the world
 And we are the laborers in Your
 vineyard

Declaring the Word of the Lord

Behold He comes, riding on the clouds
 Shining like the sun at the trumpet's call
 Lift your voice, (it's) the year of Jubilee
 Out of Zion's hill, salvation comes

There's no God like Jehovah!
 There's no God like Jehovah!
 There's no God like Jehovah!
 There's no God like Jehovah! (2X)

Behold He comes, riding on the clouds
 Shining like the sun, at the trumpet's
 call
 Lift your voice, (it's) the year of Jubilee
 Out of Zion's hill, salvation comes

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DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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WHERE WE SERVE*Preacher**Pastor Jim Frusti**Officiant**Pastor Christopher Fairbairn**Music Director**Paul Ventimiglia**Family Life Director**Jeanette Koch**Elder**John Hasse**Soloist**Kurt Menhardt**Ushers**Chuck Hempel
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George Foor**Tech Team**Curtis Kalina**Altar Society**Lisa Fairbairn
Ruth Natiw
Jan Paver*

8	MAY, SUN	● 8:30 – 9:30am	Worship w/Communion
		● 9:45 – 10:45am	Sunday School
		● 11am – 12pm	Worship
		● 12 – 1pm	Board of Evangelism church parish hall
		● 7 – 9pm	Adult pick up basketball school gym
9	MAY, MON	● 6 – 9pm	Always Basketball
		● 6:30 – 7:30pm	Board of Day School Parish Hall
10	MAY, TUE	● 6 – 9pm	Always Basketball
11	MAY, WED	● 9:15 – 11:15am	Women's Bible Study parish hall
		● 6 – 7:30pm	Always Basketball
		● 7 – 8pm	Northville Swim Club Meeting parish hall
12	MAY, THU	● 8:30am – 3:30pm	School Music Classes church parish hall
		● 5:30 – 7pm	Handbells
		● 6 – 9pm	Always Basketball
		● 6:30 – 8:30pm	Stephen Ministry Parish Hall
		● 7 – 8pm	Choir parish hall
13	MAY, FRI	● 6 – 7:30pm	Always Basketball
		● 7 – 9pm	AA Mtg. church parish hall

News & Notes

Attendance Last week : Sunday 5.1.2022

8:30am - 88

11:00am – 81 = 169

Communion - 133

Donations needed each week for Church and School – \$9,808

Received week of 5.1.2022- for Church (Envelopes plus loose plate*) \$13,682

*total includes online giving School – \$ 84.11

A gift has been given to Lutheran Special Education Ministries in memory of Esther Helland from the George Family.

A gift has been given to the St. Paul Music Fund from Carole Crete in memory of Fred Winternheimer.
A gift has been given to the St. Paul Memorial Fund in memory of John Childers from the Henning Family.

Bible Study and Small Group Opportunities –

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

WEDNESDAYS: Ladies bible study @ 9:15am – church parish hall.

SATURDAYS: Men’s Bible Study – Every second and fourth Saturday @ 9:00am – Parish Hall

Altar Flowers this week are :

In loving memory of my grandson’s Jamie’s birthday from Carole Crete.

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



Remember Our Shut-Ins

Donna Thomas

Magnolia By the Lakes #101

1699 Cass Lake Road

Keego Harbor, MI 48320



St. Paul Vacation Bible School is June 20-24, 2022, 9 am. - 12:00 pm. Registration is now open for children preschool-5th grade. You may register online at: www.stpaulnorthville.org. There is no cost. The theme this year is **Monumental—Celebrating God’s Greatness** and includes an Imagination Station (hands on science), KidVid Cinema, Red Rocks Rec (games and activities), and Sing and Play Celebration (Bible adventures). Teen and adult volunteers are needed to assist. Please contact Jeanette Koch at 248-974-3323 or

FAMILYLIFE@STPAULNORTHVILLE.ORG for more information and to volunteer.



We will recognize our Sunday School Teachers on Sunday, June 5 during coffee hour. Sue Poole, Chris Henning and Kristen Goodman have been incredible in their service to our God and children. They have given of their time throughout the years of pandemic to keep the program alive and open to any child who wishes to participate. Please join the Board of Christian Education in thanking them for their dedication and commitment to our children.

Sunday School important dates:

May 29: No Sunday school, Memorial Day weekend.

June 5: Sunday school Teacher Appreciation in parish hall. Sunday school to follow.

June 12: Last day of Sunday school.

Sept. 11: Rally Day

Sept. 18: Sunday school officially begins.

Campus Improvement Day!
June 11, 2022
9am-3pm



Painting, landscaping and more!!!! Watch the bulletin for details.

YOUTH SUNDAY FUN!!!!
5th grade – 12th grade



COME HAVE FUN CLIMBING THROUGH THE TREES!!!

Where: TreeRunner Adventure West Bloomfield

When: May 15 @ 2:30pm

Carpooling from church available please let me know by Fri May 13th

Cost: \$30.00 - AGES 12+

\$25.00 – AGES 10-11

Need to RSVP by FRI MAY 13th to Jeanette

familylife@stpaulnorthville.org or 248-974-3323 cell

The Family of God meal on Wednesday, April 20th, went very well. We had a couple of 'first timers' go to serve with us and they were impressed that so many of the people going through the buffet line thanked us for bringing a meal and had such kind words. Our menu was: lasagna, garlic bread, salad, brownies, bananas, and beverages. We served 50 servings then another 30 for seconds and take-outs. Afterwards we

attended their Worship Service in the sanctuary with Pastor Tyler. There were only about 20 of us but it was the most 'interactive sermon' we've ever heard and it was a true blessing. Thank you servers: Cheryl Bailey, Tim Haubenstricker, Chuck Hempel, Barbara & Will Hoffmeier. The cooks were: Nancy Crenshaw Berg & Barbara Hoffmeier. The fantastic brownie bakers were: Anne Burgess, Karen Frusti, Kathy Hoener, Carol Kandah. Our next meal will be Wednesday, May 18th. Please contact the Hoffmeier's if you can help. #248.756.3035.

The Board of Social Ministry will be having a 2022 Graduate Recognition Coffee Hour on Sunday, June 5. **If you have a graduate**, (high school or college), please send a picture with name, school, and a brief explanation of what the graduate's plans are after graduation to: Ruth Fisher: RTFNovi@gmail.com or leave same with Margo in the church office **before May 23**. Hopefully you and your graduate can attend the coffee hour between services where they will be introduced and asked to share their future plans with those present.

Lutheran Choralaires 75th Anniversary Concert on Saturday, May 14, 2022, The Lutheran Choralaires, a Lutheran men's chorus, will be celebrating their 75th Anniversary with a special concert and afterglow. The concert will take place at St. Peter Lutheran Church, 23000 Gratiot Avenue in East Point, and the afterglow will be held at the Lutheran Fraternities of America Hall directly behind the church. In addition to many numbers previously performed by the Choralaires over the years, the concert will feature a brand-new musical composition, written especially for the occasion by noted composer and current director Terry Herald. There will be a free will offering for the concert, and for those wishing to attend the afterglow tickets are available for \$10 per person. For more information, please visit the Lutheran Choralaire website at www.lutheranchoralaires.org or contact Chris Burgess chris.burgess917@gmail.com.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The following dates are available for altar flowers: June 5 - one vase, June 19 - one vase. If you want to place an order call Ruth Natiw, 248-348-7875.
