

YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!

May this hour be a journey of the heart, a renewal of spirit, a pause in our lives as we worship the Lord our God together. If you are a guest this morning, we extend a special welcome to you and invite you to sign our guest book located in the gathering space outside of the sanctuary, also known as the narthex. Following our worship service, we invite you to share in a time of fellowship over coffee, juice, and snacks in the Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in learning more about our congregation and becoming a member, please visit with any member of the congregation or Pastor Janis Sloka. Thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us at St. Paul Lutheran Church!

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME HERE!

We feel strongly that the faith formation of youth—just as any adult's—develops through experience; because of this, we welcome youth of all ages to participate fully in worship and invite them to serve in a number of roles, such as: ushers, greeters, readers, and musicians. While we expect that children will behave as children—giggles, wiggles, and all—we also understand that sometimes they (and their parents or guardians) need a break; on those occasions, you are welcome to utilize the nursery (unstaffed) located on the north end of the narthex. Additionally, there is a playroom for children and a couch room for older youth on the west end of the Fellowship Hall. You can also find children's bulletins and crayons on the table as you enter the main church building doors.

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP

As Lutherans, worship is connected with and central to everything we do—uniting us in celebration, engaging us in thoughtful dialogue, and helping us grow in faith. At the heart of our worship life is the presence of God through the word proclaimed and the sacraments—Holy Baptism and Holy Communion; this is because worship is—first and foremost—fundamentally about what God is doing in the world and in our lives, and then our response to God's action. In the context of worship, we find our response in the liturgy, which is a way of living God's story. The liturgical texts that form the prayers we pray, the texts we say, and the songs we sing find their roots in the Bible; for more information see the back of the hymnal, ELW pp. 1154-1159. Furthermore, these liturgical texts invite each and every one of us—not just the pastor or choir or any other worship leader—to use our voices to praise God. Through worship we are shaped to be participants in God's life in this world.

PLEASE ASK AN USHER FOR...

• Assistance with wheelchair seating • Assisted listening devices • Large print bulletins • Directions to restrooms •

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH Resurrection of Our Lord: Easter Morning April 9, 2023, 7:00 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) – Setting 10 Service of Holy Communion

+Indicates to stand as you are able. Congregational responses are printed in **bold**.

This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, "God shows no partiality" (Acts 10:34): Christ's resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God's faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God's endless love.

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

We run to the tomb to see for ourselves, and it is true... Christ is risen! **He is risen indeed!**

Our Lord is with us now and always, for Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

+GATHERING SONG

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" ELW #365

+GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also, with you.**

+PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

PSALM - Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

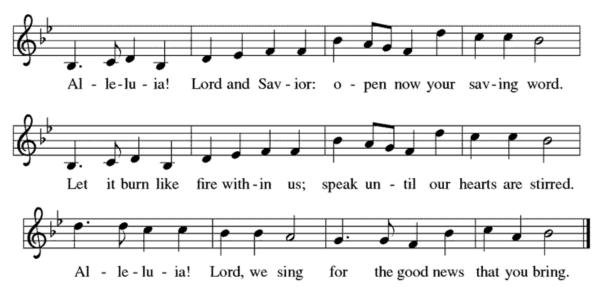
The psalm is read responsively by verse.

¹ O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever! ² Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." ¹⁴ The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation. ¹⁵ There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the Lord does valiantly; 16 the right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly." ¹⁷ I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord. ¹⁸ The Lord has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death. ¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. ²⁰ This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. ²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. ²³ This is the Lord's doing: it is marvelous in our eyes. ²⁴ This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. SECOND READING – Acts 10:34-43

Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, sums up the essential message of Christianity. Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.



+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

+GOSPEL – Matthew 28:1-10

CHILDREN'S PEW BIBLE PAGE #482

1After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. 2And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. 3His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. 4For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. 5But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. 6He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. 7Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." 8So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. 9Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. 10Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

The gospel of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!" ELW #377

+APOSTLES' CREED

In holy baptism the triune God adopts us as children and makes us members of the body of Christ, the church. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

+PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition concludes: Risen Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

You call your church to witness to your salvation. We give thanks for all theologians, preachers, and teachers who proclaim your gospel. Equip all the baptized to share the joy of the resurrection in all we say and do. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

You bring abundant life throughout creation. The green blade rises, and all creation greets the resurrection dawn. Preserve vineyards and orchards and those who tend to them. Feed us with the fruits of creation. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

You show your steadfast love without regard to borders, barriers, or human-made divisions. Infuse your justice in every nation of the world that all experience the peace that only you can give. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

You anointed your Son with the Holy Spirit and with power. Encourage us by his example in our ministries of healing, care, and outreach. We pray for all who are sick or hospitalized, especially Edythe, Clarence, Glen, Darrin, Stuart, Mike, Mona, Claryce, Steve, Travis, Heidi, Lorinda, Doug, Jeff, Randy, Alton, Terry, the family of Ruby Boger, and for all health care workers who care for them. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

You have put gladness in our hearts. Inspire musicians and dancers to rejoice with songs of victory. Bless the music ministries of this congregation and all who foster our assembly's song. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

As you have raised Jesus from the dead, you show us your resurrection promise. With your holy ones who have sung your praise, free us from fear and empower us to go and tell the good news. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen**.

+PEACE

The sharing of the peace is one of the oldest traditions in the Christian church. Far more than a sociable handshake, it is a ministry we do for each other that proclaims the promise of God's peace given to us and reconciles us to God and one another. As we share the peace today, you are invited to remain in your pew and turn toward your neighbors holding up the peace sign.

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also, with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

Every good and perfect gift is from God. In grateful response to all of God's gifts, we offer our time, talents, and treasures. These offerings support the ministry of the churchbearing witness to the love of Christ in our community, country, and world. Your financial offerings may be placed in the plates by the sanctuary doors. You are also invited to visit <u>www.stpaulgarrisonnd.com/giving</u> to set up a one-time gift or regular, electronic giving. Thank you for being a part of what God is doing at St. Paul Lutheran!

SPECIAL MUSIC Organist 7 A.M. Service/ Choir Anthem 9:45 A.M. Service

+OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful Father,

we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

+GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

+WORDS OF INSTITUTION – SUNG WITH "BROKEN FOR ME"

Blessed are you, O God,

for you have brought forth bread from the earth. Blessed are you, O God, for you have created the fruit of the vine. In the beginning you watered the earth that man and woman might have food and drink. You gave your servant Sarah bread to strengthen her family on their journey, and wine to make them glad. You called Moses and his people out of bondage and refreshed them with food in the wilderness. And here at your table you offer us bread and wine for the journey to nourish us as daughters and sons. Blessed is our brother Jesus, Who walks with us the road of our world's suffering, And who is known to us in the breaking of the bread.

CONGREGATION SINGS

Refrain: Broken for me, broken for you; The body of Jesus broken for you.

On the night of His arrest and betrayal, Jesus took bread and having blessed it, he broke the bread and gave it to His disciples, saying "This is my body, given for you."

CONGREGATION SINGS

Refrain:Broken for me, broken for you; The body of Jesus broken for you.Verse:This is my body given for you; Eat it, rememb'ring I died for you.

In the same way He took wine, and having given thanks for it, He gave the cup to His disciples, saying, "This cup is the new covenant with God, sealed with my blood, Shed for you and for all, for the forgiveness of sins."

CONGREGATION SINGS

Refrain:Broken for me, broken for you; The body of Jesus broken for you.Verse:This is my blood I shed for you; For your forgiveness, making you new.

Take this and share it. I shall drink wine with you next in the kingdom of God.

CONGREGATION SINGS

Refrain:Broken for me, broken for you; The body of Jesus broken for you.Verse:Come to my table and with me dine; Eat of my bread and drink of my wine.Refrain:Broken for me, broken for you; The body of Jesus broken for you.

+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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The table of our Lord is set for all those who need grace, forgiveness, strength, and wisdom for ministry and mission to the world. The bread is served from a common loaf and the wine is served in individual glasses; grape juice is also available. If you wish to not receive communion, you are still invited to receive a blessing and may indicate this preference by coming forward with your hands folded. Today Holy Communion is served continuously by station; please come forward when directed by the ushers.

COMMUNION "Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you"

+PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God,

in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, You have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. Amen.

+OUR MISSION

What is the mission we share together?

Our mission is to GATHER as God's people; to GROW in faith, love, and service; and to GO into the community and world as disciples of Jesus.

+BLESSING

The God of all, who raised + Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation. **Amen.**

+DISMISSAL

You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace to love and serve the World! Alleluia! Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

+SENDING SONG "Crown Him With Many Crowns" ELW #855

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EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Easter Breakfast:** is being served from 8:00 9:15 a.m. Free will offering.
- > Office Hours: are from 9a.m.-12 noon Mondays-Tuesdays-Wednesdays
- > Fellowship Hosts: We need hosts for April.
- Readers: are needed for April. A sign-up sheet and a copy of the readings is on a table in the gathering space outside of the sanctuary.
- Update our Living Wall: People are encouraged to send updated pictures to the church to put up on the Living Wall. Bring a picture to the office or email your picture to the church, stpaul@restel.com. Faye Seidler will then put them on the wall.
- Directory: We are going to update the church directory. Loree would like everyone's phone numbers and addresses updated before she runs the new directory. Please email, text or write a note and leave on Loree's desk. She will be using the information that is listed in Breeze, our church management system.
- Camp of the Cross: The Camp is having a ""Chair"ing is Caring!" fundraiser to buy new chairs for the fellowship hall. See the new chair, in the gathering space, that they are planning to purchase. Each chair is \$25. There are Camp envelopes for the donations on a table in the church entry.
- Old Testament Study: Camp of the Cross is hosting Rabbi Noah Ullman on Thursday, April 13 from 12-3 p.m. Coffee and Cookies will be provided. A \$25 donation is suggested to help with his travel.
- Live Facebook: each week at St. Paul's. The 4 Ministers are also on FB and Instagram each week.

- Equal Exchange: a variety of coffee and chocolate are for sale, at cost, on a cart in the fellowship hall. This supports the small coffee farmers.
- Get your St. Paul Gear! Spread our mission with custom shirts! Check them out in the Fellowship Hall.

You invited to visit www.stpaulgarrisonnd.com/giving to set up a one-time gift or regular, electronic giving.

<u>Thank you for being a part of what God</u> is doing at St. Paul!



In Our Prayers...

Edythe Rustad, Clarence Behles, Glen Blanchard, Darrin Huston, Stuart Bennett, Mike Gackle, Mona Reinisch, Claryce Johnson, Steve Seidler, Travis Kolden, Heidi Smith, Lorinda Johnson, Doug Steinmetz, Jeff Wretling, Randy Mautz, Alton Krebsbach, Terry Metz. The family of Ruby Boger at her death.

Birthday Wishes This Week To:

Sandy Sayler April 10 Steven Sayler April 10 Luke Gehring April 15







Today, April 9 th Easter			
-	7:00 a.m.	Sunrise Holy Communion Easter Worship	
	8:00-9:15 a.m.	Easter Breakfast by the LYO	
	9:45 a.m.	Holy Communion Easter Worship - Choir	
Mon.	9:00 a.m12 Noon	Office Hours	
Tues.	9:00 a.m12 Noon	Office Hours	
	10:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	
Wed.	7:30 a.m.	Youth Breakfast 9-12 th	
	9:00 a.m12 Noon	Office Hours	
	9:30 a.m.	Women's Circle	
	3:00 p.m.	3-6 th gr. Sonshine Friends	
	6:00 p.m.	7 th Confirmation	
	7:00 p.m.	8-9 th Confirmation	
	8:00 p.m.	Sweet Sounds Practice	
Thurs.	10:00 p.m.	Community Bible Study at The Meadows	
Next Sunday, April 16 th			
	9:45 a.m.	Worship- Sweet Sounds	
	10:45 a.m.	May Action Group meets	
		Fellowship	
	11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	

6-8 LOL meet up11:15 a.m.3:30- 4:30 p.m.4:30-6:00 p.m.6:00 p.m.6:00 p.m.700 p.m.6:00 p.m.700 p.m.700



We thank everyone who donated to our Easter Little Lunches Backpack Program.

IN MEMORY OF:

Shirley Zieman – by Robert Zieman Loved Ones – by Arley & Linda Heer Sarah Haugen – by John & Lisa Haugen Bill Fure; Irene Srb; Harold, Arlin, Wade & Amy Graeber– by Vicki & Wendi Fure Ken Norenberg & Becky Wyman – by Jan Norenberg Albert & Etta Mautz & Jim Struwing – by Denise Mautz Parent's, Kermit & LaVonne Ulrich; Charlene Hill – by Shannon & Loree Jeffers Hannah, Morgan & Jeffrey Foss – by Carell & Bonnie Foss Gerhardt & Marvin Zablotney – by Marv & Vi Zablotney Rebecca Huston – by Steve & Brenda Huston & Joey & Tamara Huston Robert William Maki – by The Maki Family Clifford Rime & Joshua Rime – by Vanona Rime

IN HONOR OF;

Our Family, in Jesus' name – by Robert Zieman My Children; Grandchildren; & Great Grandchildren – by Mona Reinisch Wendi Fure – by Vicki Fure All God's Little Children – by Stuart & Connie Bennett Our Grandchildren: Levi, Soren & Kallie – by Randy & Cheryl Naze Our Children: Kylee, Kara & Kyle – by Shannon & Loree Jeffers Little Lunches Volunteers – by Richard & Marian Lehnherr Our Children – by Laura & Janis Sloka, III My Family and Children – by Holly Klemisch St. Paul's Choir – by Marlyn Zimmerman

\$1160 was raised, and 2 Lilies for the altar were purchased with the remainder going to Little Lunches Backpack Program in Garrison.

PERMANENT PROJECTOR AND RETRACTABLE SCREEN IN THE SANCTUARY

The Church Council after many years of discussion made the decision to put in the sanctuary <u>a permanent projector and *retractable projection screen*</u>. They believe it will enhance our worship experience and be helpful for children and youth ministries. After receiving a bid, they would like to move forward with your support. However, they will not install them until the monies are raised. So, we need your help! The cost is \$20,000 for the equipment, installation, and the work of an electrician. Please prayerfully

consider helping make this possible! Please see a council member if you have questions.



Retractable not permanent



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Sunday Worship – 9:45 a.m.	Sunday School – 11:00 a.m.	
SERVING IN THE LIFE AND MINISTRY OF OUR CHURCH		
Ministers	The People of St. Paul Lutheran	
Pastor	Rev. Janis Sloka, III	
Faith Formation Director	Holly Klemisch	
Church Council President	Keith Thelen	
Treasurer	Holly Klemisch	
Financial & Church Secretary	Loree Jeffers	
Custodian	Pam Kolden	
Sunday School Coordinator	Lisa Maki	
Missionaries	Anne & Willie Langdji; Katie Narum Miyamoto	
Choir Director	Lisa Haugen	
Organist	Sundi Lagge 7a./ Kim Gehring 9:45a.	
Reader	Loree Jeffers 7a./ Andrew Haugen 9:45a.	
Ushers	Vickie Frothinger 7a./ John & Andrew Haugen 9:45a.	
Greeters	Juanita Grosz 7a./ Bruce & Michelle Rime 9:45a.	
Communion Assistants	Emmit Lagge, Loree Jeffers 7a.	
	Mike Youngs & Katelyn Seidler 9:45a.	
Communion Set-up and Clean-up	Sharon Schwarz 7a./ Loree Jeffers 9:45a.	
Acolytes	Grant Lagge 7a.	
	Finley Hudgen & Hudson Klemisch 9:45a.	
Door Attendants	Leighnie Leidholm 7a./ Andrew Haugen 9:45a.	
Technology	Mark Torno	
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MISSION STATEMENT

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