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Welcome!

We WELCOME you to St. Paul Lutheran Church. We believe that by the Grace of God, through Faith, we have been saved. *“Faith comes from hearing the message and the message is heard through the Word of Christ.”* Romans 10:17 We are happy to have you join us in hearing His message.

Guests are encouraged to sign the guest book (near the church entrance). Please speak with one of the elders or ushers if you should have any questions.



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Service of Prayer and Preaching

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Greeting

Announcements

Prelude

Please stand.

Opening Hymn 425 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

sts. 1–2



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the



Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I
death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that



count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748
Tune: Lowell Mason, 1792–1872
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Opening Versicles

- P** This is the day which the Lord has made;
- C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.

- P** Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,
- C** slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.
- P** Jesus said: If any man would come after Me,
- C** let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.

- P** Christ was wounded for our transgressions.
- C** He was bruised for our iniquities.
- P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Old Testament Canticle

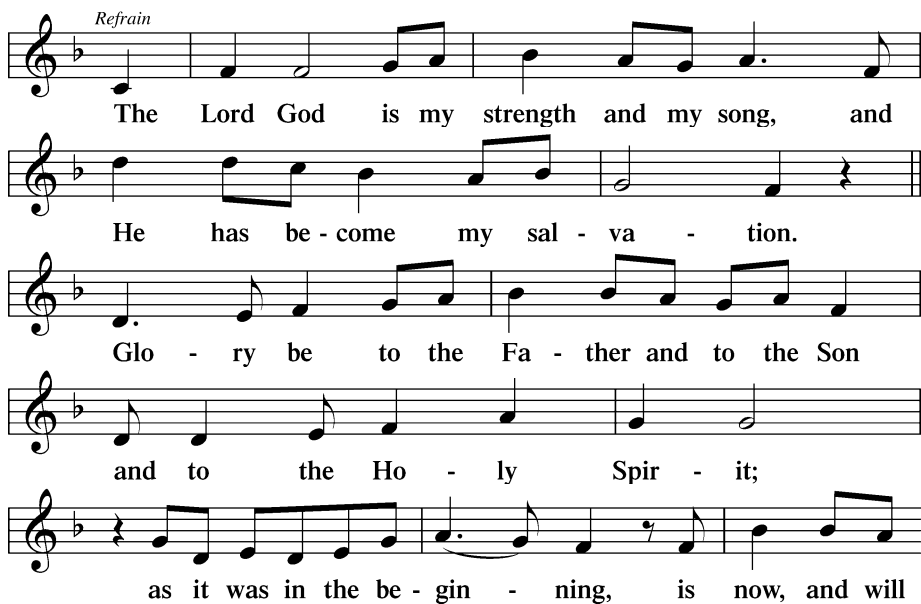
Refrain

C The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.
With joy will you draw wa - ter from the
wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that
day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up - on His name,
make known His deeds a - mong the peo - ples, pro -
claim that His name is ex - alt - ed."
Refrain
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and

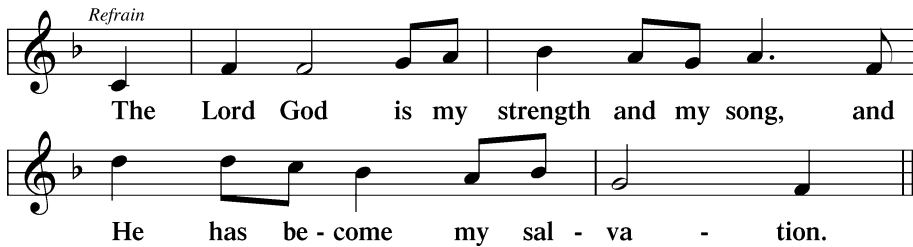
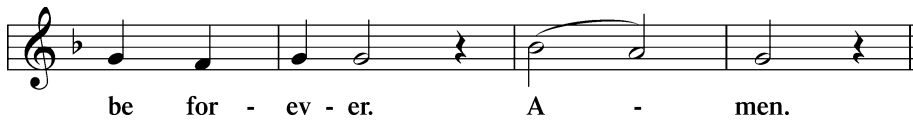


He has be - come my sal - va - tion.
 Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done
 glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the
 earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -
 hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the
 Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

Refrain



The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
 He has be - come my sal - va - tion.
 Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son
 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;
 as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will



Please be seated.

Readings From Holy Scripture

Old Testament Reading

Reading

Exodus 20:12–24a

¹²“Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³“You shall not murder.

¹⁴“You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵“You shall not steal.

¹⁶“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

¹⁷“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.”

¹⁸Now when all the people saw the thunder and the flashes of lightning and the sound of the trumpet and the mountain smoking, the people were afraid and trembled, and they stood far off ¹⁹and said to Moses, “You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, lest we die.” ²⁰Moses said to the people, “Do not fear, for God has come to test you, that the fear of him may be before you, that you may not sin.” ²¹The people stood far off, while Moses drew near to the thick darkness where God was.

²²And the LORD said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the people of Israel: ‘You have seen for yourselves that I have talked with you from heaven. ²³You shall not make gods of silver to be with me, nor shall you make for yourselves gods of gold.

²⁴An altar of earth you shall make for me and sacrifice on it your burnt offerings and your peace offerings, your sheep and your oxen. In every place where I cause my name to be remembered I will come to you and bless you.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Reading

Psalm 136:1–16

- ¹Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
- ²Give thanks to the God of gods,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
- ³Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ⁴to him who alone does great wonders,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ⁵to him who by understanding made the heavens,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ⁶to him who spread out the earth above the waters,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ⁷to him who made the great lights,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ⁸the sun to rule over the day,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ⁹the moon and stars to rule over the night,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ¹⁰to him who struck down the firstborn of Egypt,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ¹¹and brought Israel out from among them,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ¹²with a strong hand and an outstretched arm,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ¹³to him who divided the Red Sea in two,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ¹⁴and made Israel pass through the midst of it,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ¹⁵but overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red Sea,

for his steadfast love endures forever;
¹⁶to him who led his people through the wilderness,
for his steadfast love endures forever;

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 15:1–20

¹Then Pharisees and scribes came to Jesus from Jerusalem and said, ²“Why do your disciples break the tradition of the elders? For they do not wash their hands when they eat.” ³He answered them, “And why do you break the commandment of God for the sake of your tradition? ⁴For God commanded, ‘Honor your father and your mother,’ and, ‘Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’ ⁵But you say, ‘If anyone tells his father or his mother, What you would have gained from me is given to God, ⁶he need not honor his father.’ So for the sake of your tradition you have made void the word of God. ⁷You hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy of you, when he said:

⁸“This people honors me with their lips,
but their heart is far from me;
⁹in vain do they worship me,
teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.”

¹⁰And he called the people to him and said to them, “Hear and understand: ¹¹it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but what comes out of the mouth; this defiles a person.” ¹²Then the disciples came and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this saying?” ¹³He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be rooted up. ¹⁴Let them alone; they are blind guides. And if the blind lead the blind, both will fall into a pit.” ¹⁵But Peter said to him, “Explain the parable to us.” ¹⁶And he said, “Are you also still without understanding? ¹⁷Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth passes into the stomach and is expelled? ¹⁸But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this defiles a person. ¹⁹For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰These are what defile a person. But to eat with unwashed hands does not defile anyone.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsory

- P** We have an advocate with the Father: Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.
C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.
P Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.
P We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.
C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

Ten Commandments

- C** You shall have no other gods.
You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
Honor your father and your mother.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Apostles' Creed

- C** 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.

Please be seated.

Sermon

Pastor Golden

Hymn 655 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and
by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal
Son And bring to naught all He has done.
we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
strife And lead us out of death to life.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Tune: Geistliche Lieder aufs new gebessert, 1543, Wittenberg, ed. Joseph Klug Text and tune: Public domain

Offering

Please stand.

Litany (Lent)

P O Lord,	C have mercy.
P O Christ,	C have mercy.
P O Lord,	C have mercy.

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| P | O Christ, | C | hear us. |
| P | God the Father in heaven, | C | have mercy. |
| P | God the Son, Redeemer of the world, | C | have mercy. |
| P | God the Holy Spirit, | C | have mercy. |
| P | Be gracious to us. | C | Spare us, good Lord. |
| P | Be gracious to us. | C | Help us, good Lord. |

P From all sin, from all error, from all evil;
 From the crafts and assaults of the devil; from sudden and evil death;
 From pestilence and famine; from war and bloodshed; from sedition and from rebellion;
 From lightning and tempest; from all calamity by fire and water; and from everlasting death:

C Good Lord, deliver us.

P By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy nativity;
 By Your baptism, fasting, and temptation; by Your agony and bloody sweat; by Your cross and passion; by Your precious death and burial;
 By Your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:

C Help us, good Lord.

P In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and in the day of judgment:

C Help us, good Lord.

P We poor sinners implore You

C to hear us, O Lord.

P To rule and govern Your holy Christian Church; to preserve all pastors and ministers of Your Church in the true knowledge and understanding of Your wholesome Word and to sustain them in holy living;
 To put an end to all schisms and causes of offense; to bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived;
 To beat down Satan under our feet; to send faithful laborers into Your harvest; and to accompany Your Word with Your grace and Spirit:

C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P To raise those who fall and to strengthen those who stand; and to comfort and help the weakhearted and the distressed:

C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P To give to all peoples concord and peace; to preserve our land from discord and strife; to give our country Your protection in every time of need;
To direct and defend our president and all in authority; to bless and protect our magistrates and all our people;
To watch over and help all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation; to protect and guide all who travel;
To grant all women with child, and all mothers with infant children, increasing happiness in their blessings; to defend all orphans and widows and provide for them;
To strengthen and keep all sick persons and young children; to free those in bondage; and to have mercy on us all:

C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers and to turn their hearts; to give and preserve for our use the kindly fruits of the earth; and graciously to hear our prayers:

C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

C we implore You to hear us.

P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C have mercy.

P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C have mercy.

P Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C grant us Your peace.

P O Christ, **C hear us.**

P O Lord, **C have mercy.**

P O Christ, **C have mercy.**

P O Lord, **C have mercy. Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

C 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.**

Collect of the Day

P O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Collect for the Word

P Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Canticle 422 On My Heart Imprint Your Image

On my heart im - print Your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus, King of grace,
 That life's rich-es, cares, and plea-sures Nev - er may Your work e-rase;
 Let the clear in - scrip-tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,
 Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

Text: Thomas Hansen Kingo, 1634–1703; tr. Peer O. Strømme, 1856–1921, alt. Tune: Johann Balthasar König, 1691–1758 Text and tune: Public domain

Blessing

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.
- P** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
- C** Amen.

Closing Hymn 425 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

sts. 3–4

3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sor - row and
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a
 love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and
 trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,
 sor - row meet Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all!

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748 Tune: Lowell Mason, 1792–1872 Text and tune: Public domain

Postlude

Participants

Elder: David Greathouse; **Ushers:** Matthew Greathouse, Steve Dailey;

Organist: Jennifer Stauch

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