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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.



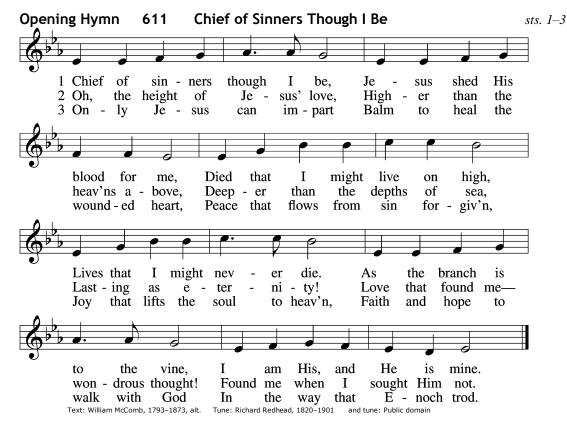
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Service of Prayer and Preaching

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Please stand.



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,
- slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.
- **P** Jesus said: If any man would come after Me,
- 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.
- 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.







Please be seated.

Readings From Holy Scripture

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 24:12-18

L A reading from Exodus, the twenty-fourth chapter.

¹²The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴And he said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them."

¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading 1 Kings 19:3b–8

³Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there.

⁴But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." ⁵And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." ⁶And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones

and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. ⁷And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." ⁸And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gospel Reading Matthew 12:38–50

³⁸Then some of the scribes and Pharisees answered him, saying, "Teacher, we wish to see a sign from you." ³⁹But he answered them, "An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. ⁴⁰For just as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. ⁴¹The men of Nineveh will rise up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, something greater than Jonah is here. ⁴²The queen of the South will rise up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon, and behold, something greater than Solomon is here.

⁴³"When the unclean spirit has gone out of a person, it passes through waterless places seeking rest, but finds none. ⁴⁴Then it says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' And when it comes, it finds the house empty, swept, and put in order. ⁴⁵Then it goes and brings with it seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they enter and dwell there, and the last state of that person is worse than the first. So also will it be with this evil generation."

⁴⁶While he was still speaking to the people, behold, his mother and his brothers stood outside, asking to speak to him. ⁴⁸But he replied to the man who told him, "Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?" ⁴⁹And stretching out his hand toward his disciples, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ⁵⁰For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother."

- **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.
- \mathbf{C} He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

Ten Commandments

You shall have no other gods. C

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.

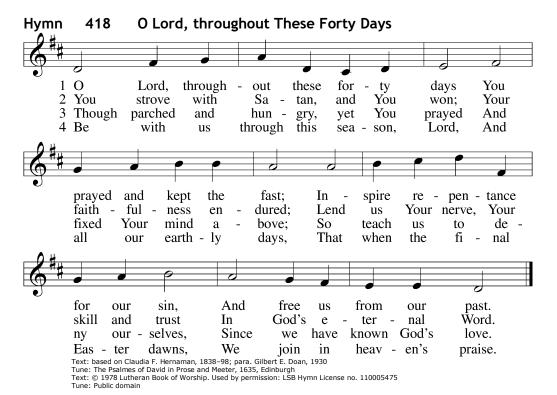
> And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.

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. Sermon Pastor Golden



Offering

Please stand.

Litany (Lent)

P	O Lord,	C	have mercy.
P	O Christ,	C	have mercy.
P	O Lord,	C	have mercy.
P	O Christ,	C	hear us.
\mathbf{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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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/queen/king]* 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

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

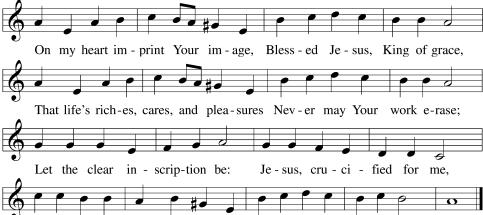
- P O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives 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

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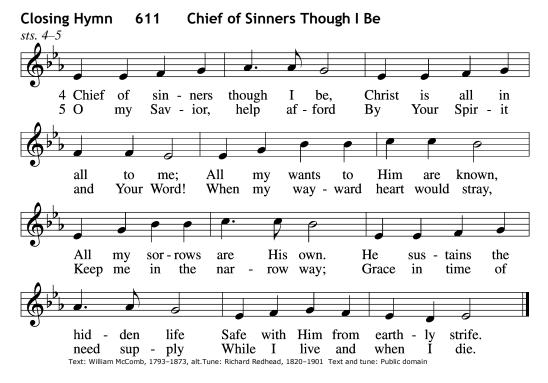
Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

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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.



Postlude

Participants

Elder: Fred Engelhardt; Ushers: Dave Gaydac, Jack Waugaman

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