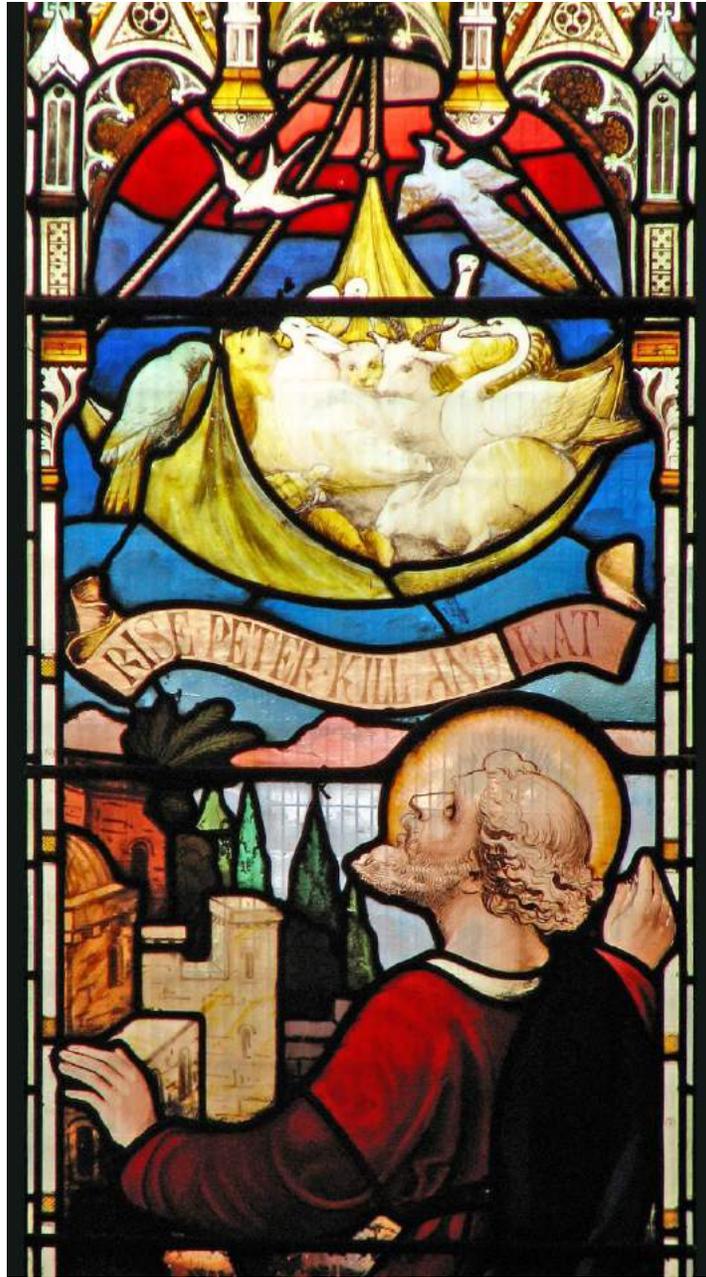


# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



May 15, 2022

ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

## WELCOME TO ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

We are happy you have joined us for worship today. Wherever you are on your journey with or toward God, you are welcome here—you are a blessing to this assembly.

We welcome all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome all because God welcomes all, regardless of race or culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or relationship status. We welcome all without regard to addictions, physical or mental health, imprisonment, socio-economic circumstances, or anything that too often divides us. Our unity is in Christ.

Lutherans believe, teach, and confess that in, with, and under the bread and wine in Holy Communion we receive the true Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation. All who are drawn in faith are welcome to join in this confession and receive the Sacrament.

We invite and encourage your full participation in our worship this morning. With this service bulletin you can follow and participate in this morning's liturgy.

**New to St. Paul?** Ready to make it your own? Questions about St. Paul, including transferring membership from another Lutheran church, or for beginning the process for baptism, confirmation, reception, or transferring from one of the other Christian traditions, may be directed to the Church Office at 781-646-7773 or parishadmin@stpaularlington.org.

## COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

***Building-wide Covid-19 Protocol Update:** The Church Council voted unanimously to make masks optional at St. Paul starting Sunday, March 20. The 8:15 service will not have singing. The Council will continue to use federal CDC and local board of health guidelines to help shape our worship decisions going forward.*

The following guidelines are in place to keep all of us safe and healthy. Thank you for your cooperation in showing love to our neighbors. Adjustments will be made as needed moving forward.

**Masks:** Recommended

**Ventilation:** Windows will remain open while the building is in use. Please remember to dress accordingly. Coffee Hour will be held outdoors after the 10:30am service.

**Singing:** Fully vaccinated attendees are welcome to sing at the 10:30am service. There will be no singing at the 8:15am service.

*Cover Art:* Peter's Vision, Stained Glass in the Church of St. Peter, Nottingham, UK, 19<sup>th</sup> century.

*As we prepare for God's presence in worship, please be aware that some prefer to be quiet at this time. When the instruction for standing \* appears, please stand as you are able and as seems comfortable.*

*At the ✠, you may make the sign of the cross, which reminds us of our baptism.*

*The congregational responses are printed in **bold**.*

*The Flowers are given in Loving Memory of Jan Duncan by Kat Allen.*

## GATHERING

### PRELUDE

"Goldberg Variations No. 2 and 3"

J.S. Bach  
(1685-1750)

### WELCOME

### \* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

\* GATHERING HYMN

"Born-ing Cry"

ELW 732



- 1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.
- 2 "When you heard the won-der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
- 3 "In the mid-dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no lon - ger young,



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold.  
you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.  
I'll be there to guide you through the night, com-plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;  
If you find some-one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,  
When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan-dered off to find where de-mons dwell."  
I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."  
I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."



- 4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold."

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Music: WATERLIFE, John C. Ylvisaker  
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\* 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.**

\*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb  
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and  
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of  
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,  
glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

\* PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Holy Baptism

*We welcome today by Baptism Vivienne Everett Stanford Gutierrez, born 10/11/2020*

*Parents: Emily Denny Stanford and Bryan Gutierrez*

*Godparents: Genevieve Landricombe, Carrie Lyman, Michael Gutierrez, Anthony Gutierrez*

*Maternal Grandparents: Dorothy Denny and Gully Stanford*

*Paternal Grandparents: Edgar Gutierrez and Yolanda Gutierrez*

*Vivienne's Uncle, John Stanford, will be presenting her.*

*At 10:30am only. Children are invited to come forward.*

PRESENTATION

*Candidate for baptism, parents and sponsors gather with the ministers at the font. The assembly is seated.*

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

*Presenter John Stanford: I present Vivienne Everett Stanford Gutierrez for baptism.*

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Vivienne baptized into Christ?

*Parents: We do.*

As you bring Vivienne to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:  
to live with her among God's faithful people,  
bring her to the word of God and the holy supper,  
teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,  
place in her hands the holy scriptures,  
and nurture her in faith and prayer,  
so that she may learn to trust God,  
proclaim Christ through word and deed,  
care for others and the world God made,  
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Vivienne grow in the Christian faith and life?

*Parents: We do.*

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Vivienne in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

*Response: I do.*

People of God, do you promise to support Vivienne and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

***Congregation: We do.***

*All stand as able.*

#### \*PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

#### BAPTISM

Vivienne, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

**You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.**

Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Vivienne with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

**Amen.**

Vivienne, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**Amen.**

## WELCOME

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God, and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

## WORD

### FIRST READING

Acts 11:1-18

**N**ow the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 148



Hallelujah! Praise the Lord | from the heavens;  
praise God | in the heights.

**Praise the Lord, | all you angels;  
sing praise, all you | hosts of heaven.**

Praise the Lord, | sun and moon;  
sing praise, all you | shining stars.

**Praise the Lord, heav- | en of heavens,  
and you waters a- | bove the heavens.**

Let them praise the name | of the Lord,  
who commanded, and they | were created,  
**who made them stand fast forev- | er and ever,  
giving them a law that shall not | pass away.**

Praise the Lord | from the earth,  
you sea monsters | and all deeps;  
**fire and hail, | snow and fog,  
tempestuous wind, do- | ing God's will;**

mountains | and all hills,  
fruit trees | and all cedars;  
**wild beasts | and all cattle,  
creeping things and | flying birds;**  
sovereigns of the earth | and all peoples,  
princes and all rulers | of the world;  
**young | men and maidens,  
old and | young together.**

Let them praise the name | of the Lord,  
whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over | earth and heaven.

**The Lord has raised up strength for the people and praise for all | faithful servants,  
the children of Israel, a people who are near the Lord. | Hallelujah!**

**I** saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.”

And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.”

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

\* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

\* GOSPEL

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**W**hen he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

\* HYMN OF THE DAY

“Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!”

ELW 377



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!  
 2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter  
 3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;  
 4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent;  
 5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!  
 tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;  
 life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;  
 death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.  
 gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!  
 break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:  
 heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,  
 Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!  
 riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!  
 Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.  
 gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.  
 Cloth us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.  
 sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

*Refrain*



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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\* APOSTLES CREED at 8:15am only. See page 7.

\* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

Loving God, lead us to follow your Spirit, rather than our own prejudices or desires, as the church cares for one another. Open us to perceive your gifts in those we least expect. God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Bless Emily and Bryan as they celebrate the baptism of their child. Watch over them, that they may be examples of your love, peace and joy to their child, friends and all who come into contact with them. God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Bless this community as we commit to support Vivienne, our newly baptized child. Guide us as we offer help and support, now and throughout their amazing journey of life. God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Inspire us to praise you through the beauty and majesty of the natural world around us from beaches to forests, monadnocks to fells. Urge us toward more deliberate care of the world you have made. God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Humble the rulers of nations before your splendor. Direct them to the people who need their attention most, and turn them from the temptation to hoard wealth or power. God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Hasten to dwell among those who are in pain or distress, especially Anne-Louise, Beverly, Bob, Carolyn, Dan, Ed, Elna, Heikki, Janna, Jeffrey, John, Lois, Lorraine, Lisa, Lynn, Meredith, Phyllis, Roberta, and Tom. As Christ enters our deepest suffering, remain with those experiencing despair and great need. God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Place holy love at the center of all our relationships and communities. By your love heal us, convict us, and renew us. Bring an end to racism in our churches and communities. Let everyone know your goodness by the love we show one another. God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Give us a place in the diverse company of your beloved saints. Teach us the value of each person's identity, and bless us with a shared identity as your children, kindred of Christ.

God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

\* PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## MEAL

### OFFERING

#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“When You Pass Through the Waters”

Paul D. Weber

\* OFFERING PRAYER

Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

A - men, a - men, a - men.

\* LORD'S PRAYER

*Feel free to say this prayer in the language in which you first learned it, or in one of these translations:*

**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.**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

COMMUNION

*All are welcome to receive the bread and wine.*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

"Where Charity and Love Are Shown"

ACS 931

*Refrain / Estribillo*



Don-de hay ca - ri - dad y\_a - mor, a - llí es -  
Where char-i - ty and love are shown, our God is



tá\_el Se - ñor, a - llí es - tá\_el Se - ñor.  
there made known, our God is there made known.



1 U - na sa - la y\_u - na me - sa, u - na co - pa,  
1 One as - sem - bly at one ta - ble; one the cup, the  
2 At the ta - ble we are wel - comed to the ban - quet  
3 This, the bread of life e - ter - nal; this, the sav - ing



vi - no\_y pan, los her - ma - nos com - par -  
bread, the wine; in one love we are com -  
from a - bove. We re - call the Lord's com -  
cup we claim, draw us close with - in one



tien - do en a - mor y\_en u - ni - dad.  
pan - ions, and in u - ni - ty we dine.  
mand - ment that we live and grow in love.  
fam - 'ly, make us one in Je - sus' name.



Nos re - ú - ne la pre - sen - cia y\_el re - cuer - do  
Brought to - geth - er by the pres - ence and the prom - ise  
As the gifts of God are giv - en, Je - sus' bod - y  
Let us tell the liv - ing sto - ry of his suf - f'ring



del Se - ñor; ce - le - bra - mos su me -  
of God's Word, here in joy and in re -  
and his blood, so we give our - selves to  
and his pain, and pro - claim the ho - ly

*Refrain / Estribillo*



mo - ria y la\_en - tre - ga de su\_a - mor.  
mem - brance we re - ceive our lov - ing Lord.  
oth - ers and we seek our neigh - bor's good.  
mys - t'ry: Christ has died, yet lives to reign.

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\* TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

\* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

**Amen.**

## SENDING

\* BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* SENDING HYMN

"Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

ELW 383



1 Christ is ris-en! Shout Ho - san - na! Cel - e - brate this day of days!  
2 Christ is ris-en! Raise your spir - its from the cav - erns of de - spair.  
3 Christ is ris-en! Earth and heav-en nev - er-more shall be the same.



Christ is ris - en! Hush in won - der: all cre - a - tion is a - mazed.  
Walk with glad-ness in the morn-ing. See what love can do and dare.  
Break the bread of new cre - a - tion where the world is still in pain.



In the des - ert all-sur-round-ing, see, a spread-ing tree has grown.  
Drink the wine of res - ur - rec - tion, not a ser - vant, but a friend.  
Tell its grim, de - mon-ic chor - us: "Christ is ris - en! Get you gone!"



Heal-ing leaves of grace a - bound-ing bring a taste of love un - known.  
Je - sus is our strong com-pan - ion. Joy and peace shall nev - er end.  
God the First and Last is with us. Sing Ho - san - na, ev - `ry - one!

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\* DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

**Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

"Goldberg Variations No. 4 and 5"

J.S. Bach  
(1685-1750)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Below are highlights from our announcements this week. For more information, please see our Weekly Update email. You can subscribe from our website (stpaularlinton.org — click SUBSCRIBE in the navigation menu at the top of the page) or like us on Facebook! Please send announcements via email to parishadmin@stpaularlinton.org by noon on Wednesday for inclusion in the coming Sunday's bulletin. Announcements received after that will be published the following week.*

## **Adult Forum | Sundays at 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall**

May 15, 22 | Bible Study on the Easter Readings from Acts with the Pastors

\*Adult Forums resume after May 22 on September 11.

**Choir is back!** All are welcome to join the St. Paul Choir. Rehearsals are Thursdays, 7:30pm.

**CYF Update:** Sunday School is back in-person and indoors. Masks are optional. Mark your calendar for these upcoming CYF events:

- Sunday, May 15, 3-5pm Luther League and Flock Event: Archery at Cedar Hill Girl Scout Camp (256 Beaver Street, Waltham). Park in the Lot and follow the signs up to the Archery Field. Bring water and sunblock. Bathroom facilities are available.
- Sunday, May 29: Children's Drop-in Choir during Education Hour. In place of Sunday School, we will be hosting a Children's Choir to sing during the 10:30am Service. Come at 9:15am to learn the song and practice before the performance.
  - \*No Sunday School on Sunday, May 29. Come sing instead!
- Sunday, June 19, 11:30-1:30pm: End of Year BBQ for Luther League and Flock students and families
- St. Paul Retreat at Calumet is August 19-21, 2022

**St Paul at 100:** Sunday, June 12, 2022:

- 10am Remarks
- 10:30am Worship
- 11:45am Food and Fellowship

**Call for Acolytes!** As we return to in-person services, we are looking to welcome back Acolytes and expand this form of service in our church to all who feel called to participate in this way. Please contact either Vicar Roger (stpaularlintonvicar@gmail.com) or Sarah (stpaularlintonfamily@gmail.com) to let us know to put you on the schedule. No experience necessary, and open to all who are age 10 or older!

**Millennial/Gen-Z Adult Fellowship Group** will be meeting on Sunday, May 22, 1pm at Robbins Hill Farm Park ("Skyline Park") to make kites! There will be snacks and drinks. RSVP to Vicar Roger at stpaularlintonvicar@gmail.com.

**Sponsoring Chancel Flowers:** Flowers are "back in bloom" at St. Paul. Sign up for individual Sundays on the Flower charts in the Upper Narthex. Sign-ups for a specific Sunday must be

made two weeks in advance. To place a dedication in the worship bulletin, complete the flower dedication form in the Narthex no later than the Wednesday before the sponsoring Sunday. Flowers cost \$40.00.



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