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## **ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH - (MISSOURI SYNOD)**

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### Mission Statement

*“Empowered by God’s Word, we joyfully share the Love of Jesus with all people.”*

### Vision Statement

*“We will be a vibrant, welcoming church serving the needs of our members, community, and missions by partnering with other churches and organizations while preaching and teaching the inspired Word of God and our Savior Jesus Christ.”*

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### **SUNDAY MORNINGS (SEPTEMBER- MAY)**

✝ Divine Service w/Holy Communion:

○ 9:00 a.m. (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)

✝ Adult Bible Study: 10:30 a.m.

✝ Sunday School: 10:15 am – 11:15 am

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- **Nursery available:** For families with small children, there is a designated room in the basement (down the hall, on the right, from the old Parish Hall). You will find a changing table, crib, a few books and toys. Please feel free to use anytime during the worship service.
- Today's service broadcast can be found on **K0WZ 1170 AM or 106.3 FM**; or Live Streaming on **Facebook**. **These are not a replacement for being in Church and Bible Class.** These are for times when we are unable to attend in person.
- **Lutheran Hour:** The Lutheran Hour can be heard on radio stations WCCO 830AM, Sunday, 6:05 AM; and KDHL920 AM, Faribault, Sunday, 6:00 PM.
- **WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!** If you are a visitor, we look forward to visiting with you today and in the near future. Please write your name, address, and phone number in our visitor's book located at the back of church at the visitor's desk or in the black pew book. We invite you to fellowship, coffee & treats following the worship service. Adult Bible Study begins at 10:30 a.m. with Sunday School at 10:15 a.m. **Any guest wishing to receive communion here at St Paul Lutheran Church, please speak with the Pastor or the Elder on duty prior to the church service.** Thank you.
- **Preparing for Holy Communion, please refer to the section in the bulletin "Service of the Sacrament".**
- **Individual or Family Pastoral Care:** Please remember that Private devotion and Holy Communion are available for individuals or couples that are homebound, at greater risk for COVID, or in times of emergency. Call the church office at 507-835-2647 to schedule an appointment when needed.
- **Caring Brothers and Sisters,** please remember to send your homebound congregation member a card/note this month and continue to pray for him/her.
- **Anyone interested in donating money for Easter Lillies please have to the office no later than Sunday March 29<sup>th</sup>.** Thanks

### **HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026 @ 6pm**

**Maundy Thursday Worship Service**

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026 @ 6pm**

**Good Friday Worship Service**

**April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**Saturday Easter Vigil**

**6pm Hors d'oeuvres, dessert and wine fellowship, Service @ 7pm**

**April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026 @ 6:30 am**

**Easter Morning Sunrise Service**

**Easter Breakfast following Sunrise Service**

**April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026 @ 9am**

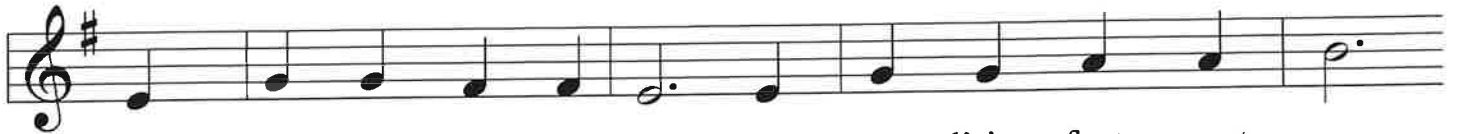
**Traditional Easter Morning Service**

**As We Gather: For Us Betrayed**

Jesus foretells His own betrayal, death, and resurrection in today’s text (Mark 8:31–9:1). This shows us that the way of salvation only comes through the path of suffering (Hebrews 2:10). Jesus’ suffering, His Passion, does not simply mean that He sympathizes with us. Rather, it means that He participates in our suffering, and we in His. His betrayal, the crown of thorns, the shameful cross—all of these lead to how Jesus “gave His dying breath,” as we sing in the series hymn. In the Passion reading, we will also hear how He dies (Mark 15:33–47) and what that means for us today.

**Hymn: O Christ, You Walked the Road**

LSB 424



1 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan - d’ring feet must go.  
 2 No bread of earth a - lone Can fill our hun - g’ring hearts.  
 3 No blind - ing sign we ask, No won - der from a - bove.  
 4 When lures of eas - y gain With prom - ise bright - ly shine,  
 5 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan - d’ring feet must go.



You faced with us temp - ta - tion’s pow’r And fought our an - cient foe.  
 Lord, help us seek Your liv - ing Word, The food Your grace im - parts.  
 Lord, help us place our trust a - lone In Your un - swerv - ing love.  
 Lord, help us seek Your king - dom first; Our wills with Yours a - lign.  
 Stay with us through temp - ta - tion’s hour To fight our an - cient foe.

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Tune: William Daman, c. 1540–1591

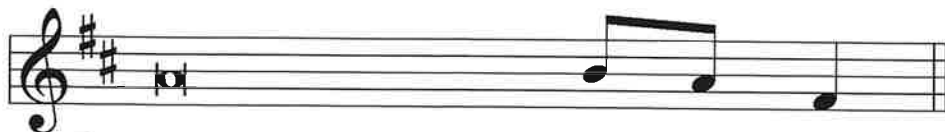
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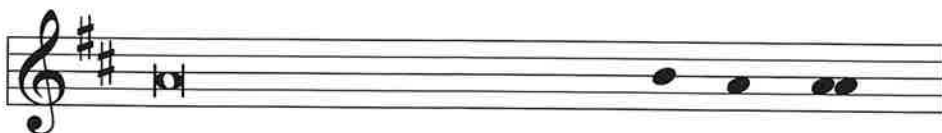
## Opening Sentences



**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



**C** Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our sal - va - tion.



<sup>13</sup>Blessèd be the LORD, the God of | Israel,\*  
from everlasting to everlasting! Amen and | Amen.

<sup>1</sup>Blessèd is the one who consid- | ers the poor!\*

In the day of trouble the LORD de- | livers him;

<sup>2</sup>**the LORD protects him and keeps him alive;**  
**he is called blessèd | in the land;\***  
**you do not give him up to the will of his | enemies.**

<sup>3</sup>**The LORD sustains him on his | sickbed;\***  
**in his illness you restore him to | full health.**

<sup>4</sup>As for me, I said, “O LORD, be gra- | cious to me;\*”  
heal me, for I have sinned a- | gainst you!”

<sup>5</sup>My enemies say of me in | malice,\*  
“When will he die and his name | perish?”

<sup>6</sup>**And when one comes to see me, he utters empty words,**  
**while his heart gathers in- | iquity;\***  
**when he goes out, he tells | it abroad.**

<sup>7</sup>**All who hate me whisper together a- | bout me;\***  
**they imagine the | worst for me.**

<sup>8</sup>They say, “A deadly thing is poured | out on him;\*”  
he will not rise again from | where he lies.”

<sup>9</sup>Even my close friend in whom I | trusted,\*  
who ate my bread, has lifted his heel a- | gainst me.

<sup>10</sup>**But you, O LORD, be gra- | cious to me,\***  
**and raise me up, that I may re- | pay them!**

<sup>11</sup>**By this I know that you de- | light in me:\***  
**my enemy will not shout in triumph | over me.**

<sup>12</sup>But you have upheld me because of my in- | tegrity,\*  
and set me in your presence for- | ever.

<sup>13</sup>Blessèd be the LORD, the God of | Israel,\*  
from everlasting to everlasting! Amen and | Amen.

**☐ Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now and will be forever. | Amen.**

## Hymn: My Song Is Love Unknown

LSB 430 v. 1, 6-7



1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to  
6 In life no house, no home My Lord on earth might  
7 Here might I stay and sing, No sto - ry so di -



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might love - ly  
have; In death no friend - ly tomb But what a strang - er  
vine! Nev - er was love, dear King, Nev - er was grief like



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake  
gave. What may I say? Heav'n was His home  
Thine. This is my friend, In whose sweet praise



My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?  
But mine the tomb Where - in He lay.  
I all my days Could glad - ly spend!

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## First Reading

Hebrews 2:1-12

**P** A reading from the second chapter of Hebrews.

<sup>1</sup>Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. <sup>2</sup>For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, <sup>3</sup>how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, <sup>4</sup>while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

<sup>5</sup>Now it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. <sup>6</sup>It has been testified somewhere,

“What is man, that you are mindful of him,  
or the son of man, that you care for him?  
<sup>7</sup>You made him for a little while lower than the angels;  
you have crowned him with glory and honor,  
<sup>8</sup>putting everything in subjection under his feet.”

Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. <sup>9</sup>But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

<sup>10</sup>For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. <sup>11</sup>For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one origin. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, <sup>12</sup>saying,

“I will tell of your name to my brothers;  
in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise.”

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Reading

*Mark 8:31—9:1*

**P** A reading from the eighth and ninth chapters of Mark.

<sup>31</sup>And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

<sup>34</sup>And he called to him the crowd with his disciples and said to them, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel’s will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? <sup>37</sup>For what can a man give in return for his life? <sup>38</sup>For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

<sup>1</sup>And he said to them, “Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God after it has come with power.”

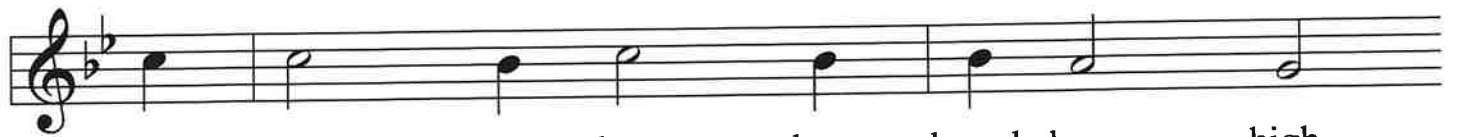
**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.



# Hymn: O Love, How Deep

LSB 544 v. 1-5



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,  
2 He sent no an - gel to our race,  
3 For us bap - tized, for us He bore  
4 For us He prayed; for us He taught;  
5 For us by wick - ed - ness be - trayed,



Be - yond all thought and fan - ta - sy,  
Of high - er or of low - er place,  
His ho - ly fast and hun - gered sore;  
For us His dai - ly works He wrought,  
For us, in crown of thorns ar - rayed,



That God, the Son of God, should take  
But wore the robe of hu - man frame,  
For us temp - ta - tion sharp He knew;  
By words and signs and ac - tions thus  
He bore the shame - ful cross and death;



Our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!  
And to this world Him - self He came.  
For us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.  
Still seek - ing not Him - self but us.  
For us He gave His dy - ing breath.

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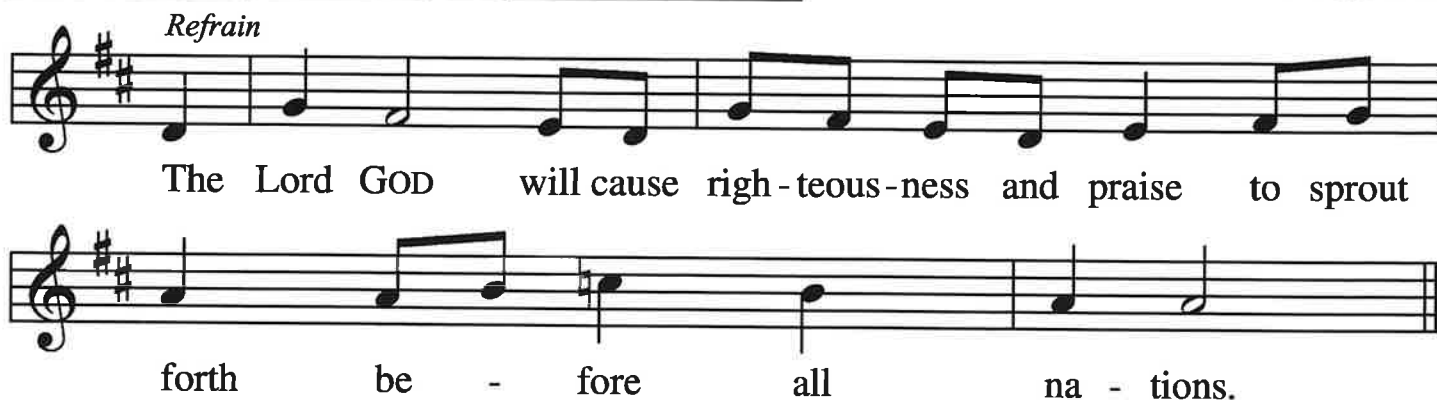
## Sermon

### Antiphon

LSB 231

- P** Let my prayer rise before You as incense,  
**C** and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

*Refrain*



The Lord GOD will cause righ-teous-ness and praise to sprout  
forth be - fore all na - tions.

*Chant Tone*



<sup>1</sup>I will greatly rejoice | in the LORD;\*  
my soul shall exult | in my God,

<sup>2</sup>**for He has clothed me with the garments of sal- | vation;\*  
He has covered me with the robe of | righteousness,**

<sup>3</sup>as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful | headdress,\*  
and as a bride adorns herself with her | jewels.

***Refrain***

<sup>4</sup>For as the earth brings | forth its sprouts,\*  
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to | sprout up,

<sup>5</sup>**so the Lord God will cause righteous- | ness and praise\*  
to sprout up before all the | nations.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

***Refrain***

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**Offering**

# Kyrie

LSB 233



**C** Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

# Lord's Prayer: Our Father Who Art in Heaven — I

LSB 957



Our Fa - ther who art in heav - en, hal-low - ed be Thy name,



Thy king - dom come, Thy will be done on earth as



it is in heav - en; give us this day our dai - ly



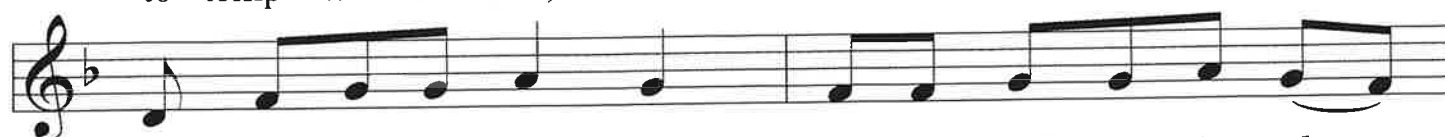
bread; and for-give us our tres-pass - es as we for-give



those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in -



to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.



For Thine is the king - dom and the pow'r and the glo -



ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

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**L** O Lord, hear my prayer.



**C** And let my cry come to You.

**P** Lord Jesus, You loved us with all You had. We give thanks that You became one of us, no matter the pain, so that You might redeem each of us as Your own. Hear us, Jesus Christ, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**P** Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; 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

**C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

Amen.

Collect for Peace

**P** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

**Benedicamus**

LSB 234



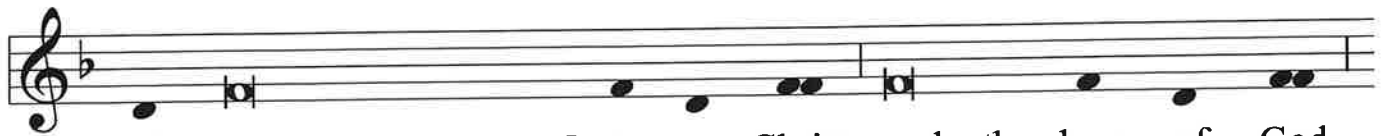
**L** Let us bless the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

**Benediction**

LSB 234



**P** The grace of our Lord ✠ Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



**C** A - men.

## Closing Hymn

LSB 878 v. 1, 4, 6



1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.  
4 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;  
6 Hold Thou Thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.  
Earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;  
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.



When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,  
Change and de - cay in all a - round I see;  
Heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee;



Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.  
O Thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.  
In life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

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## **OUR PRAYERS:**

***Called Home: Darlet Strand***

***Hospitalized:***

***Cancer Treatment:*** Tim Andree, Kirsten Lucken (friend to Kelli Lenz)

***Treatment and/or testing:*** Lyle Fluegge (grandpa to Jess Klinger)

***Prayer for continued recovery and healing and Thanksgiving:*** Sheila Hogetvedt, Chantel Fogal, Loren Frink

***Illness:*** Cindy Kuschel, Beverly Schroeder

***Those who are sick and/or in need and wish to remain unnamed.***

***All the service men & women who are serving in the military:*** Gavin Doering, Jacob Lemmen, Aaron & Sarah Lenz, Josiah Nieves, Jason Paschall, David Reinsbach, John Thompson

***Waseca Circuit Missionaries:*** Rev. Dr. Stephen Oliver (Taiwan) & John Wolff (Kenya)

***Those affected by Natural disasters***

**The Board of Ed will be hosting the Easter Breakfast again this year in between Sunrise Service and the 9am service. We hope to see you all there!!**

### **BIBLE STUDIES**

**first and third Wednesday of every month @ 9:30am Women's Bible Study**

**Every Sunday Morning at 10:30 am in Parish Hall**

**Every Monday @ 7pm @ Ward House Brewery: Bible and Brew**

**Everyone is welcome to join.**

