

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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January 17, 2021

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Rev. David Reber, Jr., Pastor

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10:30 AM

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

We welcome you to our worship service this morning. St. Paul's has two services every Sunday morning at 8:00 & 10:30 AM with Sunday School at 9:15 AM. We request members and visitors alike to fill out an attendance card and pass it down to the center aisle during the offering. You are welcomed in this house.

**The Mission at *St. Paul's Lutheran Church* is:
Preach and Teach to ALL, Comfort and Support those in need!**

ACOLYTE: Evian Martinez

ELDER OF THE DAY: Gene Breitenkamp

SCRIPTURE READER: Steve Fisher

USHERS: Gene Breitenkamp

NURSERY ATTENDANTS: Cindy Fischaber & Krystal Fisher

ATTENDANCE: January 10: 8:00 – 39; 10:30 – 65; Total = 104

NEEDED WEEKLY FOR BUDGET: \$12,292 **OFFERING:** \$10,842

AS WE GATHER: Today we are called to remember that our bodies are not our own. Paul reminds us in the Epistle that we were bought with a price: the blood of Christ. Our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit. Our bodies, even our whole lives, belong to the Lord, and we are called to consider how we are to best steward the bodies God has given us for the sake of His kingdom.

✘ PREPARATION ✘

HYMN – “Open The Eyes Of My Heart” Baloché, Paul Integrity Music, Inc.

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, Open the eyes of my heart;
I want to see You, I want to see You. Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,
Open the eyes of my heart; I want to see You, I want to see You.

To see You high and lifted up, Shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your pow'r and love; As we sing holy, holy, holy.
High and lifted up, Shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your pow'r and love; As we sing holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy, holy;
Holy, holy, holy, I want to see You.

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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES *Based on Psalm 139:1–2, 7–8; 1 Corinthians 6:19–20*

Pastor: O Lord, You have searched and known us.
People: **You discern our thoughts from afar.**

Pastor: Where shall we go from Your Spirit?
People: **Or where shall we flee from Your presence?**

Pastor: If we ascend to heaven, You are there!
People: **If we make our bed in Sheol, You are there!**

Pastor: Our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit.
People: **We were bought with a price, the blood of Christ.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Indeed, we were bought with the precious blood of Christ, and God calls on us to glorify God with our bodies, but we have failed to do this. We have lived as if our bodies and lives were our own, as if Your Son had not bought them with His blood. Such sins cause deep shame, yet even now, our heavenly Father invites us to come to Him and ask for forgiveness.

Silence for reflection.

Pastor: Heavenly Father,
People: **we have sinned by the things we have done and by the things we have left undone. Forgive us, remove the shame that clings to us, and make us new creations for the sake of Jesus. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God, in His infinite mercy and grace, sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to die for our sins. In His resurrection, He removes our shame and makes us more than conquerors. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: **Amen. We are forgiven in Christ. Our shame is removed.**

☩ WORD ☩

INTROIT – Psalm 40:1–5; antiphon: v. 10a, b

Pastor: I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

People: **He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.**

Pastor: He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

People: **Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord.**

Pastor: Blessèd is the man who makes the Lord his trust, who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after a lie!

People: **You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you!**

Pastor: I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told.

People: **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.**

Pastor: I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation.

KYRIE

Pastor: Lord, have mercy.

People: **Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

HYMN OF PRAISE – “Let There Be Praise”

Tunney, Dick / Tunney, Melodie EMI Christian Music Publishing

Let there be praise, let there be joy in our hearts.
Sing to the Lord, give Him the glory, glory.
Let there be praise, let there be joy in our hearts,
Forevermore let His love fill the air and let there be praise.

REPEAT

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SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, You paid for our lives with the price of Your blood on the cross. Strengthen us to serve You with pure hearts and minds, that we may be witnesses to the word of Your forgiveness; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING – 1 Samuel 3:1–10 (11–20)

¹Now the young man Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision. ²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. ³The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, “Here I am!” ⁵and ran to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call; lie down again.” So he went and lay down. ⁶And the LORD called again, “Samuel!” and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call, my son; lie down again.” ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the young man. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, “Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, ‘Speak, LORD, for your servant hears.’” So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant hears.”

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM – Psalm 139:1–10; antiphon: v. 14

Pastor: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

People: Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.

Pastor: O Lord, you have searched me and known me!

People: You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

Pastor: You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.

People: Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O Lord, you know it altogether.

Pastor: You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

People: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.

Pastor: Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence?

People: If I ascend to heaven, you are there!

Pastor: If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!

People: If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.

Pastor: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

People: Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.

EPISTLE – 1 Corinthians 6:12–20

¹²“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are helpful. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be enslaved by anything. ¹³“Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food”—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. ¹⁵Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, “The two will become one flesh.” ¹⁷But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. ¹⁹Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, ²⁰for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL – John 1:43–51

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” ⁴⁷Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!” ⁴⁸Nathanael said to him, “How do you know me?” Jesus answered him, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.” ⁴⁹Nathanael answered him, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” ⁵⁰Jesus answered him, “Because I said to you, ‘I saw you under the fig tree,’ do you believe? You will see greater things than these.” ⁵¹And he said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY – "He Knows My Name"

Walker, Tommy Maranatha! Music

I have a Maker,
He formed my heart.
Before even time began,
My life was in His hand.

CHORUS

He knows my name,
He knows my every thought,
He sees each tear that falls
And hears me when I call.

I have a Father,
He calls me His own.
He'll never leave me,
No matter where I go. **CHORUS**

REPEAT CHORUS

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SERMON by Rev. David H. Reber, Jr.

HYMN – “Take My Life and Let It Be” – LSB #784



1 Take my life and let it be Con - se - crat - ed,
2 Take my hands and let them move At the im - pulse
3 Take my voice and let me sing Al - ways, on - ly
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would



Lord, to Thee; Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them
of Thy love; Take my feet and let them be Swift and
for my King; Take my lips and let them be Filled with
I with - hold; Take my in - tel - lect and use Ev - 'ry



flow in cease-less praise, Let them flow in cease-less praise.
beau - ti - ful for Thee, Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.
mes - sag - es from Thee, Filled with mes - sag - es from Thee.
pow'r as Thou shalt choose, Ev - 'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it Thine,
It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own,
It shall be Thy royal throne,
It shall be Thy royal throne.

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee,
Ever, only, all for Thee.

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APOSTLES' CREED

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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

People: Holy Spirit, from sin and sorrow set us free;
may we Your living temples be.

Pastor: Spirit, inspire all people as they serve in their vocations. Grant them creativity, wisdom, discernment, and courage to follow where You lead. From sin and sorrow set us free;

People: **may we Your living temples be.**

Pastor: Spirit, You are the Comforter sent from heaven. Bring Your comfort to all those who are suffering in grief. Point them to the hope of the resurrection to eternal peace and life with Jesus. From sin and sorrow set us free;

People: **may we Your living temples be.**

Pastor: Spirit, strengthen all those who struggle with addictions. Break their bondage, lead them to get the help they need, and remind them that You dwell within them. From sin and sorrow set us free;

People: **may we Your living temples be.**

Pastor: Spirit, aid all pastors, teachers, church planters, missionaries, musicians, and servants in Your Church. Embolden them as they plant and water the good seeds of the Gospel. We humbly ask You to provide growth where and when You will. From sin and sorrow set us free;

People: **may we Your living temples be.**

Pastor: Spirit, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering. Have mercy upon them, and heal them according to Your good and gracious will. From sin and sorrow set us free;

People: **may we Your living temples be.**

Pastor: Spirit, we commend all these things to Your infinite wisdom and guiding, for You live and reign with the Father and the Son, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER – Sung

Matthew 6: 9-13

Our Father which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and glory forever. Amen.

CONCLUDING COLLECT

Pastor: 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.

People: **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Numbers 6:24–26

People: **Amen.**

HYMN – "My Life Is In You"

Gardner, Daniel Integrity Music, Inc.

My life is in You, Lord, my strength is in You, Lord,
My hope is in You, Lord, in You, it's in You.
My life is in You, Lord, my strength is in You, Lord,
My hope is in You, Lord, in You, it's in You.
I will praise You with all of my life,
I will praise You with all of my strength.
With all of my life, with all of my strength.
All of my hope is in You.

My life is in You, Lord, my strength is in You, Lord,
My hope is in You, Lord, in You, it's in You.
My life is in You, Lord, my strength is in You, Lord,
My hope is in You, Lord, in You, it's in You.
In You.

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DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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We pray your worship with us was a Blessing and God will grant you a rich and Blessed week.

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If you are a first time visitor please let one of the ushers in the back know – they have a gift from the LWML waiting for you.

NURSERY: Nursery is available in the basement for children three years old and younger. Should you need assistance finding it, see an usher.

KGWA RADIO: Should you miss regular Sunday Worship, you can listen to it on the radio. KGWA, 960 will air the previous Sunday's service on the following Sunday at 10:30 AM.

JANUARY IS MITE MONTH! Mites are collected in January for LWML projects. Cans will be in the narthex if you could like to contribute!

LWML SHOE DRIVE: We are collecting shoes, shoes, shoes! Here is how you can help! Please bring men's, women's sandals, flip flops, boots, etc., to the church. The collection box is in the Narthex. Please, no roller or ice skates. Shoes should be clean and in good condition. Shoes should be paired, banded together, or tied with laces. The shoe collection will end on January 31. Please have any shoes you want to donate at the church by then.

COVID VACCINES: To sign up for COVID vaccine, you must now pre-register at: <https://oklahoma.gov/covid19.html>

1. Click where it says, To Register for the Covid-19 vaccine, click here.
2. Click blue box Covid-19 Questionnaire
3. Complete your Questionnaire carefully. You will be contacted by email afterwards. They will tell you where to go to register and schedule your vaccine.

SR. TASK FORCE: Senior Task Force is scheduled to meet on January 19, 2021. This has been cancelled.

PRAYER GROUP: Prayer Group will resume meeting at 6:15 PM on Wednesday evenings. They will meet at the Early childhood Center (1810 E. Broadway Ave.)

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS: Don't forget to direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars by March 31st! If you have any questions about the process you can contact Ralph Kroll at (580) 747-3728.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE: If you have submissions for the February newsletter, the deadline is this Thursday, January 21st.

JR. CONFIRMATION: Masks will be required at confirmation class, which is held on Saturday mornings at 9:00 AM at the early Childhood Center (1810 E. Broadway Ave.). For those doing it at home, classes will be posted at noon.

THANK YOU: We want to thank Ron & Kris Young, S. Wiederkehr and Robert & Twana Winter for helping clean our yard after the ice/snow storm and putting up a new mailbox. We are very thankful and appreciative for their help and all the prayers. Thank you Pastor Reber for all the help & prayers. – Bud & Pat Durheim

THANK YOU: Thank you to everyone for your prayers and cards at my dad's passing. I am thankful for such a supportive church family. Pam Wiederkehr.

VOTERS' MEETING: There will be a brief Voters' Meeting in the sanctuary after each service on Sunday, January 17th.

PRAYERS

Hospitalized: Jerry McHenry (OKC); Cindi Hagans (Bass); Eddie Morris (Bass)

Recovering: Kevin Krey (Ron & Cindy Krey's son), Paul Dunbar, Marcella Schroeder & Opal Gragert.

Cancer Patients: Becky Perring Aerns (Cindy Fischaber's sister), Pat Becker, Brett Bersche (Jane Brown's nephew), Jill Fischaber, Shelly Goodwin, Judy Helberg, Mike Hoeltzel, Ruth Lyons, Gene Mansker (Mike & Renie Krienke's neighbor), Lois Maxwell, Poma Rico (Pat Dresser's son-in-law) & Bonnie Szczepaniak

Medical Problems: Hank Bland, Cathy Breitenkamp, Bud Durheim, Wandalene Free, Susan Gentry (Helen Wyssmann's daughter), Opal Gragert, Matthew Hagans, Sandra Hayes, Mike Helberg, Mary Ann Hoeltzel, Christine Hollrah, Misty Lyons (Ruth Lyons daughter), Ruth Lyons, Jerry McHenry, Eddie Morris, Sharyn Mueller, Teresa Nealis (Phyllis Blaser's niece), Shirleen Otipoby, Gary Parsons, Patty Reber, Kathy Snowden, Walterean Riekenberg, Melvin Schroeder and Loren Wegele (Ruth Lyons brother).

Prayer Request: Please keep Gerry Hiedrich, who has Covid, in your prayers.

Anniversaries: (I left the first one out last week!) January 14th – Terry & Lorie Herth; January 18th – Cecil & Terri Durheim and James & Kathy Wuerflein

Birthdays: (I left the first four out last week!) January 14th – Paul Dunbar & Kenneth Wade; January 16th – Lexi Childs & Abby Wolters; January 17th – Kimber Jung & Quinn LaBrue; January 18th – Lathan Heim, Aspen Latham, Rebecca Riggs; January 19th - Scottie Young; January 20th – Brent Coffman & Teegin Hacker; January 21st – Rhonda Crowl & Helen Wyssmann; January 22nd – Bill White; January 23rd – Anita Chance

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

- SUN. 01/17** **Second Sunday After the Epiphany**
Voters' Meeting After Each Service
8:00 AM Worship/10:30 AM Worship/Communion
9:15 AM Sunday School
1:00 PM Children of the Light Bible Study via Live Stream
- MON. 01/18** 12:30 PM Bridge
12:30 PM Finance Board
- TUE. 01/19** 11:00 AM Balance & Strength
5:00 PM School Board
- WED. 01/20** 9:00 AM Chapel
6:15 PM Prayer Group
7:00 PM Vespers
7:00 PM Choir
- THU. 01/21** **NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE**
9:00 AM Pastor's Study
11:00 am Balance & Strength
12:30 Bridge
- FRI. 01/22**
- SAT. 01/23** 9:00 AM Jr. Confirmation
12:00 PM Jr. Confirmation (posted virtually)
- SUN. 01/24** **Third Sunday After the Epiphany**
8:00 AM Worship/10:30 AM Worship/Communion
9:15 AM Sunday School
1:00 PM Children of the Light Bible Study via Live Stream

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1 Corinthians 6:19b-20 – “You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.” God owns everything, including our very selves. We were made to serve Him and glorify Him and will never truly be happy or find our fulfillment until we learn that lesson. Jesus has redeemed us and brought us back into the Kingdom of the Father, and that has set us free to serve Him in joy, generosity, liberty, and faith.