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9:00 AM

Third Sunday in Lent

We welcome you to our worship service this morning.
St. Paul's has a service every Sunday morning at 9:00 AM.
Sunday School meets at 10:15 AM.

We request that members and visitors fill out an attendance card.
Please pass the card down to the center aisle after the offering.
You are welcome in this house.

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

ACOLYTE: James Wuerflein

LIVESTREAM: Paul Fisher

SOUND: Gerald Nolte

SCRIPTURE READER: Ron Krey

ELDER OF THE DAY: Gene Breitenkamp

USHERS: Gene Breitenkamp, Jere Courter, Chris Burdick, Chris Bauer

GREETER: Laura Burdick & Brenda Braley

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Teresa Peyton

NURSERY ATTENDANT: Lorie Legere

ATTENDANCE: March 1, 2026: 96

NEEDED WEEKLY: \$10,082 **OFFERING:** \$8,242

AS WE GATHER: It often seems that life is a debate about the things we do not know. What is truth? What is right and wrong? Where is God? None of these questions are theoretical and all of them are answered in Christ, whom we know as Savior and Redeemer. The Law reveals the depth of our need and our sinful hearts. Christ makes known the love of the Father. Gathered in worship, we meet where Christ is—in His Word and Sacraments. Faith is not about what we do not know but about what we do know. Christ is our all. He fulfills the promise of the Old Testament and completes our redemption. We confess Him who came, who comes to us now through the means of grace, and who will come again to deliver us to the Father. To know Christ is to know everything.

Share the Peace - Greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

SERVICE OF PRAYER AND PREACHING – LSB pg. 260

HYMN – “Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now” – LSB #902



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, be pres - ent now; Our hearts in
2 Un - seal our lips to sing Your praise In end - less
3 Then shall we join the hosts that cry, “O ho - ly,
△ 4 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, Son, And Ho - ly



true de - vo - tion bow. Your Spir - it send with
hymns through all our days. In - crease our faith and
ho - ly Lord Most High!” And in the light of
Spir - it, Three in One! To You, O bless - ed



light di - vine, And let Your truth with - in us shine.
light our minds; And set us free from doubt that blinds.
that blest place We then shall see You face to face.
Trin - i - ty, Be praise through-out e - ter - ni - ty!

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Stand

Opening Versicles

P This is the day which the Lord has made;

C **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Psalm 118:24

P From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

Psalm 113:3

Lent

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.**

Psalm 113:3

All **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

Isaiah 12:2b-6



Refrain

☐ 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
 be for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
 He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

Sit

Readings From Holy Scripture

Reading – Exodus 17:1–7

L A reading from Exodus, the seventeenth chapter.

¹All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.” And Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?” ³But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?” ⁴So Moses cried to the LORD, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” ⁵And the LORD said to Moses, “Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink.” And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Reading – Psalm 95:1–9

- L Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
- C **Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**
- L For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
- C **In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.**
- L The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.
- C **Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!**
- L For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.
- C **Today, if you hear his voice do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness, when your fathers put me to the test and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.**

Reading – Romans 5:1–8

- L A reading from Romans, the fifth chapter.

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

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

Reading – John 4:5–26

- P A reading from John, the fourth chapter.

⁵[Jesus] came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

⁷There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." ⁸(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) ⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." ¹¹The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" ¹²Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." ¹³Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." ¹⁵The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." ¹⁷The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; ¹⁸for you

have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true.”¹⁹The woman said to him, “Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet.”²⁰Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship.”²¹Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father.”²²You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.”²³But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him.”²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.”²⁵The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things.”²⁶Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Lent Responsory

1 John 2:1; [Mark 10:33]; Psalm 32:1

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.**

Stand

CATECHISM

Ten Commandments

Exodus 20:2-7

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.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6: 9-13

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.

“Children of the Heavenly Father” – LSB #725 vs. 1 – Acapella

1 Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly
in His bos - om gath - er; Nest - ling bird nor star in
heav - en Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.

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Children's Message – “Water and Blood from the Rock”

Children collect attendance cards.

Sermon by Pastor Meyer

Hymn – “For All the Faithful Women” – LSB #855 sts. 1, 10, 3–4

1 For all the faith - ful wom - en Who served in days of old,
2 Re - call the out - cast wom - an With whom the Lord con - versed;
3 O God, for saints and ser - vants, Those named and those un - known
△ 4 All praise to God the Fa - ther! All praise to Christ the Son!

To You shall thanks be giv - en; To all, their sto - ry told.
Christ gave her liv - ing wa - ter To quench her deep - est thirst.
In whom through all the a - ges Your light of glo - ry shone.
All praise the Ho - ly Spir - it, Who binds the Church in one!

They served with strength and glad - ness In tasks Your wis - dom gave.
Like hers, our hearts are yearn - ing; Christ of - fers us His Word.
We of - fer glad thanks - giv - ing And fer - vent prayer we raise
With saints who went be - fore us, With saints who wit - ness still,

To You their lives bore wit - ness, Pro - claimed Your pow'r to save.
Then may our lips be burn - ing To wit - ness to our Lord.
That, faith - ful in Your ser - vice, Our lives may sing Your praise.
We sing glad Al - le - lu - ias And strive to do Your will.

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Prayer

P In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

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.**

Morning Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. 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.

Blessing

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

[Psalm 103:1]

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.

C **Amen.**

Hymn – “Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer” – LSB #918



1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;
stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar
fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,



Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,
Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,
Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,



bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no
strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and
songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to



more; Feed me till I want no more.
shield; Be Thou still my strength and shield.
Thee; I will ev - er give to Thee.

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Dismissal

P Go in peace and serve the Lord!

C **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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A WAY TO SERVE YOUR CONGREGATION? We currently Live-Stream our services to YouTube. This puts our services out on the World Wide Web so they can be enjoyed by everyone. All files are available on our website at www.stpaulsenid.com and click on the Live Stream menu button. We are taking applications for 9:00AM audio techs and video recorders. Everything is supplied and no experience is necessary. On the job training provided. Nothing difficult and very rewarding!! Contact Gerald Nolte for the audio at 237-7163, or Paul Fisher for the Live Stream at 234-5411, or visit with either one of us after service. Thanks! Steve Fisher and Gerald Nolte

NOISY OFFERING: In March we will be collecting for the Holder Hardship Fund. This money is used to assist school families with tuition, lunch, milk, fees, etc. when they are experiencing financial hardship. We currently have \$414 available in this dedicated fund. Thank you for your contributions!

OUTREACH COMMITTEE PROJECT: The Outreach committee needs your help on March 25, at 5:30 PM, prior to the last Lenten service. We are making emergency food boxes for church/school families who may need assistance with food. Pastor will store them at the church and use discretion deciding who anonymously receives the boxes. We will buy the supplies and get the items ready. Your help is needed packing the boxes, writing encouraging notes and storing them for pastor. Funds to support the project will be used from our budget and a Thrivent grant. If you have questions, contact an Outreach committee member.

BLOOD DRIVE: The bloodmobile will be here today, March 8th, from 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM. Please consider donating if you are able.

LWML OKLAHOMA DISTRICT CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS: Special Mite Activity: “Mission Marketplace” is a new feature at convention. We have asked LWML women to share their talents by making crafts, and bringing knitted, crocheted, and hand sewn items. Also, some homemade treats! We encourage you to shop Mission Marketplace knowing all proceeds go to mites. Mission grants for the next biennium will be revealed! For a great time, come to the LWML Oklahoma District Convention, April 17-18, 2026, in Edmond. Information at www.oklwml.org.

PRAYERS

Hospitalized:

Recovering: Beverly Allen, Tim Braley, Brent Coffman, Bud Durham, Cindy Fischaber, Mike Helberg, Betty Herth, Terry Herth, Mike Krienke, Milburn Kroll, Fran Kroll, Ralph Kroll, Sherri Lunday, Don Nobis, Patsy Nobis, Steve Nobis, Kristy Pendleton, Dian Salisbury, Timi Schoeling, Marcella Schroeder, Richard Simpson, Steve Simpson, Jenny Smithson, John Smithson, Loren Wegele (Ruth Lyons' brother)

Cancer Patients: Pat Becker, Jere Courter, Tommy Deterding, Bud Durham, Ed Fulk, Rev. Kenneth Haskell, Judy Helberg, Carolyn LaBrue, Ruth Lyons, Peter Markes (Cindy Fischaber's nephew), Timi Schoeling, Richard Simpson and Sandy Williams

Medical Problems: Steve Allen, David Braley, Cecil Durham, RoAnn Hejna, Mike Helberg, Betty Herth, Mike Krienke, Fran Kroll, Milburn Kroll, Ralph Kroll, Darrell Lauppe (Cathy Breitenkamp's brother), Pat Lemke, Jerry Lichtenberg, Sharyn Mueller, Steve Nobis, Shirleen Otipoby, Rebecca Peters, Todd Sanders, Valera Sheets, Steve Simpson, Kathy Snowden & Brenda Woodford

Prayer Request: Please keep the family and friends of Steve Willis, who passed away, in your prayers. He is in the care of Stittsworth Funeral Home. Service information is not available at this time.

Birthdays: March 9th – Cynthia Allen, Joe Malan & Jane Sutter; March 11th – Gary Parsons & Nancy Peters; March 12th – Megan Albright

Anniversaries: March 11th – Blake & Crystal Dryden; March 12th – Mason & Jenny Grittman

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUN. 03/08

**Third Sunday in Lent
Daylight Saving Time Begins**

9:00 AM Worship
9:30 AM Blood Drive
10:15 AM Sunday School

MON. 03/09

12:30 PM Finance Board
6:00 PM Chancel Circle

TUE. 03/10

9:00 AM Ladies Bible Study
11:00 AM Balance & Strength
6:30 PM Ladies Bible Study
7:00 PM Elders Meeting

WED. 03/11

9:00 AM Chapel
6:30 PM Lenten Worship

THU. 03/12

11:00 AM Balance & Strength
4-10:00 PM Dine Out Texas Roadhouse

FRI. 03/13

7:00 AM Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

SAT. 03/14

SUN. 03/15

**Fourth Sunday in Lent
Communion**

9:00 AM Worship
10:15 AM Sunday School

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Exodus 17:3 – “But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, ‘Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?’” Even the Israelites, who saw miracles with their own eyes, fell into unbelief and fear. From this distance we can see how foolish their worry is. How foolish will our worries appear from the distance of eternity? The Lord cared for them, and He will care for us.