

# St. Paul Lutheran Church of Catonsville



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Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany  
January 28, 2024



If you are a guest with us today, we extend a special welcome in the name of Jesus! If you have questions or prayer requests or want to get in touch with us, please sign the guest book in the lobby (or use this QR code) or email or call.

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**Prelude:** Please use the prelude as a time for quiet prayer and meditation before worship.

**Prayer before Worship:** *O Lord, creator, redeemer, and comforter, I come to worship You in spirit and in truth. Open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. In Jesus name. Amen.*

### **For Those Who Desire to Receive the Lord's Supper**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at St. Paul in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. (Non-alcoholic wine is available in the center of the communion trays.)

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Prelude: Many and Great, O God, Are Your Works: *Lac qui Parle*

Emma Lou Diemer  
(b. 1927)

### Son of God, Eternal Savior

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1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and  
2 As You, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, So may we for  
3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and  
4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and



truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us  
oth - ers live. Free - ly have Your gifts been grant - ed;  
Prince of Peace; Hush the storm of strife and pas - sion,  
truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us



Hal - lows all our hu - man race, You our Head, who, throned in  
Free - ly may Your ser - vants give. Yours the gold and Yours the  
Bid its cru - el dis - cords cease. By Your pa - tient years of  
Hal - lows all our hu - man race: By Your pray - ing, by Your



glo - ry, For Your own will ev - er plead: Fill us with Your  
sil - ver, Yours the wealth of land and sea; We but stew - ards  
toil - ing, By Your si - lent hours of pain, Quench our fe - vered  
will - ing That Your peo - ple should be one, Grant, O grant our



love and pit - y, Heal our wrongs, and help our need.  
of Your boun - ty Held in sol - emn trust will be.  
thirst of plea - sure, Stem our self - ish greed of gain.  
hope's fru - i - tion: Here on earth Your will be done.

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# Confession and Absolution

## Invocation

*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**

## Exhortation

*Psalm 124:8; Psalm 130:3–4; Luke 18:13*

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
C **who made heaven and earth.**

- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

- P Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

## *Kneel/Sit*

### Confession of Sins

- C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

## Absolution

*[John 20:19–23]*

- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**

## *Stand*

# Service of the Word

## Kyrie

*Mark 10:47*



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

## Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

C **Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Sit*

**Bell Choir:** Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow

arr. Mitchell Eithun

There's a star in the East on Christmas morn;  
Rise up, shepherd, and follow;  
It will lead to the place where the Christ was born;  
Rise up, shepherd, and follow.

Follow, follow; Rise up, shepherd, and follow.  
Follow the Star of Bethlehem; Rise up, shepherd, and follow.

Leave your sheep, leave your sheep, and leave your lambs;  
Rise up, shepherd, and follow;  
Leave your ewes and your rams, leave your ewes and rams;  
Rise up, shepherd, and follow.

3 If you take good heed to the angel's words;  
Rise up, shepherd, and follow;  
You'll forget your flocks, you'll forget your herds;  
Rise up, shepherd, and follow.

### Old Testament Reading

*Deuteronomy 18:15–20*

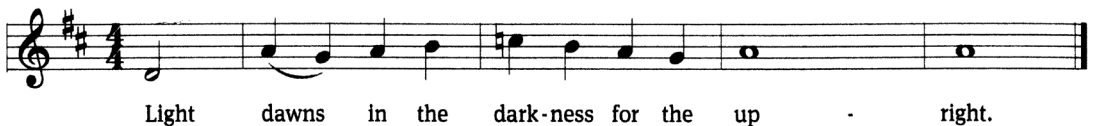
<sup>15</sup>“The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen— <sup>16</sup>just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, ‘Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.’ <sup>17</sup>And the LORD said to me, ‘They are right in what they have spoken. <sup>18</sup>I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. <sup>19</sup>And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. <sup>20</sup>But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.’”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm

*Psalm 112, various*



### Refrain

Blessèd are those who fear the LORD,  
who find great delights in his commands..

Wealth and riches are in their houses,  
and their righteousness endures forever.

### **Refrain**

Surely the righteous will never be shaken;  
they will be remembered forever.

Their hearts are secure, they will have no fear;  
in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.

**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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## **Epistle**

*1 Corinthians 8:1–13*

<sup>1</sup>Concerning food offered to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” This “knowledge” puffs up, but love builds up. <sup>2</sup>If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. <sup>3</sup>But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

<sup>4</sup>Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “an idol has no real existence,” and that “there is no God but one.” <sup>5</sup>For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”— <sup>6</sup>yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

<sup>7</sup>However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. <sup>8</sup>Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. <sup>9</sup>But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. <sup>10</sup>For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol’s temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? <sup>11</sup>And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. <sup>12</sup>Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. <sup>13</sup>Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*  
**Alleluia and Verse**

*John 20:31*



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



**C** These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



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

**Holy Gospel**

*Mark 1:21–28*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

**C** **Glorify to You, O Lord.**

<sup>21</sup>They went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. <sup>22</sup>And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. <sup>23</sup>And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, <sup>24</sup>“What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” <sup>25</sup>But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” <sup>26</sup>And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. <sup>27</sup>And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” <sup>28</sup>And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

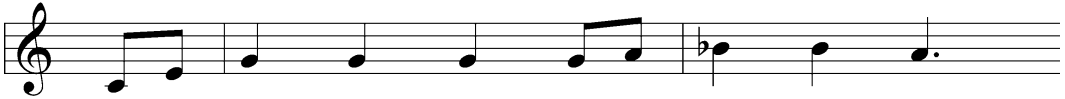
**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**



Sit

# “Away from Us!” the Demon Cried

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1 “A - way from us!” the de - mon cried  
 2 But Je - sus spoke with God’s own pow’r;  
 3 O ris - en Christ, God’s liv - ing Word,  
 4 Drive out the doubt that crip - ples faith;  
 5 Then help us, Lord, to greet each day



When Christ, the Lord, drew near. “Our dark, dis - or - dered  
 “Come forth!” was His com - mand; For e - vil can - not  
 To us, we pray, draw near. Come, speak the truth that  
 Ex - pel our pride and greed. That we, from pow’rs that  
 With hearts and wills made new And, when You call us



world is lost When You, the Light, ap - pear!”  
 bear the Light Nor sin the Truth with - stand.  
 cleans - es sin With love that con - quers fear.  
 threat - en us, May, by Your grace, be freed.  
 forth to serve, To rise and fol - low You.

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## Sermon

Stand

### Nicene Creed

**C I believe in one God,  
 the Father Almighty,  
 maker of heaven and earth  
 and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life T of the world to come. Amen.**

## **Prayer of the Church**

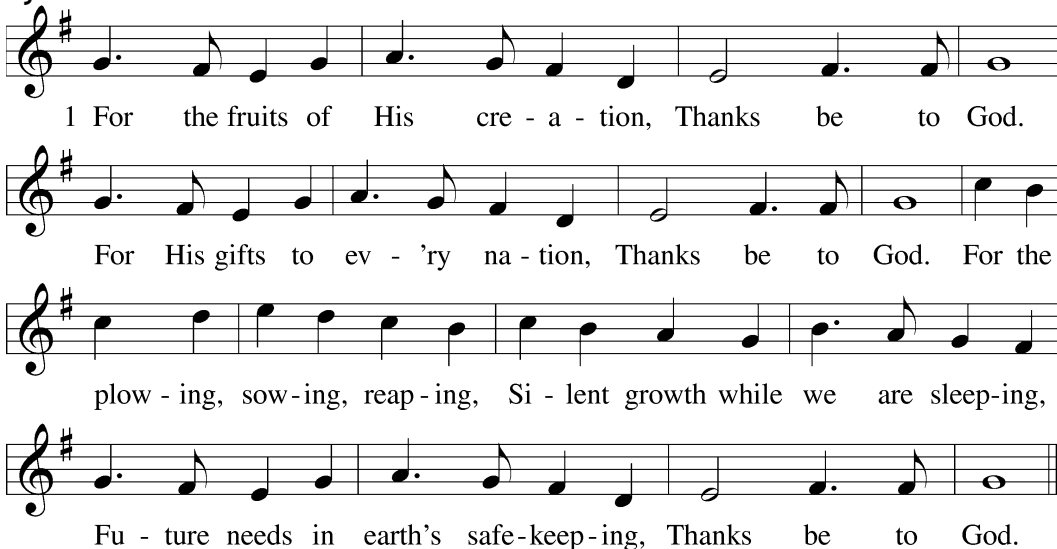
### **Offering**

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## Offertory

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1 For the fruits of His cre - a - tion, Thanks be to God.  
For His gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, Thanks be to God. For the  
plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, Si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,  
Fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, Thanks be to God.

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## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]*

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . . evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san - na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

As the glory of Your presence once filled Your ancient temple, so in the incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You manifested the fullness of Your glory in human flesh.

We give You thanks that in His most Holy Supper You reveal Your glory to us. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood so that we may one day behold Your glory face to face.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## Lord's Prayer

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.**

**The Words of Our Lord**

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

**Pax Domini**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

**Agnus Dei**

*John 1:29*

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,

Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Jesus Comes Today with Healing



1 Je - sus comes to - day with heal - ing, Knock - ing at my  
 2 Christ Him - self, the priest pre - sid - ing, Yet in bread and  
 3 Un - der bread and wine, though low - ly, I re - ceive the  
 4 God de - scends with heav'n - ly pow - er, Gives Him - self to



door, ap - peal - ing, Of - f'ring par - don, grace, and peace.  
 wine a - bid - ing In this ho - ly sac - ra - ment,  
 Sav - ior ho - ly, Blood and bod - y, giv'n for me,  
 me this hour In this or - di - nar - y sign.



He Him - self makes prep - a - ra - tion, And I hear His  
 Gives the bread of life, once bro - ken, And the cup, the  
 Ver - y Lamb of God from heav - en, Who to bit - ter  
 On my tongue His pledge re - ceiv - ing, I ac - cept His



in - vi - ta - tion: "Come and taste the bless - ed feast."  
 pre - cious to - ken Of His sa - cred cov - e - nant.  
 death was giv - en, Hung up - on the curs - ed tree.  
 grace, be - liev - ing That I taste His love di - vine.

5 Let me praise God's boundless favor,  
 Whose own feast of love I savor,  
 Bidden by His gracious call.  
 Wedding garments He provides me,  
 With a robe of white He hides me,  
 Fits me for the royal hall.

6 Now have I found consolation,  
 Comfort in my tribulation,  
 Balm to heal the troubled soul.  
 God, my shield from ev'ry terror,  
 Cleanses me from sin and error,  
 Makes my wounded spirit whole.

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# Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure

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1 Je - sus has come and brings plea - sure e - ter - nal,  
 2 Je - sus has come! Now see bonds rent a - sun - der!  
 3 Je - sus has come as the might - y Re - deem - er.  
 4 Je - sus has come as the King of all glo - ry!



Al - pha, O - me - ga, Be - gin - ning and End;  
 Fet - ters of death now dis - solve, dis - ap - pear.  
 See now the threat - en - ing strong one dis - armed!  
 Heav - en and earth, O de - clare His great pow'r,



God - head, hu - man - i - ty, u - nion su - per - nal,  
 See Him burst through with a voice as of thun - der!  
 Je - sus breaks down all the walls of death's for - tress,  
 Cap - tur - ing hearts with the heav - en - ly sto - ry;



O great Re - deem - er, You come as our friend!  
 He sets us free from our guilt and our fear,  
 Brings forth the pris - 'ners tri - um - phant, un - harmed.  
 Wel - come Him now in this fast - fleet - ing hour!



Heav - en and earth, now pro - claim this great won - der:  
 Lifts us from shame to the place of His hon - or.  
 Sa - tan, you wick - ed one, own now your mas - ter!  
 Pon - der His love! Take the crown He has for you!



Je - sus has come and brings plea - sure e - ter - nal!  
 Je - sus has come! Hear the roll of God's thun - der!  
 Je - sus has come! He, the might - y Re - deem - er!  
 Je - sus has come! He, the King of all glo - ry!

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# May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill

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1 May we Thy pre - cepts, Lord, ful - fill And do on  
 2 So may we join Thy name to bless, Thy grace a -  
 3 Spir - it of life, of love and peace, U - nite our



earth our Fa - ther's will As an - gels do a - bove;  
 dore, Thy pow'r con - fess, From sin and strife to flee.  
 hearts, our joy in - crease, Thy gra - cious help sup - ply.



Still walk in Christ, the liv - ing way, With all Thy  
 One is our call - ing, one our name, The end of  
 To each of us the bless - ing give In Chris - tian



chil - dren and o - bey The law of Chris - tian love.  
 all our hopes the same, A crown of life with Thee.  
 fel - low - ship to live, In joy - ful hope to die.

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## Stand

### Post-Communion Blessing

## Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29–32



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the





glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

### Post-Communion Collect

- A Let us pray. . . .  
C **Amen.**

### Benedicamus

*Psalm 103:1*

- A Let us bless the Lord.  
C **Thanks be to God.**

### Benediction

- P 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 T give you peace.  
C **Amen.**

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## 810 O God of God, O Light of Light

LSB 810



1 O God of God, O Light of Light, O Prince of Peace and  
 2 For deep in proph-ets' sa-cred page, And grand in po-ets'  
 3 That life of truth, those deeds of love, That death so steeped in  
 4 Then raise to Christ a might-y song, And shout His name, His



King of kings: To You in heav-en's glo-ry bright The song of  
 wing-ed word, Slow-ly in type, from age to age The na-tions  
 hate and scorn— These all are past, and now a-bove He reigns, our  
 mer-cies tell! Sing, heav'n-ly host, your praise pro-long, And all on



praise for-ev-er rings. To Him who sits up-on the throne,  
 saw their com-ing Lord; Till through the deep Ju-de-an night  
 King once crowned with thorn. Lift up your heads, O might-y gates!  
 earth, your an-them swell! All hail, O Lamb for sin-ners slain!



The Lamb once slain but raised a-gain, Be all the glo-ry  
 Rang out the song, "Good-will to men!" Sung once by first-born  
 So sang that host be-yond our ken. Lift up your heads, your  
 For-ev-er let the song as-cend! Wor-thy the Lamb, en-



He has won, All thanks and praise! A-men, a-men.  
 sons of light, It ech-oes now, "Good-will!" A-men.  
 King a-waits. We lift them up. A-men, a-men.  
 throned to reign, All glo-ry, pow'r! A-men, a-men.

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## Dismissal

Postlude: Christ Is the World's Light: *Christe sanctorum*David Blackwell  
(b. 1961)

# News & Notes

**Altar Flowers** today are given by Ruth Payne in memory of her husband Tim.

**Thank You** Rev. Dr. Alexey Streltsov, from the Siberian Evangelical Lutheran Church, for sharing God's Word with us this morning.

**Free will offering** for the Siberian Evangelical Lutheran Church will be collected today in the Narthex. We will collect this offering January 28<sup>th</sup>, February 4<sup>th</sup> and February 11<sup>th</sup>. Please make your check out to St. Paul Lutheran and write on the envelope or on the check "Siberia".

## Mission Brunch

Join us for brunch TODAY, after church, in the fellowship hall as we share a time of fellowship and welcome Rev. Dr. Alexey Streltsov who will be our featured speaker.

**Life Sunday** St. Paul will observe Life Sunday next week, February 4<sup>th</sup>. During February we will gather \$25 WalMart gift cards for Women's Center West crisis pregnancy center in Catonsville.

**February Newsletter** has been emailed. Hard copies are available in the narthex.

**Ash Wednesday** is February 14<sup>th</sup>. Services will be at 11 am and 7 pm. The 7 pm service will be a service of Holy Communion.

"A Ransom For Many" is the theme for our Lenten services this year. Stay tuned!

**Out of the Office** Dana will be out of the office until February 7<sup>th</sup>.

## Serving at St. Paul

	<b>This week</b>	<b>Next week</b>
<b>Cantor</b>	Steve Haar	JB Jaeger
<b>Reader</b>	Kate Baeder	Ken Waibel
<b>Usher</b>	Cameron Jones	Don Easton
<b>Usher</b>	Chris Meyer	Bill Oldhouser
<b>Greeter</b>	Karyn Borth	Robbin Dungey
<b>Acolyte</b>	Gretchen Nelson	Rachel Johnson

**Daily Readings:** **Jan 28:** Zech 6:1—7:14, Rom 16:17–27; **Jan 29:** Zech 8:1–23, 2 Tim 1:1–18; **Jan 30:** Zech 9:1–17, 2 Tim 2:1–26; **Jan 31:** Zech 10:1–11:3, 2 Tim 3:1–18; **Feb 1:** Zech 11:4–17, 2 Tim 4:1–18; **Feb 2:** Zech 12:1–13:9, Titus 1:1–2:6; **Feb 3:** Zech 14:1–21, Titus 2:7–3:15.

# Prayer List

## CHURCH MEMBERS

Marilyn Blomster (recovering)  
Bruce Staudinger (injured leg)  
Laurie Dungey (concussion)  
Rik Johnsson (recovering from neck/back surgery)  
David Nguyen (recovering from back surgery)  
Lindsey Gay  
John Gay (cancer)  
Janice Gay (caretaker)  
Debbie Frech (cancer, chemotherapy treatments)  
Marilyn Haberl (scleroderma)



## SHUT-INS

Mildred Klein, Betty Blackburn, and Janet Conklin.

## FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Sara Johns, friend of Erin Fields (diagnosed with stage 4 cancer, rushed to treatment in TX)  
Christian McNeil, a faithful SPLC visitor (blessings as he leaves the Air Force and returns to Texas) 1/21  
Brian Willberger, friend of Carolyn Louden (liver) 1/28  
Tya, St. Paul School lunch delivery lady (heart attack) 1/28  
Michael Murphy, friend of the Borths (bone cancer) 1/21  
Nick Mantzourin, friend of Carolyn Louden (recovering from heart valve replacement surgery)  
Chaplain Eric Malmstrom, friend of the Jaegers 1/21  
Billie-Jean, friend of Sally Foks (pray that surgery would be scheduled soon) 1/7  
Vicky Weyrich, Sister-in-law of LaVerne Kyne (recovering from knee replacement) 1/7  
Sandy Miller, friend of the Kynes (breast cancer) 1/7  
Elsie Cox, friend of the Kynes (congestive heart failure) 1/7  
Walt O'Reilly, husband of Renata (cancer, recovering from radiation therapy) 1/21  
Steve Schafer, father of Alicia Dreessen (skin cancer) 1/21

Prayer is a great gift and privilege for Christians. To add people to the prayer list printed in the bulletin, please email [pastoralms@stpaulcatonsville.org](mailto:pastoralms@stpaulcatonsville.org) or [dana.stigdon@splscatonsville.org](mailto:dana.stigdon@splscatonsville.org) or call the church office at 410-747-1897. Family and friends will automatically be removed after one month. If you want your request to stay on for another month, just contact the office.