

# St. Paul Lutheran Church of Catonsville



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Fifth Sunday in Lent  
March 17, 2024



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**Service Live-streamed In The Learning Center** Turn right when you leave the sanctuary and follow the hall around to The Learning Center if you need a break during the service.

**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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# Fifth Sunday in Lent

## March 17, 2024

**Prelude:** *Ein Lämmlein geht und trägt die Schuld: A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth*

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

### Baptismal Waters Cover Me

LSB 616



1 Bap - tis - mal wa - ters cov - er me As I ap -  
2 I look to Christ up - on the tree, His bod - y  
3 Lord, may Your wound - ed hand im - part Your heal - ing  
4 From Your own mouth comes forth a word; Your shep - herd  
5 Bap - tis - mal wa - ters cov - er me; Christ's wound - ed



proach on bend - ed knee; My Fa - ther's mer - cy  
bro - ken there for me; I lay be - fore Him  
to my bro - ken heart; Your love a - lone can  
speaks, but You are heard; Through him Your hand now  
hand has set me free. Held in my Fa - ther's



here I plead, For griev - ous sins of thought and deed.  
all my sin, My dark - est se - crets from with - in.  
form in me A heart that serves You joy - ful - ly.  
stretch - es out, For - giv - ing sin, de - stroy - ing doubt.  
strong em - brace, With joy I praise Him for His grace.

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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.**

*1 John 1:8–9*

**C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

## Confession of Sins

**C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

[John 20:19–23]

C Amen.

# Service of the Word

Mark 10:47



**A** For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



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



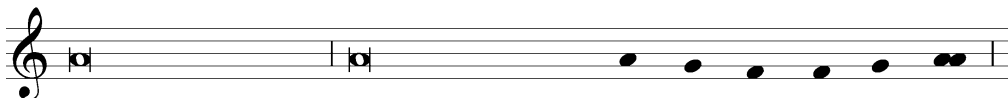
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni - ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



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



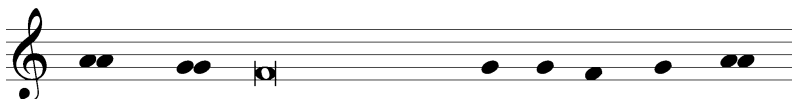
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



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



**A** Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

*Hymn of Praise is omitted during Lent.*

## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

**C** **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** A - men.

*Sit*

**Anthem:** *God So Loved the World from The Crucifixion*

Sir John Stainer  
(1840-1901)

God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son,  
that who-so believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world,  
but that the world through Him might be saved.

## Old Testament Reading

*Jeremiah 31:31–34*

<sup>31</sup>“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, <sup>32</sup>not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD.

<sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I

will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm** (*chanted responsively*)

*Psalm 116:1-4,8 antiphon: v.4*

I love the Lord, because | he has heard\*

**my voice and my pleas for | mercy.**

Because he inclined his | ear to me,\*

**therefore I will call on him as long | as I live.**

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid | hold on me;\*

**I suffered distress and | anguish.**

Then I called on the name | of the Lord:\*

**"O Lord, I pray, deliv- | er my soul!"**

For you have delivered my | soul from death,\*

**my eyes from tears, my feet from | stumbling.**

**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.**

I love the Lord, because | he has heard\*

**my voice and my pleas for | mercy.**

### **Epistle**

*Hebrews 5:1-10*

<sup>1</sup>Every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup>He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. <sup>3</sup>Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. <sup>4</sup>And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

<sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

“You are my Son,  
today I have begotten you”;

<sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,  
after the order of Melchizedek.”

<sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. <sup>9</sup>And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*  
**Lenten Verse**

*Joel 2:13*



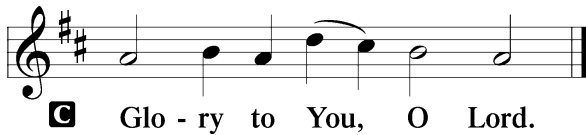
Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and  
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in  
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.



## Holy Gospel

Mark 10:32–45

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



<sup>32</sup>And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, <sup>33</sup>saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. <sup>34</sup>And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise."

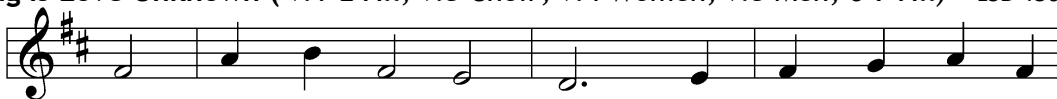
<sup>35</sup>And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." <sup>38</sup>Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" <sup>39</sup>And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." <sup>41</sup>And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. <sup>42</sup>And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. <sup>43</sup>But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



*Sit*

**My Song Is Love Unknown ( v.1-2 All, v.3 Choir, v.4 Women, v.5 Men, 6-7 All) LSB 430**



1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to  
 2 He came from His blest throne Sal - va - tion to be -  
 3 Some-times they strew His way And His sweet prais - es  
 4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might love - ly  
 stow; But men made strange, and none The longed - for Christ would  
 sing; Re - sound - ing all the day Ho - san - nas to their  
 spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake  
 know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in - deed,  
 King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" Is all their breath,  
 sight. Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these



My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?  
 Who at my need His life did spend!  
 And for His death They thirst and cry.  
 Them-selves dis - please And 'gainst Him rise.

5 They rise and needs will have  
 My dear Lord made away;  
 A murderer they save,  
 The Prince of Life they slay.  
 Yet cheerful He  
 To suff'ring goes  
 That He His foes  
 From thence might free.

6 In life no house, no home  
 My Lord on earth might  
 have;  
 In death no friendly tomb  
 But what a stranger gave.  
 What may I say?  
 Heav'n was His home  
 But mine the tomb  
 Wherein He lay.

7    Here might I stay and sing,  
      No story so divine!  
Never was love, dear King,  
      Never was grief like Thine.  
This is my friend,  
      In whose sweet praise  
      I all my days  
      Could gladly spend!

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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 of the world to come. Amen.**

## Prayer of the Church

## Offering

*(An offering plate is available in the narthex. You may also give electronically via this QR code or through our website at [stpaulcatonsville.org/donation](http://stpaulcatonsville.org/donation). If you would like to send in an electronic offering via text, text the dollar amount you would like to give to 410-888-0161.)*



## Offertory

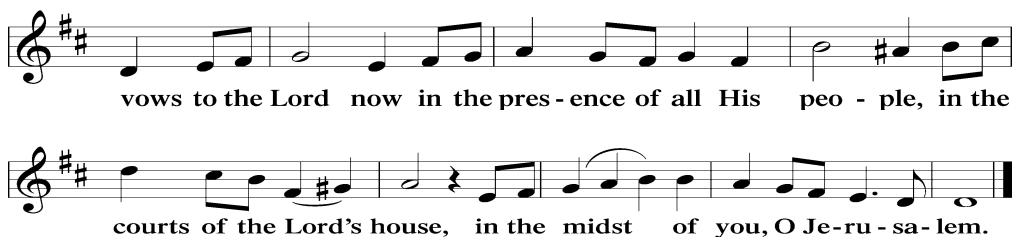
*Psalms 116:12–13, 17–19*

 **C** What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to

 me? I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will

 call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal -

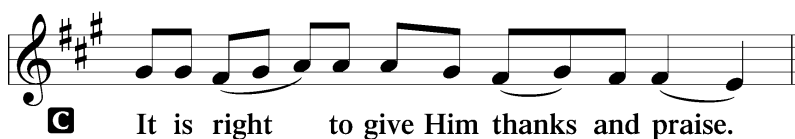
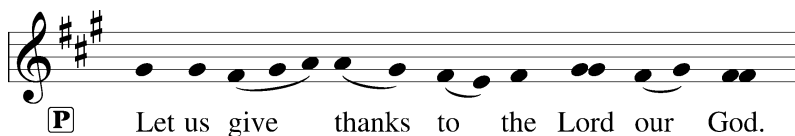
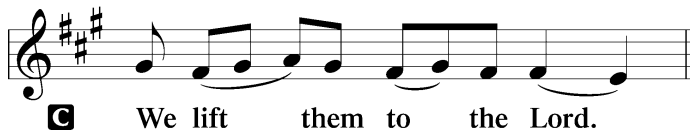
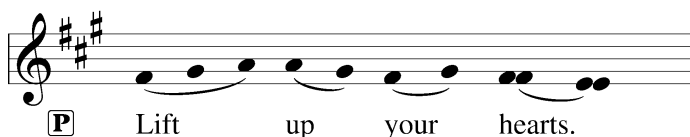
 va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

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



## Proper Preface

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

## Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of  
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name  
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

## 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.

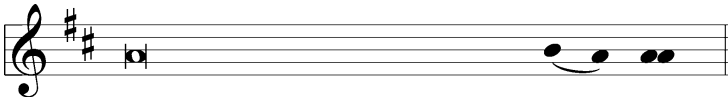
## The Words of Our Lord

**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

*John 20:19*



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

# Agnus Dei

John 1:29

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

## Sit

### Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed

LSB 560

1 Drawn to the cross, which Thou hast blessed With heal-ing  
 2 Thou know-est all my griefs and fears, Thy grace a-  
 3 Wash me and take a-way each stain; Let noth-ing  
 4 And then for work to do for Thee, Which shall so  
 gifts for souls dis-tressed, To find in Thee my  
 busied, my mis-spent years; Yet now to Thee with  
 of my sin re-main. For cleans-ing, though it  
 sweet a ser-vice be That an-gels well might





life, my rest, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.  
 con - trite tears, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.  
 be through pain, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.  
 en - vy me, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.

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## Jesus, I Will Ponder Now

LSB 440



1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now On Your ho - ly pas - sion;  
 2 Make me see Your great dis - tress, An - guish, and af - flic - tion,  
 3 Yet, O Lord, not thus a - lone Make me see Your pas - sion,  
 4 Grant that I Your pas - sion view With re - pen - tant griev - ing.



With Your Spir - it me en - dow For such med - i - ta - tion.  
 Bonds and stripes and wretch - ed - ness And Your cru - ci - fix - ion;  
 But its cause to me make known And its ter - mi - na - tion.  
 Let me not bring shame to You By un - ho - ly liv - ing.



Grant that I in love and faith May the im - age cher - ish  
 Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails did wound You,  
 Ah! I al - so and my sin Wrought Your deep af - flic - tion;  
 How could I re - fuse to shun Ev - 'ry sin - ful plea - sure

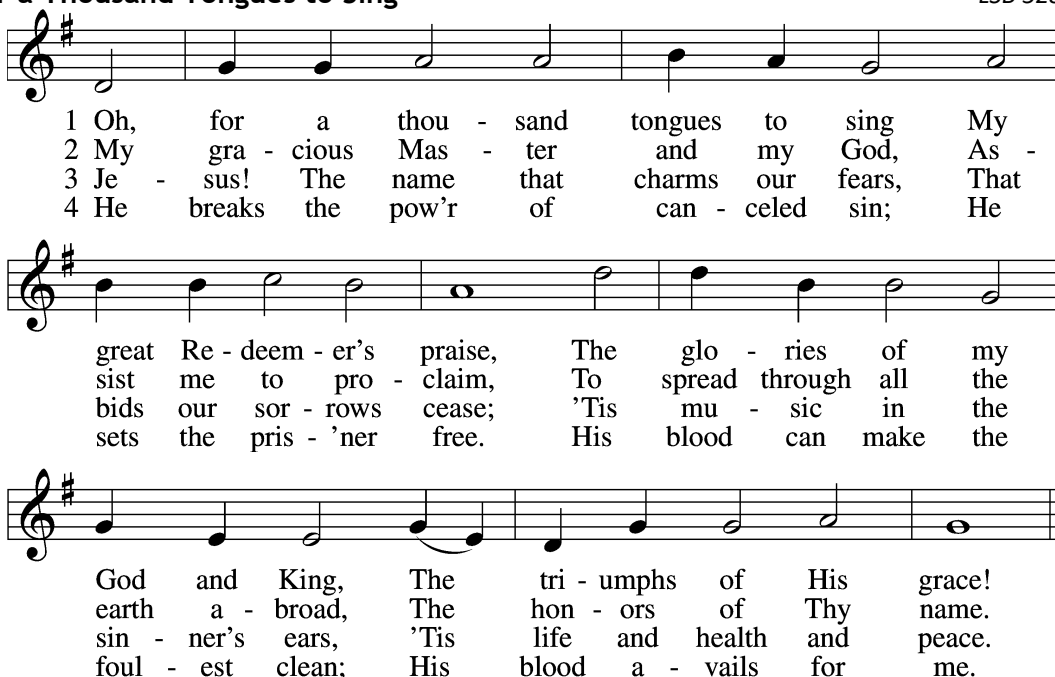


Of Your suf - f'ring, pain, and death That I may not per - ish.  
 How for them You died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned You.  
 This in - deed the cause has been Of Your cru - ci - fix - ion.  
 Since for me God's on - ly Son Suf - fered with - out mea - sure?

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## Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

LSB 528



1 Oh, for a thou - sand tongues to sing My  
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, As -  
 3 Je - sus! The name that charms our fears, That  
 4 He breaks the pow'r of can - celed sin; He

great Re - deem - er's praise, The glo - ries of my  
 sist me to pro - claim, To spread through all the  
 bids our sor - rows cease; 'Tis mu - sic in the  
 sets the pris - 'ner free. His blood can make the

God and King, The tri - umphs of His grace!  
 earth a - broad, The hon - ors of Thy name.  
 sin - ner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.  
 foul - est clean; His blood a - vails for me.

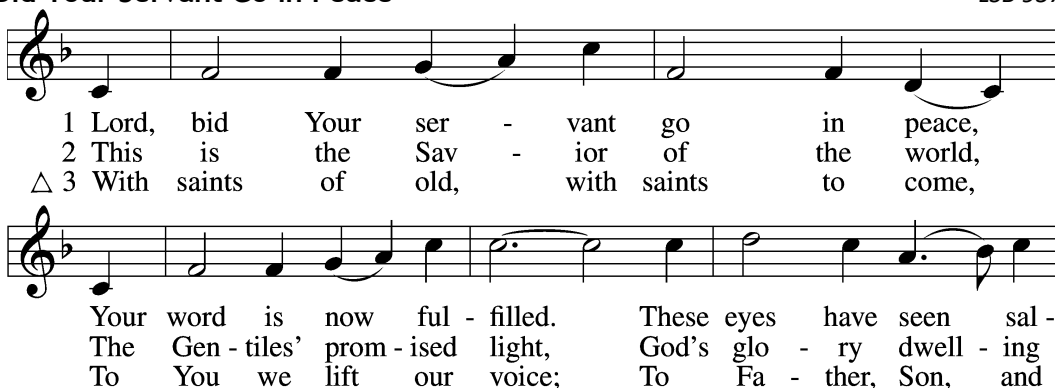
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## Stand

### Post-Communion Blessing

## Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace

LSB 937



1 Lord, bid Your ser - vant go in peace,  
 2 This is the Sav - ior of the world,  
 △ 3 With saints of old, with saints to come,

Your word is now ful - filled. These eyes have seen sal -  
 The Gen - tiles' prom - ised light, God's glo - ry dwell - ing  
 To You we lift our voice; To Fa - ther, Son, and



va - tion's dawn, This child so long fore - told.  
 in our midst, The joy of Is - ra - el.  
 Spir - it blest Be hon - or, love, and praise.

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## Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

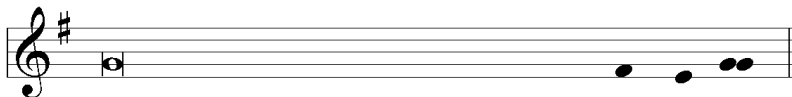
C We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Benediction

*Numbers 6:24–26*



**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 ✠ give you peace.



**C** A - men.

# 575 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

LSB 575



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus'  
 2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on  
 3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood Sup - port me  
 4 When He shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, may I



blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my  
 His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and  
 in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly  
 then in Him be found, Clothed in His righ - teous -



own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
 storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
 prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.  
 ness a - lone, Re - deemed to stand be - fore His throne!

*Refrain*



On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

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## Dismissal

**Postlude:** *Wir Danken Dir, Herr Jesu Christ:* BWV 623: To Thee, Lord Jesu, Thanks We Give

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

*To Thee, Lord Jesus, thanks we give, Who died for us, that we might live,  
 And through Thy holy precious blood hast made us righteous before God.*



## Serving at St. Paul

	This week	Next week
<b>Cantor</b>	Jim Baeder	Jim Baeder
<b>Reader</b>	Dasha Frech	Kate Baeder
<b>Usher</b>	Brian Erwin	Kevin Dungey
<b>Usher</b>	Jay Barringer	Taylor Dimgey
<b>Greeter</b>	Karyn Borth	Bruce Staudinger
<b>Acolyte</b>	Joshua Unglesbee	Danny McKay

## Daily Readings:

Sunday	Mar 17:	Ex 1:1–22, Mark 14:12–31
Monday	Mar 18:	Ex 2:1–22, Mark 14:32–52
Tuesday	Mar 19:	Ex 2:23—3:22, Mark 14:53–72
Wednesday	Mar 20:	Ex 4:1–18, Mark 15:1–15
Thursday	Mar 21:	Ex 4:19–31, Mark 15:16–32
Friday	Mar 22:	Ex 5:1—6:1, Mark 15:33–47
Saturday	Mar 23:	Ex 7:1–25, Mark 16:1–20

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# News & Notes

## Altar Flowers

Flowers today are given by Jim and Janet Lister in celebration of their birthdays.

## Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday, March 24, 10 a.m.

Maundy Thursday March 28, 7 p.m. with Lord's Supper

Good Friday, March 29, 7 p.m.

Easter Sunrise, March 31, 7 a.m.

Resurrection of Our Lord Festival Worship, March 31, 10 a.m. with Lord's Supper

## EASTER INVITE CARDS

Invite cards are available in the Narthex. Take one and invite someone to Easter at St. Paul!

## Food Drive for Catonsville Emergency Assistance (CEA)

During March the St. Paul community (church and school) is collecting nonperishable food items for CEA, a local organization that serves greater Catonsville residents with emergency food and utility turn-off intervention. Lists of food accepted are in the newsletter and on the donation table across from the Women's Restroom. They have current urgent needs for: Jelly, Dry Soup, Rice, Baking Mixes, Oatmeal, Canned Meats, Spaghetti Sauce, Pasta, Pasta/Rice Side Dishes.

## Adult Education, Sunday Mornings in April

April 7 – "Ask the Pastor (Almost) Anything" – Bring your questions for Pastor Alms. Theology, Bible, church, worship, etc. *\_Almost\_* anything!

April 14 -- "Dana and Stan Missionary Presentation"

April 21 through May 26th -- "Christian Perspectives on War" -- led by Bill Oldhouser -- Learn and discuss what a Christian perspective on war is. How has the church dealt with military conflicts between nations? Is it proper for Christians to fight as soldiers? What is just war? What is pacifism? We will consider these and other questions.

April 21 through May 26: "*Meant for Good – A Study of Joseph*" Women's Bible study resumes.

## "A Ransom For Many"

is the theme for our Lenten services this year. We are meditating on the story of Christ's suffering and death as told in the Gospel of Mark, chapters 14-15. Join us Wednesday, at 11 am or 7 pm.

## Special Mission Presentation

On April 14<sup>th</sup> during the Bible Study Hour, Sunday morning at 8:45, missionaries Stan and Dana Stigdon will be giving us an overview of LCMS Missions around the world and specifically a presentation on the work of the Lord happening in the Latin America and Caribbean Region. They will share about their call to serve as LCMS missionaries in the Dominican Republic.

## Easter Egg Hunt

Our community Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, March 30, from 10am - Noon. Children and their families will hear the Easter Gospel at three 'Resurrection Egg Trunks', and then the children will hunt for candy-filled eggs and prizes. Volunteers are needed! A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board with many opportunities to participate. The Easter Egg Hunt *candy collection bin* is now in the foyer. We need to fill 2,000 eggs! Your donations are much appreciated. Contact Karyn Borth for more information. <http://stpaulcatonsville.org>



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## VBS

Join the St. Paul VBS team as we get ready to scuba dive into friendship with God this summer, June 24th - 28th from 9am to 12pm. Your help and support are needed with this exciting experience to help kids praise God and learn about the fin-tastic things He does. If you are willing and able to serve this year, please follow the QR code to fill out Volunteer Registration or call Kirsten Hall.



## Lutheran Books and Beer

Meeting for March is Thursday \_the 21st\_ at 7 p.m. at the Rathskellar in Elkridge. Our normal 4th Thursday is Maundy Thursday so we are meeting one week early. We will tackle Chapter 8 of our book *I Am Not Afraid*, dealing with exorcism and Satan and demons in the Gospels.

**Museum of the Bible** - Save the date for our congregation trip on Saturday, April 20th. Our group ticket price is \$22/person, which includes all general admission exhibits plus one private group tour. Sign up sheet coming soon! Visit the MOTB website to learn more about this amazing experience. ([museumofthebible.org](http://museumofthebible.org))

# Prayer List

## **CHURCH MEMBERS**

Norm Giguere (recovering from heart attack)  
Bill Beggs and family for the loss of Pat Chinn  
Marilyn Blomster (recovering)  
Laurie Dungey (concussion)  
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**

Tom Adler, father of Doreen McDonald (hospitalized) 3/17  
Rupert, infant cousin of John & Karyn Borth (recovering from infection) 3/10  
Billie Jean, friend of Rich and Sally Foks (recovering from surgery) 3/10  
Bille Schrott, friend of the Kynes (hospitalized) 3/3  
Joe Byer, future father-in-law of Rachel Krakat (healing after car accident) 2/25  
Walt O'Reilly, husband of Renata (cancer, recovering from radiation therapy) 2/21  
Steve Schafer, father of Alicia Dreessen (skin cancer) 2/21

Prayer is a great gift and privilege for Christians. To add people to the prayer list printed in the bulletin, please email [pastorals@stpaulcatonsville.org](mailto:pastorals@stpaulcatonsville.org) or [linda.jones@splscatonsville.org](mailto:linda.jones@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.