

# St. Paul Lutheran Church of Catonsville



The Holy Trinity

May 26, 2024



If you are a guest with us today, we welcome you 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.



**Give thanks to the Lord** for He is good! Thanks for joining us in worship this morning.

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

### **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: *Gott der Vater wohn uns bei*: God, the Father, Stay With Us

Dietrich Buxtehude  
(c. 1637-1707)

Holy, Holy, Holy

LSB 507



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore Thee,  
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide Thee,  
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;  
Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see,  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,  
On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
Which wert and art and ev - er - more shalt be.  
Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.  
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

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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

*1 John 1:8–9*

- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

## *Kneel/Sit*

## Confession of Sins

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
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.**

## 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

## Introit (chanted responsively)

*Psalm 16:8–10; antiphon: Liturgical Text*

Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided | Unity.\*

**Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mer- | cy to us.**

I have set the LORD always be- | fore me;\*

**because he is at my right hand, I shall not be | shaken.**

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being re- | joices;\*

**my flesh also | dwells secure.**

For you will not abandon my soul | to Sheol,\*

**or let your holy one see cor- | ruption.**

**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.**

Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided | Unity.\*

**Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mer- | cy to us**

## Kyrie

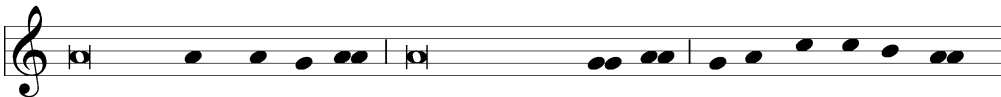
*Mark 10:47*



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



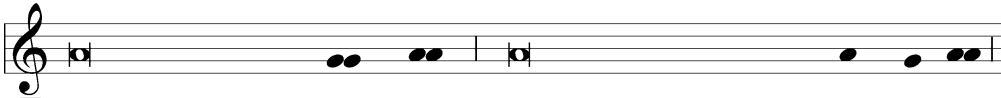
**G** Lord, have mer - cy.



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



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



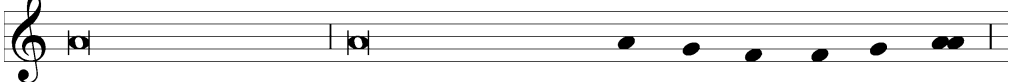
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



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



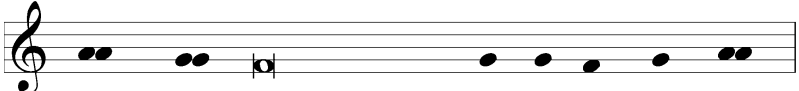
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise



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

*Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9*



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



**C** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be people of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are His.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,

for the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign.

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

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

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

**P** Let us pray.

**C** Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever.

**C** A - men.

*Sit*

### Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 6:1-8*

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died I saw <sup>1</sup>the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory!”

<sup>4</sup>And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. <sup>7</sup>And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

<sup>8</sup>And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here am I! Send me.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual (*spoken responsively*)

*Psalms 145:3, 5b, 6b*

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,  
**and his greatness is unsearchable.**

On your wondrous works, I will meditate,  
**and I will declare your greatness.**

### Second Reading

*Acts 2:14a, 22–36*

<sup>14</sup>Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . .

<sup>22</sup>“Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— <sup>23</sup>this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. <sup>24</sup>God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. <sup>25</sup>For David says concerning him,

“I saw the Lord always before me,  
for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;

<sup>26</sup>therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;  
my flesh also will dwell in hope.

<sup>27</sup>For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,  
or let your Holy One see corruption.

<sup>28</sup>You have made known to me the paths of life;  
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

<sup>29</sup>“Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. <sup>30</sup>Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, <sup>31</sup>he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. <sup>32</sup>This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. <sup>33</sup>Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. <sup>34</sup>For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

“The Lord said to my Lord,  
 Sit at my right hand,  
<sup>35</sup>until I make your enemies your footstool.’

<sup>36</sup>Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

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

*Stand*

**Alleluia and Verse**

*John 6:68*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**Holy Gospel**

*John 3:1-17*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.

Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.”

<sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. <sup>6</sup>That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

<sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? <sup>11</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



*Sit*



# Alleluia! Let Praises Ring

LSB 822



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! To God the Fa -  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! Un - to the Lamb  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! Un - to the Ho -  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! Un - to our tri -



ther let us bring Our songs of ad - o - ra - tion.  
 of God we sing, In whom we are e - lect - ed.  
 ly Ghost we sing For our re - gen - er - a - tion.  
 une God we sing; Blest be His name for - ev - er!



To Him through ev - er - last - ing days Be wor - ship, hon -  
 He bought His Church with His own blood, He cleansed her in  
 The sav - ing faith in us He wrought And us un - to  
 With an - gel hosts let us a - dore And sing His prais -



or, pow'r, and praise, Whose hand sus - tains cre - a - tion.  
 that bless - ed flood, And as His bride se - lect - ed.  
 the Bride - groom brought, Made us His cho - sen na - tion.  
 es ev - er - more For all His grace and fa - vor!



Sing - ing, ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly Is our u - nion And com - mu - nion.  
 Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Joy e - ter - nal, Bliss su - per - nal;  
 Sing - ing, ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;



Spread the sto - ry Of our God, the Lord of glo - ry.  
 His be - friend - ing Gives us joy and peace un - end - ing.  
 There is man - na And an end - less, glad ho - san - na.  
 Spread the sto - ry Of our God, the Lord of glo - ry!

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## Sermon

### Stand

#### Athanasian Creed

Early in the fourth century, a new teaching appeared which claimed that Jesus was not true God. Arius, the north African priest who first proposed this theory, was extremely persuasive, and soon the controversy was so widespread that a church council was called to settle the matter. Out of that meeting in A.D. 325 came the Nicene Creed, which clearly confesses Jesus to be true God. That creed, which was expanded in A.D. 381 in order to defend the divinity of the Holy Spirit, is still widely used today as a confession of the triune faith. Despite the clarity of the Nicene Creed, the controversy continued for some time. Toward the end of the fifth century, another creed was written that marveled at the mystery of the Trinity in a way that no creed had ever done. Though attributed to Athanasius, a fourth-century opponent of Arius, this anonymous creed clearly came at a later stage in the debate. The Athanasian Creed proclaims that its teachings concerning the Holy Trinity and our Lord's incarnation are the catholic faith. In other words, this is what the true church of all times and all places has confessed. More than 15 centuries later, the church continues to confess this truth, confident that the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, has given himself for our salvation.

L       Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic\* faith.

C       **Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.**

L       And the catholic faith is this,

C       **that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.**

L       For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.

C       **But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.**

L       Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:

C       **the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;**

L       the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;

C       **the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.**

L       And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,

C       **just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinites, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.**

L       In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;

C       **and yet there are not three Almighty, but one Almighty.**

L       So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;

C       **and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.**

L       So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;

C **and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.**

L Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord,

C **so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.**

L The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.

**Men: The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.**

**Women: The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.**

L Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

**Men: And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;**

**Women: but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.**

**All: Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.**

L But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.**

**Men: He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages;**

**Women: and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age:**

**All: perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;**

L equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.

**Men: Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:**

**Women one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God;**

**All: one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.**

L For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,

C **who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,**

L ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

C **At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.**

- L And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.
- C **This is the catholic\* faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.**

\*universal, Christian

## 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

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Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our  
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were  
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the  
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we  
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and  
give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

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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 al-so 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.

## Proper Preface

**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, 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

Matthew 6:9-13

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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.**

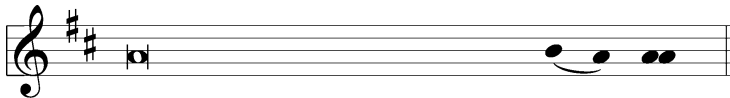
## The Words of Our Lord

**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;

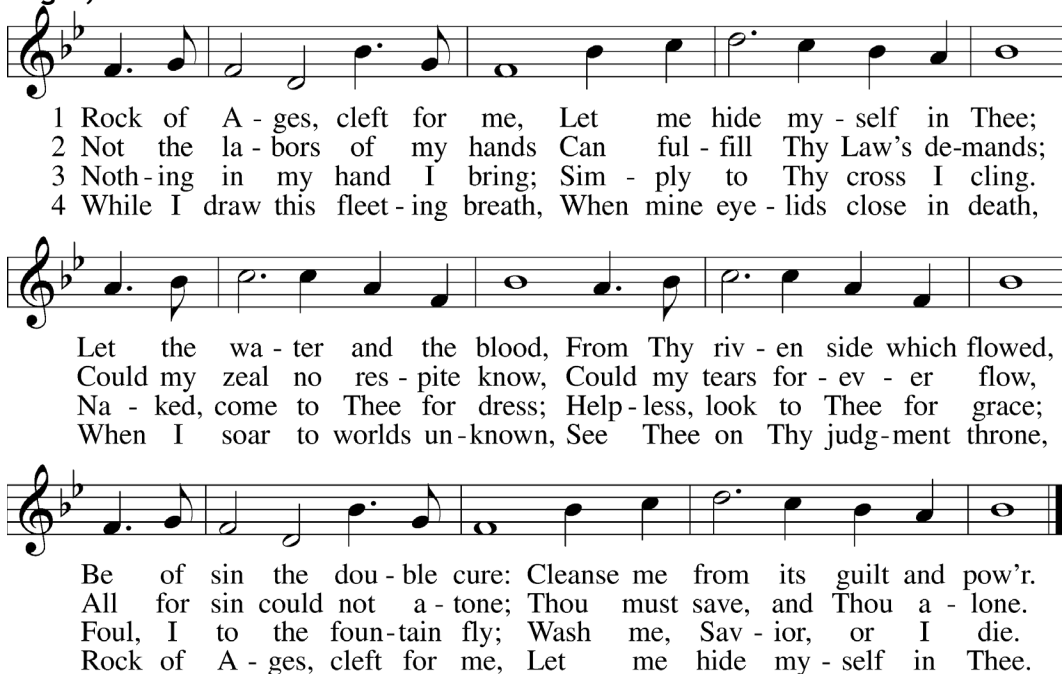


have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
 sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of  
 God, You take a-way the sin of the world;  
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

*Sit*

**Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me**

*LSB 761*



1 Rock of A-ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my-self in Thee;  
 2 Not the la-bors of my hands Can ful-fill Thy Law's de-mands;  
 3 Noth-ing in my hand I bring; Sim-ply to Thy cross I cling.  
 4 While I draw this fleet-ing breath, When mine eye-lids close in death,  
 Let the wa-ter and the blood, From Thy riv-en side which flowed,  
 Could my zeal no res-pite know, Could my tears for-ev-er flow,  
 Na-ked, come to Thee for dress; Help-less, look to Thee for grace;  
 When I soar to worlds un-known, See Thee on Thy judg-ment throne,  
 Be of sin the dou-ble cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.  
 All for sin could not a-tone; Thou must save, and Thou a-lone.  
 Foul, I to the foun-tain fly; Wash me, Sav-ior, or I die.  
 Rock of A-ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my-self in Thee.

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## God Loved the World So That He Gave

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1 God loved the world so that He gave His on - ly  
 2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, Who was made  
 3 God would not have the sin - ner die; His Son with  
 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son For - gives all  
 5 If you are sick, if death is near, This truth your



Son the lost to save, That all who would in  
 flesh and suf - fered death; All then who trust in  
 sav - ing grace is nigh; His Spir - it in the  
 sins which you have done; And, jus - ti - fied by  
 trou - bled heart can cheer: Christ Je - sus saves your



Him be - lieve Should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.  
 Him a - lone Are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.  
 Word de - clares How we in Christ are heav - en's heirs.  
 Je - sus' blood, Your Bap - tism grants the high - est good.  
 soul from death; That is the firm - est ground of faith.

Text: Heiliges Lippen- und Hertzens-Opfer, c. 1778, Stettin; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt. Tune: George J. Elvey, 1816–93 Text and tune: Public domain

## Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

LSB 802



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
 3 To all life Thou giv - est— to both great and small—  
 4 Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,



In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
 Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;  
 In all life Thou liv - est, the true Life of all;  
 Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight;



Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
 Thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
 We blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree  
 All laud we would ren - der: O help us to see



Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.  
 Thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 And with - er and per - ish— but naught chang - es Thee.  
 'Tis on - ly the splen - dor of light that hides Thee.

Text: W. Chalmers Smith, 1824–1908, alt. Tune: Welsh Text and tune: Public domain

**Stand**

**Post-Communion Blessing**

**Post-Communion Canticle**

*[Psalm 105:1–3, 42–43]; [1 Chronicles 16:8–10]*



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev - 'ry-one what



He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -



joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re - calls His prom - is -



es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -



giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Post-Communion Collect

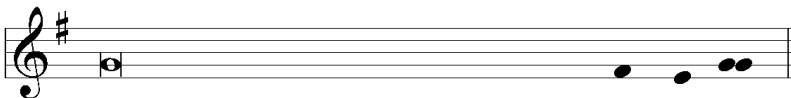
A Let us pray...



**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.

## Glory Be to God the Father

*LSB 506*



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to  
 2 Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each  
 3 Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, Glo - ry to the  
 4 Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal! Thus the choir of



God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:  
 spot and stain; Glo - ry be to Him who bought us,  
 Church's King, Glo - ry to the King of na - tions;  
 an - gels sings; Hon - or, rich - es, pow'r, do - min - ion!



Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,  
 Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,  
 Heav'n and earth, your prais - es bring! Glo - ry,  
 Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings. Glo - ry,



glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!  
glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!  
glo - ry To the King of glo - ry sing!  
glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

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## Dismissal

**Postlude:** *Allein Gott in der Höh sei Her: All Glory Be to God on High*  
Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau  
(1663-1712)  
Andreas Nikolaus Vetter  
(1666-1734)



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# News & Notes

## **Altar Flowers**

Flowers today are given by The Women's Guild. Thank you.

## **Tackling Tough Theological Problems**

Pastor Alms will take your questions in Sunday Morning Bible Class (ask the pastor almost anything!). He will also look at some difficult questions like: Why are some people saved and not others? Why did God command the Israelites to slaughter other nations? Where is the evidence for the Trinity in the Bible? June 2nd and 9th starting at 8:45 am.

## **Graduate Recognition - June 9th.**

If you or your student is graduating high school or college we would like to recognize them. If you can send an email to [linda.jones@splscatonsville.org](mailto:linda.jones@splscatonsville.org) with a paragraph about your student's accomplishments and future plans we can include that information on June 9th. Please have this information to us by Tuesday June 4th.

## **Children's Sunday School is on Vacation**

Sunday school is off for the summer. Thank you to the teachers and substitutes who serve our kids. Sunday school will resume in September!

## **4th Annual Memorial Day Commemoration at St Paul Lutheran cemetery**

On Memorial Day (27<sup>th</sup>) at 10:00 am, at St Paul Lutheran Cemetery, we will have a special commemoration for all the war veterans that are buried there. Pastor Alms will offer prayers and Paul Lubell will talk about the origins and meaning of the holiday. All war veterans' graves will be decorated with American flags and we will have a live rendition of "Taps" plus much more. Cemetery is 1022 Joh Ave in Baltimore.

## **Coffee Fellowship Hour**

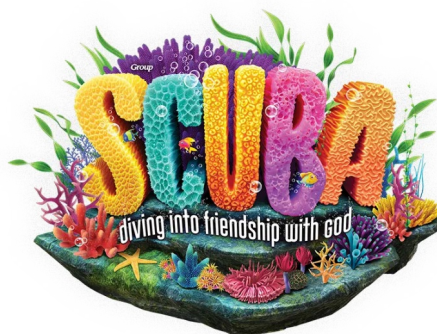
Volunteers are needed for our Coffee Fellowship Hour ministry for the months of June and July. If you are willing for either one of these months, please sign up. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve the Lord and others.

## **The Congregation is invited to the Baptism of Mariela Richardson**

Mariela is a third grader at our elementary school. She and her parents have completed baptismal preparation. She will be baptized at the school chapel service on May 31st at 9am.

## Vacation Bible School

Join us this summer as we dive into friendship with God! Scuba VBS is June 24th - 28th at 9am-12pm Register your child (ages 3 years old - 5th grade) for this fin-tastic adventure on our website at [stpaulcatonsville.org/annual-vacation-bible-school](http://stpaulcatonsville.org/annual-vacation-bible-school). Invite your neighbors, friends and acquaintances! If you want to serve as a volunteer, or know someone who is willing, contact Kirsten Hall at [kirsten.hall@splscatonsville.org](mailto:kirsten.hall@splscatonsville.org) There are many ways to get involved. Hope to SEA you there! Any questions, contact Kirsten Hall at [kirsten.hall@splscatonsville.org](mailto:kirsten.hall@splscatonsville.org)



## Serving at St. Paul

|                | <b>This Week 26th</b> | <b>Next week 2nd</b> |
|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Cantor</b>  | JB Jaeger             | Jim Baeder           |
| <b>Reader</b>  | Kate Baeder           | Ken Waibel           |
| <b>Usher</b>   | Kevin Dungey          | Ken Waibel           |
| <b>Usher</b>   | Taylor Dungey         | Chris Meyer          |
| <b>Greeter</b> | Pat Wesselman         | Irene Giguere        |
| <b>Acolyte</b> | Rachel Johnson        | Paul Baeder          |

## Daily Readings

|                   |                             |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| Holy Trinity Sun. | Num 35:9–30, Luke 24:28–53  |
| May 27            | Eccl 4:1–16, John 7:32–53   |
| May 28            | Eccl 5:1–20, John 8:1–20    |
| May 29            | Eccl 6:1–7:10, John 8:21–38 |
| May 30            | Eccl 7:11–29, John 8:39–59  |
| May 31            | Eccl 8:1–17, John 9:1–23    |
| June 01           | Eccl 9:1–17, John 9:24–41   |

# Prayer List



## **CHURCH MEMBERS**

Lindsey Gay (continuing treatment)  
Norm Giguere (recovering from heart attack)  
Marilyn Blomster (recovering)  
Laurie Dungey (concussion)  
David Nguyen (recovering from back surgery)  
Debbie Frech (cancer, chemotherapy treatments)  
Marilyn Haberl (scleroderma)

## **SHUT-INS**

Mildred Klein, Betty Blackburn, and Janet Conklin.

## **FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

Mary Hostetter, recovering from surgery (mother of Renata O'Reilly) 4/28  
Eero Haasmaa, recovering from eye surgery (Sari Nguyen's Dad) 5/19  
Bill Schrott, in rehab (friend of the Kynes) 5/12  
Cooper McGeath USMC, friend of Heather Krakat during his deployment 4/28  
Chaplain Eric Malmstrom - recovering from hospitalization – (friend of the Jaegers) 4/28  
Phillip Heinrich, recently diagnosed with cancer (grandson of Linda Klingmeyer)  
Jim Vandetta, praying that cancer may go into remission (friend of Paul Lubell) 4/21

## **PRAISE NOTES**

Thanksgiving for the birth of Charles Henry Rudy, born Saturday May 18th. Charles is the son of Katie and Jonathan Rudy and the grandson of Pastor and Suzanne Alms.

Karol Pearce, friend of the Kynes (has recovered from a stroke)

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 [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.

