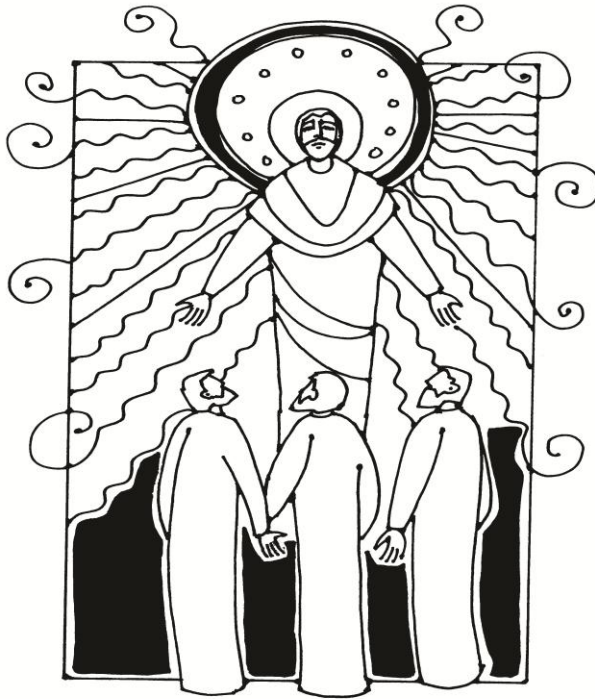


# St. Paul Lutheran Church of Catonsville



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The Transfiguration of Our Lord  
February 15, 2026

# Welcome

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.



**Welcome to all!** Thanks for joining us this morning.

**Children’s bulletins and church bags** (soft activity books, quiet toys and other “surprises”) are available in the narthex.

**The Children’s Nursery Area** is available downstairs in the Parish Hall. The service streams on the monitor and there is a soft rug, chairs, books and toys available. Turn right out of the sanctuary and go down the stairs.

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

**Prayer request cards are available in the pews facing you.** You may give the card to an usher or place in the offering plate.

## **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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# The Transfiguration of Our Lord

## February 15, 2026

Prelude:

Oh, Wondrous Type! Oh, Vision Fair

Stephen Gabrielson

(1939-2013)

Stand

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.

Text: John Julian, 1839–1913, alt. Tune: Johann Störks . . . Schlag-Gesang- Und Noten-Buch, 1744, Stuttgart Text and tune: Public domain

# Confession and Absolution

## Invocation

*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  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*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination*

## Confession of Sins

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

## Prayer for Forgiveness

**P** Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**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



**C** 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** O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

**Anthem:**

Go Up to the Mountain of God

Michael Helman  
(b. 1956)

Go up to the mountain of God where Christ transfigured shines as the morning star.

Gaze in awe and wonder upon the beauty of Jesus the Lord: Alleluia.

Go up to the mountain of God and speak with prophets Moses, Elijah.

Join with all the angels and saints in praising the incarnate Word: Alleluia.

Go up to the mountain of God and hear the loving Father proclaiming:

This is my beloved Son.

Hear His word and follow His way. Alleluia.

Go up to the mountain of God. And there renew our faith in the Son of God.

May your life of faith reflect the light of Christ to the world. Alleluia.

## **Old Testament Reading**

*Exodus 24:8–18*

<sup>8</sup>And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, “Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words.”

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, <sup>10</sup>and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. <sup>11</sup>And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

<sup>12</sup>The LORD said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” <sup>13</sup>So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup>And he said to the elders, “Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them.”

<sup>15</sup>Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup>The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. <sup>17</sup>Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. <sup>18</sup>Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm

*Psalm 2:6–12; antiphon: Psalm 99:9*

Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain;  
For the Lord our God is holy!

As for me, I have set my King  
on Zion, my holy hill.”

**I will tell of the decree:**

**The LORD said to me, “You are my Son;  
today I have begotten you.**

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,  
and the ends of the earth your possession.

**You shall break them with a rod of iron  
and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”**

Now therefore, O kings, be wise;  
be warned, O rulers of the earth.

**Serve the LORD with fear,  
and rejoice with trembling.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen**

Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain;  
For the Lord our God is holy!

# Epistle

2 Peter 1:16–21

<sup>16</sup>For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup>For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,” <sup>18</sup>we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. <sup>19</sup>And we have something more sure, the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, <sup>20</sup>knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone’s own interpretation. <sup>21</sup>For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

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

# Stand


## Alleluia




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

## Verse

John 20:31



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



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

## Alleluia



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

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 17:1-9

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the seventeenth chapter.

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

<sup>1</sup>After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. <sup>2</sup>And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. <sup>3</sup>And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup>And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." <sup>5</sup>He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." <sup>6</sup>When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. <sup>7</sup>But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." <sup>8</sup>And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

<sup>9</sup>And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead."

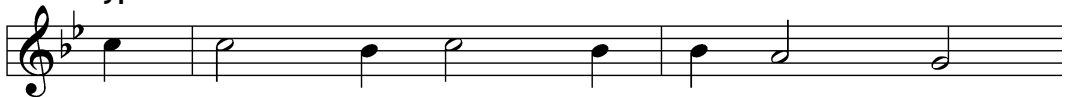
**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Sit*

## O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair

LSB 413



1 O won - drous type! O vi - sion fair  
2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah nigh  
3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray  
4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high



Of glo - ry that the Church may share,  
The in - car - nate Lord holds con - verse high;  
Christ deigns to man - i - fest to - day  
By this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y,

Which Christ up - on the moun - tain shows,  
 And from the cloud the Ho - ly One  
 What glo - ry shall be theirs a - bove  
 For which in joy - ful strains we raise

Where bright - er than the sun He glows!  
 Bears rec - ord to the on - ly Son.  
 Who joy in God with per - fect love.  
 The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

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## Sermon

### Stand

### Nicene Creed

**☩ 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  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayer of the Church

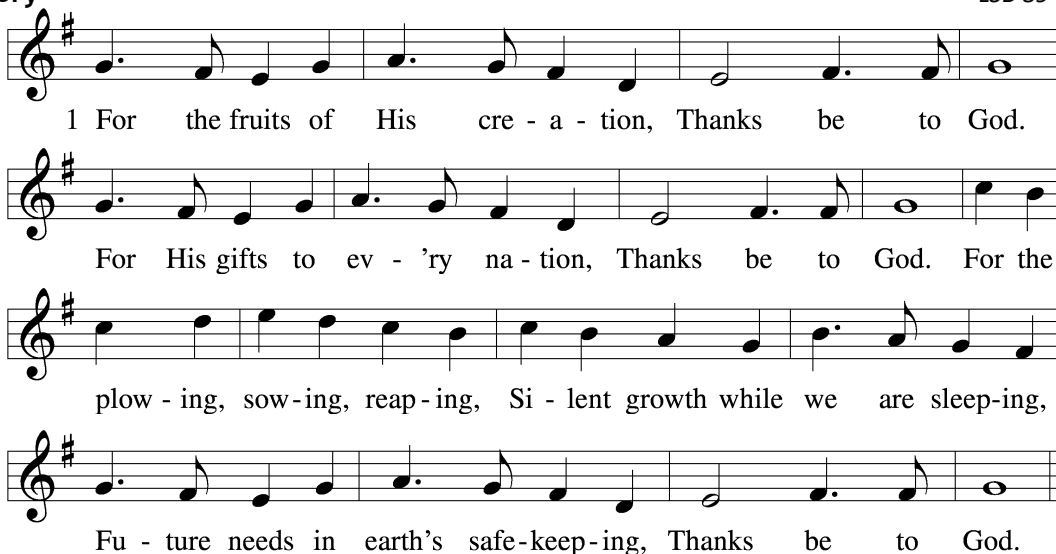
### Offering

*(An offering plate is available in the narthex. You may also give electronically via the 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

LSB 894



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 that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, 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  $\text{†}$  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  $\text{✠}$  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*



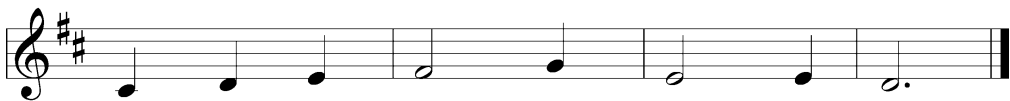
**C** 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



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

*Sit*

**Distribution**

# 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here

LSB 414



1 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Thy  
2 'Tis good, Lord, to be here, Thy  
3 Ful - fill - er of the past And  
4 Be - fore we taste of death, We  
5 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Yet



glo - ry fills the night; Thy face and gar - ments,  
beau - ty to be - hold Where Mo - ses and E -  
hope of things to be, We hail Thy bod - y  
see Thy king - dom come; We long to hold the  
we may not re - main; But since Thou bidst us



like the sun, Shine with un - bor - rowed light.  
li - jah stand, Thy mes - sen - gers of old.  
glo - ri - fied And our re - demp - tion see.  
vi - sion bright And make this hill our home.  
leave the mount, Come with us to the plain.

Text: Joseph A. Robinson, 1858-1933, alt. Tune: Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685-1750, adapt. Text and tune: Public domain



# Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

LSB 700



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of  
 2 Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to  
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; Let us  
 4 Fin - ish then Thy new cre - a - tion, Pure and



heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us Thy  
 ev - 'ry trou - bled breast; Let us all in  
 all Thy life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re -  
 spot - less let us be; Let us see Thy



hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.  
 Thee in - her - it; Let us find Thy prom - ised rest.  
 turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.  
 great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee,



Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un -  
 Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha  
 Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee  
 Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in



bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with  
 and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as  
 as Thy hosts a - bove, Pray and praise Thee  
 heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our



Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.  
 its be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
 with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.  
 crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-88 Tune: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-87 Text and tune: Public domain

# Alleluia, Song of Gladness

LSB 417



1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, Voice of joy that  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia, thou re - sound - est, True Je - ru - sa -  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways Be our song while  
 4 There - fore in our hymns we pray Thee, Grant us, bless - ed



can - not die; Al - le - lu - ia is the an - them  
 lem and free; Al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er,  
 here be - low; Al - le - lu - ia, our trans - gres - sions  
 Trin - i - ty, At the last to keep Thine Eas - ter



Ev - er raised by choirs on high; In the house of  
 All thy chil - dren sing with thee, But by Bab - y -  
 Make us for a while for - go; For the sol - emn  
 With Thy faith - ful saints on high; There to Thee for -



God a - bid - ing Thus they sing e - ter - nal - ly.  
 lon's sad wa - ters Mourn - ing ex - iles now are we.  
 time is com - ing When our tears for sin must flow.  
 ev - er sing - ing Al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly.

## Stand

### 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 ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

# Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

LSB 680



1 Thine the a - men Thine the praise Al - le -  
 2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly Thine the  
 3 Thine the tru - ly Thine the yes Thine the  
 4 Thine the king - dom Thine the prize Thine the  
 5 Thine the glo - ry in the night No more



lu - ias an - gels raise Thine the ev - er - last - ing head  
 prom - ise let there be Thine the vi - sion Thine the tree  
 ta - ble we the guest Thine the mer - cy all from Thee  
 won - der full sur - prise Thine the ban - quet then the praise  
 dy - ing on - ly light Thine the riv - er Thine the tree



Thine the break - ing of the bread Thine the glo - ry Thine the  
 All the earth on bend - ed knee Gone the nail - ing gone the  
 Thine the glo - ry yet to be Then the ring - ing and the  
 Then the jus - tice of Thy ways Thine the glo - ry Thine the  
 Then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly Then the ho - ly ho - ly



sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the  
 rail - ing Gone the plead - ing gone the cry Gone the  
 sing - ing Then the end of all the war Thine the  
 sto - ry Then the wel - come to the least Then the  
 ho - ly Cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee Thine the



vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.  
 sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.  
 liv - ing Thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.  
 won - der all in - creas - ing at Thy feast at Thy feast.  
 splen - dor Thine the bright - ness on - ly Thee on - ly Thee.

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**Postlude:**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

J. Bert Carlson  
(1937-2017)

**Ash Wednesday Services**  
**February 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**11 a.m. and 7 p.m.**



Lent Midweek Services Wednesdays -- 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.  
Theme: "Dear Christians, One and All Rejoice"

February 25, 2026  
March 4, 2026  
March 11, 2026  
March 18, 2026  
March 25, 2026

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# News And Notes

## Altar Flowers

Flowers are given by LaVerne and Jim Kyne in celebration of their 57<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

## Sunday School and Adult Bible Class!

Classes meet every Sunday at 8:45 AM. Come and join us.

## St. Paul Altar Care

At present, the month of April has no one signed up to provide for communion and prepare the altar. If you are interested in taking the month of April or if you are free to do a Sunday or two, contact Robbin Dungey.

## Practical Needs Opportunity

A St. Paul Lutheran School employee is looking for housing in Catonsville. If you have a spare room that you are interested in renting out, this single older woman can pay \$600/month. Please contact the school office if you have any questions about this known need within our community. Thank you."

## Sunday Sweets and Treats

There is a regular group of people who donate delicious snacks and treats, but there are times when no one signs up. Emily Kolenda and Lynette Frech are coordinating the Sweets and Treats sign up which is located on the volunteer board at the top of the stairs.

## Young Adult Bible Study

The Young Adult Bible study will be meeting February 21st and 28th at our regular time (5:00 P.M.). Please let Vicar Malmstrom know if you plan to attend.

## Youth Group Meets Friday February 27

Youth Bible study and Game Night is Friday February 27 th at 5:00 p.m. Please bring your Bibles and at least one game you would like to play after the study. Feel free to bring snacks or dishes to share.

## Ash Wednesday Is February 18<sup>th</sup>

St. Paul will have two services that day: one at 11 am and one at 7 p.m. The 7 p.m. service will include Holy Communion.

## Newsletter Deadline February 16<sup>th</sup>

The deadline for the March newsletter is tomorrow February 16<sup>th</sup>. That's very early due to Linda's vacation.

## Free Will Offering for Faith and Work Enterprises

Following our Mission Brunch where we heard Lachelle Redd outline her work and the work of Faith and Work Enterprises in the Sandtown neighborhood of Baltimore, there will be a free will offering today and the next two weeks to support that mission. There is a basket in the Narthex. Please make out any checks directly to “Faith and Work Enterprises”. If you want to give cash, please use the envelopes in the narthex marked “Faith and Work”. Also, look out in the future for more opportunities to volunteer and help at Faith and Work.

## Lent Midweek Services: Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

St Paul Lent Midweek services will use Martins Luther’s hymn as a guide to our Lenten meditation. Luther traces the story of our salvation from the chains of Satan and sin to the heavenly treasure Christ wins for us by his suffering and death. Each week we will sing and consider one or two verses of the hymn. The order of service will be a simple spoken order of responsive prayer, catechism, Scripture, preaching and hymns. Dates and times are February 25 through March 25 at 11 am and 7 p.m.

## Short Term Missions With Faith And Work

We’re excited to share the possibility of new short-term opportunities to serve with Faith in Work Enterprises right here in Baltimore! If you’re interested in local mission work—whether in addition to or instead of joining Samaritan’s Purse this summer—we’d love to connect with you. Contact Roy or Heather Krakat for more information.

## Serving at St. Paul

	<b>This week 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Next week 22<sup>nd</sup></b>
<b>Cantor</b>	JB Jaeger	JB Jaeger
<b>Reader</b>	JB Jaeger	Suzanne Giguere
<b>Usher</b>	Ben Haberl	Jon Brooks
<b>Usher</b>	Jim Baeder	John Brooks
<b>Greeter</b>	Joy Brooks	Betsy Miller

## Daily Readings

Feb 15, 2026                      Job 11:1–20, John 5:19–29  
Feb 16, 2026                      Job 12:1–6, 12–25, John 5:30–47  
Feb 17, 2026                      Job 13:1–12, John 6:1–21  
Feb 18, 2026                      Job 13:13–28, John 6:22–40  
Feb 19, 2025                      Job 14:1–22, John 6:41–59  
Feb 20, 2026                      Job 15:1–23, 30–35, John 6:60–71  
Feb 21, 2026                      Job 16:1–21, John 7:1–13

## Happening This Week

Monday, Feb 16, 2026

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Council Meeting	Room 203
7:15 PM – 9:00 PM	ESL	Room 206
7:30 PM – 9:00 PM	AA Small Group	Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, Feb 17, 2026

Wednesday, Feb 18, 2026

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Ash Wednesday AM Service	Sanctuary
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Ash Wednesday PM Service	Sanctuary
8:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Choir Practice	

Thursday, Feb 19, 2026

6:00 PM- 7:00 PM	Bell Choir Practice	
7:15 PM- 9:00 PM	ESL	Room 206

Friday, Feb 20, 2026

Pastor Alms' Day off

Saturday, Feb 21, 2026

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Work Day	
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Sunday, Feb 22, 2026

8:45 AM – 9:45 AM	Bible Classes	
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Oromo Worship	Sanctuary
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Oromo Fellowship	Fellowship Hall



*Holy Week and Easter*

Palm Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m.

Maundy Thursday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 7 p.m. with Lord's Supper

Good Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7 p.m.

Easter Sunrise, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 7 a.m.

Resurrection of Our Lord Festival Worship, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. with Lord's Supper

## **CHURCH MEMBERS**

Jim Kyne (recovering from knee replacement)  
Peggy Wise (heart valve replacement January 21st)  
Doris Schascheck (recovering from illness)  
Steve Hoffman (recovering from illness)  
Fred Shifflet (heart valve replacement)  
Debbie Frech (pneumonia, cancer, new chemotherapy treatment)  
Lindsey Gay (continued recovery)  
Merilyn Blomster (recovering)  
Marilyn Haberl (scleroderma)



## **SHUT-INS**

Dorothy Shifflett

## **FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

James Hostetter, hospitalize (Renata O'Reilly's father) 2/10  
Family of Jack Wedeking, passed away last week (son of Jim Wedeking) 2/10  
Family of Steve Welty passed away after emergency surgery (cousin of Carol Taylor) 2/10  
Rev. Arthur Baisch recovering from surgery for blood clots (friend of Ken Waibel) 2/15  
Ellie Hroblak, broken hip (Carolyn Louden daughter's Mother-in-Law) 12/23  
Walt O'Reilly for recovering (Renata O'Reilly's husband)

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.

