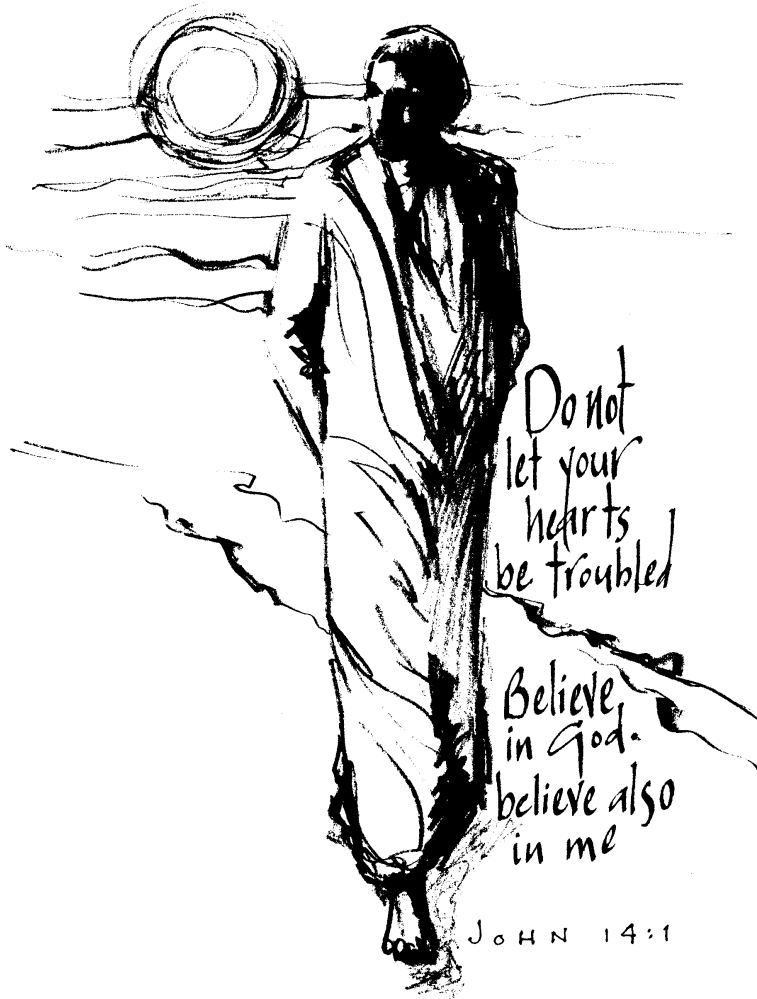


St. Paul Lutheran Church of Catonsville



Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 3, 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. and gluten free wafers are also available.)

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2026

Prelude:

Awake, My Heart, with Gladness

Paul Manz
(1919-2009)

Stand

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

LSB 466



1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
2 For three long days the grave did its worst
3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear!
4 "Go spread the news: He's not in the grave;
5 Christ has a - ris - en; He sets us free;



Re - joice and praise Him, al - le - lu - ia.
Un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.
You look for Je - sus who is not here.
He has a - ris - en this world to save.
Al - le - lu - ia, to Him prais - es be.



For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
He who gives life did death un - der - go;
See for your - selves the tomb is all bare;
Je - sus' re - deem - ing la - bors are done;
Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;



E - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
And in its con - quest His might did show.
On - ly the grave cloths are ly - ing there."
E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."
He reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

Refrain

Let us sing praise to Him with end - less joy;
 Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy.
 Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!
 Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

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Confession and Absolution

Invocation

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ 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

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

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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 30:3–5; antiphon: Psalm 149:1

Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a | new song,*
his praise in the assembly of the | godly!
O LORD, you have brought up my soul | from Sheol;*
you restored me to life from among those who go down | to the pit.
Sing praises to the LORD, O | you his saints,*
and give thanks to his | holy name.
For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a | lifetime.*
Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the | morning.
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.
Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a | new song,*
his praise in the assembly of the | godly!

Kyrie

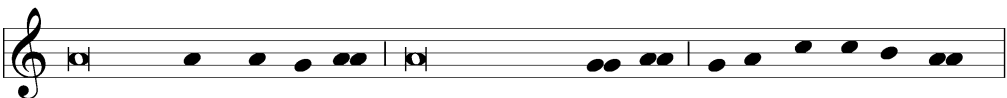
Mark 10:47



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



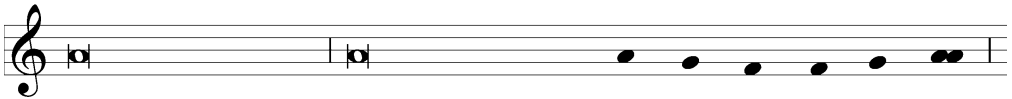
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



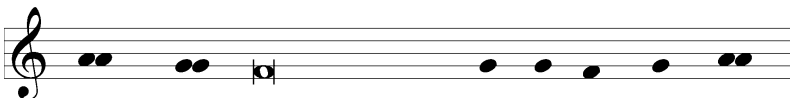
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise



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.

This Is the Feast

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 peo-ple 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 be - gun 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 O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; 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:

Praise the Lord, O My Soul

Jeremiah Clarke
(c. 1659-1707)

Praise the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, praise His holy name.
Praise the Lord, O my soul; and forget not all His benefits:
Who forgiveth all thy sin and healeth all thine infirmities.

First Reading

Acts 6:1–9; 7:2a, 51–60

¹Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. ²And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. ³Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. ⁴But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” ⁵And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. ⁶These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them.

⁷And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

⁸And Stephen, full of grace and power, was doing great wonders and signs among the people. ⁹Then some of those who belonged to the synagogue of the Freedmen (as it was called), and of the Cyrenians, and of the Alexandrians, and of those from Cilicia and Asia, rose up and disputed with Stephen. . . .

²And Stephen said:

“Brothers and fathers, hear me. . . .

⁵¹You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you. ⁵²Which of the prophets did not your fathers persecute? And they killed those who announced beforehand the coming of the Righteous One, whom you have now betrayed and murdered, ⁵³you who received the law as delivered by angels and did not keep it.”

⁵⁴Now when they heard these things they were enraged, and they ground their teeth at him. ⁵⁵But he, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶And he said, “Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.” ⁵⁷But they cried out

with a loud voice and stopped their ears and rushed together at him. ⁵⁸Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” ⁶⁰And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6

Christ has risen from the dead.

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.

He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle

1 Peter 2:2–10

²Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation— ³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, ⁵you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

⁶For it stands in Scripture:

“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious,
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

⁷So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone,”

⁸and

“A stone of stumbling,
and a rock of offense.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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

Stand

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

LSB 633



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to
 2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His
 3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dread—
 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
 sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—
 an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um-phant go
 vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

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Do not let your hearts be troubled.
 You believe in God; believe also in me.

Holy Gospel

John 14:1–14

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



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹[Jesus said:] “Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to where I am going.” ⁵Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

⁸Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.” ⁹Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works.

¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.

¹²“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. ¹³Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

LSB 633



5 Might - y Vic - tim from the sky, Hell's fierce
6 Now no more can death ap - pall, Now no
7 Eas - ter tri - umph, Eas - ter joy! This a -
△ 8 Fa - ther, who the crown shall give, Sav - ior,



pow'rs be - neath You lie; You have con - quered in the fight,
more the grave en - thrall; You have o - pened par - a - dise,
lone can sin de - stroy; From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
by whose death we live, Spir - it, guide through all our days:



You have brought us life and light. Al - le - lu - ia!
And Your saints in You shall rise. Al - le - lu - ia!
New - born souls in You to be. Al - le - lu - ia!
Three in One, Your name we praise. Al - le - lu - ia!

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Sit

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 this QR code or through our website at 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.)



Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

LSB 469



1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day!" Saints on earth and an - gels say;
 6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n! Praise to Thee by both be giv'n!




Raise your joys and tri - umphs high; Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply.
 Thee we greet tri - um - phant now: Hail, the res - ur - rec - tion, Thou!

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

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.

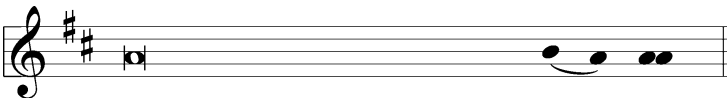
The Words of Our Lord

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 ✠ 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 ✠ 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



1 P E T E R 1 : 1 9

Come, Let Us Eat

LSB 626



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,
2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,
3 In His pres - ence now we meet and rest,
4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y Word,



Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.
Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.
In His pres - ence now we meet and rest.
Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y Word.



Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,
Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,
In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,
Je - sus ris - en will bring in the King - dom,



Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er.
Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er.
In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er.
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Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

LSB 909



1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ, our head and
2 To this tem - ple, where we call You, Come, O Lord of
3 Grant, we pray, to all Your faith - ful All the gifts they



cor - ner - stone, Cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,
hosts, and stay; Come with all Your lov - ing - kind - ness,
ask to gain; What they gain from You, for - ev - er

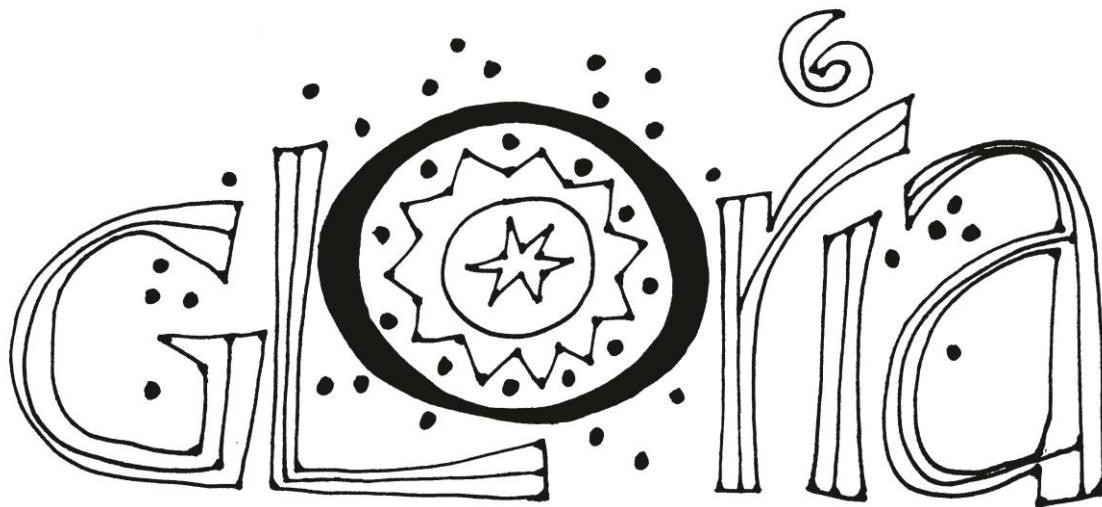


Bind - ing all the Church in one; Ho - ly Zi - on's
Hear Your peo - ple as they pray; And Your full - est
With the bless - ed to re - tain; And here - af - ter



help for - ev - er And our con - fi - dence a - lone.
ben - e - dic - tion Shed with - in these walls to - day.
in Your glo - ry Ev - er - more with You to reign.

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Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

LSB 660



1 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, Ye sol - diers of the cross.
2 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; The trum - pet call o - bey;
3 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; Stand in His strength a - lone.
4 Stand up, stand up for Je - sus; The strife will not be long;



Lift high His roy - al ban - ner; It must not suf - fer loss.
Stand forth in might - y con - flict In this His glo - rious day.
The arm of flesh will fail you, Ye dare not trust your own.
This day the din of bat - tle, The next the vic - tor's song.

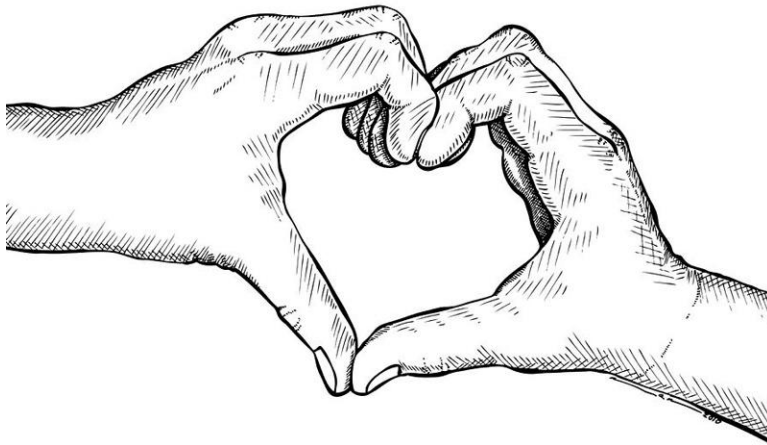


From vic - t'ry un - to vic - t'ry His ar - my He shall lead
Let all His faith - ful serve Him A - gainst un - num - bered foes;
Put on the Gos - pel ar - mor; Each piece put on with prayer.
The sol - diers, o - ver - com - ing, Their crown of life shall see



Till ev - 'ry foe is van - quished, And Christ is Lord in - deed.
Let cour - age rise with dan - ger And strength to strength op - pose.
Where du - ty calls or dan - ger, Be nev - er want - ing there.
And with the King of Glo - ry Shall reign e - ter - nal - ly.

Text: George Duffield, Jr., 1818-88, alt. Tune: George J. Webb, 1803-87 Text and tune: Public domain



My Je - sus did tri - um - phant die, And Sa - tan's ar -
rows bro - ken lie, De - stroyed hell's fierc - est weap - on.
O hear what cheer! Christ vic - to - rious, Ris - ing glo - rious,
Life is giv - ing. He was dead but now is liv - ing!

Text: Birgitte Katerine Boye, 1742-1824; tr. George A. T. Rygh, 1860-1942, alt. Tune: Philipp Nicolai, 1556-1608 Text and tune: Public domain

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.

Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

LSB 722



1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear,
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,



Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.
For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.
I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home.



With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
Then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend;



So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.
For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

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Postlude:

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing

Paul Manz
(1919-2009)

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News And Notes

Altar Flowers

Flowers are given by John and Karyn Borth in celebration of Kelly's 37th birthday.

Sunday School And Adult Bible Class!

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

VBS



You are encouraged to join the St. Paul team again this year as we explore the nature of God. Rainforest Falls VBS will run June 22nd-26th from 9am-12pm

If you are willing and able to serve or know someone who is, please reach out and/or fill out this [form](#) with detailed descriptions of all the volunteer opportunities available. <https://tinyurl.com/4bc59m2a>



One Spot Left for the Mission Trip

We have one spot left for our rebuild trip to Western North Carolina on July 12-17. We will work to rebuild and repair homes damaged during Hurricane Helene as well as spiritual and emotional support. If you are interested contact Heather or Roy Krakat.

All Sorts of Religious Movements and Organizations

For Sunday Morning Bible Class in the month of May, Pastor Alms will lead a series on various religious organizations and movements. 8:45 am in the Fellowship Hall.

Ascension Day Service on Thursday May 14th at 7 p.m.

St. Paul will have an Ascension Day service at 7 p.m. on May 14. According to the Scriptures, Jesus ascended forty days after His resurrection. Jesus' Ascension is a joyous victory, filled with promises and hope for us as we follow our risen Lord. Join us.

Help for Ukraine

The Maryland Branch of The Orphan Grain Train has been sending humanitarian aid to Ukraine since the war began in 2022. Several years ago, we partnered with Alla Vasylieva with Bible Orphan Ministry to help support Ukrainian orphanages in need of supplies due to the war. Plans are underway to ship Alla a forty-foot container of much-needed aid. We are currently collecting the following items: children's diapers (all sizes), wipes, sanitary pads, NEW underwear and socks (all sizes), toys and games for all ages (NO batteries, none requiring reading of English), bicycles, scooters, roller skates, backpacks and school supplies. Most of these items can be new or slightly used. If you would like to help the children of Ukraine, please drop items off at the church on or before May 24th. Your donation will be greatly appreciated by the children and their caregivers! If you have any questions, please contact Irene Giguere. God bless you, in advance, for caring!

Norm's red truck will be at church during May if people want to bring things for Ukraine. They should label the items "Ukraine". Thanks.

Newsletter

The May Newsletter is available in the narthex

St. Paul Takes a Walk... Again!

Join us for our next walking adventure along the Trolley Trail! We'll meet at Lot A (next to the Trolley Stop Restaurant (6 Oella Ave, Old Ellicott City) at 10:00am this Saturday, May 9th. If the lot is full parking is available along Frederick Rd. Rain date: May 23rd.

This is a gentle 2-mile round-trip walk through the woods, to Oella and back —perfect for all ages and abilities. After the walk, anyone who'd like to continue the fun is welcome to join us for lunch at the Trolley Stop.

We hope you'll come enjoy the fresh air, fellowship, and a beautiful morning together!

No need to sign up! But please contact Heather Krakat or Karyn Borth if you plan to stay for lunch.

Men's Group Meets May 9th

The Men's Group at St. Paul will meet again on Saturday, May 9th from 8:30-10 am in the Fellowship Hall. We will start with some food and fellowship. Following that we will complete our Bible study of Noah, using a video series from Lutheran Hour Ministries. We will discuss about St. Paul and the Chesapeake Baysox trip for this summer! We will finish with some prayer time. Please RSVP to Jim Baeder. All confirmed males at St. Paul, as well as friends are welcome.

Daily Readings

Easter 5 Lev 20:1–16, 22–27, Luke 11:37–54
Monday Lev 21:1–24, Luke 12:1–12
Tuesday Lev 23:1–22, Luke 12:13–34
Wednesday Lev 23:23–44, Luke 12:35–53
Thursday Lev 24:1–23, Luke 12:54—13:17
Friday Lev 26:1–20, Luke 13:18–35
Saturday Lev 26:21–33, 39–44, Luke 14:1–24

Serving at St. Paul

	This week 3rd	Next week 10th
Cantor	JB Jaeger	Jim Baeder
Reader	Jay Barringer	Michelle Johnson
Usher	Ben Haberl	Jon Brooks
Usher	Jim Baeder	John Brooks
Greeter	David Carnes	Pat Wesselman

Happening This Week

Monday, May 04, 2026

7:30 PM – 9:00 PM

AA Small Group

Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, May 05, 2026

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

Day School Board Meeting

Media Center

Wednesday, May 06, 2026

7:30 PM - 9:00 PM

Choir Practice

Thursday, May 07, 2026

10:00 AM– 11:00 AM

Bible Study

Pastor's Office

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Adult Catechism

Room 203

Friday, May 08, 2026

All Day

Pastor's Day Off

Saturday, May 09, 2026

8:30 AM – 10:00 PM

Men's Group

Fellowship Hall

5:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Young Adult Bible Study

Fellowship Hall

Sunday, May 10, 2026

8:45 AM – 9:45 AM

Bible Classes

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Sunday Worship

Sanctuary

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Asset Management Board Mtg

Media Center

12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Oromo Worship

Sanctuary

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Oromo Fellowship

Sanctuary

CHURCH MEMBERS

Pastor Carl Roemer (recovering from heart surgery)
Diane Jaeger (recovering from oral surgery)
Matthew Harmon (recovering from appendicitis)
David Nguyen (treatment for sudden hearing loss)
Steve Hoffman (recovering from illness)
Debbie Frech (cancer, chemotherapy treatment)
Lindsey Gay (kidney stone)
Marilyn Blomster (recovering)
Marilyn Haberl (scleroderma)



SHUT-INS

Dorothy Shifflett

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Janet Yingling, breast cancer; chemo and radiation treatments (friend of the Borth's)4/26
Mary Unglesbee, surgery for mass on her brain (Christina Unglesbee's mother-in-law)4/19
Bob Unglesbee, recovering from broken hip and surgery (Christina Unglesbee's father-in-law)4/19
Carroll Weyrich, for patience and guidance, wife has Alzheimer's (LaVerne Kyne's brother) 4/8
Eine Haasmaa hospitalized (Sari Nguyen's mom) 3/22
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 or linda.jones@spiscatonsville.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



Sermon Notes

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