

# St. Paul Lutheran Church of Catonsville



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Sixth Sunday of Easter  
May 10, 2026

# Mother's Day



*I have you in my heart for you share in God's grace with me.*

PHILIPPIANS 1:7

# 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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**Prelude:**

O Sons and Daughters of the King

John Leavitt  
(b. 1956)

**Stand**


**Father Welcomes**

LSB 605


*Refrain*




Fa - ther wel-comes all His chil - dren To His fam - 'ly



through His Son. Fa - ther giv - ing His sal - va - tion,



Life for - ev - er has been won.



1 Lit - tle chil-dren, come to Me, For My king - dom  
2 In the wa - ter, in the Word, In His prom - ise,  
3 Let us dai - ly die to sin; Let us dai - ly



is of these. Life and love I have to give,  
be as - sured: Those who are bap - tized and be - lieve  
rise with Him, Walk in the love of Christ our Lord,

*Refrain*

Mer - cy \_\_\_\_\_ for your sin.  
 Shall be \_\_\_\_\_ born a - gain.  
 Live in the peace of God.

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## 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

*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  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

## Stand

# Service of the Word

## Introit

*Psalm 119:89–93; antiphon: v. 105*

Your word is a lamp | to my feet\*  
**and a light | to my path.**  
Forever, O | LORD, your word\*  
**is firmly fixed | in the heavens.**  
Your faithfulness endures to all gener- | ations;\*  
**you have established the earth, and it | stands fast.**  
I will never forget your | precepts,\*  
**for by them you have giv- | en me life.**  
**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.**  
Your word is a lamp | to my feet\*  
**and a light | to my path.**

## Kyrie

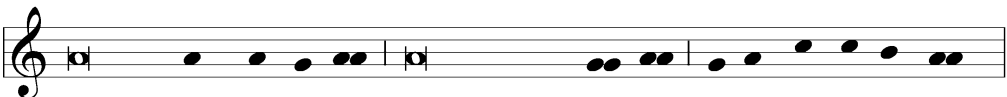
*Mark 10:47*



**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.



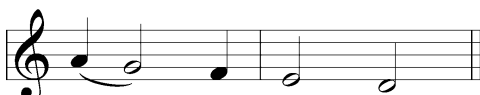
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



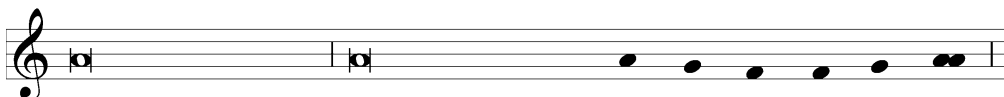
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



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



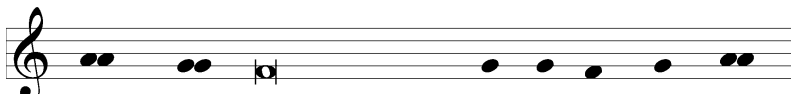
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise



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, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; 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:**

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing

Anne Krentz Organ  
(b. 1960)

Alleluia. O sons and daughters, let us sing with heavenly hosts to Christ our King:  
Today the grave has lost its sting! Alleluia!  
When Thomas first the tidings heard that they had seen the risen Lord,  
he doubted the disciples word. Alleluia!  
“My pierced side, O Thomas, see, and look upon my hands, my feet;  
Not faithless, but believing be.” Alleluia!  
No longer Thomas then denied; he saw the feet, the hands, the side;  
“You are my Lord and God!” he cried. Alleluia!  
How blest are they who have not seen, and yet whose faith has constant been,  
for they eternal life shall win. Alleluia!

**First Reading***Acts 17:16–31*

<sup>16</sup>While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. <sup>17</sup>So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. <sup>18</sup>Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babbling wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities” —because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. <sup>19</sup>And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? <sup>20</sup>For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.” <sup>21</sup>Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

<sup>22</sup>So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. <sup>23</sup>For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup>The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, <sup>25</sup>nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. <sup>26</sup>And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, <sup>27</sup>that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, <sup>28</sup>for

“‘In him we live and move and have our being’;  
as even some of your own poets have said,

“‘For we are indeed his offspring.’

<sup>29</sup>Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. <sup>30</sup>The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup>because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

**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 3:13–22*

<sup>13</sup>Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? <sup>14</sup>But even if you should suffer for righteousness’ sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, <sup>15</sup>but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; <sup>16</sup>yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup>For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God’s will, than for doing evil.

<sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>because they formerly did not obey, when God’s patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water.

<sup>21</sup>Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Stand

### Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

LSB 821

1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the  
scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the  
tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.  
Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der  
like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of  
ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."

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### Holy Gospel

John 14:15-21

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

**G** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>15</sup>[Jesus said:] "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, <sup>17</sup>even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

18“I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 19Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. 20In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. 21Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.”

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



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

### Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

LSB 821



2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, Here on  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om -  
 5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the



left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! He is  
 earth our food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! Here the  
 nip - o - tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! Born of  
 scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the



near us; Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how.  
 sin - ful Flee to You from day to day.  
 Mar - y, Earth Your foot - stool, heav'n Your throne.  
 tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.



Though the cloud from sight re - ceived Him When the  
 In - ter - ces - sor, Friend of sin - ners, Earth's Re -  
 As with - in the veil You en - tered, Robed in  
 Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der

for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for -  
 deem - er, hear our plea Where the songs of  
 flesh, our great High Priest, Here on earth both  
 like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of  
 get His prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more"?  
 all the sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 priest and vic - tim In the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."

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*Sit*

Sermon

*Stand*

Nicene Creed

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

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
 the only-begotten Son of God,  
 begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
 God of God, Light of Light,  
 very God of very God,  
 begotten, not made,  
 being of one substance with the Father,  
 by whom all things were made;  
 who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
 and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
 and was made man;  
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
 He suffered and was buried.  
 And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  $\dagger$  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](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.)*



## 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!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–88, alt. Tune: French, 13th cent. Text and tune: Public domain


# 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.

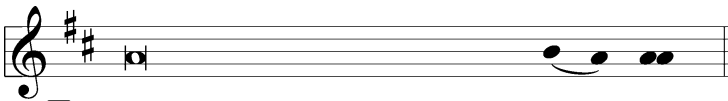
## The Words of Our Lord

**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  $\text{✠}$  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

*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

Prayer: Lord, I give  
my battles to you.  
Help me to find  
my strength in You.  
Amen.

## Children of the Heavenly Father

LSB 725



1 Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly  
 2 God His own doth tend and nour - ish; In His  
 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the  
 4 Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His



in His bos - om gath - er; Nest - ling bird nor star in  
 ho - ly courts they flour - ish. From all e - vil things He  
 Lord His chil - dren sev - er; Un - to them His grace He  
 chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth; His the lov - ing pur - pose



heav - en Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.  
 spares them; In His might - y arms He bears them.  
 show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.  
 sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Ernst W. Olson, 1870–1958 Tune: Lofsånger och andeliga visor, 1873, Sweden

## Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring

LSB 353



1 Je - sus came, the heav'ns a - dor - ing, Came with peace from  
 2 Je - sus comes a - gain in mer - cy When our hearts are  
 3 Je - sus comes to hearts re - joic - ing, Bring - ing news of  
 4 Je - sus comes in joy and sor - row, Shares a - like our



realms on high; Je - sus came to win re - demp - tion,  
 worn with care; Je - sus comes a - gain in an - swer  
 sins for - giv'n; Je - sus comes with words of glad - ness,  
 hopes and fears; Je - sus comes, what - e'er be - falls us,



Low - ly came on earth to die;      Al - le - lu - ia!  
To an ear - nest, heart - felt prayer;      Al - le - lu - ia!  
Lead - ing souls re - deemed to heav'n.      Al - le - lu - ia!  
Cheers our hearts and dries our tears;      Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Came in deep hu - mil - i - ty.  
Al - le - lu - ia! Comes to save us from de - spair.  
Al - le - lu - ia! Hope to all the world is giv'n.  
Al - le - lu - ia! Com - forts us in fail - ing years.

Text: Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, alt. Tune: Geistreiches Gesang-Buch, 1698, DarmstadtText and tune: Public domain



# Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won

LSB 490



1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long - er can ap -  
 2 Je - sus lives! To Him the throne High a - bove all things is  
 3 Je - sus lives! For me He died, Hence will I, to Je - sus  
 4 Je - sus lives! I know full well Noth - ing me from Him shall  
 5 Je - sus lives! And now is death But the gate of life im -



pall me; Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done!  
 giv - en. I shall go where He is gone,  
 liv - ing, Pure in heart and act a - bide,  
 sev - er. Nei - ther death nor pow'rs of hell  
 mor - tal; This shall calm my trem - bling breath



From the grave will Christ re - call me. Bright - er  
 Live and reign with Him in heav - en. God is  
 Praise to Him and glo - ry giv - ing. All I  
 Part me now from Christ for - ev - er. God will  
 When I pass its gloom - y por - tal. Faith shall



scenes will then com - mence; This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 faith - ful; doubt - ings, hence! This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 need God will dis - pense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 be my sure de - fense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 cry, as fails each sense; Je - sus is my con - fi - dence!

Text: Christian Fürchtegott Gellert, 1715–69; tr. Frances E. Cox, 1812–97, alt. Tune: Johann Crüger, 1598–1662 Text and tune: Public domain

## Post-Communion Collect

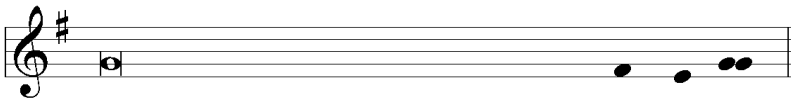
**A** Let us pray...



**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.



# Crown Him with Many Crowns

LSB 525



1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;  
 2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,  
 3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side,  
 4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave  
 5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a - bove,



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.  
 Whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won Which now His brow a-dorn:  
 Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied.  
 And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.  
 Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won-drous name of Love.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And  
 Fruit of the mys - tic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The  
 No an - gels in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But  
 His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who  
 Crown Him with man - y crowns As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem.  
 down-ward bend their won-d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies so bright.  
 died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.  
 Him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king of all.

Text (sts. 1-3, 5): Matthew Bridges, 1800-94, alt.; (st. 4): Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903 Tune: George J. Elvey, 1816-93 Text and tune: Public domain

## Postlude:

Simple Gifts: I Danced in the Morning

J.Wayne Kerr

(b. 1958)

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## News And Notes

### Altar Flowers

Flowers are given by Robbin and Kevin Dungey in honor of our granddaughter Sadie's 19th birthday.

### Sunday School And Adult Bible Class!

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

### Rainforest VBS



Get ready to explore the nature of God at this year's Vacation Bible School. June 22-26 from 9am-12pm. There are many ways to serve at VBS. If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering this summer, please contact Kirsten Hall at [kirsten.hall@splscatonsville.org](mailto:kirsten.hall@splscatonsville.org) <https://tinyurl.com/4bc59m2a>



Sign-up your child 3 yrs. old to fifth grade on the church website at [www.stpaulcatonsville.org](http://www.stpaulcatonsville.org)

### One Spot Left for the Mission Trip

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

### All Sorts of Religious Movements and Organizations

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.

### Young Adult Bible Study

We will be meeting on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Please join us!

### Thursday Morning Bible Study

Please join us in the sacristy for a discussion-based Bible study of the Gospel of John. We will meet Thursday May 21<sup>st</sup> from 10 -11 AM.

## **St. Paul Elementary School Graduation is May 28<sup>th</sup>.**

Graduation is at 6:00 pm. Our class of 16 students will be graduating from St. Paul! These students will go on to attend various schools in the area. Including: local public schools, Concordia Prep, St. Mark's, and Notre Dame. We'll pray God's richest blessings on this group and look forward to hearing about all their successes as they go forward.

## **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.

## **Baltimore Area New Ministry Effort**

St. Paul 2030 envisioned St. Paul helping to launch a new ministry in the Baltimore area. Churches in Circuit 5 have been meeting at St. Paul to discuss this possibility. Seventeen people from five different congregations are participating in these conversations and in this work. Among the ministries being considered are a campus ministry at UMBC and a new mission presence in Northern Carroll County. Please pray for this effort. Talk to Pastor Alms if you want to join in. The next meeting will be held on May 31 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Paul.

## **Daily Readings**

<b>Easter 6</b>	Num 3:1–16, 39–48, Luke 14:25—15:10
Monday	Num 8:5–26, Luke 15:11–32
Tuesday	Num 9:1–23, Luke 16:1–18
Wednesday	Num 10:11–36, Luke 16:19–31
Ascension Day	Num 11:1–23, 31–35, Luke 17:1–19
Friday	Num 11:24–29; 12:1–16, Luke 17:20–37
Saturday	Num 13:1–3, 17–33, Luke 18:1–17

## Serving at St. Paul

	<b>This week 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Next week 17<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Cantor</b>	Jim Baeder	Jim Baeder
<b>Reader</b>	Michelle Johnson	Pastor Roemer
<b>Usher</b>	Jon Brooks	Roy Krakat
<b>Usher</b>	John Brooks	Caleb Ferry
<b>Greeter</b>	Pat Wesselman	Ed Cohen

## Happening This Week

Monday, May 11, 2026

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Junior Catechism Class	203
7:30 PM – 9:00 PM	AA Small Group	Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, May 12, 2026

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Elder’s Meeting	Media Center
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Wednesday, May 13, 2026

7:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Choir Practice	
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Thursday, May 14, 2026

10:00 AM– 11:00 AM		
7:00 PM – 7:45 PM	Ascension Day Service	Sanctuary
7:45 PM	Adult Catechism	203

Friday, May 15, 2026

All Day	Pastor’s Day Off	
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Saturday, May 16, 2026

8:30 AM – 10:00 PM	Work Day	Fellowship Hall
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Sunday, May 17, 2026

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	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	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)

Giving Thanks for the gift of Mother's. Happy Mother's Day!

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@spiscatonsville.org](mailto: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



*She*  
*is clothed in*  
*strength*  
*& dignity*  
*and she*  
*laughs*  
*without fear*  
*of the future*



proverbs 31:25

