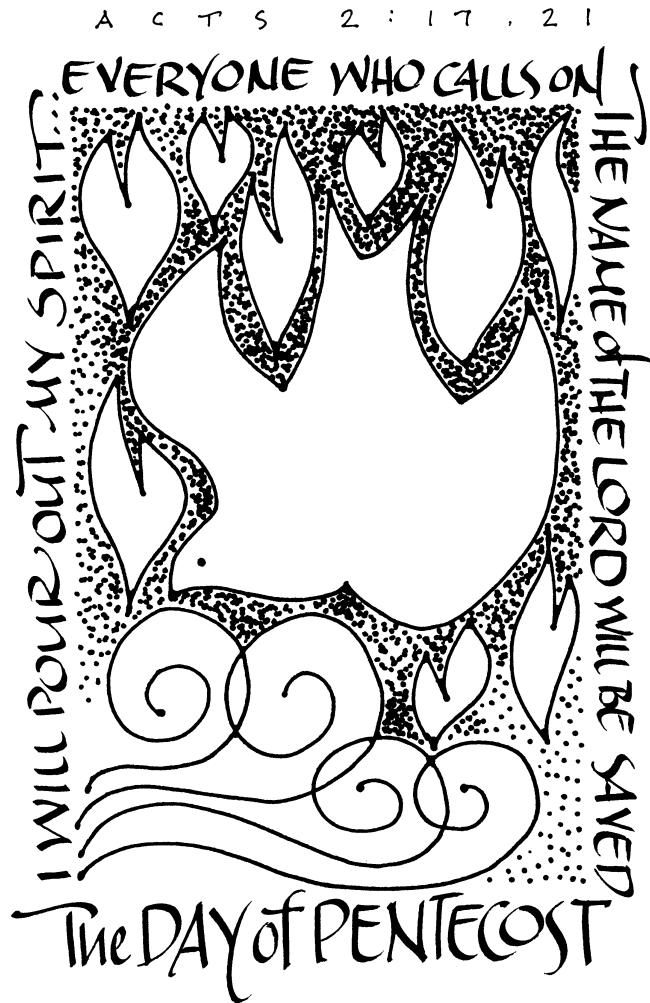


# St. Paul Lutheran Church of Catonsville



The Day of Pentecost  
May 24, 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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# The Day of Pentecost

## May 24, 2026

**Prelude:**

Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord

Andreas Armsdorf

(1670-1699)

Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau

(1663-1712)

**Stand**

**Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest**

*LSB 498*



1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, Cre - a - tor blest, And make  
 2 To You, the Coun - sel - or, we cry, To You,  
 3 In You, with grac - es sev - en - fold, We God's  
 4 Your light to ev - 'ry thought im - part, And shed



our hearts Your place of rest; Come with Your grace and  
 the gift of God Most High; The fount of life, the  
 al - might - y hand be - hold While You with tongues of  
 Your love in ev - 'ry heart; The weak - ness of our



heav'n-ly aid, And fill the hearts which You have made.  
 fire of love, The soul's a - noint - ing from a - bove.  
 fire pro - claim To all the world His ho - ly name.  
 mor - tal state With death - less might in - vig - or - ate.

5 Drive far away our wily foe,  
 And Your abiding peace bestow;  
 With You as our protecting guide,  
 No evil can with us abide.

6 Teach us to know the Father, Son,  
 And You, from both, as Three in One  
 That we Your name may ever bless  
 And in our lives the truth confess.

△ 7 Praise we the Father and the Son  
 And Holy Spirit, with them One,

And may the Son on us bestow  
 The gifts that from the Spirit flow!

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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 104:24, 27–28, 30; antiphon: Liturgical Text*

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the | faithful,\*  
**and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alle- | luia.**  
O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you | made them all,\*  
**the earth is full of your | creatures.**  
These all | look to you,\*  
**to give them their food in due | season.**  
When you send forth your Spirit, they are cre- | ated,\*  
**and you renew the face | of the ground.**  
**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.**  
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the | faithful,\*  
**and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alle- | luia.**

## Kyrie

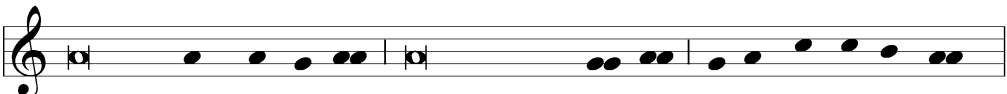
*Mark 10:47*



**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.



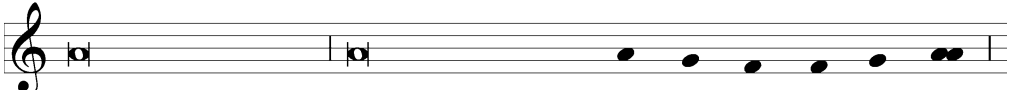
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



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



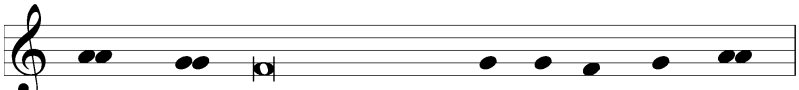
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise



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 -



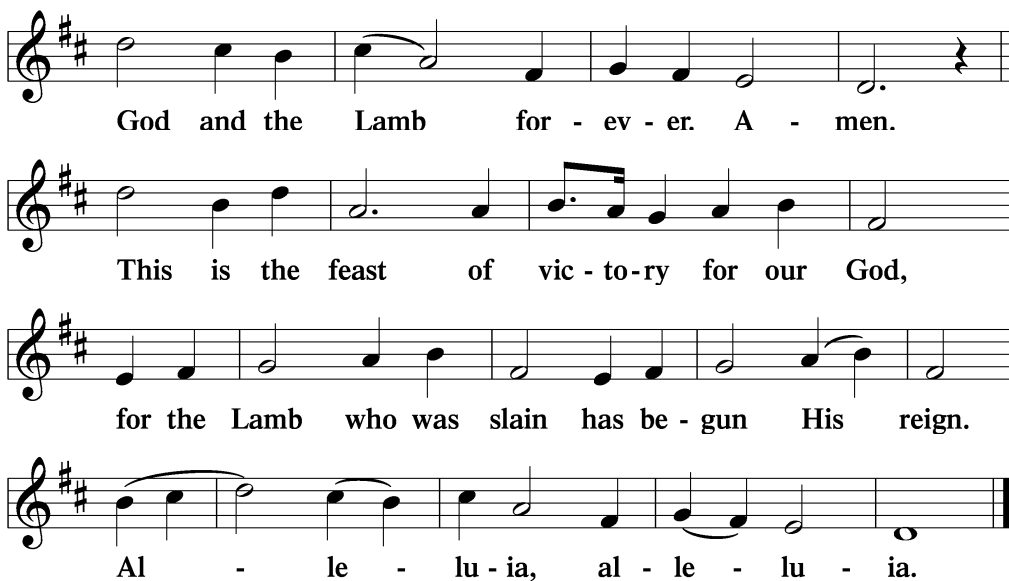
lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



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



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



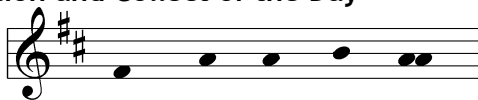
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

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



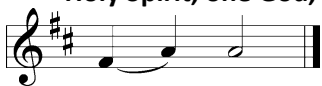
**P** The Lord be with you.



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

**P** Let us pray.

**C** O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; 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:**

Come, Holy Ghost

Thomas Attwood  
(1765-1838)

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire, and lighten with celestial fire;  
Thou the anointing Spirit art, Who dost Thy sevenfold gifts impart:  
Thy blessed unction from above is comfort, life, and fire of love;  
Enable with perpetual light the dullness of our blinded sight:  
Anoint and cheer our soiled face with the abundance of Thy grace:  
Keep far our foes, give peace at home; where Thou art guide no ill can come.  
Teach us to know the Father, Son, and Thee, of both, to be but one;  
That through the ages all along this may be our endless song,  
Praise to Thy eternal merit, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

### Old Testament Reading

*Numbers 11:24–30*

<sup>24</sup>Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. <sup>25</sup>Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it.

<sup>26</sup>Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. <sup>27</sup>And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” <sup>28</sup>And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, “My lord Moses, stop them.” <sup>29</sup>But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD’s people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!” <sup>30</sup>And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

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

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

### Gradual

*Acts 2:17b; Romans 10:10*

I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,  
**and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy.**  
With the heart one believes and is justified,  
**and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.**

## Second Reading

Acts 2:1–21

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup>And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. <sup>7</sup>And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup>both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” <sup>12</sup>And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup>But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. <sup>15</sup>For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. <sup>16</sup>But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup>“And in the last days it shall be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams;

<sup>18</sup>even on my male servants and female servants  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

<sup>19</sup>And I will show wonders in the heavens above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;

<sup>20</sup>the sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

<sup>21</sup>And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Stand

### Alleluia and Verse

*John 6:68*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

The musical notation consists of two staves in G major. The first staff begins with a common time signature (C) and contains the melody for "Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?". The second staff continues the melody for "You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia." and ends with a double bar line.

### Holy Gospel

*John 7:37–39*

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

Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

The musical notation is a single staff in G major, starting with a common time signature (C) and containing the melody for "Glo - ry to You, O Lord." It ends with a double bar line.

<sup>37</sup>On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. <sup>38</sup>Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’” <sup>39</sup>Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

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

Praise to You, O Christ.

The musical notation is a single staff in G major, starting with a common time signature (C) and containing the melody for "Praise to You, O Christ." It ends with a double bar line.

# O Day Full of Grace

LSB 503



1 O day full of grace that now we see Ap - pear - ing on  
2 O day full of grace, O bless - ed time, Our Lord on the  
3 For Christ bore our sins, and not His own, When He on the  
4 God came to us then at Pen - te - cost, His Spir - it new  
5 When we on that fi - nal jour - ney go That Christ is for



earth's ho - ri - zon, Bring light from our God that we may be  
earth ar - riv - ing; Then came to the world that light sub - lime,  
cross was hang - ing; And then He a - rose and moved the stone  
life re - veal - ing, That we might no more from Him be lost,  
us pre - par - ing, We'll gath - er in song, our hearts a - glow,



Re - plete in His joy this sea - son. God, shine for us  
Great joy for us all re - triev - ing; For Je - sus all  
That we, un - to Him be - long - ing, Might join with an -  
All dark - ness for us dis - pel - ling. His flame will the  
All joy of the heav - ens shar - ing, And walk in the



now in this dark place; Your name on our hearts em - bla - zon.  
mor - tals did em - brace, All dark - ness and shame re - mov - ing.  
gel - ic hosts to raise Our voic - es in end - less sing - ing.  
mark of sin ef - face And bring to us all His heal - ing.  
light of God's own place, With an - gels His name a - dor - ing.

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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  $\text{✝}$  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.)



## Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

LSB 955

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

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## Service of the Sacrament

## Preface


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



**P** The Lord be with you.




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




**P** Lift up your hearts.



**G** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**G** 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*



**G** 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;



God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

*Sit*

Today Your Mercy Calls Us

LSB 915

1 To - day Your mer - cy calls us To wash a - way our sin.  
2 To - day Your gate is o - pen, And all who en - ter in  
3 To - day our Fa - ther calls us; His Ho - ly Spir - it waits;  
4 O all - em - brac - ing Mer - cy, O ev - er - o - pen Door,

How - ev - er great our tres - pass, What - ev - er we have been,  
Shall find a Fa - ther's wel - come And par - don for their sin.  
His bless - ed an - gels gath - er A - round the heav'n - ly gates.  
What should we do with - out You When heart and eye run o'er?

How - ev - er long from mer - cy Our hearts have turned a - way,  
The past shall be for - got - ten, A pres - ent joy be giv'n,  
No ques - tion will be asked us How of - ten we have come;  
When all things seem a - gainst us, To drive us to de - spair,

Your pre - cious blood can wash us And make us clean to - day.  
A fu - ture grace be prom - ised, A glo - rious crown in heav'n.  
Al - though we oft have wan - dered, It is our Fa - ther's home.  
We know one gate is o - pen, One ear will hear our prayer.

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# I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

LSB 618



1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and  
 2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners  
 3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I  
 4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my  
 5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's



wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -  
 may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in  
 have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt  
 soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -  
 bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of



lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:  
 faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.  
 ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:  
 ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.  
 heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.



Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

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# The Lord, My God, Be Praised

LSB 794



1 The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heav - en;  
 2 The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heav - en,  
 3 The Lord, my God, be praised, My hope, my life from heav - en,  
 △ 4 The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ev - er - liv - ing,



My mak - er, who to me Has soul and bod - y giv - en;  
 The Fa - ther's own dear Son, Whose life for me was giv - en,  
 The Spir - it, whom the Son In love to me has giv - en.  
 To whom the heav'n - ly host Their laud and praise are giv - ing.



My Fa - ther, who will shield And keep me day by day  
 Who for my sin a - toned With His most pre - cious blood  
 His grace re - vives my heart And gives my spir - it pow'r,  
 The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast,



And make each mo - ment yield New bless - ings on my way.  
 And gives to me by faith The high - est heav'n - ly good.  
 Help, com - fort, and sup - port In sor - row's gloom - y hour.  
 God Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Ho - ly Ghost.

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## Stand

## Post-Communion Blessing

### Thank the Lord

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



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

He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -  
 joyce and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-  
 es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
 giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Post-Communion Collect**

**A** Let us pray...

**C** A - men.

**Benediction**

*Numbers 6:24–26*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make His face shine on you  
 and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**C** A - men.

# O Day of Rest and Gladness

LSB 906



1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,  
 2 This day at earth's cre - a - tion The light first had its birth;  
 3 This day, God's peo - ple meet - ing, His Ho - ly Scrip - ture hear;  
 △ 4 That light our hope sus - tain - ing, We walk the pil - grim way,



O balm of care and sad - ness, Most beau - ti - ful, most bright;  
 This day for our sal - va - tion Christ rose from depths of earth;  
 His liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, Through bread and wine made near.  
 At length our rest at - tain - ing, Our end - less Sab - bath day.



This day the high and low - ly, Through a - ges joined to bless,  
 This day our Lord vic - to - rious The Spir - it sent from heav'n,  
 We jour - ney on, be - liev - ing, Re - newed with heav'n - ly might,  
 We sing to Thee our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;



Sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," The tri - une God con - fess.  
 And thus this day most glo - rious A three - fold light was giv'n.  
 From grace more grace re - ceiv - ing, On this blest day of light.  
 The Church her voice up - rais - es To Thee, blest Three in One.

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## Postlude:

All Glory Be to God on High

Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau  
(1663-1712)

*Fughette on Allein Gott in der Höh sei Her*

Andreas Nikolaus Vetter  
(c. 1666-1734)

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## News And Notes

### Altar Flowers

Flowers are given by Don Easton and Carol McDaniel in celebration of their blessed wedding anniversary.

### Lessons of the Day in Summer Bible Class

For the next two weeks Steve Haar will lead our Sunday Morning class. He will guide us in a discussion of the Scripture readings for each week. We start around 8:45 am in the Fellowship Hall.

### Kids and Youth Sunday School will go through May 31st ...

... and then take the summer off. We will start up again in the fall!



### Rainforest VBS

Get ready to explore the nature of God at this year's Vacation Bible School. June 22-26 from 9am-12pm. Sign-up your child 3 yrs. old to fifth grade on the church website at [www.stpaulcatonsville.org](http://www.stpaulcatonsville.org)



### Spots Are Left for the Mission Trip

We have spots 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.

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

Graduation 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.

### 6th Annual Memorial Day Ceremony at St Paul Lutheran Cemetery

It is time, once again, to honor the war veterans interred in our cemetery. Let's have another great turnout. For anyone who has not been there, come and see why maintenance of our cemetery is a sacred mission for St Paul. Address is 1022 Joh Ave, Baltimore, MD 21229. Time is 10:00 AM Monday, May 25, 2026.

## **Confirmation Sunday is May 31st**

We will rejoice and pray for our junior confirmands as they confess their faith and are confirmed (that is, strengthened in their faith by prayer) and receive the Lord's Supper. There will be a reception in the Parish Hall following worship.

## **Help for Ukraine - Today is the Last Day**

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. Please drop items off at the church on or before May 24th. Norm's red truck will be at church for people to bring things for Ukraine. Label the items "Ukraine".

## **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.

## **Newsletter Articles are Due June 1<sup>st</sup> for June/July**

### **Daily Readings**

Pentecost Sun.	Num 21:10–35, Luke 21:20–38
Pentecost Mon.	Num 22:1–20, Luke 22:1–23
Pentecost Tues.	Num 22:21–23:3, Luke 22:24–46
Pentecost Wed.	Num 23:4–28, Luke 22:47–71
Pentecost Thurs.	Num 24:1–25, Luke 23:1–25
Pentecost Fri.	Num 27:12–23, Luke 23:26–56
Pentecost Sat.	Num 32:1–6, 16–27, Luke 24:1–27

## Serving at St. Paul

	<b>This week 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Next week 31<sup>st</sup></b>
<b>Cantor</b>	Jim Baeder	Caleb Ferry
<b>Reader</b>	Kate Baeder	Ed Cohen
<b>Usher</b>	Jeffrey Hemmeter	Bill Oldhouser
<b>Usher</b>	Keegan Guyett	Cole Peterson
<b>Greeter</b>	Debbie Oldhouser	Irene Giguere

## Happening This Week

Monday, May 25, 2026		
7:30 PM – 9:00 PM	AA Small Group	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, May 26, 2026		
5:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Capital Campaign Meeting	
Wednesday, May 27, 2026		
5:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Capital Campaign Meeting	
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Choir Practice	
Thursday, May 28, 2026		
10:00 AM– 11:00 AM	Bible Study	Pastor’s Office
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Adult Catechism	203
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Books and Beer at Rathskeller	Off Campus
Friday, May 29, 2026		
All Day	Pastor’s Day Off	
Saturday, May 30, 2026		
8:30 AM – 10:00 PM		
5:00 PM – 8:00 PM		
Sunday, May 31, 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
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Circuit Outreach Meeting	Fellowship Hall

## **CHURCH MEMBERS**

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

## **SHUT-INS**

Dorothy Shifflett

## **FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

Elenor Hoffman, lung cancer and chemo 5/24  
Janet Yingling, breast cancer; chemo and radiation treatments. (friend of the Borths)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  
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](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