

# The Season of Lent



8:00am & 10:30am Service

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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## THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE

### Setting One

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#### THE PRELUDE

#### THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" LSB 575

INVOCATION LSB 151

*The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**G** Amen.

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**G** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION LSB 151

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

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

**G** 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.

**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.

**G** Amen.

#### INTROIT

*Ps. 74:1-3; antiphon: Ps. 69:9*

For zeal for your house has con- | sumed me,\*

and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fall- | en on me.

O God, why do you cast us off for- | ever?\*

Why does your anger smoke against the sheep of your | pasture?

Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old, which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your | heritage!\*

Remember Mount Zion, where | you have dwelt.

Direct your steps to the perpetual | ruins;\*

the enemy has destroyed everything in the sanctu- | ary!

**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.**  
For zeal for your house has con- | sumed me,\*  
**and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fall- | en on me.**

## KYRIE

LSB 152

- P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy.**  
**P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy.**  
**P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy.**  
**P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy.**  
**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.  
**C** **Amen.**

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

LSB 156

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And also with you.**
- P** Let us pray.  
O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

## THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Jeremiah 26:8-15

<sup>8</sup>And when Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, "You shall die! <sup>9</sup>Why have you prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, 'This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant'?" And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD. <sup>10</sup>When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house to the house of the LORD and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the LORD. <sup>11</sup>Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, "This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears." <sup>12</sup>Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, "The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. <sup>13</sup>Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the LORD your God, and the LORD will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. <sup>14</sup>But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. <sup>15</sup>Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the LORD sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,\*  
the founder and perfecter | of our faith,  
who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing the shame,\*  
and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

**THE EPISTLE FOR THE DAY:**

Philippians 3:17-4:1

<sup>17</sup>Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup>For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. <sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup>who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself. <sup>1</sup>Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**VERSE FOR LENT**

LSB 157

**C Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and abounding in steadfast love.**

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**THE HOLY GOSPEL:**

Luke 13:31-35

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>31</sup>At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." <sup>32</sup>And he said to them, "Go and tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course. <sup>33</sup>Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.' <sup>34</sup>O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! <sup>35</sup>Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'"

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY:**

"God Has Spoken by His Prophets"

LSB 583

**THE SERMON**

"The Lord will relent"

Text: Jeremiah 26:13

**NICENE CREED**

LSB 158

**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  $\text{✝}$  of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH LSB 159

OFFERING LSB 159

OFFERTORY LSB 159

- G** What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?  
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,  
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE LSB 160

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And also with you.  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them to the Lord.  
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS LSB 161

- G** Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING LSB 161

- 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** *(spoken in unison)*

LSB 162

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

**C** **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

LSB 162

**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."

**P** 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**

LSB 163

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

**AGNUS DEI**

LSB 163

**C** **Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

**DISTRIBUTION**

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

**Amen.**

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins. **Amen.**

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart  $\text{✠}$  in peace.

**C** Amen.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

"Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"

LSB 637

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

LSB 636

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: NUNC DIMITTIS**

LSB 165

**C** **Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled.  
My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry  
people:**

**A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

LSB 166

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

**BENEDICTION**

LSB 166

**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  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.

**G** Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN:**

“O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee”

LSB 632

**POSTLUDE**

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**WELCOME TO St. Paul’s Lutheran Church:** We are glad that you are here as we gather around the Word and Sacraments of our Lord Jesus Christ. If you have not already done so, we ask that you would sign the guest book at the entrance to the church. If you do not have a church home and are interested in the teachings of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, or if you are interested in becoming a member here at St. Paul’s, please contact the church office.

**The Sacrament of the Altar:** In bread and wine of the Lord’s Supper, our Lord Jesus comes to us in His true Body & Blood. In this Holy Meal, one receives full forgiveness and perfect unity with each other. Scripture requires that each communicant first examine himself/herself regarding confession of sin, trust in Jesus for salvation, belief in the Real Presence, and the desire to grow in grace. We believe that Communion is a time when believers of like mind come close to the Lord and to one another. We do practice ‘close’ Communion, which means that all communicants believe as we do, and graciously receive this gift. If you are supportive of these beliefs, we welcome you to the Lord’s Supper. If, however, at this point you are unsure or question whether your beliefs differ from those of our church, we ask that you use the communion time to meditate and pray. For these reasons, it’s best for our new (first time) guests/visitors to talk briefly before the service with the pastor or an elder. A cup with white grape juice is located in the center of the communion tray for those who are allergic to alcohol. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

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**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:**

*Please note: The names listed below will remain on our public prayer list for two weeks unless the church office is notified otherwise. Thank you.*

We pray for ... Leta Forke (daughter of Lois Luebs), Lois Luebs

School Prayer Families ... Mike & Tara Ringen, Emma Rix, Ted & Kati Robinson, Rob & Andrea Schafer

Continuing Prayers ... Elaine Girl (sister of Jane Oletjen), Mel Girl (brother-in-law of Jane Oeltjen), Lawrence Kumm (father of Cliff Kumm) and Ann Kelley

Please call 402-228-1540 by Thursday if you have a petition to be included in the prayers.

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## *In His Service*

Preacher: Rev. Charles Schmidt

Organist: Judy Vrbka

### **8:00 am Service**

Acolytes: Aaron Meyer, Olivia Aden, Chase Meyer

Elders: Ron Buss, Terry Brethouwer

Greeters: Carlyn Koenig, Wilferd Deke

Ushers: Rod Aden, Eric Jobman, Robert Pfingsten, Gary Swanson

### **10:30 am Service**

Acolytes: Noah Hagemeyer, Paige Southwick, Sydney Southwick

Elders: David Doering, Garry Busboom

Greeters: Don & Carolyn Junker

Ushers: Gerrad Busboom, Dale Hagemeyer, Cliff Kumm, Brad Long, Steve Schmidt

**Today's radio broadcast** is sponsored by Carlyn Koenig to the glory of God in thankfulness for healing broken bones.

**Today's bulletin** is sponsored by Dorothy Daubendiek to the glory of God.

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**BUSY BAGS** for your child to use and return are available in the Narthex of the church. If you need assistance, please ask an usher or greeter.

**VISITATION PASTOR:** Rev. Timothy Brisbois serves St. Paul's as our visitation pastor. Pastor Brisbois does not have church office hours. Anyone needing / wishing to visit personally with Pastor Brisbois or have him visit you, please contact the church office. Pastor Brisbois can also be reached at 402-806-1822 or by email at [trbrisbois@gmail.com](mailto:trbrisbois@gmail.com).

**CHURCH SERVICES:** We will be having church service in the school gym at 10:30 AM on April 7. This service will be in place of the 10:30am service at church. A shortened Sunday School and Adult Bible Class time will still be held on this Sunday in the church basement.

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION:** Would you like to have a new type of devotion each day? Here are two that you can listen to or read from your computer or smartphone. Each are 4 to 5 minutes in length. The first one is from Lutheran Ministries and the website is [www.lhm.org](http://www.lhm.org). The second one is by Rev. Ken Klaus former Lutheran Hour speaker and the website is [www.thesaviorsstory.com](http://www.thesaviorsstory.com). For each of these you go to the website and click on the daily devotion line. Enjoy.

**COFFEE CREW:** Share your smile and great cooking by being part of the Coffee Crew! Evangelism is looking for people to serve coffee hour between services. Evangelism will provide the coffee and supplies; you provide the treats and a smile. If you have questions, please see a member of the board. There is a sign-up sheet next to the window in the basement. Thank you for your help!

**DONATE YOUR CHANGE:** Would you like to be able to support our school while doing shopping? Click on the link below to learn how change from your everyday purchases can make a huge impact for our school. [www.stpaulbeatrice.donateyourchange.com](http://www.stpaulbeatrice.donateyourchange.com) Any questions contact the school or church office.

**OFFERING CAMPAIGN:** We are beginning a new special offering campaign, "***Back in the Black for our new Pastor***". We will incur additional expenses when we are blessed with our new Pastor, including expenses for when he comes to visit, moving expenses, possible parsonage

update, etc. You are encouraged to contribute to this special fund. You may put "Back in the Black" or "Special Offering" on the memo line. Thank You!!!

**SUNMART RECEIPTS:** SunMart cash register receipts update: our current total is \$30,231.26. Thanks to all your help we made our goal of \$150,000.00 and have received a check for \$1,000.00. Our school also collects Box Tops and Best Choice UPCs so please remember to save those too and drop them off at the school or church office.

**EASTER BREAKFAST:** The youth that will be attending the National Youth Gathering will be hosting treats and breakfast on Easter morning. There will be rolls and coffee available between the sunrise and early service. The traditional Easter breakfast of scrambled eggs, ham, rolls, and drinks will be served between the 8:00 and 10:30 services. Please come join us for tasty food and great fellowship!

**THANK YOU,** thank you, thank you for so generously supporting the youth attending the National Youth Gathering by supporting the RADA fundraiser!!!

**Attention Thrivent members:** All 2018 Choice Dollars must be directed by March 31, 2019. You may do this on-line. If you need help, Carla Loemker is willing to help you. Her number is 402-520-0015. You may also do it on the phone. Here are the directions for doing it that way: 1. Call 800-847-4836 and when prompted, say "Thrivent Choice." 2. Press 1 to direct Choice Dollars or 2 to hear Thrivent Choice Dollars® program Terms and Conditions. (If prompted, say or enter your phone number and date of birth.) 3. A representative will work with you to direct Choice dollars. Please consider supporting our church and school when directing your Dollars.

**LWML MEMBERS:** All LWML members are invited to attend the Assembly of Leaders Training hosted by St. Paul's, Beatrice on March 31<sup>st</sup> 1:00-4:00pm in the church basement. Please RSVP to Kelly in the church office by Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see you all there. If you would like more information on this event contact Kelly Mees or another LWML board member. Information is also included in the Spring 2019 Echo.

**SPECIAL VOTERS' MEETING** Sunday, April 28, 2019 at 1:30pm in the church basement. This special meeting has been called to extend a call to our next pastor. Continue to pray for the Lord's blessings on our congregation as we await a faithful shepherd to guide the flock of St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

**SECOND QUARTER VOTERS' MEETING** will be Sunday, April 14, 2019 at 1:30pm in the church basement.

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## Every Wednesday during Lent

4:30pm Lenten Service

5:00pm Lenten Supper

*Meals are served by various boards of the congregation*

7:00pm Lenten Service

*Come for dinner and enjoy fellowship  
with other congregation members!*

All are welcome, and a freewill donation is appreciated (but not required) to benefit our various organizations and missions.



### LILIES FOR EASTER SEASON 2019

During the 2019 Easter Season, we will again decorate our church with lilies. The price is \$16.00 per plant. If you would like to purchase a lily, please fill out the section below and return it to the church office or in the offering plate by Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup> with your money. The plants may be picked up following the second service on Sunday, April 21, 2019. Lilies may be designated in memory or in honor of a loved one or in thanksgiving for a special occasion, etc. If you would like to participate in this special display on behalf of yourself or your family, feel free to do so.

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In Recognition of \_\_\_\_\_

In Thanksgiving for \_\_\_\_\_

I will order \_\_\_\_\_ lily(s) at \$16.00 each. Please make checks payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

## *Our Weekly Birthdays & Anniversaries!*

Happy Birthday to ...

17	Kimberly Johnson Hunter Zarybnicky	19	Garry Busboom Kevin Riekenberg		Brian Clausen Norman McConnell
18	Patrick Hager Keith Neumann Wayne Schultz Vaughn Wright	20	Candice Mentgen Jayten Moyer Sharil Prall Rodney Aden	22	Marilyn Adam Kyle Murray Aljean Swarhout Marian Weishahn
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Happy Anniversary to ...

21 Robert & Victoria Frerking, 33 yrs.

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## *Gifts of Time and Treasure*

Attendance & Contributions		
8:00 AM Service	75	\$5,780.00
10:30 AM Service at School	69	\$2,223.00
Monday Evening Service	15	\$765.00
4:30 PM Lenten Service	63	\$434.00
7:00 PM Lenten Service	50	\$374.00
Coins for Christ (Loose Coins)		Lutheran Family Services--\$31.47

## *The Lord's Week*

Today	8:00	Divine Service
	9:15	Sunday School/Youth/Adult Bible Class
	10:30	Divine Service
Monday	7:00	Weekday Holy Communion Service
Tuesday	12:00	Ladies Quilting
Wednesday	8:20	School Chapel
	2:30	Catechism Class
	4:30	Lenten Service
	5:00	Lenten Meal
	7:00	Lenten Service
Thursday	12:00	Ladies Quilting
	7:00	Choir Practice
Sunday	8:00	Divine Service
	9:15	Sunday School/Youth/Adult Bible Class
	10:30	Divine Service

**Church office hours** are 9:00am-3:00pm, Monday thru Friday

The office may be closed on occasion, so please call ahead.

Pastor Stuckwisch will be in the church office on Tuesday mornings and Wednesday afternoons. Anyone needing / wishing to visit personally with Pastor Stuckwisch, please contact the church office. Pastor Stuckwisch can also be reached at 402-230-0698.