

**Sunday, April 20, 2025  
9:00 a.m.**

## Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church

It is a joy to gather together for worship!

### St. Paul Purpose Statement

Living Christ centered lives so we may love all, serve our community, and share the Word.

### Sunday Worship Schedule

9:00 a.m. In-person worship with Holy Communion

10:15 a.m. In-person Sunday School – September – May

### Communion

We celebrate Jesus' presence each week in Holy Communion. This is the Lord's Supper and Jesus invites us: whether you are a lifelong Lutheran, or just considering Christianity; if you are an infant or elderly; if your family has been in the United States for generations, or has only recently arrived; if you are LGBTQIA+ or straight; if you live with disabilities, chronic illness, or are able-bodied and currently healthy; if you are home-blessed or homeless; ... YOU are welcome at God's meal of grace at St. Paul.

### Accessibility

Handicap parking, entrance, wheelchair, and restrooms are available. Sound amplifiers and large print bulletins are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

### Children's Offering

**In April** the children's offering will support our synod partners in Tanzania and India. The offerings will be sent directly to non-profit organizations that work with the North Central Diocese of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania and the Arcot Lutheran Church (ALC) in India. The Friends of Mwangaza supports education programs that tackle issues related to teaching, learning, public health, empowering women, and building community in Tanzania. Lutheran Partners in Global Ministry supports education through financially supporting students at the ALC boarding homes in India. Check out both organizations here:

<https://lutheranpartners.org/what-we-do> or <https://www.mwangazapartnership.org/>

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## Easter Sunday

### Prelude

*"Morning Has Broken"*

arr. C.E. Walz

### Welcome/Announcements

P: Welcome to Worship today!

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

P: We gather to worship in the name of ✠ the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

**C: Amen.**

CHRIST  
IS RISEN  
INDEED *Alleluia*

## Gathering Hymn

### “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

ELW # 365



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1–3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, st. 4  
Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

## Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray together:

**All: God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

<sup>34</sup> Peter began to speak to [the people]: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup> You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup> We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; <sup>40</sup> but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup> not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup> All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

R: Word of God, Word of Life,

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

<sup>19</sup> If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

<sup>20</sup> But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. <sup>21</sup> For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; <sup>22</sup> for as

all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. <sup>23</sup> But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup> Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

R: Word of God, Word of Life,  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Acclamation



### Gospel: Luke 24:1-12

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 24<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. <sup>2</sup> They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup> but when they went in, they did not find the body. <sup>4</sup> While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. <sup>5</sup> The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. <sup>6</sup> Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup> that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” <sup>8</sup> Then they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup> and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup> Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. <sup>11</sup> But these words

seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup> But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

P: The Gospel of the Lord,  
**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

### Children’s Message

### Sermon

**“This is Something Totally New”**



# Hymn of the Day

## “Resurrection Hymn”

Words and Music by  
Stuart Townend and Keith Getty



1. See, what a morn - ing, glo - rious - ly bright, with the  
2. See Ma - ry weep - ing, "Where is He laid?" As in  
3. One with the Fa - ther, An - cient of Days, through the  
dawn - ing of hope in Je - ru - sa - lem; Fold - ed the grave clothes,  
sor - row she turns from the emp - ty tomb; Hears a voice speak - ing,  
Spir - it who clothes faith with cer - tain - ty, hon - our and bless - ing,  
tomb filled with light, as the an - gels an - nounce Christ is ris - en!  
call - ing her name; It's the Mas - ter, the Lord raised to life a - gain!  
glo - ry and praise to the King crowned with pow'r and au - thor - i - ty!  
See God's sal - va - tion plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in  
The voice that spans the years, speak - ing life, stir - ring hope, bring - ing  
And we are raised with Him, death is dead, love has won, Christ has  
sa - cri - fice, ful - filled in Christ, the Man, for He lives: Christ is ris - en from the  
peace to us, will sound till He ap - pears, for He lives: Christ is ris - en from the  
con - quered; And we shall reign with Him, for He lives: Christ is ris - en from the  
dead!  
dead!  
dead!

## Nicene Creed

P: Trusting in Christ's life, death, and resurrection, let us profess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed:

**All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,**

**God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Prayers of Intercession

P: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*Each petition ends with these words:*

P: God of grace,

**All: hear our prayer.**

P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

**All: Amen.**

## Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**All: And also with you!**

P: Let us share a sign of Christ's peace in whatever way you are comfortable.

## MEAL

### Offering

*"Rise Up with the Lord"*

Janet Vogt

### Offering Prayer

P: Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

**All: Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### *"Holy, Holy, Holy"*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heav - en 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 -



## The Words of Institution

### Lord's Prayer

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

**All:** 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.

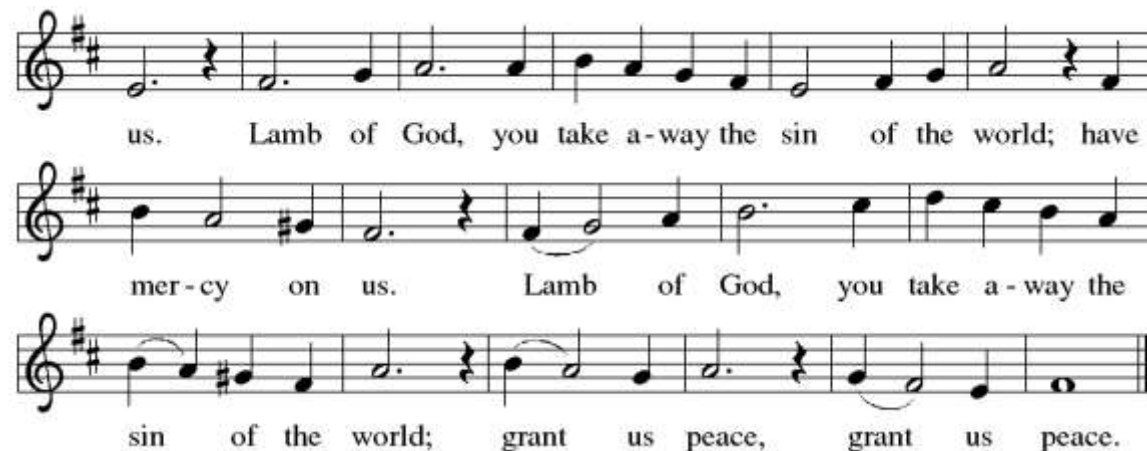
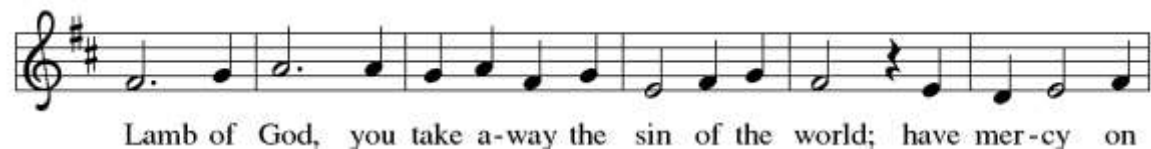
### Invitation to Communion

P: All who are hungry, come!  
The feast of grace is spread.

### Communion

### Communion Music

#### *"Lamb of God"*



#### *"What Are You Looking For? (Come See)"*

Robert Hobby

### Prayer after Communion

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**All: Amen.**

P: Let us pray.

Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

**All: Amen**

### Blessing

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, ✚ Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

**All: Amen.**

## Sending Song

### “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”

ELW #367

1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds  
2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,  
3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;  
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring

in there - praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has  
set - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has  
and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has

tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of  
tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he  
con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -  
tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the

an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry  
comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all  
fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly  
Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly

here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Paul Z. Stodach, 1876-1947, alt.  
Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Köln, 1623  
Text © 1958 Service Book and Hymnal, admtm, Augsburg Fortress.

## Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.

**C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## Postlude

### “Praise to the Lord Almighty”

stg. Carol Tornquist

**We Remember in Prayer;** those on our Home Visitation list and those on our prayer list: Stacy Verdick, Dylan Wescott, Dianne Miller, Ken & Sharon Mager, Phyllis Jacobson, JoAnn Garcia, Barb Lenn, Lori Dewey, Betty Steinke, Larry Wahler, JoDell Cruz, Sandy Julifs, and Lila Edeus.

**Coffee Fellowship** is hosted this morning by Mary Ordean. All are welcome to join them after worship today.

## Worship Assistants:

Opener/Head Usher/Closer – Dan Bartel

Acolytes – Bartel family

Greeters – Bartel family

Ushers – Janie Billings, Susan Kuehl

Reader – Bev Julien

Sound – Greg Zeigler

Altar Guild – Debbie O'Brien, Diane Yoeckel

## Musicians:

Live:

Julie Woessner, vocals

Recorded:

Dawn Zeigler, organ and piano

Gabe Zeigler, trumpet

## Next week – April 27

Opener/Head Usher/Closer – Stacey Avelar

Acolytes – Avelar family

Greeters – Audrey Cox, Cathy Cox

Ushers – Mel Johnson, Gary Fields

Reader – Stacey Avelar

Sound – David Carrillo

Altar Guild – Debbie O'Brien, Diane Yoeckel

Coffee Fellowship – Tim & Chrissy Zollinger

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**Sandy Julifs** by David Julifs

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**Tulips given in memory of:**

**Heather Crofts** by Khe & Jerry Crofts

**Bob Woessner, Rhonda DeJonge, Bob Wasmund and Oliver DeJonge** by Julie Woessner and Randy DeJonge

**Our parents** by Ron & Janie Billings

**Julie Renner** by John Renner & my parents, Julia & Ronald Renner

**Pearl Staples & Graftaas family** by JoAnn & Ruben Garcia

**Daffodils given in memory of:**

**Our parents** by Mike & Debbie O'Brien

**Hyacinths given in memory of:**

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