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2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH!

If you are seeking a faith community, exploring faith, desire to be a part of our ministries, or have questions; please feel free to speak with the pastor.

Our Purpose:

We are called through Christ to praise God and love generously.

Guiding Principles:

As instruments of God's love, when you see us at our best you will see us:

- Generously** stewarding God's gifts of resources, time, and talents
- Serving** as God's hands & feet in ministries & missions of outreach to all
- Providing** for the care of God's people, both physically and spiritually
- Growing in Faith** through worship, study, and discernment
- Praising** God through music, word, and service
- Welcoming** all people into fellowship with God

Important Worship Notes

All liturgies are printed within this bulletin.

Children's activity bags and children's bulletins are located on the podium in the hallway on the pulpit side of the sanctuary. Children's activity bags are also located on the coat rack behind the door of the choir loft side of the sanctuary.

P: Pastor

C: Congregation

L: Lay Reader

A: Assisting Minister

If you are communing, please be sure to fill out a communion record card, for our church records, and place it in the offering plate. Thank you.

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INTRODUCTION

In today's gospel the risen Christ appears to the disciples and offers them the gift of peace. Even amid doubts and questions, we experience the resurrection in our Sunday gathering around word and meal, and in our everyday lives. Throughout the coming Sundays of Easter the first two readings will be from the Acts of the Apostles and the first letter of Peter. Even as the early Christians proclaimed the resurrection, we rejoice in the new birth and living hope we receive in baptism.

THE GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen**

P I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my siblings, that I have sinned by my own fault, in thought, word, and deed. I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.

C **Almighty and merciful God grant you healing, pardon, and forgiveness of all your sins. Amen.**

P Siblings in Christ, I invite you to confess your sins.

C **I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my siblings, that I have sinned by my own fault, in thought, word, and deed. I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.**

P Almighty and merciful God grant you healing, pardon, and forgiveness of all your sins. Amen.

1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright; the
 2 O Je - sus, king of gen - tle - ness, with
 3 O Christ, you are the Lord of all in
 4 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to

sun shone out with fair - er light when, to their long - ing
 con - stant love our hearts pos - sess; to you our lips will
 this our Eas - ter fes - ti - val, for you will be our
 you, once dead, but now a - live! To God the Fa - ther

eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord!
 ev - er raise the trib - ute of our grate - ful praise.
 strength and shield from ev - 'ry weap - on death can wield.
 e - qual praise, and God the Spir - it, now we raise!

*GREETING

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

C And also with you.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

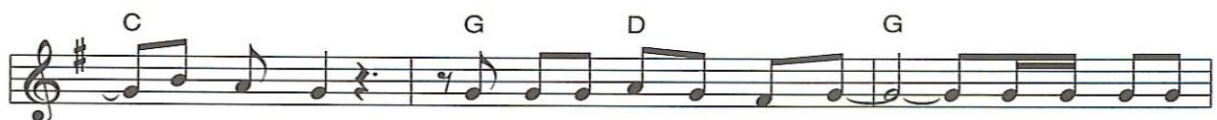
verse



We are called (we are called) We are claimed (we are claimed) We are loved
We are here (we are here) To pro - claim (to pro - claim) God is here



(we are loved) by the ho - ly name We are healed (we are healed) We are whole
(God is here) Calls us each by name We are here (we are here) To give praise



(we are whole) the Sav - ior ran - somed our souls — and we're singing
(to give praise) The love of God will not change — and we're singing

chorus



Glo - ry Glo - ry Glo - ry Hal - le - lu - jah Glo - ry Glo - ri - a



Oh — Glo - ry Glo - ry Glo - ry Hal - le - lu - jah Glo - ry Glo - ri - a

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray, Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

After the Holy Spirit comes to the apostles on Pentecost, Peter preaches the gospel to the gathered crowd. He tells them that Jesus, who obediently went to his death according to God's plan, was raised from the dead by God. Finally, he appeals to scripture, quoting Psalm 16:8-11, to show that Jesus is the Messiah: though crucified, the risen Jesus is now enthroned.

L The First Reading according to Acts, the 2nd chapter.

^{14a} Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd]: ²² "Fellow Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know ²³ this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. ²⁴ But God raised him up, having released him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. ²⁵ For David says concerning him,

'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; ²⁶ therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. ²⁷ For you will not abandon my soul to Hades or let your Holy One experience corruption. ²⁸ You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

²⁹ "Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰ Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹ Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.'

³² "This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

- A
- ¹ Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- ² **All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**
- ³ But those who run after other gods
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- ⁴ **I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,
never take their names upon my lips.**
- ⁵ O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;
it is you who uphold my lot.
- ⁶ **My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;
indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**
- ⁷ I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night after night.
- ⁸ **I have set the LORD always before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**
- ⁹ My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.
- ¹⁰ **For you will not abandon me to the grave,
nor let your holy one see the pit.**
- ¹¹ You will show me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

A Holy wisdom, Holy word.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

1 Peter 1:3-9

This epistle was written to encourage Christians experiencing hardships and suffering because of their faith in Christ. The letter opens by blessing God for the living hope we have through Christ's resurrection even amid difficult circumstances and surroundings.

L The Second Reading according to 1 Peter, the 1st chapter.

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead ⁴and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, ⁷so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸Although you have not seen him, you love him, and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, ⁹for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The musical notation consists of three staves of music in the key of D major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "Help us O Lord to hear your word O - pen our hearts to feel your word Give us the strength to live your word each day". The chord symbols are: D, DM7, D7, G, Em7, G/D, and A.

D DM7
Help us O Lord to hear your word

D7 G
O - pen our hearts to feel your word

Em7 G/D A
Give us the strength to live your word each day

*GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P ¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Jason Northridge

Following the Children's Sermon, Children and Children's Choir leaders are dismissed to Children's Choir rehearsal and will return for the Sharing of the Peace.

SERMON

Pastor Jason Northridge



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with
 2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
 4 For you, O res - ur - rec - ted Lord, are
 5 And when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
 fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound to call on you when
 found in means di - vine: be - neath the wa - ter
 realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
 we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near and seek where you are found:
 and the word, be - neath the bread and wine.
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

*NICENE CREED

A Let us affirm our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.

C **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 THE PEOPLE**

A Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

A brief silence.

A Almighty God, you give life to the dead and call into existence things that do not exist. Breathe your Spirit upon us, that our faith may be renewed day by day. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

A Maker of heaven and earth, your mercies are new every morning. Open us to the wonders of creation, from the beauty of flowers to the complexity of subatomic particles. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

A God of peace, in every place where conflict rages, sow seeds of calm and openness to reconciliation. Strengthen the resolve of leaders and citizens to work for peace in their nations. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

A Healing God, come alongside all who are doubting, fearful, or suffering in any way. Reveal to them your presence and assure them of the inheritance you have prepared for them. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

A Giver of joy, let this assembly be a place of genuine love and mutual affection. Deepen our care for one another and help us to embody your forgiving and sacrificial love. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A Eternal One, we give thanks for saints who were faithful unto death and have joined the church triumphant. Inspire us by their witness and bring us with them into your glorious presence. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.
C **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

THE MEAL

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Glorious Morn"
Bell Choir

Austin

*"Glorious Morn" music by Brenda Austin
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(Use this time to reflect on your financial and spiritual offerings to God.)

There are a number of ways of making your offerings to God during this time. One is to place your offering in our offering plates in front of the pews or to give online at <https://stpaulsyorkst.org/give>. If you prefer not to give online, you may of course mail a check to St. Paul's. If you are not able to give monetarily during this time, know that your prayers and praise are a pleasing offering to God. If you are able to give a little more during this time, please consider doing so as a way of supporting your fellow disciples who are not able to.

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

♩ = 108 D Em11 D/F# D7 G D/F# Em7 A7

We bring the sac - ri - fice of praise in - to the house of the Lord;

5 D Em11 F#m7 Bm7 Em7 Gmaj7/A A7 D C/D D7

We bring the sac - ri - fice of praise in - to the house of the Lord. And we

9 G F#m7 Bm7 Em7 G/A A7 D Em7 D/F# D7 G Em7

of - fer up to You the sac - ri - fic - es of thanks - giv - ing; And we of - fer up to

14 F#m7 Bm7 Em7 G/A A7 D

You the sac - ri - fic - es of joy.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray,
Risen One,

C 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.

*DIALOGUE

ELW 144

P The Lord be with you.

C And also 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.

*PREFACE

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everliving God. But chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for he is the true Passover Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*SANCTUS

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,

G⁷ C C⁷ F F/E Dm⁷ B⁷/D[#]
 Lord God Al - might-y; and we lift our hearts be - fore you as a
 Em Em⁷ Am Dm G⁷ F/C C
 to - ken of our love, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly.

*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:
 Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.
 You have filled all creation with light and life;
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age:
 the promise to Israel, the rescue from Egypt,
 the gift of the promised land, the words of the prophets;
 and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son,
 who proclaimed the good news in word and deed
 and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

In the night in which he was handed over, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

P For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup
we remember the life our Lord offered for us.
And, believing the witness of his resurrection,
we await his coming in power
to share with us the great and promised feast.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,
that we who share in Christ's body and blood
may live to the praise of your glory
and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

P Join our prayers with those of your servants
of every time and every place,
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest
until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father,
now and forever.

C **Amen.**

***LORD'S PRAYER**

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.**

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.

*All are welcome to commune.
If you wish to receive communion from your seat, let an usher know.
If you are in need of gluten free wafers, please ask at the bread station.
Grape juice is available in the prefilled cups next to the empty ones.*

AGNUS DEI



☒ 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.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTHEM

"One Bread, One Body"
Handbell Choir

arr. Honore

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***POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen.**

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A Let us pray.

Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,

C **Amen.**

***BLESSING**

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✠ bless you now and forever.

C **Amen.**



1 Hal - le - lu - jah! Je - sus lives! He is now the Liv - ing One;
 2 Je - sus lives! Why do you weep? Why that sad and mourn - ful sigh?
 3 Je - sus lives! And thus, my soul, life e - ter - nal waits for you;
 4 Je - sus lives! Let all re - joice. Praise him, ran - somed of the earth.
 5 Hal - le - lu - jah! An - gels, sing! Join with us in hymns of praise.



from the gloom - y halls of death Christ, the con - quer - or, has gone,
 Christ who died our broth - er here lives our broth - er still on high,
 joined to Christ, your liv - ing head, where he is, you shall be too;
 Praise him in a no - bler song, cher - u - bim of heav'n - ly birth.
 Let your cho - rus swell the strain which our fee - bler voic - es raise:



bright fore - run - ner to the skies of his peo - ple, yet to rise.
 lives for - ev - er to be - stow bless - ings on his church be - low.
 with the Lord, at God's right hand, as a vic - tor you shall stand.
 Praise the vic - tor king, whose sway sin and death and hell o - bey.
 Glo - ry to our God a - bove and on earth his peace and love!



***DISMISSAL**

A Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

We are called through Christ to praise God and love generously. Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

***POSTLUDE**

* Please stand as you are comfortable

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	<u>April 12</u>	<u>April 19</u>
Saturday Night Worship	Russ Kaltreider (4/11)	Bill & Deb Sowers (4/18)
Assisting Minister	Donna Lehman	Bill Sowers
Acolyte	Dilynn Long	Matthew Kaltreider
Lay Reader	Norma Lucabaugh	Jon Shaw
Communion Distributors	Janet Haack	Russ Kaltreider
	Suzanne Butler	Maureen Kaltreider
Ushers	Mike Kelly	Mike Kelly
	Sharon Kelly	Sharon Kelly
Altar Committee	Ginny Murray	Linda Knapp
	Donna Lehman	Sally Lovelace

BOTH ALTAR VASES are sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of Robert H. Adams by Karen McDermitt.

THE RADIO BROADCAST, THE COMMUNION BREAD AND WINE, THE WORSHIP BULLETINS and THE ETERNAL FLAME are sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of my husband, Terry's birthday on April 12 by Monna Hormel.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF ST. PAUL'S please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board across from Pastor Jason's office. A new member class will be offered during Sunday school following worship on April 19 in our Fellowship Hall.

PASTOR JASON CONTINUES TO OFFER MID-WEEK DEVOTIONS ON WEDNESDAYS. All are welcome to join us at 12:15 pm in the church lounge.

THE FAMILY OF MILLIE DUBS is having a card shower for her 94th birthday on April 19. Her address is as follows: Millie Dubs, 425 Westminster Ave., Hanover, PA 17331.

APRIL'S DESIGNATED GIVING will go to St. Paul's Family Crisis Fund. See the April Evangel for more information.

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE: Please contact Carmen Buckley in the church office or at assistant@stpaulsyorkst.org

Radio—April 19, 26, May 10, 24 & 31 (\$60 per date or any portion you desire per date)

Altar Flowers—April 19 & 26 (1 vase at \$20); May 24 & 31 (2 vases at \$20 each)

Communion Bread and Wine- April 19, 26, May 31 (\$12 each date)

Worship Bulletins-April 19, May 3, 24 & 31 (\$20 each date)

Eternal Flame-April 19, 26, May 3, 24 & 31 (\$10 each date)

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING? We continue to look for more adults to serve in the following ways:

+lead Faith Formation for youth grades K-6 and also 7-12. All resources provided (one week commitment only...unless you want to do more!) Background checks are required but we can assist you with that, if needed.

+serve on the Christian Education committee; we meet once a month during All-Committee Night and plan and implement all education opportunities for the congregation.

GET READY, GET SET, REGISTER FOR CAMP! St. Paul's will pay for a St. Paul's member, or an individual sponsored by a member, to attend Camp Nawakwa, Camp Kirchenwald, or Mar-Lu-Ridge, for one week of summer camp at the tier 1 classic rate with funding by our February's designated giving and the Adventures in Ministry Fund; Check out the summer schedules here:

<https://www.lutherancamping.org> and <https://www.mar-lu-ridge.org>

For more information see Laura Silver, our CampPerson.

COOPERATIVE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2026 - We are planning on having VBS Monday, July 27 thru Friday, July 31 from 9:30 - 12:00 noon located at St. Mark Fellowship Hall and hosted by St. Paul Lutheran (York Street) and St. Mark Lutheran. We will need quite a few volunteers with clearances. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please call 717-637-5941 or email assistant@stpaulsyorkst.org. Please consider volunteering to help with this important community event.

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Amen.

This proclamation of faith will ring out throughout our synod and in the world this Easter. It reminds us that the Holy and Blessed Trinity has raised from the dead Jesus Christ, the Son of God, God incarnate, who was crucified, died and was buried. Each Holy Week, I spend time in a cemetery reflecting on the significance of God's loving gifts of the forgiveness of sins, and of life now and forevermore, and of God's triumph over sin and death and evil. Christ's death and resurrection break into our everyday lives to bring renewal and hope, comfort, peace and new life. God's Word and Holy Sacraments connect us through Christ's death and resurrection with all the saints, those who have gone before us and who rest from their labors, and those who are living and serving now, and those to come. With all of creation, we rejoice this Easter, giving thanks to God for the gifts of grace and mercy, and of faith, hope, and love. God calls us to share the good news of Christ's death and resurrection. And to share these gifts through our many ministries with all of God's people so that together we may witness, love, and serve God and our neighbor.

May you and yours have a blessed and joyous Easter, for Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Rev. Stephen Herr
Bishop of the Lower Susquehanna Synod

SUN., APRIL 12	8:30 am 9:30 am Immediately following Worship	Radio Broadcast – 95.3 FM & 1280 AM Worship Service –2 nd Sunday of Easter Coffee Hour – lounge Faith Formation – Children - 2 nd floor Adult Choir II rehearsal Daily Discipleship class – nursery across from lounge
MON., APRIL 13	6:30 pm	Girl Scout groups - 2 nd floor
WED., APRIL 15	12:15 pm 7:00 pm	May Evangel Article Deadline Midweek Devotions - lounge Council meeting – Conf. Room – 2 nd floor
THUR., APRIL 16	6:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Bellchoir rehearsal – Balcony of the Sanctuary Cub Scouts Den Meeting - 2 nd floor Boy Scout Troop 102 – Youth Room and Gym Adult Choir I rehearsal - sanctuary
FRI., APRIL 17	3:00 pm	Grocery Ministry prep – Gym
SAT., APRIL 18	9:00 am 9:00 am 5:00 pm 6:45 pm	Heritage Choir rehearsal Grocery Ministry – St. Paul’s Book Club Saturday Evening Service – Bill & Deb Sowers Narcotics Anonymous – Fellowship Hall
SUN., APRIL 19	8:30 am 9:30 am Immediately following Worship	Radio Broadcast – 95.3 FM & 1280 AM Worship Service –3 rd Sunday of Easter Coffee Hour – lounge Faith Formation – Children - 2 nd floor Adult Choir II rehearsal Daily Discipleship class – nursery across from lounge New Members’ class – Fellowship Hall