

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
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**THIRD SUNDAY  
AFTER EPIPHANY**  
**January 25, 2026**  
**CAMP SUNDAY**

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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.***

**+ The Third Sunday after Epiphany +**  
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**Camp Sunday**

**INTRODUCTION**

*Jesus begins his public ministry by calling fishers to leave their nets and follow him. In Jesus the kingdom of God has come near. We who have walked in darkness have seen a great light. We see this light most profoundly in the cross—as God suffers with us and all who are oppressed by sickness, sin, or evil. Light dawns for us as we gather around the word, the font, and the holy table. We are then sent to share the good news that others may be “caught” in the net of God’s grace and mercy.*

**THE GATHERING**

**WELCOME**

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters.

**C** **Amen.**

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Mighty God, lover of justice,  
**you call us to life in community,**  
**but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors.**  
**We have sown deceit where honesty was needed.**  
**We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you.**  
**Turn us to seek your face.**  
**Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ,**  
**that we may do justice, love mercy,**  
**and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares:  
Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in ☩ Jesus’ name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace.  
**Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN***"Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling"*

Hymn 582



1 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er dwell-ing in the ho-liest realms of light;  
2 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er liv-ing as the church's ver-y life;  
3 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er work-ing through the church's min-is-try;



Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er brood-ing o'er a world of gloom and night;  
Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er striv-ing through us in a cease-less strife;  
quick-'ning, strength-'ning, and ab-solv-ing, set-ting cap-tive sin-ners free;



Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er rais-ing those of earth to thrones on high;  
Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er form-ing in the church the mind of Christ:  
Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er bind-ing age to age and soul to soul



liv-ing, life-im-part-ing Spir-it, you we praise and mag-ni-fy.  
you we praise with end-less wor-ship for your gifts and fruits un-priced.  
in com-mu-nion nev-er end-ing, you we wor-ship and ex-tol.

**\*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



☐ Glo- ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



☐ Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al- might- y God and Fa- ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



☐ Glo- ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



☐ Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,





### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## THE WORD

### FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:1-4

*The northern tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali experienced the gloom of defeat by Assyrian military forces, but they are assured that their condition will be reversed when God makes a light-filled appearance. The joy they will experience will resemble celebrations of great harvests, because God will deliver them from everything that diminishes or oppresses them.*

**L** The First Reading according to Isaiah, the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.

<sup>1</sup> There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the LORD] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

<sup>2</sup> The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. <sup>3</sup> You have multiplied exultation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the

harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. <sup>4</sup> For the yoke of their burden and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

read responsively

A <sup>1</sup> The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

C <sup>4</sup> **One thing I ask of the LORD; one thing I seek;  
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;  
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God in the temple.**

<sup>5</sup> For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter,  
hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary,  
and raise me high upon a rock.

<sup>6</sup> **Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me.  
Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing;  
I will sing and make music to the LORD.**

<sup>7</sup> Hear my voice, O LORD, when I call;  
have mercy on me and answer me.

<sup>8</sup> **My heart speaks your message—"Seek my face."  
Your face, O LORD, I will seek.**

<sup>9</sup> Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your servant in anger.  
Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not,  
O God of my salvation.

A Holy wisdom, Holy word.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

*Paul calls on the Corinthians to end their dissensions and share the unified outlook of the gospel. Discord arises when we forget that we belong not to human leaders or institutions but to Christ. Indeed, the unifying word of the cross of Christ is the center of the gospel and the power of God's salvation.*

L The Second Reading according to 1 Corinthians, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.

<sup>10</sup> Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you but that you be knit together in the same mind and the same purpose. <sup>11</sup> For it



has been made clear to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. <sup>12</sup> What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." <sup>13</sup> Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? <sup>14</sup> I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, <sup>15</sup> so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. <sup>16</sup> I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else. <sup>17</sup> For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel—and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

<sup>18</sup> For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

**L** The word of the Lord.

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

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



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Matthew 4:12-23

*John the Baptist's witness to Jesus initiates a chain of testimony as his disciples begin to share with others what they have found.*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.

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

P <sup>12</sup> Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. <sup>13</sup> He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, <sup>14</sup> so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:  
<sup>15</sup> “Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the gentiles—<sup>16</sup> the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.”  
<sup>17</sup> From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”  
<sup>18</sup> As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishers. <sup>19</sup> And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people.” <sup>20</sup> Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup> As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup> Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.  
<sup>23</sup> Jesus went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

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

## THE CHILDREN’S SERMON

**Kelsey Tomlinson,  
 Director of Camp Nawakwa**

## SERMON

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 Director of Camp Nawakwa**

## \*HYMN OF THE DAY

*“Will You Come and Follow Me”*

ELW 798



1	“Will	you	come	and	fol -	low	me	if	I	but	call
2	“Will	you	leave	your -	self	be -	hind	if	I	but	call
3	“Will	you	let	the	blind -	ed	see	if	I	but	call
4	“Will	you	love	the	you	you	hide	if	I	but	call
5	Lord,	your	sum -	mons	ech -	oes	true	when	you	but	call



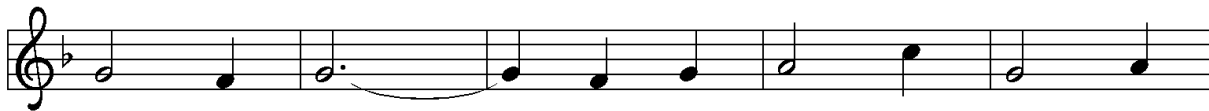
your name? Will you go where you don't  
your name? Will you care for cruel and  
your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners  
your name? Will you quell the fear in -  
my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?  
kind and nev - er be the same?  
free and nev - er be the same?  
side and nev - er be the same?  
you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my  
Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -  
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as  
Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the  
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be  
tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer  
this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I  
world a - round, through my sight and touch and  
foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"  
pray'r in you and you in me?"  
mean in you and you in me?"  
sound in you and you in me?"  
grow in you and you in me.

## **\*APOSTLES' CREED**

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

C **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.\***

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

A As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

*A brief silence.*

Holy One, you entrust the message of the cross and the mission of the gospel to the church in every land. Guide the newly baptized and deepen the faith of all who follow Christ. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

Holy Creator, you lavish creation with splendor, and we praise you for the gift of life. Teach us to live as wise stewards, sharing the earth's resources with all inhabitants of this garden planet. Merciful God,

**receive our prayer.**

Holy Judge, your power is love, and you judge the nations by the measure of Christ. Free any who are unjustly accused or wrongly condemned. We pray for those in authority. Merciful God,

**receive our prayer.**

Holy Lover, you care for vulnerable young children, frail elders, and any who are sick. We pray for all who are affected by natural disasters. Provide for their needs and relieve their suffering. Merciful God,

**receive our prayer.**

Holy Giver, you gather, forgive, and shape us as disciples of Christ. Nurture in us a spirit of patience and respect, that we may love one another as you love us. Merciful God,

**receive our prayer.**

Holy Savior, you free us from the power of death. Lead and guide us until we come at last into the communion of all your saints in light. Merciful God,

**receive our prayer.**

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our 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**

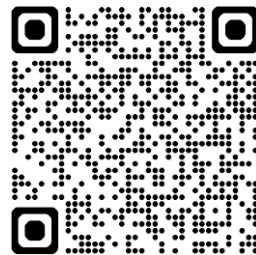
*"My Lighthouse"*  
Children's Choir

Group Publishing

*(Use this time to reflect on your financial and spiritual offerings to God.)*

*There are several ways of making your offerings to God during this time. One is to place your offering in our offering plates as they are passed. You can give electronically at <https://stpaulsyorkst.org/give> or scan this QR Code and when the plate passes by, you may simply meditate on the gifts that you are currently making online or monthly. We do have cards that you can put in the plate indicating that you give electronically. A supply of those cards is available at each entrance to the sanctuary.*

*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 can give a little more during this time, please consider doing so as a way of supporting your fellow disciples who are not able to give.*



## \*OFFERTORY RESPONSE



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 dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we



of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,



Lord, and give us a fore- taste of the feast to come.

## \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray.

God of majesty,

C no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## \*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

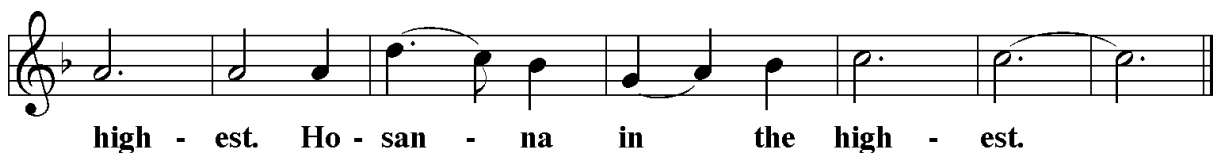
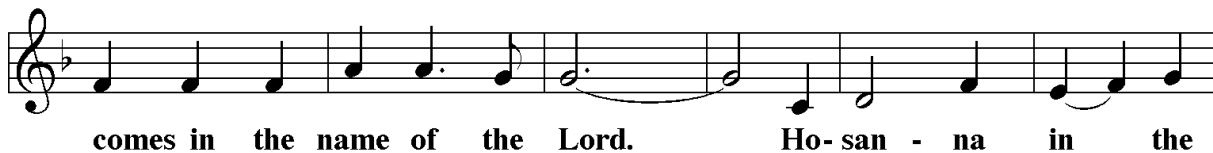
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P 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. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. 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



## \*EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all.  
By your powerful word you created all things. Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.  
Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.  
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.  
Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.  
By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son.  
Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both 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 Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!  
Come to the table; taste and see.



## LAMB OF GOD



☞ 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

*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.*



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.  
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.  
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
 Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"  
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"  
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

*Refrain*

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

## COMMUNION HYMN

*"I Come with Joy"*

ELW 482



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and  
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are  
3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion  
4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er  
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in  
fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in  
ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and  
near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -  
done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.  
Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.  
strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.  
live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.  
love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

## \*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 Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

## THE SENDING

### \*BLESSING

P May the triune God, ✠ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

### \*SENDING HYMN

*"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"*

ELW 815

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to  
2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to  
3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to

fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give  
look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous - ness,  
be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with

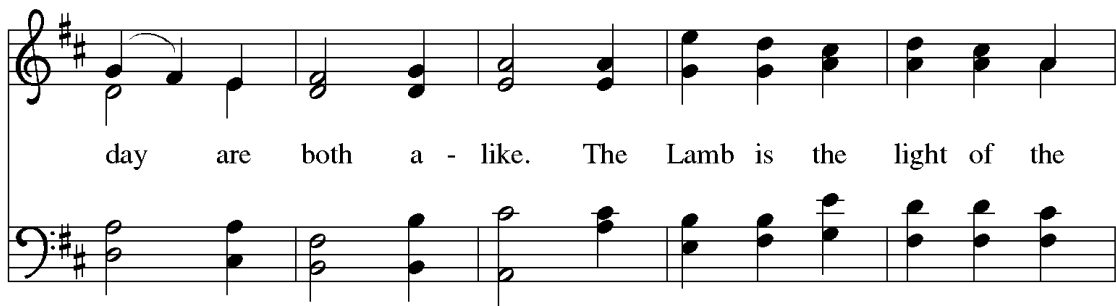


light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.  
shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

*Refrain*



In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the



day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the



cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

## **\*DISMISSAL**

**A** Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

**C** **We are called through Christ to praise God and love generously. Thanks be to God.**

## **\*POSTLUDE**

\* Stand as you are comfortable

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	<b><u>January 25</u></b>	<b><u>February 1</u></b>
<b>Saturday night Worship</b>	Bill & Deb Sowers (1/24)	Frank Hueske (1/31)
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Deb Sowers	Frank Hueske
<b>Acolyte</b>	Jocelyn Fissel	Nora Weible
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Deb Sowers	Sherry Cracium-Bolin
<b>Communion Distributors</b>	Bill Sowers	Donna Lehman
	Suzanne Butler	Suzanne Butler
<b>Ushers</b>	Bob Colehouse	Suzanne Butler
	Dan Fuhman	Cindy Schmidt
<b>Altar Committee</b>	Becki Davis	Amy Feeser
	Norma Lucabaugh	Suzanne Butler
	Janet Haack (Linens)	

**TODAY IS CAMP SUNDAY.** We welcome Kelsey Tomlinson, Director of Camp Nawakwa. Kelsey will provide the children's sermon and the sermon today.

**END OF THE YEAR GIVING STATEMENTS** – Immediately following the Worship service today, Maureen Kaltreider, St. Paul's Financial Secretary, will be in the hallway outside of the church lounge, to hand out End of the Year Giving Statements. Any statements that have not been picked up today will be mailed out on Monday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. Please pick yours up and save St. Paul's some postage.

**PASTOR JASON WILL CONTINUE MID-WEEK DEVOTIONS ON WEDNESDAYS,** from 12:15 – 12:35 pm. All are welcome to join us in the church lounge.

**SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE:** Please contact Carmen Buckley in the church office or at [assistant@stpaulsyorkst.org](mailto:assistant@stpaulsyorkst.org)

Radio—Feb. 1, 15 & 22 (\$60 per date or any portion you desire per date)

Altar Flowers- Feb. 1, & 8 (2 vases at \$20 each), Feb. 15 (1 vase at \$20)

Communion Bread and Wine- Feb. 1, 8, 15, 18 & 22 (\$12 each date)

Worship Bulletins- Feb. 1, 15 & 22 (\$20 each date)

Eternal Flame- Feb. 1, 8, 15 & 22 (\$10 each date)

**JANUARY'S DESIGNATED GIVING** will go to the Hanover Area Council of Churches.

**WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED** of Faith Formation teachers for our K-6 age group. We will provide the resources you need. All that's required is PA Clearances (and we can help with that as well). Leaders are needed each week starting next week. You can volunteer as your schedule allows (not a weekly commitment). Please see Deb Sowers or contact the church office to volunteer.

**ST. PAUL'S BOOK CLUB** will be meeting on **Wednesday, January 28, 2026 at 12:45 pm** in the Conference room to discussion the The Briar Club by Kate Quinn. All are invited and please bring a brown bag lunch and drink to eat while we are discussing the book of the month.

Faith in Action's **"SOUPER BOWL"** Soup collection continues through Sunday, Feb. 15th. We will be collecting regular size cans of soup (10.5 oz) to be distributed by our Saturday morning grocery ministry here at St. Paul's. Let's set a goal of 450 cans this year!!

**ASH WEDNESDAY IS FEBRUARY 18<sup>TH</sup>.** The Mid-week devotions in the lounge will include the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion. At 7:00 pm there will be an Ash Wednesday service with the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion in the sanctuary.

**LENT MIDWEEK SERVICES** will focus on Embracing Evangelism. Lent is a time we may take on a new discipline to deepen our relationship with God. As a congregation, we will focus on sharing God's story as we love our neighbors. Services will be offered each Wednesday during Lent beginning on February 25 at noon and 7:00 pm.

The Faith In Action Committee plans to have a **DIAPER AND WIPES DRIVE** as a Lenten Project. We will be collecting disposable diapers of all sizes and wipes for the Diaper Clinic held at St. John's Lutheran Church in Abbottstown, PA. There are many families in the area that are having a difficult time purchasing the diapers needed for their children. This clinic provides these diapers and wipes to help such families. This collection will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 18, 2026 and continue through Easter, April 5, 2026. Place all items purchased in the boxes found in the hallway outside of the sanctuary any time during Lent. We appreciate your generosity in helping others in need.

**JOIN US FOR A TUESDAY EVENING LENTEN BOOK STUDY** of *Gospeled Lives: Encounters with Jesus, A Lenten Study* by John Indermark. "Gospeled" lives are lives that have encountered Jesus Christ. Christ's call leads to a continually unfolding story for each of us. An encounter with the living Christ demands a response, John Indermark says. We will learn about New Testament characters who encountered Jesus. Some responded with joy and gratitude. Others ignored or rejected his offer of good news. Gay Dickson will facilitate six sessions beginning on February 24. Please sign up on the sheet by the pastor's office or contact Carmen no later than February 8 so we may order your book.

**INSTALLATION SERVICE FOR PASTOR JASON** - You are invited to a Service of Holy Communion with the Installation of Rev. Jason Northridge as pastor on March 1st at 3:00 pm. Together we will celebrate God's call, give thanks for new beginnings, and pray for our shared ministry in Christ. This worship service marks the beginning of a new chapter in the life of our congregation, as we trust the Holy Spirit to guide us in faith, service, and mission.

**ST. PAUL'S MEN IN MISSION** are sponsoring a "Healthy Steps for Older Adults" in conjunction with the York County Office of the Aging. This is a 2-session class to be held in our fellowship hall on Monday, March 23rd and 30th, from 10am-12 noon. More details and a sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board across from Pastor Jason's office. Class is limited to 15 people.



# STRENGTHENING THE CHURCH, ONE CAMPER AT A TIME

Recent studies have shown that individuals who experience church camping as children and youth are more likely to stay involved in faith communities as adults.

## WHY?

- Church camp experience offers opportunities to live a faithful life in a non-threatening environment.
- Campers practice living as Jesus intends us to live in a community of people striving to do the same.
- Campers have opportunities to practice times of quiet, individual devotion, as well as active, participatory worship.
- Campers are given a safe space to discuss faith topics with peers and mentors.
- Campers are given opportunities for worship leadership and participation.
- Campers learn how to be faithful Christian disciples, eager to proclaim the Gospel and serve others.



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<b>SUN., JAN. 25</b>	8:30 am	Radio Broadcast – 95.3 FM & 1280 AM
	9:30 am	Worship Service – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany
<b>CAMP SUNDAY – Wear your camp</b>		
Immediately following Worship		Coffee Hour – lounge
		Faith Formation – Children - 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor
		Daily Discipleship class – nursery across from lounge
		Adult Choir II rehearsal
<b>MON., JAN. 26</b>	6:30 pm	Girl Scout groups – 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor
<b>TUES., JAN. 27</b>	10:30 am	L.I.U. Class – Fellowship Hall
<b>WED., JAN. 28</b>	12:15 pm	Midweek Devotions – Lounge
	12:45 pm	St. Paul's Book Club – Conference Room – 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor
<b>THUR., JAN. 29</b>	6:00 pm	Bellchoir rehearsal – Balcony of the Sanctuary
	6:30 pm	Cub Scouts Pack Meeting – Fellowship Hall
	7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 102 - Youth Room & Gym
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir rehearsal – Choir Loft in Sanctuary
<b>FRI., JAN. 30</b>	3:00 pm	Grocery Ministry prep – Gym
<b>SAT., JAN. 31</b>	9:00 am	Grocery Ministry – volunteers needed
	5:00 pm	Saturday Evening Service
	6:15 pm	Narcotics Anonymous – Fellowship Hall
<b>SUN., FEB. 1</b>	8:30 am	Radio Broadcast – 95.3 FM & 1280 AM
	9:30 am	Worship Service – 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany
Immediately following Worship		Coffee Hour – lounge
		Faith Formation – Children - 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor
		Daily Discipleship class – nursery across from lounge
		Adult Choir II rehearsal

## EASTER FLOWERS

Tulips, lilies, hyacinths and hydrangeas will adorn the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. You have the opportunity to purchase a flower or make a donation to the "Pastor's Discretionary Fund". The donation and/or flower will be recognized in the Easter bulletin. Flower(s) must be taken home following the 9:30 a.m. Easter service. If you are unable to take your plant home following the service, please give serious consideration to a donation.



Please fill in the form below and attach \$15.00 for each tulip, hyacinth and lily and \$40.00 for each very large 8" potted hydrangea. We will also have two 3 stalk lily pots for along side the altar for \$40.00 each. Return this form to the church office by Sunday, March 1st for flower orders. Deadline for Pastor's Discretionary Fund donations is Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>.

Make checks payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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Check one \_\_\_\_\_ lily(\$15) \_\_\_\_\_ tulip(\$15) \_\_\_\_\_ hyacinth(\$15) \_\_\_\_\_ hydrangea(\$40)  
\_\_\_\_\_ large lily altar plant (\$40 each – 2 available)

or

Make a \$ \_\_\_\_\_ donation to the

"Pastor's Discretionary Fund"

Join us for a

# LEADERSHIP Workshop



**January 31, 9am-12pm**

We will have a presentation from Council Trust  
followed by leadership workshops.

Brunch will be provided.

RSVP to Frank  
by 1/25

