"Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him" (Psalm 37:7).

#### PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF:

Persecuted Christians around the world The Unborn – Pray for an end to Abortion

#### **PRAYER FOR HEALING:**

Bonnie Broviak - Dr Care Joy Steingass -failing health Jim McGown - Tumor Jim Miller- Cancer **Tyler Oswald- Concerns** William Devries -Dr Care Jim Brown- Cancer **Cathy Clayton- Kidneys Svlvia Leukens- Cancer** Travis Filipiak – Therapy Mary Granzow - Cancer **Tina Hardesty - Cancer** Don Skinner – Dr Care Pat Maile – Dr Care Erin Lew – Rare Lung Issues **Robin Biggs - Cancer** 

**Logan Santure – New born (Apert Syndrome)** 

**Bethany Kutemeier – Dr Care** 

Please give the Church Office updates of those on this prayer list.

Thank you Pastor

#### THOSE CELEBRATING BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Buz Berdine 2/19 Robin Brown 2/19 Denis Raschke 2/19 Lisa Kuder 2/22 Samantha Elkins 2/23 Nancy Peterson 2/24

#### THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Travis Filipiak 2/19 Ruby West 2/20 Heidi Frisch 2/25 Ruth Koeppen 2/26

#### THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

#### **THOSE ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED**

Rachel Wilburn & Alex Rodriguez

#### THOSE EXPECTING CHILDREN

Emily (Brown) Mohlke July

"The love of husband and wife is the force that welds society together." - St. John Chrysostom, Homily 20 on Eph. 5



# **L**uinquagesima

The Blind shall receive Sight

February 19<sup>th</sup>, Year of our Lord 2023
The Reverend William Foy, Pastor

**About the cover art:** This piece embraces the Gospel lesson. The man Jesus is granting sight to also appears to have been lame, note the cane and leg bandages. Also the man washing in the Font is receiving his sight thus Jesus healing through the water. The mountain is Mt. Zion, God's holy mountain from where He speaks via the Holy Scriptures, the pens of men, moved by the Spirit of God as represented by the four Evangelists standing behind the mountain. The walled estate in the background certainly reminds us that to enter into the kingdom of heaven, one comes by the washing of water and the Word, given faith, "sight", by the work of Jesus. Notice the tree on the other side of the great wall, might it be the Tree of Life in the center of the kingdom of God?

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### **Service of the Word**

Introit - Ps. 31:1, 5, 9, 16; antiphon: Ps. 31:2b-3 (Congregation chants the bold stanzas)



Be a Rock of ref- | uge for me,\*
a strong Fortress to | save me!
For You are my Rock and my | Fortress;\*
and for Your Name's sake You lead me and | guide me.

In You, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be | put to shame;\*
in Your righteousness de- | liver me!

Into Your hand I commit my | spirit;\*
You have redeemed me, O LORD, | faithful God.
Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am | in distress;\*
my eye is wasted from grief; my soul and my body | also.

Make Your face shine on Your | servant;\* save me in Your | steadfast love!

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.

Be a Rock of ref- | uge for me,\*
 a strong Fortress to | save me!

For You are my Rock and my | Fortress;\*
 and for Your Name's sake You lead me and | guide me.

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O Lord, mercifully hear our prayers and having set us free from the bonds of our sins deliver us from every evil; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Please be seated.

#### The Old Testament:

1 Samuel 16:1-13

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul, since I have rejected him from being king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil, and go. I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for Myself a king among his sons."

And Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears it, he will kill me."

And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' And invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do. And you shall anoint for Me him whom I declare to you."

Samuel did what the LORD commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling and said, "Do you come peaceably?"

And he said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD. Consecrate yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice." And he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is before him."

But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the

heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen these." Then Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?"

And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but behold, he is keeping the sheep."

And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and get him, for we will not sit down till he comes here." And he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome.

And the LORD said, "Arise, anoint him, for this is he." Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of the LORD rushed upon David from that day forward. And Samuel rose up and went to Ramah.

#### **Gradual** – *Chanted by the cantor*

Ps. 77:14-15

You are the God who works | wonders;\*

You have made known Your might among the | peoples.

You with Your arm redeemed Your | people,\* the children of Jacob and | Joseph.

#### The Epistle:

#### **1 Corinthians 13:1–13**

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain

nothing. Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known. So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

Please rise and face the procession as the Word of God enters into your midst.

Tract for Quinquagesima (Chanted by the congregation.)



Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth!\* Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into His presence with | singing!

Know that the LORD, | He is God!\*

It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His

#### people, and the sheep of His | pasture.

#### The Holy Gospel:

Luke 18:31–43

Taking the twelve, [Jesus] said to them, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. For He will be delivered over to the Gentiles and will be mocked and shamefully treated and spit upon. And after flogging Him, they will kill Him, and on the third day He will rise." But they understood none of these things. This saying was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said.

As He drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. And hearing a crowd going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by."

And he cried out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

And Jesus stopped and commanded him to be brought to Him. And when he came near, He asked him, "What do you want Me to do for you?"

He said, "Lord, let me recover my sight."

And Jesus said to him, "Recover your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed Him, glorifying God. And all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

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# Holy Communion is offered each Sunday at Prince of Peace (LCMS) in

the glad confidence that Jesus, as His Word says, gives in and under the bread and wine His true Body and Blood which was given and shed for us Christians to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of our sins. Fellowship in the Eucharist is a public confession of one's beliefs; it is to openly declare one's agreement with the teachings of the church from which one receives it. We adhere to the Scriptural teaching and Apostolic practice of closed communion. Non-members desiring to commune are kindly asked to speak to Pastor Foy before the Divine Service. Thank you.

## Distribution Hymns - Please be seated.

Correspond

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**Altar flowers** are given to the Glory of God in Thanksgiving for His many blessings in loving memory of Elvin and Marilyn Schultz. Bonnie, Tim & Joann

Mid-Week Lenten Services: Please join us each Wednesday evening during Lent at 6:00 pm for Soup & Salad prior to our Worship Service at 7:00 pm beginning Ash Wednesday February 22nd. Donations will be accepted which will be given to help defray the medical expenses of Travis Filipiak and Tina Hardesty.

**Exciting way to read the Bible:** On the table in the Narthex are laminated sheets that you can cut up and use for a very exciting way to read the Bible. Each day in only about 30 minutes you will have readings from the Old and New Testaments, Psalms and Proverbs. Many in the congregation have already begun reading in this way and have had an eye opening experience of the Bible's tapestry as never before. If you have any questions about how to use them (instructions are stapled to the laminated sheet) and most certainly as you are reading God's Word, please DO NOT HESITATE to text, email or call me (not after 9 pm but again by 5 am) and I will joyfully answer your questions or find the answers. Let's make 2023 the year we all read through the Lord's Word and grow in Him by His Seed

# (the Word) planted and watered by that same word of God. Enjoy His Word. Pastor

#### PLEASE: PLEASE: TAKE FLYERS FOR -Fund

Raiser: A Fundraiser for Travis Filipiak and Tina Hardesty at Five Guys to help defray their medical expenses. Please go on Tuesday February 28th to the Five Guys located at 2505 LaPorte Ave. in Valparaiso (close to Gelsosomo's Pizzeria) from 10:00 am to 10:00 pm. We will receive 20% of our sales that day. The flyer on the Narthex table is required to insure credit for your purchase. Take several and give them to family and friends. Please invite your family, friends & co-workers to go that day as we can all help to defray the mounting medical expenses of Tarvis and Tina. Any questions please see Pam Hardesty or Joann Schultz

St. Paul Lutheran Church's Life Team is reaching out to all the surrounding LCMS churches, We would like to invite all the members of your church to this important event.

Join us at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Chesterton on Sunday, March 19th 2:00-5:00 pm as Rev. Michael Salemink, Executive Director of Lutheran for Life shares:

# Going Gracefully: Beholding the Gospel in Life's Twilight

The joy of the Christian Gospel enables us to welcome God's blessings even as life is ending. Hear and learn how advance directives, family conversations, and funeral preparations can courageously and compassionately affirm the sanctity of life even in situations of pain, impairment, and advancing age. We'll also consider the benefits and drawbacks of hospice care and organ donation as opportunities for confessing the faith. And we'll explore suggestions for upholding life in our congregations and communities.

Please RSVP by Friday, March 10th to St Paul's office 219-926-1556

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<u>Chili Cook-off FUND RAISER!!</u> Please mark your calendars for our annual chili cook-off **Sunday March 5th** following Worship. Please bring a crockpot or two of your favorite chili for judging. Chicken noodle soup will also be available for our non-chili eaters. Please sign-up for additional items needed on the white board in the foyer. This will be a fundraiser for Travis Filipiak and Tina Hardesty.

<u>SUNDAY -Bible Study-</u> We are studying the Word of God, after the Divine Service, in the Parish Hall. We will begin at 10:45 and go to 11:30 each Sunday morning beginning January 15th. Thank you. Pastor Foy

<u>WEDNESDAY – Bible Study:</u> We are studying the Book – The Gospel according to St. Matthew at 11:45 in the conference room on Wednesdays. Please join us if you can. Thank you, Pastor.

**Directory Pictures:** There are a number of members whose pictures we do not have for the directory and we would truly like to have them. We have many new members and if you can look in the directory and see a picture you will find it easier to remember a name. Pictures will be taken each Sunday before and after service in front of the Violet Banner in the narthx (in front of the water fountain) There is a list and someone might just ask you to get that pretty face of yours memorialized on film. Thank you for your cooperation. Pastor

**Directory App:** There is an app (Universal Church Directory) that you can down load to your phone, computer or both. Please do that if you have not already. If I have your email address I will send you an email that will give you a "unique Identifier" which you will type into the proper box on the first screen of the directory. The directory will load and you will have it. If you already have this, please, put the identifier in again and reload, that way you will have the changes since this was first put out. Thank you. Pastor You may also direct all inquiries to me.

**Directory Information Needed:** If you have moved, changed your phone # or email, or had a birth in the family, please give that information to the church office via email so that I can update all the necessary records. Check out the directory on your smart phone or computer and make certain that your information is correct. Thank you. Pastor (acting secretary)

### PRAYER FOR SHUT-INS: Tylor Smith; Kathy Hegenow, Joy Steingass, Mike Foy, Darlene McDonald

**PRAYER FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY:** Craig McCall, Alex Sibert, Erich Sibert; Seneca Newkirk

For the coming Week

**Organist:** Jennifer Symer Elders: Jeff, Josh & Carl

Altar Guild Servers: Shirley, Penny

Bible Study: Bible Study Wednesday 11:45

Bethesda Service: Wednesday 4:00 **Service:** Monday- Thursday 11am

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## Service Dates and times for Lent thru Easter

Ash Wednesday - February 22<sup>nd</sup>

7am- spoken service with imposition of Ashes 11 am Divine Service with Ashes (light soup supper at 6pm preceding service)

**7pm**- Divine Service with imposition of Ashes

# Mid-Week Wednesday Lenten Vesper Services – 7pm (light soup supper at 6pm preceding service)

March 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

Holy week April 2<sup>nd</sup> -9th – Palm Sunday thru Easter Palm Sunday – Divine Service 9 am

#### **Evening Services**

**Maundy Thursday** - April 6<sup>th</sup> 7pm **Good Friday** - April 7<sup>th</sup> 7pm **Vigial of Easter** - April 8<sup>th</sup> 8pm

### April 9<sup>th</sup> The Resurrection of Our Lord - Easter Breakfast 7:30am <u>Divine Service 9am</u>

#### **Chrismon Corner**

Quinquagesima - Lk 18.31-43

**Passion Cross** 



When Jesus says: "Behold we are going up to Jerusalem and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. For He will be delivered over to the Gentiles and will be mocked and shamefully treated and spit upon. And after flogging Him, they will kill Him, and on the

third day He will rise" He wants His disciples to recognize that He is the Son of Man, the Messiah who is come into the world for this very purpose, to be a sacrifice and ransom. He wants them to connect Him to the Passover Lamb and the Scapegoat, to the suffering servant and the Kinsman-Redeemer and the ram caught in the thicket. He wants them to see how the prophets were always prophesying about Him and this great work of love that would be accomplished on the cross. But they don't. They don't notice. They're too caught up in themselves.

Then we get the blind man. Without eyes he sees that Jesus of Nazareth is the Son of David. He makes the connection. When the blind man calls Jesus the Son of David, his is calling Him King-Messiah. He is confessing His Divine nature because He is not simply the descendent of David, but He is the fulfillment of David and His Kingdom is eternal.

He also recognizes Him as coming in mercy and having the power to give mercy. When he is asked what he wants he asks for sight and he gets it. But first he asked for mercy – that is the mercy that endures forever, the mercy that passes over sins and reconciles humans to God.

That recovery of sight is important because it is not just for the man himself, but also for the crowd and for the disciples. They should have recognized it as a Messianic miracle. The recovery of sight to the blind was foretold by Isaiah and no prophet ever performed this miracle. It can be seen by them as evidence of God's compassion upon the world, but they don't connect the dots and see that Jesus is the Son of David come into the world.

We, of course, see more clearly than they did. We have their blindness and the blind beggar's example to teach us. But we still see in a mirror dimly. We get the idea: Jesus died and rose for us. God has declared His own righteous children for free. We are vindicated for the sake of Christ even though we were guilty. Yet we have many questions. We see dimly. There are problems, difficulties, logical and emotional, spiritual and practical. We live by faith waiting for the time when we will see clearly, fully, face-to-face and we will know as we have been known.

These three abide: faith, hope, and love – that is enough. The Lord will provide. He goes to Jerusalem to be murdered and to rise again in order to put the devil's reign to an end. He will see us through.