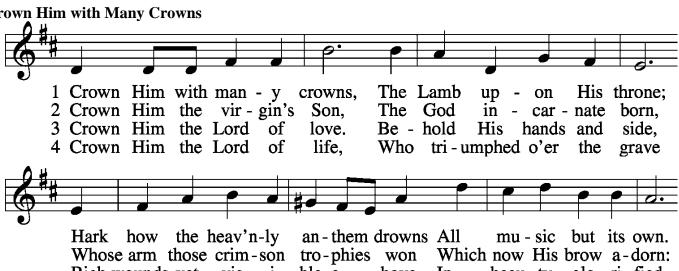
ST. Paul's Lutheran Church



Exaudi – The Seventh Sunday of Easter 24 May, 2020



Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a bove. In beau - tv glo - ri - fied. rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save. And



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee. And Yet Fruit of the mys - tic rose, of that rose the stem, The Can ful - ly that sight, But No an - gels in the sky bear His glo - ries now Who died and rose Who we sing, on high,



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty. whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem. root down - ward bend their won-d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies SO bright. bring And died e - ter - nal life to lives that death may die.

> 5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above, Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love. Crown Him with many crowns As thrones before Him fall; Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns, For He is king of all.

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

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- **P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

- Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.
- Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved.

Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Ps. 27:1, 11a, 12; antiphon: Ps. 27:7a, 8b, 9a



Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud. Alle- | luia.*

Your face, LORD, do I seek; hide not your face from me. Alle- luia.

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear?*

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

Teach me your way, O LORD;*

give me not up to the will of my adver- | saries;

for false witnesses have risen a- | gainst me,*

and they breathe out | violence.

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.

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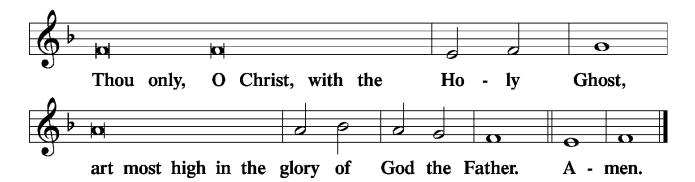
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Kyrie





on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



Salutation and Collect of the Day



O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 36:22-28

"Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Lord God, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my just decrees You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading 1 Peter 4:7–11

The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Alleluia. God reigns over the nations; God sits on his holy throne. Alleluia. I will not leave you as orphans; I am going away, and I will come to you, and your hearts will rejoice. Alleluia. *Alleluias repeat*Ps. 47:8; John 14:18a, 28; 16:22b

Holy Gospel John 15:26—16:4

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth and sixteenth chapters.



"But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning. "I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away. They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God. And they will do these things because they have not known the Father, nor me. But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you. "I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

☑ I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

539 Christ Is the World's Redeemer



Sermon



Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

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.

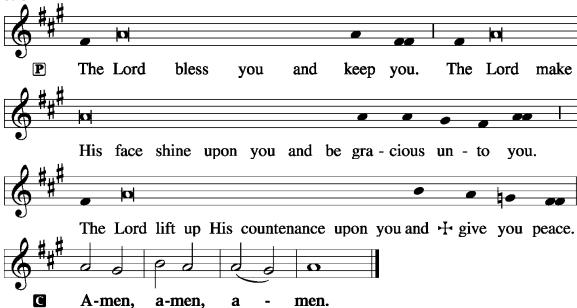
Collect for the Word

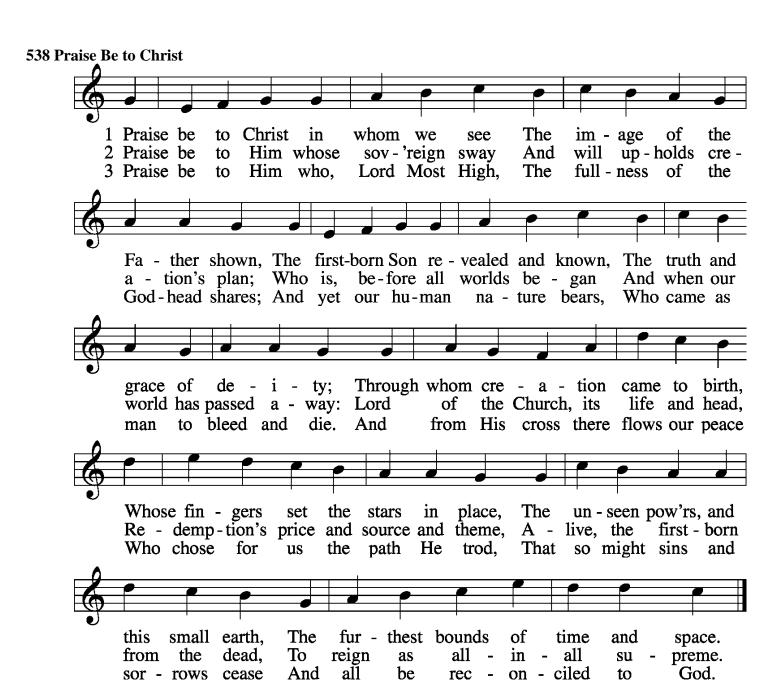
- P Blessed Lord, who hast caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Thy holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life which Thou hast given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.
- C Amen.

Salutation and Benedicamus



Benediction





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OUR FAMILIES PRAY – EXAUDI – EASTER 7

ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!

HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!

All: In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED is confessed by all.

THE PSALM is prayed: Sun-Sat – Ps. 51:1-12

CATECHISM LEARN-BY-HEART:

Catechism Lesson: 2nd Commandment

2nd Commandment – You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.

Bible Verse:

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. Deuteronomy 6:4-5

HYMN: Sun-Sat – 539

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYERS FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS - SEE NEXT PAGE

COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Sunday-Saturday – O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!

HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!

IN YOUR PRAYERS:

For thankful hearts, that through our one Mediator, Jesus Christ, our Father hears our prayers

For our Nation, and in thanksgiving this Memorial Day for all those who gave their lives in service to our Country

For the Gospel to be spread during these days

For our congregation during this time of separation

For the Holy Church throughout the World, For our Synod

For our families as we seek to live together in holy love and peace

For those who live alone

For our communities as we look to God's mercy during this time of illness

For all doctors, nurses and medical personnel

For first responders in our communities

For the sick, the suffering, the dying of Covid-19

For our Pastors as they seek to bring the Word of God to us

For our catechumens

Healing and Comfort for: PASTOR LARRY MEINZEN, in thanksgiving for the healing has he has received during a recent hospitalization and for continued health and strength, LOIS **SANDER,** who suffered a broken arm in a fall, **HARRIET STARNES**, grandmother of Beth. Hellinger, who has entered into hospice care, **ROGER BEST**, brother-in-law of Dale & Shirley Lueker, who has moved into nursing care; **BRANDON CANN, US NAVY**, grandson of Paul and Rose Cann, diagnosed with Covid-19 onboard the USS Theodore Roosevelt, ARLINE BLASE, health difficulties; SIDNEE SCHWARZ, health issues; GLENN ARMES, health issues; LEAH HOWTON, recovering from surgery; DALE GROTEFENDT, friend of Paula Kipp, taking chemo & radiation treatments & KAY GROTEFENDT, for strength as her husband undergoes treatments; KAYLEIGH MEINZEN, health issues; RANDY HELLINGER, recovering at home with health issues; TOMIKO JUEDEMANN, mother of Linda Behrhorst, cancer treatments; EMILY SCHWARZ, recovering from surgery; ELDON SCHMIDT, health issues; LISA PROFFER, sister of Aaron Hanks, recovering from mini-strokes; THOMAS SEXTON, grandchild of Keith and Judy (Sievers) Loemker, health issues; DORENE LANE, friend of Dave DeVries, preparing for knee replacement, heart and eye issues; MARY GRAFF, friend of Dave DeVries, began treatments for kidney and femur bone cancer, **STEPHANIE VAN ULFT**, treatments and health difficulties from said treatments: **ELLEN MUTH.** mother of Kantor Muth. declining health; JANE BILYEU, aunt of Beth Langendorf, health difficulties; BONNIE WILLIAMS, friend of Candy Esch, cancer; ALL EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Alleluia Christ is Risen! On this last Sunday of the Easter season, let us give thanks for our Lord's Resurrection and the message of hope and everlasting life in Him.

Holy Communion Services for families or individuals are being scheduled. Watch for the signup in the emails sent in the beginning of the week or simply contact Pastor Ball.

Wednesday Matins on Facebook. Every Wednesday throughout the summer we will have Matins live on Facebook at 8:30am.

Masks are available! Thanks to all who have worked to make masks for our use. We are fully stocked for both adults and children. Just contact Pastor Ball if you need some.

Romans Bible Study - Pastor Weedon has started a Bible study on the Book of Romans. *The Word of the Lord Endures Forever* is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL. You can listen at your convenience at thewordendures.org on your favorite podcast provider and on the LPR mobile app.

Cover Art – "*The Adoration of the Trinity*" by Albrecht Durer, 1511. Durer shows the worship of the blessed Trinity capturing every estate of people. He included himself in the bottom right of the painting. Commissioned originally for the chapel altar at a home for poor artisans, it reminded them, and us that before God we are all alike in our worship of the one eternal Blessed Trinity, but the viewer is raised up to be at the same plane with God Himself. This is what our God does for us, raising us up to the heavenly places for eternity with Him.

About the Hymn of the Day – Christ is the World's Redeemer LSB 539

Christ is the World's Redeemer is a translation and adaptation of "Christus redemptor gentium" attributed to St. Columba (ca 521-97). In stanza 1, the language of the marketplace (redemption) leads to that of personal relationship (lover), truth and an illusion to Holy Baptism (font), confidence (trust, hope), the military (armor, soldiers), positions of authority (Lord), and the language of life (health). All are metaphors, unique ways of communicating the Gospel of Christ. He redeems us and loves those whom He declares pure. He is the source of all truth, the only true object of Christian faith and hope, our armor, the Lord of all creation, and our life in this world and in the resurrected next world. *Lutheran Service Book, Companion to the Hymns, Vol. 1. CPH*, 2019, pp. 534-535.

A New Way to Give – Joyful Response Joyful Response giving is available through Lutheran Church Extension Fund. Our online giving through the website does incur some fees, as much as 2.9%. Joyful Response through LCEF has no fees attached. You simply fill out the form, (it is available on our church website at the "Give" section) attach a voided check and send them to the church in the mail. Joanie will then process them. If you have any questions about how it works, please contact our treasurer, Julie Johnson, her email is stpaultreas1856@gmail.com and she can help you.

Essential Exercise for the Christian Mind – Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: The Doctrine of Justification, Scientism, Making the Case for Life, Islam, Godliness, and The Prosperity Gospel. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUO, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen on-demand at issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.

Dawn Schnare has faithfully served our church and school as a teacher. We thankful for her service and for the good news she shares in the following letter.

Dear Members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church,

I have been so blessed over the past three years to nurture and instruct the children of St. Paul's both in and out of the classroom. I've enjoyed spending time with and getting to know not only the children, but also their families. The faculty and staff who surrounded me daily quickly became dear friends, confidants, and an amazing support system. I cherish these relationships and pray that St. Paul's truly knows what a blessing it is to have these remarkable Christian men and women serving you.

Both the school and the church have loved my family deeply and in ways beyond what I could have conceived. My entire family is so thankful for the prayers, gifts, support, meals, words of encouragement, notes, etc. that are continuously flourished upon us. You truly know how to love your neighbor!

The Lord has seen fit to bless Zach and me with our eighth child. This is bittersweet for us as we rejoice in the gift of a child but recognize that the needs of the family mean I must say goodbye to the classroom so I can stay home fulltime. I will miss teaching the precious children of St. Paul's on a daily basis, but I also look forward to being "just a mom" as I serve my closest neighbors in their needs.

I am so honored to be able to say I taught at St. Paul's Hamel, IL! Please continue to pray for your faculty, staff, and board as they continue to provide a Lutheran education rooted in truth, goodness, and beauty to all the children entrusted to them. Please, also, pray for my family as we make this transition.

In Christ, Mrs. Dawn Schnare