

A vibrant stained glass artwork depicting the Virgin Mary and the Christ Child. Mary is shown from the chest up, with a serene expression, wearing a blue mantle over a red gown. The Christ Child is seated in her lap, wearing a red tunic and a blue cloak. The background is composed of various colored glass pieces in shades of blue, red, and yellow, creating a rich, textured effect. The overall style is reminiscent of traditional religious art.

# THE CHILD WAS CALLED JESUS

LUKE 2:21

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**WELCOME** Thank you for being with us.

**We are a Christian church within the Lutheran tradition** (Evangelical Lutheran Church of America) and we welcome people of all Christian traditions as well as people of other faiths and people of little or no faith. Christian worship has been offered to God in this congregation for 186 years. By worshipping with us today, you become part of that living tradition.

**Postlude** It is our tradition to remain seated for the postlude. If you need to leave we ask that you do so reverently. This tradition developed as a result of our livestream. We want anyone viewing to be able to listen to the postlude without unnecessary distraction. Thank you.

**Restrooms** are available in the Good Shepherd Room (Springettsbury lobby) and the narthex (George St). Baby changing stations are provided in these restrooms as well as in the nursery.

**Offerings** Monetary offerings may be placed in the basins provided at the entrances to the nave prior to the service. You may also donate via our website at [www.stpaulsyork.org](http://www.stpaulsyork.org)

**The Nursery** is accessed through the front right double doors. The 10:30AM liturgy is live-streamed into the Nursery. Currently, we are working to secure volunteer staff for the Nursery. Carrie Oberholtzer is coordinating a schedule. Please contact the office to volunteer.



Altar Flowers

*Today's Altar Flowers are presented to the Glory of God.*



You may get information regarding closures at our website [www.stpaulsyork.org](http://www.stpaulsyork.org) or on our Facebook page St. Paul's Lutheran Church York PA on Springettsbury & George.

## Guidelines for Worship during the time of COVID-19

*Wearing a mask while in worship is optional, recommended or required based on the CDC guidelines. Green/Optional, Yellow/Recommended, Red/Required. **The instruction will be posted on the entry doors. Please be sure to bring a mask in the event of required/recommended masking. Disposable masks are available at the entrance to the church nave.***

**Our COVID-19 task force** is assisting us as we remain open. Please thank Dr. Jessica Ericson, Sheridan Palmer, Deacon Harold Sargeant, Norma Shue, and Dr. Martha Thomas for their dedication and service.

**Holy Name of Jesus**  
**Sunday, January 1, 2023**  
**Holy Communion 10:30AM**

**PRELUDE**

*Noel Suisse*

Louis Claude D'Aquin

**HYMN**

*At the Name of Jesus (ELW 416)*



1 At the name of Je - sus ev - 'ry knee shall bow,  
2 At his voice ere - a - tion sprang at once to sight,  
3 Hum - bled for a sea - son, to re - ceive a name  
4 In your hearts en - throne him; there let him sub - due  
5 Chris - tians, this Lord Je - sus shall re - turn a - gain



ev - 'ry tongue con - fess him king of glo - ry now.  
all the an - gel fac - es, all the hosts of light,  
from the lips of sin - ners un - to whom he came,  
all that is not ho - ly, all that is not true.  
on the clouds of glo - ry, with his an - gel train;



It is God's good plea - sure we should call him Lord,  
thrones and dom - i - na - tions, stars up - on their way,  
faith - ful - ly he bore it spot - less to the last;  
Crown him as your cap - tain in temp - ta - tion's hour;  
for all wreaths of em - pire meet up - on his brow,



who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.  
all the heav'n - ly or - ders in their great ar - ray.  
brought it back vic - to - rious when from death he passed.  
let his will en - fold you in its light and pow'r.  
and our hearts con - fess him king of glo - ry now.

**APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. . . Eternal Father, you gave your Son the name of Jesus to be a sign of our salvation. Plant in every heart the love of the Savior of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen**

*Sit*

**PIANO DUET**    Harrison & James Palmer    *The First Noel*    arranged by Jerry Ray

**FIRST READING**                      Numbers 6:22-27                      (*back cover*)

**PSALMODY**                      Psalm 8    *spoken responsively by whole verse*

- <sup>1</sup> O | LORD our Lord,\*  
how exalted is your name in | all the world!
- <sup>2</sup> **Out of the mouths of in- | fants and children\***  
**your majesty is praised a- | bove the heavens.**
- <sup>3</sup> You have set up a stronghold against your | adversaries,\*  
to quell the enemy and | the avenger.
- <sup>4</sup> **When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers,\***  
**the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,**
- <sup>5</sup> what is man that you should be mind- | ful of him,\*  
the son of man that you should | seek him out?
- <sup>6</sup> **You have made him but little lower | than the angels;\***  
**you adorn him with glo- | ry and honor;**
- <sup>7</sup> you give him mastery over the works | of your hands;\*  
you put all things un- | der his feet:
- <sup>8</sup> **all | sheep and oxen,\***  
**even the wild beasts | of the field,**
- <sup>9</sup> the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea,\*  
and whatsoever walks in the paths | of the sea.
- <sup>10</sup> O | LORD our Lord,\*  
**how exalted is your name in | all the world!**

**SECOND READING**                      Galatians 4:4-7                      (*back cover*)

*Stand*

**VERSE**                      *Sung by all*





*Repeat alleluia*



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

Luke 2:15-21

*(back cover)*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the conclusion of the Gospel.*

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sit*

## **SERMON**

Pastor Reep

*Stand*

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**Jesus the Light of the World (ACS 914)**



- |   |   |                                 |
|---|---|---------------------------------|
| 1 | Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing,     | Je-sus, the Light of the world; |
| 2 | Joy - ful, all you na - tions, rise;    | Je-sus, the Light of the world; |
| 3 | Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, | Je-sus, the Light of the world; |
| 4 | Hail the heav'n-born Prince of peace!   | Je-sus, the Light of the world; |



"Glo - ry to the new-born king,"	Je-sus, the Light of the world.
join the tri - umph of the skies;	Je-sus, the Light of the world.
Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord!	Je-sus, the Light of the world.
Hail the Sun of righ-teous-ness!	Je-sus, the Light of the world.

*Refrain*



We'll walk in the light, beau-ti-ful light, come where the dew-drops of mer-cy are bright.



Shine all a-round us by day and by night, Je-sus, the Light of the world.

## NICENE CREED

**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;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin  
Mary, and was made man.**

**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.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

*A brief silence.*

Holy God, you have given the church the holy name of Jesus, and in him we are your beloved children. Unite us in mission through the power of his Spirit. Make us worthy of the name we bear, the name in which we pray. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Awaken humanity to our kinship with all living things that depend on your provision. Teach us to care for the earth and safeguard its treasures for those who come after us. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Lead those in conflict into negotiation, especially in areas of religious or ethnic strife. End acts of aggression and violence carried out in your name. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for the safety of first responders, health care workers, and all who protect us. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Raise up any who are bowed down with illness or sorrow. Deepen our care and concern for one another. We lift to you all who are undergoing transition in relationships, occupation, living situation, or health condition (*especially*). God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Saving God, redeem us and grant us eternal peace. We give thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in your undying love, made known to us in Jesus our Emmanuel. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Pondering the mystery of eternal love made flesh in Christ Jesus, we commend all for whom we pray to your mercy through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The ministers and congregation greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*Sit*

## OFFERTORY

Chancel Choir

*The Saviour's Come*

Trad. Swahili/arr. David Blackwell

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Merciful Father,

**we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

## DIALOGUE

*Sung by Pastor and congregation*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## **PREFACE**    *The preface appropriate to the day is sung.*

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. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that, beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. 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:

## **SANCTUS**                      *Sung by all.*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, 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. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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



With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

**Come, Lord Jesus.**

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

All praise and glory are yours, O God, now and forever. **Amen.**

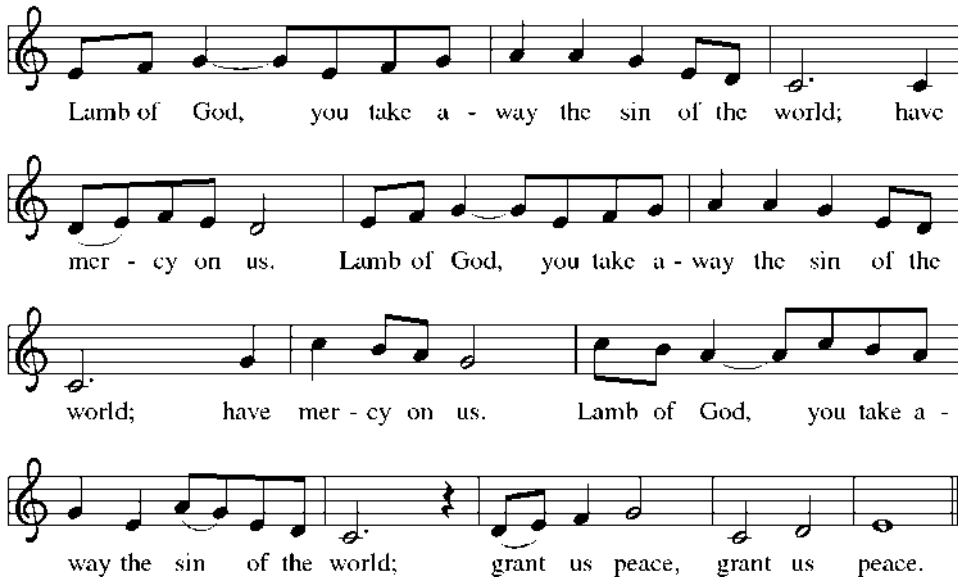
Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**THE 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**

**FRACTION RITE** *A brief silence is kept.*

**AGNUS DEI** *Sung by all.*



**Sit** *The pastor cleanses hands and prepares for the distribution of Holy Communion.*

## COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL

Our Communion is “open” to all believers who trust that the Risen Christ is present for his people in the Holy Eucharist.

1. Come to communion using the center aisle (about 10 adults per side).
2. Communion glasses are placed on credence tables at the front pews (left and right side).
3. Take a communion glass from the tray of glasses.
4. Take your place along the chancel step. The ministers will bring the bread and wine to you.
5. Extend your hands to receive the communion host.
6. Consume the communion host.
7. Hold the communion glass with both hands at chest height so that the communion assistant can easily pour the wine into the glass.
8. Consume the wine before you leave the chancel edge.
9. Place the used cup in an empty tray located on a credence table at the side aisle.
10. Return to your pew using the side aisle.

## COMMUNION HYMN      *Love Has Come (ELW 292)*



1 Love has come— a light in the dark - ness! Love shines forth in the  
2 Love is born! Come, share in the won - der. Love is God now a -  
3 Love has come and nev - er will leave us! Love is life ev - er -



Beth - le - hem skies. See, all heav - en has come to pro - claim it;  
sleep in the hay. See the glow in the eyes of his moth - er;  
last - ing and free. Love is Je - sus with - in and a - mong us.



hear how their song of joy a - ris - es: Love! Love! Born un - to  
what is the name her heart is say - ing? Love! Love! Love is the  
Love is the peace our hearts are seek - ing. Love! Love! Love is the



you, a Sav - ior! Love! Love! Glo - ry to God on high.  
name she whis - pers; Love! Love! Je - sus, Im - man - u - el.  
gift of Christ - mas. Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!

**Stand**

## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

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

**Amen**

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, Son, Holy Spirit, Bless you now and forever. **Amen**

## HYMN

*Lord Dismiss Us with Your Blessing (ELW 545)*

The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music. The first system contains three verses of lyrics. The second system continues the melody with two more verses. The third system concludes the hymn with a final verse. The notation includes treble and bass staves with notes, rests, and bar lines. The lyrics are printed below the corresponding musical lines.

1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless-ing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's joy - ful sound.  
3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us from our strug - gling pil - grim way,

let us each, your love pos - sess-ing, tri - umph in re - deem-ing grace.  
May the fruits of your sal - va - tion in our hearts and lives a - bound.  
let no fear of death ap - pall us, glad your sum - mons to o - bey.

Oh, re - fresh us; oh, re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der-ness.  
Ev - er faith-ful, ev - er faith-ful to your truth may we be found.  
May we ev - er, may we ev - er reign with you in end-less day.

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Christ is the World's Light*

J. Bert Carlson

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**FIRST READING: Numbers 6:22-27**

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: <sup>23</sup>Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them,

<sup>24</sup>The LORD bless you and keep you;

<sup>25</sup>the LORD make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;

<sup>26</sup>the LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

<sup>27</sup>So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

**Psalm 8****SECOND READING: Galatians 4:4-7**

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. <sup>6</sup>And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

*or Philippians 2:5-11* [not printed]

**GOSPEL: Luke 2:15-21**

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." <sup>16</sup>So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. <sup>17</sup>When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; <sup>18</sup>and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. <sup>19</sup>But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. <sup>20</sup>The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

<sup>21</sup>After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

## *Serving the Lord with Gladness*

DATE	TIME	Assisting Minister	Crucifer	Lector	Communion Assistants	Greeters	Ushers	Altar Set-up & Altar Clean-up	Acolyte
1/1	10:30AM	Tom Gibson	Jennifer Ports	Carol Woodbury		William & Patty Snyder	Dave Kopp, Dan Mays, Sandy Dickensheets, *Steve Heistand	Kathleen Lemke, Pat Scarborough, Pat Rudicille, Jerry Briggs	

### **This Week at St. Paul's**

Church office open Weds & Thurs 8AM-4PM, Fri 8AM-12Noon

#### **Sunday, January 1**

10:30 AM Holy Eucharist

6:30 PM AA Meeting— Community Rm

**Monday, January 2 OFFICE CLOSED**

**Tuesday, January 3 OFFICE CLOSED**

9:30 AM Pantry

#### **Wednesday, January 4**

10:30 AM Scripture Study

#### **Thursday, January 5**

6:30 PM Handbell Choir

7:30 PM Chancel Choir

#### **Sunday, January 8 Baptism of Our Lord**

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist

9:15 AM Lutheran Camping Corporation presentation and Breakfast

10:30 AM Holy Eucharist—Council Installation

6:30 PM AA meeting Community Rm



#### **Food Pantry—January**

**Items needed:** Rice (1 or 2 lb bags), dehydrated potatoes, powdered milk, tomato sauce and soup. We also need paper grocery bags with handles.

Anyone able to help can contact Teresa Rohrbaugh, Patty Snyder, or Janet and Larry Moore. Plastic Bags are always needed. Money donations are gratefully accepted. Please place cash or check in a “special” envelope marked “Pantry”.

**January 8, 9:15-10:15 Breakfast and Camping Event**—Are you dreaming about long summer days, swimming in the pool, hikes in the woods? Don’t miss this special event on January 8 during the Sunday School Hour to learn about Lutheran Camps in our area. We will hear from our own members about their experiences at Nawakwa and Kirchenwald. We will experience some of the daily activities at camp. We will enjoy a yummy breakfast being prepared by the Fellowship Committee. Come share your stories and learn about a great summer experience for your kids or the whole family.

## News and Updates January 1, 2023

**Church Offering Envelopes** are ready for you to pick up in the Good Shepherd Room.

**2023 Calendars** are available for a requested donation of \$20.00. They make wonderful Christmas gifts! All proceeds go towards the purchase of a canopy for the Food Pantry.

**Mark your Calendars for NEXT WEEK, January 8, 9:15-10:15.** We will come together for breakfast and learn about the wonderful camps run by the Lutheran Camping Corporation of our Synod. Meet some church members who have been to camp and hear about their experiences.

**2023 Flower Chart** The 2023 flower chart is posted on the Springettsbury vestibule bulletin board. The cost of the flowers is **\$35 per vase**

**Winding Down,** God's Global Barnyard is winding down. The 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grades Sunday school class soon will total up your contributions to this mission project and vote on the farm animals they want to purchase for needy farmers worldwide. Quarters for the "quarter tube" in Good Shepherd Hall or specially marked offerings can still be made. Thank you for your part in this worthy cause.

**The Long-term Recovery Committee** of the York County VOAD is seeking volunteers to make calls to local homeowners who may still have unmet needs following Hurricane Ida. On Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, a phone-a-thon will take place at the York County Office of Emergency Management. All volunteers will be provided with a script to use to reach out to our neighbors who may still be in need. If you are able to spend an hour or two (longer is okay, too) doing this important outreach, please contact Pastor Glenn Beard, Lower Susquehanna Synod LDR Network Coordinator at (717) 471-1067 or [gbeard@luthercare.org](mailto:gbeard@luthercare.org). Pastor Beard and other VOAD leaders will be present both days to assist with answering any questions or concerns. You may remember that we collected funds in Lent for this important work. Please call Pastor Snyder (717) 880-03502 if you have questions.

**Confirmation Instruction Resumes with Winter Term, Sunday January 15—The Bible** Confirmation students will resume their time of study on January 15 at 9:15 AM in the Youth Room

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