



Come and see

JOHN 1:46

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WELCOME Thank you for being with us.

This morning we extend a joyful welcome to the members and friends of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, N. George St. and to Pastor Schlegel for their companionship through the Epiphany season (8:00am liturgy).

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 187 years. By worshipping with us today, you become part of that living tradition.

Offerings Offerings are received during the liturgy. They are presented along with gifts of bread and wine at the altar. You may also donate via our website at www.stpaulsyork.org

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.

An AED/Defibrillator unit is located in the Good Shepherd room. It is placed on the wall left side of the Springettsbury door exit.

The Nursery is accessed through the front right double doors. The liturgy is live-streamed into the Nursery. Parents are asked to stay with their children. Quiet activities are also available in the Narthex for infant through preschool children to use with an adult.

Please be aware that there is a rise in individuals loitering at church buildings and asking for money. This is panhandling and it is illegal. Please do not give money. Simply direct them to contact the Pastor at a time other than during worship. Thank you.

Parents, please do accompany your child to the restroom during the liturgy and wait with them. This is a way for us to practice good safety protocol within our building.

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Second Sunday after the Epiphany
January 14, 2024
Holy Communion 8:00 AM & 10:30AM
Lutheran Book of Worship Setting 1

PRELUDE

Prelude and Fuge in D Major

Buxtehude

Stand turning to face the font

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God,


we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

ENTRANCE HYMN

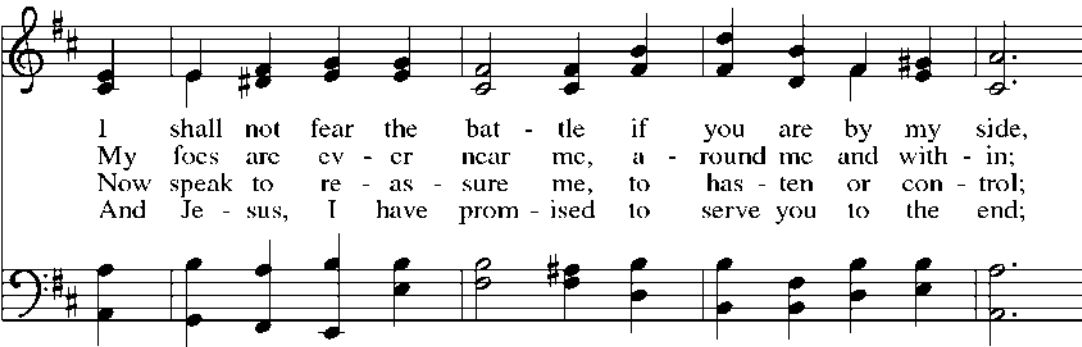
O Jesus, I have Promised (LBW 503)



1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;
 2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.
 3 Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still
 4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you



re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.
 I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt - ing sounds I hear.
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.
 that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.



I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,
 My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;
 Now speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
 And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;

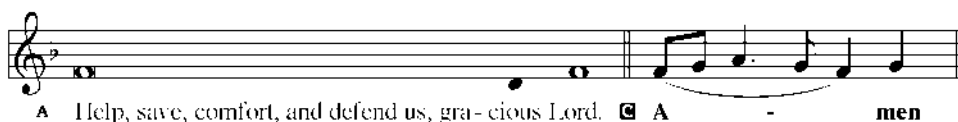
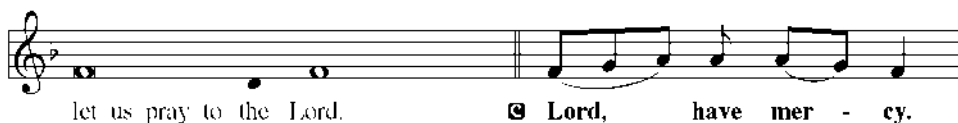
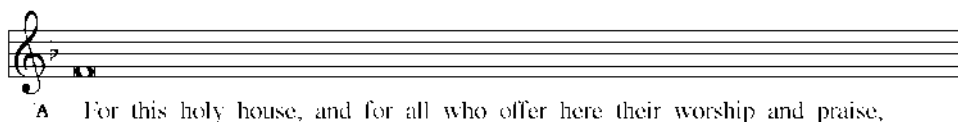
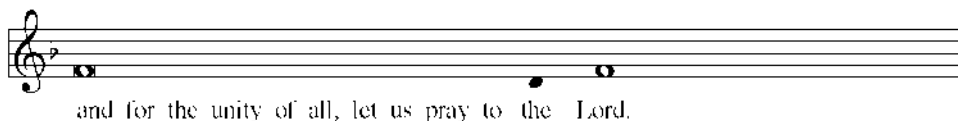
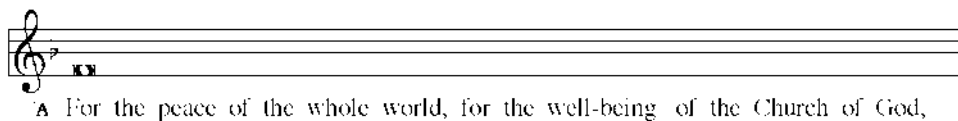
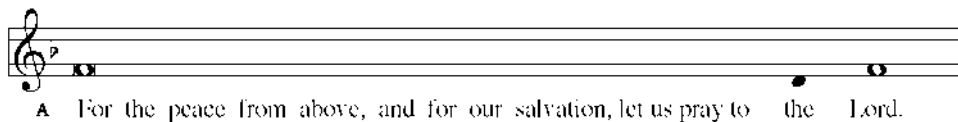
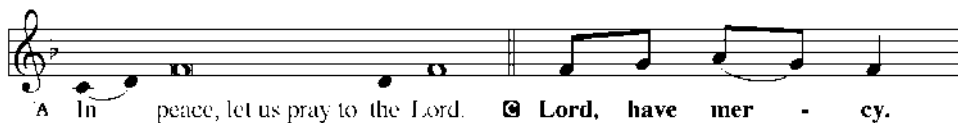


nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.
 but, Je - sus, then draw near - er to shield my soul from sin.
 now speak and make me lis - ten, O Guard - ian of my soul.
 oh, give me grace to fol - low, my mas - ter and my friend.

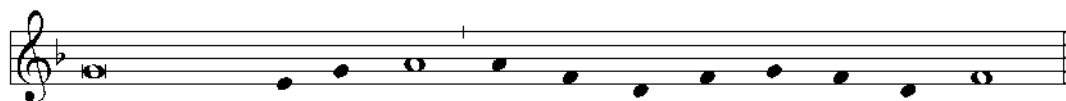
APOSTOLIC GREETING

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.**

KYRIE



HYMN OF PRAISE



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his 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.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. . . . Lord God, you showed your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son. As he brought gladness and healing to his people, grant us these same gifts and lead us also to perfect faith in him, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Sit

FIRST READING Genesis 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (*back cover*)

PSALMODY Psalm 139:1-5, 13-17 *spoken responsively by verse*

- ¹ LORD, you have searched me | out and known me;*
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts | from afar.
- ² **You trace my journeys and my | resting-places***
and are acquainted with | all my ways.
- ³ Indeed, there is not a word | on my lips,*
but you, O LORD, know it | altogether.
- ⁴ **You press upon me behind | and before***
and lay your | hand upon me.
- ⁵ Such knowledge is too wonder- | ful for me;*
it is so high that I cannot at- | tain to it.
- ¹³ **I will thank you because I am mar- | velously made;***
your works are wonderful, and I | know it well.
- ¹⁴ My body was not hid- | den from you,*
while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths | of the earth.
- ¹⁵ **Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;**
all of them were written | in your book;*
they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was | none of them.
- ¹⁶ How deep I find your | thoughts, O God!*
How great is the | sum of them!
- ¹⁷ **If I were to count them, they would be more in number | than the sand;***
to count them all, my life span would need to | be like yours.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 (*back cover*)

Stand

VERSE Sung by all



HOLY GOSPEL John 1:43-51 (*back cover*)

The Holy Gospel according to St. John **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At the conclusion of the Gospel.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

SERMON

Stand

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.* On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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

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

A brief silence.

Loving God, let the leaders of the church (*especially*) be trustworthy and accountable stewards. Use resources and outreach efforts bring hope and healing to communities.

God of grace,

receive our prayer.

Heal areas of the world harmed by human greed. Restore those recovering from natural disaster. Protect our forests and waterways and all the creatures that live in them. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

Give community leaders a vision for justice and unity. Lead them to action promoting equitable partnerships. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

Be present with any who are oppressed, victims of racism or cultural bias, and all who long for respite or restoration (*especially*). God of grace,

receive our prayer.

Give us the anticipation and excitement of Samuel do your work in the world. Make us faithful as we build faithful communities. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We remember all who have died and are at peace among the saints especially the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. whose faithful advocacy for peace and justice continues to embolden the church. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of Your Son, 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.

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM 8:00 AM *Variation on Dix* Callahan
10:30 AM Chancel Choir *Brightest and Best* Mark Schweizer

OFFERING

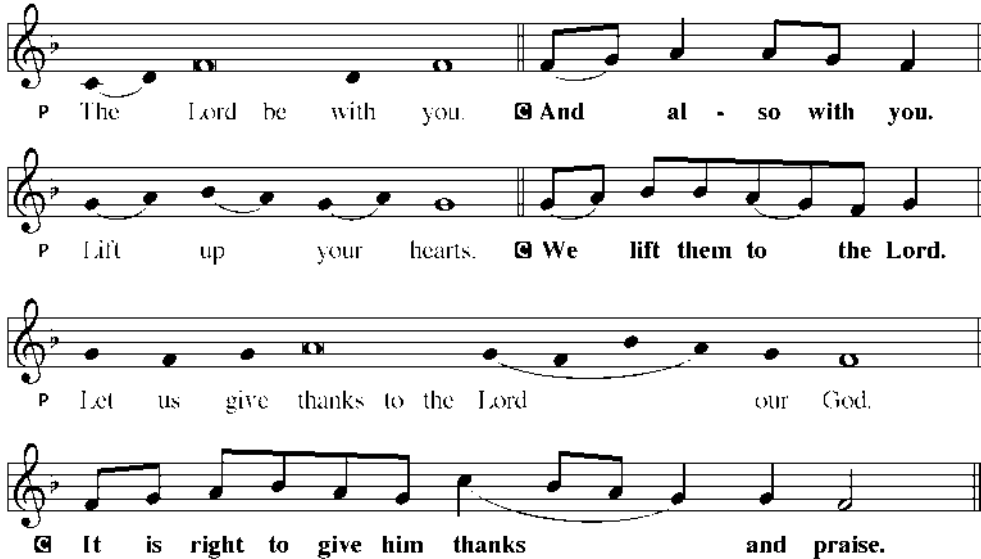


Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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*



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

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


P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

☩ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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

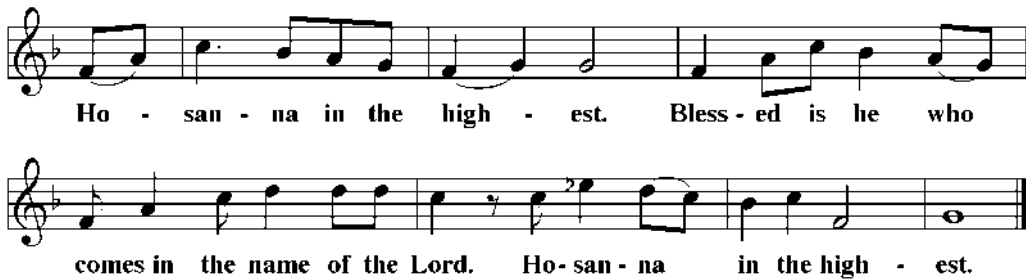
It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory; that, beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. And so, with 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'r and might:

Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho - san-na.



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:

Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life;

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise;

and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son,
who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom
and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup

we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup

we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power

to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,

the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection,

that we who receive the Lord's body and blood

may live to the praise of your glory

and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place,
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest
until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

**Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory
is yours, almighty Father, 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.*



☐ 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.

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 *He Comes to Us as One Unknown (WOV 768)*



1 He comes to us as one un-known, a breath un - seen, un -
2 He comes when souls in si - lence lie and thoughts of day de -
3 He comes to us in sound of seas, the o - cean's fume and
4 He comes in love as once he came by flesh and blood and
5 He comes in truth when faith is grown; be - lieved, o - beyed, a -



heard; as though with - in a heart of stone, or shriv - eled seed in
part; half - seen up - on the in - ward eye, a fall - ing star a -
foam; yet small and still up - on the breeze, a wind that stirs the
birth; to bear with - in our mor - tal frame a life, a death, a
dored; the Christ in all the scrip - tures shown, as yet un - seen, but



dark - ness sown, a pulse of be - ing stirred, a pulse of be - ing stirred.
cross the sky of night with - in the heart, of night with - in the heart.
tops of trees, a voice to call us home, a voice to call us home.
sav - ing name, for ev - 'ry child of earth, for ev - 'ry child of earth.
not un - known, our Sav - ior and our Lord, our Sav - ior and our Lord.

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 *All My Hope on God Is Founded (WOV 782) next pages*

DISMISSAL

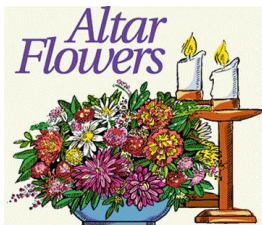
Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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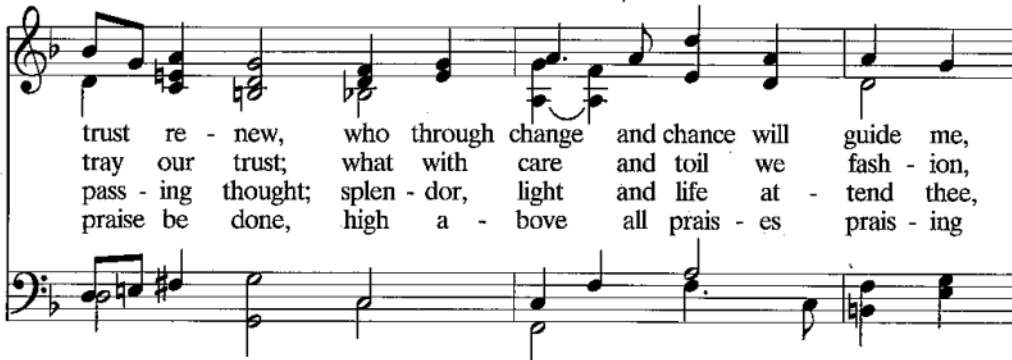


*Today's Altar Flowers are presented to the Glory of God
by the Vaught Family.*

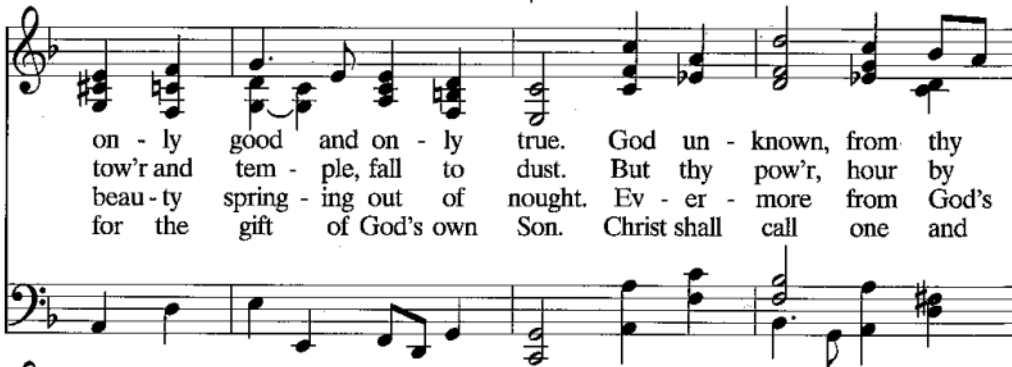
All My Hope on God Is Founded



1 All my hope on God is found - ed who will all my
 2 Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry, sword and crown be -
 3 Great thy good - ness e'er en - dur - ing; deep thy wis - dom,
 4 Still from earth to God e - ter - nal sac - ri - fice of



trust re - new, who through change and chance will guide me,
 tray our trust; what with care and toil we fash - ion,
 pass - ing thought; splen - dor, light and life at - tend thee,
 praise be done, high a - bove all prais - es prais - ing



on - ly good and on - ly true. God un - known, from thy
 tow'r and tem - ple, fall to dust. But thy pow'r, hour by
 beau - ty spring - ing out of nought. Ev - er - more from God's
 for the gift of God's own Son. Christ shall call one and



throne call my heart to be thine own.
 hour, is my tem - ple and my tow'r.
 store new - born worlds rise and a - dore.
 all: you that fol - low shall not fall.

Announcements and Up-dates for the week January 14, 2024

Today we thank **Christine Kates** for serving as our organist while **Victor Fields** is away.

TODAY AT 9:15 AM Communion Bread Bakers baking demonstration, in the main floor kitchen, led by Emily Reep. Please do notify the office if you plan to attend. A schedule identifying bread bakers for the Lenten Season will be completed during the demonstration.

2024 Offering Envelopes are available in the Good Shepherd Room . Please take yours along with you.

St Paul's is collecting clothing for Union Lutheran Church's Clothing Ministry. Union collects 'gently used' clothing (and shoes) for its clothing closet and offers it **free of charge** to needy families in the York City community. A bin has been placed in the Good Shepherd room to collect any clothing you would like to donate. These donations will surely be a blessing to our neighbors. Union's volunteers are very appreciative of our cooperation and our help.

St. Paul's Book Club: We meet at Panera Bread on South Queen Street on Jan. 25, 4:00-5:00 PM and will discuss *Zookeeper's Wife* by Diane Ackerman.



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

2024 Flower Chart

The 2024 flower chart is posted on the Springettsbury vestibule bulletin board. The cost of the flowers is **\$35 per vase**. You are welcome to sign up to provide one or both vases. After you have signed up, simply make a check payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church and mark it altar flowers. This is a great way to honor someone, celebrate a milestone in life, or remember a loved one. The flowers may be taken home with you at the conclusion of the last liturgy or you may have them given to someone who is sick, shut in, or hospitalized. If you wish, you can contact the office to reserve a date, and to provide us with all of the correct information for inclusion in the Sunday bulletin.

Food Pantry—January

Items needed: Canned fruit. This has been difficult for the pantry to get. Please put your donations in the shopping cart in the Good Shepherd Room. We also need paper grocery bags with handles and plastic bags. Money donations are gratefully accepted. Please place cash or check in a "special" envelope marked "Pantry". Volunteers are needed: Tuesday mornings to help our neighbors shop, some Sundays to stock shelves and some Thursday mornings to receive deliveries. Contact Patty Snyder, Ken Hinkle, Teresa Rohrbaugh or the church office (717-843-8155) to volunteer.



Serving the Lord with Gladness

DATE	TIME	Assist- ing Min- ister	Crucifer	Lector	Communion Assistants	Greeters	Ushers	Altar Set-up & Altar Clean-up
01/14	8:00 AM	Bob Reed	Jennifer Ports	Barb Male- horn (St. Peter's)		Kathleen Lemke, Nancy Banta	Ken Hinkle, John Monk, Sheridan Palmer	Kathleen Lempke, Deb Becker
01/14	10:30 AM	Larry Moore	Allen Reep	Carol Woodbury	Patty Snyder	Joan & Steve Langheine	Joe Guarello, Kem Vaught, Dave Kopp	Pat Rudacille, Gerry Briggs

This Week at St. Paul's

Church office open 8:30 a.m.—12 noon Mon—Thurs

Sunday, January 14

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
 9:15 AM Sunday School for All
 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist—Live Stream
 11:45 AM 2nd Sunday Sandwiches
 6:30 PM AA meeting Community Rm

Monday, January 15 Martin Luther King Day Office & Preschool Closed

7:00 PM Council Meeting—Christ Hall

Tuesday, January 16 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

9:30 AM Pantry
 6:00 PM CREATE—Preschool—Grade 6

Wednesday, January 17

10:00 AM Preschool & Pastor—Nave
 10:30 AM Bible Study—Christ Hall
 11:30 AM Mpuguso Meeting

Thursday, January 18

10:00 AM Preschool & Pastor—Nave
 6:30 PM Handbell Choir—Chancel
 7:30 PM Chancel Choir—Choir Room

Sunday, January 21

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
 9:15 AM Sunday School for All
 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist—Live Stream
 6:30 PM AA meeting Community Rm

Sunday Morning Classes 9:15-10:15 AM

Preschool through Grade 6 children will meet upstairs in their age grouped classrooms where they will be learning about Jesus' early life including the coming of the Wisemen, Jesus' baptism, the calling of the disciples, and some of Jesus' miracles. Often children get to act out the stories, wonder about the characters and how they might have felt, and discuss ways that they can grow their own walk as Christians. This is a great time to start your child in a class. Some of the best stories are explored during this winter and spring season. Come!

Adult Sunday Morning Classes: Christmas is for Martyrs January 7 – February 11

Few people associate Christmas with going to prison for their beliefs, but the Bible does...and so do many, many Christians around the world today. Join the Adult Class to discover where and how the Church suffers in witness to Jesus Christ today. We will be helped by "The Voices of the Martyrs" a ministry begun by a Lutheran pastor after he was released from a communist prison. All are invited, and we will gather in Christ Hall during the Sunday school hour at 9:15 AM. The sessions will be led by Jonathan Jenkins.

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 [11-20]

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." [¹¹Then the LORD said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. ¹²On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

¹⁵Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." ¹⁷Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." ¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him."

¹⁹As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD.]

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18**SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20**

"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. ¹³"Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. ¹⁵Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." ¹⁷But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. ¹⁹Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? ²⁰For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

GOSPEL: John 1:43-51

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."