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Welcome to St. Paul's!

A special welcome to our guests and visitors!

When Jesus was baptized at the Jordan River, he was anointed by the Holy Spirit and approved by God the Father: "You are my Son, whom I love." During the season of Epiphany, we follow Jesus' ministry and invite you to see him revealed as the chosen Savior of the world -- your Savior from sin and death. Our congregation exists to grow in Christ and go with Christ.

Thank you for joining us!

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We at St. Paul's share a common belief that Jesus is our Savior from sin and is the Lord of our lives. Our faith is based on God's Word, which is revealed in the Bible. We want to share this great news with as many people as possible, because we know that Jesus lived, died, and rose from death to save all people!

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WORSHIP DURING THESE TIMES

All pews are open for seating. Face coverings are optional - up to the individual. Please feel free to use the Bibles/Hymnals in the racks. Hand sanitizer is available in the narthex. There are bulletins available in the narthex or from an usher. Please keep or discard them at the end of worship. Offerings can be placed in the marked boxes in the narthex.

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP INFORMATION

On our website you will find previous and the current links for our worship services, bulletins, and announcements. We livestream the 8:00 a.m. service every Sunday. We can also make a copy of our worship on a DVD for you. In order to ensure cleanliness, you do not need to return the a DVD. Please consider a small monetary donation (\$2) to cover the cost of it.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Join us after first service, at 9:15 a.m., for our Family Bible Hour. We have Sunday school for 4K-8th grade, Youth Group Bible Class for high school age kids, and Adult Bible Class. Childcare is offered during the Adult Bible Class. There are other Bible Study Opportunities during the week. Contact one of our Pastors for more information.

COMMUNION

We offer Communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month as well as those following Monday evenings. Because God says that Communion is an expression of unity (1 Cor.10:16-17), we practice close communion, inviting up to the Lord's Table those who have explored and established unity with us on the basis of God's Word. Please speak to a pastor if you have questions about our practice.

FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." ~Matthew 19:14

There are changing tables located in BOTH the women's and men's school bathrooms. Near the entrance of the church, there are children's quiet bags with pictures, books, and a sketch tablet. If you use them, please put them back after the service. Based on Scriptural examples and developmental evidence, parents at St. Paul's worship with their young children. We encourage members to reserve the back few pews for families with small children. We have a nursery room located just off the narthex. There is a speaker in there so you can still hear and take part in the worship service. Please feel free to use this room for you child(ren), including a place to nurse.



St. Paul's Lutheran Church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (The WELS) and was founded in 1862. We have our Lutheran elementary school (4K-grade 8) on site and are part of a federation of churches to support our own high school, Manitowoc Lutheran High School.

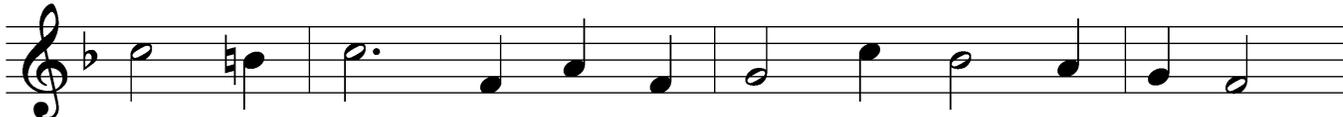
Today's Worship Focus: *Throughout the season of Epiphany, we have considered reasons God's people come together: to witness a miracle and for boldness in opposition, for instruction in righteousness and strengthened faith, for sharing a holy meal. For our last week of this series, the Lord sums it up by simply saying, "Do it! Meet together!" Call Jesus Lord and do what he says. Draw near to God. Spur each other on. Reform your actions. And you will withstand the torrent. God's people gather together for Encouraging One Another.*

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

CW 680



1 Bap-tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me to be hence-forth your
 3 My faith - ful God, you fail me nev - er; your prom - ise sure - ly
 4 All that I am and love most dear - ly— re - ceive it all, O



Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,
 child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, there you let me
 will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er
 Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;



a - mong your saints, your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and
 the fruit of all your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,
 if words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I
 help me your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I



dead to sin, your Spir - it now shall live with - in.
 com - fort me when threat - ning clouds a - round I see.
 come de - filed; for - give, lift up, re - store your child.
 am or own serve an - y will but yours a - lone.

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Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution

CW 156

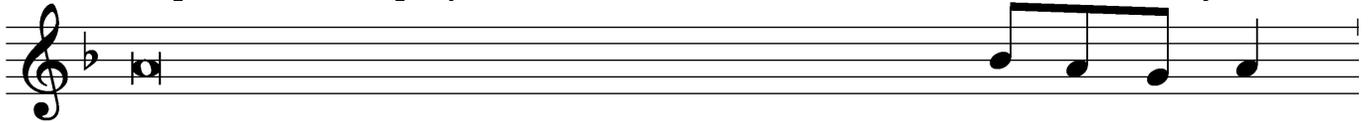
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

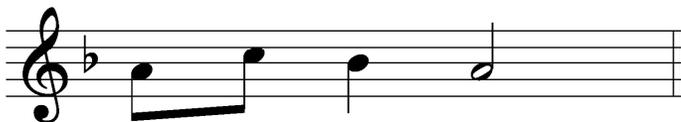
Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



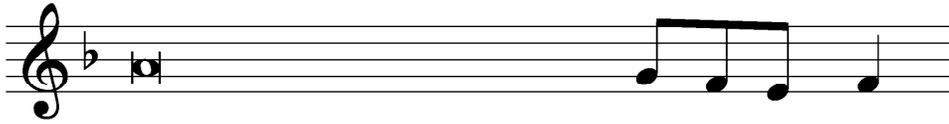
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



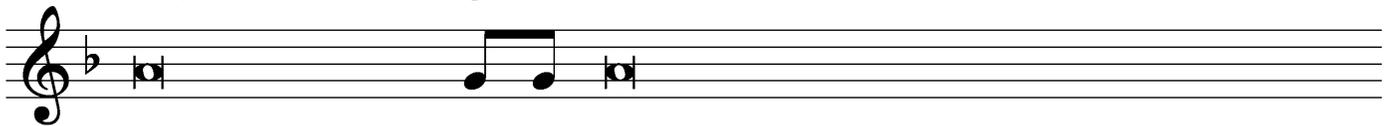
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



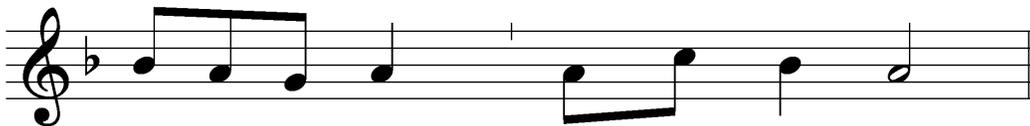
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

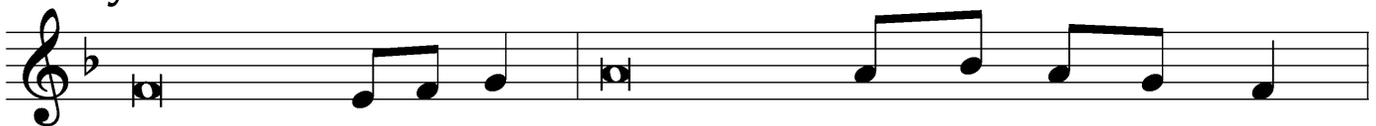


A - men.

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Glory Be to God

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,
 God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;
 have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.
 You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.
 For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE WORD

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, your Word is a lamp for our feet and a light on our path. Cause the light of your Word to shine brightly in our hearts by faith that we may know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly

day by day; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Jeremiah 7:1–8

The LORD calls on his people not merely to listen to words but to change their ways and act justly.

¹This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ²“Stand at the gate of the LORD’s house and there proclaim this message:

“ ‘Hear the word of the LORD, all you people of Judah who come through these gates to worship the LORD. ³This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: Reform your ways and your actions, and I will let you live in this place. ⁴Do not trust in deceptive words and say, “This is the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD!” ⁵If you really change your ways and your actions and deal with each other justly, ⁶if you do not oppress the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow and do not shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not follow other gods to your own harm, ⁷then I will let you live in this place, in the land I gave your ancestors for ever and ever. ⁸But look, you are trusting in deceptive words that are worthless.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

They Will Know We Are Christian by Our Love

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; and we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side; we will work with each other, we will work side by side; we'll respect people's dignity and in love abide.

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Second Reading

Hebrews 10:19–27

Let us now give up meeting together, cleansed from a guilty conscience, holding to our hope, and encouraging each other in love.

¹⁹Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

²⁶If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, ²⁷but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

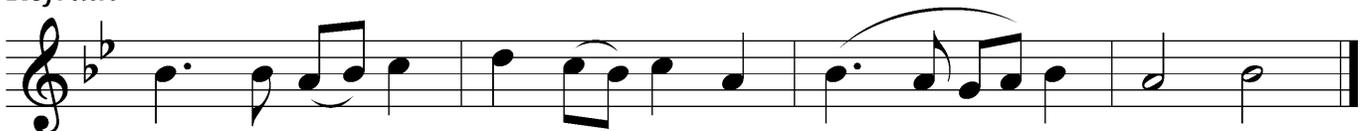
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Gospel Acclamation

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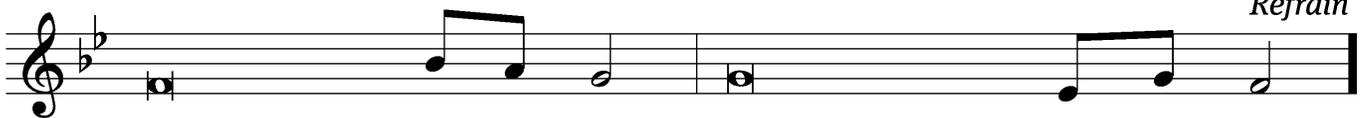


Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone



Jesus is the light of the world; in him we have the light of life.

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Gospel

Luke 6:39–49

Those who come to Jesus, hear his words and practice them are like an unshakeable house on a solid rock.

³⁹He also told them this parable: “Can the blind lead the blind? Will they not both fall into a pit? ⁴⁰The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher.

⁴¹“Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴²How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when you yourself fail to see the plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.

⁴³“No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. ⁴⁴Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briars. ⁴⁵A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.

⁴⁶“Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say? ⁴⁷As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like. ⁴⁸They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. ⁴⁹But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete.”
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Oh, How Good It Is

CW 731

Soloist: verses 1 & 2 and refrains

ALL: Please join in verse 3 & the final refrain.



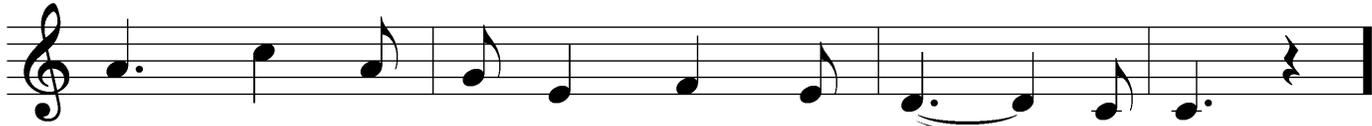
1 Oh, how good it is when the fam - 'ly of God dwells to -
2 Oh, how good it is on this jour - ney we share to re -
3 Oh, how good it is to em - brace his com - mand to pre -



geth - er in spir - it, in faith and u - ni - ty. Where the
joice with the hap - py and weep with those who mourn. For the
fer one an - oth - er, for - give as he for - gives. When we



bonds of peace, of ac - cept - ance and love are the
weak find strength, the af - flict - ed find grace when we
live as one we all share in the love of the



fruits of his pres - ence here a - mong us.
of - fer the bless - ing of be - long - ing.
Son with the Fa - ther and the Spir - it.

Refrain



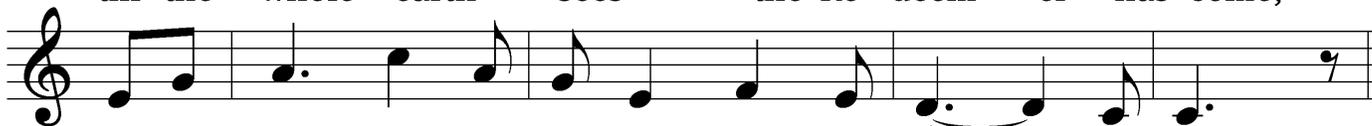
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,



and with one heart we'll live out his word,



till the whole earth sees the Re - deem - er has come,



for he dwells in the pres - ence of his peo - ple.

Text: Stuart Townend, b. 1963; Ross Holmes, b. 1984; Kristyn Getty, b. 1980; Keith Getty, b. 1974

Sermon

Hebrews 10

This Is What We Do with It...We Live It!
With faith * With hope * With love

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition*]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [*especially . . . here name the person*]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

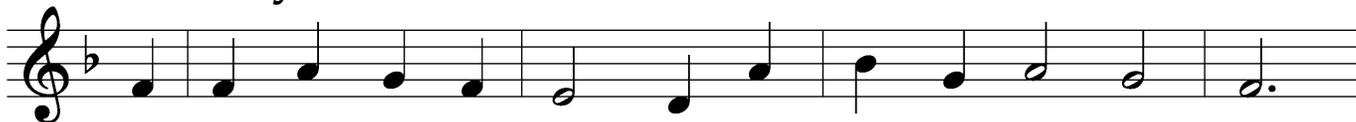
Amen.

Be seated

The Offering will be brought forward during the following hymn.

383 The Only Son from Heaven

CW 383



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, fore - told by an - cient seers,
 2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!
 3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en to know and love you more,
 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore you with God the Ho - ly Ghost



by God the Fa - ther giv - en, in hu - man form ap - pears.
 He comes, the King a - noint - ed, the Christ, the vir - gin - born,
 in faith to stand un - shak - en, in spir - it to a - dore,
 and Je - sus, we a - dore you, O Pride of an - gel host.



No sphere his light con - fin - ing, no star so
 grim death to con - quer for us, to o - pen
 that we, through this world mov - ing, each glimpse of
 Be - fore you mor - tals low - ly cry, "Ho - ly,



bright - ly shin - ing as he, our Morn - ing Star.
 heav'n be - fore us and bring us life a - gain.
 heav - en prov - ing, may reap its full - ness there.
 ho - ly, ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

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Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Everlasting life; through

Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

874 Preserve Your Word, O Savior

CW 874 sts. 1-2



1 Pre - serve your Word, O Sav - ior, to us this lat - ter
2 Pre - serve your Word and preach - ing, the truth that makes us



day, and let your king - dom flour - ish; en - large your
whole, the mir - ror of your glo - ry, the pow'r that
Church, we pray. O keep our faith from fail - ing, keep
saves the soul. Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, this
hope's bright star a - glow; let noth - ing turn us
spring of heav'n - ly grace, sus - tain us while here
from you while wan - d'ring here be - low.
liv - ing un - til we see your face.

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MUSICIANS: Megan Butler (guest musician from Calvary, Sheboygan and form St. Paul's student).

ALTAR GUILD: Sandra Weber, Konni Harbach, Dawn Marten.

USHERS: 8:00 a.m.- Corey Schroeder, Clay Schroeder, Brian Stauss, Andy Sprenger, Kevin Oleck. 10:30 a.m. Jeff Plass, Todd Marten, John Marten, Dave Probst.

Online giving options available

In thanks to our gracious Lord and his gift of forgiveness in Jesus, we bring to him a generous portion of all we have received from him. Offerings for the Lord's work may be placed in one of the designated boxes in the narthex today. They may also be mailed in, dropped off in the office, or given online.



OFFERING: 2/13 & 2/14: \$13,370 (WEEKLY BUDGET GOAL: \$16,300).

ADDITIONAL \$12,055 WAS RECEIVED FOR GROWING FORWARD.

\$25 FOR THE ARDITH FOELSKE MEMORIAL.

This Week at a Glance:	
Date	Service, Bible Study, and Class Times
Sunday, February 20	5th-8th Sing Both Services Worship Services: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. <u>Link to Online Weekend Worship Services</u>
	9:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour
Monday, February 21	6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship
	7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
Tuesday, February 22	6:30 p.m. BIC
	7:00 p.m. Adult Open Gym
Wednesday, February 23	8:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Bible Study
	8:45 a.m. Bible Study
	9:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Playdate
	4:15 p.m. Public School Catechism
	6:30 p.m. Elders
Thursday, February 24	6:30 p.m. St. Paul's Science Night
Friday, February 25	6:00 p.m. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL

- 1. Sunday Bible Study** - Our Sunday morning Bible studies take us through the book of James. James warns against a dead faith that does nothing. He encourages us to be active in faith, whether going through sufferings or speaking with love, whether in praying boldly or planning humbly, helping the poor or practicing good works. Come and receive guidance in living your faith!
- 2. New Bible Information Class** has started for those new to the faith or renewing the Christian faith. We meet on Tuesdays starting at 6:30pm in the commons/lunchroom. For those who were interested but couldn't attend this one,

the church staff is planning the next class to start sometime in early June (not sure day/time).

- 3. Thursday Evening Bible Study - "Connecting Sinai to Calvary" @ 6:30 pm 2/3-3/31;** Based on the book by the same name, this study of the Old Testament reveals how God was intricately involved in the lives of his people and how his plan of salvation was carried through generations to be fulfilled through his Son on the cross. All are invited to attend as often as you are able! There is no need to purchase the book. Contact Luther Curia if you have any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 4. Marriage Enrichment Retreat - FINAL WEEK TO REGISTER:** St. Paul's will be hosting a marriage enrichment retreat at the Osthoff Resort Friday-Saturday, March 18-19. Jesus designed marriage and can make your marriage richer than you imagined. Spend a weekend finding out how. Prior to the weekend, you will each complete a confidential online survey and receive a customized report on ten areas of your married life. Then you'll spend the weekend applying the riches of God's grace to the areas of your marriage in which you're strong...and in which you have room to grow. The result? A richer marriage. The retreat will be led by Luther Curia, Staff Minister at St. Paul's. Flyers with event details and registration forms can be found in the office. You can also register online [HERE](#). Contact Luther Curia with any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 5. Pizzas will be made and ready for pickup at the school on Saturday, February 19th.** We could use a few additional volunteers for assembly day if anyone would like to join us! We'll begin making pizzas in the St. Paul's gym at 8:00am on the 19th. If you want more details or are interested in helping contact Katie Meyer at katieb82@hotmail.com.
- 6. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL -** Join the Activities Committee (formerly the Stewardship Committee) for ice skating at Rochester Park Friday, February 25 from 6:00-8:00! The rink is located on the outfield of the Rochester Park baseball diamond and is a full 84'x144' rink! The park has limited hockey equipment and skates available for use - these items are being offered on the "honor system" so please take care of them and put them back when you're finished. We encourage everyone to bring their own skates if they have them. We also hope to have some snow to do some sledding at the park, so bring along your sleds. We'll have plenty of hot cocoa and apple cider to warm you up throughout the evening! Hope to see you there! Rochester Park is located at 710 Hickory Street, Sheboygan Falls.

7. **Mindful Moms Bible Study** - Now every Wednesday at 8:30am, there is a 45 minute women's Bible study. We've begun a book on Philippians - Living in the Joy of Christ. All participants will receive a study book. Come to be enriched in God's Word together with fellowship and encouragement!
8. **Mindful Moms NEW Playdate** Mindful Moms is excited to have new playdate activities at a new time! Join us every Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 in the school gym for a Music and Movement playdate. Each week there will be a segment including fingerplays, singing, music, and/or movement songs where moms and kids can play and work together. There will also be free play time for the kids to run and explore and moms can enjoy chatting together. Hope to see you there!
9. **Youth Rally Meeting** – Planning is underway for the 2022 WELS Youth Rally in Knoxville, TN. The dates of the Rally are 6/28 – 7/1. Any students that are currently in 8th grade through seniors in high school can attend the rally. We will also need several adult youth leaders, so if you are interested in going as a leader, please come to the meeting as well! If you want more information about the rally but cannot attend the meeting on February 13th, please contact Mike Leahy – mleahy@live.com
10. **Registration** for Preschool and Kindergarten is open! You can register through the St Paul's School website or Click on the links to register for the 2022-2023 School Year. Kindergarten Registration Link - Preschool Registration Link .
11. **Tuesday night basketball** will be running again starting on January 11, 2022. It will run every Tuesday night from 7-8:30. Everyone ages 12 and up are welcome to join us.
12. **Silent Auction Tickets** - Our St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up on Saturday, March 5. Watch for more details! Tickets are now available for purchase between services as well as during the week at the office up until February 20th. Early Bird pricing available. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions about the event.
13. **Silent Auction Donations:** The St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up fast and we are looking for donations for that night! Not sure what to donate? There are some donation examples on a poster board near the school entrance. Please include with your donation a description, the value, and your name or if you would like to remain anonymous. All donations can be dropped off at the school

office. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions.
bethels_2000@yahoo.com or 920-912-2379.

14. Lenten Meals - This Lenten Season is fast approaching! We are planning on having meals before worship. The following groups have signed up:

March 2nd: Altar Guild

March 9th: OPEN

March 16th: PTF/Teachers/Parents (Brats and Hotdogs)

March 23rd: Pioneers

March 30th: Ladies Aid (Sloppy Joes)

April 6th: Youth Group (Tacos)

We are still looking for a group on March 9th. Please contact the office to sign up. Thank you to the above groups for signing up! We look forward to your awesome meal!

15. Altar Guild is serving Lenten supper on Ash Wednesday. There is a sign-up sheet in the member room for Altar Guild members to sign-up to help and bring items. Any questions please contact Lisa Specht.

16. Mr. Dais Call: Dear Members of St. Paul's, Thank you so much for all your comments and prayers the past couple weeks. I have returned the call to Peridot. My family and I are incredibly blessed to be part of the ministry going on here at St. Paul's and we can't wait to see what the Lord has in store for all of us here!

17. The Howards Grove Fire Department is looking for donations of cakes and tortes for their Brat Fry on February 27th! The Brat Fry runs from 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.. Donations can be placed in the kitchen, on the back counter, with your name on your pan. Mark Eichhorts will make sure that your pan is returned to St. Paul's for pickup. Please contact Mark with any questions.

18. Double Kwik Trip! Earn funds for our school twice as fast because Kwik Trip is doubling the discount given to us through the month of February. (Now 10%). You can buy your Scrip between services or by calling or visiting the office.

19. The Church Newsletter was emailed this past Friday. If you requested a printed copy you will find it in your mailbox. Also, if you are not receiving a printed copy but would like to, please contact the office to be added to the list.

20. The Church Council is assembling a group of 4-5 people for service on the Building Committee. When finalized, we plan to announce them and install them soon into their office.

21. Please note the giving chart in the narthex. This corresponds to the amount we hope to raise for the building project by mid-May. We plan to update the chart weekly, as able.

MLHS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. MLHS Call Update** - At the Special Call Meeting this past Saturday, the federation called Pastor David Frey to serve in our theology department. Dave is currently serving at Living Word in Mission Viejo, CA. He is married and has five children (the oldest is 13). Dave and his wife Heidi both grew up in Michigan and both are MLS graduates. Dave is 36, and he has been serving the parish where he is since his assignment in 2011. Heidi is a nurse. Please keep them in your prayers.
- 2. MLHS Federation Special Campaign Drive!** During the Epiphany season the members of the MLHS federation congregations are encouraged to give support to the campaign with pledges or donations. Information about this drive is being sent to the leadership of the congregations with the request that it then be shared with all members. It is important that as many as possible know about this drive and participate in it as we approach the initial stages of the project itself. Epiphany is a reminder to us of what our mission is...as individual congregations and schools, and as a federation. We want all people to know the light of the gospel that is found in the Baby born in Bethlehem. This project will help our school carry out that mission, which is the heart and core of all we do at MLHS! Thanks for your generous support!
- 3. Junior Lancer Wrestling Tournament:** It is that time of year again when we hold the annual Jr. Wrestling Tournament. This is a fun and exciting day for the wrestlers, family and friends! A concessions stand is available and serves food from morning to the end of the tournament. In order to make this possible we need your help. Please consider signing up to work in the canteen or sign up to donate food items that are needed for the concession stand. Sign up by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/jrlancers . Thanks!
- 4. SPRING MUSICAL:** The Drama Club from Manitowoc Lutheran High School proudly presents *Fiddler on the Roof*. Rich with musical hits you know and love, including “Tradition,” “Sunrise, Sunset,” “If I Were a Rich Man,” “Matchmaker, Matchmaker,” plus many more. *Fiddler on the Roof* tells the heartwarming story of father and daughters, husbands and wives, and the timeless traditions that define faith and family. A wonderful cast of forty-nine and a live pit orchestra will

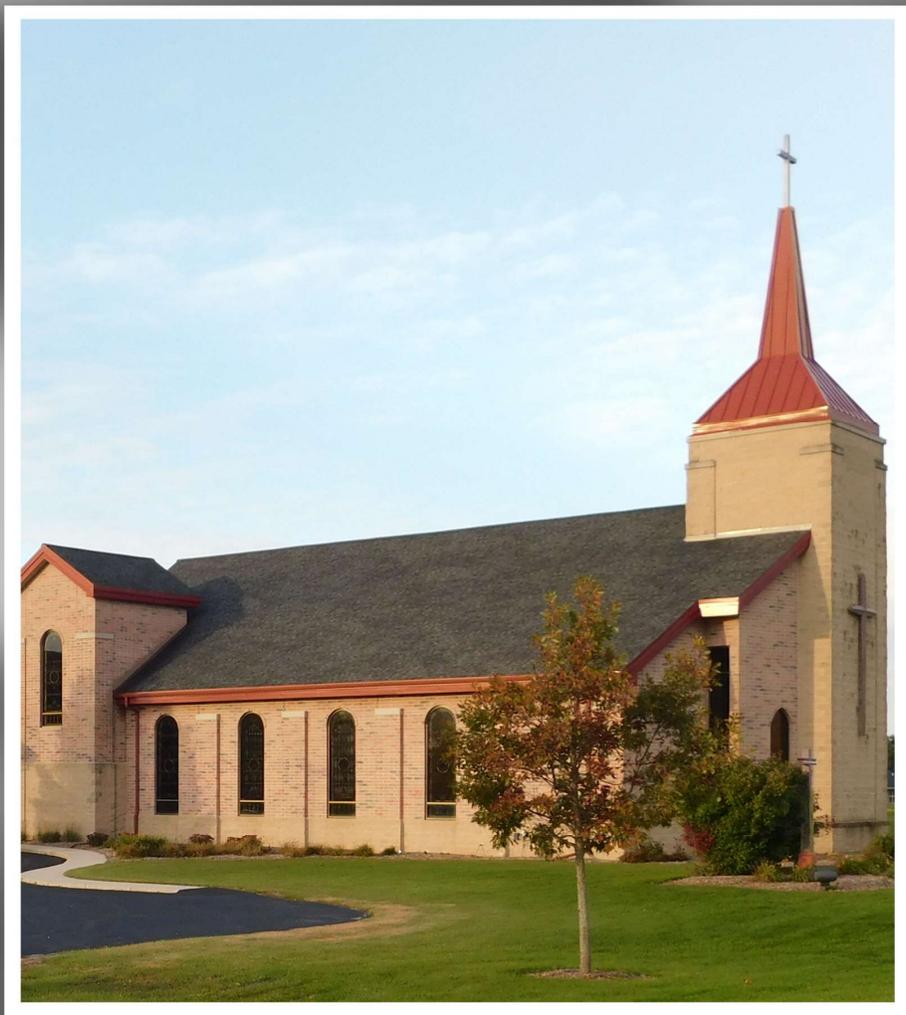
entertain you as they bring this story to life on the MLHS stage. Please join us in this family friendly production March 11-13 at MLHS. Production times: Friday and Saturday evening at 7:00 P.M. and Sunday at 2:00 P.M. You can reserve your seat/purchase your tickets online at www.mlhslancers.org/drama.

5. **MLHS Alumni and friends are invited to our first MLHS Encore Preshow Reception!** With your RSVP you will receive one FREE general admissions ticket (bleacher seats) to the March 12 performance of *Fiddler on the Roof*! Join us for an alumni reception at 5:30pm in the MLHS conference room before the show. You are still welcome to purchase a reserve seat on the floor for yourself or a guest via the link below.
Please RSVP by March 1 by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/news-events. Click on the “Attend Encore” button at the bottom of the Encore promotion on the webpage.
6. **MLHS SPRING SHOWCASE:** It is time once again for the MLHS Spring Showcase, and we would like to invite you! This year’s event will be held on Saturday, March 19th at Knox’s Silver Valley and will include a plated dinner, live & silent auctions, a raffle (with top prize of \$5,000!), and entertainment by Riley Haupt. All proceeds this year will benefit the MLHS Track & Field program as we work to build our own facilities. Go to: <https://www.mlhslancers.org/showcase> for all the details including times. And be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates. We hope to see you there!
7. **Christian Family Solutions Presentation: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes** Lakeshore Lutheran Schools will be offering a presentation for all parents at Manitowoc Lutheran High School on Tuesday March 29, 2022 at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend this FREE presentation. Please RSVP at www.mlhslancers.org/cfs today. Presentation Information: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes of Christian Family Solutions. Description: The adolescent brain undergoes tremendous growth during the teen years. Parents are often stunned and confused by teen behavior. Teens’ brains are changing during the adolescent years. The reaction from teens has been, “Would someone please tell my parents about this?” So, now we are.
8. **Junior Lancer Open Registrations-Baseball** Please register today! Go to: www.mlhslancers.org/juniorlancers Registration closes February 25th!

9. **MLHS Newsletters and More:** Stay in touch with your high school and subscribe to various newsletters by going to www.mlhslancers.org/subscription. After subscribing you will receive the newsletter(s) you signed up for. **Be sure to check your junk mail** as the first one may go there instead. The alumni newsletter is one of the options listed. You will not want to miss reading what a recent alumni shared in the December Alumni newsletter. ENJOY! For any questions contact mlhs@mlhslancers.org.
10. **Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale** invites any confirmed member from our area WELS congregations on the Lakeshore. We rehearse on the scheduled Sunday evenings at 6:00pm in the Choir Room at Manitowoc Lutheran. Rehearsals are normally 90 minutes (about 1 and a half hours) or less and you do not have to be at every practice to sing! This is a wonderful opportunity to sing in a concert alongside the MLHS choirs! Please consider joining us, if you would like more information, please contact our director Matt Manthe at am5thof8@comcast.net. For a schedule of practices go to: www.mlhslancers.org/volunteer and scroll down to The Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale section.
11. **Charitable Giving Through Estate Planning** - Estate planning (also called a will or trust) is a collection of documents that specify how you want your money and other assets distributed after your death, making it easier for your loved ones to handle your affairs during a time of grief. This one-on-one coaching is sponsored by MLHS and is confidential. Due to a generous donation, when you complete the one-on-one coaching through SFC and you will be reimbursed up to \$500 for the attorney fees! Individuals will be responsible for paying other attorney fees if applicable. This is simply a gift from the MLHS Foundation to you and your family for your love and support of Manitowoc Lutheran High School. Coaching can be done one on one or via zoom call. More information can be found on the MLHS website or contact Ryan Hulse – rhulse@mlhslancers.org

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Welcome to St. Paul's!

A special welcome to our guests and visitors!

When Jesus was baptized at the Jordan River, he was anointed by the Holy Spirit and approved by God the Father: "You are my Son, whom I love." During the season of Epiphany, we follow Jesus' ministry and invite you to see him revealed as the chosen Savior of the world -- your Savior from sin and death. Our congregation exists to grow in Christ and go with Christ.

Thank you for joining us!



We at St. Paul's share a common belief that Jesus is our Savior from sin and is the Lord of our lives. Our faith is based on God's Word, which is revealed in the Bible. We want to share this great news with as many people as possible, because we know that Jesus lived, died, and rose from death to save all people!



WORSHIP DURING THESE TIMES

All pews are open for seating. Face coverings are optional - up to the individual. Please feel free to use the Bibles/Hymnals in the racks. Hand sanitizer is available in the narthex. There are bulletins available in the narthex or from an usher. Please keep or discard them at the end of worship. Offerings can be placed in the marked boxes in the narthex.

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP INFORMATION

On our website you will find previous and the current links for our worship services, bulletins, and announcements. We livestream the 8:00 a.m. service every Sunday. We can also make a copy of our worship on a DVD for you. In order to ensure cleanliness, you do not need to return the a DVD. Please consider a small monetary donation (\$2) to cover the cost of it.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Join us after first service, at 9:15 a.m., for our Family Bible Hour. We have Sunday school for 4K-8th grade, Youth Group Bible Class for high school age kids, and Adult Bible Class. Childcare is offered during the Adult Bible Class. There are other Bible Study Opportunities during the week. Contact one of our Pastors for more information.

COMMUNION

We offer Communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month as well as those following Monday evenings. Because God says that Communion is an expression of unity (1 Cor.10:16-17), we practice close communion, inviting up to the Lord's Table those who have explored and established unity with us on the basis of God's Word. Please speak to a pastor if you have questions about our practice.

FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." ~Matthew 19:14

There are changing tables located in BOTH the women's and men's school bathrooms. Near the entrance of the church, there are children's quiet bags with pictures, books, and a sketch tablet. If you use them, please put them back after the service. Based on Scriptural examples and developmental evidence, parents at St. Paul's worship with their young children. We encourage members to reserve the back few pews for families with small children. We have a nursery room located just off the narthex. There is a speaker in there so you can still hear and take part in the worship service. Please feel free to use this room for you child(ren), including a place to nurse.



St. Paul's Lutheran Church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (The WELS) and was founded in 1862. We have our Lutheran elementary school (4K-grade 8) on site and are part of a federation of churches to support our own high school, Manitowoc Lutheran High School.

Today's Worship Focus: *Throughout the season of Epiphany, we have considered reasons God's people come together: to witness a miracle and for boldness in opposition, for instruction in righteousness and strengthened faith, for sharing a holy meal. For our last week of this series, the Lord sums it up by simply saying, "Do it! Meet together!" Call Jesus Lord and do what he says. Draw near to God. Spur each other on. Reform your actions. And you will withstand the torrent. God's people gather together for Encouraging One Another.*

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

CW 680



1 Bap-tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me to be hence-forth your
 3 My faith - ful God, you fail me nev - er; your prom - ise sure - ly
 4 All that I am and love most dear - ly— re - ceive it all, O



Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,
 child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, there you let me
 will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er
 Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;



a - mong your saints, your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and
 the fruit of all your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,
 if words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I
 help me your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I



dead to sin, your Spir - it now shall live with - in.
 com - fort me when threat - ning clouds a - round I see.
 come de - filed; for - give, lift up, re - store your child.
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Stand

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution

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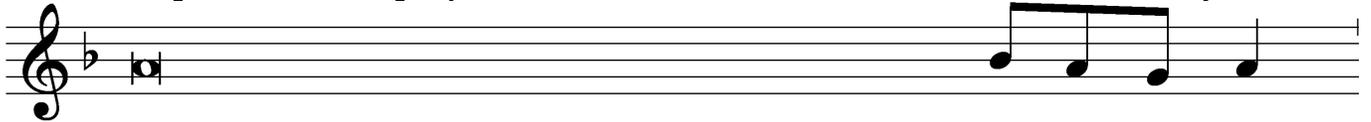
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



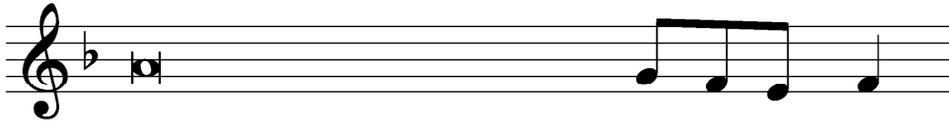
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



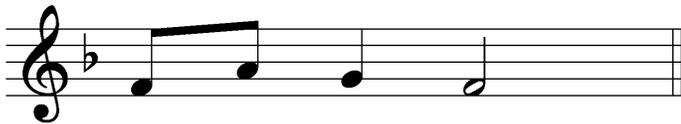
Lord, have mer - cy.



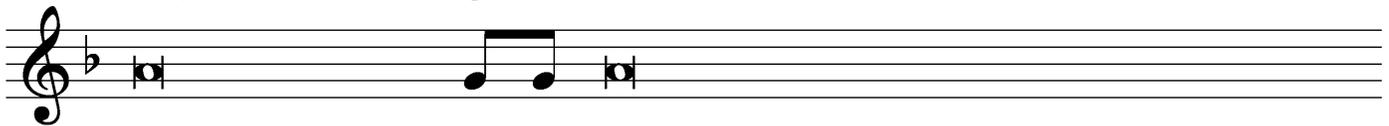
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



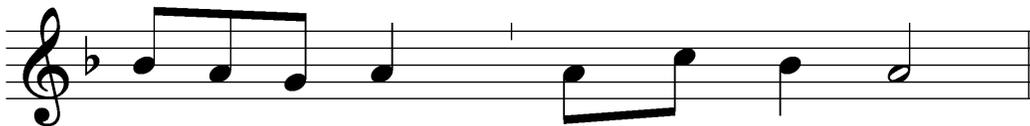
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

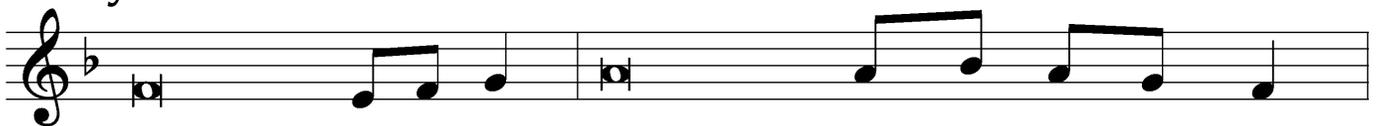


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Glory Be to God

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Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,
 God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;
 have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.
 You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.
 For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE WORD

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, your Word is a lamp for our feet and a light on our path. Cause the light of your Word to shine brightly in our hearts by faith that we may know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly

day by day; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Jeremiah 7:1–8

The LORD calls on his people not merely to listen to words but to change their ways and act justly.

¹This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ²“Stand at the gate of the LORD’s house and there proclaim this message:

“ ‘Hear the word of the LORD, all you people of Judah who come through these gates to worship the LORD. ³This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: Reform your ways and your actions, and I will let you live in this place. ⁴Do not trust in deceptive words and say, “This is the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD!” ⁵If you really change your ways and your actions and deal with each other justly, ⁶if you do not oppress the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow and do not shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not follow other gods to your own harm, ⁷then I will let you live in this place, in the land I gave your ancestors for ever and ever. ⁸But look, you are trusting in deceptive words that are worthless.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

They Will Know We Are Christian by Our Love

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; and we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side; we will work with each other, we will work side by side; we'll respect people's dignity and in love abide.

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Second Reading

Hebrews 10:19–27

Let us now give up meeting together, cleansed from a guilty conscience, holding to our hope, and encouraging each other in love.

¹⁹Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

²⁶If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, ²⁷but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

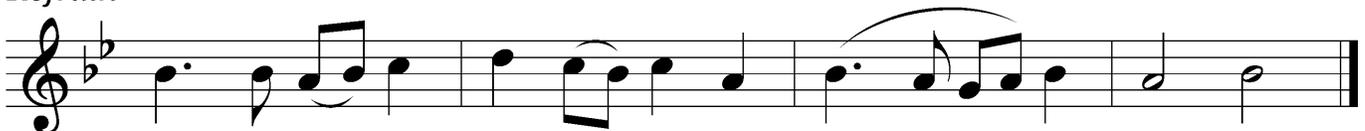
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Gospel Acclamation

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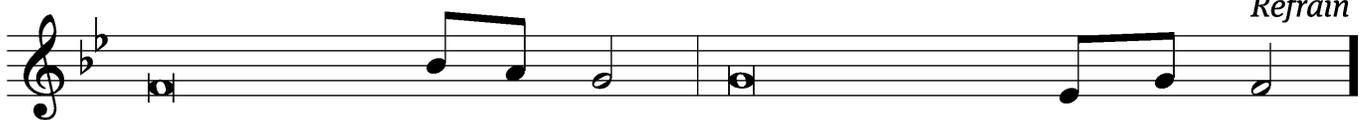


Refrain



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Tone



Jesus is the light of the world; in him we have the light of life.

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Gospel

Luke 6:39–49

Those who come to Jesus, hear his words and practice them are like an unshakeable house on a solid rock.

³⁹He also told them this parable: “Can the blind lead the blind? Will they not both fall into a pit? ⁴⁰The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher.

⁴¹“Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴²How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when you yourself fail to see the plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.

⁴³“No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. ⁴⁴Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briars. ⁴⁵A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.

⁴⁶“Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say? ⁴⁷As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like. ⁴⁸They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. ⁴⁹But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete.”
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Oh, How Good It Is

CW 731

Soloist: verses 1 & 2 and refrains

ALL: Please join in verse 3 & the final refrain.



1 Oh, how good it is when the fam - 'ly of God dwells to -
2 Oh, how good it is on this jour - ney we share to re -
3 Oh, how good it is to em - brace his com - mand to pre -



geth - er in spir - it, in faith and u - ni - ty. Where the
joice with the hap - py and weep with those who mourn. For the
fer one an - oth - er, for - give as he for - gives. When we



bonds of peace, of ac - cept - ance and love are the
weak find strength, the af - flict - ed find grace when we
live as one we all share in the love of the



fruits of his pres - ence here a - mong us.
of - fer the bless - ing of be - long - ing.
Son with the Fa - ther and the Spir - it.

Refrain



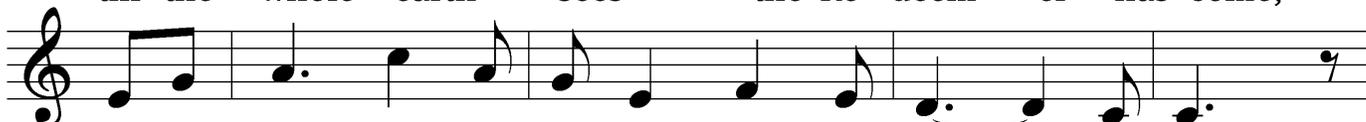
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,



and with one heart we'll live out his word,



till the whole earth sees the Re - deem - er has come,



for he dwells in the pres - ence of his peo - ple.

Text: Stuart Townend, b. 1963; Ross Holmes, b. 1984; Kristyn Getty, b. 1980; Keith Getty, b. 1974

Sermon

Hebrews 10

This Is What We Do with It...We Live It!
With faith * With hope * With love

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition*]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [*especially . . . here name the person*]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

Be seated

The Offering will be brought forward during the following hymn.

383 The Only Son from Heaven

CW 383



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, fore - told by an - cient seers,
 2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!
 3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en to know and love you more,
 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore you with God the Ho - ly Ghost



by God the Fa - ther giv - en, in hu - man form ap - pears.
 He comes, the King a - noint - ed, the Christ, the vir - gin - born,
 in faith to stand un - shak - en, in spir - it to a - dore,
 and Je - sus, we a - dore you, O Pride of an - gel host.



No sphere his light con - fin - ing, no star so
 grim death to con - quer for us, to o - pen
 that we, through this world mov - ing, each glimpse of
 Be - fore you mor - tals low - ly cry, "Ho - ly,



bright - ly shin - ing as he, our Morn - ing Star.
 heav'n be - fore us and bring us life a - gain.
 heav - en prov - ing, may reap its full - ness there.
 ho - ly, ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

Text (sts. 1–3): tr. Arthur T. Russell, 1806–1874, sts. 1–3, alt.; (sts. 1–3): Elisabeth Cruciger, c. 1500–1535, sts. 1–3; (st. 4): Lutheran Book of Worship, 1978, st. 4;
 Tune: yn Enchiridion oder Handbüchlein, Erfurt, 1524, alt.
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Stand

Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Everlasting life; through

Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

874 Preserve Your Word, O Savior

CW 874 sts. 1-2



1 Pre - serve your Word, O Sav - ior, to us this lat - ter
2 Pre - serve your Word and preach - ing, the truth that makes us



day, and let your king - dom flour - ish; en - large your
whole, the mir - ror of your glo - ry, the pow'r that
Church, we pray. O keep our faith from fail - ing, keep
saves the soul. Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, this
hope's bright star a - glow; let noth - ing turn us
spring of heav'n - ly grace, sus - tain us while here
from you while wan - d'ring here be - low.
liv - ing un - til we see your face.

Text: tr. William J. Schaefer, 1891–1976, alt.; Andreas Gryphius, 1616–1664, abr.
Tune: Leonhart Schröter, c. 1532–c. 1601
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PREACHER: Rev. Aaron Mueller

PRESIDING MINISTER: Rev. Aaron Mueller

ORGANIST: Marilyn Toepel

MUSICIANS: Megan Butler (guest musician from Calvary, Sheboygan and form St. Paul's student).

ALTAR GUILD: Sandra Weber, Konni Harbach, Dawn Marten.

USHERS: 8:00 a.m.- Corey Schroeder, Clay Schroeder, Brian Stauss, Andy Sprenger, Kevin Oleck. 10:30 a.m. Jeff Plass, Todd Marten, John Marten, Dave Probst.

Online giving options available

In thanks to our gracious Lord and his gift of forgiveness in Jesus, we bring to him a generous portion of all we have received from him. Offerings for the Lord's work may be placed in one of the designated boxes in the narthex today. They may also be mailed in, dropped off in the office, or given online.



OFFERING: 2/13 & 2/14: \$13,370 (WEEKLY BUDGET GOAL: \$16,300).

ADDITIONAL \$12,055 WAS RECEIVED FOR GROWING FORWARD.

\$25 FOR THE ARDITH FOELSKE MEMORIAL.

This Week at a Glance:	
Date	Service, Bible Study, and Class Times
Sunday, February 20	5th-8th Sing Both Services Worship Services: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. <u>Link to Online Weekend Worship Services</u>
	9:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour
Monday, February 21	6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship
	7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
Tuesday, February 22	6:30 p.m. BIC
	7:00 p.m. Adult Open Gym
Wednesday, February 23	8:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Bible Study
	8:45 a.m. Bible Study
	9:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Playdate
	4:15 p.m. Public School Catechism
	6:30 p.m. Elders
Thursday, February 24	6:30 p.m. St. Paul's Science Night
Friday, February 25	6:00 p.m. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL

1. Sunday Bible Study - Our Sunday morning Bible studies take us through the book of James. James warns against a dead faith that does nothing. He encourages us to be active in faith, whether going through sufferings or speaking with love, whether in praying boldly or planning humbly, helping the poor or practicing good works. Come and receive guidance in living your faith!

2. New Bible Information Class has started for those new to the faith or renewing the Christian faith. We meet on Tuesdays starting at 6:30pm in the commons/lunchroom. For those who were interested but couldn't attend this one,

the church staff is planning the next class to start sometime in early June (not sure day/time).

- 3. Thursday Evening Bible Study - "Connecting Sinai to Calvary" @ 6:30 pm 2/3-3/31;** Based on the book by the same name, this study of the Old Testament reveals how God was intricately involved in the lives of his people and how his plan of salvation was carried through generations to be fulfilled through his Son on the cross. All are invited to attend as often as you are able! There is no need to purchase the book. Contact Luther Curia if you have any questions:
luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 4. Marriage Enrichment Retreat - FINAL WEEK TO REGISTER:** St. Paul's will be hosting a marriage enrichment retreat at the Osthoff Resort Friday-Saturday, March 18-19. Jesus designed marriage and can make your marriage richer than you imagined. Spend a weekend finding out how. Prior to the weekend, you will each complete a confidential online survey and receive a customized report on ten areas of your married life. Then you'll spend the weekend applying the riches of God's grace to the areas of your marriage in which you're strong...and in which you have room to grow. The result? A richer marriage. The retreat will be led by Luther Curia, Staff Minister at St. Paul's. Flyers with event details and registration forms can be found in the office. You can also register online [HERE](#). Contact Luther Curia with any questions:
luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 5. Pizzas will be made and ready for pickup at the school on Saturday, February 19th.** We could use a few additional volunteers for assembly day if anyone would like to join us! We'll begin making pizzas in the St. Paul's gym at 8:00am on the 19th. If you want more details or are interested in helping contact Katie Meyer at katieb82@hotmail.com.
- 6. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL -** Join the Activities Committee (formerly the Stewardship Committee) for ice skating at Rochester Park Friday, February 25 from 6:00-8:00! The rink is located on the outfield of the Rochester Park baseball diamond and is a full 84'x144' rink! The park has limited hockey equipment and skates available for use - these items are being offered on the "honor system" so please take care of them and put them back when you're finished. We encourage everyone to bring their own skates if they have them. We also hope to have some snow to do some sledding at the park, so bring along your sleds. We'll have plenty of hot cocoa and apple cider to warm you up throughout the evening! Hope to see you there! Rochester Park is located at 710 Hickory Street, Sheboygan Falls.

7. **Mindful Moms Bible Study** - Now every Wednesday at 8:30am, there is a 45 minute women's Bible study. We've begun a book on Philippians - Living in the Joy of Christ. All participants will receive a study book. Come to be enriched in God's Word together with fellowship and encouragement!
8. **Mindful Moms NEW Playdate** Mindful Moms is excited to have new playdate activities at a new time! Join us every Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 in the school gym for a Music and Movement playdate. Each week there will be a segment including fingerplays, singing, music, and/or movement songs where moms and kids can play and work together. There will also be free play time for the kids to run and explore and moms can enjoy chatting together. Hope to see you there!
9. **Youth Rally Meeting** – Planning is underway for the 2022 WELS Youth Rally in Knoxville, TN. The dates of the Rally are 6/28 – 7/1. Any students that are currently in 8th grade through seniors in high school can attend the rally. We will also need several adult youth leaders, so if you are interested in going as a leader, please come to the meeting as well! If you want more information about the rally but cannot attend the meeting on February 13th, please contact Mike Leahy – mleahy@live.com
10. **Registration** for Preschool and Kindergarten is open! You can register through the St Paul's School website or Click on the links to register for the 2022-2023 School Year. Kindergarten Registration Link - Preschool Registration Link .
11. **Tuesday night basketball** will be running again starting on January 11, 2022. It will run every Tuesday night from 7-8:30. Everyone ages 12 and up are welcome to join us.
12. **Silent Auction Tickets** - Our St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up on Saturday, March 5. Watch for more details! Tickets are now available for purchase between services as well as during the week at the office up until February 20th. Early Bird pricing available. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions about the event.
13. **Silent Auction Donations:** The St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up fast and we are looking for donations for that night! Not sure what to donate? There are some donation examples on a poster board near the school entrance. Please include with your donation a description, the value, and your name or if you would like to remain anonymous. All donations can be dropped off at the school

office. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions.
bethels_2000@yahoo.com or 920-912-2379.

14. Lenten Meals - This Lenten Season is fast approaching! We are planning on having meals before worship. The following groups have signed up:

March 2nd: Altar Guild

March 9th: OPEN

March 16th: PTF/Teachers/Parents (Brats and Hotdogs)

March 23rd: Pioneers

March 30th: Ladies Aid (Sloppy Joes)

April 6th: Youth Group (Tacos)

We are still looking for a group on March 9th. Please contact the office to sign up. Thank you to the above groups for signing up! We look forward to your awesome meal!

15. Altar Guild is serving Lenten supper on Ash Wednesday. There is a sign-up sheet in the member room for Altar Guild members to sign-up to help and bring items. Any questions please contact Lisa Specht.

16. Mr. Dais Call: Dear Members of St. Paul's, Thank you so much for all your comments and prayers the past couple weeks. I have returned the call to Peridot. My family and I are incredibly blessed to be part of the ministry going on here at St. Paul's and we can't wait to see what the Lord has in store for all of us here!

17. The Howards Grove Fire Department is looking for donations of cakes and tortes for their Brat Fry on February 27th! The Brat Fry runs from 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.. Donations can be placed in the kitchen, on the back counter, with your name on your pan. Mark Eichhorts will make sure that your pan is returned to St. Paul's for pickup. Please contact Mark with any questions.

18. Double Kwik Trip! Earn funds for our school twice as fast because Kwik Trip is doubling the discount given to us through the month of February. (Now 10%). You can buy your Scrip between services or by calling or visiting the office.

19. The Church Newsletter was emailed this past Friday. If you requested a printed copy you will find it in your mailbox. Also, if you are not receiving a printed copy but would like to, please contact the office to be added to the list.

20. The Church Council is assembling a group of 4-5 people for service on the Building Committee. When finalized, we plan to announce them and install them soon into their office.

21. Please note the giving chart in the narthex. This corresponds to the amount we hope to raise for the building project by mid-May. We plan to update the chart weekly, as able.

MLHS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. MLHS Call Update** - At the Special Call Meeting this past Saturday, the federation called Pastor David Frey to serve in our theology department. Dave is currently serving at Living Word in Mission Viejo, CA. He is married and has five children (the oldest is 13). Dave and his wife Heidi both grew up in Michigan and both are MLS graduates. Dave is 36, and he has been serving the parish where he is since his assignment in 2011. Heidi is a nurse. Please keep them in your prayers.
- 2. MLHS Federation Special Campaign Drive!** During the Epiphany season the members of the MLHS federation congregations are encouraged to give support to the campaign with pledges or donations. Information about this drive is being sent to the leadership of the congregations with the request that it then be shared with all members. It is important that as many as possible know about this drive and participate in it as we approach the initial stages of the project itself. Epiphany is a reminder to us of what our mission is...as individual congregations and schools, and as a federation. We want all people to know the light of the gospel that is found in the Baby born in Bethlehem. This project will help our school carry out that mission, which is the heart and core of all we do at MLHS! Thanks for your generous support!
- 3. Junior Lancer Wrestling Tournament:** It is that time of year again when we hold the annual Jr. Wrestling Tournament. This is a fun and exciting day for the wrestlers, family and friends! A concessions stand is available and serves food from morning to the end of the tournament. In order to make this possible we need your help. Please consider signing up to work in the canteen or sign up to donate food items that are needed for the concession stand. Sign up by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/jrlancers . Thanks!
- 4. SPRING MUSICAL:** The Drama Club from Manitowoc Lutheran High School proudly presents *Fiddler on the Roof*. Rich with musical hits you know and love, including “Tradition,” “Sunrise, Sunset,” “If I Were a Rich Man,” “Matchmaker, Matchmaker,” plus many more. *Fiddler on the Roof* tells the heartwarming story of father and daughters, husbands and wives, and the timeless traditions that define faith and family. A wonderful cast of forty-nine and a live pit orchestra will

entertain you as they bring this story to life on the MLHS stage. Please join us in this family friendly production March 11-13 at MLHS. Production times: Friday and Saturday evening at 7:00 P.M. and Sunday at 2:00 P.M. You can reserve your seat/purchase your tickets online at www.mlhslancers.org/drama.

5. **MLHS Alumni and friends are invited to our first MLHS Encore Preshow Reception!** With your RSVP you will receive one FREE general admissions ticket (bleacher seats) to the March 12 performance of *Fiddler on the Roof*! Join us for an alumni reception at 5:30pm in the MLHS conference room before the show. You are still welcome to purchase a reserve seat on the floor for yourself or a guest via the link below.
Please RSVP by March 1 by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/news-events. Click on the “Attend Encore” button at the bottom of the Encore promotion on the webpage.
6. **MLHS SPRING SHOWCASE:** It is time once again for the MLHS Spring Showcase, and we would like to invite you! This year’s event will be held on Saturday, March 19th at Knox’s Silver Valley and will include a plated dinner, live & silent auctions, a raffle (with top prize of \$5,000!), and entertainment by Riley Haupt. All proceeds this year will benefit the MLHS Track & Field program as we work to build our own facilities. Go to: <https://www.mlhslancers.org/showcase> for all the details including times. And be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates. We hope to see you there!
7. **Christian Family Solutions Presentation: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes** Lakeshore Lutheran Schools will be offering a presentation for all parents at Manitowoc Lutheran High School on Tuesday March 29, 2022 at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend this FREE presentation. Please RSVP at www.mlhslancers.org/cfs today. Presentation Information: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes of Christian Family Solutions. Description: The adolescent brain undergoes tremendous growth during the teen years. Parents are often stunned and confused by teen behavior. Teens’ brains are changing during the adolescent years. The reaction from teens has been, “Would someone please tell my parents about this?” So, now we are.
8. **Junior Lancer Open Registrations-Baseball** Please register today! Go to: www.mlhslancers.org/juniorlancers Registration closes February 25th!

9. **MLHS Newsletters and More:** Stay in touch with your high school and subscribe to various newsletters by going to www.mlhslancers.org/subscription. After subscribing you will receive the newsletter(s) you signed up for. **Be sure to check your junk mail** as the first one may go there instead. The alumni newsletter is one of the options listed. You will not want to miss reading what a recent alumni shared in the December Alumni newsletter. ENJOY! For any questions contact mlhs@mlhslancers.org.
10. **Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale** invites any confirmed member from our area WELS congregations on the Lakeshore. We rehearse on the scheduled Sunday evenings at 6:00pm in the Choir Room at Manitowoc Lutheran. Rehearsals are normally 90 minutes (about 1 and a half hours) or less and you do not have to be at every practice to sing! This is a wonderful opportunity to sing in a concert alongside the MLHS choirs! Please consider joining us, if you would like more information, please contact our director Matt Manthe at am5thof8@comcast.net. For a schedule of practices go to: www.mlhslancers.org/volunteer and scroll down to The Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale section.
11. **Charitable Giving Through Estate Planning** - Estate planning (also called a will or trust) is a collection of documents that specify how you want your money and other assets distributed after your death, making it easier for your loved ones to handle your affairs during a time of grief. This one-on-one coaching is sponsored by MLHS and is confidential. Due to a generous donation, when you complete the one-on-one coaching through SFC and you will be reimbursed up to \$500 for the attorney fees! Individuals will be responsible for paying other attorney fees if applicable. This is simply a gift from the MLHS Foundation to you and your family for your love and support of Manitowoc Lutheran High School. Coaching can be done one on one or via zoom call. More information can be found on the MLHS website or contact Ryan Hulse – rhulse@mlhslancers.org

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Welcome to St. Paul's!

A special welcome to our guests and visitors!

When Jesus was baptized at the Jordan River, he was anointed by the Holy Spirit and approved by God the Father: "You are my Son, whom I love." During the season of Epiphany, we follow Jesus' ministry and invite you to see him revealed as the chosen Savior of the world -- your Savior from sin and death. Our congregation exists to grow in Christ and go with Christ.

Thank you for joining us!

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We at St. Paul's share a common belief that Jesus is our Savior from sin and is the Lord of our lives. Our faith is based on God's Word, which is revealed in the Bible. We want to share this great news with as many people as possible, because we know that Jesus lived, died, and rose from death to save all people!

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WORSHIP DURING THESE TIMES

All pews are open for seating. Face coverings are optional - up to the individual. Please feel free to use the Bibles/Hymnals in the racks. Hand sanitizer is available in the narthex. There are bulletins available in the narthex or from an usher. Please keep or discard them at the end of worship. Offerings can be placed in the marked boxes in the narthex.

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP INFORMATION

On our website you will find previous and the current links for our worship services, bulletins, and announcements. We livestream the 8:00 a.m. service every Sunday. We can also make a copy of our worship on a DVD for you. In order to ensure cleanliness, you do not need to return the a DVD. Please consider a small monetary donation (\$2) to cover the cost of it.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Join us after first service, at 9:15 a.m., for our Family Bible Hour. We have Sunday school for 4K-8th grade, Youth Group Bible Class for high school age kids, and Adult Bible Class. Childcare is offered during the Adult Bible Class. There are other Bible Study Opportunities during the week. Contact one of our Pastors for more information.

COMMUNION

We offer Communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month as well as those following Monday evenings. Because God says that Communion is an expression of unity (1 Cor.10:16-17), we practice close communion, inviting up to the Lord's Table those who have explored and established unity with us on the basis of God's Word. Please speak to a pastor if you have questions about our practice.

FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." ~Matthew 19:14

There are changing tables located in BOTH the women's and men's school bathrooms. Near the entrance of the church, there are children's quiet bags with pictures, books, and a sketch tablet. If you use them, please put them back after the service. Based on Scriptural examples and developmental evidence, parents at St. Paul's worship with their young children. We encourage members to reserve the back few pews for families with small children. We have a nursery room located just off the narthex. There is a speaker in there so you can still hear and take part in the worship service. Please feel free to use this room for you child(ren), including a place to nurse.



St. Paul's Lutheran Church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (The WELS) and was founded in 1862. We have our Lutheran elementary school (4K-grade 8) on site and are part of a federation of churches to support our own high school, Manitowoc Lutheran High School.

Today's Worship Focus: *Throughout the season of Epiphany, we have considered reasons God's people come together: to witness a miracle and for boldness in opposition, for instruction in righteousness and strengthened faith, for sharing a holy meal. For our last week of this series, the Lord sums it up by simply saying, "Do it! Meet together!" Call Jesus Lord and do what he says. Draw near to God. Spur each other on. Reform your actions. And you will withstand the torrent. God's people gather together for Encouraging One Another.*

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

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1 Bap-tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me to be hence-forth your
 3 My faith - ful God, you fail me nev - er; your prom - ise sure - ly
 4 All that I am and love most dear - ly— re - ceive it all, O



Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,
 child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, there you let me
 will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er
 Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;



a - mong your saints, your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and
 the fruit of all your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,
 if words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I
 help me your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I



dead to sin, your Spir - it now shall live with - in.
 com - fort me when threat - ning clouds a - round I see.
 come de - filed; for - give, lift up, re - store your child.
 am or own serve an - y will but yours a - lone.

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Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution

CW 156

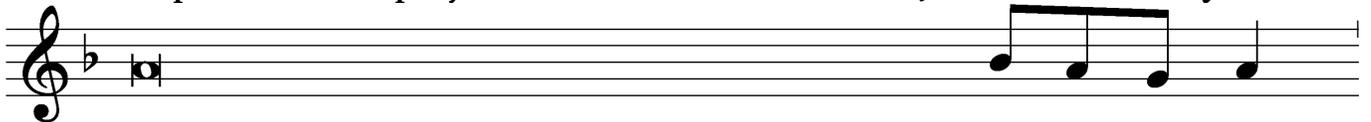
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

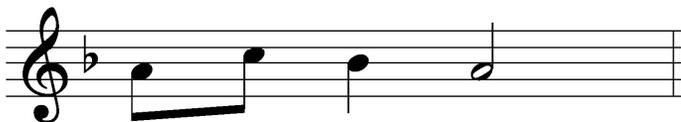
Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



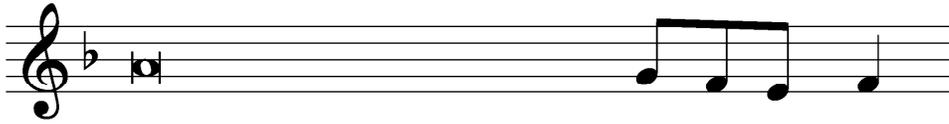
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



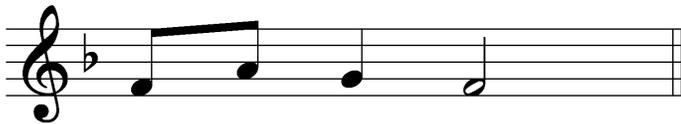
Lord, have mer - cy.



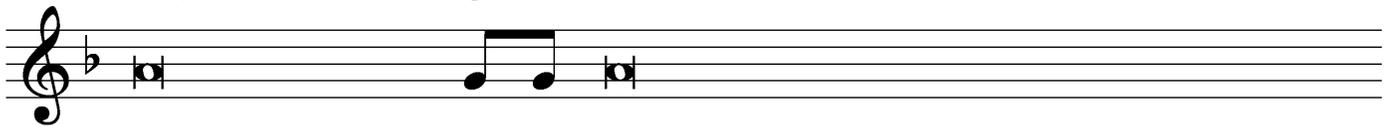
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

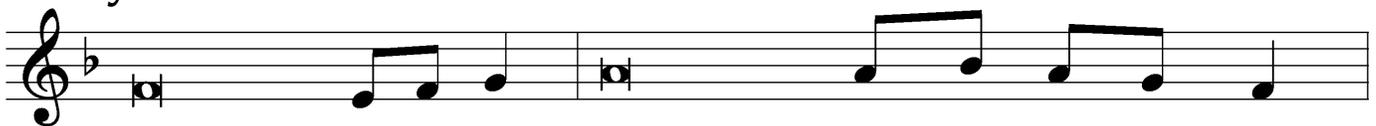


A - men.

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Glory Be to God

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,
 God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;
 have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.
 You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.
 For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE WORD

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, your Word is a lamp for our feet and a light on our path. Cause the light of your Word to shine brightly in our hearts by faith that we may know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly

day by day; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Jeremiah 7:1–8

The LORD calls on his people not merely to listen to words but to change their ways and act justly.

¹This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ²“Stand at the gate of the LORD’s house and there proclaim this message:

“ ‘Hear the word of the LORD, all you people of Judah who come through these gates to worship the LORD. ³This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: Reform your ways and your actions, and I will let you live in this place. ⁴Do not trust in deceptive words and say, “This is the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD!” ⁵If you really change your ways and your actions and deal with each other justly, ⁶if you do not oppress the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow and do not shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not follow other gods to your own harm, ⁷then I will let you live in this place, in the land I gave your ancestors for ever and ever. ⁸But look, you are trusting in deceptive words that are worthless.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

They Will Know We Are Christian by Our Love

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; and we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side; we will work with each other, we will work side by side; we'll respect people's dignity and in love abide.

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Second Reading

Hebrews 10:19–27

Let us now give up meeting together, cleansed from a guilty conscience, holding to our hope, and encouraging each other in love.

¹⁹Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

²⁶If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, ²⁷but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

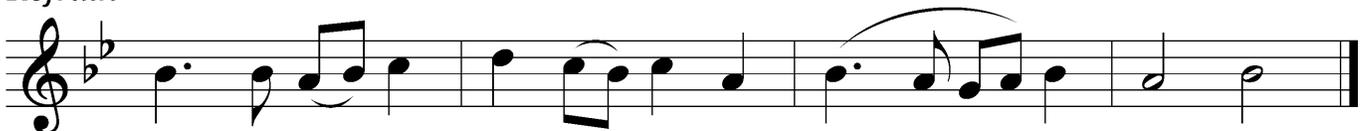
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Gospel Acclamation

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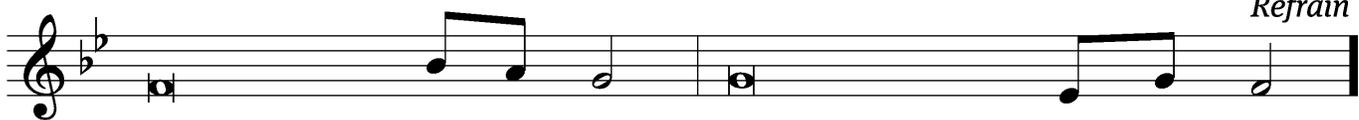


Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone



Jesus is the light of the world; in him we have the light of life.

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Gospel

Luke 6:39–49

Those who come to Jesus, hear his words and practice them are like an unshakeable house on a solid rock.

³⁹He also told them this parable: “Can the blind lead the blind? Will they not both fall into a pit? ⁴⁰The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher.

⁴¹“Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴²How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when you yourself fail to see the plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.

⁴³“No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. ⁴⁴Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briars. ⁴⁵A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.

⁴⁶“Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say? ⁴⁷As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like. ⁴⁸They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. ⁴⁹But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete.”
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Oh, How Good It Is

CW 731

Soloist: verses 1 & 2 and refrains

ALL: Please join in verse 3 & the final refrain.



1 Oh, how good it is when the fam - 'ly of God dwells to -
2 Oh, how good it is on this jour - ney we share to re -
3 Oh, how good it is to em - brace his com - mand to pre -



geth - er in spir - it, in faith and u - ni - ty. Where the
joice with the hap - py and weep with those who mourn. For the
fer one an - oth - er, for - give as he for - gives. When we



bonds of peace, of ac - cept - ance and love are the
weak find strength, the af - flict - ed find grace when we
live as one we all share in the love of the



fruits of his pres - ence here a - mong us.
of - fer the bless - ing of be - long - ing.
Son with the Fa - ther and the Spir - it.

Refrain



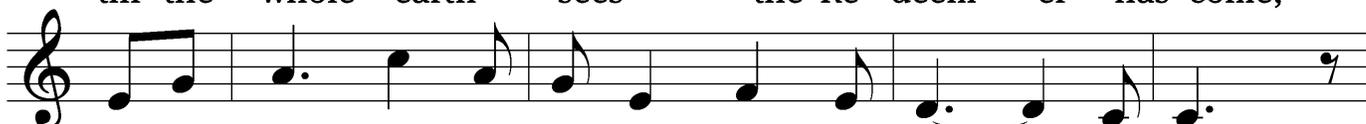
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,



and with one heart we'll live out his word,



till the whole earth sees the Re - deem - er has come,



for he dwells in the pres - ence of his peo - ple.

Text: Stuart Townend, b. 1963; Ross Holmes, b. 1984; Kristyn Getty, b. 1980; Keith Getty, b. 1974

Sermon

Hebrews 10

This Is What We Do with It...We Live It!
With faith * With hope * With love

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition*]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [*especially . . . here name the person*]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

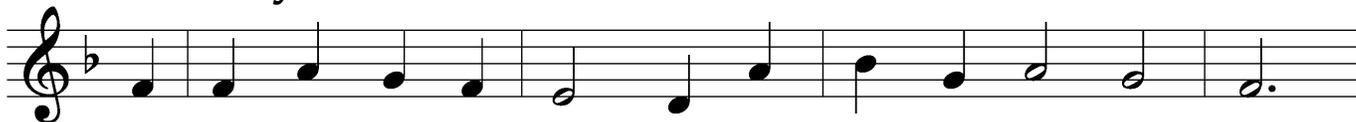
Amen.

Be seated

The Offering will be brought forward during the following hymn.

383 The Only Son from Heaven

CW 383



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, fore - told by an - cient seers,
 2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!
 3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en to know and love you more,
 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore you with God the Ho - ly Ghost



by God the Fa - ther giv - en, in hu - man form ap - pears.
 He comes, the King a - noint - ed, the Christ, the vir - gin - born,
 in faith to stand un - shak - en, in spir - it to a - dore,
 and Je - sus, we a - dore you, O Pride of an - gel host.



No sphere his light con - fin - ing, no star so
 grim death to con - quer for us, to o - pen
 that we, through this world mov - ing, each glimpse of
 Be - fore you mor - tals low - ly cry, "Ho - ly,



bright - ly shin - ing as he, our Morn - ing Star.
 heav'n be - fore us and bring us life a - gain.
 heav - en prov - ing, may reap its full - ness there.
 ho - ly, ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

Text (sts. 1–3): tr. Arthur T. Russell, 1806–1874, sts. 1–3, alt.; (sts. 1–3): Elisabeth Cruciger, c. 1500–1535, sts. 1–3; (st. 4): Lutheran Book of Worship, 1978, st. 4;
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Stand

Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Everlasting life; through

Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

874 Preserve Your Word, O Savior

CW 874 sts. 1-2



1 Pre - serve your Word, O Sav - ior, to us this lat - ter
2 Pre - serve your Word and preach - ing, the truth that makes us



day, and let your king - dom flour - ish; en - large your
whole, the mir - ror of your glo - ry, the pow'r that
Church, we pray. O keep our faith from fail - ing, keep
saves the soul. Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, this
hope's bright star a - glow; let noth - ing turn us
spring of heav'n - ly grace, sus - tain us while here
from you while wan - d'ring here be - low.
liv - ing un - til we see your face.

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ORGANIST: Marilyn Toepel

MUSICIANS: Megan Butler (guest musician from Calvary, Sheboygan and form St. Paul's student).

ALTAR GUILD: Sandra Weber, Konni Harbach, Dawn Marten.

USHERS: 8:00 a.m.- Corey Schroeder, Clay Schroeder, Brian Stauss, Andy Sprenger, Kevin Oleck. 10:30 a.m. Jeff Plass, Todd Marten, John Marten, Dave Probst.

Online giving options available

In thanks to our gracious Lord and his gift of forgiveness in Jesus, we bring to him a generous portion of all we have received from him. Offerings for the Lord's work may be placed in one of the designated boxes in the narthex today. They may also be mailed in, dropped off in the office, or given online.



OFFERING: 2/13 & 2/14: \$13,370 (WEEKLY BUDGET GOAL: \$16,300).

ADDITIONAL \$12,055 WAS RECEIVED FOR GROWING FORWARD.

\$25 FOR THE ARDITH FOELSKE MEMORIAL.

This Week at a Glance:	
Date	Service, Bible Study, and Class Times
Sunday, February 20	5th-8th Sing Both Services Worship Services: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. <u>Link to Online Weekend Worship Services</u>
	9:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour
Monday, February 21	6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship
	7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
Tuesday, February 22	6:30 p.m. BIC
	7:00 p.m. Adult Open Gym
Wednesday, February 23	8:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Bible Study
	8:45 a.m. Bible Study
	9:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Playdate
	4:15 p.m. Public School Catechism
	6:30 p.m. Elders
Thursday, February 24	6:30 p.m. St. Paul's Science Night
Friday, February 25	6:00 p.m. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL

1. Sunday Bible Study - Our Sunday morning Bible studies take us through the book of James. James warns against a dead faith that does nothing. He encourages us to be active in faith, whether going through sufferings or speaking with love, whether in praying boldly or planning humbly, helping the poor or practicing good works. Come and receive guidance in living your faith!

2. New Bible Information Class has started for those new to the faith or renewing the Christian faith. We meet on Tuesdays starting at 6:30pm in the commons/lunchroom. For those who were interested but couldn't attend this one,

the church staff is planning the next class to start sometime in early June (not sure day/time).

- 3. Thursday Evening Bible Study - "Connecting Sinai to Calvary" @ 6:30 pm 2/3-3/31;** Based on the book by the same name, this study of the Old Testament reveals how God was intricately involved in the lives of his people and how his plan of salvation was carried through generations to be fulfilled through his Son on the cross. All are invited to attend as often as you are able! There is no need to purchase the book. Contact Luther Curia if you have any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 4. Marriage Enrichment Retreat - FINAL WEEK TO REGISTER:** St. Paul's will be hosting a marriage enrichment retreat at the Osthoff Resort Friday-Saturday, March 18-19. Jesus designed marriage and can make your marriage richer than you imagined. Spend a weekend finding out how. Prior to the weekend, you will each complete a confidential online survey and receive a customized report on ten areas of your married life. Then you'll spend the weekend applying the riches of God's grace to the areas of your marriage in which you're strong...and in which you have room to grow. The result? A richer marriage. The retreat will be led by Luther Curia, Staff Minister at St. Paul's. Flyers with event details and registration forms can be found in the office. You can also register online [HERE](#). Contact Luther Curia with any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 5. Pizzas will be made and ready for pickup at the school on Saturday, February 19th.** We could use a few additional volunteers for assembly day if anyone would like to join us! We'll begin making pizzas in the St. Paul's gym at 8:00am on the 19th. If you want more details or are interested in helping contact Katie Meyer at katieb82@hotmail.com.
- 6. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL -** Join the Activities Committee (formerly the Stewardship Committee) for ice skating at Rochester Park Friday, February 25 from 6:00-8:00! The rink is located on the outfield of the Rochester Park baseball diamond and is a full 84'x144' rink! The park has limited hockey equipment and skates available for use - these items are being offered on the "honor system" so please take care of them and put them back when you're finished. We encourage everyone to bring their own skates if they have them. We also hope to have some snow to do some sledding at the park, so bring along your sleds. We'll have plenty of hot cocoa and apple cider to warm you up throughout the evening! Hope to see you there! Rochester Park is located at 710 Hickory Street, Sheboygan Falls.

7. **Mindful Moms Bible Study** - Now every Wednesday at 8:30am, there is a 45 minute women's Bible study. We've begun a book on Philippians - Living in the Joy of Christ. All participants will receive a study book. Come to be enriched in God's Word together with fellowship and encouragement!
8. **Mindful Moms NEW Playdate** Mindful Moms is excited to have new playdate activities at a new time! Join us every Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 in the school gym for a Music and Movement playdate. Each week there will be a segment including fingerplays, singing, music, and/or movement songs where moms and kids can play and work together. There will also be free play time for the kids to run and explore and moms can enjoy chatting together. Hope to see you there!
9. **Youth Rally Meeting** – Planning is underway for the 2022 WELS Youth Rally in Knoxville, TN. The dates of the Rally are 6/28 – 7/1. Any students that are currently in 8th grade through seniors in high school can attend the rally. We will also need several adult youth leaders, so if you are interested in going as a leader, please come to the meeting as well! If you want more information about the rally but cannot attend the meeting on February 13th, please contact Mike Leahy – mleahy@live.com
10. **Registration** for Preschool and Kindergarten is open! You can register through the St Paul's School website or Click on the links to register for the 2022-2023 School Year. Kindergarten Registration Link - Preschool Registration Link .
11. **Tuesday night basketball** will be running again starting on January 11, 2022. It will run every Tuesday night from 7-8:30. Everyone ages 12 and up are welcome to join us.
12. **Silent Auction Tickets** - Our St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up on Saturday, March 5. Watch for more details! Tickets are now available for purchase between services as well as during the week at the office up until February 20th. Early Bird pricing available. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions about the event.
13. **Silent Auction Donations:** The St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up fast and we are looking for donations for that night! Not sure what to donate? There are some donation examples on a poster board near the school entrance. Please include with your donation a description, the value, and your name or if you would like to remain anonymous. All donations can be dropped off at the school

office. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions.
bethels_2000@yahoo.com or 920-912-2379.

14. Lenten Meals - This Lenten Season is fast approaching! We are planning on having meals before worship. The following groups have signed up:

March 2nd: Altar Guild

March 9th: OPEN

March 16th: PTF/Teachers/Parents (Brats and Hotdogs)

March 23rd: Pioneers

March 30th: Ladies Aid (Sloppy Joes)

April 6th: Youth Group (Tacos)

We are still looking for a group on March 9th. Please contact the office to sign up. Thank you to the above groups for signing up! We look forward to your awesome meal!

15. Altar Guild is serving Lenten supper on Ash Wednesday. There is a sign-up sheet in the member room for Altar Guild members to sign-up to help and bring items. Any questions please contact Lisa Specht.

16. Mr. Dais Call: Dear Members of St. Paul's, Thank you so much for all your comments and prayers the past couple weeks. I have returned the call to Peridot. My family and I are incredibly blessed to be part of the ministry going on here at St. Paul's and we can't wait to see what the Lord has in store for all of us here!

17. The Howards Grove Fire Department is looking for donations of cakes and tortes for their Brat Fry on February 27th! The Brat Fry runs from 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.. Donations can be placed in the kitchen, on the back counter, with your name on your pan. Mark Eichhorts will make sure that your pan is returned to St. Paul's for pickup. Please contact Mark with any questions.

18. Double Kwik Trip! Earn funds for our school twice as fast because Kwik Trip is doubling the discount given to us through the month of February. (Now 10%). You can buy your Scrip between services or by calling or visiting the office.

19. The Church Newsletter was emailed this past Friday. If you requested a printed copy you will find it in your mailbox. Also, if you are not receiving a printed copy but would like to, please contact the office to be added to the list.

20. The Church Council is assembling a group of 4-5 people for service on the Building Committee. When finalized, we plan to announce them and install them soon into their office.

21. Please note the giving chart in the narthex. This corresponds to the amount we hope to raise for the building project by mid-May. We plan to update the chart weekly, as able.

MLHS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. MLHS Call Update** - At the Special Call Meeting this past Saturday, the federation called Pastor David Frey to serve in our theology department. Dave is currently serving at Living Word in Mission Viejo, CA. He is married and has five children (the oldest is 13). Dave and his wife Heidi both grew up in Michigan and both are MLS graduates. Dave is 36, and he has been serving the parish where he is since his assignment in 2011. Heidi is a nurse. Please keep them in your prayers.
- 2. MLHS Federation Special Campaign Drive!** During the Epiphany season the members of the MLHS federation congregations are encouraged to give support to the campaign with pledges or donations. Information about this drive is being sent to the leadership of the congregations with the request that it then be shared with all members. It is important that as many as possible know about this drive and participate in it as we approach the initial stages of the project itself. Epiphany is a reminder to us of what our mission is...as individual congregations and schools, and as a federation. We want all people to know the light of the gospel that is found in the Baby born in Bethlehem. This project will help our school carry out that mission, which is the heart and core of all we do at MLHS! Thanks for your generous support!
- 3. Junior Lancer Wrestling Tournament:** It is that time of year again when we hold the annual Jr. Wrestling Tournament. This is a fun and exciting day for the wrestlers, family and friends! A concessions stand is available and serves food from morning to the end of the tournament. In order to make this possible we need your help. Please consider signing up to work in the canteen or sign up to donate food items that are needed for the concession stand. Sign up by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/jrlancers . Thanks!
- 4. SPRING MUSICAL:** The Drama Club from Manitowoc Lutheran High School proudly presents *Fiddler on the Roof*. Rich with musical hits you know and love, including “Tradition,” “Sunrise, Sunset,” “If I Were a Rich Man,” “Matchmaker, Matchmaker,” plus many more. *Fiddler on the Roof* tells the heartwarming story of father and daughters, husbands and wives, and the timeless traditions that define faith and family. A wonderful cast of forty-nine and a live pit orchestra will

entertain you as they bring this story to life on the MLHS stage. Please join us in this family friendly production March 11-13 at MLHS. Production times: Friday and Saturday evening at 7:00 P.M. and Sunday at 2:00 P.M. You can reserve your seat/purchase your tickets online at www.mlhslancers.org/drama.

5. **MLHS Alumni and friends are invited to our first MLHS Encore Preshow Reception!** With your RSVP you will receive one FREE general admissions ticket (bleacher seats) to the March 12 performance of *Fiddler on the Roof*! Join us for an alumni reception at 5:30pm in the MLHS conference room before the show. You are still welcome to purchase a reserve seat on the floor for yourself or a guest via the link below.
Please RSVP by March 1 by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/news-events. Click on the “Attend Encore” button at the bottom of the Encore promotion on the webpage.
6. **MLHS SPRING SHOWCASE:** It is time once again for the MLHS Spring Showcase, and we would like to invite you! This year’s event will be held on Saturday, March 19th at Knox’s Silver Valley and will include a plated dinner, live & silent auctions, a raffle (with top prize of \$5,000!), and entertainment by Riley Haupt. All proceeds this year will benefit the MLHS Track & Field program as we work to build our own facilities. Go to: <https://www.mlhslancers.org/showcase> for all the details including times. And be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates. We hope to see you there!
7. **Christian Family Solutions Presentation: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes** Lakeshore Lutheran Schools will be offering a presentation for all parents at Manitowoc Lutheran High School on Tuesday March 29, 2022 at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend this FREE presentation. Please RSVP at www.mlhslancers.org/cfs today. Presentation Information: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes of Christian Family Solutions. Description: The adolescent brain undergoes tremendous growth during the teen years. Parents are often stunned and confused by teen behavior. Teens’ brains are changing during the adolescent years. The reaction from teens has been, “Would someone please tell my parents about this?” So, now we are.
8. **Junior Lancer Open Registrations-Baseball** Please register today! Go to: www.mlhslancers.org/juniorlancers Registration closes February 25th!

9. **MLHS Newsletters and More:** Stay in touch with your high school and subscribe to various newsletters by going to www.mlhslancers.org/subscription. After subscribing you will receive the newsletter(s) you signed up for. **Be sure to check your junk mail** as the first one may go there instead. The alumni newsletter is one of the options listed. You will not want to miss reading what a recent alumni shared in the December Alumni newsletter. ENJOY! For any questions contact mlhs@mlhslancers.org.
10. **Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale** invites any confirmed member from our area WELS congregations on the Lakeshore. We rehearse on the scheduled Sunday evenings at 6:00pm in the Choir Room at Manitowoc Lutheran. Rehearsals are normally 90 minutes (about 1 and a half hours) or less and you do not have to be at every practice to sing! This is a wonderful opportunity to sing in a concert alongside the MLHS choirs! Please consider joining us, if you would like more information, please contact our director Matt Manthe at am5thof8@comcast.net. For a schedule of practices go to: www.mlhslancers.org/volunteer and scroll down to The Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale section.
11. **Charitable Giving Through Estate Planning** - Estate planning (also called a will or trust) is a collection of documents that specify how you want your money and other assets distributed after your death, making it easier for your loved ones to handle your affairs during a time of grief. This one-on-one coaching is sponsored by MLHS and is confidential. Due to a generous donation, when you complete the one-on-one coaching through SFC and you will be reimbursed up to \$500 for the attorney fees! Individuals will be responsible for paying other attorney fees if applicable. This is simply a gift from the MLHS Foundation to you and your family for your love and support of Manitowoc Lutheran High School. Coaching can be done one on one or via zoom call. More information can be found on the MLHS website or contact Ryan Hulse – rhulse@mlhslancers.org

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Welcome to St. Paul's!

A special welcome to our guests and visitors!

When Jesus was baptized at the Jordan River, he was anointed by the Holy Spirit and approved by God the Father: "You are my Son, whom I love." During the season of Epiphany, we follow Jesus' ministry and invite you to see him revealed as the chosen Savior of the world -- your Savior from sin and death. Our congregation exists to grow in Christ and go with Christ.

Thank you for joining us!

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We at St. Paul's share a common belief that Jesus is our Savior from sin and is the Lord of our lives. Our faith is based on God's Word, which is revealed in the Bible. We want to share this great news with as many people as possible, because we know that Jesus lived, died, and rose from death to save all people!

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WORSHIP DURING THESE TIMES

All pews are open for seating. Face coverings are optional - up to the individual. Please feel free to use the Bibles/Hymnals in the racks. Hand sanitizer is available in the narthex. There are bulletins available in the narthex or from an usher. Please keep or discard them at the end of worship. Offerings can be placed in the marked boxes in the narthex.

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP INFORMATION

On our website you will find previous and the current links for our worship services, bulletins, and announcements. We livestream the 8:00 a.m. service every Sunday. We can also make a copy of our worship on a DVD for you. In order to ensure cleanliness, you do not need to return the a DVD. Please consider a small monetary donation (\$2) to cover the cost of it.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Join us after first service, at 9:15 a.m., for our Family Bible Hour. We have Sunday school for 4K-8th grade, Youth Group Bible Class for high school age kids, and Adult Bible Class. Childcare is offered during the Adult Bible Class. There are other Bible Study Opportunities during the week. Contact one of our Pastors for more information.

COMMUNION

We offer Communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month as well as those following Monday evenings. Because God says that Communion is an expression of unity (1 Cor.10:16-17), we practice close communion, inviting up to the Lord's Table those who have explored and established unity with us on the basis of God's Word. Please speak to a pastor if you have questions about our practice.

FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." ~Matthew 19:14

There are changing tables located in BOTH the women's and men's school bathrooms. Near the entrance of the church, there are children's quiet bags with pictures, books, and a sketch tablet. If you use them, please put them back after the service. Based on Scriptural examples and developmental evidence, parents at St. Paul's worship with their young children. We encourage members to reserve the back few pews for families with small children. We have a nursery room located just off the narthex. There is a speaker in there so you can still hear and take part in the worship service. Please feel free to use this room for you child(ren), including a place to nurse.



St. Paul's Lutheran Church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (The WELS) and was founded in 1862. We have our Lutheran elementary school (4K-grade 8) on site and are part of a federation of churches to support our own high school, Manitowoc Lutheran High School.

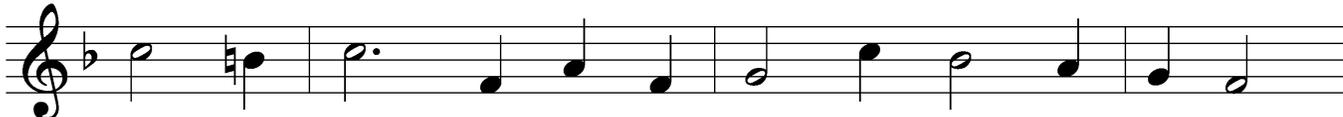
Today's Worship Focus: *Throughout the season of Epiphany, we have considered reasons God's people come together: to witness a miracle and for boldness in opposition, for instruction in righteousness and strengthened faith, for sharing a holy meal. For our last week of this series, the Lord sums it up by simply saying, "Do it! Meet together!" Call Jesus Lord and do what he says. Draw near to God. Spur each other on. Reform your actions. And you will withstand the torrent. God's people gather together for Encouraging One Another.*

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

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1 Bap-tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me to be hence-forth your
 3 My faith - ful God, you fail me nev - er; your prom - ise sure - ly
 4 All that I am and love most dear - ly— re - ceive it all, O



Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,
 child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, there you let me
 will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er
 Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;



a - mong your saints, your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and
 the fruit of all your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,
 if words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I
 help me your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I



dead to sin, your Spir - it now shall live with - in.
 com - fort me when threat - ning clouds a - round I see.
 come de - filed; for - give, lift up, re - store your child.
 am or own serve an - y will but yours a - lone.

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Stand

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution

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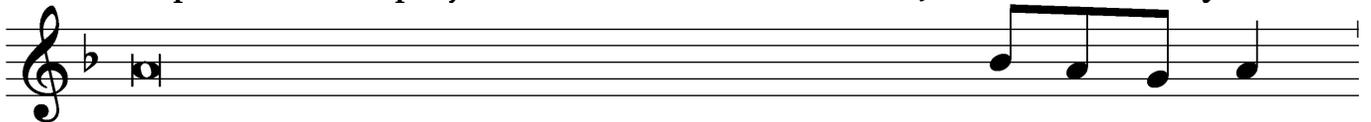
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

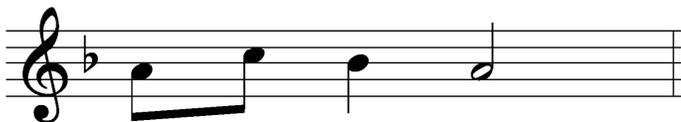
Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



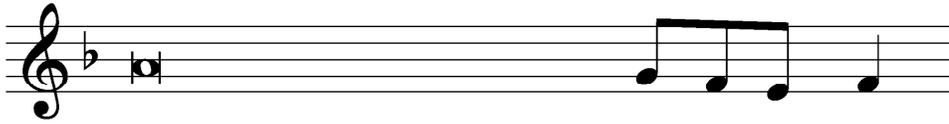
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



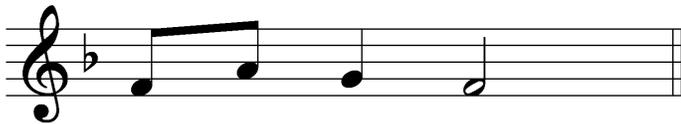
Lord, have mer - cy.



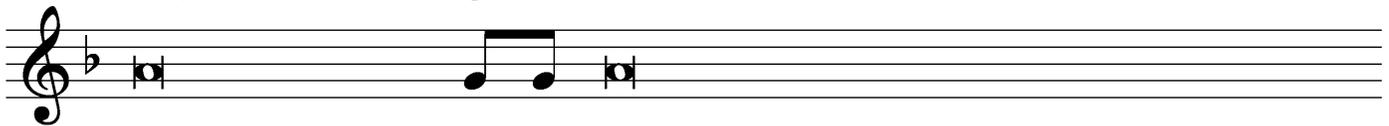
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



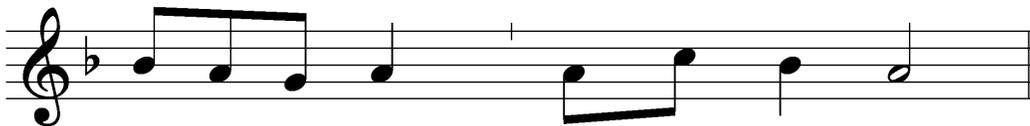
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

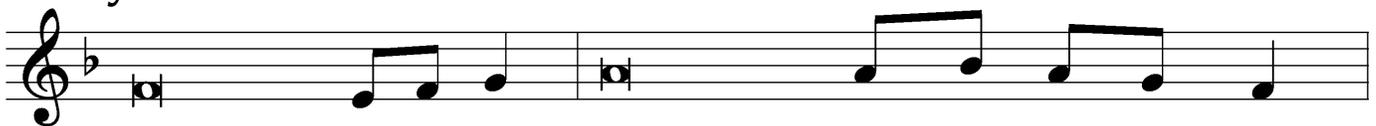


A - men.

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Glory Be to God

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,
 God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;
 have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.
 You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.
 For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE WORD

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, your Word is a lamp for our feet and a light on our path. Cause the light of your Word to shine brightly in our hearts by faith that we may know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly

day by day; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Jeremiah 7:1–8

The LORD calls on his people not merely to listen to words but to change their ways and act justly.

¹This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ²“Stand at the gate of the LORD’s house and there proclaim this message:

“ ‘Hear the word of the LORD, all you people of Judah who come through these gates to worship the LORD. ³This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: Reform your ways and your actions, and I will let you live in this place. ⁴Do not trust in deceptive words and say, “This is the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD!” ⁵If you really change your ways and your actions and deal with each other justly, ⁶if you do not oppress the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow and do not shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not follow other gods to your own harm, ⁷then I will let you live in this place, in the land I gave your ancestors for ever and ever. ⁸But look, you are trusting in deceptive words that are worthless.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

They Will Know We Are Christian by Our Love

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; and we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side; we will work with each other, we will work side by side; we'll respect people's dignity and in love abide.

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Second Reading

Hebrews 10:19–27

Let us now give up meeting together, cleansed from a guilty conscience, holding to our hope, and encouraging each other in love.

¹⁹Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

²⁶If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, ²⁷but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

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Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Oh, How Good It Is

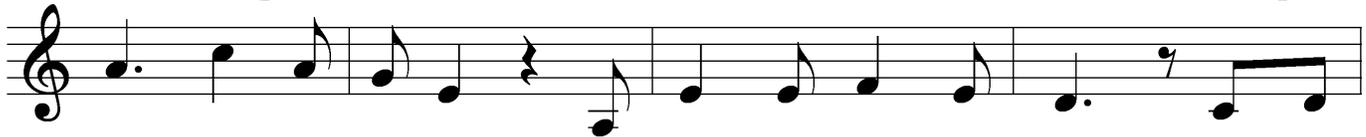
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Soloist: verses 1 & 2 and refrains

ALL: Please join in verse 3 & the final refrain.



1 Oh, how good it is when the fam - 'ly of God dwells to -
2 Oh, how good it is on this jour - ney we share to re -
3 Oh, how good it is to em - brace his com - mand to pre -



geth - er in spir - it, in faith and u - ni - ty. Where the
joice with the hap - py and weep with those who mourn. For the
fer one an - oth - er, for - give as he for - gives. When we



bonds of peace, of ac - cept - ance and love are the
weak find strength, the af - flict - ed find grace when we
live as one we all share in the love of the



fruits of his pres - ence here a - mong us.
of - fer the bless - ing of be - long - ing.
Son with the Fa - ther and the Spir - it.

Refrain



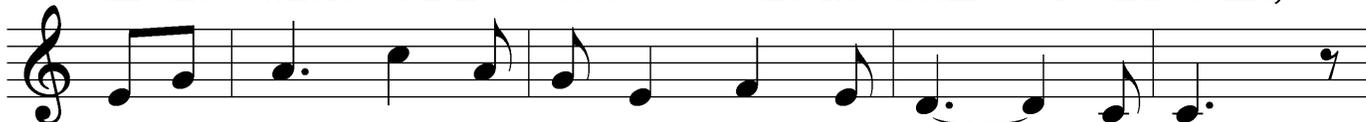
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,



and with one heart we'll live out his word,



till the whole earth sees the Re - deem - er has come,



for he dwells in the pres - ence of his peo - ple.

Text: Stuart Townend, b. 1963; Ross Holmes, b. 1984; Kristyn Getty, b. 1980; Keith Getty, b. 1974

Sermon

Hebrews 10

This Is What We Do with It...We Live It!
With faith * With hope * With love

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition*]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [*especially . . . here name the person*]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

Be seated

The Offering will be brought forward during the following hymn.

383 The Only Son from Heaven

CW 383



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, fore - told by an - cient seers,
 2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!
 3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en to know and love you more,
 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore you with God the Ho - ly Ghost



by God the Fa - ther giv - en, in hu - man form ap - pears.
 He comes, the King a - noint - ed, the Christ, the vir - gin - born,
 in faith to stand un - shak - en, in spir - it to a - dore,
 and Je - sus, we a - dore you, O Pride of an - gel host.



No sphere his light con - fin - ing, no star so
 grim death to con - quer for us, to o - pen
 that we, through this world mov - ing, each glimpse of
 Be - fore you mor - tals low - ly cry, "Ho - ly,



bright - ly shin - ing as he, our Morn - ing Star.
 heav'n be - fore us and bring us life a - gain.
 heav - en prov - ing, may reap its full - ness there.
 ho - ly, ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

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Stand

Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Everlasting life; through

Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

874 Preserve Your Word, O Savior

CW 874 sts. 1-2



1 Pre - serve your Word, O Sav - ior, to us this lat - ter
2 Pre - serve your Word and preach - ing, the truth that makes us



day, and let your king - dom flour - ish; en - large your
whole, the mir - ror of your glo - ry, the pow'r that
Church, we pray. O keep our faith from fail - ing, keep
saves the soul. Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, this
hope's bright star a - glow; let noth - ing turn us
spring of heav'n - ly grace, sus - tain us while here
from you while wan - d'ring here be - low.
liv - ing un - til we see your face.

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ALTAR GUILD: Sandra Weber, Konni Harbach, Dawn Marten.

USHERS: 8:00 a.m.- Corey Schroeder, Clay Schroeder, Brian Stauss, Andy Sprenger, Kevin Oleck. 10:30 a.m. Jeff Plass, Todd Marten, John Marten, Dave Probst.

Online giving options available

In thanks to our gracious Lord and his gift of forgiveness in Jesus, we bring to him a generous portion of all we have received from him. Offerings for the Lord's work may be placed in one of the designated boxes in the narthex today. They may also be mailed in, dropped off in the office, or given online.



OFFERING: 2/13 & 2/14: \$13,370 (WEEKLY BUDGET GOAL: \$16,300).

ADDITIONAL \$12,055 WAS RECEIVED FOR GROWING FORWARD.

\$25 FOR THE ARDITH FOELSKE MEMORIAL.

This Week at a Glance:	
Date	Service, Bible Study, and Class Times
Sunday, February 20	5th-8th Sing Both Services Worship Services: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. <u>Link to Online Weekend Worship Services</u>
	9:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour
Monday, February 21	6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship
	7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
Tuesday, February 22	6:30 p.m. BIC
	7:00 p.m. Adult Open Gym
Wednesday, February 23	8:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Bible Study
	8:45 a.m. Bible Study
	9:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Playdate
	4:15 p.m. Public School Catechism
	6:30 p.m. Elders
Thursday, February 24	6:30 p.m. St. Paul's Science Night
Friday, February 25	6:00 p.m. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL

- Sunday Bible Study** - Our Sunday morning Bible studies take us through the book of James. James warns against a dead faith that does nothing. He encourages us to be active in faith, whether going through sufferings or speaking with love, whether in praying boldly or planning humbly, helping the poor or practicing good works. Come and receive guidance in living your faith!
- New Bible Information Class** has started for those new to the faith or renewing the Christian faith. We meet on Tuesdays starting at 6:30pm in the commons/lunchroom. For those who were interested but couldn't attend this one,

the church staff is planning the next class to start sometime in early June (not sure day/time).

- 3. Thursday Evening Bible Study - "Connecting Sinai to Calvary" @ 6:30 pm 2/3-3/31;** Based on the book by the same name, this study of the Old Testament reveals how God was intricately involved in the lives of his people and how his plan of salvation was carried through generations to be fulfilled through his Son on the cross. All are invited to attend as often as you are able! There is no need to purchase the book. Contact Luther Curia if you have any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 4. Marriage Enrichment Retreat - FINAL WEEK TO REGISTER:** St. Paul's will be hosting a marriage enrichment retreat at the Osthoff Resort Friday-Saturday, March 18-19. Jesus designed marriage and can make your marriage richer than you imagined. Spend a weekend finding out how. Prior to the weekend, you will each complete a confidential online survey and receive a customized report on ten areas of your married life. Then you'll spend the weekend applying the riches of God's grace to the areas of your marriage in which you're strong...and in which you have room to grow. The result? A richer marriage. The retreat will be led by Luther Curia, Staff Minister at St. Paul's. Flyers with event details and registration forms can be found in the office. You can also register online [HERE](#). Contact Luther Curia with any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 5. Pizzas will be made and ready for pickup at the school on Saturday, February 19th.** We could use a few additional volunteers for assembly day if anyone would like to join us! We'll begin making pizzas in the St. Paul's gym at 8:00am on the 19th. If you want more details or are interested in helping contact Katie Meyer at katieb82@hotmail.com.
- 6. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL -** Join the Activities Committee (formerly the Stewardship Committee) for ice skating at Rochester Park Friday, February 25 from 6:00-8:00! The rink is located on the outfield of the Rochester Park baseball diamond and is a full 84'x144' rink! The park has limited hockey equipment and skates available for use - these items are being offered on the "honor system" so please take care of them and put them back when you're finished. We encourage everyone to bring their own skates if they have them. We also hope to have some snow to do some sledding at the park, so bring along your sleds. We'll have plenty of hot cocoa and apple cider to warm you up throughout the evening! Hope to see you there! Rochester Park is located at 710 Hickory Street, Sheboygan Falls.

7. **Mindful Moms Bible Study** - Now every Wednesday at 8:30am, there is a 45 minute women's Bible study. We've begun a book on Philippians - Living in the Joy of Christ. All participants will receive a study book. Come to be enriched in God's Word together with fellowship and encouragement!
8. **Mindful Moms NEW Playdate** Mindful Moms is excited to have new playdate activities at a new time! Join us every Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 in the school gym for a Music and Movement playdate. Each week there will be a segment including fingerplays, singing, music, and/or movement songs where moms and kids can play and work together. There will also be free play time for the kids to run and explore and moms can enjoy chatting together. Hope to see you there!
9. **Youth Rally Meeting** – Planning is underway for the 2022 WELS Youth Rally in Knoxville, TN. The dates of the Rally are 6/28 – 7/1. Any students that are currently in 8th grade through seniors in high school can attend the rally. We will also need several adult youth leaders, so if you are interested in going as a leader, please come to the meeting as well! If you want more information about the rally but cannot attend the meeting on February 13th, please contact Mike Leahy – mleahy@live.com
10. **Registration** for Preschool and Kindergarten is open! You can register through the St Paul's School website or Click on the links to register for the 2022-2023 School Year. Kindergarten Registration Link - Preschool Registration Link .
11. **Tuesday night basketball** will be running again starting on January 11, 2022. It will run every Tuesday night from 7-8:30. Everyone ages 12 and up are welcome to join us.
12. **Silent Auction Tickets** - Our St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up on Saturday, March 5. Watch for more details! Tickets are now available for purchase between services as well as during the week at the office up until February 20th. Early Bird pricing available. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions about the event.
13. **Silent Auction Donations:** The St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up fast and we are looking for donations for that night! Not sure what to donate? There are some donation examples on a poster board near the school entrance. Please include with your donation a description, the value, and your name or if you would like to remain anonymous. All donations can be dropped off at the school

office. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions.
bethels_2000@yahoo.com or 920-912-2379.

14. Lenten Meals - This Lenten Season is fast approaching! We are planning on having meals before worship. The following groups have signed up:

March 2nd: Altar Guild

March 9th: OPEN

March 16th: PTF/Teachers/Parents (Brats and Hotdogs)

March 23rd: Pioneers

March 30th: Ladies Aid (Sloppy Joes)

April 6th: Youth Group (Tacos)

We are still looking for a group on March 9th. Please contact the office to sign up. Thank you to the above groups for signing up! We look forward to your awesome meal!

15. Altar Guild is serving Lenten supper on Ash Wednesday. There is a sign-up sheet in the member room for Altar Guild members to sign-up to help and bring items. Any questions please contact Lisa Specht.

16. Mr. Dais Call: Dear Members of St. Paul's, Thank you so much for all your comments and prayers the past couple weeks. I have returned the call to Peridot. My family and I are incredibly blessed to be part of the ministry going on here at St. Paul's and we can't wait to see what the Lord has in store for all of us here!

17. The Howards Grove Fire Department is looking for donations of cakes and tortes for their Brat Fry on February 27th! The Brat Fry runs from 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.. Donations can be placed in the kitchen, on the back counter, with your name on your pan. Mark Eichhorts will make sure that your pan is returned to St. Paul's for pickup. Please contact Mark with any questions.

18. Double Kwik Trip! Earn funds for our school twice as fast because Kwik Trip is doubling the discount given to us through the month of February. (Now 10%). You can buy your Scrip between services or by calling or visiting the office.

19. The Church Newsletter was emailed this past Friday. If you requested a printed copy you will find it in your mailbox. Also, if you are not receiving a printed copy but would like to, please contact the office to be added to the list.

20. The Church Council is assembling a group of 4-5 people for service on the Building Committee. When finalized, we plan to announce them and install them soon into their office.

21. Please note the giving chart in the narthex. This corresponds to the amount we hope to raise for the building project by mid-May. We plan to update the chart weekly, as able.

MLHS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. MLHS Call Update** - At the Special Call Meeting this past Saturday, the federation called Pastor David Frey to serve in our theology department. Dave is currently serving at Living Word in Mission Viejo, CA. He is married and has five children (the oldest is 13). Dave and his wife Heidi both grew up in Michigan and both are MLS graduates. Dave is 36, and he has been serving the parish where he is since his assignment in 2011. Heidi is a nurse. Please keep them in your prayers.
- 2. MLHS Federation Special Campaign Drive!** During the Epiphany season the members of the MLHS federation congregations are encouraged to give support to the campaign with pledges or donations. Information about this drive is being sent to the leadership of the congregations with the request that it then be shared with all members. It is important that as many as possible know about this drive and participate in it as we approach the initial stages of the project itself. Epiphany is a reminder to us of what our mission is...as individual congregations and schools, and as a federation. We want all people to know the light of the gospel that is found in the Baby born in Bethlehem. This project will help our school carry out that mission, which is the heart and core of all we do at MLHS! Thanks for your generous support!
- 3. Junior Lancer Wrestling Tournament:** It is that time of year again when we hold the annual Jr. Wrestling Tournament. This is a fun and exciting day for the wrestlers, family and friends! A concessions stand is available and serves food from morning to the end of the tournament. In order to make this possible we need your help. Please consider signing up to work in the canteen or sign up to donate food items that are needed for the concession stand. Sign up by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/jrlancers . Thanks!
- 4. SPRING MUSICAL:** The Drama Club from Manitowoc Lutheran High School proudly presents *Fiddler on the Roof*. Rich with musical hits you know and love, including “Tradition,” “Sunrise, Sunset,” “If I Were a Rich Man,” “Matchmaker, Matchmaker,” plus many more. *Fiddler on the Roof* tells the heartwarming story of father and daughters, husbands and wives, and the timeless traditions that define faith and family. A wonderful cast of forty-nine and a live pit orchestra will

entertain you as they bring this story to life on the MLHS stage. Please join us in this family friendly production March 11-13 at MLHS. Production times: Friday and Saturday evening at 7:00 P.M. and Sunday at 2:00 P.M. You can reserve your seat/purchase your tickets online at www.mlhslancers.org/drama.

5. **MLHS Alumni and friends are invited to our first MLHS Encore Preshow Reception!** With your RSVP you will receive one FREE general admissions ticket (bleacher seats) to the March 12 performance of *Fiddler on the Roof*! Join us for an alumni reception at 5:30pm in the MLHS conference room before the show. You are still welcome to purchase a reserve seat on the floor for yourself or a guest via the link below.
Please RSVP by March 1 by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/news-events. Click on the “Attend Encore” button at the bottom of the Encore promotion on the webpage.
6. **MLHS SPRING SHOWCASE:** It is time once again for the MLHS Spring Showcase, and we would like to invite you! This year’s event will be held on Saturday, March 19th at Knox’s Silver Valley and will include a plated dinner, live & silent auctions, a raffle (with top prize of \$5,000!), and entertainment by Riley Haupt. All proceeds this year will benefit the MLHS Track & Field program as we work to build our own facilities. Go to: <https://www.mlhslancers.org/showcase> for all the details including times. And be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates. We hope to see you there!
7. **Christian Family Solutions Presentation: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes** Lakeshore Lutheran Schools will be offering a presentation for all parents at Manitowoc Lutheran High School on Tuesday March 29, 2022 at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend this FREE presentation. Please RSVP at www.mlhslancers.org/cfs today. Presentation Information: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes of Christian Family Solutions. Description: The adolescent brain undergoes tremendous growth during the teen years. Parents are often stunned and confused by teen behavior. Teens’ brains are changing during the adolescent years. The reaction from teens has been, “Would someone please tell my parents about this?” So, now we are.
8. **Junior Lancer Open Registrations-Baseball** Please register today! Go to: www.mlhslancers.org/juniorlancers Registration closes February 25th!

9. **MLHS Newsletters and More:** Stay in touch with your high school and subscribe to various newsletters by going to www.mlhslancers.org/subscription. After subscribing you will receive the newsletter(s) you signed up for. **Be sure to check your junk mail** as the first one may go there instead. The alumni newsletter is one of the options listed. You will not want to miss reading what a recent alumni shared in the December Alumni newsletter. ENJOY! For any questions contact mlhs@mlhslancers.org.
10. **Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale** invites any confirmed member from our area WELS congregations on the Lakeshore. We rehearse on the scheduled Sunday evenings at 6:00pm in the Choir Room at Manitowoc Lutheran. Rehearsals are normally 90 minutes (about 1 and a half hours) or less and you do not have to be at every practice to sing! This is a wonderful opportunity to sing in a concert alongside the MLHS choirs! Please consider joining us, if you would like more information, please contact our director Matt Manthe at am5thof8@comcast.net. For a schedule of practices go to: www.mlhslancers.org/volunteer and scroll down to The Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale section.
11. **Charitable Giving Through Estate Planning** - Estate planning (also called a will or trust) is a collection of documents that specify how you want your money and other assets distributed after your death, making it easier for your loved ones to handle your affairs during a time of grief. This one-on-one coaching is sponsored by MLHS and is confidential. Due to a generous donation, when you complete the one-on-one coaching through SFC and you will be reimbursed up to \$500 for the attorney fees! Individuals will be responsible for paying other attorney fees if applicable. This is simply a gift from the MLHS Foundation to you and your family for your love and support of Manitowoc Lutheran High School. Coaching can be done one on one or via zoom call. More information can be found on the MLHS website or contact Ryan Hulse – rhulse@mlhslancers.org

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Welcome to St. Paul's!

A special welcome to our guests and visitors!

When Jesus was baptized at the Jordan River, he was anointed by the Holy Spirit and approved by God the Father: "You are my Son, whom I love." During the season of Epiphany, we follow Jesus' ministry and invite you to see him revealed as the chosen Savior of the world -- your Savior from sin and death. Our congregation exists to grow in Christ and go with Christ.

Thank you for joining us!



We at St. Paul's share a common belief that Jesus is our Savior from sin and is the Lord of our lives. Our faith is based on God's Word, which is revealed in the Bible. We want to share this great news with as many people as possible, because we know that Jesus lived, died, and rose from death to save all people!



WORSHIP DURING THESE TIMES

All pews are open for seating. Face coverings are optional - up to the individual. Please feel free to use the Bibles/Hymnals in the racks. Hand sanitizer is available in the narthex. There are bulletins available in the narthex or from an usher. Please keep or discard them at the end of worship. Offerings can be placed in the marked boxes in the narthex.

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP INFORMATION

On our website you will find previous and the current links for our worship services, bulletins, and announcements. We livestream the 8:00 a.m. service every Sunday. We can also make a copy of our worship on a DVD for you. In order to ensure cleanliness, you do not need to return the a DVD. Please consider a small monetary donation (\$2) to cover the cost of it.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Join us after first service, at 9:15 a.m., for our Family Bible Hour. We have Sunday school for 4K-8th grade, Youth Group Bible Class for high school age kids, and Adult Bible Class. Childcare is offered during the Adult Bible Class. There are other Bible Study Opportunities during the week. Contact one of our Pastors for more information.

COMMUNION

We offer Communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month as well as those following Monday evenings. Because God says that Communion is an expression of unity (1 Cor.10:16-17), we practice close communion, inviting up to the Lord's Table those who have explored and established unity with us on the basis of God's Word. Please speak to a pastor if you have questions about our practice.

FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." ~Matthew 19:14

There are changing tables located in BOTH the women's and men's school bathrooms. Near the entrance of the church, there are children's quiet bags with pictures, books, and a sketch tablet. If you use them, please put them back after the service. Based on Scriptural examples and developmental evidence, parents at St. Paul's worship with their young children. We encourage members to reserve the back few pews for families with small children. We have a nursery room located just off the narthex. There is a speaker in there so you can still hear and take part in the worship service. Please feel free to use this room for you child(ren), including a place to nurse.



St. Paul's Lutheran Church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (The WELS) and was founded in 1862. We have our Lutheran elementary school (4K-grade 8) on site and are part of a federation of churches to support our own high school, Manitowoc Lutheran High School.

Today's Worship Focus: *Throughout the season of Epiphany, we have considered reasons God's people come together: to witness a miracle and for boldness in opposition, for instruction in righteousness and strengthened faith, for sharing a holy meal. For our last week of this series, the Lord sums it up by simply saying, "Do it! Meet together!" Call Jesus Lord and do what he says. Draw near to God. Spur each other on. Reform your actions. And you will withstand the torrent. God's people gather together for Encouraging One Another.*

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

CW 680



1 Bap-tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me to be hence-forth your
 3 My faith - ful God, you fail me nev - er; your prom - ise sure - ly
 4 All that I am and love most dear - ly— re - ceive it all, O



Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,
 child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, there you let me
 will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er
 Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;



a - mong your saints, your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and
 the fruit of all your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,
 if words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I
 help me your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I



dead to sin, your Spir - it now shall live with - in.
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Stand

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution

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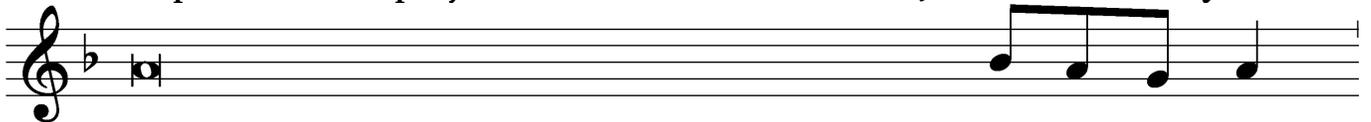
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

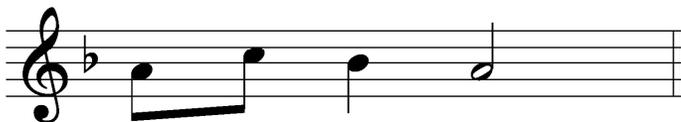
Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



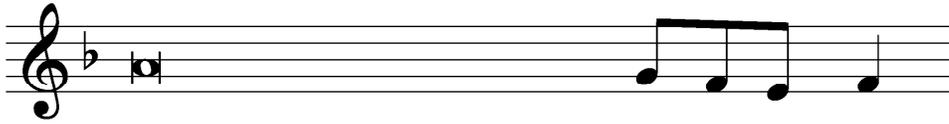
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



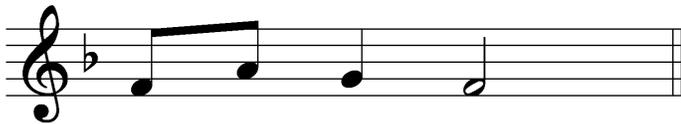
Lord, have mer - cy.



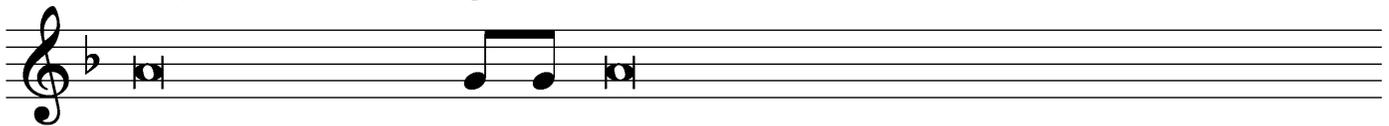
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

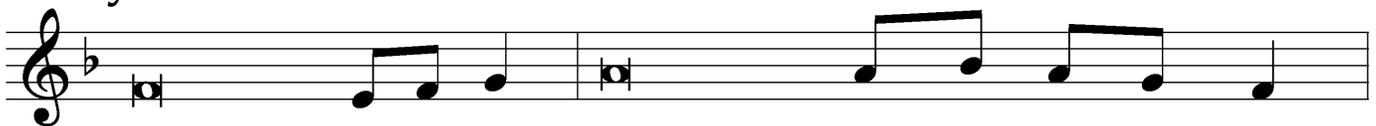


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Glory Be to God

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Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,
 God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;
 have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.
 You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.
 For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE WORD

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, your Word is a lamp for our feet and a light on our path. Cause the light of your Word to shine brightly in our hearts by faith that we may know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly

day by day; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Jeremiah 7:1–8

The LORD calls on his people not merely to listen to words but to change their ways and act justly.

¹This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ²“Stand at the gate of the LORD’s house and there proclaim this message:

“ ‘Hear the word of the LORD, all you people of Judah who come through these gates to worship the LORD. ³This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: Reform your ways and your actions, and I will let you live in this place. ⁴Do not trust in deceptive words and say, “This is the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD!” ⁵If you really change your ways and your actions and deal with each other justly, ⁶if you do not oppress the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow and do not shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not follow other gods to your own harm, ⁷then I will let you live in this place, in the land I gave your ancestors for ever and ever. ⁸But look, you are trusting in deceptive words that are worthless.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

They Will Know We Are Christian by Our Love

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; and we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side; we will work with each other, we will work side by side; we'll respect people's dignity and in love abide.

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Second Reading

Hebrews 10:19–27

Let us now give up meeting together, cleansed from a guilty conscience, holding to our hope, and encouraging each other in love.

¹⁹Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

²⁶If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, ²⁷but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

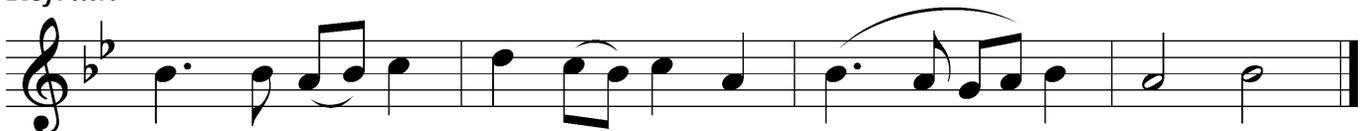
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Gospel Acclamation

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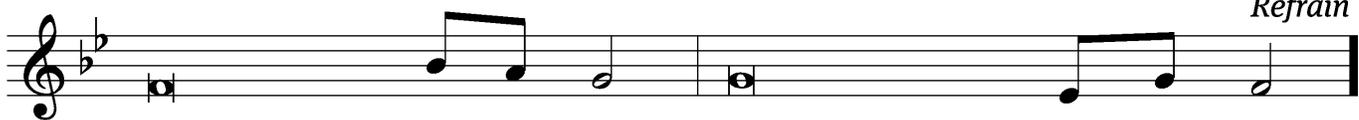


Refrain



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Tone



Jesus is the light of the world; in him we have the light of life.

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Gospel

Luke 6:39–49

Those who come to Jesus, hear his words and practice them are like an unshakeable house on a solid rock.

³⁹He also told them this parable: “Can the blind lead the blind? Will they not both fall into a pit? ⁴⁰The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher.

⁴¹“Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴²How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when you yourself fail to see the plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.

⁴³“No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. ⁴⁴Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briars. ⁴⁵A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.

⁴⁶“Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say? ⁴⁷As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like. ⁴⁸They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. ⁴⁹But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete.”
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Oh, How Good It Is

CW 731

Soloist: verses 1 & 2 and refrains

ALL: Please join in verse 3 & the final refrain.



1 Oh, how good it is when the fam - 'ly of God dwells to -
2 Oh, how good it is on this jour - ney we share to re -
3 Oh, how good it is to em - brace his com - mand to pre -



geth - er in spir - it, in faith and u - ni - ty. Where the
joice with the hap - py and weep with those who mourn. For the
fer one an - oth - er, for - give as he for - gives. When we



bonds of peace, of ac - cept - ance and love are the
weak find strength, the af - flict - ed find grace when we
live as one we all share in the love of the



fruits of his pres - ence here a - mong us.
of - fer the bless - ing of be - long - ing.
Son with the Fa - ther and the Spir - it.

Refrain



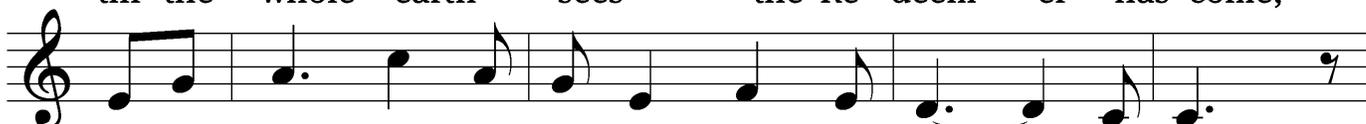
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,



and with one heart we'll live out his word,



till the whole earth sees the Re - deem - er has come,



for he dwells in the pres - ence of his peo - ple.

Text: Stuart Townend, b. 1963; Ross Holmes, b. 1984; Kristyn Getty, b. 1980; Keith Getty, b. 1974

Sermon

Hebrews 10

This Is What We Do with It...We Live It!
With faith * With hope * With love

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition*]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [*especially . . . here name the person*]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

Be seated

The Offering will be brought forward during the following hymn.

383 The Only Son from Heaven

CW 383



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, fore - told by an - cient seers,
 2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!
 3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en to know and love you more,
 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore you with God the Ho - ly Ghost



by God the Fa - ther giv - en, in hu - man form ap - pears.
 He comes, the King a - noint - ed, the Christ, the vir - gin - born,
 in faith to stand un - shak - en, in spir - it to a - dore,
 and Je - sus, we a - dore you, O Pride of an - gel host.



No sphere his light con - fin - ing, no star so
 grim death to con - quer for us, to o - pen
 that we, through this world mov - ing, each glimpse of
 Be - fore you mor - tals low - ly cry, "Ho - ly,



bright - ly shin - ing as he, our Morn - ing Star.
 heav'n be - fore us and bring us life a - gain.
 heav - en prov - ing, may reap its full - ness there.
 ho - ly, ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

Text (sts. 1–3): tr. Arthur T. Russell, 1806–1874, sts. 1–3, alt.; (sts. 1–3): Elisabeth Cruciger, c. 1500–1535, sts. 1–3; (st. 4): Lutheran Book of Worship, 1978, st. 4;
 Tune: yn Enchiridion oder Handbüchlein, Erfurt, 1524, alt.
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Stand

Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Everlasting life; through

Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

874 Preserve Your Word, O Savior

CW 874 sts. 1-2



1 Pre - serve your Word, O Sav - ior, to us this lat - ter
2 Pre - serve your Word and preach - ing, the truth that makes us



day, and let your king - dom flour - ish; en - large your
whole, the mir - ror of your glo - ry, the pow'r that
Church, we pray. O keep our faith from fail - ing, keep
saves the soul. Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, this
hope's bright star a - glow; let noth - ing turn us
spring of heav'n - ly grace, sus - tain us while here
from you while wan - d'ring here be - low.
liv - ing un - til we see your face.

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PREACHER: Rev. Aaron Mueller

PRESIDING MINISTER: Rev. Aaron Mueller

ORGANIST: Marilyn Toepel

MUSICIANS: Megan Butler (guest musician from Calvary, Sheboygan and form St. Paul's student).

ALTAR GUILD: Sandra Weber, Konni Harbach, Dawn Marten.

USHERS: 8:00 a.m.- Corey Schroeder, Clay Schroeder, Brian Stauss, Andy Sprenger, Kevin Oleck. 10:30 a.m. Jeff Plass, Todd Marten, John Marten, Dave Probst.

Online giving options available

In thanks to our gracious Lord and his gift of forgiveness in Jesus, we bring to him a generous portion of all we have received from him. Offerings for the Lord's work may be placed in one of the designated boxes in the narthex today. They may also be mailed in, dropped off in the office, or given online.



OFFERING: 2/13 & 2/14: \$13,370 (WEEKLY BUDGET GOAL: \$16,300).

ADDITIONAL \$12,055 WAS RECEIVED FOR GROWING FORWARD.

\$25 FOR THE ARDITH FOELSKE MEMORIAL.

This Week at a Glance:	
Date	Service, Bible Study, and Class Times
Sunday, February 20	5th-8th Sing Both Services Worship Services: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. <u>Link to Online Weekend Worship Services</u>
	9:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour
Monday, February 21	6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship
	7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
Tuesday, February 22	6:30 p.m. BIC
	7:00 p.m. Adult Open Gym
Wednesday, February 23	8:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Bible Study
	8:45 a.m. Bible Study
	9:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Playdate
	4:15 p.m. Public School Catechism
	6:30 p.m. Elders
Thursday, February 24	6:30 p.m. St. Paul's Science Night
Friday, February 25	6:00 p.m. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL

1. Sunday Bible Study - Our Sunday morning Bible studies take us through the book of James. James warns against a dead faith that does nothing. He encourages us to be active in faith, whether going through sufferings or speaking with love, whether in praying boldly or planning humbly, helping the poor or practicing good works. Come and receive guidance in living your faith!

2. New Bible Information Class has started for those new to the faith or renewing the Christian faith. We meet on Tuesdays starting at 6:30pm in the commons/lunchroom. For those who were interested but couldn't attend this one,

the church staff is planning the next class to start sometime in early June (not sure day/time).

- 3. Thursday Evening Bible Study - "Connecting Sinai to Calvary" @ 6:30 pm 2/3-3/31;** Based on the book by the same name, this study of the Old Testament reveals how God was intricately involved in the lives of his people and how his plan of salvation was carried through generations to be fulfilled through his Son on the cross. All are invited to attend as often as you are able! There is no need to purchase the book. Contact Luther Curia if you have any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 4. Marriage Enrichment Retreat - FINAL WEEK TO REGISTER:** St. Paul's will be hosting a marriage enrichment retreat at the Osthoff Resort Friday-Saturday, March 18-19. Jesus designed marriage and can make your marriage richer than you imagined. Spend a weekend finding out how. Prior to the weekend, you will each complete a confidential online survey and receive a customized report on ten areas of your married life. Then you'll spend the weekend applying the riches of God's grace to the areas of your marriage in which you're strong...and in which you have room to grow. The result? A richer marriage. The retreat will be led by Luther Curia, Staff Minister at St. Paul's. Flyers with event details and registration forms can be found in the office. You can also register online [HERE](#). Contact Luther Curia with any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 5. Pizzas will be made and ready for pickup at the school on Saturday, February 19th.** We could use a few additional volunteers for assembly day if anyone would like to join us! We'll begin making pizzas in the St. Paul's gym at 8:00am on the 19th. If you want more details or are interested in helping contact Katie Meyer at katieb82@hotmail.com.
- 6. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL -** Join the Activities Committee (formerly the Stewardship Committee) for ice skating at Rochester Park Friday, February 25 from 6:00-8:00! The rink is located on the outfield of the Rochester Park baseball diamond and is a full 84'x144' rink! The park has limited hockey equipment and skates available for use - these items are being offered on the "honor system" so please take care of them and put them back when you're finished. We encourage everyone to bring their own skates if they have them. We also hope to have some snow to do some sledding at the park, so bring along your sleds. We'll have plenty of hot cocoa and apple cider to warm you up throughout the evening! Hope to see you there! Rochester Park is located at 710 Hickory Street, Sheboygan Falls.

7. **Mindful Moms Bible Study** - Now every Wednesday at 8:30am, there is a 45 minute women's Bible study. We've begun a book on Philippians - Living in the Joy of Christ. All participants will receive a study book. Come to be enriched in God's Word together with fellowship and encouragement!
8. **Mindful Moms NEW Playdate** Mindful Moms is excited to have new playdate activities at a new time! Join us every Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 in the school gym for a Music and Movement playdate. Each week there will be a segment including fingerplays, singing, music, and/or movement songs where moms and kids can play and work together. There will also be free play time for the kids to run and explore and moms can enjoy chatting together. Hope to see you there!
9. **Youth Rally Meeting** – Planning is underway for the 2022 WELS Youth Rally in Knoxville, TN. The dates of the Rally are 6/28 – 7/1. Any students that are currently in 8th grade through seniors in high school can attend the rally. We will also need several adult youth leaders, so if you are interested in going as a leader, please come to the meeting as well! If you want more information about the rally but cannot attend the meeting on February 13th, please contact Mike Leahy – mleahy@live.com
10. **Registration** for Preschool and Kindergarten is open! You can register through the St Paul's School website or Click on the links to register for the 2022-2023 School Year. Kindergarten Registration Link - Preschool Registration Link .
11. **Tuesday night basketball** will be running again starting on January 11, 2022. It will run every Tuesday night from 7-8:30. Everyone ages 12 and up are welcome to join us.
12. **Silent Auction Tickets** - Our St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up on Saturday, March 5. Watch for more details! Tickets are now available for purchase between services as well as during the week at the office up until February 20th. Early Bird pricing available. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions about the event.
13. **Silent Auction Donations:** The St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up fast and we are looking for donations for that night! Not sure what to donate? There are some donation examples on a poster board near the school entrance. Please include with your donation a description, the value, and your name or if you would like to remain anonymous. All donations can be dropped off at the school

office. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions.
bethels_2000@yahoo.com or 920-912-2379.

14. Lenten Meals - This Lenten Season is fast approaching! We are planning on having meals before worship. The following groups have signed up:

March 2nd: Altar Guild

March 9th: OPEN

March 16th: PTF/Teachers/Parents (Brats and Hotdogs)

March 23rd: Pioneers

March 30th: Ladies Aid (Sloppy Joes)

April 6th: Youth Group (Tacos)

We are still looking for a group on March 9th. Please contact the office to sign up. Thank you to the above groups for signing up! We look forward to your awesome meal!

15. Altar Guild is serving Lenten supper on Ash Wednesday. There is a sign-up sheet in the member room for Altar Guild members to sign-up to help and bring items. Any questions please contact Lisa Specht.

16. Mr. Dais Call: Dear Members of St. Paul's, Thank you so much for all your comments and prayers the past couple weeks. I have returned the call to Peridot. My family and I are incredibly blessed to be part of the ministry going on here at St. Paul's and we can't wait to see what the Lord has in store for all of us here!

17. The Howards Grove Fire Department is looking for donations of cakes and tortes for their Brat Fry on February 27th! The Brat Fry runs from 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.. Donations can be placed in the kitchen, on the back counter, with your name on your pan. Mark Eichhorts will make sure that your pan is returned to St. Paul's for pickup. Please contact Mark with any questions.

18. Double Kwik Trip! Earn funds for our school twice as fast because Kwik Trip is doubling the discount given to us through the month of February. (Now 10%). You can buy your Scrip between services or by calling or visiting the office.

19. The Church Newsletter was emailed this past Friday. If you requested a printed copy you will find it in your mailbox. Also, if you are not receiving a printed copy but would like to, please contact the office to be added to the list.

20. The Church Council is assembling a group of 4-5 people for service on the Building Committee. When finalized, we plan to announce them and install them soon into their office.

21. Please note the giving chart in the narthex. This corresponds to the amount we hope to raise for the building project by mid-May. We plan to update the chart weekly, as able.

MLHS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. MLHS Call Update** - At the Special Call Meeting this past Saturday, the federation called Pastor David Frey to serve in our theology department. Dave is currently serving at Living Word in Mission Viejo, CA. He is married and has five children (the oldest is 13). Dave and his wife Heidi both grew up in Michigan and both are MLS graduates. Dave is 36, and he has been serving the parish where he is since his assignment in 2011. Heidi is a nurse. Please keep them in your prayers.
- 2. MLHS Federation Special Campaign Drive!** During the Epiphany season the members of the MLHS federation congregations are encouraged to give support to the campaign with pledges or donations. Information about this drive is being sent to the leadership of the congregations with the request that it then be shared with all members. It is important that as many as possible know about this drive and participate in it as we approach the initial stages of the project itself. Epiphany is a reminder to us of what our mission is...as individual congregations and schools, and as a federation. We want all people to know the light of the gospel that is found in the Baby born in Bethlehem. This project will help our school carry out that mission, which is the heart and core of all we do at MLHS! Thanks for your generous support!
- 3. Junior Lancer Wrestling Tournament:** It is that time of year again when we hold the annual Jr. Wrestling Tournament. This is a fun and exciting day for the wrestlers, family and friends! A concessions stand is available and serves food from morning to the end of the tournament. In order to make this possible we need your help. Please consider signing up to work in the canteen or sign up to donate food items that are needed for the concession stand. Sign up by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/jrlancers . Thanks!
- 4. SPRING MUSICAL:** The Drama Club from Manitowoc Lutheran High School proudly presents *Fiddler on the Roof*. Rich with musical hits you know and love, including “Tradition,” “Sunrise, Sunset,” “If I Were a Rich Man,” “Matchmaker, Matchmaker,” plus many more. *Fiddler on the Roof* tells the heartwarming story of father and daughters, husbands and wives, and the timeless traditions that define faith and family. A wonderful cast of forty-nine and a live pit orchestra will

entertain you as they bring this story to life on the MLHS stage. Please join us in this family friendly production March 11-13 at MLHS. Production times: Friday and Saturday evening at 7:00 P.M. and Sunday at 2:00 P.M. You can reserve your seat/purchase your tickets online at www.mlhslancers.org/drama.

5. **MLHS Alumni and friends are invited to our first MLHS Encore Preshow Reception!** With your RSVP you will receive one FREE general admissions ticket (bleacher seats) to the March 12 performance of *Fiddler on the Roof*! Join us for an alumni reception at 5:30pm in the MLHS conference room before the show. You are still welcome to purchase a reserve seat on the floor for yourself or a guest via the link below.
Please RSVP by March 1 by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/news-events. Click on the “Attend Encore” button at the bottom of the Encore promotion on the webpage.
6. **MLHS SPRING SHOWCASE:** It is time once again for the MLHS Spring Showcase, and we would like to invite you! This year’s event will be held on Saturday, March 19th at Knox’s Silver Valley and will include a plated dinner, live & silent auctions, a raffle (with top prize of \$5,000!), and entertainment by Riley Haupt. All proceeds this year will benefit the MLHS Track & Field program as we work to build our own facilities. Go to: <https://www.mlhslancers.org/showcase> for all the details including times. And be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates. We hope to see you there!
7. **Christian Family Solutions Presentation: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes** Lakeshore Lutheran Schools will be offering a presentation for all parents at Manitowoc Lutheran High School on Tuesday March 29, 2022 at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend this FREE presentation. Please RSVP at www.mlhslancers.org/cfs today. Presentation Information: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes of Christian Family Solutions. Description: The adolescent brain undergoes tremendous growth during the teen years. Parents are often stunned and confused by teen behavior. Teens’ brains are changing during the adolescent years. The reaction from teens has been, “Would someone please tell my parents about this?” So, now we are.
8. **Junior Lancer Open Registrations-Baseball** Please register today! Go to: www.mlhslancers.org/juniorlancers Registration closes February 25th!

9. **MLHS Newsletters and More:** Stay in touch with your high school and subscribe to various newsletters by going to www.mlhslancers.org/subscription. After subscribing you will receive the newsletter(s) you signed up for. **Be sure to check your junk mail** as the first one may go there instead. The alumni newsletter is one of the options listed. You will not want to miss reading what a recent alumni shared in the December Alumni newsletter. ENJOY! For any questions contact mlhs@mlhslancers.org.
10. **Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale** invites any confirmed member from our area WELS congregations on the Lakeshore. We rehearse on the scheduled Sunday evenings at 6:00pm in the Choir Room at Manitowoc Lutheran. Rehearsals are normally 90 minutes (about 1 and a half hours) or less and you do not have to be at every practice to sing! This is a wonderful opportunity to sing in a concert alongside the MLHS choirs! Please consider joining us, if you would like more information, please contact our director Matt Manthe at am5thof8@comcast.net. For a schedule of practices go to: www.mlhslancers.org/volunteer and scroll down to The Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale section.
11. **Charitable Giving Through Estate Planning** - Estate planning (also called a will or trust) is a collection of documents that specify how you want your money and other assets distributed after your death, making it easier for your loved ones to handle your affairs during a time of grief. This one-on-one coaching is sponsored by MLHS and is confidential. Due to a generous donation, when you complete the one-on-one coaching through SFC and you will be reimbursed up to \$500 for the attorney fees! Individuals will be responsible for paying other attorney fees if applicable. This is simply a gift from the MLHS Foundation to you and your family for your love and support of Manitowoc Lutheran High School. Coaching can be done one on one or via zoom call. More information can be found on the MLHS website or contact Ryan Hulse – rhulse@mlhslancers.org

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Welcome to St. Paul's!

A special welcome to our guests and visitors!

When Jesus was baptized at the Jordan River, he was anointed by the Holy Spirit and approved by God the Father: "You are my Son, whom I love." During the season of Epiphany, we follow Jesus' ministry and invite you to see him revealed as the chosen Savior of the world -- your Savior from sin and death. Our congregation exists to grow in Christ and go with Christ.

Thank you for joining us!

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We at St. Paul's share a common belief that Jesus is our Savior from sin and is the Lord of our lives. Our faith is based on God's Word, which is revealed in the Bible. We want to share this great news with as many people as possible, because we know that Jesus lived, died, and rose from death to save all people!

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WORSHIP DURING THESE TIMES

All pews are open for seating. Face coverings are optional - up to the individual. Please feel free to use the Bibles/Hymnals in the racks. Hand sanitizer is available in the narthex. There are bulletins available in the narthex or from an usher. Please keep or discard them at the end of worship. Offerings can be placed in the marked boxes in the narthex.

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP INFORMATION

On our website you will find previous and the current links for our worship services, bulletins, and announcements. We livestream the 8:00 a.m. service every Sunday. We can also make a copy of our worship on a DVD for you. In order to ensure cleanliness, you do not need to return the a DVD. Please consider a small monetary donation (\$2) to cover the cost of it.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Join us after first service, at 9:15 a.m., for our Family Bible Hour. We have Sunday school for 4K-8th grade, Youth Group Bible Class for high school age kids, and Adult Bible Class. Childcare is offered during the Adult Bible Class. There are other Bible Study Opportunities during the week. Contact one of our Pastors for more information.

COMMUNION

We offer Communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month as well as those following Monday evenings. Because God says that Communion is an expression of unity (1 Cor.10:16-17), we practice close communion, inviting up to the Lord's Table those who have explored and established unity with us on the basis of God's Word. Please speak to a pastor if you have questions about our practice.

FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." ~Matthew 19:14

There are changing tables located in BOTH the women's and men's school bathrooms. Near the entrance of the church, there are children's quiet bags with pictures, books, and a sketch tablet. If you use them, please put them back after the service. Based on Scriptural examples and developmental evidence, parents at St. Paul's worship with their young children. We encourage members to reserve the back few pews for families with small children. We have a nursery room located just off the narthex. There is a speaker in there so you can still hear and take part in the worship service. Please feel free to use this room for you child(ren), including a place to nurse.



St. Paul's Lutheran Church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (The WELS) and was founded in 1862. We have our Lutheran elementary school (4K-grade 8) on site and are part of a federation of churches to support our own high school, Manitowoc Lutheran High School.

Today's Worship Focus: *Throughout the season of Epiphany, we have considered reasons God's people come together: to witness a miracle and for boldness in opposition, for instruction in righteousness and strengthened faith, for sharing a holy meal. For our last week of this series, the Lord sums it up by simply saying, "Do it! Meet together!" Call Jesus Lord and do what he says. Draw near to God. Spur each other on. Reform your actions. And you will withstand the torrent. God's people gather together for Encouraging One Another.*

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

CW 680



1 Bap-tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me to be hence-forth your
 3 My faith - ful God, you fail me nev - er; your prom - ise sure - ly
 4 All that I am and love most dear - ly— re - ceive it all, O



Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,
 child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, there you let me
 will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er
 Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;



a - mong your saints, your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and
 the fruit of all your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,
 if words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I
 help me your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I



dead to sin, your Spir - it now shall live with - in.
 com - fort me when threat - ning clouds a - round I see.
 come de - filed; for - give, lift up, re - store your child.
 am or own serve an - y will but yours a - lone.

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Stand

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution

CW 156

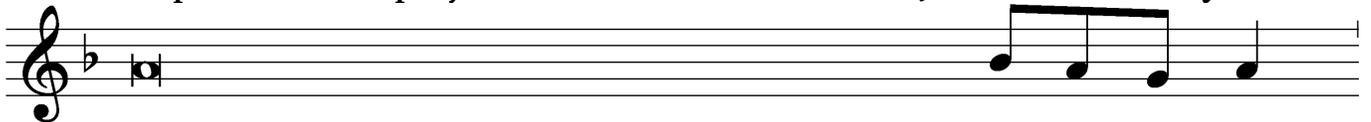
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

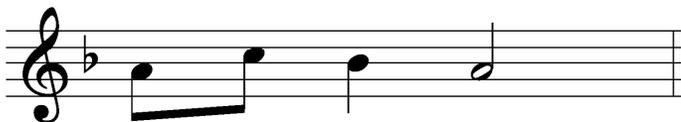
Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



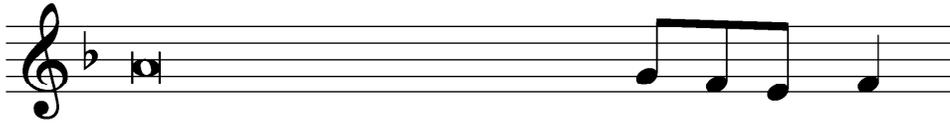
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



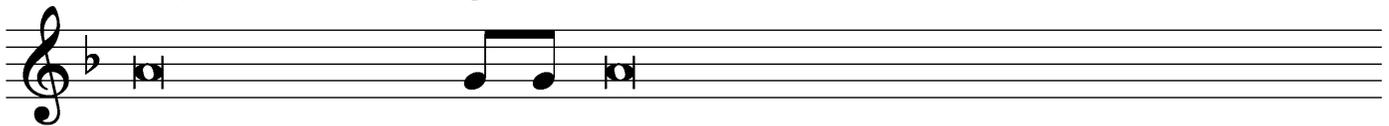
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



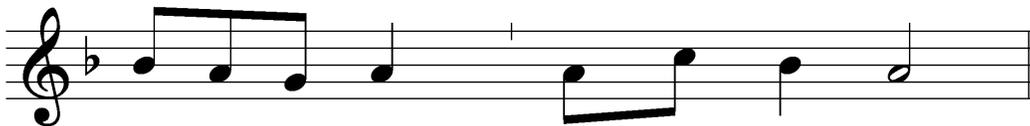
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

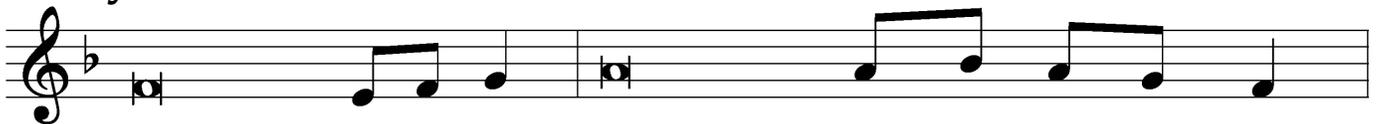


A - men.

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Glory Be to God

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,
 God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;
 have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.
 You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.
 For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE WORD

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, your Word is a lamp for our feet and a light on our path. Cause the light of your Word to shine brightly in our hearts by faith that we may know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly

day by day; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Jeremiah 7:1–8

The LORD calls on his people not merely to listen to words but to change their ways and act justly.

¹This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ²“Stand at the gate of the LORD’s house and there proclaim this message:

“ ‘Hear the word of the LORD, all you people of Judah who come through these gates to worship the LORD. ³This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: Reform your ways and your actions, and I will let you live in this place. ⁴Do not trust in deceptive words and say, “This is the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD!” ⁵If you really change your ways and your actions and deal with each other justly, ⁶if you do not oppress the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow and do not shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not follow other gods to your own harm, ⁷then I will let you live in this place, in the land I gave your ancestors for ever and ever. ⁸But look, you are trusting in deceptive words that are worthless.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

They Will Know We Are Christian by Our Love

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; and we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side; we will work with each other, we will work side by side; we'll respect people's dignity and in love abide.

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Second Reading

Hebrews 10:19–27

Let us now give up meeting together, cleansed from a guilty conscience, holding to our hope, and encouraging each other in love.

¹⁹Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

²⁶If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, ²⁷but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

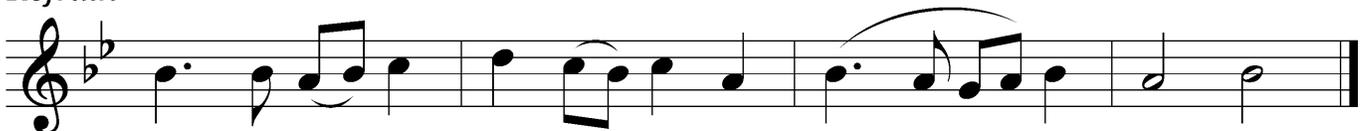
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Gospel Acclamation

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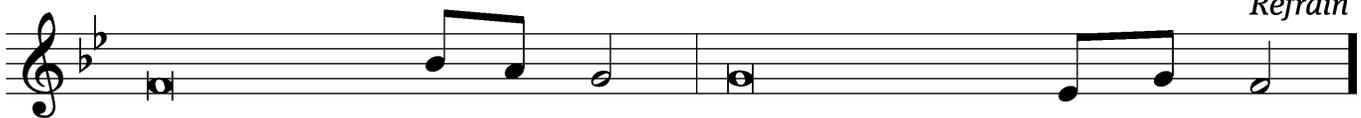


Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone



Jesus is the light of the world; in him we have the light of life.

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Gospel

Luke 6:39–49

Those who come to Jesus, hear his words and practice them are like an unshakeable house on a solid rock.

³⁹He also told them this parable: “Can the blind lead the blind? Will they not both fall into a pit? ⁴⁰The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher.

⁴¹“Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴²How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when you yourself fail to see the plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.

⁴³“No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. ⁴⁴Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briars. ⁴⁵A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.

⁴⁶“Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say? ⁴⁷As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like. ⁴⁸They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. ⁴⁹But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete.”
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Oh, How Good It Is

CW 731

Soloist: verses 1 & 2 and refrains

ALL: Please join in verse 3 & the final refrain.



1 Oh, how good it is when the fam - 'ly of God dwells to -
2 Oh, how good it is on this jour - ney we share to re -
3 Oh, how good it is to em - brace his com - mand to pre -



geth - er in spir - it, in faith and u - ni - ty. Where the
joice with the hap - py and weep with those who mourn. For the
fer one an - oth - er, for - give as he for - gives. When we



bonds of peace, of ac - cept - ance and love are the
weak find strength, the af - flict - ed find grace when we
live as one we all share in the love of the



fruits of his pres - ence here a - mong us.
of - fer the bless - ing of be - long - ing.
Son with the Fa - ther and the Spir - it.

Refrain



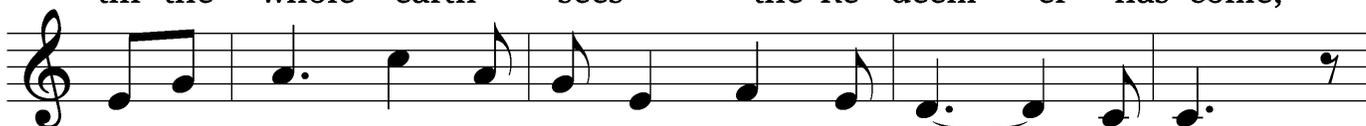
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,



and with one heart we'll live out his word,



till the whole earth sees the Re - deem - er has come,



for he dwells in the pres - ence of his peo - ple.

Text: Stuart Townend, b. 1963; Ross Holmes, b. 1984; Kristyn Getty, b. 1980; Keith Getty, b. 1974

Sermon

Hebrews 10

This Is What We Do with It...We Live It!
With faith * With hope * With love

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition*]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [*especially . . . here name the person*]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

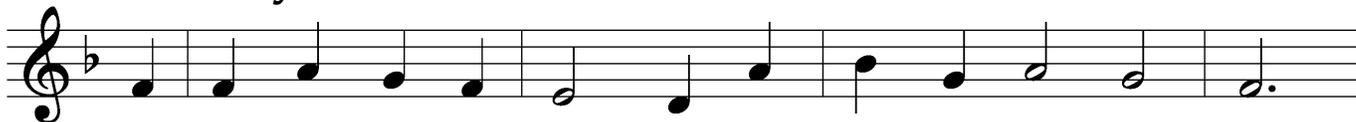
Amen.

Be seated

The Offering will be brought forward during the following hymn.

383 The Only Son from Heaven

CW 383



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, fore - told by an - cient seers,
 2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!
 3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en to know and love you more,
 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore you with God the Ho - ly Ghost



by God the Fa - ther giv - en, in hu - man form ap - pears.
 He comes, the King a - noint - ed, the Christ, the vir - gin - born,
 in faith to stand un - shak - en, in spir - it to a - dore,
 and Je - sus, we a - dore you, O Pride of an - gel host.



No sphere his light con - fin - ing, no star so
 grim death to con - quer for us, to o - pen
 that we, through this world mov - ing, each glimpse of
 Be - fore you mor - tals low - ly cry, "Ho - ly,



bright - ly shin - ing as he, our Morn - ing Star.
 heav'n be - fore us and bring us life a - gain.
 heav - en prov - ing, may reap its full - ness there.
 ho - ly, ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

Text (sts. 1–3): tr. Arthur T. Russell, 1806–1874, sts. 1–3, alt.; (sts. 1–3): Elisabeth Cruciger, c. 1500–1535, sts. 1–3; (st. 4): Lutheran Book of Worship, 1978, st. 4;
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Stand

Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Everlasting life; through

Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

874 Preserve Your Word, O Savior

CW 874 sts. 1-2



1 Pre - serve your Word, O Sav - ior, to us this lat - ter
2 Pre - serve your Word and preach - ing, the truth that makes us



day, and let your king - dom flour - ish; en - large your
whole, the mir - ror of your glo - ry, the pow'r that
Church, we pray. O keep our faith from fail - ing, keep
saves the soul. Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, this
hope's bright star a - glow; let noth - ing turn us
spring of heav'n - ly grace, sus - tain us while here
from you while wan - d'ring here be - low.
liv - ing un - til we see your face.

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ORGANIST: Marilyn Toepel

MUSICIANS: Megan Butler (guest musician from Calvary, Sheboygan and form St. Paul's student).

ALTAR GUILD: Sandra Weber, Konni Harbach, Dawn Marten.

USHERS: 8:00 a.m.- Corey Schroeder, Clay Schroeder, Brian Stauss, Andy Sprenger, Kevin Oleck. 10:30 a.m. Jeff Plass, Todd Marten, John Marten, Dave Probst.

Online giving options available

In thanks to our gracious Lord and his gift of forgiveness in Jesus, we bring to him a generous portion of all we have received from him. Offerings for the Lord's work may be placed in one of the designated boxes in the narthex today. They may also be mailed in, dropped off in the office, or given online.



OFFERING: 2/13 & 2/14: \$13,370 (WEEKLY BUDGET GOAL: \$16,300).

ADDITIONAL \$12,055 WAS RECEIVED FOR GROWING FORWARD.

\$25 FOR THE ARDITH FOELSKE MEMORIAL.

This Week at a Glance:	
Date	Service, Bible Study, and Class Times
Sunday, February 20	5th-8th Sing Both Services Worship Services: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. <u>Link to Online Weekend Worship Services</u>
	9:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour
Monday, February 21	6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship
	7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
Tuesday, February 22	6:30 p.m. BIC
	7:00 p.m. Adult Open Gym
Wednesday, February 23	8:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Bible Study
	8:45 a.m. Bible Study
	9:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Playdate
	4:15 p.m. Public School Catechism
	6:30 p.m. Elders
Thursday, February 24	6:30 p.m. St. Paul's Science Night
Friday, February 25	6:00 p.m. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL

- Sunday Bible Study** - Our Sunday morning Bible studies take us through the book of James. James warns against a dead faith that does nothing. He encourages us to be active in faith, whether going through sufferings or speaking with love, whether in praying boldly or planning humbly, helping the poor or practicing good works. Come and receive guidance in living your faith!
- New Bible Information Class** has started for those new to the faith or renewing the Christian faith. We meet on Tuesdays starting at 6:30pm in the commons/lunchroom. For those who were interested but couldn't attend this one,

the church staff is planning the next class to start sometime in early June (not sure day/time).

- 3. Thursday Evening Bible Study - "Connecting Sinai to Calvary" @ 6:30 pm 2/3-3/31;** Based on the book by the same name, this study of the Old Testament reveals how God was intricately involved in the lives of his people and how his plan of salvation was carried through generations to be fulfilled through his Son on the cross. All are invited to attend as often as you are able! There is no need to purchase the book. Contact Luther Curia if you have any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 4. Marriage Enrichment Retreat - FINAL WEEK TO REGISTER:** St. Paul's will be hosting a marriage enrichment retreat at the Osthoff Resort Friday-Saturday, March 18-19. Jesus designed marriage and can make your marriage richer than you imagined. Spend a weekend finding out how. Prior to the weekend, you will each complete a confidential online survey and receive a customized report on ten areas of your married life. Then you'll spend the weekend applying the riches of God's grace to the areas of your marriage in which you're strong...and in which you have room to grow. The result? A richer marriage. The retreat will be led by Luther Curia, Staff Minister at St. Paul's. Flyers with event details and registration forms can be found in the office. You can also register online [HERE](#). Contact Luther Curia with any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 5. Pizzas will be made and ready for pickup at the school on Saturday, February 19th.** We could use a few additional volunteers for assembly day if anyone would like to join us! We'll begin making pizzas in the St. Paul's gym at 8:00am on the 19th. If you want more details or are interested in helping contact Katie Meyer at katieb82@hotmail.com.
- 6. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL -** Join the Activities Committee (formerly the Stewardship Committee) for ice skating at Rochester Park Friday, February 25 from 6:00-8:00! The rink is located on the outfield of the Rochester Park baseball diamond and is a full 84'x144' rink! The park has limited hockey equipment and skates available for use - these items are being offered on the "honor system" so please take care of them and put them back when you're finished. We encourage everyone to bring their own skates if they have them. We also hope to have some snow to do some sledding at the park, so bring along your sleds. We'll have plenty of hot cocoa and apple cider to warm you up throughout the evening! Hope to see you there! Rochester Park is located at 710 Hickory Street, Sheboygan Falls.

7. **Mindful Moms Bible Study** - Now every Wednesday at 8:30am, there is a 45 minute women's Bible study. We've begun a book on Philippians - Living in the Joy of Christ. All participants will receive a study book. Come to be enriched in God's Word together with fellowship and encouragement!
8. **Mindful Moms NEW Playdate** Mindful Moms is excited to have new playdate activities at a new time! Join us every Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 in the school gym for a Music and Movement playdate. Each week there will be a segment including fingerplays, singing, music, and/or movement songs where moms and kids can play and work together. There will also be free play time for the kids to run and explore and moms can enjoy chatting together. Hope to see you there!
9. **Youth Rally Meeting** – Planning is underway for the 2022 WELS Youth Rally in Knoxville, TN. The dates of the Rally are 6/28 – 7/1. Any students that are currently in 8th grade through seniors in high school can attend the rally. We will also need several adult youth leaders, so if you are interested in going as a leader, please come to the meeting as well! If you want more information about the rally but cannot attend the meeting on February 13th, please contact Mike Leahy – mleahy@live.com
10. **Registration** for Preschool and Kindergarten is open! You can register through the St Paul's School website or Click on the links to register for the 2022-2023 School Year. Kindergarten Registration Link - Preschool Registration Link .
11. **Tuesday night basketball** will be running again starting on January 11, 2022. It will run every Tuesday night from 7-8:30. Everyone ages 12 and up are welcome to join us.
12. **Silent Auction Tickets** - Our St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up on Saturday, March 5. Watch for more details! Tickets are now available for purchase between services as well as during the week at the office up until February 20th. Early Bird pricing available. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions about the event.
13. **Silent Auction Donations:** The St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up fast and we are looking for donations for that night! Not sure what to donate? There are some donation examples on a poster board near the school entrance. Please include with your donation a description, the value, and your name or if you would like to remain anonymous. All donations can be dropped off at the school

office. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions.
bethels_2000@yahoo.com or 920-912-2379.

14. Lenten Meals - This Lenten Season is fast approaching! We are planning on having meals before worship. The following groups have signed up:

March 2nd: Altar Guild

March 9th: OPEN

March 16th: PTF/Teachers/Parents (Brats and Hotdogs)

March 23rd: Pioneers

March 30th: Ladies Aid (Sloppy Joes)

April 6th: Youth Group (Tacos)

We are still looking for a group on March 9th. Please contact the office to sign up. Thank you to the above groups for signing up! We look forward to your awesome meal!

15. Altar Guild is serving Lenten supper on Ash Wednesday. There is a sign-up sheet in the member room for Altar Guild members to sign-up to help and bring items. Any questions please contact Lisa Specht.

16. Mr. Dais Call: Dear Members of St. Paul's, Thank you so much for all your comments and prayers the past couple weeks. I have returned the call to Peridot. My family and I are incredibly blessed to be part of the ministry going on here at St. Paul's and we can't wait to see what the Lord has in store for all of us here!

17. The Howards Grove Fire Department is looking for donations of cakes and tortes for their Brat Fry on February 27th! The Brat Fry runs from 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.. Donations can be placed in the kitchen, on the back counter, with your name on your pan. Mark Eichhorts will make sure that your pan is returned to St. Paul's for pickup. Please contact Mark with any questions.

18. Double Kwik Trip! Earn funds for our school twice as fast because Kwik Trip is doubling the discount given to us through the month of February. (Now 10%). You can buy your Scrip between services or by calling or visiting the office.

19. The Church Newsletter was emailed this past Friday. If you requested a printed copy you will find it in your mailbox. Also, if you are not receiving a printed copy but would like to, please contact the office to be added to the list.

20. The Church Council is assembling a group of 4-5 people for service on the Building Committee. When finalized, we plan to announce them and install them soon into their office.

21. Please note the giving chart in the narthex. This corresponds to the amount we hope to raise for the building project by mid-May. We plan to update the chart weekly, as able.

MLHS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. MLHS Call Update** - At the Special Call Meeting this past Saturday, the federation called Pastor David Frey to serve in our theology department. Dave is currently serving at Living Word in Mission Viejo, CA. He is married and has five children (the oldest is 13). Dave and his wife Heidi both grew up in Michigan and both are MLS graduates. Dave is 36, and he has been serving the parish where he is since his assignment in 2011. Heidi is a nurse. Please keep them in your prayers.
- 2. MLHS Federation Special Campaign Drive!** During the Epiphany season the members of the MLHS federation congregations are encouraged to give support to the campaign with pledges or donations. Information about this drive is being sent to the leadership of the congregations with the request that it then be shared with all members. It is important that as many as possible know about this drive and participate in it as we approach the initial stages of the project itself. Epiphany is a reminder to us of what our mission is...as individual congregations and schools, and as a federation. We want all people to know the light of the gospel that is found in the Baby born in Bethlehem. This project will help our school carry out that mission, which is the heart and core of all we do at MLHS! Thanks for your generous support!
- 3. Junior Lancer Wrestling Tournament:** It is that time of year again when we hold the annual Jr. Wrestling Tournament. This is a fun and exciting day for the wrestlers, family and friends! A concessions stand is available and serves food from morning to the end of the tournament. In order to make this possible we need your help. Please consider signing up to work in the canteen or sign up to donate food items that are needed for the concession stand. Sign up by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/jrlancers . Thanks!
- 4. SPRING MUSICAL:** The Drama Club from Manitowoc Lutheran High School proudly presents *Fiddler on the Roof*. Rich with musical hits you know and love, including “Tradition,” “Sunrise, Sunset,” “If I Were a Rich Man,” “Matchmaker, Matchmaker,” plus many more. *Fiddler on the Roof* tells the heartwarming story of father and daughters, husbands and wives, and the timeless traditions that define faith and family. A wonderful cast of forty-nine and a live pit orchestra will

entertain you as they bring this story to life on the MLHS stage. Please join us in this family friendly production March 11-13 at MLHS. Production times: Friday and Saturday evening at 7:00 P.M. and Sunday at 2:00 P.M. You can reserve your seat/purchase your tickets online at www.mlhslancers.org/drama.

5. **MLHS Alumni and friends are invited to our first MLHS Encore Preshow Reception!** With your RSVP you will receive one FREE general admissions ticket (bleacher seats) to the March 12 performance of *Fiddler on the Roof*! Join us for an alumni reception at 5:30pm in the MLHS conference room before the show. You are still welcome to purchase a reserve seat on the floor for yourself or a guest via the link below.
Please RSVP by March 1 by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/news-events. Click on the “Attend Encore” button at the bottom of the Encore promotion on the webpage.
6. **MLHS SPRING SHOWCASE:** It is time once again for the MLHS Spring Showcase, and we would like to invite you! This year’s event will be held on Saturday, March 19th at Knox’s Silver Valley and will include a plated dinner, live & silent auctions, a raffle (with top prize of \$5,000!), and entertainment by Riley Haupt. All proceeds this year will benefit the MLHS Track & Field program as we work to build our own facilities. Go to: <https://www.mlhslancers.org/showcase> for all the details including times. And be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates. We hope to see you there!
7. **Christian Family Solutions Presentation: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes** Lakeshore Lutheran Schools will be offering a presentation for all parents at Manitowoc Lutheran High School on Tuesday March 29, 2022 at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend this FREE presentation. Please RSVP at www.mlhslancers.org/cfs today. Presentation Information: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes of Christian Family Solutions. Description: The adolescent brain undergoes tremendous growth during the teen years. Parents are often stunned and confused by teen behavior. Teens’ brains are changing during the adolescent years. The reaction from teens has been, “Would someone please tell my parents about this?” So, now we are.
8. **Junior Lancer Open Registrations-Baseball** Please register today! Go to: www.mlhslancers.org/juniorlancers Registration closes February 25th!

9. **MLHS Newsletters and More:** Stay in touch with your high school and subscribe to various newsletters by going to www.mlhslancers.org/subscription. After subscribing you will receive the newsletter(s) you signed up for. **Be sure to check your junk mail** as the first one may go there instead. The alumni newsletter is one of the options listed. You will not want to miss reading what a recent alumni shared in the December Alumni newsletter. ENJOY! For any questions contact mlhs@mlhslancers.org.
10. **Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale** invites any confirmed member from our area WELS congregations on the Lakeshore. We rehearse on the scheduled Sunday evenings at 6:00pm in the Choir Room at Manitowoc Lutheran. Rehearsals are normally 90 minutes (about 1 and a half hours) or less and you do not have to be at every practice to sing! This is a wonderful opportunity to sing in a concert alongside the MLHS choirs! Please consider joining us, if you would like more information, please contact our director Matt Manthe at am5thof8@comcast.net. For a schedule of practices go to: www.mlhslancers.org/volunteer and scroll down to The Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale section.
11. **Charitable Giving Through Estate Planning** - Estate planning (also called a will or trust) is a collection of documents that specify how you want your money and other assets distributed after your death, making it easier for your loved ones to handle your affairs during a time of grief. This one-on-one coaching is sponsored by MLHS and is confidential. Due to a generous donation, when you complete the one-on-one coaching through SFC and you will be reimbursed up to \$500 for the attorney fees! Individuals will be responsible for paying other attorney fees if applicable. This is simply a gift from the MLHS Foundation to you and your family for your love and support of Manitowoc Lutheran High School. Coaching can be done one on one or via zoom call. More information can be found on the MLHS website or contact Ryan Hulse – rhulse@mlhslancers.org

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Welcome to St. Paul's!

A special welcome to our guests and visitors!

When Jesus was baptized at the Jordan River, he was anointed by the Holy Spirit and approved by God the Father: "You are my Son, whom I love." During the season of Epiphany, we follow Jesus' ministry and invite you to see him revealed as the chosen Savior of the world -- your Savior from sin and death. Our congregation exists to grow in Christ and go with Christ.

Thank you for joining us!

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We at St. Paul's share a common belief that Jesus is our Savior from sin and is the Lord of our lives. Our faith is based on God's Word, which is revealed in the Bible. We want to share this great news with as many people as possible, because we know that Jesus lived, died, and rose from death to save all people!

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WORSHIP DURING THESE TIMES

All pews are open for seating. Face coverings are optional - up to the individual. Please feel free to use the Bibles/Hymnals in the racks. Hand sanitizer is available in the narthex. There are bulletins available in the narthex or from an usher. Please keep or discard them at the end of worship. Offerings can be placed in the marked boxes in the narthex.

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP INFORMATION

On our website you will find previous and the current links for our worship services, bulletins, and announcements. We livestream the 8:00 a.m. service every Sunday. We can also make a copy of our worship on a DVD for you. In order to ensure cleanliness, you do not need to return the a DVD. Please consider a small monetary donation (\$2) to cover the cost of it.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Join us after first service, at 9:15 a.m., for our Family Bible Hour. We have Sunday school for 4K-8th grade, Youth Group Bible Class for high school age kids, and Adult Bible Class. Childcare is offered during the Adult Bible Class. There are other Bible Study Opportunities during the week. Contact one of our Pastors for more information.

COMMUNION

We offer Communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month as well as those following Monday evenings. Because God says that Communion is an expression of unity (1 Cor.10:16-17), we practice close communion, inviting up to the Lord's Table those who have explored and established unity with us on the basis of God's Word. Please speak to a pastor if you have questions about our practice.

FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." ~Matthew 19:14

There are changing tables located in BOTH the women's and men's school bathrooms. Near the entrance of the church, there are children's quiet bags with pictures, books, and a sketch tablet. If you use them, please put them back after the service. Based on Scriptural examples and developmental evidence, parents at St. Paul's worship with their young children. We encourage members to reserve the back few pews for families with small children. We have a nursery room located just off the narthex. There is a speaker in there so you can still hear and take part in the worship service. Please feel free to use this room for you child(ren), including a place to nurse.



St. Paul's Lutheran Church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (The WELS) and was founded in 1862. We have our Lutheran elementary school (4K-grade 8) on site and are part of a federation of churches to support our own high school, Manitowoc Lutheran High School.

Today's Worship Focus: *Throughout the season of Epiphany, we have considered reasons God's people come together: to witness a miracle and for boldness in opposition, for instruction in righteousness and strengthened faith, for sharing a holy meal. For our last week of this series, the Lord sums it up by simply saying, "Do it! Meet together!" Call Jesus Lord and do what he says. Draw near to God. Spur each other on. Reform your actions. And you will withstand the torrent. God's people gather together for Encouraging One Another.*

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

CW 680



1 Bap-tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me to be hence-forth your
 3 My faith - ful God, you fail me nev - er; your prom - ise sure - ly
 4 All that I am and love most dear - ly— re - ceive it all, O



Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,
 child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, there you let me
 will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er
 Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;



a - mong your saints, your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and
 the fruit of all your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,
 if words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I
 help me your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I



dead to sin, your Spir - it now shall live with - in.
 com - fort me when threat - ning clouds a - round I see.
 come de - filed; for - give, lift up, re - store your child.
 am or own serve an - y will but yours a - lone.

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Stand

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution

CW 156

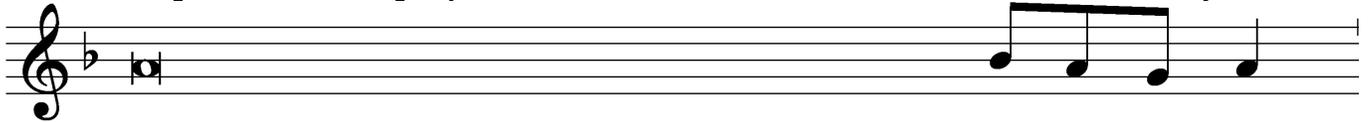
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

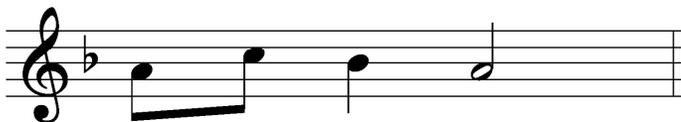
Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



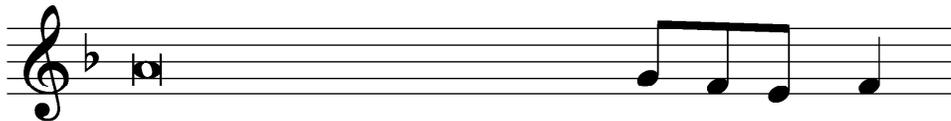
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



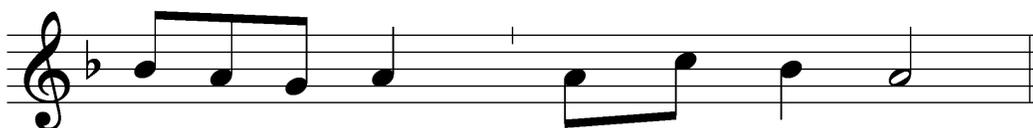
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



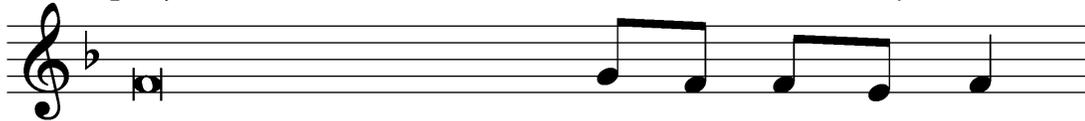
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

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Glory Be to God

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,
 God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;
 have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.
 You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.
 For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE WORD

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, your Word is a lamp for our feet and a light on our path. Cause the light of your Word to shine brightly in our hearts by faith that we may know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly

day by day; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Jeremiah 7:1–8

The LORD calls on his people not merely to listen to words but to change their ways and act justly.

¹This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ²“Stand at the gate of the LORD’s house and there proclaim this message:

“ ‘Hear the word of the LORD, all you people of Judah who come through these gates to worship the LORD. ³This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: Reform your ways and your actions, and I will let you live in this place. ⁴Do not trust in deceptive words and say, “This is the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD!” ⁵If you really change your ways and your actions and deal with each other justly, ⁶if you do not oppress the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow and do not shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not follow other gods to your own harm, ⁷then I will let you live in this place, in the land I gave your ancestors for ever and ever. ⁸But look, you are trusting in deceptive words that are worthless.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

They Will Know We Are Christian by Our Love

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; and we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side; we will work with each other, we will work side by side; we'll respect people's dignity and in love abide.

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Second Reading

Hebrews 10:19–27

Let us now give up meeting together, cleansed from a guilty conscience, holding to our hope, and encouraging each other in love.

¹⁹Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

²⁶If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, ²⁷but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

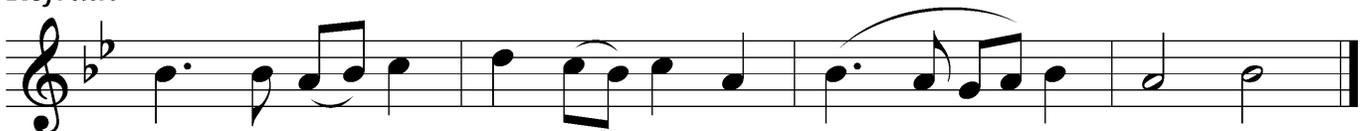
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Gospel Acclamation

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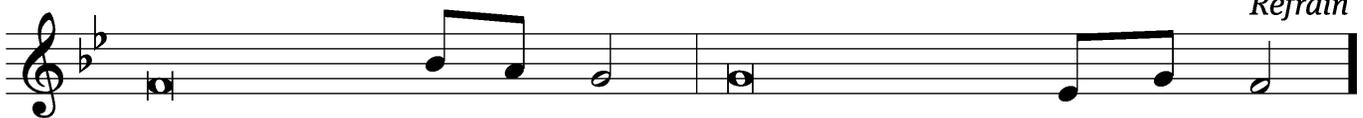


Refrain



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Tone



Jesus is the light of the world; in him we have the light of life.

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Gospel

Luke 6:39–49

Those who come to Jesus, hear his words and practice them are like an unshakeable house on a solid rock.

³⁹He also told them this parable: “Can the blind lead the blind? Will they not both fall into a pit? ⁴⁰The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher.

⁴¹“Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴²How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when you yourself fail to see the plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.

⁴³“No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. ⁴⁴Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briars. ⁴⁵A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.

⁴⁶“Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say? ⁴⁷As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like. ⁴⁸They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. ⁴⁹But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete.”
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Oh, How Good It Is

CW 731

Soloist: verses 1 & 2 and refrains

ALL: Please join in verse 3 & the final refrain.



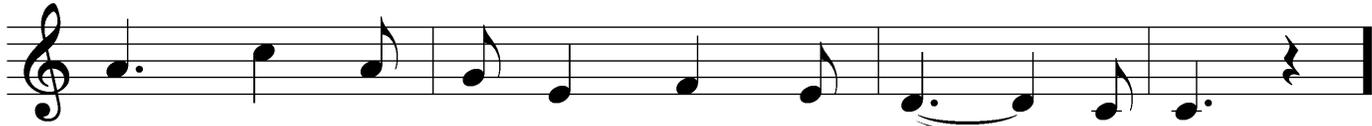
1 Oh, how good it is when the fam - 'ly of God dwells to -
2 Oh, how good it is on this jour - ney we share to re -
3 Oh, how good it is to em - brace his com - mand to pre -



geth - er in spir - it, in faith and u - ni - ty. Where the
joice with the hap - py and weep with those who mourn. For the
fer one an - oth - er, for - give as he for - gives. When we



bonds of peace, of ac - cept - ance and love are the
weak find strength, the af - flict - ed find grace when we
live as one we all share in the love of the



fruits of his pres - ence here a - mong us.
of - fer the bless - ing of be - long - ing.
Son with the Fa - ther and the Spir - it.

Refrain



So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,



and with one heart we'll live out his word,



till the whole earth sees the Re - deem - er has come,



for he dwells in the pres - ence of his peo - ple.

Text: Stuart Townend, b. 1963; Ross Holmes, b. 1984; Kristyn Getty, b. 1980; Keith Getty, b. 1974

Sermon

Hebrews 10

This Is What We Do with It...We Live It!
With faith * With hope * With love

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition*]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [*especially . . . here name the person*]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

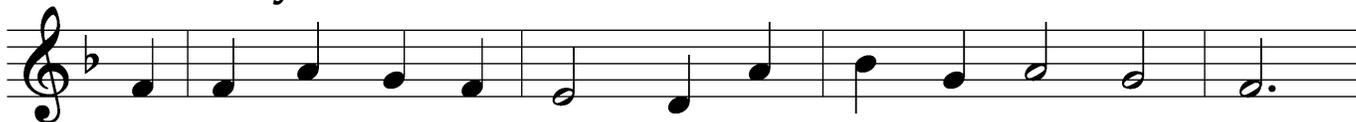
Amen.

Be seated

The Offering will be brought forward during the following hymn.

383 The Only Son from Heaven

CW 383



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, fore - told by an - cient seers,
 2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!
 3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en to know and love you more,
 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore you with God the Ho - ly Ghost



by God the Fa - ther giv - en, in hu - man form ap - pears.
 He comes, the King a - noint - ed, the Christ, the vir - gin - born,
 in faith to stand un - shak - en, in spir - it to a - dore,
 and Je - sus, we a - dore you, O Pride of an - gel host.



No sphere his light con - fin - ing, no star so
 grim death to con - quer for us, to o - pen
 that we, through this world mov - ing, each glimpse of
 Be - fore you mor - tals low - ly cry, "Ho - ly,



bright - ly shin - ing as he, our Morn - ing Star.
 heav'n be - fore us and bring us life a - gain.
 heav - en prov - ing, may reap its full - ness there.
 ho - ly, ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

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Stand

Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Everlasting life; through

Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

874 Preserve Your Word, O Savior

CW 874 sts. 1-2



1 Pre - serve your Word, O Sav - ior, to us this lat - ter
2 Pre - serve your Word and preach - ing, the truth that makes us



day, and let your king - dom flour - ish; en - large your
whole, the mir - ror of your glo - ry, the pow'r that
Church, we pray. O keep our faith from fail - ing, keep
saves the soul. Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, this
hope's bright star a - glow; let noth - ing turn us
spring of heav'n - ly grace, sus - tain us while here
from you while wan - d'ring here be - low.
liv - ing un - til we see your face.

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ORGANIST: Marilyn Toepel

MUSICIANS: Megan Butler (guest musician from Calvary, Sheboygan and form St. Paul's student).

ALTAR GUILD: Sandra Weber, Konni Harbach, Dawn Marten.

USHERS: 8:00 a.m.- Corey Schroeder, Clay Schroeder, Brian Stauss, Andy Sprenger, Kevin Oleck. 10:30 a.m. Jeff Plass, Todd Marten, John Marten, Dave Probst.

Online giving options available

In thanks to our gracious Lord and his gift of forgiveness in Jesus, we bring to him a generous portion of all we have received from him. Offerings for the Lord's work may be placed in one of the designated boxes in the narthex today. They may also be mailed in, dropped off in the office, or given online.



OFFERING: 2/13 & 2/14: \$13,370 (WEEKLY BUDGET GOAL: \$16,300).

ADDITIONAL \$12,055 WAS RECEIVED FOR GROWING FORWARD.

\$25 FOR THE ARDITH FOELSKE MEMORIAL.

This Week at a Glance:	
Date	Service, Bible Study, and Class Times
Sunday, February 20	5th-8th Sing Both Services Worship Services: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. <u>Link to Online Weekend Worship Services</u>
	9:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour
Monday, February 21	6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship
	7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
Tuesday, February 22	6:30 p.m. BIC
	7:00 p.m. Adult Open Gym
Wednesday, February 23	8:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Bible Study
	8:45 a.m. Bible Study
	9:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Playdate
	4:15 p.m. Public School Catechism
	6:30 p.m. Elders
Thursday, February 24	6:30 p.m. St. Paul's Science Night
Friday, February 25	6:00 p.m. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL

1. Sunday Bible Study - Our Sunday morning Bible studies take us through the book of James. James warns against a dead faith that does nothing. He encourages us to be active in faith, whether going through sufferings or speaking with love, whether in praying boldly or planning humbly, helping the poor or practicing good works. Come and receive guidance in living your faith!

2. New Bible Information Class has started for those new to the faith or renewing the Christian faith. We meet on Tuesdays starting at 6:30pm in the commons/lunchroom. For those who were interested but couldn't attend this one,

the church staff is planning the next class to start sometime in early June (not sure day/time).

- 3. Thursday Evening Bible Study - "Connecting Sinai to Calvary" @ 6:30 pm 2/3-3/31;** Based on the book by the same name, this study of the Old Testament reveals how God was intricately involved in the lives of his people and how his plan of salvation was carried through generations to be fulfilled through his Son on the cross. All are invited to attend as often as you are able! There is no need to purchase the book. Contact Luther Curia if you have any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 4. Marriage Enrichment Retreat - FINAL WEEK TO REGISTER:** St. Paul's will be hosting a marriage enrichment retreat at the Osthoff Resort Friday-Saturday, March 18-19. Jesus designed marriage and can make your marriage richer than you imagined. Spend a weekend finding out how. Prior to the weekend, you will each complete a confidential online survey and receive a customized report on ten areas of your married life. Then you'll spend the weekend applying the riches of God's grace to the areas of your marriage in which you're strong...and in which you have room to grow. The result? A richer marriage. The retreat will be led by Luther Curia, Staff Minister at St. Paul's. Flyers with event details and registration forms can be found in the office. You can also register online [HERE](#). Contact Luther Curia with any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 5. Pizzas will be made and ready for pickup at the school on Saturday, February 19th.** We could use a few additional volunteers for assembly day if anyone would like to join us! We'll begin making pizzas in the St. Paul's gym at 8:00am on the 19th. If you want more details or are interested in helping contact Katie Meyer at katieb82@hotmail.com.
- 6. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL -** Join the Activities Committee (formerly the Stewardship Committee) for ice skating at Rochester Park Friday, February 25 from 6:00-8:00! The rink is located on the outfield of the Rochester Park baseball diamond and is a full 84'x144' rink! The park has limited hockey equipment and skates available for use - these items are being offered on the "honor system" so please take care of them and put them back when you're finished. We encourage everyone to bring their own skates if they have them. We also hope to have some snow to do some sledding at the park, so bring along your sleds. We'll have plenty of hot cocoa and apple cider to warm you up throughout the evening! Hope to see you there! Rochester Park is located at 710 Hickory Street, Sheboygan Falls.

7. **Mindful Moms Bible Study** - Now every Wednesday at 8:30am, there is a 45 minute women's Bible study. We've begun a book on Philippians - Living in the Joy of Christ. All participants will receive a study book. Come to be enriched in God's Word together with fellowship and encouragement!
8. **Mindful Moms NEW Playdate** Mindful Moms is excited to have new playdate activities at a new time! Join us every Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 in the school gym for a Music and Movement playdate. Each week there will be a segment including fingerplays, singing, music, and/or movement songs where moms and kids can play and work together. There will also be free play time for the kids to run and explore and moms can enjoy chatting together. Hope to see you there!
9. **Youth Rally Meeting** – Planning is underway for the 2022 WELS Youth Rally in Knoxville, TN. The dates of the Rally are 6/28 – 7/1. Any students that are currently in 8th grade through seniors in high school can attend the rally. We will also need several adult youth leaders, so if you are interested in going as a leader, please come to the meeting as well! If you want more information about the rally but cannot attend the meeting on February 13th, please contact Mike Leahy – mleahy@live.com
10. **Registration** for Preschool and Kindergarten is open! You can register through the St Paul's School website or Click on the links to register for the 2022-2023 School Year. Kindergarten Registration Link - Preschool Registration Link .
11. **Tuesday night basketball** will be running again starting on January 11, 2022. It will run every Tuesday night from 7-8:30. Everyone ages 12 and up are welcome to join us.
12. **Silent Auction Tickets** - Our St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up on Saturday, March 5. Watch for more details! Tickets are now available for purchase between services as well as during the week at the office up until February 20th. Early Bird pricing available. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions about the event.
13. **Silent Auction Donations:** The St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up fast and we are looking for donations for that night! Not sure what to donate? There are some donation examples on a poster board near the school entrance. Please include with your donation a description, the value, and your name or if you would like to remain anonymous. All donations can be dropped off at the school

office. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions.
bethels_2000@yahoo.com or 920-912-2379.

14. Lenten Meals - This Lenten Season is fast approaching! We are planning on having meals before worship. The following groups have signed up:

March 2nd: Altar Guild

March 9th: OPEN

March 16th: PTF/Teachers/Parents (Brats and Hotdogs)

March 23rd: Pioneers

March 30th: Ladies Aid (Sloppy Joes)

April 6th: Youth Group (Tacos)

We are still looking for a group on March 9th. Please contact the office to sign up. Thank you to the above groups for signing up! We look forward to your awesome meal!

15. Altar Guild is serving Lenten supper on Ash Wednesday. There is a sign-up sheet in the member room for Altar Guild members to sign-up to help and bring items. Any questions please contact Lisa Specht.

16. Mr. Dais Call: Dear Members of St. Paul's, Thank you so much for all your comments and prayers the past couple weeks. I have returned the call to Peridot. My family and I are incredibly blessed to be part of the ministry going on here at St. Paul's and we can't wait to see what the Lord has in store for all of us here!

17. The Howards Grove Fire Department is looking for donations of cakes and tortes for their Brat Fry on February 27th! The Brat Fry runs from 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.. Donations can be placed in the kitchen, on the back counter, with your name on your pan. Mark Eichhorts will make sure that your pan is returned to St. Paul's for pickup. Please contact Mark with any questions.

18. Double Kwik Trip! Earn funds for our school twice as fast because Kwik Trip is doubling the discount given to us through the month of February. (Now 10%). You can buy your Scrip between services or by calling or visiting the office.

19. The Church Newsletter was emailed this past Friday. If you requested a printed copy you will find it in your mailbox. Also, if you are not receiving a printed copy but would like to, please contact the office to be added to the list.

20. The Church Council is assembling a group of 4-5 people for service on the Building Committee. When finalized, we plan to announce them and install them soon into their office.

21. Please note the giving chart in the narthex. This corresponds to the amount we hope to raise for the building project by mid-May. We plan to update the chart weekly, as able.

MLHS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. MLHS Call Update** - At the Special Call Meeting this past Saturday, the federation called Pastor David Frey to serve in our theology department. Dave is currently serving at Living Word in Mission Viejo, CA. He is married and has five children (the oldest is 13). Dave and his wife Heidi both grew up in Michigan and both are MLS graduates. Dave is 36, and he has been serving the parish where he is since his assignment in 2011. Heidi is a nurse. Please keep them in your prayers.
- 2. MLHS Federation Special Campaign Drive!** During the Epiphany season the members of the MLHS federation congregations are encouraged to give support to the campaign with pledges or donations. Information about this drive is being sent to the leadership of the congregations with the request that it then be shared with all members. It is important that as many as possible know about this drive and participate in it as we approach the initial stages of the project itself. Epiphany is a reminder to us of what our mission is...as individual congregations and schools, and as a federation. We want all people to know the light of the gospel that is found in the Baby born in Bethlehem. This project will help our school carry out that mission, which is the heart and core of all we do at MLHS! Thanks for your generous support!
- 3. Junior Lancer Wrestling Tournament:** It is that time of year again when we hold the annual Jr. Wrestling Tournament. This is a fun and exciting day for the wrestlers, family and friends! A concessions stand is available and serves food from morning to the end of the tournament. In order to make this possible we need your help. Please consider signing up to work in the canteen or sign up to donate food items that are needed for the concession stand. Sign up by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/jrlancers . Thanks!
- 4. SPRING MUSICAL:** The Drama Club from Manitowoc Lutheran High School proudly presents *Fiddler on the Roof*. Rich with musical hits you know and love, including “Tradition,” “Sunrise, Sunset,” “If I Were a Rich Man,” “Matchmaker, Matchmaker,” plus many more. *Fiddler on the Roof* tells the heartwarming story of father and daughters, husbands and wives, and the timeless traditions that define faith and family. A wonderful cast of forty-nine and a live pit orchestra will

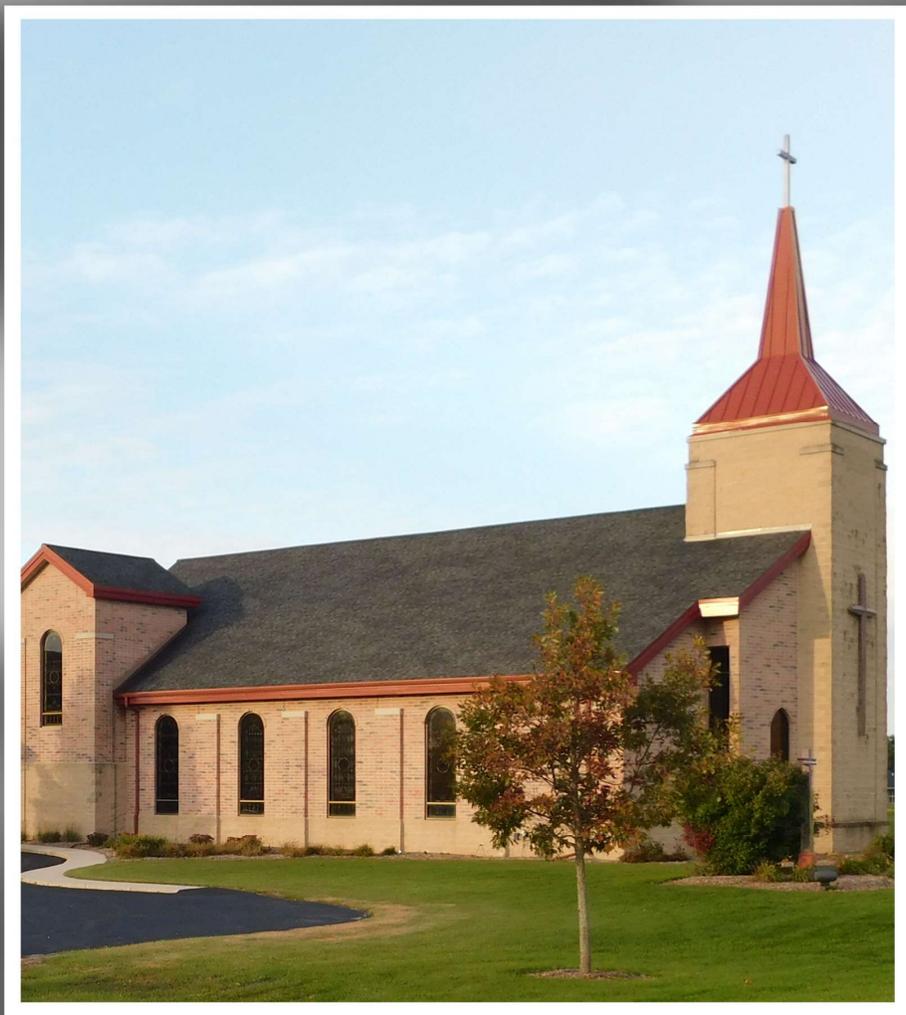
entertain you as they bring this story to life on the MLHS stage. Please join us in this family friendly production March 11-13 at MLHS. Production times: Friday and Saturday evening at 7:00 P.M. and Sunday at 2:00 P.M. You can reserve your seat/purchase your tickets online at www.mlhslancers.org/drama.

5. **MLHS Alumni and friends are invited to our first MLHS Encore Preshow Reception!** With your RSVP you will receive one FREE general admissions ticket (bleacher seats) to the March 12 performance of *Fiddler on the Roof*! Join us for an alumni reception at 5:30pm in the MLHS conference room before the show. You are still welcome to purchase a reserve seat on the floor for yourself or a guest via the link below.
Please RSVP by March 1 by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/news-events. Click on the “Attend Encore” button at the bottom of the Encore promotion on the webpage.
6. **MLHS SPRING SHOWCASE:** It is time once again for the MLHS Spring Showcase, and we would like to invite you! This year’s event will be held on Saturday, March 19th at Knox’s Silver Valley and will include a plated dinner, live & silent auctions, a raffle (with top prize of \$5,000!), and entertainment by Riley Haupt. All proceeds this year will benefit the MLHS Track & Field program as we work to build our own facilities. Go to: <https://www.mlhslancers.org/showcase> for all the details including times. And be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates. We hope to see you there!
7. **Christian Family Solutions Presentation: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes** Lakeshore Lutheran Schools will be offering a presentation for all parents at Manitowoc Lutheran High School on Tuesday March 29, 2022 at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend this FREE presentation. Please RSVP at www.mlhslancers.org/cfs today. Presentation Information: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes of Christian Family Solutions. Description: The adolescent brain undergoes tremendous growth during the teen years. Parents are often stunned and confused by teen behavior. Teens’ brains are changing during the adolescent years. The reaction from teens has been, “Would someone please tell my parents about this?” So, now we are.
8. **Junior Lancer Open Registrations-Baseball** Please register today! Go to: www.mlhslancers.org/juniorlancers Registration closes February 25th!

9. **MLHS Newsletters and More:** Stay in touch with your high school and subscribe to various newsletters by going to www.mlhslancers.org/subscription. After subscribing you will receive the newsletter(s) you signed up for. **Be sure to check your junk mail** as the first one may go there instead. The alumni newsletter is one of the options listed. You will not want to miss reading what a recent alumni shared in the December Alumni newsletter. ENJOY! For any questions contact mlhs@mlhslancers.org.
10. **Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale** invites any confirmed member from our area WELS congregations on the Lakeshore. We rehearse on the scheduled Sunday evenings at 6:00pm in the Choir Room at Manitowoc Lutheran. Rehearsals are normally 90 minutes (about 1 and a half hours) or less and you do not have to be at every practice to sing! This is a wonderful opportunity to sing in a concert alongside the MLHS choirs! Please consider joining us, if you would like more information, please contact our director Matt Manthe at am5thof8@comcast.net. For a schedule of practices go to: www.mlhslancers.org/volunteer and scroll down to The Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale section.
11. **Charitable Giving Through Estate Planning** - Estate planning (also called a will or trust) is a collection of documents that specify how you want your money and other assets distributed after your death, making it easier for your loved ones to handle your affairs during a time of grief. This one-on-one coaching is sponsored by MLHS and is confidential. Due to a generous donation, when you complete the one-on-one coaching through SFC and you will be reimbursed up to \$500 for the attorney fees! Individuals will be responsible for paying other attorney fees if applicable. This is simply a gift from the MLHS Foundation to you and your family for your love and support of Manitowoc Lutheran High School. Coaching can be done one on one or via zoom call. More information can be found on the MLHS website or contact Ryan Hulse – rhulse@mlhslancers.org

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Welcome to St. Paul's!

A special welcome to our guests and visitors!

When Jesus was baptized at the Jordan River, he was anointed by the Holy Spirit and approved by God the Father: "You are my Son, whom I love." During the season of Epiphany, we follow Jesus' ministry and invite you to see him revealed as the chosen Savior of the world -- your Savior from sin and death. Our congregation exists to grow in Christ and go with Christ.

Thank you for joining us!



We at St. Paul's share a common belief that Jesus is our Savior from sin and is the Lord of our lives. Our faith is based on God's Word, which is revealed in the Bible. We want to share this great news with as many people as possible, because we know that Jesus lived, died, and rose from death to save all people!



WORSHIP DURING THESE TIMES

All pews are open for seating. Face coverings are optional - up to the individual. Please feel free to use the Bibles/Hymnals in the racks. Hand sanitizer is available in the narthex. There are bulletins available in the narthex or from an usher. Please keep or discard them at the end of worship. Offerings can be placed in the marked boxes in the narthex.

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP INFORMATION

On our website you will find previous and the current links for our worship services, bulletins, and announcements. We livestream the 8:00 a.m. service every Sunday. We can also make a copy of our worship on a DVD for you. In order to ensure cleanliness, you do not need to return the a DVD. Please consider a small monetary donation (\$2) to cover the cost of it.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Join us after first service, at 9:15 a.m., for our Family Bible Hour. We have Sunday school for 4K-8th grade, Youth Group Bible Class for high school age kids, and Adult Bible Class. Childcare is offered during the Adult Bible Class. There are other Bible Study Opportunities during the week. Contact one of our Pastors for more information.

COMMUNION

We offer Communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month as well as those following Monday evenings. Because God says that Communion is an expression of unity (1 Cor.10:16-17), we practice close communion, inviting up to the Lord's Table those who have explored and established unity with us on the basis of God's Word. Please speak to a pastor if you have questions about our practice.

FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." ~Matthew 19:14

There are changing tables located in BOTH the women's and men's school bathrooms. Near the entrance of the church, there are children's quiet bags with pictures, books, and a sketch tablet. If you use them, please put them back after the service. Based on Scriptural examples and developmental evidence, parents at St. Paul's worship with their young children. We encourage members to reserve the back few pews for families with small children. We have a nursery room located just off the narthex. There is a speaker in there so you can still hear and take part in the worship service. Please feel free to use this room for you child(ren), including a place to nurse.



St. Paul's Lutheran Church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (The WELS) and was founded in 1862. We have our Lutheran elementary school (4K-grade 8) on site and are part of a federation of churches to support our own high school, Manitowoc Lutheran High School.

Today's Worship Focus: *Throughout the season of Epiphany, we have considered reasons God's people come together: to witness a miracle and for boldness in opposition, for instruction in righteousness and strengthened faith, for sharing a holy meal. For our last week of this series, the Lord sums it up by simply saying, "Do it! Meet together!" Call Jesus Lord and do what he says. Draw near to God. Spur each other on. Reform your actions. And you will withstand the torrent. God's people gather together for Encouraging One Another.*

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

CW 680



1 Bap-tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me to be hence-forth your
 3 My faith - ful God, you fail me nev - er; your prom - ise sure - ly
 4 All that I am and love most dear - ly— re - ceive it all, O



Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,
 child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, there you let me
 will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er
 Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;



a - mong your saints, your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and
 the fruit of all your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,
 if words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I
 help me your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I



dead to sin, your Spir - it now shall live with - in.
 com - fort me when threat - ning clouds a - round I see.
 come de - filed; for - give, lift up, re - store your child.
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Stand

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution

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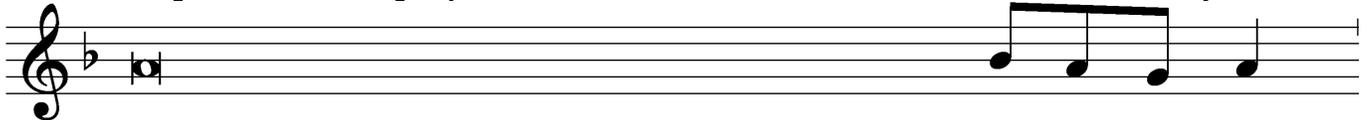
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

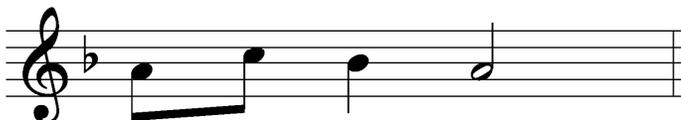
Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



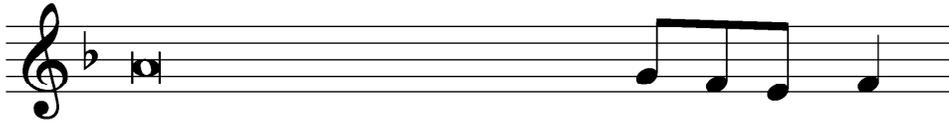
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



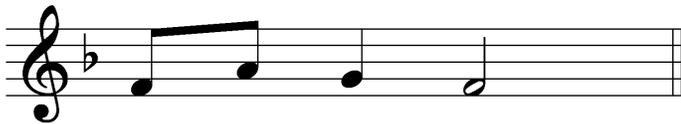
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

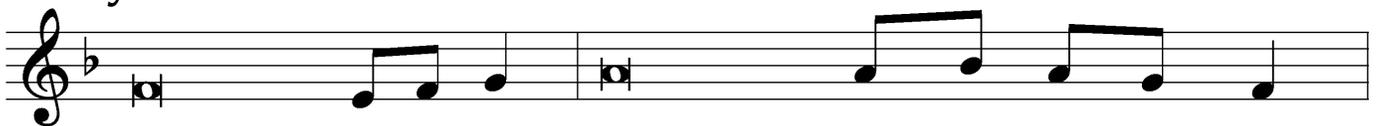


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Glory Be to God

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,
 God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;
 have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.
 You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.
 For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE WORD

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, your Word is a lamp for our feet and a light on our path. Cause the light of your Word to shine brightly in our hearts by faith that we may know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly

day by day; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Jeremiah 7:1–8

The LORD calls on his people not merely to listen to words but to change their ways and act justly.

¹This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ²“Stand at the gate of the LORD’s house and there proclaim this message:

“ ‘Hear the word of the LORD, all you people of Judah who come through these gates to worship the LORD. ³This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: Reform your ways and your actions, and I will let you live in this place. ⁴Do not trust in deceptive words and say, “This is the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD!” ⁵If you really change your ways and your actions and deal with each other justly, ⁶if you do not oppress the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow and do not shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not follow other gods to your own harm, ⁷then I will let you live in this place, in the land I gave your ancestors for ever and ever. ⁸But look, you are trusting in deceptive words that are worthless.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

They Will Know We Are Christian by Our Love

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; and we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side; we will work with each other, we will work side by side; we'll respect people's dignity and in love abide.

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Second Reading

Hebrews 10:19–27

Let us now give up meeting together, cleansed from a guilty conscience, holding to our hope, and encouraging each other in love.

¹⁹Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

²⁶If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, ²⁷but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

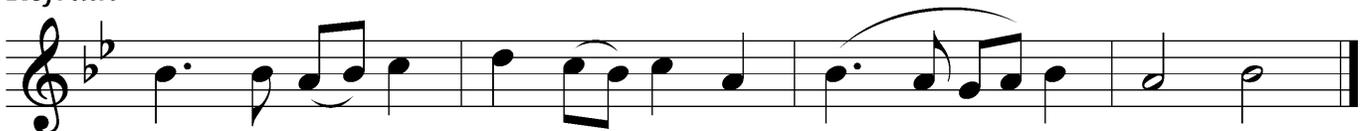
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Gospel Acclamation

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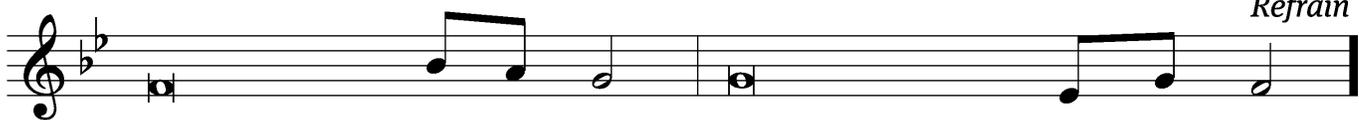


Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone



Jesus is the light of the world; in him we have the light of life.

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Gospel

Luke 6:39–49

Those who come to Jesus, hear his words and practice them are like an unshakeable house on a solid rock.

³⁹He also told them this parable: “Can the blind lead the blind? Will they not both fall into a pit? ⁴⁰The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher.

⁴¹“Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴²How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when you yourself fail to see the plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.

⁴³“No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. ⁴⁴Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briars. ⁴⁵A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.

⁴⁶“Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say? ⁴⁷As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like. ⁴⁸They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. ⁴⁹But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete.”
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Oh, How Good It Is

CW 731

Soloist: verses 1 & 2 and refrains

ALL: Please join in verse 3 & the final refrain.



1 Oh, how good it is when the fam - 'ly of God dwells to -
2 Oh, how good it is on this jour - ney we share to re -
3 Oh, how good it is to em - brace his com - mand to pre -



geth - er in spir - it, in faith and u - ni - ty. Where the
joice with the hap - py and weep with those who mourn. For the
fer one an - oth - er, for - give as he for - gives. When we



bonds of peace, of ac - cept - ance and love are the
weak find strength, the af - flict - ed find grace when we
live as one we all share in the love of the



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of - fer the bless - ing of be - long - ing.
Son with the Fa - ther and the Spir - it.

Refrain



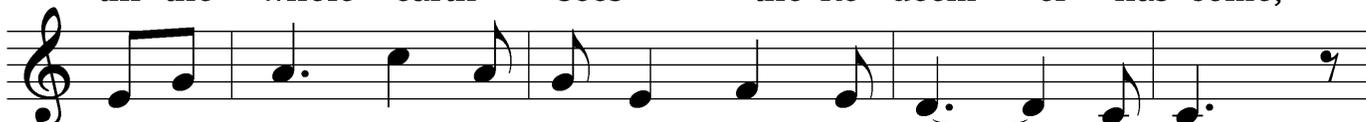
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,



and with one heart we'll live out his word,



till the whole earth sees the Re - deem - er has come,



for he dwells in the pres - ence of his peo - ple.

Text: Stuart Townend, b. 1963; Ross Holmes, b. 1984; Kristyn Getty, b. 1980; Keith Getty, b. 1974

Sermon

Hebrews 10

This Is What We Do with It...We Live It!
With faith * With hope * With love

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition*]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [*especially . . . here name the person*]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

Be seated

The Offering will be brought forward during the following hymn.

383 The Only Son from Heaven

CW 383



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, fore - told by an - cient seers,
 2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!
 3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en to know and love you more,
 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore you with God the Ho - ly Ghost



by God the Fa - ther giv - en, in hu - man form ap - pears.
 He comes, the King a - noint - ed, the Christ, the vir - gin - born,
 in faith to stand un - shak - en, in spir - it to a - dore,
 and Je - sus, we a - dore you, O Pride of an - gel host.



No sphere his light con - fin - ing, no star so
 grim death to con - quer for us, to o - pen
 that we, through this world mov - ing, each glimpse of
 Be - fore you mor - tals low - ly cry, "Ho - ly,



bright - ly shin - ing as he, our Morn - ing Star.
 heav'n be - fore us and bring us life a - gain.
 heav - en prov - ing, may reap its full - ness there.
 ho - ly, ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

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Stand

Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Everlasting life; through

Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

874 Preserve Your Word, O Savior

CW 874 sts. 1-2



1 Pre - serve your Word, O Sav - ior, to us this lat - ter
2 Pre - serve your Word and preach - ing, the truth that makes us



day, and let your king - dom flour - ish; en - large your
whole, the mir - ror of your glo - ry, the pow'r that
Church, we pray. O keep our faith from fail - ing, keep
saves the soul. Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, this
hope's bright star a - glow; let noth - ing turn us
spring of heav'n - ly grace, sus - tain us while here
from you while wan - d'ring here be - low.
liv - ing un - til we see your face.

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USHERS: 8:00 a.m.- Corey Schroeder, Clay Schroeder, Brian Stauss, Andy Sprenger, Kevin Oleck. 10:30 a.m. Jeff Plass, Todd Marten, John Marten, Dave Probst.

Online giving options available

In thanks to our gracious Lord and his gift of forgiveness in Jesus, we bring to him a generous portion of all we have received from him. Offerings for the Lord's work may be placed in one of the designated boxes in the narthex today. They may also be mailed in, dropped off in the office, or given online.



OFFERING: 2/13 & 2/14: \$13,370 (WEEKLY BUDGET GOAL: \$16,300).

ADDITIONAL \$12,055 WAS RECEIVED FOR GROWING FORWARD.

\$25 FOR THE ARDITH FOELSKE MEMORIAL.

This Week at a Glance:	
Date	Service, Bible Study, and Class Times
Sunday, February 20	5th-8th Sing Both Services Worship Services: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. <u>Link to Online Weekend Worship Services</u>
	9:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour
Monday, February 21	6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship
	7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
Tuesday, February 22	6:30 p.m. BIC
	7:00 p.m. Adult Open Gym
Wednesday, February 23	8:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Bible Study
	8:45 a.m. Bible Study
	9:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Playdate
	4:15 p.m. Public School Catechism
	6:30 p.m. Elders
Thursday, February 24	6:30 p.m. St. Paul's Science Night
Friday, February 25	6:00 p.m. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL

1. Sunday Bible Study - Our Sunday morning Bible studies take us through the book of James. James warns against a dead faith that does nothing. He encourages us to be active in faith, whether going through sufferings or speaking with love, whether in praying boldly or planning humbly, helping the poor or practicing good works. Come and receive guidance in living your faith!

2. New Bible Information Class has started for those new to the faith or renewing the Christian faith. We meet on Tuesdays starting at 6:30pm in the commons/lunchroom. For those who were interested but couldn't attend this one,

the church staff is planning the next class to start sometime in early June (not sure day/time).

- 3. Thursday Evening Bible Study - "Connecting Sinai to Calvary" @ 6:30 pm 2/3-3/31;** Based on the book by the same name, this study of the Old Testament reveals how God was intricately involved in the lives of his people and how his plan of salvation was carried through generations to be fulfilled through his Son on the cross. All are invited to attend as often as you are able! There is no need to purchase the book. Contact Luther Curia if you have any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 4. Marriage Enrichment Retreat - FINAL WEEK TO REGISTER:** St. Paul's will be hosting a marriage enrichment retreat at the Osthoff Resort Friday-Saturday, March 18-19. Jesus designed marriage and can make your marriage richer than you imagined. Spend a weekend finding out how. Prior to the weekend, you will each complete a confidential online survey and receive a customized report on ten areas of your married life. Then you'll spend the weekend applying the riches of God's grace to the areas of your marriage in which you're strong...and in which you have room to grow. The result? A richer marriage. The retreat will be led by Luther Curia, Staff Minister at St. Paul's. Flyers with event details and registration forms can be found in the office. You can also register online [HERE](#). Contact Luther Curia with any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 5. Pizzas will be made and ready for pickup at the school on Saturday, February 19th.** We could use a few additional volunteers for assembly day if anyone would like to join us! We'll begin making pizzas in the St. Paul's gym at 8:00am on the 19th. If you want more details or are interested in helping contact Katie Meyer at katieb82@hotmail.com.
- 6. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL -** Join the Activities Committee (formerly the Stewardship Committee) for ice skating at Rochester Park Friday, February 25 from 6:00-8:00! The rink is located on the outfield of the Rochester Park baseball diamond and is a full 84'x144' rink! The park has limited hockey equipment and skates available for use - these items are being offered on the "honor system" so please take care of them and put them back when you're finished. We encourage everyone to bring their own skates if they have them. We also hope to have some snow to do some sledding at the park, so bring along your sleds. We'll have plenty of hot cocoa and apple cider to warm you up throughout the evening! Hope to see you there! Rochester Park is located at 710 Hickory Street, Sheboygan Falls.

7. **Mindful Moms Bible Study** - Now every Wednesday at 8:30am, there is a 45 minute women's Bible study. We've begun a book on Philippians - Living in the Joy of Christ. All participants will receive a study book. Come to be enriched in God's Word together with fellowship and encouragement!
8. **Mindful Moms NEW Playdate** Mindful Moms is excited to have new playdate activities at a new time! Join us every Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 in the school gym for a Music and Movement playdate. Each week there will be a segment including fingerplays, singing, music, and/or movement songs where moms and kids can play and work together. There will also be free play time for the kids to run and explore and moms can enjoy chatting together. Hope to see you there!
9. **Youth Rally Meeting** – Planning is underway for the 2022 WELS Youth Rally in Knoxville, TN. The dates of the Rally are 6/28 – 7/1. Any students that are currently in 8th grade through seniors in high school can attend the rally. We will also need several adult youth leaders, so if you are interested in going as a leader, please come to the meeting as well! If you want more information about the rally but cannot attend the meeting on February 13th, please contact Mike Leahy – mleahy@live.com
10. **Registration** for Preschool and Kindergarten is open! You can register through the St Paul's School website or Click on the links to register for the 2022-2023 School Year. Kindergarten Registration Link - Preschool Registration Link .
11. **Tuesday night basketball** will be running again starting on January 11, 2022. It will run every Tuesday night from 7-8:30. Everyone ages 12 and up are welcome to join us.
12. **Silent Auction Tickets** - Our St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up on Saturday, March 5. Watch for more details! Tickets are now available for purchase between services as well as during the week at the office up until February 20th. Early Bird pricing available. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions about the event.
13. **Silent Auction Donations:** The St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up fast and we are looking for donations for that night! Not sure what to donate? There are some donation examples on a poster board near the school entrance. Please include with your donation a description, the value, and your name or if you would like to remain anonymous. All donations can be dropped off at the school

office. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions.
bethels_2000@yahoo.com or 920-912-2379.

14. Lenten Meals - This Lenten Season is fast approaching! We are planning on having meals before worship. The following groups have signed up:

March 2nd: Altar Guild

March 9th: OPEN

March 16th: PTF/Teachers/Parents (Brats and Hotdogs)

March 23rd: Pioneers

March 30th: Ladies Aid (Sloppy Joes)

April 6th: Youth Group (Tacos)

We are still looking for a group on March 9th. Please contact the office to sign up. Thank you to the above groups for signing up! We look forward to your awesome meal!

15. Altar Guild is serving Lenten supper on Ash Wednesday. There is a sign-up sheet in the member room for Altar Guild members to sign-up to help and bring items. Any questions please contact Lisa Specht.

16. Mr. Dais Call: Dear Members of St. Paul's, Thank you so much for all your comments and prayers the past couple weeks. I have returned the call to Peridot. My family and I are incredibly blessed to be part of the ministry going on here at St. Paul's and we can't wait to see what the Lord has in store for all of us here!

17. The Howards Grove Fire Department is looking for donations of cakes and tortes for their Brat Fry on February 27th! The Brat Fry runs from 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.. Donations can be placed in the kitchen, on the back counter, with your name on your pan. Mark Eichhorts will make sure that your pan is returned to St. Paul's for pickup. Please contact Mark with any questions.

18. Double Kwik Trip! Earn funds for our school twice as fast because Kwik Trip is doubling the discount given to us through the month of February. (Now 10%). You can buy your Scrip between services or by calling or visiting the office.

19. The Church Newsletter was emailed this past Friday. If you requested a printed copy you will find it in your mailbox. Also, if you are not receiving a printed copy but would like to, please contact the office to be added to the list.

20. The Church Council is assembling a group of 4-5 people for service on the Building Committee. When finalized, we plan to announce them and install them soon into their office.

21. Please note the giving chart in the narthex. This corresponds to the amount we hope to raise for the building project by mid-May. We plan to update the chart weekly, as able.

MLHS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. MLHS Call Update** - At the Special Call Meeting this past Saturday, the federation called Pastor David Frey to serve in our theology department. Dave is currently serving at Living Word in Mission Viejo, CA. He is married and has five children (the oldest is 13). Dave and his wife Heidi both grew up in Michigan and both are MLS graduates. Dave is 36, and he has been serving the parish where he is since his assignment in 2011. Heidi is a nurse. Please keep them in your prayers.
- 2. MLHS Federation Special Campaign Drive!** During the Epiphany season the members of the MLHS federation congregations are encouraged to give support to the campaign with pledges or donations. Information about this drive is being sent to the leadership of the congregations with the request that it then be shared with all members. It is important that as many as possible know about this drive and participate in it as we approach the initial stages of the project itself. Epiphany is a reminder to us of what our mission is...as individual congregations and schools, and as a federation. We want all people to know the light of the gospel that is found in the Baby born in Bethlehem. This project will help our school carry out that mission, which is the heart and core of all we do at MLHS! Thanks for your generous support!
- 3. Junior Lancer Wrestling Tournament:** It is that time of year again when we hold the annual Jr. Wrestling Tournament. This is a fun and exciting day for the wrestlers, family and friends! A concessions stand is available and serves food from morning to the end of the tournament. In order to make this possible we need your help. Please consider signing up to work in the canteen or sign up to donate food items that are needed for the concession stand. Sign up by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/jrlancers . Thanks!
- 4. SPRING MUSICAL:** The Drama Club from Manitowoc Lutheran High School proudly presents *Fiddler on the Roof*. Rich with musical hits you know and love, including “Tradition,” “Sunrise, Sunset,” “If I Were a Rich Man,” “Matchmaker, Matchmaker,” plus many more. *Fiddler on the Roof* tells the heartwarming story of father and daughters, husbands and wives, and the timeless traditions that define faith and family. A wonderful cast of forty-nine and a live pit orchestra will

entertain you as they bring this story to life on the MLHS stage. Please join us in this family friendly production March 11-13 at MLHS. Production times: Friday and Saturday evening at 7:00 P.M. and Sunday at 2:00 P.M. You can reserve your seat/purchase your tickets online at www.mlhslancers.org/drama.

5. **MLHS Alumni and friends are invited to our first MLHS Encore Preshow Reception!** With your RSVP you will receive one FREE general admissions ticket (bleacher seats) to the March 12 performance of *Fiddler on the Roof*! Join us for an alumni reception at 5:30pm in the MLHS conference room before the show. You are still welcome to purchase a reserve seat on the floor for yourself or a guest via the link below.
Please RSVP by March 1 by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/news-events. Click on the “Attend Encore” button at the bottom of the Encore promotion on the webpage.
6. **MLHS SPRING SHOWCASE:** It is time once again for the MLHS Spring Showcase, and we would like to invite you! This year’s event will be held on Saturday, March 19th at Knox’s Silver Valley and will include a plated dinner, live & silent auctions, a raffle (with top prize of \$5,000!), and entertainment by Riley Haupt. All proceeds this year will benefit the MLHS Track & Field program as we work to build our own facilities. Go to: <https://www.mlhslancers.org/showcase> for all the details including times. And be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates. We hope to see you there!
7. **Christian Family Solutions Presentation: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes** Lakeshore Lutheran Schools will be offering a presentation for all parents at Manitowoc Lutheran High School on Tuesday March 29, 2022 at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend this FREE presentation. Please RSVP at www.mlhslancers.org/cfs today. Presentation Information: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain* – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes of Christian Family Solutions. Description: The adolescent brain undergoes tremendous growth during the teen years. Parents are often stunned and confused by teen behavior. Teens’ brains are changing during the adolescent years. The reaction from teens has been, “Would someone please tell my parents about this?” So, now we are.
8. **Junior Lancer Open Registrations-Baseball** Please register today! Go to: www.mlhslancers.org/juniorlancers Registration closes February 25th!

9. **MLHS Newsletters and More:** Stay in touch with your high school and subscribe to various newsletters by going to www.mlhslancers.org/subscription. After subscribing you will receive the newsletter(s) you signed up for. **Be sure to check your junk mail** as the first one may go there instead. The alumni newsletter is one of the options listed. You will not want to miss reading what a recent alumni shared in the December Alumni newsletter. ENJOY! For any questions contact mlhs@mlhslancers.org.
10. **Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale** invites any confirmed member from our area WELS congregations on the Lakeshore. We rehearse on the scheduled Sunday evenings at 6:00pm in the Choir Room at Manitowoc Lutheran. Rehearsals are normally 90 minutes (about 1 and a half hours) or less and you do not have to be at every practice to sing! This is a wonderful opportunity to sing in a concert alongside the MLHS choirs! Please consider joining us, if you would like more information, please contact our director Matt Manthe at am5thof8@comcast.net. For a schedule of practices go to: www.mlhslancers.org/volunteer and scroll down to The Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale section.
11. **Charitable Giving Through Estate Planning** - Estate planning (also called a will or trust) is a collection of documents that specify how you want your money and other assets distributed after your death, making it easier for your loved ones to handle your affairs during a time of grief. This one-on-one coaching is sponsored by MLHS and is confidential. Due to a generous donation, when you complete the one-on-one coaching through SFC and you will be reimbursed up to \$500 for the attorney fees! Individuals will be responsible for paying other attorney fees if applicable. This is simply a gift from the MLHS Foundation to you and your family for your love and support of Manitowoc Lutheran High School. Coaching can be done one on one or via zoom call. More information can be found on the MLHS website or contact Ryan Hulse – rhulse@mlhslancers.org

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Welcome to St. Paul's!

A special welcome to our guests and visitors!

When Jesus was baptized at the Jordan River, he was anointed by the Holy Spirit and approved by God the Father: "You are my Son, whom I love." During the season of Epiphany, we follow Jesus' ministry and invite you to see him revealed as the chosen Savior of the world -- your Savior from sin and death. Our congregation exists to grow in Christ and go with Christ.

Thank you for joining us!



We at St. Paul's share a common belief that Jesus is our Savior from sin and is the Lord of our lives. Our faith is based on God's Word, which is revealed in the Bible. We want to share this great news with as many people as possible, because we know that Jesus lived, died, and rose from death to save all people!



WORSHIP DURING THESE TIMES

All pews are open for seating. Face coverings are optional - up to the individual. Please feel free to use the Bibles/Hymnals in the racks. Hand sanitizer is available in the narthex. There are bulletins available in the narthex or from an usher. Please keep or discard them at the end of worship. Offerings can be placed in the marked boxes in the narthex.

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP INFORMATION

On our website you will find previous and the current links for our worship services, bulletins, and announcements. We livestream the 8:00 a.m. service every Sunday. We can also make a copy of our worship on a DVD for you. In order to ensure cleanliness, you do not need to return the a DVD. Please consider a small monetary donation (\$2) to cover the cost of it.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Join us after first service, at 9:15 a.m., for our Family Bible Hour. We have Sunday school for 4K-8th grade, Youth Group Bible Class for high school age kids, and Adult Bible Class. Childcare is offered during the Adult Bible Class. There are other Bible Study Opportunities during the week. Contact one of our Pastors for more information.

COMMUNION

We offer Communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month as well as those following Monday evenings. Because God says that Communion is an expression of unity (1 Cor.10:16-17), we practice close communion, inviting up to the Lord's Table those who have explored and established unity with us on the basis of God's Word. Please speak to a pastor if you have questions about our practice.

FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." ~Matthew 19:14

There are changing tables located in BOTH the women's and men's school bathrooms. Near the entrance of the church, there are children's quiet bags with pictures, books, and a sketch tablet. If you use them, please put them back after the service. Based on Scriptural examples and developmental evidence, parents at St. Paul's worship with their young children. We encourage members to reserve the back few pews for families with small children. We have a nursery room located just off the narthex. There is a speaker in there so you can still hear and take part in the worship service. Please feel free to use this room for you child(ren), including a place to nurse.



St. Paul's Lutheran Church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (The WELS) and was founded in 1862. We have our Lutheran elementary school (4K-grade 8) on site and are part of a federation of churches to support our own high school, Manitowoc Lutheran High School.

Today's Worship Focus: *Throughout the season of Epiphany, we have considered reasons God's people come together: to witness a miracle and for boldness in opposition, for instruction in righteousness and strengthened faith, for sharing a holy meal. For our last week of this series, the Lord sums it up by simply saying, "Do it! Meet together!" Call Jesus Lord and do what he says. Draw near to God. Spur each other on. Reform your actions. And you will withstand the torrent. God's people gather together for Encouraging One Another.*

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

CW 680



1 Bap-tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me to be hence-forth your
 3 My faith - ful God, you fail me nev - er; your prom - ise sure - ly
 4 All that I am and love most dear - ly— re - ceive it all, O



Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,
 child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, there you let me
 will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er
 Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;



a - mong your saints, your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and
 the fruit of all your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,
 if words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I
 help me your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I



dead to sin, your Spir - it now shall live with - in.
 com - fort me when threat - ning clouds a - round I see.
 come de - filed; for - give, lift up, re - store your child.
 am or own serve an - y will but yours a - lone.

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Stand

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution

CW 156

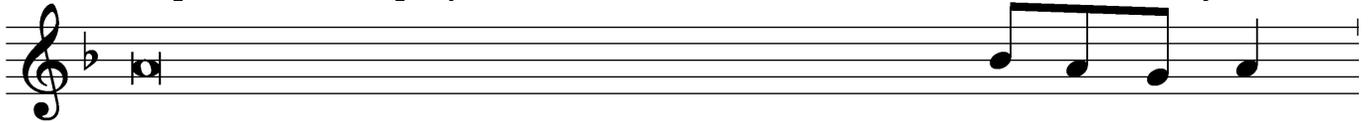
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

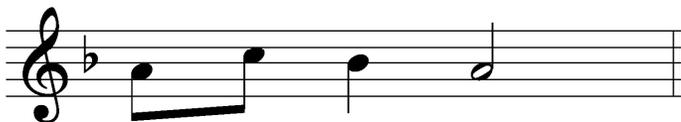
Lord, Have Mercy



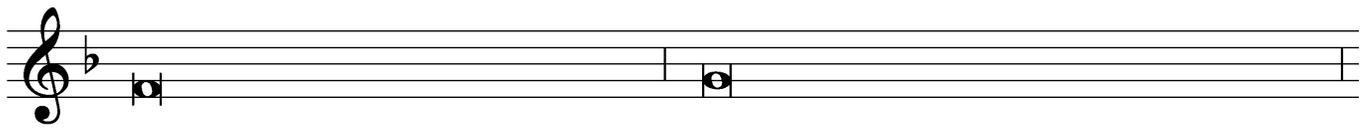
In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



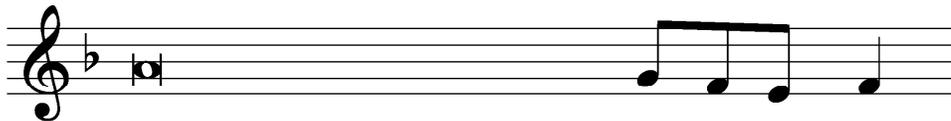
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



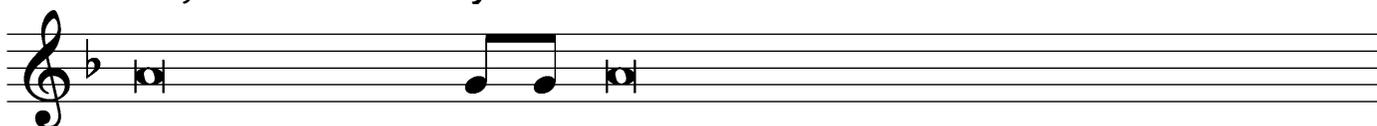
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



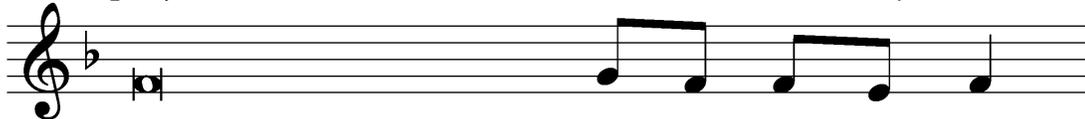
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

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Glory Be to God

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,
 God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;
 have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.
 You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.
 For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE WORD

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, your Word is a lamp for our feet and a light on our path. Cause the light of your Word to shine brightly in our hearts by faith that we may know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly

day by day; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Jeremiah 7:1–8

The LORD calls on his people not merely to listen to words but to change their ways and act justly.

¹This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ²“Stand at the gate of the LORD’s house and there proclaim this message:

“ ‘Hear the word of the LORD, all you people of Judah who come through these gates to worship the LORD. ³This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: Reform your ways and your actions, and I will let you live in this place. ⁴Do not trust in deceptive words and say, “This is the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD!” ⁵If you really change your ways and your actions and deal with each other justly, ⁶if you do not oppress the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow and do not shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not follow other gods to your own harm, ⁷then I will let you live in this place, in the land I gave your ancestors for ever and ever. ⁸But look, you are trusting in deceptive words that are worthless.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

They Will Know We Are Christian by Our Love

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; and we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side; we will work with each other, we will work side by side; we'll respect people's dignity and in love abide.

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Second Reading

Hebrews 10:19–27

Let us now give up meeting together, cleansed from a guilty conscience, holding to our hope, and encouraging each other in love.

¹⁹Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

²⁶If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, ²⁷but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

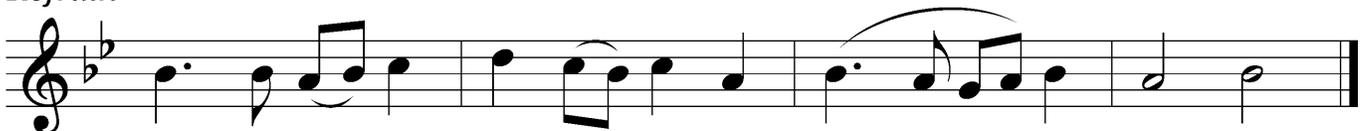
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Gospel Acclamation

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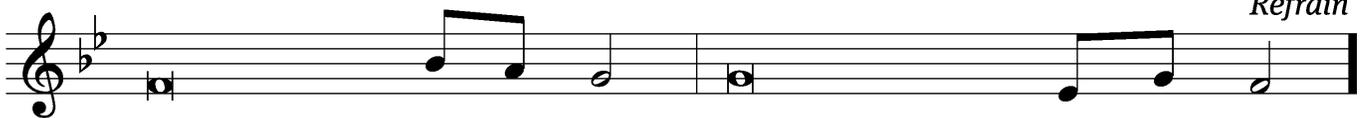


Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone



Jesus is the light of the world; in him we have the light of life.

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Gospel

Luke 6:39–49

Those who come to Jesus, hear his words and practice them are like an unshakeable house on a solid rock.

³⁹He also told them this parable: “Can the blind lead the blind? Will they not both fall into a pit? ⁴⁰The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher.

⁴¹“Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴²How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when you yourself fail to see the plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.

⁴³“No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. ⁴⁴Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briars. ⁴⁵A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.

⁴⁶“Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say? ⁴⁷As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like. ⁴⁸They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. ⁴⁹But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete.”
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Oh, How Good It Is

CW 731

Soloist: verses 1 & 2 and refrains

ALL: Please join in verse 3 & the final refrain.



1 Oh, how good it is when the fam - 'ly of God dwells to -
2 Oh, how good it is on this jour - ney we share to re -
3 Oh, how good it is to em - brace his com - mand to pre -



geth - er in spir - it, in faith and u - ni - ty. Where the
joice with the hap - py and weep with those who mourn. For the
fer one an - oth - er, for - give as he for - gives. When we



bonds of peace, of ac - cept - ance and love are the
weak find strength, the af - flict - ed find grace when we
live as one we all share in the love of the



fruits of his pres - ence here a - mong us.
of - fer the bless - ing of be - long - ing.
Son with the Fa - ther and the Spir - it.

Refrain



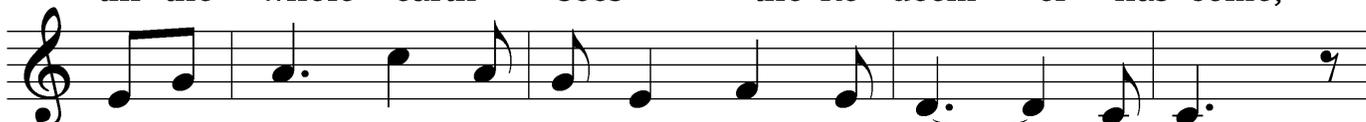
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,



and with one heart we'll live out his word,



till the whole earth sees the Re - deem - er has come,



for he dwells in the pres - ence of his peo - ple.

Text: Stuart Townend, b. 1963; Ross Holmes, b. 1984; Kristyn Getty, b. 1980; Keith Getty, b. 1974

Sermon

Hebrews 10

This Is What We Do with It...We Live It!
With faith * With hope * With love

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition*]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [*especially . . . here name the person*]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

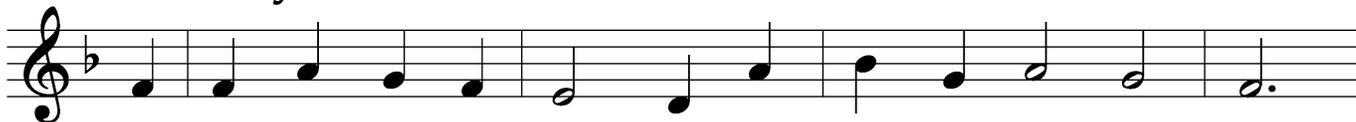
Amen.

Be seated

The Offering will be brought forward during the following hymn.

383 The Only Son from Heaven

CW 383



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, fore - told by an - cient seers,
 2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!
 3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en to know and love you more,
 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore you with God the Ho - ly Ghost



by God the Fa - ther giv - en, in hu - man form ap - pears.
 He comes, the King a - noint - ed, the Christ, the vir - gin - born,
 in faith to stand un - shak - en, in spir - it to a - dore,
 and Je - sus, we a - dore you, O Pride of an - gel host.



No sphere his light con - fin - ing, no star so
 grim death to con - quer for us, to o - pen
 that we, through this world mov - ing, each glimpse of
 Be - fore you mor - tals low - ly cry, "Ho - ly,



bright - ly shin - ing as he, our Morn - ing Star.
 heav'n be - fore us and bring us life a - gain.
 heav - en prov - ing, may reap its full - ness there.
 ho - ly, ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

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Stand

Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Everlasting life; through

Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

874 Preserve Your Word, O Savior

CW 874 sts. 1-2



1 Pre - serve your Word, O Sav - ior, to us this lat - ter
2 Pre - serve your Word and preach - ing, the truth that makes us



day, and let your king - dom flour - ish; en - large your
whole, the mir - ror of your glo - ry, the pow'r that
Church, we pray. O keep our faith from fail - ing, keep
saves the soul. Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, this
hope's bright star a - glow; let noth - ing turn us
spring of heav'n - ly grace, sus - tain us while here
from you while wan - d'ring here be - low.
liv - ing un - til we see your face.

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ALTAR GUILD: Sandra Weber, Konni Harbach, Dawn Marten.

USHERS: 8:00 a.m.- Corey Schroeder, Clay Schroeder, Brian Stauss, Andy Sprenger, Kevin Oleck. 10:30 a.m. Jeff Plass, Todd Marten, John Marten, Dave Probst.

Online giving options available

In thanks to our gracious Lord and his gift of forgiveness in Jesus, we bring to him a generous portion of all we have received from him. Offerings for the Lord's work may be placed in one of the designated boxes in the narthex today. They may also be mailed in, dropped off in the office, or given online.



OFFERING: 2/13 & 2/14: \$13,370 (WEEKLY BUDGET GOAL: \$16,300).

ADDITIONAL \$12,055 WAS RECEIVED FOR GROWING FORWARD.

\$25 FOR THE ARDITH FOELSKE MEMORIAL.

This Week at a Glance:	
Date	Service, Bible Study, and Class Times
Sunday, February 20	5th-8th Sing Both Services Worship Services: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. <u>Link to Online Weekend Worship Services</u>
	9:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour
Monday, February 21	6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship
	7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
Tuesday, February 22	6:30 p.m. BIC
	7:00 p.m. Adult Open Gym
Wednesday, February 23	8:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Bible Study
	8:45 a.m. Bible Study
	9:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Playdate
	4:15 p.m. Public School Catechism
	6:30 p.m. Elders
Thursday, February 24	6:30 p.m. St. Paul's Science Night
Friday, February 25	6:00 p.m. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL

- Sunday Bible Study** - Our Sunday morning Bible studies take us through the book of James. James warns against a dead faith that does nothing. He encourages us to be active in faith, whether going through sufferings or speaking with love, whether in praying boldly or planning humbly, helping the poor or practicing good works. Come and receive guidance in living your faith!
- New Bible Information Class** has started for those new to the faith or renewing the Christian faith. We meet on Tuesdays starting at 6:30pm in the commons/lunchroom. For those who were interested but couldn't attend this one,

the church staff is planning the next class to start sometime in early June (not sure day/time).

- 3. Thursday Evening Bible Study - "Connecting Sinai to Calvary" @ 6:30 pm 2/3-3/31;** Based on the book by the same name, this study of the Old Testament reveals how God was intricately involved in the lives of his people and how his plan of salvation was carried through generations to be fulfilled through his Son on the cross. All are invited to attend as often as you are able! There is no need to purchase the book. Contact Luther Curia if you have any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 4. Marriage Enrichment Retreat - FINAL WEEK TO REGISTER:** St. Paul's will be hosting a marriage enrichment retreat at the Osthoff Resort Friday-Saturday, March 18-19. Jesus designed marriage and can make your marriage richer than you imagined. Spend a weekend finding out how. Prior to the weekend, you will each complete a confidential online survey and receive a customized report on ten areas of your married life. Then you'll spend the weekend applying the riches of God's grace to the areas of your marriage in which you're strong...and in which you have room to grow. The result? A richer marriage. The retreat will be led by Luther Curia, Staff Minister at St. Paul's. Flyers with event details and registration forms can be found in the office. You can also register online [HERE](#). Contact Luther Curia with any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 5. Pizzas will be made and ready for pickup at the school on Saturday, February 19th.** We could use a few additional volunteers for assembly day if anyone would like to join us! We'll begin making pizzas in the St. Paul's gym at 8:00am on the 19th. If you want more details or are interested in helping contact Katie Meyer at katieb82@hotmail.com.
- 6. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL -** Join the Activities Committee (formerly the Stewardship Committee) for ice skating at Rochester Park Friday, February 25 from 6:00-8:00! The rink is located on the outfield of the Rochester Park baseball diamond and is a full 84'x144' rink! The park has limited hockey equipment and skates available for use - these items are being offered on the "honor system" so please take care of them and put them back when you're finished. We encourage everyone to bring their own skates if they have them. We also hope to have some snow to do some sledding at the park, so bring along your sleds. We'll have plenty of hot cocoa and apple cider to warm you up throughout the evening! Hope to see you there! Rochester Park is located at 710 Hickory Street, Sheboygan Falls.

7. **Mindful Moms Bible Study** - Now every Wednesday at 8:30am, there is a 45 minute women's Bible study. We've begun a book on Philippians - Living in the Joy of Christ. All participants will receive a study book. Come to be enriched in God's Word together with fellowship and encouragement!
8. **Mindful Moms NEW Playdate** Mindful Moms is excited to have new playdate activities at a new time! Join us every Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 in the school gym for a Music and Movement playdate. Each week there will be a segment including fingerplays, singing, music, and/or movement songs where moms and kids can play and work together. There will also be free play time for the kids to run and explore and moms can enjoy chatting together. Hope to see you there!
9. **Youth Rally Meeting** – Planning is underway for the 2022 WELS Youth Rally in Knoxville, TN. The dates of the Rally are 6/28 – 7/1. Any students that are currently in 8th grade through seniors in high school can attend the rally. We will also need several adult youth leaders, so if you are interested in going as a leader, please come to the meeting as well! If you want more information about the rally but cannot attend the meeting on February 13th, please contact Mike Leahy – mleahy@live.com
10. **Registration** for Preschool and Kindergarten is open! You can register through the St Paul's School website or Click on the links to register for the 2022-2023 School Year. Kindergarten Registration Link - Preschool Registration Link .
11. **Tuesday night basketball** will be running again starting on January 11, 2022. It will run every Tuesday night from 7-8:30. Everyone ages 12 and up are welcome to join us.
12. **Silent Auction Tickets** - Our St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up on Saturday, March 5. Watch for more details! Tickets are now available for purchase between services as well as during the week at the office up until February 20th. Early Bird pricing available. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions about the event.
13. **Silent Auction Donations:** The St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up fast and we are looking for donations for that night! Not sure what to donate? There are some donation examples on a poster board near the school entrance. Please include with your donation a description, the value, and your name or if you would like to remain anonymous. All donations can be dropped off at the school

office. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions.
bethels_2000@yahoo.com or 920-912-2379.

14. Lenten Meals - This Lenten Season is fast approaching! We are planning on having meals before worship. The following groups have signed up:

March 2nd: Altar Guild

March 9th: OPEN

March 16th: PTF/Teachers/Parents (Brats and Hotdogs)

March 23rd: Pioneers

March 30th: Ladies Aid (Sloppy Joes)

April 6th: Youth Group (Tacos)

We are still looking for a group on March 9th. Please contact the office to sign up. Thank you to the above groups for signing up! We look forward to your awesome meal!

15. Altar Guild is serving Lenten supper on Ash Wednesday. There is a sign-up sheet in the member room for Altar Guild members to sign-up to help and bring items. Any questions please contact Lisa Specht.

16. Mr. Dais Call: Dear Members of St. Paul's, Thank you so much for all your comments and prayers the past couple weeks. I have returned the call to Peridot. My family and I are incredibly blessed to be part of the ministry going on here at St. Paul's and we can't wait to see what the Lord has in store for all of us here!

17. The Howards Grove Fire Department is looking for donations of cakes and tortes for their Brat Fry on February 27th! The Brat Fry runs from 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.. Donations can be placed in the kitchen, on the back counter, with your name on your pan. Mark Eichhorts will make sure that your pan is returned to St. Paul's for pickup. Please contact Mark with any questions.

18. Double Kwik Trip! Earn funds for our school twice as fast because Kwik Trip is doubling the discount given to us through the month of February. (Now 10%). You can buy your Scrip between services or by calling or visiting the office.

19. The Church Newsletter was emailed this past Friday. If you requested a printed copy you will find it in your mailbox. Also, if you are not receiving a printed copy but would like to, please contact the office to be added to the list.

20. The Church Council is assembling a group of 4-5 people for service on the Building Committee. When finalized, we plan to announce them and install them soon into their office.

21. Please note the giving chart in the narthex. This corresponds to the amount we hope to raise for the building project by mid-May. We plan to update the chart weekly, as able.

MLHS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. MLHS Call Update** - At the Special Call Meeting this past Saturday, the federation called Pastor David Frey to serve in our theology department. Dave is currently serving at Living Word in Mission Viejo, CA. He is married and has five children (the oldest is 13). Dave and his wife Heidi both grew up in Michigan and both are MLS graduates. Dave is 36, and he has been serving the parish where he is since his assignment in 2011. Heidi is a nurse. Please keep them in your prayers.
- 2. MLHS Federation Special Campaign Drive!** During the Epiphany season the members of the MLHS federation congregations are encouraged to give support to the campaign with pledges or donations. Information about this drive is being sent to the leadership of the congregations with the request that it then be shared with all members. It is important that as many as possible know about this drive and participate in it as we approach the initial stages of the project itself. Epiphany is a reminder to us of what our mission is...as individual congregations and schools, and as a federation. We want all people to know the light of the gospel that is found in the Baby born in Bethlehem. This project will help our school carry out that mission, which is the heart and core of all we do at MLHS! Thanks for your generous support!
- 3. Junior Lancer Wrestling Tournament:** It is that time of year again when we hold the annual Jr. Wrestling Tournament. This is a fun and exciting day for the wrestlers, family and friends! A concessions stand is available and serves food from morning to the end of the tournament. In order to make this possible we need your help. Please consider signing up to work in the canteen or sign up to donate food items that are needed for the concession stand. Sign up by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/jrlancers . Thanks!
- 4. SPRING MUSICAL:** The Drama Club from Manitowoc Lutheran High School proudly presents *Fiddler on the Roof*. Rich with musical hits you know and love, including “Tradition,” “Sunrise, Sunset,” “If I Were a Rich Man,” “Matchmaker, Matchmaker,” plus many more. *Fiddler on the Roof* tells the heartwarming story of father and daughters, husbands and wives, and the timeless traditions that define faith and family. A wonderful cast of forty-nine and a live pit orchestra will

entertain you as they bring this story to life on the MLHS stage. Please join us in this family friendly production March 11-13 at MLHS. Production times: Friday and Saturday evening at 7:00 P.M. and Sunday at 2:00 P.M. You can reserve your seat/purchase your tickets online at www.mlhslancers.org/drama.

5. **MLHS Alumni and friends are invited to our first MLHS Encore Preshow Reception!** With your RSVP you will receive one FREE general admissions ticket (bleacher seats) to the March 12 performance of *Fiddler on the Roof*! Join us for an alumni reception at 5:30pm in the MLHS conference room before the show. You are still welcome to purchase a reserve seat on the floor for yourself or a guest via the link below.
Please RSVP by March 1 by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/news-events. Click on the “Attend Encore” button at the bottom of the Encore promotion on the webpage.
6. **MLHS SPRING SHOWCASE:** It is time once again for the MLHS Spring Showcase, and we would like to invite you! This year’s event will be held on Saturday, March 19th at Knox’s Silver Valley and will include a plated dinner, live & silent auctions, a raffle (with top prize of \$5,000!), and entertainment by Riley Haupt. All proceeds this year will benefit the MLHS Track & Field program as we work to build our own facilities. Go to: <https://www.mlhslancers.org/showcase> for all the details including times. And be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates. We hope to see you there!
7. **Christian Family Solutions Presentation: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes*** Lakeshore Lutheran Schools will be offering a presentation for all parents at Manitowoc Lutheran High School on Tuesday March 29, 2022 at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend this FREE presentation. Please RSVP at www.mlhslancers.org/cfs today. Presentation Information: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes* of Christian Family Solutions. Description: The adolescent brain undergoes tremendous growth during the teen years. Parents are often stunned and confused by teen behavior. Teens’ brains are changing during the adolescent years. The reaction from teens has been, “Would someone please tell my parents about this?” So, now we are.
8. **Junior Lancer Open Registrations-Baseball** Please register today! Go to: www.mlhslancers.org/juniorlancers Registration closes February 25th!

9. **MLHS Newsletters and More:** Stay in touch with your high school and subscribe to various newsletters by going to www.mlhslancers.org/subscription. After subscribing you will receive the newsletter(s) you signed up for. **Be sure to check your junk mail** as the first one may go there instead. The alumni newsletter is one of the options listed. You will not want to miss reading what a recent alumni shared in the December Alumni newsletter. ENJOY! For any questions contact mlhs@mlhslancers.org.
10. **Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale** invites any confirmed member from our area WELS congregations on the Lakeshore. We rehearse on the scheduled Sunday evenings at 6:00pm in the Choir Room at Manitowoc Lutheran. Rehearsals are normally 90 minutes (about 1 and a half hours) or less and you do not have to be at every practice to sing! This is a wonderful opportunity to sing in a concert alongside the MLHS choirs! Please consider joining us, if you would like more information, please contact our director Matt Manthe at am5thof8@comcast.net. For a schedule of practices go to: www.mlhslancers.org/volunteer and scroll down to The Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale section.
11. **Charitable Giving Through Estate Planning** - Estate planning (also called a will or trust) is a collection of documents that specify how you want your money and other assets distributed after your death, making it easier for your loved ones to handle your affairs during a time of grief. This one-on-one coaching is sponsored by MLHS and is confidential. Due to a generous donation, when you complete the one-on-one coaching through SFC and you will be reimbursed up to \$500 for the attorney fees! Individuals will be responsible for paying other attorney fees if applicable. This is simply a gift from the MLHS Foundation to you and your family for your love and support of Manitowoc Lutheran High School. Coaching can be done one on one or via zoom call. More information can be found on the MLHS website or contact Ryan Hulse – rhulse@mlhslancers.org

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Welcome to St. Paul's!

A special welcome to our guests and visitors!

When Jesus was baptized at the Jordan River, he was anointed by the Holy Spirit and approved by God the Father: "You are my Son, whom I love." During the season of Epiphany, we follow Jesus' ministry and invite you to see him revealed as the chosen Savior of the world -- your Savior from sin and death. Our congregation exists to grow in Christ and go with Christ.

Thank you for joining us!

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We at St. Paul's share a common belief that Jesus is our Savior from sin and is the Lord of our lives. Our faith is based on God's Word, which is revealed in the Bible. We want to share this great news with as many people as possible, because we know that Jesus lived, died, and rose from death to save all people!

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WORSHIP DURING THESE TIMES

All pews are open for seating. Face coverings are optional - up to the individual. Please feel free to use the Bibles/Hymnals in the racks. Hand sanitizer is available in the narthex. There are bulletins available in the narthex or from an usher. Please keep or discard them at the end of worship. Offerings can be placed in the marked boxes in the narthex.

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP INFORMATION

On our website you will find previous and the current links for our worship services, bulletins, and announcements. We livestream the 8:00 a.m. service every Sunday. We can also make a copy of our worship on a DVD for you. In order to ensure cleanliness, you do not need to return the a DVD. Please consider a small monetary donation (\$2) to cover the cost of it.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Join us after first service, at 9:15 a.m., for our Family Bible Hour. We have Sunday school for 4K-8th grade, Youth Group Bible Class for high school age kids, and Adult Bible Class. Childcare is offered during the Adult Bible Class. There are other Bible Study Opportunities during the week. Contact one of our Pastors for more information.

COMMUNION

We offer Communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month as well as those following Monday evenings. Because God says that Communion is an expression of unity (1 Cor.10:16-17), we practice close communion, inviting up to the Lord's Table those who have explored and established unity with us on the basis of God's Word. Please speak to a pastor if you have questions about our practice.

FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." ~Matthew 19:14

There are changing tables located in BOTH the women's and men's school bathrooms. Near the entrance of the church, there are children's quiet bags with pictures, books, and a sketch tablet. If you use them, please put them back after the service. Based on Scriptural examples and developmental evidence, parents at St. Paul's worship with their young children. We encourage members to reserve the back few pews for families with small children. We have a nursery room located just off the narthex. There is a speaker in there so you can still hear and take part in the worship service. Please feel free to use this room for you child(ren), including a place to nurse.



St. Paul's Lutheran Church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (The WELS) and was founded in 1862. We have our Lutheran elementary school (4K-grade 8) on site and are part of a federation of churches to support our own high school, Manitowoc Lutheran High School.

Today's Worship Focus: *Throughout the season of Epiphany, we have considered reasons God's people come together: to witness a miracle and for boldness in opposition, for instruction in righteousness and strengthened faith, for sharing a holy meal. For our last week of this series, the Lord sums it up by simply saying, "Do it! Meet together!" Call Jesus Lord and do what he says. Draw near to God. Spur each other on. Reform your actions. And you will withstand the torrent. God's people gather together for Encouraging One Another.*

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

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1 Bap-tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me to be hence-forth your
 3 My faith - ful God, you fail me nev - er; your prom - ise sure - ly
 4 All that I am and love most dear - ly— re - ceive it all, O



Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,
 child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, there you let me
 will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er
 Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;



a - mong your saints, your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and
 the fruit of all your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,
 if words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I
 help me your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I



dead to sin, your Spir - it now shall live with - in.
 com - fort me when threat - ning clouds a - round I see.
 come de - filed; for - give, lift up, re - store your child.
 am or own serve an - y will but yours a - lone.

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Stand

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution

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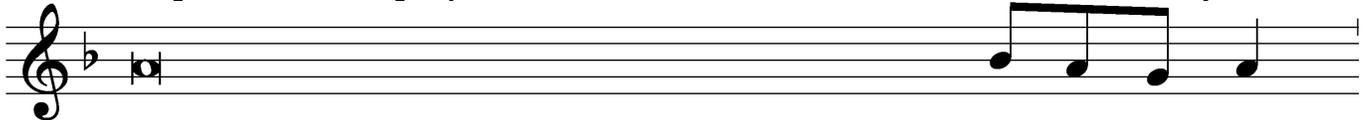
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

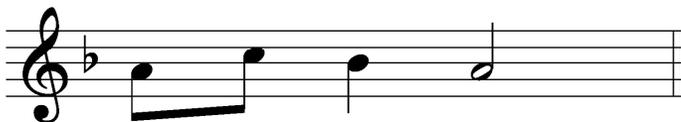
Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



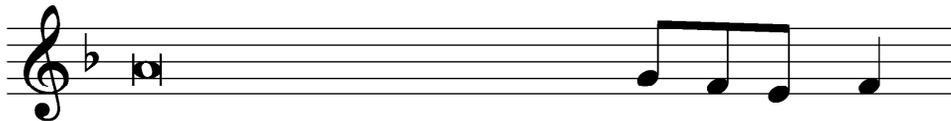
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



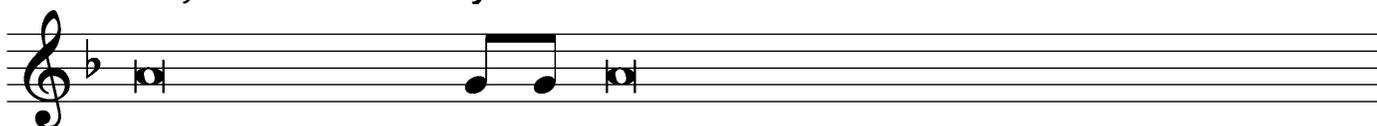
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



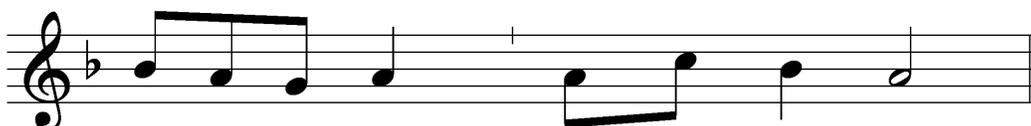
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

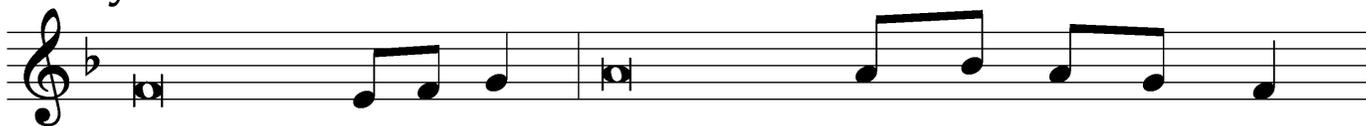


A - men.

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Glory Be to God

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,
 God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;
 have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.
 You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.
 For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE WORD

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, your Word is a lamp for our feet and a light on our path. Cause the light of your Word to shine brightly in our hearts by faith that we may know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly

day by day; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Jeremiah 7:1–8

The LORD calls on his people not merely to listen to words but to change their ways and act justly.

¹This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ²“Stand at the gate of the LORD’s house and there proclaim this message:

“ ‘Hear the word of the LORD, all you people of Judah who come through these gates to worship the LORD. ³This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: Reform your ways and your actions, and I will let you live in this place. ⁴Do not trust in deceptive words and say, “This is the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD!” ⁵If you really change your ways and your actions and deal with each other justly, ⁶if you do not oppress the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow and do not shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not follow other gods to your own harm, ⁷then I will let you live in this place, in the land I gave your ancestors for ever and ever. ⁸But look, you are trusting in deceptive words that are worthless.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

They Will Know We Are Christian by Our Love

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; and we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side; we will work with each other, we will work side by side; we'll respect people's dignity and in love abide.

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Second Reading

Hebrews 10:19–27

Let us now give up meeting together, cleansed from a guilty conscience, holding to our hope, and encouraging each other in love.

¹⁹Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

²⁶If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, ²⁷but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

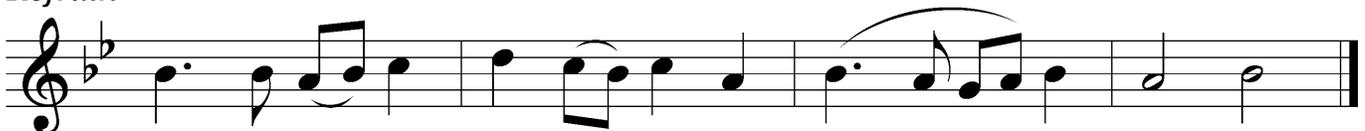
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Gospel Acclamation

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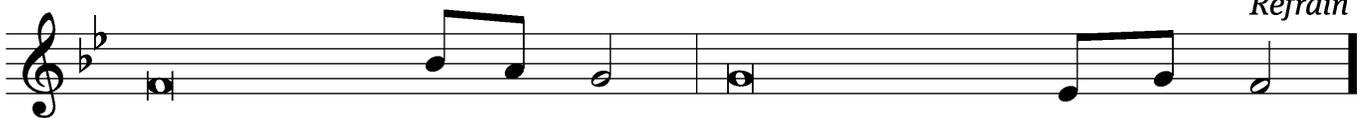


Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone



Jesus is the light of the world; in him we have the light of life.

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Gospel

Luke 6:39–49

Those who come to Jesus, hear his words and practice them are like an unshakeable house on a solid rock.

³⁹He also told them this parable: “Can the blind lead the blind? Will they not both fall into a pit? ⁴⁰The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher.

⁴¹“Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴²How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when you yourself fail to see the plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.

⁴³“No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. ⁴⁴Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briars. ⁴⁵A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.

⁴⁶“Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say? ⁴⁷As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like. ⁴⁸They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. ⁴⁹But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete.”
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Oh, How Good It Is

CW 731

Soloist: verses 1 & 2 and refrains

ALL: Please join in verse 3 & the final refrain.



1 Oh, how good it is when the fam - 'ly of God dwells to -
2 Oh, how good it is on this jour - ney we share to re -
3 Oh, how good it is to em - brace his com - mand to pre -



geth - er in spir - it, in faith and u - ni - ty. Where the
joice with the hap - py and weep with those who mourn. For the
fer one an - oth - er, for - give as he for - gives. When we



bonds of peace, of ac - cept - ance and love are the
weak find strength, the af - flict - ed find grace when we
live as one we all share in the love of the



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of - fer the bless - ing of be - long - ing.
Son with the Fa - ther and the Spir - it.

Refrain



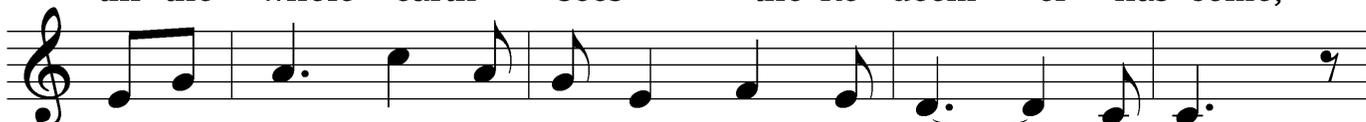
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,



and with one heart we'll live out his word,



till the whole earth sees the Re - deem - er has come,



for he dwells in the pres - ence of his peo - ple.

Text: Stuart Townend, b. 1963; Ross Holmes, b. 1984; Kristyn Getty, b. 1980; Keith Getty, b. 1974

Sermon

Hebrews 10

This Is What We Do with It...We Live It!
With faith * With hope * With love

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition*]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [*especially . . . here name the person*]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

Be seated

The Offering will be brought forward during the following hymn.

383 The Only Son from Heaven

CW 383



1 The on - ly Son from heav - en, fore - told by an - cient seers,
 2 O time of God ap - point - ed, O bright and ho - ly morn!
 3 O Lord, our hearts a - wak - en to know and love you more,
 4 O Fa - ther, here be - fore you with God the Ho - ly Ghost



by God the Fa - ther giv - en, in hu - man form ap - pears.
 He comes, the King a - noint - ed, the Christ, the vir - gin - born,
 in faith to stand un - shak - en, in spir - it to a - dore,
 and Je - sus, we a - dore you, O Pride of an - gel host.



No sphere his light con - fin - ing, no star so
 grim death to con - quer for us, to o - pen
 that we, through this world mov - ing, each glimpse of
 Be - fore you mor - tals low - ly cry, "Ho - ly,



bright - ly shin - ing as he, our Morn - ing Star.
 heav'n be - fore us and bring us life a - gain.
 heav - en prov - ing, may reap its full - ness there.
 ho - ly, ho - ly, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty!"

Text (sts. 1–3): tr. Arthur T. Russell, 1806–1874, sts. 1–3, alt.; (sts. 1–3): Elisabeth Cruciger, c. 1500–1535, sts. 1–3; (st. 4): Lutheran Book of Worship, 1978, st. 4;
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Stand

Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Everlasting life; through

Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

874 Preserve Your Word, O Savior

CW 874 sts. 1-2



1 Pre - serve your Word, O Sav - ior, to us this lat - ter
2 Pre - serve your Word and preach - ing, the truth that makes us



day, and let your king - dom flour - ish; en - large your
whole, the mir - ror of your glo - ry, the pow'r that
Church, we pray. O keep our faith from fail - ing, keep
saves the soul. Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, this
hope's bright star a - glow; let noth - ing turn us
spring of heav'n - ly grace, sus - tain us while here
from you while wan - d'ring here be - low.
liv - ing un - til we see your face.

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PREACHER: Rev. Aaron Mueller

PRESIDING MINISTER: Rev. Aaron Mueller

ORGANIST: Marilyn Toepel

MUSICIANS: Megan Butler (guest musician from Calvary, Sheboygan and form St. Paul's student).

ALTAR GUILD: Sandra Weber, Konni Harbach, Dawn Marten.

USHERS: 8:00 a.m.- Corey Schroeder, Clay Schroeder, Brian Stauss, Andy Sprenger, Kevin Oleck. 10:30 a.m. Jeff Plass, Todd Marten, John Marten, Dave Probst.

Online giving options available

In thanks to our gracious Lord and his gift of forgiveness in Jesus, we bring to him a generous portion of all we have received from him. Offerings for the Lord's work may be placed in one of the designated boxes in the narthex today. They may also be mailed in, dropped off in the office, or given online.



OFFERING: 2/13 & 2/14: \$13,370 (WEEKLY BUDGET GOAL: \$16,300).

ADDITIONAL \$12,055 WAS RECEIVED FOR GROWING FORWARD.

\$25 FOR THE ARDITH FOELSKE MEMORIAL.

This Week at a Glance:	
Date	Service, Bible Study, and Class Times
Sunday, February 20	5th-8th Sing Both Services Worship Services: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. <u>Link to Online Weekend Worship Services</u>
	9:15 a.m. Family Bible Hour
Monday, February 21	6:00 p.m. Monday Night Worship
	7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
Tuesday, February 22	6:30 p.m. BIC
	7:00 p.m. Adult Open Gym
Wednesday, February 23	8:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Bible Study
	8:45 a.m. Bible Study
	9:30 a.m. Mindful Moms Playdate
	4:15 p.m. Public School Catechism
	6:30 p.m. Elders
Thursday, February 24	6:30 p.m. St. Paul's Science Night
Friday, February 25	6:00 p.m. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL

1. Sunday Bible Study - Our Sunday morning Bible studies take us through the book of James. James warns against a dead faith that does nothing. He encourages us to be active in faith, whether going through sufferings or speaking with love, whether in praying boldly or planning humbly, helping the poor or practicing good works. Come and receive guidance in living your faith!

2. New Bible Information Class has started for those new to the faith or renewing the Christian faith. We meet on Tuesdays starting at 6:30pm in the commons/lunchroom. For those who were interested but couldn't attend this one,

the church staff is planning the next class to start sometime in early June (not sure day/time).

- 3. Thursday Evening Bible Study - "Connecting Sinai to Calvary" @ 6:30 pm 2/3-3/31;** Based on the book by the same name, this study of the Old Testament reveals how God was intricately involved in the lives of his people and how his plan of salvation was carried through generations to be fulfilled through his Son on the cross. All are invited to attend as often as you are able! There is no need to purchase the book. Contact Luther Curia if you have any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 4. Marriage Enrichment Retreat - FINAL WEEK TO REGISTER:** St. Paul's will be hosting a marriage enrichment retreat at the Osthoff Resort Friday-Saturday, March 18-19. Jesus designed marriage and can make your marriage richer than you imagined. Spend a weekend finding out how. Prior to the weekend, you will each complete a confidential online survey and receive a customized report on ten areas of your married life. Then you'll spend the weekend applying the riches of God's grace to the areas of your marriage in which you're strong...and in which you have room to grow. The result? A richer marriage. The retreat will be led by Luther Curia, Staff Minister at St. Paul's. Flyers with event details and registration forms can be found in the office. You can also register online [HERE](#). Contact Luther Curia with any questions: luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.
- 5. Pizzas will be made and ready for pickup at the school on Saturday, February 19th.** We could use a few additional volunteers for assembly day if anyone would like to join us! We'll begin making pizzas in the St. Paul's gym at 8:00am on the 19th. If you want more details or are interested in helping contact Katie Meyer at katieb82@hotmail.com.
- 6. Ice Skating/Sledding for ALL -** Join the Activities Committee (formerly the Stewardship Committee) for ice skating at Rochester Park Friday, February 25 from 6:00-8:00! The rink is located on the outfield of the Rochester Park baseball diamond and is a full 84'x144' rink! The park has limited hockey equipment and skates available for use - these items are being offered on the "honor system" so please take care of them and put them back when you're finished. We encourage everyone to bring their own skates if they have them. We also hope to have some snow to do some sledding at the park, so bring along your sleds. We'll have plenty of hot cocoa and apple cider to warm you up throughout the evening! Hope to see you there! Rochester Park is located at 710 Hickory Street, Sheboygan Falls.

7. **Mindful Moms Bible Study** - Now every Wednesday at 8:30am, there is a 45 minute women's Bible study. We've begun a book on Philippians - Living in the Joy of Christ. All participants will receive a study book. Come to be enriched in God's Word together with fellowship and encouragement!
8. **Mindful Moms NEW Playdate** Mindful Moms is excited to have new playdate activities at a new time! Join us every Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 in the school gym for a Music and Movement playdate. Each week there will be a segment including fingerplays, singing, music, and/or movement songs where moms and kids can play and work together. There will also be free play time for the kids to run and explore and moms can enjoy chatting together. Hope to see you there!
9. **Youth Rally Meeting** – Planning is underway for the 2022 WELS Youth Rally in Knoxville, TN. The dates of the Rally are 6/28 – 7/1. Any students that are currently in 8th grade through seniors in high school can attend the rally. We will also need several adult youth leaders, so if you are interested in going as a leader, please come to the meeting as well! If you want more information about the rally but cannot attend the meeting on February 13th, please contact Mike Leahy – mleahy@live.com
10. **Registration** for Preschool and Kindergarten is open! You can register through the St Paul's School website or Click on the links to register for the 2022-2023 School Year. Kindergarten Registration Link - Preschool Registration Link .
11. **Tuesday night basketball** will be running again starting on January 11, 2022. It will run every Tuesday night from 7-8:30. Everyone ages 12 and up are welcome to join us.
12. **Silent Auction Tickets** - Our St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up on Saturday, March 5. Watch for more details! Tickets are now available for purchase between services as well as during the week at the office up until February 20th. Early Bird pricing available. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions about the event.
13. **Silent Auction Donations:** The St. Paul's Silent Auction is coming up fast and we are looking for donations for that night! Not sure what to donate? There are some donation examples on a poster board near the school entrance. Please include with your donation a description, the value, and your name or if you would like to remain anonymous. All donations can be dropped off at the school

office. Please contact Beth Heilman with any questions.
bethels_2000@yahoo.com or 920-912-2379.

14. Lenten Meals - This Lenten Season is fast approaching! We are planning on having meals before worship. The following groups have signed up:

March 2nd: Altar Guild

March 9th: OPEN

March 16th: PTF/Teachers/Parents (Brats and Hotdogs)

March 23rd: Pioneers

March 30th: Ladies Aid (Sloppy Joes)

April 6th: Youth Group (Tacos)

We are still looking for a group on March 9th. Please contact the office to sign up. Thank you to the above groups for signing up! We look forward to your awesome meal!

15. Altar Guild is serving Lenten supper on Ash Wednesday. There is a sign-up sheet in the member room for Altar Guild members to sign-up to help and bring items. Any questions please contact Lisa Specht.

16. Mr. Dais Call: Dear Members of St. Paul's, Thank you so much for all your comments and prayers the past couple weeks. I have returned the call to Peridot. My family and I are incredibly blessed to be part of the ministry going on here at St. Paul's and we can't wait to see what the Lord has in store for all of us here!

17. The Howards Grove Fire Department is looking for donations of cakes and tortes for their Brat Fry on February 27th! The Brat Fry runs from 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.. Donations can be placed in the kitchen, on the back counter, with your name on your pan. Mark Eichhorts will make sure that your pan is returned to St. Paul's for pickup. Please contact Mark with any questions.

18. Double Kwik Trip! Earn funds for our school twice as fast because Kwik Trip is doubling the discount given to us through the month of February. (Now 10%). You can buy your Scrip between services or by calling or visiting the office.

19. The Church Newsletter was emailed this past Friday. If you requested a printed copy you will find it in your mailbox. Also, if you are not receiving a printed copy but would like to, please contact the office to be added to the list.

20. The Church Council is assembling a group of 4-5 people for service on the Building Committee. When finalized, we plan to announce them and install them soon into their office.

21. Please note the giving chart in the narthex. This corresponds to the amount we hope to raise for the building project by mid-May. We plan to update the chart weekly, as able.

MLHS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. MLHS Call Update** - At the Special Call Meeting this past Saturday, the federation called Pastor David Frey to serve in our theology department. Dave is currently serving at Living Word in Mission Viejo, CA. He is married and has five children (the oldest is 13). Dave and his wife Heidi both grew up in Michigan and both are MLS graduates. Dave is 36, and he has been serving the parish where he is since his assignment in 2011. Heidi is a nurse. Please keep them in your prayers.
- 2. MLHS Federation Special Campaign Drive!** During the Epiphany season the members of the MLHS federation congregations are encouraged to give support to the campaign with pledges or donations. Information about this drive is being sent to the leadership of the congregations with the request that it then be shared with all members. It is important that as many as possible know about this drive and participate in it as we approach the initial stages of the project itself. Epiphany is a reminder to us of what our mission is...as individual congregations and schools, and as a federation. We want all people to know the light of the gospel that is found in the Baby born in Bethlehem. This project will help our school carry out that mission, which is the heart and core of all we do at MLHS! Thanks for your generous support!
- 3. Junior Lancer Wrestling Tournament:** It is that time of year again when we hold the annual Jr. Wrestling Tournament. This is a fun and exciting day for the wrestlers, family and friends! A concessions stand is available and serves food from morning to the end of the tournament. In order to make this possible we need your help. Please consider signing up to work in the canteen or sign up to donate food items that are needed for the concession stand. Sign up by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/jrlancers . Thanks!
- 4. SPRING MUSICAL:** The Drama Club from Manitowoc Lutheran High School proudly presents *Fiddler on the Roof*. Rich with musical hits you know and love, including “Tradition,” “Sunrise, Sunset,” “If I Were a Rich Man,” “Matchmaker, Matchmaker,” plus many more. *Fiddler on the Roof* tells the heartwarming story of father and daughters, husbands and wives, and the timeless traditions that define faith and family. A wonderful cast of forty-nine and a live pit orchestra will

entertain you as they bring this story to life on the MLHS stage. Please join us in this family friendly production March 11-13 at MLHS. Production times: Friday and Saturday evening at 7:00 P.M. and Sunday at 2:00 P.M. You can reserve your seat/purchase your tickets online at www.mlhslancers.org/drama.

5. **MLHS Alumni and friends are invited to our first MLHS Encore Preshow Reception!** With your RSVP you will receive one FREE general admissions ticket (bleacher seats) to the March 12 performance of *Fiddler on the Roof*! Join us for an alumni reception at 5:30pm in the MLHS conference room before the show. You are still welcome to purchase a reserve seat on the floor for yourself or a guest via the link below.
Please RSVP by March 1 by going to: www.mlhslancers.org/news-events. Click on the “Attend Encore” button at the bottom of the Encore promotion on the webpage.
6. **MLHS SPRING SHOWCASE:** It is time once again for the MLHS Spring Showcase, and we would like to invite you! This year’s event will be held on Saturday, March 19th at Knox’s Silver Valley and will include a plated dinner, live & silent auctions, a raffle (with top prize of \$5,000!), and entertainment by Riley Haupt. All proceeds this year will benefit the MLHS Track & Field program as we work to build our own facilities. Go to: <https://www.mlhslancers.org/showcase> for all the details including times. And be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates. We hope to see you there!
7. **Christian Family Solutions Presentation: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes*** Lakeshore Lutheran Schools will be offering a presentation for all parents at Manitowoc Lutheran High School on Tuesday March 29, 2022 at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend this FREE presentation. Please RSVP at www.mlhslancers.org/cfs today. Presentation Information: *What is going on in there? The Teen Brain – presented by Dr. Brandon Hayes* of Christian Family Solutions. Description: The adolescent brain undergoes tremendous growth during the teen years. Parents are often stunned and confused by teen behavior. Teens’ brains are changing during the adolescent years. The reaction from teens has been, “Would someone please tell my parents about this?” So, now we are.
8. **Junior Lancer Open Registrations-Baseball** Please register today! Go to: www.mlhslancers.org/juniorlancers Registration closes February 25th!

9. **MLHS Newsletters and More:** Stay in touch with your high school and subscribe to various newsletters by going to www.mlhslancers.org/subscription. After subscribing you will receive the newsletter(s) you signed up for. **Be sure to check your junk mail** as the first one may go there instead. The alumni newsletter is one of the options listed. You will not want to miss reading what a recent alumni shared in the December Alumni newsletter. ENJOY! For any questions contact mlhs@mlhslancers.org.
10. **Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale** invites any confirmed member from our area WELS congregations on the Lakeshore. We rehearse on the scheduled Sunday evenings at 6:00pm in the Choir Room at Manitowoc Lutheran. Rehearsals are normally 90 minutes (about 1 and a half hours) or less and you do not have to be at every practice to sing! This is a wonderful opportunity to sing in a concert alongside the MLHS choirs! Please consider joining us, if you would like more information, please contact our director Matt Manthe at am5thof8@comcast.net. For a schedule of practices go to: www.mlhslancers.org/volunteer and scroll down to The Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale section.
11. **Charitable Giving Through Estate Planning** - Estate planning (also called a will or trust) is a collection of documents that specify how you want your money and other assets distributed after your death, making it easier for your loved ones to handle your affairs during a time of grief. This one-on-one coaching is sponsored by MLHS and is confidential. Due to a generous donation, when you complete the one-on-one coaching through SFC and you will be reimbursed up to \$500 for the attorney fees! Individuals will be responsible for paying other attorney fees if applicable. This is simply a gift from the MLHS Foundation to you and your family for your love and support of Manitowoc Lutheran High School. Coaching can be done one on one or via zoom call. More information can be found on the MLHS website or contact Ryan Hulse – rhulse@mlhslancers.org