

# St. Paul Lutheran Church

## “Let’s Make a Difference Together”



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**Worship Services: Sunday at 9:00 A.M.**

**Holy Communion: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month & Festivals**

**Christian Education: Sunday’s at 10:15 A.M.**

**Air Conditioned & Handicapped Accessible**

# Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church

**OUR MISSION STATEMENT:** Grounded in faith and growing in grace, we share the Good News of Jesus Christ by word and deed in our local community and throughout the world.



**Are you visiting St. Paul? Are you interested in membership or just looking to see if St. Paul is a good fit for you and/or your family??**

Please call (570-629-1992) or stop by our office during regular business hours (Mon – Thurs 9:00am – 1:00pm) and speak to our Parish Administrator, Leanna Wickline, who will be happy to guide you through the membership process and help you find information on all of the great programs at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

**SILENT MEDITATION.** . . Please note – the silent meditation is a part of the morning worship service. This is a time for individual reflection; a time for communicating with God, as well as a time of preparation for the service of worship. We encourage you to use it in a meaningful way.

**Please respect the prayerful atmosphere of this holy place. We ask that you turn off all cell phones and electronic devices. Thank you.**

**Pastor:** Reverend Rashion “Woody” Santiago

**Parish Administrator:** Mrs. Leanna D. Wickline

**Choir Director/Organist:** Mr. Robert Jones

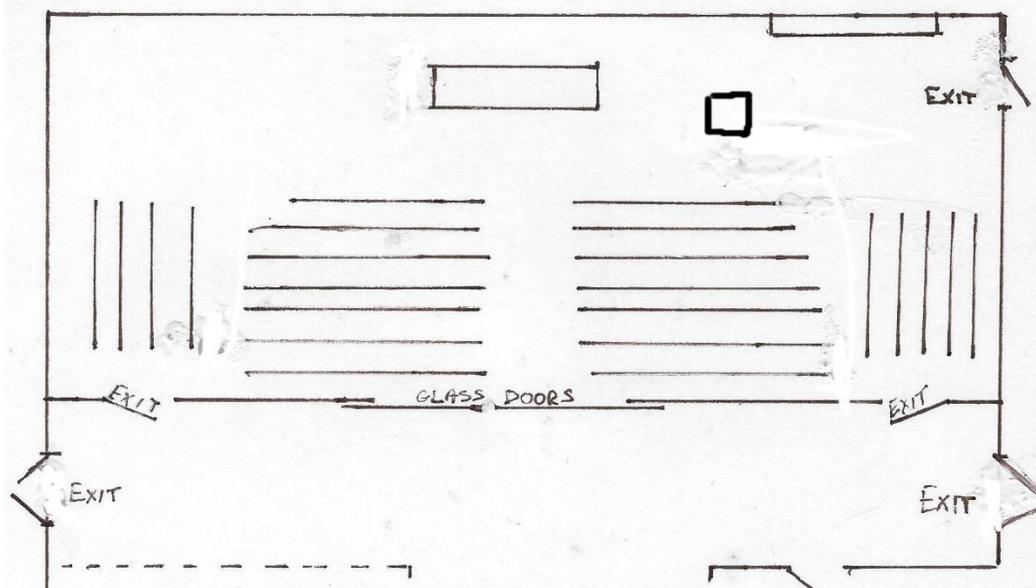
## 2023 Council Members

Grant Allen, Dawn Bartron, Bill Below, Chris Kinsley Sr., Nicole Kresge, Carl Reindl, Deb Storman, Beth Werkheiser, Leanna Wickline

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# Worship Service

## Easter Sunday

### Sunday, April 9, 2023

This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, “God shows no partiality” (Acts 10:34): Christ’s resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God’s faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God’s endless love.

*Words in bold print denote congregational response.*

*\*Please stand, if you are able*

#### Chimes

#### Announcements

#### Preludes

Bells *“Hosanna”*

Solo – Rene Vonk *“Open the Gates of the Temple”*

#### \*Greeting

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

#### Thanksgiving for Baptism

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life.

#### **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring. In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead. In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew.

*Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.*

Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures. Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

**Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you. Empower our witness to your resurrection. Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.**

Satisfy the world's need through this living water. Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment. Where despair prevails, grant hope. Where chaos reigns, bring peace. We ask this through Christ, who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.

**Amen.**

**\*Confession**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another

Most merciful God,

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

**Amen.**

**\*Absolution**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the **+** son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**\*Hymn**

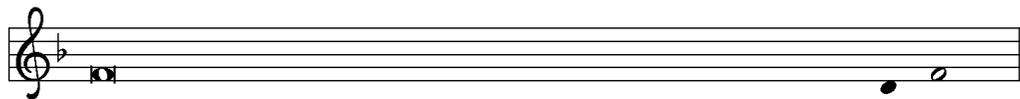
***"Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing"***

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**\*Kyrie**



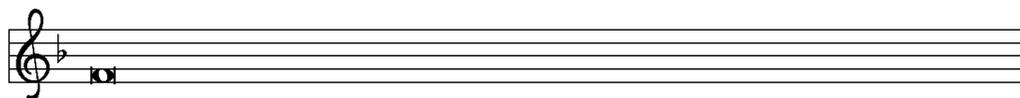
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



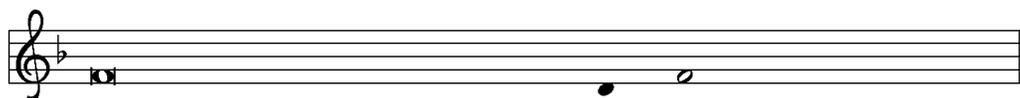
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



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.



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was  
 slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.  
*Final refrain*  
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### \*Prayer of the Day

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

*Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, is a summary of the essential message of Christianity: Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, "receives forgiveness of sins through his name.*

<sup>34</sup> Peter began to speak: "Now I truly understand that God doesn't show favoritism, <sup>35</sup> but in every nation the person who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup> He sent the message to the Israelites, proclaiming the good news of peace through Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> You know the events that took place throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John preached: <sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, and how he went about doing good and healing all who were under the tyranny of the devil, because God was with him. <sup>39</sup> We ourselves are witnesses of everything he did in both the Judean country and in Jerusalem, and yet they killed him by hanging him on a tree. <sup>40</sup> God raised up this man on the third day and caused him to be seen, <sup>41</sup> not by all the people, but by us whom God appointed as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be the judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup> All the prophets testify about him that through his name everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins."

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

<sup>1</sup> Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his faithful love endures forever.

<sup>2</sup> Let Israel say, "His faithful love endures forever."

<sup>14</sup> The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.

<sup>15</sup> **There are shouts of joy and victory in the tents of the righteous: “The Lord’s right hand performs valiantly!**

<sup>16</sup> The Lord’s right hand is raised. The Lord’s right hand performs valiantly!”

<sup>17</sup> **I will not die, but I will live and proclaim what the Lord has done.**

<sup>18</sup> The Lord disciplined me severely but did not give me over to death.

<sup>19</sup> **Open the gates of righteousness for me; I will enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.**

<sup>20</sup> This is the Lord’s gate; the righteous will enter through it.

<sup>21</sup> **I will give thanks to you because you have answered me and have become my salvation.**

<sup>22</sup> The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup> **This came from the Lord; it is wondrous in our sight.**

<sup>24</sup> This is the day the Lord has made; let’s rejoice and be glad in it.

### **Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4**

*Easter means new life for us as it first meant new life for Christ. His resurrection reshapes the entire focus and motivation for our lives since we are now hidden with the risen Christ in God.*

<sup>1</sup>So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. <sup>3</sup>For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **\*Gospel Acclamation**

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

### **\*Gospel: Matthew 28:1-10**

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 28<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to view the tomb. <sup>2</sup>There was a violent earthquake, because an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and approached the tomb. He rolled back the stone and was sitting on it. <sup>3</sup>His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing was as white as snow. <sup>4</sup>The guards were so shaken by fear of him that they became like dead men. <sup>5</sup>The angel told the women, “Don’t be afraid, because I know you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup>He is not here.

For he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. <sup>7</sup> Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has risen from the dead and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; you will see him there.' Listen, I have told you." <sup>8</sup> So, departing quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, they ran to tell his disciples the news. <sup>9</sup> Just then Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" They came up, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup> Then Jesus told them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to leave for Galilee, and they will see me there."

The gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, O Christ.

## Children's Sermon

### Sermon

## Low in the Grave He Lay *Up from the Grave He Arose*

### \*Hymn of the Day

1 Low in the grave he lay, Je - sus my Sav - ior,  
2 Vain - ly they watch his bed, Je - sus my Sav - ior;  
3 Death can - not keep its prey, Je - sus my Sav - ior;

wait - ing the com - ing day, Je - sus my Lord.  
vain - ly they seal the dead, Je - sus my Lord.  
he tore the bars a - way, Je - sus my Lord.

*Refrain*

Up from the grave he a - rose, with a  
he a - rose,

might - y tri - umph o'er his foes; he a -  
o'er his foes,

rose a vic - tor o - ver death's do - main, and he

lives for - ev - er, with his saints to reign. He a -

rose! He a - rose! Hal - le - lu - jah! Christ a - rose!  
He a - rose! He a - rose!

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899  
 Music: CHRIST AROSE, Robert Lowry, 1826–1899

### **\*The Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **\*Prayers of the People**

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

You call your church to witness to your salvation. We give thanks for all theologians, preachers, and teachers who proclaim your gospel. Equip all the baptized to share the joy of the resurrection in all we say and do. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You bring abundant life throughout creation. The green blade rises, and all creation greets the resurrection dawn. Preserve vineyards and orchards and those who tend to them. Feed us with the fruits of creation. Risen Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

You show your steadfast love without regard to borders, barriers, or human-made divisions. Infuse your justice in every nation of the world that all experience the peace that only you can give. Risen Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

You anointed your Son with the Holy Spirit and with power. Encourage us by his example in our ministries of healing, care, and outreach. We pray for all who are sick or hospitalized (*especially*) and for all health care workers who care for them. Risen Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

You have put gladness in our hearts. Inspire musicians and dancers to rejoice with songs of victory. Bless the music ministries of this congregation and all who foster our assembly's song. Risen Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

As you have raised Jesus from the dead, you show us your resurrection promise. With your holy ones who have sung your praise (*especially*), free us from fear and empower us to go and tell the good news. Risen Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**Amen.**

### **Offering Prayer**

Generous God,

**in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Please share a sign of peace and greeting with one another while remaining in your pew area.*

### **\*The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

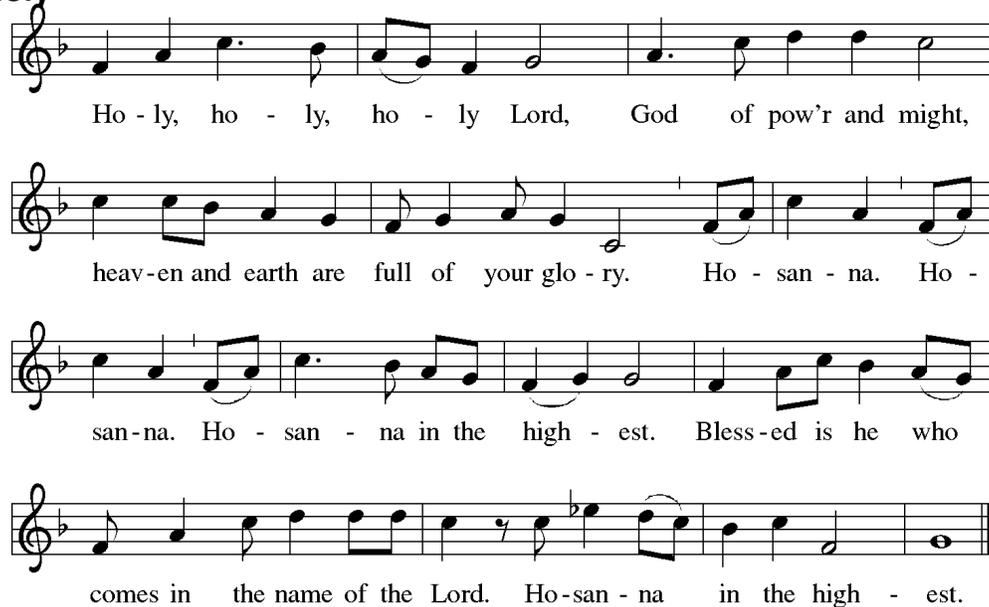
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### \*Proper Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our savior Jesus Christ, the true paschal lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### \*Holy, Holy, Holy



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

### The Words of Institution

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful god. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, So that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, Our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; Broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O

Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, 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.**

### Invitation to Communion

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

### Communion

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion minister says*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*and each person may respond*

**Amen.**

### Hymn During Communion "Let Us Break Bread Together"

ELW 471

### \*Post Communion Canticle Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let



ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - jice and bear the name of Christ.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

### **Prayer After Communion**

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name.

**Amen.**

### **Blessing**

The God of all, who raised † Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation.

**Amen.**

### **Closing Hymn**

***"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"***

***ELW 365***

*(There is a musical interlude between verses 3 & 4)*

### **\*Dismissal**

Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Charge to the People**

The God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will, working among you that which is pleasing in God's sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### **Postlude**

**"The worship ends. . .the service begins."**

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## *Easter Flowers*

### *Given in Memory Of:*

### *Given By:*

Jean & Fred Gerstlauer, Barbara's parents	Barbara & Grant Allen
Juanita & Fred Allen, Grant's parents	Barbara & Grant Allen
Esther Tucker, beloved grandmother	Dawn Bartron
Victoria Richline, beloved mother, until we meet again	Dawn Bartron

John & Elizabeth Kepsza	Bill & Anna Below
Max Wynne Below	Bill & Anna Below
Max & Wynne Below	Bob & Linda Below
Isaac & Eleanor Gelok	Bob & Linda Below
Fathers Earl Warner & James Johnstone	Janice & Chris Johnstone
Kelsey Alison Besecker	Mark, Nicole, Emily & Eli Kresge
Donald & Donna Meade	Mark, Nicole, Emily & Eli Kresge
Our family members & friends	Mark, Nicole, Emily & Eli Kresge
Our Parents	Beth & Carl Reindl
Joyce Anderson	Beth & Carl Reindl
Paul Fancher	Beth & Carl Reindl
Ronald Sarajian	Norm & Joan Rinker
Chris, Sr., Jack Drury, Joe & Ruby Sammarco, Aduh Furman	Fran Sammarco
Helmut & Marianne Luehrs	Dan & Debbie Storman
John & Patricia Storman	Dan & Debbie Storman
Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Russell Sandt and Mr. & Mrs. James Warner	Donna Warner & family
Husband, Earl Warner	Donna Warner
Other loved ones	Donna Warner
Evelyn Rauh, Evelyn Thompson, Henry & Grace Wiegmann	The Weiss Family
Elizabeth Weiss, Paul & Elizabeth Schoupe	The Weiss Family
Beloved husband, Dan Wickline	Leanna Wickline
Beloved son, Jeremy	Leanna Wickline

### *Given in Honor Of:*

### *Given By:*

Loving husband, John Bartron	Dawn Bartron
Dan & Nicole Bartron, the children I love	Dawn Bartron
Our children, Sally & Chris, Sue & Bob, Scott & Rachel	Bob & Linda Below
Our grandsons, Max, Mitchell, Cody & Travis	Bob & Linda Below
Our beautiful children Emily Lauren & Eli Lovene	Mark & Nicole Kresge
Our children & grandchildren	Beth & Carl Reindl
My family, children & grandchildren	Fran Sammarco
Madelyn Rae Storman	Oma & Grandpa Storman
Zachary, Nathan & Lindsay Storman	Mom & Dad
Our children Kaitlyn & Fred, Chase & Liz	Dawn & Jim Weiss
My beloved daughters, Melissa & Amanda	Leanna Wickline
My beloved grandchildren	Leanna Wickline

# *Easter Flowers Given to The Glory of God:*

Fran Sammarco & family



## *Prayer Requests*

**Prayers have been requested for the following brothers and sisters in Christ who have concerns needing God's help...**

Sr. Msgr. William F. Allen; Specialist William "Blake" Allen; Sr. Master Sargent William F. Allen; Tom Altemose; Mark Anthony; Evelyn Arroyo; Daniel Bartron; Dillon Berenti; Major Matthew Blessing; Captain Katy Blessings; David Brong; Judi Carman; Elaine Cornelus; the family of Chris Finnerty at his passing; Jamie Fisher; Todd & Anna Geil; LilliAnna Daniels; Renee Depuy; Doris Drury; John Drury; Louis Genset; the family of Chris Haley Jr.; Charlie Hemple; T. J. Imhof; Carol Jones; Ian Juica; Robbie Kinsley; Nikolaos Kotretsos; Eleanor Kreuger; Esther Laurito; David Leith; James Meckes; Steven Moore; Ada Morales; Nelson Morales; Donna Myers; Dr. Kenny Pearson; Annabelle Peechatka; Anna Rivera; Jean Ross; Gina Santiago; Claudette Segear; Shirley Singer; Samuel Smith, Jr.; Greg Theadford; Jim Tomedi; Brenda Van Why; Scott Wickline; Jacob Wilson; John Woodling; for the people of Ukraine; for all who are traveling; for all of those struggling with addictions; the members of the Armed Forces of the United States; for the families and victims of the mass shootings, for all those around the world and here at home suffering from the coronavirus pandemic.

**Have your prayers been answered? Or do you still need God's help? Please let us know. Thank you to everyone who prays with us for those in need.**



***Thank you to all who have helped to support St. Paul's Strunk Food Pantry!***

***Thank you to all who have helped to support St. Paul's Strunk Food Pantry!*** Your commitment to help is a true blessing to those who are struggling to feed their families. The pantry is always in need of basic food supplies, and we need your continued support to keep this program going strong. ***Items of particular need are peanut butter, cereal, pasta/spaghetti, pasta sauce, mac & cheese, soup, canned veggies (potatoes, peas, green beans, corn, carrots, kidney beans), canned fruit, and tuna.***

## **Grocery Tapes**

If you shop at Kinsley's Shoprite or Weis markets we get a percentage of your purchase. Just bring your receipts in and put them in the box on the table in the Narthex. In order for us to receive credit, the receipts must include the date and store number. Please don't tear off the bottom of the receipts.

## Inside Out Church

Inside Out Church is held at 6:30pm on Wednesday, in Spies Hall. We join together with a meal and a deep dive into the scriptures. This is an opportunity to grow your faith and increase your knowledge and understanding of God's Word and the Bible.

## Pocono Mission District Assembly

April 30<sup>th</sup> our Pocono district assembly will be held at Zion Lutheran Church in Brodheadsville, from 2:00-3:30pm. We are looking for two volunteers to attend this and the Synod Assembly. Please contact Pastor or Leanna Wickline to volunteer.

## Synod Assembly June 1-3, 2023

The Bishop requires two voting members from each congregation as well as the Pastor attend the Synod Assembly. It is local, so there is no need for overnight stays. This is the first in-person assembly since COVID struck in 2020. Small group information sessions and the wonderful worship opportunities make it worth attending!

## 2023 PATHwalk

Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm. The Annual Karen Nickels Memorial PATHwalk is Pocono Area Transitional Housings largest fundraiser. All funds raised from the walk are used to support PATH operations. The Karen Nickels Memorial PATHwalk is an opportunity to demonstrate your support for PATH and to involve your neighbors, friends, and family. Organize a team of people to participate with you for more fun or hoof it on your own and meet some new friends.

## Blood Drive

We will be hosting a blood drive on Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> from 11:30am – 4:00pm in Spies Hall. The last appointment will be scheduled for 3:45pm. Friends, family and neighbors are welcome to donate, not just members. There is a link on our website to take you to the sign up sheet, or type <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.htm/drive-results?zipSponsor=Tannersville>

## Next Week's Readings:

**Acts 2:14a, 22-32, Psalm 16, 1 Peter 1:3-9, John 20:19-31**

Worship Assistant Schedule						
<b>4/16/2023</b>	Linda Below	Deb Storman	Kris Kent	Dawn Bartron	Donna Warner	Deb Storman
		Linda Below		Dawn Weiss	Deb Storman	Donna Warner
<b>4/23/2023</b>	Eli Kresge	Donna Warner	Dawn Bartron		Beth Werkheiser	
		Linda Below			Donna Warner	
<b>4/30/2023</b>	Emily Kresge	Donna Warner	Leanna Wickline			
		Beth Werkheiser				