

The First Sunday in Lent March 9, A+D 2025



# St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church

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> DIVINE SERVICE Setting 1 – Page 151 Lutheran Service Book

#### Jesus Christ Is Our Champion Against the Devil

Jesus Christ, our champion against the devil, endures and overcomes "every temptation" (Luke 4:13) on our behalf. He worships the Lord, His God, and serves Him only by trusting the Word of His Father: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased" (Luke 3:22). Jesus' victory is now ours through His gracious Word, which is not far away but near us — in our mouth and in our heart, in the proclamation of repentance and faith. For "with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved" (Rom. 10:10). Our confession of Christ includes the prayer of faith, which is not disappointed, "for 'everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved'" (Rom. 10:13). The Lord is not oblivious to "our affliction, our toil, and our oppression" (Deut. 26:7), but has mercy upon us. He has brought us out of bondage through the "signs and wonders" of Holy Baptism, "with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm" (Deut. 26:8), and now He leads us by His Spirit even in the wilderness.

Ringing of the Bells

Welcome

# Confession and Absolution

571 God Loved the World So That He Gave

#### Stand

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

#### Invocation

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

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation LSB 151

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

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

#### **Confession of Sins**

LSB 151

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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 151

- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen.

# Service of the Word

#### Introit

Psalm 91:9-13; antiphon: vv. 15-16

- P When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;
- **C** I will rescue him and honor him.
- P With long life I will satisfy him
- and show him my salvation.
- P Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—
- the Most High, who is my refuge—
- P no evil shall be allowed to befall you,
- on plague come near your tent.
- P For he will command his angels concerning you
- **©** to guard you in all your ways.
- P On their hands they will bear you up,
- lest you strike your foot against a stone.
- P You will tread on the lion and the adder;
- **G** the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;
- **Q** I will rescue him and honor him.

Kyrie 152

**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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



A 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.



A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



#### **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.



#### P Let us pray.

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

#### **Old Testament Reading**

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

A The Old Testament Reading for The First Sunday in Lent is from the twenty-sixth chapter of Deuteronomy the Fifth Book of Moses.

<sup>1</sup>"When you come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it, <sup>2</sup>you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the LORD your God will choose, to make his name to dwell there. <sup>3</sup>And you shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, 'I declare today to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our fathers to give us.' <sup>4</sup>Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the LORD your God.

<sup>5</sup>"And you shall make response before the LORD your God, 'A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. <sup>6</sup>And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor. <sup>7</sup>Then we cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers, and the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders. <sup>9</sup>And he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. <sup>10</sup>And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O LORD, have given me.' And you shall set it down before the LORD your God and worship before the LORD your God. <sup>11</sup>And you shall rejoice in all the good that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house, you, and the Levite, and the sojourner who is among you."

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

**Epistle** Romans 10:8b–13

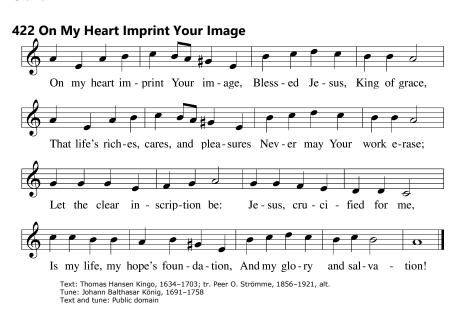
A The Second Reading is from the tenth chapter of the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans.

"The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup>because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup>For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."

<sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

#### Stand



#### **Holy Gospel**

Luke 4:1-13

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourth chapter.



<sup>1</sup>Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness <sup>2</sup>for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup>The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." <sup>4</sup>And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'" <sup>5</sup>And the devil took him up

and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, <sup>6</sup>and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. <sup>7</sup>If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." <sup>8</sup>And Jesus answered him, "It is written,

"You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve."

<sup>9</sup>And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, <sup>10</sup>for it is written,

"'He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you,'

<sup>11</sup>and

"'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone."

<sup>12</sup>And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" <sup>13</sup>And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

#### 657 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

sts. 1-4

#### Sermon

Stand

#### **Apostles' Creed**

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I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

Sit

#### **Gathering of Tithes & Offerings**

If you are submitting a prayer request on a prayer card, kindly hand it directly to the usher. Do not place it into the offering plate.

#### Stand





#### **Prayer of the Church**

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- ... Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.  $\mathbf{C}$

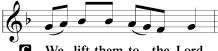
# Service of the Sacrament

**Preface** 160

 $\mathbf{P}$ The Lord be with you.



Lift up your hearts.



We lift them to the Lord.

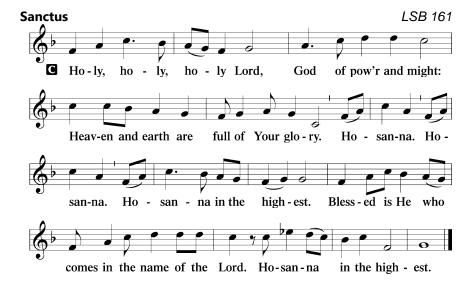
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



#### **Proper Preface (Full)**

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and

archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



#### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

LSB 161

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

#### Lord's Prayer

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P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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

#### The Words of Our Lord

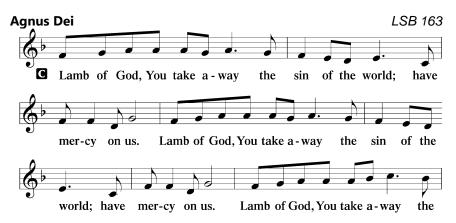
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My → body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My H blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini LSB 163

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.







Sit

#### Distribution of Christ's Body and Blood

Members of other Christian denominations who are present may come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor during the distribution. It is requested that you cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you desire this blessing.

Silent Prayer Just Before Communing: Dear Savior, at your gracious invitation, I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Silent Prayer Just After Communing: Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament. I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace the forgiveness of sins unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

#### 424 O Christ, You Walked the Road

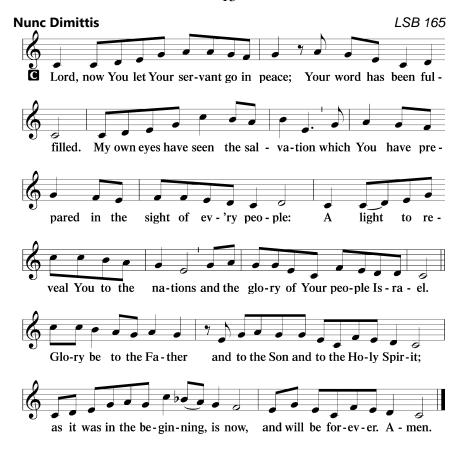
#### 619 Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior

Stand

#### The Communion Dismissal

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart 

  → in peace.
- Amen.



#### **Post-Communion Collect**

**A** Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction 166

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



#### 418 O Lord, throughout These Forty Days

Silent Prayer

**Announcements** 

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# The Glad Spirit St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church

# March 9, 2025

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

#### ST. PAUL'S FAMILY

Judy Diekelman Kurt Diekelman Kristen Dunne, Family Paisley, Olive Lisa Durkin Nicholas Durkin Lucas Durkin

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Emily Hoeksema, 3/11

#### **BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES**

Alec Schassburger, 3/12 Cassandra Michels, 3/13 Madelaine Zander, 3/13 Dominique Sella, 3/14

#### **SPECIAL CONCERNS**

**Pray for** Norma Allen, Janice Abel, Sondra Budde, Jay Carey, Pastor and Pam Collins, Carmen Dampier, Judy Diekleman, Shirley Emerick, Latricia Harris, Ed Hoeksema Jr., Doris Leifert, Chester Orendorff, Violet Rich, Dolly Tagenhorst, Warren Van Mynen, Gene Wiltjer, Ray Zander.

**Serving in the Military** – Austin Brandy, James Fluechtling, Dakoda Gaut and Nathan Lopez.

**Serving as First Responders** – David Allen, Dave Bloom, Nathan Conway, Brianne Giba, Melanie Hudson, Brian Orth, Dana Tatgenhorst, Taylor VanDommelen and Dan Zander.

## **NEWS UPDATE**

# READ THE NEW TESTAMENT IN 40 DAYS

\_March 5, Matthew 1-7
\_March 6, Matthew 8-12
\_March 7, Matthew 13-18
\_March 8, Matthew 19-24
\_March 9, Matthew 25-28
\_March 10:, Mark 1-6
\_March 11, Mark 7-11
\_March 12, Mark 12-16
\_March 13, Luke 1-4
\_March 14, Luke 5-9
March 15, Luke 10-13



St. Paul Book Club will meet at date and time to be announced, to review *The Memory Box* by Kathryn Hughes. We always welcome new members. We enjoy fellowship and lunch following the discussion.

Christ For You the week of March 9<sup>th</sup> on KFUO.org: On Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), we continue in the book of 1 Samuel, covering chapters 21-25. Tune in to Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT) as we conclude our study of Job and begin a new study on the book of Hebrews! Save the date! KFUO's annual Sharathon is April 3rd-5th, 2025. Start, sustain, or strengthen your partnership with us during this year's giving drive! To learn more, visit: kfuo.org/sharathon.

The Week of March 9<sup>t</sup> Truth, Beauty, Goodness... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent teachings include: The Book of James & Faith Alone; Biblical Leadership; The Filioque & Eastern Orthodoxy; Do Lutherans Believe in Once Baptized Always Saved? and more. You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

"Brothers and sisters, in Christ you are God's masterpiece. You were created for a purpose. You are the hands and feet of Christ demonstrating His love in a world that desperately needs it. Live out that purpose in the strength that comes from Him and wait joyfully for the day where we get to see His finished product." Rev. Adam Osier, Dean, Free Lutheran Bible College, Plymouth, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

# The Temptation of Christ

When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time. Luke 4:13 (NIV)

Based on Luke 4:1-13



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DESERI	ANGELS	WORSHIP	HUNGKT	KINGDOMS
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SPIRIT	<b>JERUSALEM</b>	COMMAND	FORTY	STONE
LIVE	DAYS	WORLD	TEMPLE	HOLY

# GOD'S PEOPLE IN ACTION



#### ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

March 2<sup>nd</sup> Attendance 17, 17 Communed, 12 Online

Envelopes	\$1,111.00	Weekly Missions	\$20.00
Basket	50.00	Luth. Church Charity	10.00
		Church Maint	10.00
		Social Ministry	305.00
		Financial Aid	75.00
<b>Budgeted Total</b>	1,161.00	Non-budgeted Total	\$420.00
Offering Needed	1,423.00		
Short	\$-262.00		



#### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Tadan	9:30 am	Worship Service			
Today	10:30 am	Coffee &			
Monday					

Tuesday

9:30 am Lenten Worship Service Wednesday 10:30 am Lenten Brunch

Thursday Friday Saturday

8:30 am Sunday School Sunday Worship Service 9:30 am

10:30 am Coffee &...

#### **SERVANT SCHEDULE**

Sun, Mar 9, 9:30 AM Sun, Mar 16, 9:30 AM

Pastor Pastor Klein Usher Bill Sommer Dave Bloom Lay Reader Dave Bloom Micci Orth





