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Welcome to St. Paul's, Parkside, and Zion Lutheran Churches

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*Future services will be recorded and aired on YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV.
MeTV will broadcast Sunday Services at 10:00 a.m. on
the following channels:*

For DirecTV –Ch. 67

For Cable, Fios, and Dish: Ch. 5

For “Rabbit Ears”: Ch. 67-1

Brief order for Confession and Forgiveness

- P Blessed be the Holy Trinity, +the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, whose rising from the empty tomb brings to us the promise of life eternal. In the presence of the living God,
- C we confess that we set our minds towards things of death, and not on the life that is revealed in Christ. In our fear and trembling we quickly turn from you towards ourselves. Our fear leads us to doubt your promise, harm our neighbor, and neglect your creation. Resurrect us O God, and bring about the new life in ourselves, in our community, and our world. Through the mercy of your beloved Son, heal us from our sin, and give us the new breath of your Spirit.
- P Our Lord and savior Jesus Christ + proclaims, “Do not be afraid!” Know that you are washed anew in his rising, and your sins are forgiven. Be at peace, and live in the everlasting love of God. Amen!

Opening Hymn

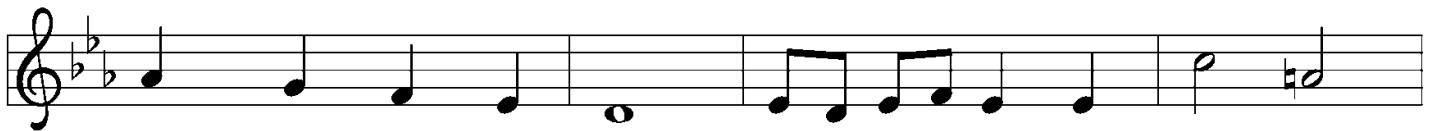
Thine Is the Glory



1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-



vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
greet thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain



where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring
to thy home a - bove.



Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

Children's Time: Pastor Jeremiah Smith

P The Holy Gospel according to John the 20th Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 20:19-31

The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. But one of their number is missing, and his unbelief prompts another visit from the Lord.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon: Pastor Steve Biegner

Hymn of the Day

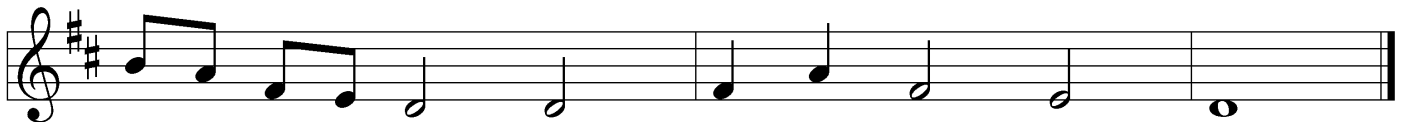
We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with
2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
4 That, when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
may our faith a - bound to call on you when
realms of clear - er light we may be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
we re - jice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
you are near and seek where you are found:
as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Text: Henry Alford, 1810–1871, alt.

Music: DUNLAP'S CREEK, Samuel McFarland, fl. 1816



Youth Group Time: Chris LiPuma

Apostle's Creed

A Let's join to proclaim our faith in the Apostles' Creed:

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

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

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayers of the Church

A Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Open the doors we close, O God, when we fear those who worship you in different ways. Guide us to unity and harmony so that we may come to respect and cherish our commonalities. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Open the paths we ignore, O God, when we prioritize financial gain and convenience over sharing our blessings with the world. Inspire all to care for the world you have made so that living things might thrive. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Open the rooms we lock, O God, to those who live without a homeland or place of safety. We pray that generous nations offer refuge and peace for all. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Open the hearts we close, O God, to the cries of those in pain. We pray for those isolated physically or emotionally through incarceration, addiction, mental illness, chronic suffering, grief, and all in need, especially the people on our Prayer List and those we name either silently or aloud. Lord in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Open the ways of love, O God, in the pursuit of peace throughout the world, and bless the efforts of missionaries, healthcare professionals, activists, first responders, and essential workers, especially those who find themselves in harm's way. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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

C 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

Benediction

P And now as you go on your way, may the Lord go with you. May he go before you to show you the way, behind you to encourage you, beside you to be your friend, above you to watch over you, and within you to give you peace. Go today celebrating in the name of the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, and all God's children said...

C Amen.

Dismissal

A Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's Happening This Week at St. Paul's: April 19-26, 2020

TODAY: 10:00 am: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV
4:30 pm-6:30 pm: Daily Bread Food Truck at Windermere Elementary

Thursday: 4:30 pm-6:30 pm: Daily Bread Food Truck at St. Paul's

Saturday: 9:00 am-1:00 pm: Tiger's Den Food Pantry Open
10:00 am: Daily Bread Food Truck Deliveries

Sunday: 10:00 am: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV
4:30 pm-6:30 pm: Daily Bread Food Truck at Windermere

Attendance last week: Via YouTube, Facebook, or MeTV:

Maundy Thursday: 72 Good Friday: 125 Easter: 200+

Offering: \$5,025.00 On-Line: \$1,574.00

Prayer List: In our congregational family: (* indicates new names or changes added this week)

Marion Alexander: Tennyson Court, #127 in Memory Care Unit (check in at desk to enter Unit), Williamsville, NY 14221

Betty Arbogast: Weinberg Dosberg Campus, #200, Getzville, NY 14068

Louise Duethorn: Elderwood, 5775 Maelou Drive, #329, Hamburg, NY 14075

Claire Franke: Elderwood, 225 Bennett Road, #223, Cheektowaga, NY 14227

John Schunak: 193 E. Pinelake Court, Williamsville, NY 14221

*Dolores Shearer: Beechwood Rehab, Room 740, 2235 Millersport Hwy., Getzville NY 14068

Alison Silsby: 4360 Peet Street, Middleport, NY 14105

Mary Elizabeth Stewart: 69 Washington Highway, Amherst, NY 14226

Prayer List: In our and extended family: Vincent Delgato (Dolores Shearer's son-in-law); Johnny Eggleston (Lynda Ruhland's son); Thomas Maier; Scott Greeneawalt (June Piette's first cousin); Pastor Bill Vanderslice (former St. Paul's intern and June Piette's brother-in-law)

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

All meetings at St. Paul's have been canceled until further notice.

The Daily Bread Food Truck, the Burrito Project, and the Tiger's Den Food Pantry will continue to operate. If you would like to volunteer, please call the office: 716-835-0407.

Tigers Den Food Pantry: The Food pantry is open to anyone in need in zip code 14226 or by referral. The April Pantry hours are: Thursday 4/30 from 3:00 pm-7:00 pm, and Saturday 4/25 from 9:00 am-1:00 pm. Pantry items for April are: sugar, oil, spaghetti sauce.

The Upper Room for May-June 2020 and The Word in Season for April, May, June 2020: If you normally take one of these devotional booklets, please let the office know and we will mail the current booklet out to you.

Message from St. Paul's Finance Committee

With COVID-19 upon us, we are dealing with unprecedented amounts of uncertainty. News is fast developing and every day brings a new change to our lives like we never imagined.

We are writing this letter to remind you that St. Paul's still needs your ongoing financial support. For those who have had their employment altered or eliminated, our prayers and support are with you. We are writing this letter for those who can still provide, as a friendly reminder that your weekly offerings continue to be a very important source of income to support not only St. Paul's ongoing expenses, but our ministry activities. Please prayerfully send your gifts via mail to the church office, or it is easy to set up on-line giving use the following link. If you need any assistance please give the office a call.

<https://stpaulseggertsville.org/online-giving/>

We sincerely hope you and your loved ones are staying safe and healthy. Together in Christ, we are strong, and if we all do our part, we'll get through these difficult times. Don't forget to laugh every now and then, and go wash your hands!

Parkside Lutheran Church Announcements for shared bulletin April 19 2020

*At Parkside we are rediscovering the radical love of Jesus -
Gathering All, Serving All, Caring for All*

Parkside Lutheran Church
2 Wallace Ave (corner of Wallace & Depew) Buffalo, NY 14214
(716)836-1361 parksidelutheran@gmail.com

Like & follow us on Facebook!

You are not alone in this. We are not alone.

We will meet digitally Wednesdays & Sundays as follows:

Wednesday evenings **8pm** - we meet with Pastor Jeremiah on *Zoom* *

Sundays at **10am** - Please watch our recorded services on Facebook, YouTube, or TV (info below) and then join our interactive “coffee hour” on *Zoom* * at **10:45am**

*This is the updated *Zoom* link for all meetings!

Join *Zoom* Meetings on your computer or smartphone:

<https://zoom.us/j/7168361361?pwd=b3pxamRnN09UbGNuVXg2MUhOM1JtUT09>

Meeting ID: 716 836 1361

Or, for phone access only, dial by your location

+1 929 205 6099 US (New York) Meeting ID: 716 836 1361

Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/j/ab2v1ql9Ui>

For folks new to *Zoom* check out our weekly e-newsletter for tutorial link, or watch one of the many *Zoom* tutorials on YouTube.

There are 3 ways to watch the recorded Service at 10am on Sundays:

- 1) Parkside’s Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/ParksideLutheranBuffalo/>
- 2) YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCoLpmPx1ZT35RLffcdVoRJA>
- 3) Watch on your TV: Station METV - channel 5 on Cable, Fios & Dish or channel 67 on DirecTV

Look for links to the bulletin in emails and on our Facebook page. You may want to print it out and follow along with service.

**You are living proof the church is not a building
and we give thanks to God for each of you!**

Food Pantry - regular hours are Saturday 9am-1pm - enter on Depew side of building. In emergencies, people can call the office to see if there is someone here to assist (716)836-1361. Donations are needed- especially pasta, sauce, canned fruit. Donations can be dropped off at the Pantry during Pantry hours or call the office to arrange drop off.

Blessing Box - You are welcome to take what you need & encouraged to leave what you can! (Nonperishable foods & other essential supplies). The Blessing Box (Red box that looks like a "little library") is located on the Depew side of PLC.

Meals on Wheels is in great need of volunteers. If you can help, please contact Meals on Wheels of Western New York

[https://mealsonwheelswny.org/volunteer/?](https://mealsonwheelswny.org/volunteer/?fbclid=IwAR3m4CuDNnKv6TUHlrPNN_zyblk5oCkbFSF7ur1M4SNUa356BznHSdQ3WoI)

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⊘ Please note that all events and services, other than what has been listed above, are cancelled until further notice. For groups that meet regularly at Parkside, such as AA, please contact your group directly for more information. Parkside is now closed to groups (except the Food Pantry & Meals on Wheels) until further notice. For your health and welfare of our community, if you can stay home, please do!

Parkside's Online Church Directory -has been temporarily disabled. If you'd like a hard copy, please contact the office. Thank you!

Prayer Tree:

Congregation: Cheryl Steffan; Fran, Pat & Annie; Ruth; Joyce & Roman S; Terry; Pam; Janet Stout; Becky & Vince; Sean White; Joan; Eileen & Ken Moser; Hazel & Onda; Ron Arnold; Norra Carroll; Marlene & Andrew; Grace offers prayers and gratitude for her Mommy & Daddy & Brother!

Gratitude for the technology that allows us to be together for Church Service & for Fellowship!

Friends & Family: Kristin & Christopher, who have coronavirus & for their family to remain well; Don & Sue & Kevin & Catherine; Placido; Alina & Bella; Alex; Veronica & Logan; Adam; Mewith & Deen; Dee; Ed; Deb & Ed, Sr.; Alan; Gia, Nancy & Christopher; Celeste; Lisa T.; Georgianna; Amy; Martha S; Roger Moore; Solomon & kids; Diane; Michael C; Alan; Pastor Morse; Kelly; Ivy's family; Pastor J's Grandma; Ben; Brenda; Erica & Fred Marshall; Cooperwood & Price Families; Bill; Stephen; Jess; Jameson Railey; John & Sharon Stevens; Catherine (sister of Gigi & Jeff Jankowski) and their cousin Gail; Bobby Amann; John Gettes; Baby Carson; Victims of coronavirus, health workers, and those who are most vulnerable at this time; We offer our prayers for the church, the world & all people in need.

We would like to express our gratitude to the following individuals
who have been gifting their services to help bring you
the Sunday MeTV productions:

Musician/Videographer: Michael Hooker

Soloist: Theresa Kosmowski

Sound: Andrew Gruszka, The Record DJ Co.

Video and Editing: Nick Stroczkowski, Brothers and Sisters
Film Production Company

DJs/MCs, SOUND & LIGHTING

