

*Fourth Sunday after
Epiphany*



WNY Church Unleashed

January 31, 2021

*Welcome to WNY Church Unleashed hosted by:
St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Rev. Steve Biegner
Parkside Lutheran Church, Rev. Jeremiah Smith
Zion Lutheran Church, Rev. Julius Carroll*

Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

January 31, 2021



*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, ✚ one God, whose voice is upon the waters, whose mercy is poured out upon all people, whose goodness cascades over all creation.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God. Holy God,
C you search us and know us. You are acquainted with all our ways. We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin—our own sins and the broken systems that bind us. We turn inward, failing to follow your outward way of love. We distrust those who are not like us. We exploit the earth and its resources and fail to consider generations to come. Forgive us, gracious God, for all we have done and left undone. Even before the words are on our tongues, you know them; receive them in your divine mercy. Amen.

P How vast is God's grace! Through the power and promise of ✚ Christ Jesus, our sins are washed away and we are claimed as God's own beloved. Indeed, we are forgiven. In the wake of God's forgiveness, we are called to be the beloved community living out Christ's justice and the Spirit's reconciling peace.

C Amen.

Lead On, O King Eternal!



1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;
2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,



hence-forth in fields of con - quest your tents will be our home.
and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
for glad-ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er your face ap - pears.



Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong;
for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir-ring drums,
Your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light;



and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
but deeds of love and mer - cy the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.
the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

Text: Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1862–1917

Music: LANCASHIRE, Henry T. Smart, 1813–1879

Children's Time

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 1st Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

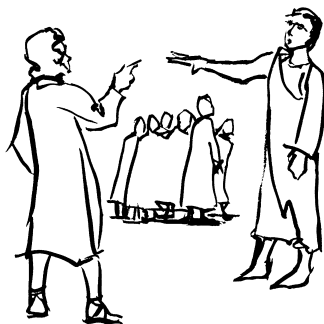
Forces that would bring death and disease have taken hold of a man, yet they recognize Jesus and know what his power means for them. Jesus commands these forces to leave and people are amazed at his authority.

[Jesus and his disciples] went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon



What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms



1 What a fel - low-ship, what a joy di - vine, lean - ing on the ev - er -
2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil - grim way, lean - ing on the ev - er -
3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean - ing on the ev - er -



last - ing arms; what a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine,
last - ing arms; oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
last - ing arms? I have bless - ed peace with my Lord so near,



lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

Refrain



Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se - cure from all a - larms;



lean - ing, lean - ing, lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

Text: Elisha A. Hoffman, 1839–1929

Music: SHOWALTER, Anthony J. Showalter, 1858–1924

Youth Time

Apostles' Creed

P Let's confess the faith of the Church together using 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

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.

Sharing the Peace and Sending

P Go in peace, remember the poor, and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's Happening This Week at St. Paul's: January 31-February 7, 2021

- TODAY:** 10:00 am: WNY Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV
10:30 am: Zoom Half-Hour (<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/84667134122>)
Meeting ID: 846 6713 4122
1:00 pm: Ray of Hope
- Tuesday:** 10:00 am: Bible Study
- Wednesday:** 12:30 pm: Staff Zoom Meeting
- Thursday:** 3:00 pm-6:30 pm: Tiger's Den Food Pantry Open
3:00 pm-6:30 pm: Daily Bread Food Truck Community Meal Share
- Sunday:** 10:00 am: WNY Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV
10:30 am: Zoom Half-Hour (<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/84667134122>)
Meeting ID: 846 6713 4122
1:00 pm: Ray of Hope

Attendance last week: YouTube/Facebook/MeTV: 200+ Offering: \$5,108.00

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

Marion Alexander: Tennyson Court, #127 in Memory Care Unit, Williamsville, NY 14221

Neal DeLeo: Brothers of Mercy, 10570 Bergtold Road, Clarence, NY 14031

Susan Epstein: 70 Fairlawn Drive, Amherst, NY 14226

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

Christopher Magin: 22 Dale Drive, Tonawanda, NY 14150

Dorothy Menth: Amberleigh, 2330 Maple Road, Apt. 383, Williamsville, NY 14221

Alison Silsby: 4360 Peet Street, Middleport, NY 14105

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

David Wolf: P.O. Box 198, Clarence Center, NY 14032

Prayer List: In our and extended family: The family of Norma Stevenson; Marilyn Emerson and her family in the passing of her nephew Scott Greenawalt; Arlene (Marsha Glose's mother); Thomas Maier; David Hornung in the passing of his wife; the family of Dolores Shearer

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

In-Person Worship: We are looking to return to in-person worship at St. Paul's beginning on Ash Wednesday at 4:30 pm. Sunday in-person worship will begin on Sunday, February 21 at 10:00 am. As we previously handled in-person worship, reservations are mandatory if you plan to attend any of the in-person services. Due to the Covid-19 restrictions, we still need to limit the number of people in the Sanctuary at one time. Please contact the Church Office at 716-835-0407 to make your reservation. If you cannot join us for in-person worship, please continue to worship with us as WNY Church Unleashed on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am on WBBZ, YouTube, or Facebook.

Covid-19 Restrictions: With the current status of Orange/Red zones in Erie County, we ask that you not stop by the Church Office unannounced. If you have a need to come to the office or meet with Pastor Steve, please call ahead and make an appointment (716-835-0407). This way we can help keep you and our staff safe during this difficult time.

Tigers Den Food Pantry: The Food pantry is open to anyone in need in zip code 14226 or by referral. February Pantry hours are Thursdays 2/4 and 2/18 from 3:00 pm-6:30 pm, and Saturdays 2/13 and 2/27 from 9:00 am-12:30 pm.



Ash Wednesday Services: 7:30-8:30 am: Ashes-To-Go Outdoors in front of St. Paul's; 9:00 am-3:30 pm: Fire Church Ashes on Scene for Amherst Fire Control; 12:00-1:00 pm: Ashes-To-Go Outside Parkside Lutheran; 4:00-4:30 pm: Ashes-To-Go Outdoors in front of St. Paul's; 4:30-5:00 pm: Indoor Ash Wednesday Service at St. Paul's; 7:00 pm: Evening Indoor Service at Parkside Lutheran; 7:00 pm: Evening Indoor Service at Zion Lutheran

Outdoor Wedding Vow Renewal: WNY Church Unleashed invites you and your spouse to celebrate a renewal of your wedding vows on Sunday, February 14 at St. Paul's. You can either gather outdoors or remain in your car. If you are interested in participating, please contact Pastor Steve or Pastor Jeremiah at 716-939-1909 for reservations.

St. Paul's Lenten Adult Forum: Beginning Tuesday, February 23 at 7:00 pm, join Lois O'Brian in a Zoom Adult Forum to discuss race issues based on Debbie Irving's book, Waking Up White. The Forum will run for 6-8 weeks. The Zoom link will be sent out at a later date. Please read Chapters 1-4 prior to the first Zoom meeting. If you would like to participate in the Adult Forum, but are unable to purchase the book, please contact the office and we will mail a copy to you.



**It's Time for the Souper Bowl!
(Now through February 11, 2020)**

St. Paul's has participated in the Souper Bowl of Caring for more than 25 years by collecting soup for local food pantries (like the Tiger's Den) and cash donations for the Daily Bread Food Truck.

This Year's collection will benefit:

**The Tiger's Den Food Pantry
The Community of Good Neighbors Food Pantry
The Daily Bread Food Truck.**

Please bring donations to the Office Door at St. Paul's:

**Put cans of soup in the "Souper Bowl of Caring" bin
Cash or Checks (to St. Paul's) in an envelope labeled "Souper Bowl"
can be put in the Office Mailbox or mailed to:**

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church
4007 Main St.**

Egbertsville, NY 14226

Your donations are greatly appreciated!



**ST. PAUL'S FIRST RESPONDERS AND
FRONT-LINE HEALTH CARE WORKERS**

Please remember all of these dedicated people in your prayers:

Ashish Bhatia
Kris DiPasquale
Stephen DiPasquale
Chad and Danielle Israel
Ryan Jones
Amber Krol
Jennifer Leary
Lisa Magin
Amber Mata
Ian Miller
Jill Pogodzinski
Thomas Quatroche

Michael Richardson
John Rodriguez
Michael Ruckdaschel
Kaetlyn Simpson
Angela Stark
Ira Striejewske
Ben Vilonen
Rick Vilonen
Mary Jo Williams
Patrick Wisniewski
Pam Wunderlin
Robert Zielinski

WINE AND CHOCOLATE PAIRINGS

PARTNERED WITH



Save the date!
Thursday, February 11th
7:30pm
\$60.00

For just \$60.00, this online event includes four bottles of wine and chocolates, available for pick up or delivery.

Enter into our virtual tasting room for a guided experience with an expert from Addy's Fine Wine and Spirits.

Perfect gift for Valentine's Day!

   @wnylutherancharities

www.wnylutherancharities.org

Parkside Lutheran Church Announcements - January 31st, 2021

At Parkside we are rediscovering the radical love of Jesus -

Gathering All, Serving All, Caring for All

2 Wallace Ave Buffalo, NY 14214 (corner of Depew)

(716)836-1361 parksidelutheran@gmail.com

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

1) Watch on your TV: Station METV - channel 5 on Cable, Fios & Dish or channel 67 on DirecTV

2) WNY Unleashed Facebook Page

3) WNY Unleashed YouTube Page

Indoor Worship at Parkside Lutheran Church will resume February 7th!

North Buffalo Food Pantry Hours are Saturday 9am-1pm - enter on Depew. Donations can be dropped off at the Pantry during regular Pantry hours or call the office to arrange drop off.

Donations requested for January-Crackers, Toilet Paper & Tissue

Backup volunteers are needed. Contact the office if you are interested in helping on the ***occasional Saturday*** for 3 hours. ***We need volunteers February 20th.***

Nonperishable food items can also be left in our little red "**Blessing Box**". Please only leave foods that can withstand freezing temps, such as granola bars, peanut butter, crackers, etc.

Meals on Wheels Parkside LC location is in great need of volunteers - if you can help 2 or 3 mornings during the week for an hour or two, please contact the office.

Prayer Tree:

Congregation: Tanya Scaccia, family & friends, as they mourn the passing of Tanya's mother, Priscilla Jane Scott ; The Hagner Family, including Lorri's father, Gary B., who has been very ill; Joan Bauer, who is recovering from Covid19; Friends & Family as they mourn the passing of Ron Arnold; Mike Miller as he heals; Tanya Scaccia for her nephew Aubree; Continued healing for Lina; Marlene & Andrew; Ruth; Joyce & Roman S; Pam; Janet Stout; Becky & Vince; Eileen & Ken Moser; Norra Carroll; Gratitude for the birth of Stephanie & Kevin's baby girl.

Friends & Family: Friends and family of Bobby Amann as they mourn his passing; Catherine, for recovery from a bad fall; John Siuta, for recovery from covid19; Helen Wolfman; Carol & Larry McAteer; Joan's son, Donald Railey who is facing multiple health challenges and other family members, Jameson & Kevin; Melanie's sons Nick and Paul and their families; Jess & Ed Forster; Bailey & Family; Donna Durkin; Beverly & Bob; Ed Yeltsis; Cory DeAeth (Ruth's grandson), and cousin Alan; Catherine (sister of Gigi & Jeff Jankowski), for her multiple myeloma to remain in remission.; Lysander Pope; Jim C. (Cheryl Kinsman's brother in law); Pray for Carson to remain cancer-free; 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.

If you would like to add to the prayer list or share some good news, please contact the office.

Parkside For Social Justice

Recommended Resource: Anti-Racism Daily "Since June 3, the Anti-Racism Daily has been sending one email a day pairing current events with historical context and personal reflections on how racism persists in the U.S. (and around the world)."

Per Kris Pope: "What I like about this resource is it is delivered via email daily (or you can choose a weekly version) with bite-sized bits of information that are related to what's happening right now, what's in the news, etc., and has resources embedded in the email if you want to take action or take a deeper dive into the history and studies. Here is an excellent example of one of their emails:

<https://www.antiracismdaily.com/archives/understand-disparities-in-healthcare-treatment-anti-racism-daily> This article explains clearly how "race doesn't put you at a higher risk; *racism* puts you at a higher risk."

Have a suggested resource or question about this Parkside For Social Justice?

Contact Pastor Jeremiah or Alison Smith alisonmsmith07@gmail.com. All are encouraged to sign the ELCA's Anti-Racism Pledge found here: <https://www.elca.org/racialjusticepledge>.



Every fourth Tuesday of the month, volunteers from Parkside hand out Burritos in Downtown Buffalo. We also distribute hats, scarfs, gloves, and masks! Donations will be collected now until spring. Contact the office if you'd like to arrange for drop-off or if you'd like to help hand out burritos!

Thanks for putting love of neighbor into action! Next date is February 23rd.



Lutheran Charities presents: Wine and Chocolate Pairings! Thursday, February 11th at 7:30pm for a virtual wine and chocolate pairings event! For just \$60.00, this online event includes four bottles of wine and chocolates, available for pick up or delivery. Enter into our virtual tasting room for a guided experience with an expert from Addy's Fine Wine and Spirits. This makes a perfect gift for Valentine's Day! Register at our website, wnylutherancharities.org and stay up to date on announcements on our Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn, @wnylutherancharities!!

Want more information about all that is happening at Parkside LC?

Sign up for our weekly email

on our website - parksidelutheran.org Like us on Facebook - Follow us on Instagram

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:

Michael Shamrock

Soloist:

Sandra Holt

Video and Editing:

Nick Stroczkowski, Brothers and Sisters Film Production Company

Sound:

Andrew Gruszka, The Record DJ Co.

DJs/MCs, SOUND & LIGHTING



WWW.THERECORDDJCO.COM

THERECORDDJCO@GMAIL.COM