



WNY Church Unleashed October 24, 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. Roger Griffiths, Jr.

"HOPE CHANGES EVERYTHING"

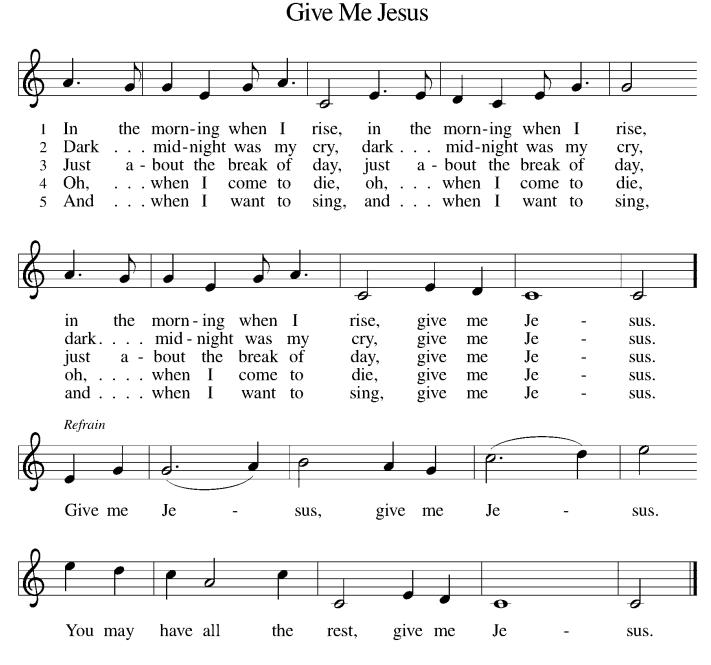
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Future services will be recorded and aired on YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV. MeTV will broadcast Sunday Services at 10:00 a.m. on the following channels: For DirecTV: Ch. 67; For Cable, Fios, and Dish: Ch. 5; For "Rabbit Ears": Ch. 67-1

Brief order for Confession and Forgiveness

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.
- C God, your love, your grace, and your presence in our lives changes everything. You see into our hearts and our minds and know better than we do all the things about us that need healing and forgiveness. All the ways we've missed the mark, all the times we've fallen short, all the places where our selfishness has damaged your creation and your creatures, all those people who have been hurt by our words, or actions, or neglect. Lord you know we are broken, but for Jesus' sake, heal us, forgive us, and change us into a people who live out your compassion and hope. Amen.
- P People of God, hear this promise loud and clear: God's Grace changes everything... and that grace is for you. There is no brokenness that God does not restore to wholeness. There is no sin that God has not erased with forgiveness. There is no power that could keep God's love from you. So let go of your shame, your guilt, and your fear... and hold onto the promise of Christ that this grace is for you. In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Opening Hymn: ELW 770



Text: African American spiritual Music: GIVE ME JESUS, African American spiritual

Children's Time

Revelations 21:1-4

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

Sermon

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 May you be unleashed, unleashed into the world, as we go in peace and serve the Lord!
- C Thanks be to God.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's Happening This Week at St. Paul's: October 24-31, 2021

TODAY: 10:00 am: WNY Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV 10:00 am: Commitment Sunday: In-Person Worship, Communion, Sunday School 11:30 am: LCLC Run4Camp 5K Run 1:00 pm: Ray of Hope 3:00-6:00 pm: Boy Scout Troop 261-Chiavetta's Chicken Dinner at St. Benedict's 7:00 pm: God on Tap Monday: 10:00 am: Bible Study **Tuesday:** Wednesday: 8:00 pm: AA Meeting 7:00 pm: Emotional Sobriety Too Meeting Thursday: Sunday: 10:00 am: WNY Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV 10:00 am: Reformation Sunday: In-Person Worship, Communion, Sunday School *** Remember to wear a costume *** 1:00 pm: Ray of Hope

Attendance last week: YouTube/Facebook/MeTV: 200+ In-Person: 85 Offering: \$4,162.00

Prayer List: In our congregational family: (* indicates new names or changes added this week)
Neal DeLeo: Brothers of Mercy, 10570 Bergtold Road, Clarence, NY 14031
Richard Elliott: 34 Pino Alto Court, Williamsville, NY 14221
Claire Franke: Elderwood, 225 Bennett Road, #223, Cheektowaga, NY 14227
Chad Israel and Hayley Israel
David Lampe: 73 Crescent Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14214
Dorothy Menth: 2330 Maple Road, Apt. 383, Williamsville, NY 14221
Alison Silsby: 4360 Peet Street, Middleport, NY 14105
Betty Venator: PO Box 386, Williamsville, NY 14231
David Wolf: P.O. Box 198, Clarence Center, NY 14032
Larry Woodward: GreenFields, 5949 Broadway, Room C119, Lancaster, NY 14086

We extend our sympathy and prayers to the family of Marion Alexander.

Prayer List: In our and extended family: Lanny Repman and Norm Kreuzer (friends of Sharon Ries); Aurora Miano (Robin and Joseph Miano's granddaughter); Ira Striejewske; Thomas Maier

Ways to Give to St. Paul's

With our return to in-person worship, we thought we would let you know about a couple of options you can use to continue tithing to St. Paul's:

- In-Person Worship: Continue to put your envelopes and cash in the plate
- **Giving by Mail:** If you are not be able to attend worship in person, please mail your donations payable to St. Paul's to the church office 4007 Main St., Eggertsville, NY 14226
- Online: On the St. Paul's website is a link to Online Giving which will allow you to donate either via PayPal or credit card. Click the Online Giving button and you will be taken to the site to set up an account, where to direct your donation, and the amount you want to donate. The website is: https://stpaulseggertsville.com/online-giving/

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

In-Person Worship: 10:00 am. Reservations are not required. With the increase of the Covid variant in our area, we are asking everyone to wear a face mask until they are seated and distanced in church. If you are singing, please make sure you have a face mask on. The Sunday 10:00 am worship service is also being livestreamed on St. Paul's YouTube page.

WNY Church Unleashed: 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.

Tigers Den Food Pantry: The Food Pantry is open to anyone in need in zip code 14226 or by referral. The Pantry hours for November are: Thursday 11/4 and 11/18 from 3:00-6:30 pm, and Saturday 11/13 and 11/27 from 9:00 am-12:30 pm. Donations for November: (will be provided next week).

Daily Bread Food Truck: The Daily Bread Food Truck has finished their "Get One" season, and is now transitioning into their "Give One" season. There are many opportunities to get involved, as well. We need help in the kitchen! We would love to add you to the team! Contact Katie at 716-835-0407 or email dailybread4007@gmail.com

Parkside Lutheran Church Announcements – October 24th, 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:

TV: Station METV – channel 5 on Cable, Fios & Dish or channel 67 on DirecTV Or, view anytime on WNY Church Unleashed Facebook or YouTube

Or, at Parkside Lutheran Church 10am Masks are required indoors for everyone.

Visit our 2 "Chalk it up to God" community outdoor art project (one is on Wallace, the other is on Depew) Add your prayer, message or drawing and "Chalk it up to God"!

Friday, Oct 29th – Halloween Event -6pm treats, 7pm movie Sunday, October 31st – Reformation Sunday Sunday, November 7th – All Saints Sunday

North Buffalo Food Pantry Hours are Saturday 9am-1pm - enter on Depew.

Volunteers are needed. Contact Kristen Lenz or the office if you are interested in helping. kristenlenz@gmail.com

Nonperishable food items can be left in our little red **"Blessing Box"** on the Depew side of the building. Give what you can, take what you need.

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.

Burrito Project - Every 4th Tuesday of the month, volunteers from Parkside hand out Burritos in Downtown Buffalo. Contact the office if you'd like to help! Next date is **October 26th**.

Prayer Tree:

Congregation: Jean Czora; Family & friends of Pastor Jeremiah's grandfather, as we mourn his passing; Chelsea, John, and Haleigh; Kristen Lenz; Joan Bauer; Stephanie E. Rogers and Ruth DeAeth for healing.

Friends & Family: Jermaine; Ken for healing; Tina (Jim Budny's sister) for healing from a fall; Florence Lennert & Family; Rebecca; Stephen; Kevin; Jamison; Don; Lysander; Kelly; Martha, Michael, Roger Moore; Healing prayers for Judi's sister, Jo Anne; Pray for Haiti and Afghanistan; We offer our prayers for the church, the world & all people in need.

If you would like to add to the prayer list please contact the office.

Parkside For Social Justice

Introduction to the Reconciling in Christ (RIC) Program: "All are Welcome"

What does it mean to be welcoming as a church community? The RIC Program is a public way for faith communities to see, name, celebrate, and advocate for people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions in the Lutheran Church. Parkside is establishing a committee to steer education and opportunities for discussion within our faith community to ensure the welcome, inclusion and advocacy for people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expression as well as continuing to work for racial equity and commit to anti-racist work.

An important part of the program involves crafting a more in-depth welcome statement that is welcoming to the LGBTQA+ community and commits to racial justice work. Crafting this statement will be the work of the entire church community. Each month educational programs will be offered around a variety of topics. A survey is being created in order to determine what topics are of interest to all of you. Educational and discussion opportunities will be offered in a variety of ways from in person small group meetings, to coffee hour discussions and Zoom. Our hope is that each program will offer a safe place to ask questions and learn together. More info to come!

If you are interested in being part of the committee to plan monthly programs please contact Alison Smith at <u>alisonmsmith07@gmail.com</u> or Pastor Jeremiah.

Volunteers Needed -

Gardeners -Will you help keep our garden beds tidy (many hands make light work)? Contact Onda Simmons or the office if you can help.

Property Committee is always looking for folks willing to help with small maintenance jobs, minor repairs, etc. on Tuesday mornings. Speak with Fran Ball or Charlie Russ if you can help, or contact the office.

The Care Committee needs volunteers to help support the Parkside Church community by writing cards to members, attendees and a few others during major life events. Cards and Bible verses will be provided, and we are hoping for a one-year commitment by each volunteer. Can you help us celebrate weddings and new babies, and provide sympathy and understanding to those who are hurting in the Parkside family? The plan is to begin in the fall. Please contact Pastor Jeremiah or the office if you are willing to help.

Altar Guild Committee needs volunteers to help with communion set up on Sunday mornings & cleaning up afterwards. Each committee member assists with eight Sundays per year and if we have enough volunteers, you would be partnered with another member. Please speak with Becky Amann or Kim Walek if you can help, or contact the office.

Want more info 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

OPPORTUNITIES AT ZION



+ Indoor Worship:

+ Saturdays @ 5pm and Sundays @ 9:15am -- ALL ARE WELCOME, WE MEAN IT!

+ Sunday indoor Church School ('rolling schedule'): contact Elaine Baker (<u>elaine@zionclarencecenter.com</u>) for the schedule.

- + Sunday Adult Bible Class @ 10:30am: contact Pastor Roger Griffiths
- Interested in helping the folks at Zion expand Zion's digital 'footprint'? *Contact Pastor Roger Griffiths*

Zion Lutheran Church 9535 Clarence Center Road Clarence Center, NY 14032 (716) 741-2656 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:

Video and Editing:

Nick Stroczkowski, Brothers and Sisters Film Production Company

Sound:

Andrew Gruszka, The Record DJ Co.

DJs/MCs, Sound & Lighting

