

*“New Beginnings”*



*WNY Church Unleashed*

*January 16, 2022*

*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.*

*“New Beginnings: Can Come with Fear”*

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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, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,

C We confess that we have sinned against you. We put ourselves first and fail to love our neighbors. We worry about the problems of others and we neglect ourselves. We have become stuck in our ways of being. We have become addicted to our own way of thinking. God, we need your grace and forgiveness. We need your help to let go. We need a new beginning. So, for the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and give us a new start, show us the way to follow you and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.

P Rejoice in this good news: In † Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. With God everything old has passed away. With God everything has become new. You have been made new. So be unleashed from your worry, fear, and shame. To live as freed and forgiven children of God. Amen.

*Opening Hymn: ELW 614*

## There Is a Balm in Gilead

*Refrain*



There is a balm in Gil-e - ad to make the wound - ed whole;



there is a balm in Gil-e - ad to heal the sin - sick soul.



- 1 Some - times I feel dis - cour - aged and think my work's in vain,
- 2 If you can - not preach like Pe - ter, if you can - not pray like Paul,
- 3 Don't ev - er be dis - cour - aged, for Je - sus is your friend;

*Refrain*



but then the Ho - ly Spir - it re - vives my soul a - gain.  
you can tell the love of Je - sus and say, "He died for all."  
and if you lack for knowl - edge, he'll ne'er re - fuse to lend.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: BALM IN GILEAD, African American spiritual

### *Children's Time*

#### *Gospel: Jeremiah 1:4-10*

Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Alas, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord."

*Sermon: Pastor Jeremiah Smith*

*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: January 16-23, 2022

- TODAY:** 10:00 am: WNY Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV  
10:00 am: In-Person Worship, Communion, Sunday School  
1:00 pm: Ray of Hope
- Monday:** 8:00 am: Office Closed  
4:30-6:00 pm: Daily Bread Food Truck Meal-Share at St. Paul's
- Tuesday:** 10:00 am: Bible Study  
5:30 pm: Burrito Project
- Wednesday:** 8:00 pm: AA Meeting
- Thursday:** 3:00-6:30 pm: Tiger's Den Food Pantry Open  
7:00 pm: Alanon
- Saturday:** 9:00-3:00 pm: Peniel Haitian Church Worship  
9:00 am: Men's Group  
9:00 am-12:30 pm: Tiger's Den Food Pantry Open
- Sunday:** 10:00 am: WNY Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV  
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1:00 pm: Ray of Hope

***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 14221  
David Wolf: P.O. Box 198, Clarence Center, NY 14032

***Prayer List: In our and extended family:*** Herbert Muck (Jean Brundage's uncle); Thomas Maier; Kevin Dennis (friend of Scott Vahue); Judy Brown (daughter of Kathryn Brown and sister of Bob Brown); Lanny Repman and Norm Kreuzer (friends of Sharon Ries); Aurora Miano (Robin and Joseph Miano's granddaughter); Ira Striejewske

***Deacon Schedule:*** 1/16: John Schunak; 1/23: Barbara Walter; 1/30: Sara Gallagher

***Usher Schedule:*** 1/16: Bob and Karen Brown

## **ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

***In-Person Worship:*** 10:00 am. Reservations are not required. In accordance with NY State mandates and because of the increase of the Covid variant in our area, we are asking everyone to wear a face mask while in the building at **all times** regardless of vaccination status. 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 January are: Thursdays 6th and 20th from 3:00-6:30 pm and Saturdays the 8th and 22nd from 9:00 am–1:00 pm. Donations for January are “snacks” such as granola bars, fruit snacks, crackers such as Goldfish crackers, and Jell-o/Pudding snack packs.

***Daily Bread Food Truck:*** The Daily Bread Food Truck in continuing their “give one” season and is parked in the St. Paul's driveway next to the flag pole each Monday night giving hot meals out from 4:30-6:00 pm. If you would like to help give out food during our Meal-Share night, please contact Katie in the office at 716-835-0407. Thank you!

***Haitian Church:*** Welcome to the Peniel Haitian Church. They are now worshipping at St. Paul's every Saturday from 9am-3pm.

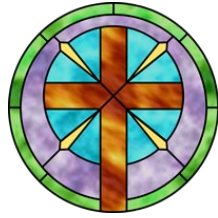
***New Missionary Meeting:*** Sunday, January 30 following the 10:00 am in-person service

### ***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/>

## 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* ([elaine@zionclarencelcenter.com](mailto:elaine@zionclarencelcenter.com)) *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  
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We would like to express our gratitude to the following individuals  
who have been gifting their services to help bring you  
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Pastor Jeremiah Smith from Parkside Lutheran Church, Pastor Roger Griffiths, Jr, from Zion Lutheran  
Church, and Pastor Steve Biegner from St. Paul's Lutheran Church -  
whose mission is to unleash the message of God's good news into every home in Western New York.***