Easter Sunday The Resurrection of Our Lord



April 17, 2022

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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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

We Prepare for Worship: Prelude Music

- P Christ is risen!
- C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Opening Hymn: LBW 151 (on the following page)

Apostolic Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

- P O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever
- C Amen.

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1–3; tr. J. Walsh, Lyra Davidica, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, st. 4 Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, Lyra Davidica, 1708

Children's Time

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

- P The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 16th Chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Mark 16:1-8

The resurrection of Jesus is announced, and the response is one of terror and amazement.

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid. P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon: Pastor Steve Biegner

Hymn of the Day: LBW 145

Thine Is the Glory



Text: Edmond Budry, 1854–1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875–1939 Music: JUDAS MACCABAEUS, George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759

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

A On this day of resurrection joy, let us offer our prayers for ourselves, our neighbors, and our world.

Renewing God, the good news of your resurrection changed the world. Give church leaders and all the baptized the same excitement as the women at the tomb, and inspire us to share your abundant life. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Sustaining God, your creation abounds with signs of new life in budding trees and newborn creatures. Provide fertile soil, ample sunlight, and nourishing rain for the growth of plants, and provide farmers with a plentiful harvest. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Sheltering God, strengthen and sustain all who support vulnerable people across the world. Empower government agencies and international organizations that provide for refugees and migrants forced to leave their homelands. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Caring God, we ask for your hand of protection to be with all of those in the Ukraine who are affected by the war. Bring peace to our world and help us to be instruments to make that happen. Let light overcome the evil. Give leaders across the globe hearts of compassion, understanding and grace. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Encouraging God, you do a new thing among us. We pray for those gripped by fear and anxiety or who suffer in any way, especially the people on our Prayer List and those we name now either silently or aloud. Send us as your healing presence to places of hunger, pain, illness, or overwhelming sorrow. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

- A Surprising God, you offer endless ways for us to delight in your grace. Give this community of faith a sense of joy and wonder in exploring new avenues of faith formation, worship, and discipleship. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.
- A Resurrecting God, you make us alive in Christ. Thank you for blessing us with faithful witnesses who now rest in you. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

- A We offer to you these petitions and those we carry in our hearts, trusting in your abundant and ever-present mercy.
- C Amen.

Offering Music and Prayer

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 4007 Main Street, 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/

- P Let us pray.
- C God of grace, we give you thanks for all the blessings you have poured into our lives. Thank you for the opportunities to share those blessings through and beyond St. Paul's. Use the gifts we offer here today and in our planned giving to bless the world with your hope, your presence, and your love. Amen

Communion Liturgy based on "I Am the Bread of Life"

- P I AM the bread of Life. You who come to me shall not hunger, And who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.
- C And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, And I will raise you up on the last day.
- P The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, And if you eat of this bread, You shall live forever, you shall live forever.
- C And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, And I will raise you up on the last day.
- P In the night in which he was handed over, our Lord Jesus took a loaf of bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.
- C And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, And I will raise you up on the last day.

Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, Who has come into the world. And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, And I will raise you up on the last day.



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

Holy Communion at St. Paul's: celebrated every time we gather, and is open to all.

Please approach by the center aisle, receive the bread and the wine, and return to your seat via the side aisle. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available. Simply request it from the assisting minister holding the wine. Children are welcome! Those who receive elsewhere may receive here. Children who do not yet receive may come for a blessing. If you have difficulty walking, communion will be brought to you at your seat.

Communion Blessing

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

Prayer After Communion

- P Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

Benediction

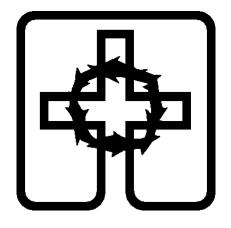
P And now as you go on your way, may the Lord go with you. May he go before you to show you the way, behind you to encourage you, beside you to be your friend, above you to watch over you, and within you to give you peace. Go today celebrating in the name of the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit,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

C Amen.

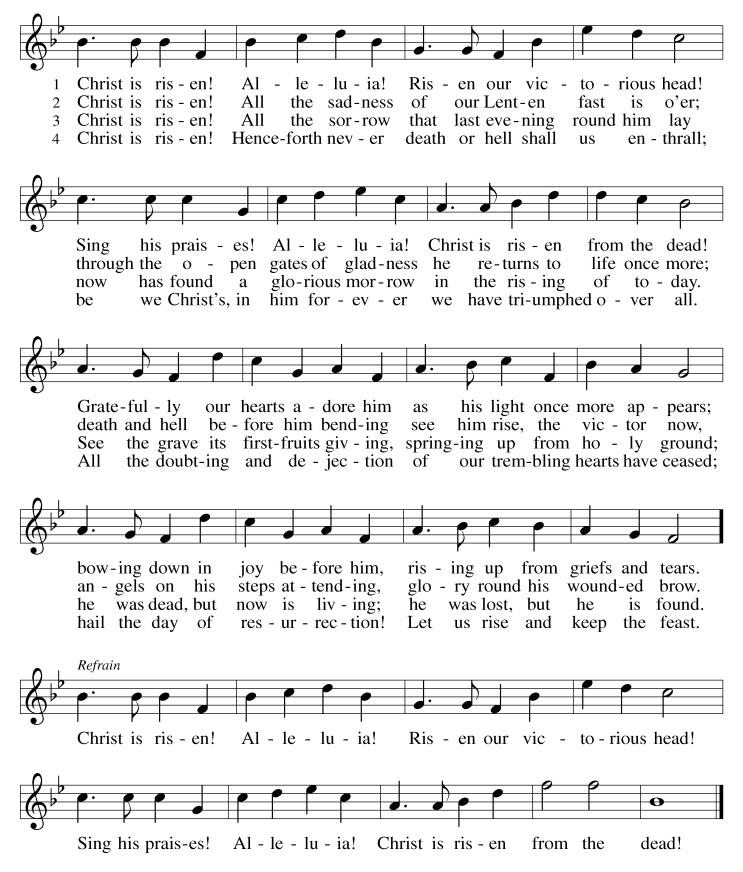
Closing Hymn: LBW 131 (on the following page)

Sharing the Peace and Sending

- P Christ is risen!
- C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- P Let's go in peace, remember the poor, and serve our risen Lord!
- C Thanks be to God.



Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!



Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt. Music: MORGENLIED, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927

Easter Flowers Were Given:





In Memory Of

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Laurence Woodward	by	Steve & Michelle Biegner
Larry Woodward	by	Jane, his wife
Bonita & Glenn Martin	by	Jill & Rick Riddoch
Florence & Leslie Riddoch	by	Jill & Rick Riddoch
Arthur, Eleanor & Joan Meyer	by	Jim & Judy Meyer
Helen, Fred, Jerry & Elaine Wertz	by	Jim & Judy Meyer
Martha Hornung	by	David Hornung
William & Dolores & David Skinner	by	Gail & Evan Singer
Our Loved Ones	by	Wes & Sharon Ries
Jack Miller	by	Sue Miller
Arlene Tesnow	by	Jim & Marsha Glose
Wes & Barb Tinsmon	by	Karlen Chase
Beloved Parents Dale & Mary Johnson	by	Bob & Karen Brown
Beloved Sister: Linda Wilson	by	Karen Brown
Beloved Sister: Susan Robbins	by	Karen Brown
Rich & Helen Heuer	by	Adimey Family
Courtney Brown	by	Kathryn Brown
B. Jackie McNally	by	Kathryn Brown
Mary Ann Storch	by	Brenda Weber Miller
Family and Friends	by	Dorothy Schugardt
Bill Schugardt	by	His Loving Family
Noah John Hannon	by	Dad, Mommy, and Addie
Robert (BJ) Kingston	by	Lucy & Lavon Amos
Jerry Behar	by	Lucy & Lavon Amos

In Honor Of

Our beloved children: Ben, Emily & John, Lizzie, and our grandchildren: Emma & J.T.

Karen & Bob Brown

In Celebration Of

by

Norma Uro	by	David Hornung
Jennifer and Sarah	by	Adrienne Leary
In Gratitude	by	Heidi Ginal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's Happening This Week at St. Paul's: April 17-April 24, 2022

TODAY:	Easter Sunday
	6:00 am: Sunrise Service at St. Paul's
	10:00 am: WNY Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV
	10:00 am: Easter Service at St. Paul's
	10:00 am: Easter Service at Amherst Lutheran Church
	1:00 pm: Ray of Hope
	3:00 pm-6:00 pm: Private Easter Reception
Monday:	Church Office Closed Today
Tuesday:	10:00 am: Bible Study
	5:30 pm: Burrito Project
Wednesday	r: 8:00 pm: AA Meeting
Thursday:	3:00 pm-6:30 pm: Tiger's Den Food Pantry Open
	6:00 pm: Alanon
Saturday:	9:00 am-3:00 pm: Peniel Haitian Church Worship
	9:00 am: Men's Club
	9:00 am-12:30 pm: Tiger's Den Food Pantry Open
	2:00 pm: Memorial Service for Betty Venator
	5:00 pm: Amherst Lutheran Church Worship Service
Sunday:	9:00 am: Sunday Series: What's the Brain Got to Do With it??? Everything!!!
	10:00 am: WNY Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV
	10:00 am: In-Person Worship, Communion, and Sunday School
	11:00 am: New Missionary Reception
	11:00 am: Conversations around the Russian/Ukrainian War
	1:00 pm: Ray of Hope

Prayer List: In our congregational family: (* indicates new names or changes added this week) Neal DeLeo: Bristol village, 8455 Clarence Center Road, #105, Clarence Center, NY 14032 Richard Elliott: 34 Pino Alto Court, Williamsville, NY 14221 Chad Israel and Hayley Israel David Lampe: 73 Crescent Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14214 Dorothy Menth: 2330 Maple Road, Apt. 383, Williamsville, NY 14221 Dorothy Schugardt: 5959 Broadway, #304, Lancaster, NY 14086 Alison Silsby: 4360 Peet Street, Middleport, NY 14105 David Wolf: P.O. Box 198, Clarence Center, NY 14031

Prayer List: In our and extended family: Thomas Maier; Ira Striejewske

Deacon Schedule: 4/17: Barbara Walter; 4/24: John Schunak
Usher Schedule: 4/17: Lonny Walter & Gerry Keppel; 4/24: Robin Miano & Sharon Adimey

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In-Person Worship: 10:00 am. Masks are now optional while you are in the building. Please be respectful of people around you regarding distancing and their comfort levels. 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 May are: Thursday 5/5 and 5/19 from 3:00-6:30 pm and Saturday 5/14 and 5/28 from 9:00 am-12:30 pm. Donations for May will be provided next week.

Daily Bread Food Truck: Monday, April 11 was the last night for the Daily Bread's Winter Meal-Share. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help us with our mission of feeding those who are experiencing food vulnerability. We look forward to our next "give one" season starting in the Fall. If you would like to help with the Food Truck please contact the office at 716-835-0407 or email at <u>dailybreadfoodtruck@gmail.com</u>

Lutheran World Relief for Ukraine: If you would like to donate, you can go to donate.lwr.org for additional information and the donation form, or mail your donation to P.O. Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297-1061. You can also call 1-800-597-5972 to make a secure credit card donation.

Conversations around the Russian/Ukrainian War: April 24 - 11am - Gathering Area Host: Craig Maefs



The world is a complex place. The current news gives us snippets of information on current events. I will be having a video/discussion on the crises in Ukraine and the events that led up to the Russian invasion. The discussion will start with a 20-minute historical and political video on the facts behind the invasion. For example, did you know natural gas has been discovered in Ukraine that would have made Ukraine a competitor in the natural gas market with Russia? That Ukraine had the third largest nuclear arsenal in the world until they agreed to give it up in 1994 with the guarantee of non-aggression by its neighbors... Lot of things to be discussed. Come with your questions. Sign-up sheet will be in the Gathering Area.

St. Paul's Sunday Series



What's the Brain Got to Do With it??? Everything!!!

Connecting All the Dots: Physical Activity, Nourishment, Spirituality, and Alternative Reinforcers

Have you ever, just not been able to get motivated, whether it be to get out the door to go for a run, eat healthier, or make it to church? How many times have you promised yourself that this week you would go to the gym three times and pack a healthy lunch, only to skip the exercise and grab a fast-food burger? What about Pastor Steve's sermon last week, truly motivating, but then you lost your way to St. Paul's the following week and decided to sleep an extra hour. Do you ever wonder if your prayers or meditations are getting you closer to God or helping you at all?

Well...ease up on yourself and come join us from 9am-9:45am beginning April 24th to learn how to take control of your brain and use the power to make change.

Sue Epstein, MS., MEd.

April 24 - Week One

My Story... Finishing 4th Isn't So Bad

Introduction to Harnessing Motivation Through Physical Activity.

May 1 - Week Two

Nourishing Food Bathes the Soul

May 8 - Week Three

The Impact Prayer and Belief has on the Brain

May 15 - Week Four

What is an Alternative Reinforcer and How Where Do I Buy One?

(Sign up will be posted on the What's Happening wall in the Gathering area)



+ St. Paul's Mission + To empower others with the Good News of Jesus Christ. We do that by: Seeking Connections, Enriching Faith, Nourishing Lives, and Demonstrating Love in God's Name.

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