

“Journey to the Cross”

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April 17, 2022

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St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Rev. Steve Biegner
Parkside Lutheran Church, Rev. Jeremiah Smith
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*"Journey to the Cross: Resurrection Hope"
April 17, 2022*

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Brief order for Confession and Forgiveness


P We begin worship today in the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and invites us to journey to the cross.

C Amen.

P Together, let's confess our brokenness to God. Holy One,

C we confess that we have wandered far from you, we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and help us return to you again. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor.

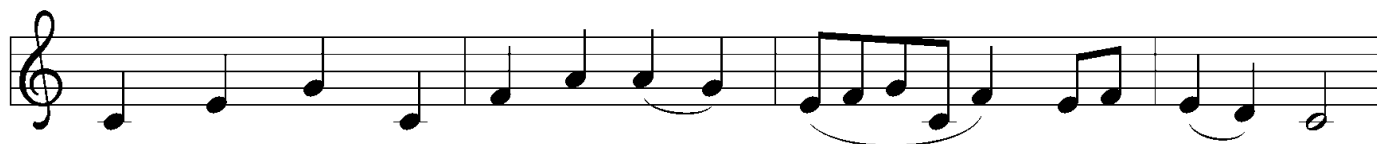
Amen

P Beloved in Christ, the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God will be saved. When we arrive at this cross, we see the incredible love God has for us. And because of that love through Jesus' sacrifice , your sins are forgiven. May you celebrate that you are unconditionally loved and forgiven by God.

C Amen

Opening Hymn: LBW 151

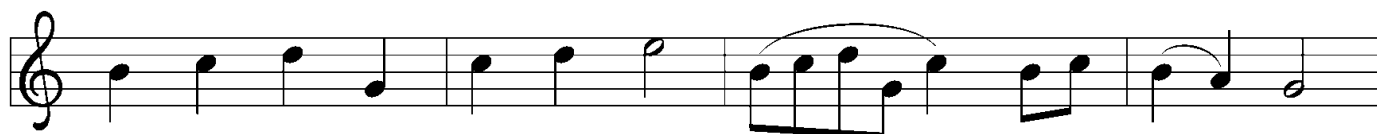
Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

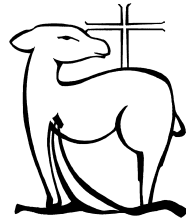
Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1-3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4
Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

Children's Time: Pastor Jeremiah

Gospel: Luke 24:1-12

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Sermon: Pastor Roger



Hymn of the Day: LBW 154 (on the following page)

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

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright



1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright; the sun shone
2 O Je - sus, king of gen - tle - ness, with con - stant
3 O Christ, you are the Lord of all in this our
4 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to you, once



out with fair - er light, when, to their long - ing eyes re -
love our hearts pos - sess; to you our lips will ev - er
Eas - ter fes - ti - val, for you will be our strength and
dead, but now a - live! To God the Fa - ther e - qual



stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord! Al - le - lu - ia!
raise the trib - ute of our grate - ful praise. Al - le - lu - ia!
shield from ev - 'ry weap - on death can wield. Al - le - lu - ia!
praise, and God the Ho - ly Ghost, we raise! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin hymn, 4th or 5th cent.; tr. John M. Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
Music: ERSCHIENEN IST DER HERRLICH TAG, Nikolaus Herman, c. 1480–1561

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: 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:** 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:** 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
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

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

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.

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/>

Parkside Lutheran Church Announcements - April 17th, 2022

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 now optional

WEATHER POLICY - If there is a driving ban in the City of Buffalo, Parkside Lutheran Church will be closed - otherwise the service will go on. However, we want everyone to be safe, so if you are unsure about the roads/travel it's ok to worship God from home!


Sun., April 17th - Easter Sunday - 10am Service - Easter Egg Hunt for kids follows service

Burrito Project - Every 4th Tuesday of the month, volunteers from Parkside hand out Burritos in Downtown Buffalo. If you'd like to help, contact Alison Smith alisonmsmith07@gmail.com. Next date is Tuesday, April 26, 2022

North Buffalo Food Pantry - Open Saturday 9am-1pm - enter on Depew side of building. DASH's Supermarket receipts are being collected to benefit the Food Pantry. Place them in the small bright green box in the Narthex. *Thank you!*

Blessing Box - We need non-perishable foods for the Blessing Box. Especially welcome are "grab & go" nonperishable foods, especially those that withstand freezing temps. Drop off donations in the Narthex or put them directly in the box. Located on Depew side of building.

Ronald McDonald House - A congregation member's grandson is raising funds for the [Ronald McDonald House](#) by collecting pop can tabs. There is a small Ronald McDonald cardboard box in the Narthex where you can leave your pop can tabs. *Thank you!*

 **Prayer Tree: Congregation:** Prayers for the Rice Family and all who mourn the passing of Jeff's dad Gary, especially Jeff, Sandra, Zach and Emma Rice and his Gary's wife, Sue. Prayers for Joan Bauer to feel the love of friends and for patience and strength; Jean Czora; Ruth DeAeth

Friends & Family: Prayers for all who mourn the passing of Rick Hooker, especially his son, our dear Music Director, Mike Hooker; Iris Wiley; Carl Byers; Samira & Family; Sherry Barstow for healing; prayers for Hannah, who is fighting cancer, Kevin; Jamison; Don; Healing prayers for Judi's sister, Jo Anne. Pray for people of Ukraine and all those affected by war; Help anyone who feels scared today. We offer our prayers for the church, the world & all people in need.

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* (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
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Clarence Center, NY 14032
(716) 741-2656*

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