

*“Resurrection”*

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*Church Unleashed*

*May 1, 2022*

*Welcome to 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.*

*“Resurrection: Through Forgiveness”  
May 1, 2022*

*Thanksgiving for Baptism*

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P In the waters of baptism, we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ, and we are a new creation.

C For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God, our Risen Savior and Lord.

*(water is poured into the font)*

P We thank you, God, for your river of life, flowing freely from your throne of mercy: through the earth, through the city, through Amherst, through every living thing. You rescued Noah and his family from the flood; You opened wide the sea for the Israelites. Now in these waters you flood us with mercy, and our sin is drowned forever. You open the gate of righteousness and we pass safely through.

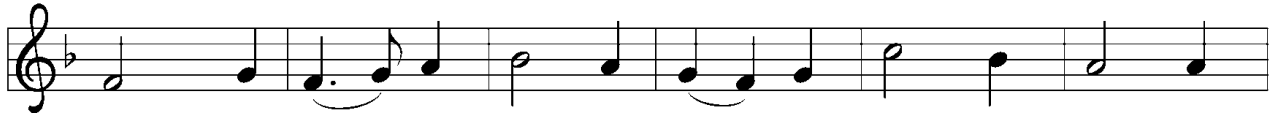
C In Jesus Christ, you calm the troubled waters. You nourish us and enclose us in safety. You call us forth and send us out. In the ups and downs of life, you are with us. You have become our salvation.

P Now Holy Spirit, breathe upon this water and awaken your church once more.

C Claim us again as your graced and holy people. Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear; inspire us to be forgiven and loved people of Easter. Amen

Opening Hymn: ELW 631

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



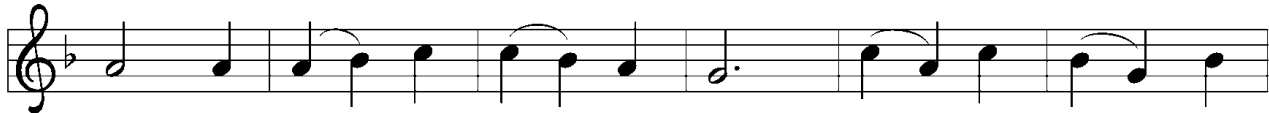
1 Love di-vine, all loves ex-cel-ling, Joy of heav'n, to  
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov-ing Spir-it in-to ev-'ry  
3 Come, Al-might-y, to de-liv-er; let us all thy  
4 Fin-ish then thy new cre-a-tion, pure and spot-less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum-ble dwell-ing, all thy  
trou-bled breast; let us all in thee in-her-it; let us  
life re-ceive; sud-den-ly re-turn, and nev-er, nev-er-  
let us be; let us see thy great sal-va-tion per-fect-



faith-ful mer-cies crown. Je-sus, thou art all com-pas-sion,  
find thy prom-ised rest. Take a-way the love of sin-ning;  
more thy tem-ples leave. Thee we would be al-ways bless-ing,  
ly re-stored in thee! Changed from glo-ry in-to glo-ry,



pure, un-bound-ed love thou art; vis-it us with  
Al-pha and O-me-ga be; end of faith, as  
serve thee as thy hosts a-bove, pray, and praise thee  
till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal-va-tion, en-ter ev-'ry trem-bling heart.  
its be-gin-ning, set our hearts at lib-er-ty.  
with-out ceas-ing, glo-ry in thy per-fect love.  
crowns be-fore thee, lost in won-der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788

Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

### *Gospel: John 21:1-19*

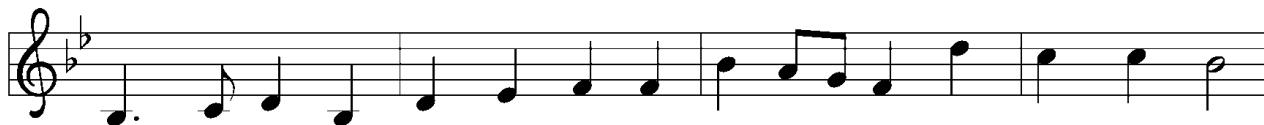
After [he appeared to his followers in Jerusalem,] Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, “I am going fishing.” They said to him, “We will go with you.” They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, “Children, you have no fish, have you?” They answered him, “No.” He said to them, “Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.” So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.” So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, “Who are you?” because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my lambs.” A second time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Tend my sheep.” He said to him the third time, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, “Do you love me?” And he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.” (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, “Follow me.”

*Sermon: Pastor Roger*

## Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty



1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty, Zi - on, let me en - ter there,  
2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore thee; come thou al - so un - to me;  
3 Here thy praise is glad - ly chant-ed, here thy seed is du - ly sown;  
4 Thou my faith in - crease and quick-en, let me keep thy gift di - vine;  
5 Speak, O God, and I will hear thee, let thy will be done in - deed;



where my soul in joy - ful du - ty waits for God who an - swers prayer.  
where we find thee and a - dore thee, there a heav'n on earth must be.  
let my soul, where it is plant-ed, bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone,  
how - so - e'er temp - ta - tions thick-en, may thy word still o'er me shine  
may I un - dis - turbed draw near thee while thou dost thy peo - ple feed.



Oh, how bless-ed is this place, filled with so - lace, light, and grace!  
To my heart, oh, en - ter thou, let it be thy tem - ple now!  
so that all I hear may be fruit - ful un - to life in me.  
as my guid-ing star through life, as my com-fort in all strife.  
Here of life the foun - tain flows; here is balm for all our woes.

Text: Benjamin Schmolck, 1672–1737; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.  
Music: UNSER HERRSCHER, Joachim Neander, 1650–1680

## 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,

## *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.

*\*\*A special thank you to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church for hosting  
Church Unleashed for the month of May\*\**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### What's Happening This Week at St. Paul's: May 1-8, 2022

- TODAY:** 9:00 am: Sunday Series: What's the Brain Got To Do With It? Host Sue Epstein  
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
- Tuesday:** 10:00 am: Bible Study
- Wednesday:** 10:00 am: Comforters  
1:00 pm: Pinochle Group  
8:00 pm: AA Meeting
- Thursday:** 3:00-6:30 pm: Tiger's Den Food Pantry Open  
6:00 pm: Alanon
- Saturday:** 9:00 am-3:00 pm: Peniel Haitian Church Worship  
5:00 pm: Amherst Lutheran Church Worship Service
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10:00 am: Baptism of Cole Matthew Beyer  
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

Alison Silsby: 4360 Peet Street, Middleport, NY 14105

David Wolf: P.O. Box 198, Clarence Center, NY 14031



*We share our sympathy and condolences with the family of Dorothy Schugardt. A memorial service for Dorothy will be held Thursday, May 12 at 1:00 pm at St. Paul's.*

***Prayer List: In our and extended family: Sandy Shaw (Leslie Boynton's sister-in-law); 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.

***Church Unleashed:*** If you cannot join us for in-person worship, please continue to worship with us as Church Unleashed on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am on WBBZ, YouTube, or Facebook. ***Future Church Unleashed 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.

***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 are: oil, sugar, salad dressing, and Kleenex-type tissues.

***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 [dailybreadfoodtruck@gmail.com](mailto:dailybreadfoodtruck@gmail.com)

***Lutheran World Relief for Ukraine:*** If you would like to donate, you can go to [donate.lwr.org](http://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 - May 1st, 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**

**Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup> 9am-noon - Cub Scout Pack 5**

**Basket Raffle & PANCAKE BREAKFAST @ Parkside Lutheran Church**


\$10/\$5 kids ages 2-4/Free for kids under 2. Walk ins welcome.

**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](mailto:alisonmsmith07@gmail.com). Next date is Tuesday, May 24th, 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!*

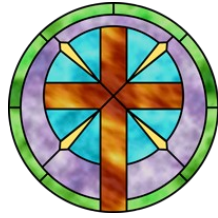
**Blessing Box** - We need non-perishable foods for the Blessing Box. Especially welcome are "grab & go" nonperishable foods as well as basic kitchen pantry items to tide people over between visits to the North Buffalo Food Pantry. Toilet paper is always welcome, too. Drop off donations in the Narthex or put them directly in the box. Located on Depew Ave.

**Ronald McDonald House collection:** There is a small Ronald McDonald cardboard box in the Narthex where you can leave your pop can tabs.

 **Prayer Tree: Congregation:** Healing for Becky Amann's mother, Betty; For Schuyler and Hannah Hosp, prayers for a healthy pregnancy; The Rice Family and all who mourn the passing of Jeff's dad Gary, especially Jeff, Sandra, Zach and Emma Rice and Gary's wife, Sue. For Joan Bauer to feel the love of friends and for patience and strength; Jean Czora; Ruth DeAeth .  
**Friends & Family:** All who mourn the passing of Telia Parker Manney; Samantha & Riley; Family & Friends of Alyssa Knight;(great-granddaughter of Art and Kay Merz), and all who mourn her passing; For remission of Donna Marie's lung cancer; Solomon & his two sons; Roger Moore; For all who mourn the passing of Rick Hooker, especially his son, our dear Music Director, Mike Hooker; Joe Frank, who is very ill, and his wife, Patricia Pope - prayers for strength; Bruce Herman; Iris Wiley; Carl Byers; Samira & Family; Sherry Barstow for healing; For Hannah, who is fighting cancer, Kevin; Jamison; Don; Healing for Judi's sister, Jo Anne. We offer our prayers for the church, the world & all those in need.

**Want more info about all that is happening at Parkside LC?** Sign up for our weekly email on our website - [parksidelutheran.org](http://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](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  
Clarence Center, NY 14032  
(716) 741-2656*

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whose mission is to unleash the message of God's good news into every home.***